

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Aylesbury Town Bowls Club at 1.00pm on Saturday, 15th November 2008.

- 1. Attendance.** The meeting was attended by 44 Delegates representing 35 Clubs. Those Clubs not represented were: Bletchley St Martins, Bletchley Town, Chandos Park, Scot, Winslow, Wolverton Park, Wendover, Broomwade, Chesham, Flackwell Heath, Glory Mill, Hazlemere and Burnham. The five Officers, together with three Past Presidents, two of whom were delegates of their Clubs, a Life Member and four ex-officio members were present. The President, D Lewis, took the Chair and one minute's silence was observed for those members who had passed away during the last year. The Association Secretary read out the names during the silence.
- 2. Minutes:** The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday 17th November 2007 had been circulated to all delegates. The Association Secretary commented on a minor error which was corrected. On a proposition by C Turvey, seconded by G Spenceley, they were accepted as a true record and signed by the President.
- 3. Matters Arising:** There were no matters arising from the minutes.
- 4. Appointment of Tellers:** D Throup and R Keen were appointed.
- 5. Secretary's Report:** This had been circulated to all delegates. There were no matters arising, but minor changes would be incorporated into the Website entry.
- 6. Treasurer's Report:** This had been circulated to all delegates. On a proposition by G Spenceley, seconded by R Pye the report was accepted. This report included the Finance Committee's Report.
- 7. Auditor's Report:** The report stated that the accounts, as presented, represented a true statement of the fund. On a proposition by B Borg, seconded by A Dimmock the report was accepted. The Association Secretary reported that the Auditor had congratulated the Treasurer on the way the accounts had been presented.
- 8. MC Team Managers Report:** This had been circulated to all delegates and the Team Manager answered questions to the meeting's satisfaction, confirmed that 2008 would be his last season as Manager and gave his best wishes to his successor.
- 9. Under 25s Team Manager's Report:** This had been circulated to all delegates. There were no matters arising.
- 10. BE Delegate's Report:** This had been circulated to all delegates. There were no matters arising.
- 11. HCBA Delegate's Report:** This had been circulated to all delegates. There were no matters arising.
- 12. To receive the Committee Chairmen's Reports.**
 - 12.1 Match & Competition Committee: This had been circulated to all delegates. There were no matters arising.
 - 12.2 Planning Committee: This had been circulated to all delegates. There were no matters arising.
- 13. Fees for 2009:** On a proposition by W Church, seconded by G Fardon the following recommendations were resolved:
 - i. A decrease in the match fee from £8.00 to £6.00 for 2009 only.
 - ii. An increase in the contribution towards County Officials expenses by 5%.
 - iii. An increase in the allowance for the Green Starring Committee from £225.00 to £250.00.
- 14. Bucks President's Tour 2009:** As the requisite number of bowlers had applied, C Turvey proposed that the tour should go ahead. This was seconded by R Mahoney and resolved.
- 15. Annual Dinner 2009:** The approval to hold a County Dinner in 2009 was accepted on a proposal from C Turvey, seconded by S Goff. J Applegate and R Keen to seek a new venue as the Ex-Services Club was not suitable for a County Dinner.
- 16. County and Executive Matches for 2009:** The Match Secretary reported that all fixtures were resolved and all venues arranged. On a proposition by A Anderson, seconded by B Dawkins these recommendations were resolved.
- 17. Bowls England Executive Member and Reserve:** A Loakes proposed that R Keen (Chesham) be appointed as the Executive Delegate to BE. This was seconded by W McCunn and carried. On a proposition from A Dimmock, seconded by A Anderson, L Smethurst (Chesham) was appointed the reserve delegate. (*Secretaries Note: The President is normally the 2nd reserve*).
- 19. Two HCBA Delegates and a Reserve:** D May (Broadway) and R Keen (Chesham) were proposed by J Applegate, seconded by B Dawkins and appointed. B Dawkins (Amersham) was proposed by L Richardson, seconded by J Mason and appointed as the reserve delegate.

- 20. Child Protection Officer:** D Gauld (Gerrards Cross) was proposed by D Ward, seconded by S Goff and appointed.
- 21. Benevolent Fund Officers:** The Secretary pointed out an error last year with the appointees and on a proposition from C Turvey, seconded by J Tregurtha, B Richardson, D Richardson and B Clark were re-appointed to join M Cavill and R Gauld – R Sutton had resigned.
- 22. Constitution and Rule Changes:** The following changes were proposed, on the recommendation of the Executive Council, by J Smail, seconded by A Anderson and carried:
- i. Match and Competition Committee. Amend paragraph 5.6.2.1 to read ‘ To be comprised of the Association Secretary, Match Secretary, Competition Secretary and League Secretary with the Chairman appointed from one of its members.’
 - ii. Selection Committee.
 - a. Add new 5.5.11.5 ‘Selection Committee.’
 - b. Add new 5.6.5 ‘Selection Committee.’
 - c. Add new 5.6.5.1 to read ‘To be comprised of an appointee from each of the four divisions, the Match Secretary and the President. The Administration Officer to attend ex-officio. A Chairman to be appointed from one of its members.’
 - d. Add new 5.6.5.2 to read ‘The Committee to be responsible for the selection of all Inter-County and President’s matches.’
- 23. Life Membership:** Following a paper ballot D Lewis was awarded Life Membership and presented with his badge by the SVP.
- 24. Appointment of Officials.**
- 24.1 Match Secretary:** I Harvey (Marlow). Proposed by J Smail, seconded by R King and appointed.
- 24.2 Administration Officer:** G Holmes (Broadway). Following a ballot between G Holmes and D Black (Woburn Sands) G Holmes was appointed.
- 24.3 Middleton Cup Team Manager:** B Richardson (Princes Risborough). Proposed by W Church, seconded by I Harvey and appointed.
- 24.4 Middleton Cup Team Selectors:** J Applegate (Waddesdon) and D May (Broadway). Proposed by B Richardson, seconded by A Loakes and appointed. J Applegate informed the meeting that this would definitely be his last year as a Selector.
- 24.5 Competition Secretary:** D Throup. Proposed by I Harvey, seconded by J Applegate and appointed.
- 24.6 League Secretary:** R Keen (Chesham). Proposed by N Dolton, seconded by W McCunn and appointed.
- 24.7 U25 Team Manager:** D Oxley (Broadway). Proposed by V Western, seconded by A Anderson and appointed.
- 24.8 County Coach:** R Harvey (Broomwade). Proposed by P Bullen, seconded by R Pye and appointed.
- 24.9 Web Manager:** D Throup. Proposed by R Pye, seconded by D Manderfield and appointed.
- 24.10 Auditor:** J Melrose (Winslow). Proposed by S Goff, seconded by C Turvey and appointed.
- 25. Election of Officers:**
- 25.1 Secretary:** JL Applegate (Waddesdon). Proposed by I Harvey, seconded by D Lewis and re-elected.
- 25.2 Treasurer:** A Goss (Aylesbury Town). Proposed by R Pye, seconded by G Milligan and re-elected.
- 25.3 Junior Vice-President:** There was only one nomination. A Anderson (Denham) who was proposed by D Seymour, seconded by G Milligan and elected. He was presented with his badge of Office.
- 25.4 Senior Vice-President:** G Milligan (Aylesbury Town) who was proposed by B Dawkins, seconded by G Spenceley and elected. He was presented with his badge of Office.
- 25.5 President:** B Dawkins (Amersham). Proposed by D Lewis, seconded by J Mason and elected. He was presented with his President’s Jewel, Collar of Office and Bannerette.

Signed: _____ (President)

Date: _____