



NEW MILTON BOWLING CLUB

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Minutes of CMC Meeting 11th March 2025 – 10am

Attendees

Kevin Holland KH, Alan Taylor AT, Paul Goodlad PG, Trish Towner TT, John Towner, Eric Milsom EM, Diana Proctor, Bill Wallace BW

Apologies:

Maureen Clark MC Mary Stallwood MS

Welcome:

- As MC was absent KH took the chair. KH welcomed all to the meeting on this the first meeting of the new season. After what was a fantastic previous celebration season, all were looking forward to another exciting and rewarding year.

Matters Arising from Minutes of CMC meeting February 2025

- Minutes of February meeting proposed by JT and seconded by EM. No comments made on minutes, as they will be in officers reports.

Officers Reports

President:

- No report from MC as absent and not well.

Treasurer:

- As MS was absent the accounts were submitted for January. MS however continues to work on all the accounts and will bring them right up to date – end March and circulate to CMC on 3rd April.

Secretary:

- We will be checking web analytics to manage the success of our web site, which is excellent and progressing well
- April 11th at 6.30 will be a Welcome Back get together in the Club, just a simple evening to get all together. However, this will also be an evening to vote on the new Constitution.

- The new constitution is enclosed. If anyone would like any changes then please email back to the secretary prior to our meeting so these changes can be considered.
- The steward's duty has been discussed in great depth by all committees and agreed that only slight changes will happen this year. This will be sent to all members next week. The Steward Duty changes are not great, and there will be pre-season tuition for this for those that are new to the club or would like a refresh.
- Start of season 12th April, hopefully both greens will be usable, weather permitting.
- KH to chase up sponsors to provide leaflets for Leaflet dispenser in hallway.
- AT investigating potential for new CCTV cameras that WE control and monitor. This will require liaising with Council. Recent break ins have forced the club to take this route.
- With new teams listed on our schedule KH to get new Welcome name boards for them.

Men's Captain:

- The new Policies file will also be available in the hallway, covering many aspects of Club activities. One key area is where members are working on the greens/grounds there is a disclaimer form that they must complete. The Policies will also be on the web site.
- Job Descriptions – these will be available in a file in the hallway, as well as on the web site. It is planned to have by the end of the season a clearer definition of the role of each of the sub committees, ie the ladies bowls committee, and the men's now that so much activity is underway, it is key to have clear boundaries on who does what.
- A folder has been produced for each team captain that includes all documentation required for both New forest and B&D fixtures.
- Mens Spring meeting on Saturday 5th April at 10.30
- PG confirmed there will be a selection committee for the 1st team selection, All other teams will be selected by the captain as per previous.
- Pre season warm up for the men on 17th April at 12 oclock
- Friendly trial days being arranged and will be advised to members at mens' spring meeting on Saturday 5th

Ladies Section

- Diane Proctor attended this meeting and submitted her report. There is still degree of uncertainty about Maureen's future attendance so there is a need for the Ladies Section to appoint temporary Ladies Team Captain.
- Pre-season warm up 15th April at 1.30 for 2pm

Facilities Manager Report:

- Ongoing repairs, audio shelf, heating, new notice board and covering seats in mens changing room, new hand dryer for men's toilet. Committee agreed all this with replacement hand dryer also for Ladies toilet.

- Front gate is still an issue and AT confirmed as Council are not interested he will take up the task
- Dishwasher needs repairing
- Tony Prince and John Towner will handle invoices to be paid in the meantime while MS is absent
- Budget and plan for greens and grounds work for new season to be submitted.
- Still need for hot water improvement repairs by Council
- Need for running list of outstanding items needing support from Council and update – PG to propose spread sheet
- PG to discuss with Green Staff options for shoe types for play in inclement weather
- A great deal of work both for the greens as well as the grounds and gardens was well appreciated by the CMC and a big thank you to the team involved.

Social Secretary Report:

- Over £1000 already raised for charity, and also £1000 revenue for the club....well done. Coffee mornings continue to be supported and games evening continuing.
- Saturday 22nd March Bowls Direct day

Bar Manager Report:

- Again the close season in support of social activities went very well, and thank you to those who helped.
- All looks well for the many activities planned for this season, and the bar and catering team look forward to supporting the club this year.

AOB:

- At this point the meeting was brought to an end. Agreement to meet again on 2nd April. On 2nd April the same committee was present - other than Diana Proctor, and the key objective was to complete on Any Other Business. BW took the chair and the meeting commenced at 9.40
- Dennyside Charity game – John Sandell requested a charity game with New Milton on behalf of Dennyside in 2026. We gave him a general yes, and he will attend the next Men's Bowls committee meeting on 14th April to discuss further.
- Open days - this is all planned now and all support material and publicity are planned with both Men's and Ladies Captain along with the coaching team.
- The social team John and Trish Towner, the Club Secretary Kevin Holland, and the Friendly Match Secretary Bob Ward, all confirmed their desire to retire from their position at the end of this season. So we are looking for members to consider filling these 3 positions. The job descriptions for all 3 will be in the club house soon and on the web site. The CMC would like potential members to consider this now, so they can shadow the current officers for a period of time this season to see what the role is like before applying formally. Just contact the current officer for information. A notice board will be in the club house for vacancies in future.
- Ladies pre season matches on the board in changing room to add interested names

- Coaching sessions all set up. PG and Tony Reed will outline further developments on the coaching regime and will advise members accordingly.
- Members handbooks now ready and will be available in club house. The handbook is also on the web site, and can be altered if any member requires.
- Mitchells day planned now and poster going up at Club
- Security is becoming a key issue with the club. AT to ask Mark about the fencing that is still not been fixed. It was agreed that we put in the stewards office a folder to record all security issues and also all security communication with the council
- There is a folder in the Club for all members to access covering the rules for the New Forest Bowling and Bournemouth and District Bowling leagues and competitions
- Indoor Club AGM on Monday 2nd June at 7pm
- Community Centre Bowling to continue this season on Monday morning for £5 per head. Stewards to ensure they only use rinks 11 and 12 leaving the other for members roll ups.
- Web site activity to be solely with the CMC. Other committees can of course propose to the CMC for inclusion.
- KH to speak with Memorial Centre about parking. As we now have all registrations of members cars, the Memorial Centre will take note of illegal parking, and a picture if possible, and advise us. We will take action on member. They will continue from next week to provide us with weekly parking activity schedule for all members.
- Bob Ward to be asked to continue the monthly newsletter covering all aspects of the club activity. This will be supported by PG who will create a check list for each of the committees to submit information for Bob.
- New Members meeting 12th April at 12pm
- Banners for Sections 3 and 5 achievement now up on fence for all to see.
- Yellow hatching outside equipment shed to be redone. Also No Parking sign to be installed. AT to progress.
- Link on web site to B&D and NF to be on web site at the section on league games.
- Masonic evening last for this season on 16th and 23rd April at 7pm. No access to club house after 7pm.
- Competition evening draw takes place on 17th April at 6 for 6.30. Please put names on list on notice board if attending – buffet available £6.
- Web site – logos need tidying up to within lines.
- Friendly match on May 6th, but also 1st team playing that day and also 2nd team. Need to clarify due to rink availability. On 6th May the Ladies 1st team at home are playing - they will require two rinks from 2pm, this has been entered into the diary.
- Discussion took place on potential vice captain position for men, ladies teams and for President.
- MS submitted after meeting up to date accounts.

Enclosed: Constitution and Standing Orders 2025

Next Meeting – May 28th Wednesday at 2pm

