

## **Burscough & Lathom Men's Bowling League**

### **The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting On Wednesday 5th February 2020 At Tarleton BC**

Attended by:

24 members representing all clubs, except Zetland (fined £2) plus Mr. David Taylor (Chairman) & Mr. Keith Robinson (President/Secretary/Treasurer).

The meeting was opened at 8pm by Mr. David Taylor (Chairman).

This was followed by a minute's silence for deceased members & a roll call of clubs.

Apologies had been received from Mr. Will Roddan (Zetland) for his absence.

The minutes for the last AGM were read & passed, with no matters arising from them.

**Chairman's report** – Mr. David Taylor gave his report (which is attached), in which he looked back at the league's successful season but he was disappointed that the KO Cup Semi-finals & Final could not take place due to the lack of greens available due the poor weather at the end of the season & that the President's Day had to be cancelled for the first time due to lack of support. He thanked Mr. Keith Robinson for the excellent job; he does in running the League & the delegates shown their appreciation by giving him a generous round of applause.

**Secretary's report** - The secretary gave his usual comprehensive report, which is attached.

**Treasurer's report** - The treasurer commented on last year's league finances which shown a surplus of £297.63.  
He explained the differences in income & expenditure over the last two years.  
He rounded off his report by stating that the league assets stood at £945.45  
(The full report & the league accounts are attached).

**Election of Officials** – Hesketh Arms elected Mr. Chris Harding as the 2020 League President. All other officials were re-elected en-bloc except for Mr. John Marriott (Burscough RBL) being elected as Vice-Chairman following the retirement of Mr. Roy Wignall (Botanic Gardens). The position of Assistant Secretary was left vacant.

**Team Applications/Withdrawals/Formation of divisions** – Following Hesketh Bank's successful application as well as Holmeswood A's & Mawdesley B's withdrawals, it was unanimously decided to form the league into 2 divisions of 12 teams with the top 2 teams in the 2<sup>nd</sup> division last season being promoted to the 1<sup>st</sup> division with Mawdesley A relegated to the 2<sup>nd</sup> division.

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**Subscriptions & Prize money** – As there were no proposed changes in subscriptions, the 20120 subscriptions would remain at £65 per team. Whilst it was decided to increase the divisional & KO Cup prizemoney as follows:

Divisional Winners:	£75 from £70
Divisional Runners-up:	£50 from £45
Divisional 3 <sup>rd</sup> Placed teams:	£25
KO Cup Winners:	£75 from £70
KO Cup Runners-up:	£50 from £45

**Rule change proposals** – The following rule change proposal was passed:

New Rule: 29A

‘Each Club to decide the number of teams they wish to enter in the KO Cup by the March Delegates meeting.’

**League Match & Competition dates** – The following league programme was accepted:

2019 KO Cup Semi-finals:	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April
2019 KO Cup Final:	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> April (Good Friday)
Divisional Fixtures start:	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
President's Day:	Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> August (Provisional)
Singles One Day Competition:	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> August (Provisional)
Pairs One Day Competition:	Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup> August (Provisional)
Divisional Fixtures end:	Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> September
2020 KO Cup Last 16:	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> September
2020 KO Cup Last 8:	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> September
2020 KO Cup Semi-finals:	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October
2020 KO Cup Final:	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> October

**Correspondence**

The secretary informed the delegates that he had received no correspondence.

**Any other business**

Mr. John Marriott informed the meeting of a couple of BCGBA rule changes:  
‘Block heeled & open-top shoes/sandals are not allowed to be wore on bowling greens’  
‘Juniors to provide their date of birth when registering for clubs’

The majority of captains said that they still needed match cards when asked by the secretary.

As there was no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.35pm.

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**Next Meeting** – Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at Tarleton BC commencing at 8pm.

Delegates to bring - Their League fees, including President's day fees & West Lancs & Sefton Junior Bowls Forum fees, of £65 per team.

- West Lancs & Sefton Junior Bowls Forum voluntary donation
- A team best 6 player's registration lists (for clubs with 2 teams)
- Availability of their greens for the KO Cup semi-finals & final for 2019 & 2020 as well as the singles & pairs competitions.

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Chairman