

MINUTES OF THE 2024 END OF SEASON CAPTAIN'S MEETING ON THURSDAY 10th OCTOBER 2024 AT FIELDHOUSE BOWLING CLUB

Present :-

Mike Bosson(Chairman, Phoenix A), Brian Belfield(Secretary, Fieldhouse D), Colin Dempsey(Treasurer), Alan Hancock(Burton Manor B), Mick Hill(Fieldhouse A), Sue Marsden(Littleworth), John Wells(Penkridge A), Lynne Outhwaite(Penkridge B), Rod Ewan, David Wilkinson(Phoenix B), Pete Randall(Phoenix C), Anne Mace(Phoenix Riverway), Graham Needs(Phoenix Uni), Helen Thompson(Silkmore A), Del Milgate(Silkmore B), Vilma Allman(Stafford A), John Dunning(Stafford B)

1. Apologies for absence

Frank Insull(Amasal Uni), Ken Hunt(Phoenix D), Nev Ward(Rowley Park), David Kelsall(Stafford B)

2. Minutes of previous meeting

From 18th January 2024 proposed by Graham Needs, seconded by Rod Ewan.

3. Matters arising

None.

4. Correspondence

Lea Hall will not submit a team for 2025.

Captain John Turner(Amasal P) standing down in favour of Tom Lowbridge.
Captain Mike Bosson(Phoenix A) standing down in favour of Peter Jordan.
Captain Rod Ewan(Phoenix B) standing down in favour of David Wilkinson.

5. League administration

Roll of Honour

Congratulations to Rowley Park for winning the league and Amasal Uni as runner up.
Congratulations to Penkridge B and Stafford B for winning Division Two and thus for promotion to Division One.

Commiserations to Lea Hall and Phoenix B who will be relegated to Division 2.

League Averages:-

	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Runners Up</u>
Division 1 Singles	Paul Johnson	Colin Dempsey
Division 1 Doubles	Terry Wood and Cliff Jenkinson	
Division 2 Singles	Mike Thompson	Ray Small
Division 2 Doubles	Lynda and Terry Goodchild	

With the loss of Lea Hall, there will, so far, be 11 teams in Division 1 and 10 teams in Division 2.

6. Treasurers Report

For the financial year ending 31st December 2024 our income was £1,473.00 against expenditure of £1,120.94. So, at present, this leaves us with a profit of £352.06 and a balance of £1549.23. I therefore recommend that the £40.00 team membership and the £1 competition entry fee remain the same for the 2025 season.

7. Competitions

Thank you to the competition organisers Vilma Allman, Frank Insull, Del Milgate and Judith Litchfield.

Entries from 2023 about the same from 265 to 269

Individual entries about the same across the board.

Alderman Shield – to establish the 16 entries, the usual problem of multiple repeated competition winners and holidays, injuries and no shows reduced the final entry to 13.

However, a good day with a win by John Cussons who just scraped through the first round against Annis Moore.

Reconsider the times of earlier than 12pm for American competitions on a Monday in the light of Ladies matches in the evening.

9. Committee nominations

The current committee is :

Chairman	Mike Bosson
Vice-chairman	Ken Hunt
Treasurer	Colin Dempsey
Secretary	Brian Belfield
Competitions	vacant
President	Ned Elcock

Colin Dempsey has declared his intention to step down as Treasurer by the AGM. And so, Captains please make your teams aware that a nomination is required.

Assistance with running competitions is also required.

Please advise the Secretary of all nominations who will be gratefully received.

10. Any other business

Our current 'Gentleman's Agreement' to keep playing twice to a limit of 3 has caused confusion this season and so it makes sense to put this as a rule in the constitution. The wording of the rule and punishment is to be agreed at the pre-AGM and then put forward for a vote at the AGM.

The competition shield 'Individual Merit' has been missing for over a year. Captains, please ask your teams to make a final search before discussion about replacement at the pre-AGM. Is it worth considering issuing certificates instead ?

Thanks to Ken Hunt(Vice Chairman) our current sponsor, John Hayne of Energy Saving Windows, has agreed to sponsor us for 2025

At the AGM, remind bowlers to avoid walking across the green against the line of other games.

11 Next meetings

Captains pre-AGM – Thursday 9th Jan 2025 10.30am at Fieldhouse

AGM - Thursday 6th Feb 2025 2pm at Littleworth Community Centre (to be confirmed)

Brian Belfield
League Secretary