

BYLET BOWLING CLUB

Minutes of the 130th Annual General Meeting held on
Tuesday 12th February 2013

There were approximately 47 Members present

1. Apologies were received from Dave Ager, Jon Garbett, Russ Morris, Phillip Field, Audrey Field, Tim Ealey and Andy James.

2. Presidents Introduction The Club President, Rob Renke, thanked everyone for attending the meeting. He then thanked the Club Officers and Committee for all their efforts over the past year. Further thanks went to both paid and unpaid staff and members for work concerning greens, bar and cleaning and also to the Ladies Junior coaching teams. Finally he paid tribute to those members who assisted him in Monday evening coaching sessions with new and social bowling members.

3. Minutes of the 2012 AGM These were read and accepted. As there were no matters arising the Club Captain duly signed them off.

4. Captains Report The Captain, John Palmer reiterated the President's remarks and added special praise for the continuing dedication of the Treasurer and Bar Officer, Peter Driver, along with a call for a round of applause which was duly given. He further thanked Peter and Terry Hammond for their unpaid staffing of the bar on 30 Saturday evenings during the year. The Captain reported that the club loans had continued to decrease but that the rate of repayment had fallen during 2012, partly due to the exceptionally inclement weather but also partly due to a perceived lack of support from some of the Members. He appealed for more backing to club events and was pleased to note that the outgoing committee had come up with ideas to drum up more support and that early signs were encouraging. The Captain asked if any members would be interested in becoming Club Gardener as the post was still vacant following the retirement of Dick Pinches.

The position of the Greenkeeper was in some doubt and confirmation from the present post holder was awaited.

5. Treasurers Report The Treasurer took the meeting through the statement of accounts for the year ended 31-12-12 (see attached) giving explanations as necessary. Highlighted were bar takings down but gross profit up, loan reduced to £16,150 from initial £36,000, fundraising and donations down considerably and rates likely to increase. He also appealed for maximum support so that the Club could clear all debt and become wealthy once more.

6. Bowling Report This was mainly dealt with at the meeting held on the 15th January. The Secretary, Tom McGill, reported that new bowlers BCGBA cards would cost £10, up from £6 and the County Registration had increased from £10 to £15. League medal money had increased,

particularly Mid Shropshire which would reflect in fees.

7. Election of Officers

Club President	Robert Renke
Club Captain	John Palmer
Club Secretary	Tom McGill
Club Treasurer	Peter Driver
Bar Officer	Peter Driver
Child Protection Officer	Irene Wood

Election of Committee Members

In addition to the above, the following were elected:

Terry Hammond
Fiona Hammond
Kevin Brazier
Alan Jones
Sue Palmer
Geoff Carnell
Chris Chamberlain

All Officers and Committee Members were proposed, seconded and voted in by those attending the AGM.

8. Propositions from the Executive There were none.

9. Propositions from Members It was proposed by Kev Brazier and seconded by Rob Renke that a new class of membership be created. This is an Affiliated Member which will be non-voting and restricted to the member playing in one league only, along with additional criteria. The proposer addressed the meeting outlining the thinking behind the proposal. The seconder offered further explanation along with a suggestion that, if accepted, the change could be reviewed after 12 months. Following a lengthy debate the Captain asked for a vote.

Decision: Carried

10. Any Other Business The Treasurer informed the meeting that he, along with the Secretary were looking at different formats for the Club Annual Dinner including taking the event outside the club, having a buffet presentation evening and that new caterers would need to be found in any case. Following debate the meeting asked the Committee to look at options and decide on the best way forward.

John Gaynor asked, in the light of a recent tree fall in the Bylet channel if the precarious state of the high trees near the bridge had been considered. The Secretary replied that the Club had already broached the subject with Bridgnorth Town Council but would do so again in the very near future.

The Captain appealed for members to pay their subscriptions promptly.

The Treasurer asked for members to update their telephone numbers on the Clubs records.

There being no further business the Captain then closed the meeting.

Signed

Dated.....

Club Captain