

STAFFORD VETERANS BOWLING LEAGUE

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Minutes of the Captains/Committee Meeting

Held at 2pm Wednesday 15th January 2025 at Stafford Bowling Club

Present

John Andrews (President), John Kerwin (Chairman & Little Stoke A), John Dunning (Vice Chairman & Stafford C), Derek Tudor (Secretary), Phil Hood (Treasurer), Carol Westwood (Competitions Secretary), Colin Pownall (Amasal), Graham Blocksidge (Brewood), John Smith (Burton Manor), Mick Hill (Fieldhouse A), Brain Belfield (Fieldhouse D), John Cooper (Fieldhouse X), Judy Ganecki (Hatherton J), Malcolm Woodyatt (Hatherton M), Dave Thorp (Lea Hall), Neil Norman (Little Stoke B), Steve Parsons (Littleworth B), Rob Harbridge (Penkridge B), Anne Mace (Phoenix Riverway), Graham Needs (Phoenix Uni), Ken Hunt (Rowley Park), Steve Box (Rugeley Progressive), Malcolm Harratt (Silkmore B), Geoff Hollis (Silkmore C), Vilma Allman (Stafford A), Nigel Fox (Stafford B), Helen Hood (Stafford u3a), John Wells (Victoria Park A).

Apologies and Welcome

John Kerwin opened the meeting and welcomed everybody. Apologies were received from Cath McConnell (Penkridge A), Derek Hodgkiss (Rowley Park) and Nev Ward (Victoria Park B).

Notes of 16th October 2024 meeting.

The minutes of the meeting were approved.

Matters Arising

1. Dave Thorpe put forward the suggestion that the start of the season be put back 1 week to the 9th April and finish on October 1st. It was pointed out that the Council Greens are closed on the last day of September after a vote it was agreed to not take this proposal any further.
2. Dave Thorp raised the issue of clubs not providing Half Time refreshments. After much discussion it was agreed the secretary would contact the teams not providing refreshments to see if there was any change to present arrangements.

Officers 2025

There being no volunteers come forward to join, the present serving Officers indicated their willingness to continue in their respective posts for the 2025 season.

Changes to the Constitution

There were no proposals to change the present Constitution

Update on Teams and Greens

All teams confirmed their commitment to playing in the coming season except Littleworth A (Who have their AGM on the 27th January when a firm decision will be made along with the election of a new Captain). Stafford will confirm where their third team will play their games for 2025 season after their Committee meeting on the 20th January.

If all teams confirm it will be 13 Teams in Division 1 with 14 teams in Division 2.

Competitions 2025

Competition arrangements will remain the same as Last Season.

Financial Update : Sponsorship and League Fees

Phil Hood reported that the League made a small loss of £44.11 but the fund was still in a healthy position especially after transferring some funds into a saving account, and as such recommended that there was no need to increase the League Fees for the 2025 season. He also recommended that the Competition fees remain at £1 but asked all Captains to encourage their members to enter the 2025 Competitions. The secretary would investigate a continuation of the sponsorship money From Stan Robinson Pallet Network.

Update of records of club representatives and Captains

The following teams indicated a change of Captain
Amasal : Colin Pownall , Littleworth B : Steve Parsons

A full list of all Captains and contact details will be provided by the secretary Via a hard copy and email to all team captains.

Arrangements for the League AGM and presentations

Stafford Rangers Football Club has been booked for the League AGM in
The Stan Robinson suite at 2pm on Wednesday 12th February 2025

Proposed Dates

Friday 7th March 2025 10:30am : Paperwork collection from Fieldhouse Bowling Club
(date confirmed by John Cooper Secretary Fieldhouse Bowling Club).

Wednesday 2nd April 2025 : Season Starts
Wednesday 24th September 2025 : Season Ends.

AOB

There being nothing raised, The Chairman thanked everybody for their attendance and the meeting was closed at 14:45.