

DESBOROUGH BOWLING CLUB

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS HOLDING INDOOR PLAYING MEMBERSHIP

**HELD AT DESBOROUGH BOWLING CLUB, 10 GREEN LANE,
MAIDENHEAD.**

AT 10.00 AM ON SUNDAY 11th DECEMBER 2022

Attendance: 23 members attended.

1.0 Opening of meeting: The President, John Bucknell, welcomed everyone to the Indoor Annual General Meeting

1.1 A minute silence was observed in respect of those present and past members who sadly passed away over the last 12 months: - Brett Long, Trish Brown, Jim Roll, Alan Todd, John Marshall, Mike Miller, Maurice Rhymer, Kath Spracklen, Martin Everard, Ron Aitken, Kim Stanbrook, Eileen Devonald-Batt, Norman Long and Colin Palmer.

2.0 Apologies for absence: Terry Davies, Mary Price, Doreen Lovering, Gill O'Neill, Jim Macpherson, Trish Skinner, Joyce Motley, Helen Payne, Brian Harris, Jessie Clark, Bob Forster, Lorraine Woodley, Malcolm Woodley, Bill Hubbard, Mark Stanley, Sarah Wooley, Roy and June Palmer, Jill and Bill McQuhae, Jennie Macleod, David Cormican, Nigel Penn, Gill and Josef Konrad, Roland Dreesden, Dick Bishop and Carol Bartlett.

3.0 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 12th December 2021 and matters arising:

3.1 The general Secretary confirmed that all matters arising from the last Indoor AGM had been either actioned or were included on this current meetings' agenda

3.2 The Minutes were approved by Trish Skinner and seconded by Steve Isaac.

4.0 Chairman's Report

4.1 The Chairman summarised the events over the last Indoor Season, namely: -

- The National Competition teams performed well reaching the 5th Round of the Masons Trophy, the last 16 of the Champion of Champions and the 1/4 Final of the

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- Yetton. Overall, I would like to thank all those who took part and the national selectors who have organised the teams.
- The Open Day held on the 24th of September attracted 50 visitors and from the subsequent coaching sessions we gained 19 new playing members.
- Pleased to see that the Club has recovered from the Covid lockdowns, and we are now successfully running all our internal leagues and cup competitions.
- The friendly fixtures have been held as per the fixture list in the main, however several have been cancelled by the opposition, due to post Covid fears and a lack of players.
- Indoor roll-ups have proved very popular and additional sessions are now planned to cope with the demand.
- Friday Club Night is also still proving popular with an average of 30/40 members attending each week. An excellent opportunity for new bowlers to play alongside the more experienced members.
- Social and commercial activities have been very successful over the last 12 months and thanks were expressed to all Committee members and volunteers who have helped to make the events so successful.
- We are certain that the new club facilities provide one of the best and most up to date clubs in the country and the management team look forward to working with members to help ensure the club is well supported and successful going forward.
- We, along with most sports clubs, whether bowls or otherwise, have lost several members during the pandemic and it is now essential that we embark on a marketing campaign to promote our new facilities and attract new members. The next Open Day is now scheduled for Saturday 18th February 2023.
- Whilst many of our indoor members play for other Outdoor clubs in the Summer, they play indoors for 7 months of the year at Desborough, therefore continued indoor members' involvement in the running of the indoor season is most welcome.
- The President further expressed his thanks to his Deputy President, Michael Whittingham, the Club General Secretary, Roger Wyatt, Mark Peachey, Club Manager and Jasbir Notay, Club Treasurer, together with all those members who have assisted over the year with the running of the Club. Their help with bar duties, selection committees, leagues and competitions and social events was, and still is, greatly appreciated.

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5.0 The Indoor Secretary gave her report

The indoor friendly season is well under way and has generally been running successfully.

Unfortunately, some friendly matches and GOL fixtures have been cancelled. The feedback from other clubs and organisations has been their difficulty in getting a full team to travel. This has also been a factor in the away fixture cancelled by Desborough.

It has been decided that, in future, for away matches played at a distance a coach will be hired. The cost will be met by a contribution from players with the balance being paid by DBC. It is hope that this will mean more members are willing to travel to away matches. For more local matches, members will still be asked to drive themselves and to offer lifts to other members.

In addition, friendlies will no longer be played on Wednesday afternoons because the clash with internal leagues makes members less eager to play.

Whilst some Clubs appear to want to discontinue meals after matches DBC are committed to providing a meal after all Friendly matches.

The second half of the season has a packed calendar, and it is hoped that most scheduled matches will take place.

The calendar for the 23-24 season is currently being arranged and it is hoped that most fixtures held this year will be repeated.

The Indoor Section Members' booklet has been updated and is available to members at reception. This contains information about the friendly matches as well as more general information.

The indoor secretary would like to thank the members playing in friendlies, and the caterers for their support and looks forward to continuing in the coming season.

6.0 Competition Secretary's Reports

6.1 Indoor Competitions– Mark Peachey

Thank you to all the members who have entered the Indoor competitions this year. We have organised 20 different competitions with entries of £2,500 (prizemoney) All matches will be drawn on the 14th of December and start in January 2023.

6.2 National Competitions – Selector

6.2.1 The selectors for the DBC National Teams are Mark Peachey for the men and Mary Price for the ladies.

7.0 BCIBA and BCWIBA Reports

7.1 There were no reports from BCIBA or BCWIBA

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8.0 Election of Officers

8.1 John Bucknell was re-elected as Chair unopposed.

8.2 Jennie Macleod was elected as Indoor Secretary unopposed.

8.3 A further 9 members were elected to serve on the Indoor Committee.

CHAIR	Name	Membership
+++++	JOHN BUCKNELL	FULL
INDOOR SECRETARY		
+++++	JENNIE MACLEOD	INDOOR
COMMITTEE MEMBERS	Name	Membership
+++++	JENNY BOSLEY	FULL
+++++	CAROL BARTLETT	FULL
+++++	DAVID CORMICAN	INDOOR
+++++	NICOLA JONES	FULL
+++++	JIM MACPHERSON	FULL
+++++	JOHN PLACE	INDOOR
+++++	DAVID WEBSTER	FULL
+++++	TONY BUCKLEY	INDOOR
+++++	GILL KONRAD	FULL
+++++	<i>ROGER WYATT</i>	<i>GENERAL SECRETARY</i>
+++++	<i>MARK PEACHEY</i>	<i>CLUB MANAGER</i>

10.0 AOB

10.1 It was agreed that the current December date for the Indoor AGM should be changed with the meeting now to be held at the end of the Indoor Season - **Sunday 2nd April at 10:00am**

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10.2 The "lack of bowling opportunity" for members who work was discussed. The possibility of a double session on a Wednesday evening was thought possible if there was enough demand.

10.3 Indoor Finals week to be the w/end 10th April (TBC)

10.4 With the increase in the number of ladies wishing to play in the National Competitions can we arrange for more than one team to enter the Masons and the Vivienne?

10.4 Can all leagues be handicapped to encourage new bowlers to join league teams?

11.0 Meeting Close

The meeting closed at 11:30am

Date of next Meeting: SUNDAY 2nd APRIL 2023

Signed as a true record..... Date..... 2022.