



BOWLING CLUB DE ZURGENA

MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at the Club House on **Thursday 5th September 2024** - Meeting opened at 13.15H with AL in the Chair.

1. Attendance: Adrian Leitch (AL), Tony Harris (TH), Graham Shoots (GS), Paul Day (PD), Maureen Hanratty (MH), Roy Keningale (RK) and Rich Brimble (RB).

2. Apologies: Carol Way (CW), Neil Leeder (NL).

3. The Minutes of the previous meeting dated 1/8/24 were agreed. Proposed. PD, Seconded GS.

The minutes of EGM dated 20/8/24 were agreed. Proposed. PD, Seconded GS.

4. Matters arising & actions. No matters arising.

Actions:

- Reform of Constitution, AL & TH, ongoing.
- All actions pertaining to the EGM 20/8/24 had been completed.
- All actions pertaining to the North v South Challenge had been completed.
- Photographs of committee members were now on the notice board.
- NL has ordered committee name badges.
- The smoking policy had been included in the club rules contained in the last Newsletter.
- A suggestion box is now located in the seating area at the club.
- Draft committee and EGM minutes have been emailed to all members.

5. Green update including footwear policy

The 10% deposit has now been paid to Greenguage.

The Town Hall say we can keep some of the old carpet which we can lay at the ends of the rinks.

Greenguage have an industrial vacuum for sale at a cost of £2280. This is an essential piece of equipment which will be regularly used and will ensure we adhere to the guarantee conditions re maintenance.

It was unanimously agreed that we purchase the hoover from Greenguage.

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The following footwear policy was agreed for the new green.

- Members will be required to wear recognised bowls shoes with a smooth sole or re-soled shoes with a smooth, flat sole.
- Visiting bowlers will only be allowed on the green if they wear recognised bowls shoes with a smooth sole or re-soled shoes with a smooth, flat sole.
- Any new bowlers, taking advantage of our free coaching sessions must wear flat soled shoes.

Th will inform all clubs of this policy which will commence in January 2025.

ACTION: TH

MH will source a stock of suitable second-hand shoes that can be loaned to new bowlers.

ACTION: MH

6. Control and granting of membership by the committee.

The following policy was agreed:

- All new or returning members will be vetted by the committee and the members.
- On application for membership, they will be told their membership is provisional and will be confirmed no later than 2 weeks from the date on the membership application form.
- The names of potential new members will be placed on the notice board and emailed to members.
- Members can object to a membership application only if they do so in writing to the Secretary, TH.
- Membership applications from bowlers moving from another club must include a recommendation from their previous club.

7. New membership applications

The following membership applications were approved.

Jackie Leutchford, Mike Leutchford, Brian Mason and Stuart Sedge. Membership now stands at 77.

It was agreed to task CW with recommending associate membership to anyone who volunteers to be a regular presence in the tea hut. Current associate members are Lyn Lyons and Pauline Hayes.

ACTION: CW

8. Website update

Although the current website is still accessible, it is defunct and cannot be updated. TH has been designing a new website from scratch and it is almost complete. TH previewed the new website to those present who agreed that it was more than suitable to be published.

It was also agreed to pay an initial hosting fee of 11€ a month which included a new domain name free for the first 2 years.

TH said that the next steps are to complete the finishing touches for the new website, to delete the old website, publish the new one and then to inform our members, FAB and all relevant clubs of the new web address. He was hopeful this could be done before the start of the winter league.

ACTION:TH

On behalf of the committee AL thanked TH for time put into the project and for a job well done.

9. Zurgena BC draft calendar 2025

The draft calendar for 2025 had been completed, circulated to committee members and submitted to FAB. The details are now on the FAB TeamUp Calendar, will also be included in the new website and placed on the club notice board.

10. Stocking of tea bar

Due to a particularly busy period with fun days, Rock and Bowl evenings etc committee members have had to make excessive trips to local supermarkets to re-stock the bar. This takes time and expense in the form of fuel etc.

Two problematic issues were discussed. 1. Replenishing stock, and 2. Doing the shopping.

Various options were discussed, and it was decided in the first instance to try and alleviate the shopping issue by seeing if any local supermarkets would deliver to the club. Suggestions included the supermarket in Zurgena, Mercadona and Dia (Albox). MH will make enquiries and report back. **ACTION:MH**

It was agreed that a system of stock taking was required but this would be deferred to the next meeting.

It was also agreed that TH would speak with Ian Mason to see how the Europa Food ordering system works online with a view to allowing someone else to order items when IM was away or unavailable. **ACTION:TH**

11. Any Other Business

RK, RB and Steve Marshall will be measuring the level of the green so we were aware of the drop off on rinks 1 and 6. This information will be passed to Greenguage so they will be able to estimate the volume of remedial work required.

It was agreed that RB would purchase 3 outside lights, as about 20 euros each, plus wiring etc to illuminate the entire seating area around the tea hut. **ACTION: RB**

RB also reported on the programme of works he was carrying out and it was agreed he could buy wood stain and brushes etc to accomplish this. He would form a small working party. **ACTION: RB**

AL – the rendering job along the wall at the near end of the green was a big job and it was agreed to get 2 quotes from local tradesmen for this. TH agreed to get a quote from Adrian Tito and GS will ask his plumber if he can recommend another. **ACTION: TH & GS**

MH asked if names and photos of new members could be placed on the notice board. TH stated that new members were welcomed in the newsletter, and he would attempt to include photos if possible. **ACTION:TH**

PD reminded everyone and it was agreed that the first coaching session for new bowlers was free, i.e. they don't have to pay the 5€ green fee.

FUN DAYS – It was agreed that every effort would be made to give non bowlers attending fun days, a short 10-minute bowling session, before the competition started and this would normally be carried out by the person who invited them.

It was agreed to hold another Rock and Bowl evening on Sunday 22nd September, with registration being at the earlier time of 4pm.

Roll up opening, the draw and closing responsibilities were agreed as:

Tuesdays - Cliff Smith opens. RK will lock up.

Thursdays – AL opens and locks up.

Saturday – NL & GS open and lock up.

Members will be reminded that the official time to lock up is 2pm and any stay over that time is dependent on the availability and good will of the respective key holder.

The meeting closed at 14.15H