

# **Stafford Saturday Bowls League Annual General Meeting**

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

Attendees 45. Committee members: J Cussons (JC) chairman  
V Allman(VA) secretary B Wain (BW) treasurer S Parsons (SP)  
fixtures secretary

JC opened the meeting with a minutes silence for those players no longer with us.

1. Apologies. Wendy Boulton
2. Matters Arising: VA pointed out when replying to any emails sent out that the captains should be aware that it goes out to all the other captains.  
It was also explained that the first lot of voting was to decide if the members wanted the constitution changed so that in the future their captains could vote on their behalf, however this cannot come into effect until next years AGM.
3. Vote on change to constitution. Votes For = 26  
Votes Against = 16 Therefor the constitution will be changed to come into effect next year.
4. Minutes of last AGM 2024. Proposed as correct Anne Mace seconded Peggy Haidarovic .All room in agreement
5. Election of Officers. Present committee willing to continue in present role. No nominations from the room. Proposed by Dave Halley seconded by Dawn Halley. All room in agreement.
6. Appointment of Auditor/ Checker. Dave Shelley has agreed to continue doing this for us.
7. Honorarium for coming season. Agreed same as last year £60 to VA BW &SP

8. Report on last season. A few problems at end of season with bad weather making some games impossible to rearrange and the captains of those teams came to their own agreement on how to record their results. All teams have been very good at informing VA re registering their players.
  9. Treasurers report. BW thanked the teams treasurers for paying their league fees promptly. The balance on 29.1.24 = £690.19 Audited (free) 9.1.25= £917.88 (correct) The current balance = £629.85 due to outgoings since audit. BCGB insurance £55, 2024 prize money = £190 Staffs CBA £43
  10. Secretary report. VA reminded the captains to ensure all their players were registered prior to playing to avoid losing that game.
  11. Auditor/Checker report. Dave Shelley has signed off our accounts as correct.
  12. New teams/resignations. U3A have left the league. Silkmore are putting in a team, Del Milgate is the captain. Feildhouse are putting in a team, captain John Cooper. All in agreement for them to join the league. Captains can log onto website and start populating and registering their players.
  13. League structure. SP explained with one division there will be no Saturdays free will play for 26 games. This will also leave no leeway to rearrange matches on a Saturday.
- If it was two divisions half the matches time for competitions and breaks. There was some considerable discussion from the room ie. Cost of council green same if short season, large team some players playing very few games. Some teams have smaller numbers and will find it difficult to have enough players some weeks. VA explained there will be a vote to the room as this was the point of an AGM to have a democratic vote.

Vote for one division =25 , Vote for two divisions = 15

Therefor voting unanimous that there should be one division again this year.

14. Refreshments. At present there is only Amasal that are unable to provide refreshments but they are available inside the club to purchase.

15. Prize giving.

Teams : 1<sup>st</sup> Stafford A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Penkridge, 3<sup>rd</sup> Victoria Park, 4<sup>th</sup> Burton Manor A

Singles averages. 1<sup>st</sup> Simon Davies, 2<sup>nd</sup> Darren Fielding ,3<sup>rd</sup> Steve Whitton,

Doubles averages. 1<sup>st</sup> Dawn Halley, 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Peggy & Dave Haidarovic.

16. Any other business.

VA informed the room there were some changes to the laws of the game, 7.1b section clarified by J Andrews, this is available for all to view on the website.

SP hopes to have all the teams paperwork ready to collect from Fieldhouse on March 7<sup>th</sup>

The fixtures can't be completed until the Wolverhampton league post theirs out because we share Victoria Park.

Meeting closed 15.32 hours

VA/16.2.25

