

**MINUTES OF THE AUTUMN COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT OLD BASING BOWLING CLUB  
ON FRIDAY 14th OCTOBER 2022**

1. **PRESIDENT'S OPENING REMARKS**

Vice President, Stella Hayden, opened the meeting at 2.12pm, welcoming those present and thanking Old Basing for the use of their facilities.

2. **APOLOGIES** Elaine Bennett (Treasurer), Carol Eichen (Competition Secretary), Cynthia Abraham, Pat Welch (Committee Members), Rona Jennings (Farnborough), Audrey Salter (Fleet Social), Kate Gooding (Hawley), Janet Guess (Hawley), Karen O'Dea (Old Basing), Sue Lake (St. Mary Bourne), and Ricky Lawrence (Yateley).

3. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the Spring Council Meeting dated 18.03.2022 were sent out with the agenda prior to this meeting. It was agreed that the Vice President should sign them.

Proposer: Alice Atwell (Alton Social)      Seconder: Linda Habberfield (Alton)

4. **MATTERS ARISING**                      There were no matters arising

5. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter from Thornycroft BC withdrawing their membership from the NHWBA.

Notice of 2022 AGM sent to all clubs.

E-mail from the Lismoyne Hotel with menu choices for the Annual Luncheon & Prizegiving.

Letter to the Lismoyne Hotel with the menu choices for the Annual Luncheon & Prizegiving.

Notice re. Luncheon & Prizegiving to all clubs.

Letter to all clubs asking if there are amendments to the propositions that are being presented at the 2022 AGM.

Thank you card from Ann Guerin (Cove) for the card the Association sent on the occasion of her Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

Diane Timms has sent sympathy, congratulations and get-well cards on behalf of the Association

6. **REPORTS**

**TREASURER:** There was no report from the Treasurer Elaine Bennett.

**COMPETITION SECRETARY:** The Competition Secretary, Carol Eichen, gave the following report

My apologies for not being able to attend the Autumn Council meeting.

The Dolly Anstey was played at Farnborough BC on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2022 with 23 competitors playing from the original 28 entries.

It has been decided that this competition will be drawn on the day and players will need to arrive at the venue at 8.45am for registration with the draw to take place at 9.00am. and to play up to and including the semi-finals (if possible)

as this competition is only 15 ends. I am looking for a venue for this competition which should be played mid-week in June, if possible, please email me if you would like to host

The Kath McFauld was played at Old Basing BC on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 with only 24 competitors playing from the original 33 entries. This will also mean competitors to arrive at the venue at 8.45am for registration and the draw will take place at 9.00am. This competition will also be played up to the semi-finals (if possible) as the competition is only 12 ends. I am also looking for a venue for this competition which should be played on a Saturday in June, if possible, please email me if you would like to host

The C of C was played at Howard Park on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2022. 15 entries with 6 withdrawals and 2 no shows who, when contacted, said they did not no they were down to play. For future reference I will not be asking for home addresses but will require your email address to enable me to contact the players before the game to let them know their club had paid for this competition and entered them as their club champion. This will be played at Old Basing BC

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Farnborough BC, Howard Park BC, and Old Basing BC, who hosted these competitions. We were made very welcome at each venue and were very well looked after. Also, a big thank you to all the Ladies and Gentlemen (15 in total) who so kindly gave their time to mark individual games, and of course Peter Wright who Umpired all our matches.

As you will appreciate it is exceedingly difficult to fix all the play on dates so early for the competitions as I try my hardest to avoid the County dates which are published so much later. So, these dates will hopefully be available at the Spring Council Meeting. You all have a copy of the competition dates used this year and you can see why I played so many games in May as there was no availability in June and July.

The competition draw date to be advised

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2023 The Champion of Champions up to and including the semi-final – President Green Old Basing BC

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023 Semi-final and Final of Gazette Cup – President's Green Old Basing BC

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2023 will be a finals weekend – President's green Old Basing BC

Finally, thank you for the kindness, patience and support I received from all you ladies throughout the season it is as always very much appreciated.

**MATCH SECRETARY.** The Match Secretary, Jenny Harvey, gave the following report:

Vice President Stella, fellow officers and committee members, ladies...

I hope you all enjoyed a very busy and successful outdoor season despite the extreme weather and the fact the calendar was compressed somewhat by the occasion of the Commonwealth Games...some good bowling on show at Leamington but I often thought there was better, closer bowling at some of our league and competition games in our area!

Unfortunately, the Harrow game was postponed again due to their Match Secretary being unable to raise a team to travel; the cost of the coach was also a defining factor. We are due to travel to them in 2023, hopefully we will be in a position to fulfil the commitment. The game against Watford was held at Yateley – thank you very much to the ladies of the club who made us very welcome with a refreshing cuppa on arrival and a lovely meal to round the day off – we won too, which rounded the afternoon off perfectly! We have a return match with Watford next year - a date has been fixed but, as at the time of writing, no venue has been confirmed.

The game against the Rest of the World was cancelled due to prevailing extreme heat; it was deemed sensible to take action in the light of health and safety issues for the players concerned and to be cognisant of warnings issued by various authorities. The games against Camberley Ladies and West Surrey Ladies went ahead as planned, I hope those who took part had an enjoyable afternoon in good company. Many thanks go to the Basingstoke Town ladies for their warm welcome and a very nice meal to close the day.

It has been a real pleasure to see some new faces bowling with us and the awarding of several badges to those who have played their 10<sup>th</sup> game for the Association. Thank you to everyone who made themselves available for our friendlies – some at very short notice – your support is really appreciated.

Unfortunately, I have to report that the indoor game against Chawton Park IBC Ladies was cancelled by them as they could not raise a team. Many thanks to Stella for covering for me as I was away. As far as I am aware, the game scheduled against Camberley Ladies on the 25<sup>th</sup> October is still going ahead.

I hope to have some good news about a couple of new fixtures at the AGM, so watch this space! Good luck to you and any of your club members taking part in domestic, association, county and national indoor competitions in either long and/or short mat – have an enjoyable indoor season.

PROPOSED: Ann Guerin (Cove) SECONDED: Carol Scott (Basingstoke Town).

7. **FEES FOR 2023**

Affiliation Fees	£17.00	
Gazette Cup	£ 6.00	
Competition Fees – including Dolly Anstey 2 Wood Singles, Kath McFauld Pairs.	£ 2.00	
Champion of Champions	£ 3.00	
Friendly Matches	£ 9.00	
Friendly Matches (Coach)	£10.00	
Green Fees – for Dolly Anstey 2 Wood Singles, Kath McFauld Pairs, & Champion of Champions and Semi Finals.	£ 2.00	This money goes to the host clubs.

8. **ANNUAL LUNCHEON AND PRIZEGIVING**

Tuesday 8th November 2022 – 12noon for 12.30pm at The Lismoyn Hotel, Fleet.

Menu: The menu: Prawn Cocktail, Marie Sauce, Bread & Butter-or-Chicken Liver Pate, Onion Chutney-or-Warm Salad, Garlic Mushrooms, Melted Brie.

Roast Chicken Breast, Stuffing, Pigs in Blankets, Savoy Cabbage, Roast Potatoes-or-Fresh Fillet of Salmon, Saffron Sauce, Crushed New Potatoes, Tender stem Broccoli-or-Butterbean & Cheddar Crumble, Herbed Potato.

Homemade Lemon Posset, Shortbread Biscuit-or-Fresh Fruit Salad, Mango Sorbet-or-Chocolate & Salted Caramel Tart, Fresh Cream

Tea, Coffee & Mints

Cost: £28.00

The final date for numbers is 25<sup>th</sup> October, there will be no refund if cancelled after this date.

- 9 **AGM** Friday 25th November 2022 at Old Basing BC at 2pm.  
The Secretary reminded Delegates that only two members of their club can vote, but the AGM is open to all members of the affiliated clubs who wish to attend.

10 **NOMINATIONS FOR 2023**

Vacancy	Nomination	Club	Proposed	Seconded
VICE PRESIDENT	<b><u>VACANCY</u></b>			
PRESIDENT	MRS S HAYDEN	Old Basing BC		
IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT				
SECRETARY	MRS J BLOOM	PYESTOCK BC	MRS F GREEN	MRS P COSTER
TREASURER	MRS E BENNETT	HOOK BC	MRS C POULTER	MRS K WOODGATE
COMP SECRETARY	MRS C EICHEN	COVE BC	MRS A FLINT	MRS J ALLEN
MATCH SECRETARY	MRS J HARVEY	FLEET UTD BC	MRS J BRINDLEY	MRS K VOUT
COMMITTEE	MRS D TIMMS	WHITCHURCH BC	MRS C GOODRIDGE	MR L HAYWARD
	MISS W TAYLOR	HOWARD PARK BC	MRS T ALLISON	MR A TAIT
	MRS M WOODAGE	ODIHAM & NTH WARN BC	MRS A WEBSTER	MRS J CAVANGH
	<b><u>VACANCY</u></b>			

11 **PROPOSITIONS**

**DELETE**

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**ADD**

**PROPOSITION FROM THE COMMITTEE**

**RULES AND CONSTITUTION**

12. **DRESS**

**DELETE**

a.

*At all Inter-Association matches and indoor matches Regulation Dress shall be worn: Association Shirt or white or cream polo shirt, regulation white or cream skirt or dress, two pleats at front and two at back, length just below the knee, regulation white or cream culottes, regulation tailored full-length trousers or regulation tailored cropped trousers of opaque material.*

*At all one-day competitions and other official occasions Regulation Dress shall be worn: Club Shirts or white or cream polo shirt, regulation white or cream skirt or dress, two pleats at front and two at back, length just below the knee, regulation white or cream culottes, regulation tailored full-length trousers or regulation tailored cropped trousers of opaque material.*

*Hats are optional at all times, but when worn must be of an approved style. Tights or stockings are optional at all times, but if worn must be in shades of brown. Brown, grey or white shoes shall be worn with uniform on the green. Pop socks are only allowed when wearing full-length tailored trousers. Jewellery, if worn, must be in moderation.*

b. (i) *When travelling to and from matches players are allowed to carry navy or white handbags and wear navy or white shoes with regulation navy blazer (the wearing of blazers is optional), or*

(ii) carry brown or white handbags and wear brown or white shoes with regulation white or cream blazer (the wearing of blazers is optional).

c. White or cherry red cardigans, waistcoats or pullovers may be worn.

d. No hats or blazers need be worn for indoor matches.

e. For all other competitions see Competition Bye-Law No. 1.

All regulation dress is governed by Bowls England Rules and Regulations.

A Proposition referring to regulation dress which is passed by Bowls England at their Annual General Meeting to be automatically inserted and/or updated in the Competition Bye-Laws with immediate effect.

## **INSERT**

### **12 DRESS**

- a. **At all Association outdoor and indoor matches regulation dress shall be worn: Association shirt or white polo shirt, regulation white skirt, two pleats at front and two at back, length just below the knee, regulation white tailored trousers or regulation tailored cropped trousers or regulation tailored shorts of opaque material. No jeans or leggings.**
- b. **Cherry red or white cardigans or waistcoats may be worn.**
- c. **For all competitions see Competition Bye-Law No. 1.**

### **FROM FLEET UNITED BOWLING CLUB**

#### **COMPETITION BY-LAWS**

##### **9. COMPETITIONS**

- b. Pairs Championship

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The game shall consist of 21 ends, four bowls each player.

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The game shall consist of **18** ends, four bowls each player.

- d. Fours Championship

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The game shall consist of 21 ends, two bowls each player

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### **RULES and CONSTITUTION**

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COMPETITIONS - In all rounds leading up to the Area Final:

Below the waist:

- Grey trousers
- Grey shorts manufactured for the sport of bowls
- Club/County apparel that has been registered with the County/Bowls England
- Flat soled bowling shoes
- Bowls England licensed apparel may also be worn

Above the waist:

- White or predominantly white shirts
- Club/County apparel that has been registered with the County/Bowls England
- Headgear, if worn, should be white or a registered colour
- White waterproof clothing may be used, or, providing all member of a side or team wear the same, registered colour waterproof/fleeces are permitted
- Bowls England licensed apparel may also be worn

COMPETITIONS – Area Finals

Below the waist:

- White trousers/shorts/culottes
- Club apparel that has been registered with the County/Bowls England

Above the waist:

- White or predominantly white shirts
- Club/County apparel that has been registered with the County/Bowls England

ALL MEMBERS OF THE SIDE OR TEAM SHALL WEAR THE SAME ABOVE AND/OR BELOW THE WAIST.

ALL FRIENDLY GAMES

Players will wear County/Association shirt, or white polo shirt and white trousers/shorts/culottes. Flat soled bowling shoes.

RULES AND CONSTITUTION

COMPETITION BY-LAWS

1. **DRESS**

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*...or registered Club coloured tops provided they are worn by the whole team.*

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...or registered Club colours provided they are worn by the whole team

Basingstoke Town Bowling Club wishes to put forward the following proposal to the North Hampshire Women's Bowling Association' AGM on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

***“All clubs shall be permitted to wear their club uniform, which may include coloured trousers/shorts/skirts as registered with Bowls England, in North Hampshire Women's Bowling Association competitions.”***

This proposal to be inserted into Rule 12 Dress at the end of Section a).

This proposal will also form part of the Competition Bye-Law 1 Dress, and be inserted after the existing paragraph.

Within “A Dress Code for Every Occasion”, under Gazette Cup insert proposal after first sentence.

The meeting was then informed that the 'Competition Bye-Laws' do not need a proposition to change them, this can be done at Committee level.

Everyone agreed that **ALL** of the propositions relating to 'Competition Bye-Laws' could be revoked.

This now means that the only proposition to go forward to the AGM is the one from The Committee relating to Dress in the 'Rules and Constitution'

The new 'Competitions Bye-Laws' would include the following

1. The '1. Dress' will confirm clubs with full registered coloured uniforms can wear their uniforms through all rounds of the NHWBA competitions, including the finals.
2. That the Pairs and Fours will now be 18 ends
3. Under the 'Management of Competitions' the sentence stating that NHWBA competitions not start until the end of June, will be removed and a new sentence inserted saying the Competition Secretary will schedule competitions in conjunction with the Bowls Hampshire competition calendar.

## **12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

As there was no further business, Vice President Stella once again thanked Old Basing for the use of their facilities, thanked everyone for attending and wished them a safe journey home.

The meeting closed at 2.45pm

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PRESIDENT

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