## **HERTFORDSHIREBOWLS**

 ${\bf Minutes\ of\ the\ Committee\ Meeting-Thursday 25}{}^{th}{\bf April\ 2024\ Present}$ 

FullName	Initials	Position	Present	Apologies
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AllanSayers	AS	Chair	J	
MarciaDunstone	MDD	Administrator	J	
MartinDuke	WD	Treasurer	J	
NatalieChalcraft	NC	Women's Secretary	J	
Vacant		Men's Secretary		
Mavis Hendry	MH	Div Secretary West		I
David Brown	DB	Div Secretary West	J	
Harry Wright	HW	Div Secretary East	J	
Anne Hudson	AH	Div Secretary East		
Anne O'Hare	AO	Div Secretary South	J	
Stewart Parkhouse	SP	Div Secretary South		
Roger Evans	RE	Representing Team Managers	J	
Graham Marriner	GM	BDO	J	
Lesley Tutt	LT	President	J	
John Dowler	JD	President	J	
KarenKing	KK	Vice President	J	
John Hay	JH	CC&MO	J	

Nick Muir also in attendance

1	Introduction and Welcome-The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting, especially Nick Muir, White Rose Manager. AS presented John Dowler with his President's badge.	
2	Apologies for absence already received from Anne Hudson, and detailed as above.	
3/4	Minutes of the meeting held on 14 March were agreed.	
	Proposed by <b>GM</b> and seconded by <b>LT</b> and signed by <b>AS</b> as a correct record. They would be put on the website.	
5	Matters Arising Venue for the county lunch still in hand.	
6	Team managers update  AO reported 40 nominations for the John's trials at Shire Park BC had been received. The Walker Cup team would be selected before the second trial. Aceit were currently out of stock of maroon shorts/trousers.  RE reported that 2 players from Royston would not be playing in the Amy Rose. So far there were 6 possible players for the Amy Rose and 2 more required.  Nick Muir reported that he was receiving nominations for the White Rose. However, it was difficult to get the group together before the match. It was possible that Cambridge would concede the game due to be played on 2nd June. It was hoped the juniors would be playing in maroon. Nick also raised the issue of finances. The exec had agreed to support the under 18s in competitions but juniors in the Middleton Cup or Eastern Counties do not get any financial help. It was proposed by JH and seconded by DB and agreed by the committee to increase the allowance to £500.00 for Nick to use at his discretion. The 300 club would also be promoted to clubs.	MD MDD
7	<b>Treasurer's report.</b> Reports had been distributed in advance of the meeting. It was noted that umpires would be paid £25.00 per session and markers £20.00.	

8	Secretaries Reports:				
	a) Administrator i)— selection for Junior development, U18,U25 and international has resulted in some strange results for the county in that some of those put forward by the county were not selected and some put forward by parents were selected although had not entered county competitions or played in the White Rose.				
	ii) Affiliations coming in,2 clubs declining to affiliate with HB & BE-				
	Willian and Redbourn. Allenburys in Ware is coming back.				
	iii) Player directories sent out which resulted in updates. Club directory constantly being updated.				
	b) Hon Women's County Secretary. The fixed date of the next round of the Top Club was questioned as it was on the same day as the first day of the women's tour. It was agreed to change the date to June 15 as that date was no longer required for the Johns Trophy (Hunts pulled out)				
	c) Update on North Division  There is still no secretary for the north, although a member did express an interest.  There are many clubs with very small numbers and no one taking responsibility and it is possible that some will close. A good discussion was held with the 3 clubs that attended the meeting. Perhaps send a survey to all the clubs in the north to find out the situation and have an exchange of ideas.				
	d) Update on men's items—selection for matches has taken place. There appears to be some anomalies with colts. It was also noted that it is possible to represent the county at the highest level e.g. Middleton cup/ Johns Trophy but still not have a county badge and nominate for county friendlies. It was agreed to form a sub committee to investigate solutions.  Sub committee of RE, JH, AO, LT and NC (who will co- ordinate) and report to the	NC			
	executive in July.  e) 2024/25 programme—it was agreed to circulate a letter to all the secretaries about the				
	competitions and ask for feedback.	MD			
9	<b>BDO Report -GM</b> Level 1 coaching course which <b>GM</b> was instrumental in setting up was fully booked within 5 days of advertising. The zoom dates and practical dates have been set and will be held at Hatfield BC .There is a need for more L1 courses as well as a L2. <b>GM</b> to explore the possibility.				
	Herts Bowls Coaching Society AGM was held in March and the executive team appointed				
10	<b>Conciliation &amp; Disciplinary Officer</b> – still awaiting update on rule 9. There will be a zoom meeting in July when perhaps more information will be available.				
11	AOB- Concern was expressed about the web and the fact that it was showing as an unsecure site. John Thompson to be asked if the web could be backed-up.				
12	Confirmation of next meeting-Thursday July 4.				