Minutes of North Midlands Ladies Bowls AGM Season 2019

7th January 2020

1. Roll Call

All present

2. Minutes of 2018 AGM

Read and agreed/signed as true record

3. Matters arising

None

4. Secretary's report

Kate thanked all clubs for their continued support throughout the season and congratulated the whole of the North Midlands Ladies leagues on their success within the divisions, Summer Bash, teams and clubs both collectively and individually.

The league hosted the Summer Bash for the second year running and was proven to be a repeat success. It was greatly supported and hosted in wonderful spirit by Weddington Social Club. This year it has been offered to any other clubs with two greens – Griff have taken the mantle and it is scheduled for Sunday 30th August. Names should be entered as soon as possible to avoid disappointment. It will be ran using the same set up as previously and also with the same fun atmosphere, Griff will put on a fabulous day.

On behalf of the committee, thanks were given to the whole league for their overwhelming and generous support for the North Midlands Presentation evening. This year it was held to raise funds for #Passthesmile. This was a chosen charity for children's cancer which Ben was suffering from and he certainly fought the hardest. Bens family had a wonderful time with all of the North Midlands Ladies in attendance and wanted their thanks passing to all of you for such wonderful support and raising over £600 for the charity.

MB Bowls website is now fully embedded as the point of reference for all fixtures/results/averages and general updates information and minutes from all meetings held within the league. Sheets are not required to be sent in where results are entered electronically however a record/cards should be retained within the team in the event of any queries. Delegates were asked to ensure that final scores are checked as a final check on the cards when a game concludes.

It was confirmed that all teams in the league last years will be entering the league again this coming year which is fantastic news. The divisions will see two promotions (Windmill B and Attleborough B) and two relegations (Coventry Colliery and Attleborough C).

The fixtures are were handed out and are now live on the MB Bowls site – season starts 6th April and finishes 21st September. A reminder that 4th May is not a Bank holiday as it has been moved to the Friday 8th May for 75th Anniversary of VE Day. <u>ALL</u> Monday bank holidays avoided giving you 3 potential Monday for any rearranged games if needed – 13th April, 25th May, 31st August.

A reminder due to relegation, Coventry Colliery are now play at Kersley Rugby Club and are also changing their name to Kersley Colliery. The feedback from last year was that the guys there have done an outstanding job and the green is certainly going to provide a new and exciting challenge.

Finally, Kate wished all of the bowls family a wonderful season which is hoped to be full of sunshine and laughter and many more successes.

Deadline for team amendments and captains details is end of February where possible, if not submitted at this time it will be assumed the team carries forward from the previous year. For club contacts you must log into MB Bowls using your password. Or contact Kate who will give you a printable list.

5. Treasurers Reports

Treasurer thanked all of the clubs for paying on time with no significant financial issues to reports. It was noted that the league are continuing with the mindset of putting all of the funds back into the League and not to "make money" purely breakeven.

The room thanked Jackie Goodyear for kindly donating her audit fee back to the league.

6. Election of officers

All post holders remaining in post with support of the room. The room expressed their thanks to all of the committee for their work.

7. League Fees

No change this year – agenda for discussion next year. Currently £7 – last increased 2 years ago.

8. Notices of Motion

None proposed

10. Honorariums

After a discussion the room agreed an increase to the secretary's post of £25 and treasurers post of £20, both were received with thanks.

11 - Presentation night

As discussed in the secretary report - raised £647 for #Passthesmile

Date and venue for next year to be confirmed. Proposing November 13th or 20th. Possibly Bed Ex/Piv/Newdigate. Kate to identify room availability and secure a booking ready for next meeting with the delegates.

It was agreed we would run a similar evening and the games, food and in-particular the singer were very well received last year. Once again we will host the presentation evening to support a local charity – nominations to be submitted to the next league meeting by delegates.

12 - Next meeting

First league meeting of 2020 to be held on Tuesday 28th April - 7.30pm at Bedworth Ex.