

NOTES FROM THE VALVERDE BC MANAGEMENT MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 26TH 2012

Present

David Russell [Chairman]
Jeff Perry [Treasurer]
Keith Henley [Acting Captain]
Jen Preece [Acting Secretary]
Sue Hunt [Social Secretary]

The meeting opened at 2.15pm

Alan Preece, Press Secretary, was present at the start of the meeting to discuss publicity for the forthcoming Open Day. There was discussion on the cost of advertisements in the Portugal News and The Resident. Alan is to look into placing advertisements. He will also try to change our weekly free advert in the events column to mention the open day. Alan has also been in touch with Bowls International Magazine with regard to placing an advertisement.

David Russell, Chairman, distributed printed posters to advertise the Open Day. All members are to be asked to take some posters.

The leaflet advertising the club which was produced earlier in the year has now been printed, and copies in plastic holders are to be placed in hotels.

Alan Preece was thanked for attending.

1. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

2. Monthly reports for September were presented

David Russell, Chairman, reported on plans for the Open Day. The Open Day action list was discussed at length. A process for the day was agreed. It was felt that the important thing was to give visitors the chance to try bowling and take part in a short game. Jeff Perry will include information in the September News Letter.

Jeff Perry, Treasurer, reported that the Anniversary Pairs Competition had raised 428 euros for the club. Special thanks go to Selwyn Schewitz and Graeme Scott who returned to the club their second prize.

The club has made a small surplus on the year. Although membership subscriptions are down, green fees are up due to more Pay and Play members. The new pre paid voucher scheme has been used this year and was successful.

It was agreed that the Spider competition should be confined to visiting touring teams. In the past money raised has been shared between the club and our chosen charity. Monies

will in future just go to the club.

Jeff advised us that a new deputy treasurer will be needed, preferably with spread sheet experience. This to go to the A.G.M.

Jeff also suggested that a proposal to add the Bowls Portugal fee to our annual membership should be tabled at the AGM. This would ensure that all club members were available to play in league matches should they wish to.

Sue Hunt, Social Secretary, thanked Ibex for their successful sponsorship of the Anniversary Pairs competition. There was discussion on the procedure for raffles.

3. Sub Committees

There is nothing to report from Bowls Portugal

4. Captain`s Report, Competition Organisation and Dates

a. The Anniversary Pairs Competition was very successful. A wet green at the start of the competition identified that we no longer have a large broom to sweep the green. This will be remedied.

b. The schedule for league matches up until Christmas is now on the diary page. There was discussion on the procedure for the booking of rinks. It was agreed that four rinks must always be available for the roll ups. This will leave three rinks available for club or Bowls Portugal championship matches, but club members must book rinks by putting their names on the list. There will be a draw on the day for rink numbers.

c. Members who bring guests for training must also ensure a rink is available. If necessary members will be asked to bring the guests in the afternoons but will need to contact keyholders to open up.

It was agreed that beginners will receive a free first session. This will be noted in the club newsletter.

d. A Christmas competition and meal will be arranged once dates for the Christmas two week break have been finalised.

5.Sponsorship

Thanks were again extended to Ibex for their sponsorship of the Anniversary Pairs competition. Janet Tartaglia was happy with the response from members. Ibex are now looking at printing our scorecards.

6.New Membership Applications

None received.

7. Action List

The action list was updated

8. Any Other Business

a. There is still a need for everyone to read the proposed changes to the constitution prior to the AGM. Jeff will send out reminders to everyone regarding the AGM. A minimum of twelve full or founder members will be needed and voting cards will be issued.

b. The new green care system is working well.

c. Now that Pat Purkis is leaving the club a volunteer will be required to replace her as garment purchaser.

d. Recruiting and the Open Day were discussed earlier

e. The Hunt Cup is now available for a competition. As this summer's ladder competition has been successful it was suggested that the cup be used for a similar singles competition next year. A round robin format was preferred.

The meeting closed at 4.55pm.

9. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday October 31st at 2pm.