

**Minutes Shebbear Short Mat Bowling Club Annual General Meeting
Thursday 13th April 2017 at Rydon Inn Holsworthy**

PRESENT

Lesley Tennant (Chairman) and 12 members (see Attachment B for names)

The Chairman opened the meeting at 18.30 and thanked everyone attending this AGM

APOLOGIES – Apologies received from Ken Chamberlain, Gill Cooper, Rich and Jenny Gubb

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15th APRIL 2016

The Minutes of the previous AGM held on the 15th April 2016 were agreed and approved.

MATTERS ARISING

None

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

How time flies! I can hardly believe it has been 12 months since the last AGM.

Along with many other bowling clubs there was a concern this time last year about declining membership numbers. Indeed with both Pam & Richard Whiterow and Jenny & Peter Harris deciding not to renew their membership the Clubs ongoing membership numbers looked a little worrying.

So the Club was delighted to welcome two new members, Marilyn Pearce and Kevin Marwick, and also to see Gerald Moore playing again on a Wednesday afternoon.

I hope everyone has enjoyed their short mat bowls.

As the winter season once again draws to a close, Shebbear Bowling Club has much to be proud of and I would like to congratulate everyone who participated in the internal and external competitions and the various leagues. I am sure Captain Rich Clark will share with us the highlights of the season in his report.

Finally, may I thank all the officers of the Committee for working so hard and for making my role as Chairman an easy one and wish members all the best for the Summer. You may recall I only took on the role as Chairman as there was nobody nominated at the last AGM.

Accordingly, I have decided not to stand for re-election.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

I would like to thank Lesley for stepping into the Chairman's position for the past year and she has done a brilliant job of controlling our committee meetings.

Ron Lester has volunteered to take the minutes of our AGM, but unfortunately he is unable to attend this evening. Therefore I will try to take the minutes but we will also have recording machine provided by Ron, to help final copy of minutes.

These minutes will be displayed on the Club's website, and notice board. I will also email copies to those members on our emailing list for the benefit of anyone not present tonight. As you know, I have been the Bowl's representative on the Village Hall Committee and have attended most if not all of their meetings during the year.

Unfortunately, they are also holding their AGM this evening, so I am unable to give you a report of their meeting but hopefully they will be able to form a committee for the coming year. There were no firm plans to increase the hall charges but I believe the new committee will look again at some increase to the current £7.50 per hour we currently pay. Probably increase up to £8 but any increase hopefully will not affect our members for 2017/18.

I have already advised them that I will not continue on their committee after today.

I believe we have two volunteers from the bowlers to replace me.

Bowls club membership. I shall be registering 19 playing members during the Summer (16 of whom volunteered for afternoon league and 11 members in the evening league) Same as last year.

Our Wednesday afternoon roll ups have been well attended throughout the Winter and I believe this should continue next year.

It has been decided again, the Shebbear will not be entering a team in the Summer Triples league this year but Tiny will book adhoc Monday roll ups during the Summer months for those wishing to carry on.

Now the hall booking system is electronic and anyone in Shebbear can make bookings direct to the hall booking secretary, the only persons authorised to book the hall on behalf of the Bowlers are myself, Tiny and Rich Clark. Otherwise they will be personally responsible for the hire charge.

September hall bookings will start again with Monday roll ups (7.15-8.15pm) from Monday 4th September. These bookings are already in the system.

Our Pre-Season meeting will be held on Monday 25th September at 7.30pm

Winter roll ups will commence from Monday 2nd October (7.15-9.15pm) and Wednesday afternoon roll ups from 4th October.

I was hoping someone would have nominated themselves to the position of Secretary at this AGM but unfortunately not. I have decided that next year will be my last year as Secretary and shall resign from the committee at our next AGM. Therefore we need someone to volunteer for this post during the coming year to understand the duties of Club Secretary. I don't believe the duties of this position can be shared by other Committee members.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Copies of the Accounts had been distributed to all present (Attachment A)

The format I have used is slightly different from previous years but should be self explanatory. It is the format I will use in future.

Our engraving costs are higher as last year's engraving costs, along with this year have been incorporated into the same financial year.

An accrual amount for the hire of the hall for March this year has been included in the expenditure of the hall.

The bank balance of £1970-06 does not take into account one outstanding cheque of £75 and also the accrual amount (which has yet to be paid) for use of the village hall in March 2017.

It is proposed that the accounts be audited by Geoff Pitt (auditor) for final presentation.

This proposal was seconded by Tiny Lester and agreed by members present.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Rich opened his report with a few words regarding the recent sad death of Maurice Martin, a founder member of Shebbear Bowling Club in 1986. Maurice was a very good bowls player and well known in both Lawn and Short Mat bowling circles, some of whom attended his funeral. He was a unique character, who showed dedication and attention to detail when bowling.

In his memory, it has been decided to have a Club Captain's annual award to be known as the Maurice Martin Trophy, which was kindly donated to the club by Julia Woolgar.

The Club Captain will decide who will receive this award based on merit, not necessary best bowler, but someone who he decides best deserves this award.

Rich has decided that Joe Bevis should be the first recipient of this award based on his dedication displayed towards the club. The members wholeheartedly agreed with his decision.

League Results. We have had a very successful year. Despite low membership we have again managed to provide one evening rinks team and two afternoon triples teams.

The Oaks came Third in their division. Both Acorns and Stones Triples team will be promoted in their respective divisions. The Acorns came top of their division and Stones came second in their division after a close finish decided on overall points

In the Tony Stephens Shebbear got through to the semi finals against Yarnscombe (who won as usual). And in the Alan Wright competition we lost to Winkleigh in the first round who went on to win the final.

PROPOSALS (2)

Mick proposed that Ken Chamberlain be made an honorary member of Shebbear Bowling Club, based on his long standing membership since the club was founded, together with Gerald Moore who is already a Honorary Member. Proposal was seconded by Lesley Tennant and agreed by members present.

Rich Clark proposed that we consider the purchase of two electronic scoreboards that would replace the existing wooden scoreboards. It has been noted that quite a few of follow Bowls clubs have already purchased these new electronic scoreboards

The costs for two scoreboards would be £480 including Vat & Delivery. Proposal was seconded by Julia Woolgar and unanimously agreed by members present.

DATE FOR PRE-SEASON MEETING – Monday 25th September at 7.30pm

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2017/18

With the exception of the vacated position of Chairman, all existing committee members agreed to continue to serve again this year. Maura Marwick was nominated as Chairman by Julia Woolgar and seconded by Brenda Clark.

The following records the decisions of the AGM

CHAIRMAN	Maura Marwick	Proposed Julia Woolgar Seconded Brenda Clark Elected.
VICE-CHAIRMAN	Joe Bevis	Continue in Office
CAPTAIN	Rich Clark	Continue in Office
VICE CAPTAIN	Julia Woolgar	Continue in Office
FIXTURE SECRETARY	Tiny Lester	Continue in Office
CLUB SECRETARY	Mick Stairs	Continue in Office
TREASURER	Maura Marwick	Continue in Office
COMPETITION SECRETARY	Gordon Young	Continue in Office

The meeting closed at 19:00

Presentation of Awards followed prior to Dinner.

AWARD

WINNERS

RICHARD GUBB

MATCHPLAY

TRIPLES

KEVIN MARWICK

MAURA MARWICK

RICHARD GUBB

RUNNERS UP

RICH CLARK

BRENDA CLARK

ANDREW MOORE

RICHARD CLARK

PAIRS

BRENDA CLARK

JENNY GUBB

ANDREW MOORE

GORDON YOUNG

2 WOOD SINGLES

RICHARD GUBB

MICK STAIRS

COUPLES

BRENDA CLARK

GORDON YOUNG

MAURA MARWICK

RICHARD CLARK

SINGLES

JULIA WOOLGAR

BRENDA CLARK

BEST SINGLES (MAN)

GORDON YOUNG

CLUB CHAMPION

JULIA WOOLGAR

CLUB CAPTAIN'S AWARD

JOE BEVIS

ATTACHMENT A – ACCOUNTS 2016/17

SHEBBEAR SHORT MAT BOWLING CLUB

Income & Expenditure for the 12 months to 31st March 2017

	2017
Income	
Roll Up	589.10 —
Members Subs	366.00
AGM Dinner	368.00
League Matches	582.26
Refreshments	31.60
In House Matches	204.00
	<u>2140.96</u>
Expenditure	
Equipment	4.95
L/Cup & Engraving	158.49
Refreshments	66.62
AGM Dinner	368.00
DSMBA	126.00
Hire of Hall	1220.50
Fed Fees	16.00
Stationery	29.05
	<u>1989.61</u>
	2140.96
	1989.61 -
Profit/(loss) for 12 months to 31.3.17	<u>151.35</u>
Plus balance b/fwd as at 1.4.17	1548.71
Total funds as at 31.3.2017	1700.06
Bank balance as at 31.3.2017	1970.06
Accrual amount for hire of hall for March 2017	195.00 --
Outstanding cheque	75.00 --
	<u>1700.06</u>

SHEBBEAR SHORT MAT BOWLING CLUB

Income & Expenditure 2015/2016

	2016	2015
Income		
Grant	0.00	0.00
Play Fees	1517.00	1766.50
Annual Memberships	336.00	440.00
Summer Memberships	0.00	0.00
County Comp fees	0.00	66.00
Other	0.00	1.00
Sale of Clothing	14.00	39.00
Annual Dinner Collected	345.00	0.00
	2212.0	2312.50
 Expenditure		
Village Hall	988.50	1302.00
DCSMBA Registration	186.00	180.00
DCSMBA Comp fees		96.00
ND&NC League fees	26.00	24.00
Refreshemnts	44.96	59.16
Stationery & Secretarial	50.46	58.81
Treasurer's Expenses		5.10
Engraving	45.00	70.00
Jacks		72.54
Repairs		24.16
Stickers for woods		30.34
Purchase of mat		104.29
Purchase of clothing		59.00
Donations		5.00
Website	15.13	9.00
Annual Dinner payment	345.00	
	1701.05	2099.40
 Profit/(Loss for 12 months ending 31st March 2015	510.95	213.10
 Plus: Balance b/fwd as at 1st April	1037.76	824.66
 Total funds as at 31st March	1548.71	1037.76
 Bank Account	1548.71	1037.76

ATTACHMENT B – MEMBERS ATTENDING 2016 AGM

Joe Bevis

Lorraine Buttery

Brenda Clark

Richard Clark

Tiny Lester

Kevin Marwick

Maura Marwick

Marilyn Pearce

Carole Stairs

Michael Stairs

Lesley Tennant

Richard Whiterow

Julia Woolgar

Gordon Young