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Haydon Wick Bowls Club

Minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on Tuesday 6th Dec 2011.

Present; President; Martin Edwards, Treasure; Alan Walker, Club Secretary; Stuart Barker, Viv Barker, John Wilde, Jeff Fletcher, Marion Edwards, Richard Moody, Howard Smith, Paula Hughes and Marilyn Pflieger.

Apologies; John Edge

1. **Minutes;** of the last meeting, held on the 3rd October 2011 were agreed as a true record.

2. **Matters Arising;**

- The locks on the double doors and the outside door in the Men's changing room have been discussed with a locksmith with a view to improving security. We could have the barrel changed on the double door at a cost of £170 to include 20 keys. The tumble lock to the men's changing room is worn and the combination number cannot be changed. Unfortunately this type of lock is now obsolete and spare parts are not available. Fitting a new lock is a problem as its integration with the crash bar has to be investigated. Fobs will not be any use as the doors are not designed for them.
Nothing in the insurance policy says how many keys can be used.
The matter is still under investigation by Martin Edwards and Stuart Barker and at a later date a presentation will be given.
- The cost of removing the trees was £460 not £600 due to the fact that it did not take as long as expected. The logs have already been sold at £1 a bag.
- The concreting is still to be organised.
- Dave Dix, a new member, wishes to pay his fee's so that he can join in the winter activities. Stuart is going to send him a welcome pack.

3. **Treasurer Report;**

- The accounts have been audited and signed off by Sophie Thomas and Pete Mildenhall.
- A copy will be sent to Linda Brown, the Parish Council Trustee.
- At Lloyds Bank we have both Cheque and Instant Saver accounts. We also have approx. £20k on a fixed rate which would roll every 3 or 6 months. This is no longer available and so the Treasurer was asked to look at the best option for this money.
- Stuart Barker is now a signatory on the accounts.
- Proceeds from tickets, raffles and teas at the concert on Saturday raised £803, the draw for the hampers raised £230 and the "bring and buy" held by the ladies on Friday a further £130. It was a very profitable weekend and thanks are due to all involved.

4. **Secretary Report/ Correspondence;**

- The Secretary has written to confirm the S&D Ladies match against Bournemouth.
- A letter has been received to say that the Town Gardens are celebrating their centenary year in 2012. It was agreed that we send a letter of congratulations at the beginning of the season.
- Bowls England are developing strategies for facilities at clubs. The Secretary has completed the questionnaire and replied that we are very happy with our facilities.

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- Malmesbury offered a steam? roller for hire at £100 per day. We will not be taking up the offer.
- Wootton Bassett offered a men's friendly match next season. The fixture secretary has replied saying that we will be happy to play a mixed match and we await a response from WB.
- In the region of 20 friendlies have been arranged for next season with some replies still awaited.

5. Meetings.

- It was proposed that we have fixed dates for Committee meetings and these will be arranged at our next meeting on Feb 27th.

6. Repairs Around the Green.

- The Secretary is to contact Blackfords for a quote to add an extra panel to the fence. He will email the committee with the cost.
- An external electric socket is to be fitted at the allotment end of the clubhouse.
- We are also looking at putting gravel at the end of the Boules Piste with suitable gravel boarding at the bottom of the fence.

7. Access.

- Instructions on access were handed to the new Committee members.
- A new Access Rota was posted on the notice board.
- The committee were reminded that they should contact the next person on the list each Saturday.

8. Coaching.

- A coaching evening, based on "reading the head", will be held in January. Martin Edwards and Vivien Barker to advise members during the Torquay w/e.

9. Boule.

- Boule is going from strength to strength and a knock-out competition is to be held on December 30th at 10.00am. This will be followed by an American Lunch and the cost will be £1.00 plus either wine, pate, cheese or a French stick. Anyone can attend. Notice is on the Boules board.
- New granite is going to be needed.
- A floodlit match has been arranged against Cricklade.

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- Charity day for 2012 was discussed and it was agreed that Aug 11th would be suitable. The format will be agreed at a later date.
- Fire extinguishers have been tested and passed.
- There is trouble with the boiler and Jeff Fletcher has agreed to investigate.
- It was decided that Dec 21st would be an open evening this year, with the bar open, but with nothing formal.
- Thanks were recorded to Mary and June for organising the Hamper Draw and to all those who so generously contributed.
- So much information is now coming out of Bowls England by Email that some important matters are being missed. It was suggested that we go to the S&D meeting with a proposal that non important information is sent by post.
- Richard Moody has offered to collate members Email addresses. This will be announced at the pre-season meeting and it will be up to members to respond.

Date of Next Meeting;

Monday 27th Feb at 6.30pm

The President thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 8.00 pm.