

BOWLING CLUB DE ZURGENA

MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Held at the Club House on Tuesday 20th May 2024 - Meeting opened at 10.30am

Attendees: Ian Mason, Tony Mason, Maureen Hanratty, Tony Harris, Graham Shoots and Carol Way

Apologies: Paul Day

Minutes of the previous meeting were agreed, signed and filed

President's Report

Hopefully we can make this part of the meeting quick so that we can move to AOB.

We have had a meeting with the town hall and they didn't get any funding from the European grants. They have in principle told us that we can do work to the club, but we have to put in work orders first with details of what we are doing. We can't put in the works order until we know which route, we are going down. This will be discussed in AOB.

Gomez Ford have agreed to sponsor us again this year and have paid. We are still waiting to hear from the others.

We were well represented in the Nationals, hopefully Tony will give us more detail in his report.

Treasurer's Report

Total balance in the bank 67,492.24€. Cash 2,189€ totalling 69,681.24

Captain's Report

Not much to report, just well done to those who represented the Club in the Nationals and huge congratulations to Shootsie on winning Spain's National Men's singles title.

Vice President's Report

It's great to see lots of new people coming along for coaching and subsequently joining as full members.

We had three club members representing Zurgena in the Nationals. Maureen beat some big opposition to come 3rd in her group behind the two ladies finalists, Jan Dando topped her group to go through to the semi finals of I am delighted to have won the men's singles title.

Secretary's Report

I am still continuing to chase up our sponsors in the limited time I currently have.

Systems Administrator's report

Nothing to report

Competition Secretary's Report

My initial task in this role involved trying to bring the Monday League Singles competition to a conclusion, as numerous matches remained outstanding by the end date. I therefore extended the deadline by four weeks, and despite outstanding games remaining, we now have the semi-finals and final arranged for next week, the 20th and 23rd of May. As this was a new tournament, I would appreciate any feedback on its management and suggestions for its potential continuation and improvement next year.

The consensus among players was that the competition was enjoyable, yet rescheduling cancelled matches proved challenging.

Also, there is no trophy for this competition, and we must decide if we are going to buy one, what we are going to call it and who pays for it.

The Zurgena Drawn Pairs competition was cancelled due to only 6 entrants, and this may have been due to it clashing with the Arboleas 'Walk for Life' weekend.

Although organizing fun days does not fall under the responsibilities of the Competition Secretary, with several committee members absent and Carol only recently appointed as Social Secretary, I took the

initiative to promote the Ibex Trophy Fun Day. In addition to assisting on the day, I will also select the teams and arrange the playing schedule. The deadline for entries is tomorrow, Tuesday, May 21st.

The Zurgena Hong Kong Pairs competition will take place on 21st to 24th June and I will post information on the noticeboard next week.

I have agreed a friendly at Zurgena against Phoenix Bowls Club for Thursday 3rd October at 14.00H.

I have also had a request for a friendly at Zurgena against Vistabella Bowls Club, Alicante and although yet to be confirmed by them, it is penciled in for Monday 30th September.

Neither of these dates clash with any FAB events.

Going forward I intend to recruit a small team to assist me in the role. Neil Leeder is the first member, and I am looking for someone with I.T. skills so we can display and update results on a screen, particularly during FAB Open competitions.

Next year the plan is to run the Monday singles league slightly differently with perhaps a sets format.

To discuss bringing in a Champion of Champions competition and possibly Premier 20. Ruth Compton is investigating these options.

Maintenance

Absent due to resignation of maintenance manager

<u>FAB</u>

Nothing to report

Fund Raising and Social

Thank you for inviting me onto the committee as Social secretary. I will do my best for the club and look forward to working with everyone.

The ibex trophy fun day is on Sunday and I have been in touch with Bernie from Ibex and she will be attending the presentation and is looking to see what she can bring as a gift for the members.

Raffle prizes have been requested from the members via emails sent by Tony H.

Cakes are being made for sale during the afternoon.

Once the funday is done I will look at what events we can run during the summer and plans for Christmas.

Any Other Business

- 1. The costings for a new green were discussed and an EGM is to be called to put our findings to the members.
- 2. A rota for manning the tea hut must be discussed after the EGM
- 3. The rinks need to be moved but this will not be done until after we know what is happening with the green, so after the EGM
- 4. Shading was discussed and it was determined that parasols are too dangerous given the exposure to wind at the far end of the rinks. Maureen to look into the benches at Mojacar Bowls Club to assess suitability and costing as these will not require any planning permission.
- 5. Opening Up

Roll Up Days Tuesdays – Cliff Smith Thursdays – Ian Mason Saturdays – Maureen and Shootsie Non Roll Up – new key lending initiative The Club will not be available on Mondays before 11am Members may borrow keys, subject to availability, from one of seven keyholders: Shootsie, Maureen, Tony Mason, Donald Garden, John Pooley, Carole Thomas and Neil Leeder

Next Meeting

The next meeting date to be advised

The meeting closed at 11.55am