

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE SYSTON BOWLING CLUB
(COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE) HELD IN THE CLUBHOUSE, SYSTON, ON
MONDAY 11TH MARCH 2013 STARTING AT 7.00 P.M.**

Present:

Marjorie Clowes – Director
George Dodge – Director
Val Foreman - Director
Colin Grimes – Chairman
Anita Lowder – Director
Rolf Meyer - Director

Together with **42** voting Members and *Adam Longley*, auditor

Apologies for absence were recorded from *Roger Bentley, Pete Murray, Kate Toon, Sheila Parker, Hazel Rayns, Gary Jones, Chris Biddles, Doreen Payne, Diana Lewis, Sue Disney, Allan Disney, Margaret Abbott, Bev Wright and Gary Kilbourne.*

AGM13.01 IN MEMORIAM

The Chairman led a silent tribute to *Dennis Illiffe and June Rowland*, former Members, who had died since the previous **AGM**.

AGM13.02 REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Chairman, *Colin Grimes*, presented the report of the Board of Directors for the Year ended 31st December, 2012. (*Copy filed in Minute Book*). In the absence of any questions, proposed by *Colin Wilkinson*, seconded by *Stan Page*, the report was **UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED**.

AGM12.03 ACCOUNTS

Adam Longley presented an overview of the Profit & Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the financial year ended 31st December 2012. (*Copy filed in the Minute Book*).

Proposed by *Gordon Pell* and seconded by *Roy Hill*, the Annual Audited Accounts were **UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED**.

AGM13.04 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The re-appointment of Adam Longley Accountants Limited as Auditors for the year ending 31st December 2013 was **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED** and thanks were offered for their work during 2012.

Adam has agreed to be a Patron of the club and so will not be charging for his company's services in this financial year.

AGM13.05 ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The meeting formally **CONFIRMED** the election, *en bloc*, of the 9 nominees for the posts of Director to serve for a period of one year to the close of the next Annual General Meeting, as follows:

Chairman: *Colin Grimes*; Administrative Director: *Val Foreman*; Finance Director: *Rolf Meyer*; Bar Director: *Pete Murray*; Green Ranger: *Roger Bentley*; Premises Director: *George Dodge*; Social Programme Director: *Anita Lowder*; Facilities Director: *Marjorie Clowes*; Regulatory Compliance Director: *Kate Toon*

The Chairman, who was delighted that *Roger* has agreed to remain on the board for a further year, congratulated all those appointed and thanked the membership for their vote of confidence in the Board.

AGM13.06 OPEN FORUM

- a) **Roy Hill** stated that in the past, for meetings like the AGM, some of the tables had been put aside and this allowed the remaining tables to be positioned so that everybody could see the top table. **Kate Williams** commented that such a rearrangement would be ok but not on a permanent basis for the whole year because all the tables are needed in the summer and they are too heavy to be moved by the ladies.

- b) **Stan Page** queried whether a green fee of £3.00 would put people off coming to the club. In reply, **Colin** explained it was only intended to charge people wanting to have an occasional roll-up, not members who would always have priority in using the green.
After some discussion, there was a feeling the green fee should be £5. All agreed in principle to a minimum of £3 and the possibility of making it £5 will be considered at the next Board meeting.

- c) To make life a little easier for **Roger Bentley**, as he continues his much appreciated work for the club, it was agreed he would no longer need to set up the green on match days. Instead, the responsibility should be shared by other members.
Miles Clare said he would do the job for the men this season. The ladies already do it, on a rota basis, for their home matches.

- d) **Des Eggitt** will, in future, give the dates for the Warren Triples indoor competition to **Anita** before the winter season starts so that she can work round them when arranging the programme of social events.

- e) **Stan** asked whether anything was being done about the slabs surrounding the green, and about the ramp. **George Dodge** replied that a working party has been set up and is sorting out the slabs and the surround of the green; everything should be completed before the start of the season. Regarding the ramp, the situation is unchanged, but **George** is doing all he can to make progress.

- f) **Janice Wilbourn** asked if it could be stressed to the men on duty in the kitchen that the dishwasher must be emptied and cleaned every time it has been used. **Janice** also appealed to members to have a go at the Health and Safety course as only two members have the certificate at present.
Janice is having her name embroidered on her new club shirt and will be happy to help anybody who would like to do the same.

- g) **Rob Wilbourn** commented that the social events are not very well supported by the men's section. **Anita** said she is always happy to receive new ideas for events which might appeal more to the men.
Rob mentioned that the next coffee morning will be on 13th April, and not on the date shown in the Syston Green.

- h) **Pete Hancock** asked how many members the club expects to have in the year ahead. **Colin** thought it was likely that 60 men and 30 ladies would re-join, with the possibility of an extra 4 new members.
There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

Signed.....Chairman Date.....