

**MANOR PARK BOWLING CLUB**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT ROSE GREEN CLUB**  
**ON 31 OCTOBER 2016 AT 7.15PM**

1. B Buckland opened the meeting and welcomed everyone, especially new members.
2. 17 members were present and there were no apologies.
3. A minute's silence was held for all colleagues and friends whom we had lost in the previous 12 months.
4. Minutes of the previous AGM were read and agreed.
5. There were no matters arising.

**6. Treasurer's Report**

Members received a balance sheet prepared by the treasurer showing the income and expenditure for the last year. S Perkins said that the club was in quite a good financial position with a closing balance of £4774.37 plus cash in hand giving a total of £5244.37. However the club would need to spend about £1500 in the spring on the greens.

**7. Auditor's Report**

S Perkins said he had conducted a partial audit of the accounts which appeared in good order. He had gone through the ledger and could confirm that the details were a true and accurate account.

**8. Secretary's Report**

S Perkins reported that the committee had met 6 times during the year and team captains had attended league meetings 4-6 times each.

D Mellings had paid league fees as well as insurance and BCGBA fees. He had also collected match fees and dealt with the bank and other incidental items, comprising in total over 300 transactions.

S Perkins expressed his thanks to David for all his hard work and cooperation with him over the last 3 and a half years.

He said he had asked Dewi Howell to take over as treasurer and that he had agreed. They planned to open a new bank account, a "Treasurer's" account specifically designed for clubs with the treasurer, chairman and secretary as signatories.

He expressed his thanks to Barbara Bulmore for taking the minutes of all the meetings over the last 3 years and to all the other members who had contributed to the good running of the club, namely Hazel, Barbara Taylor, Eunice, Mo, Pam and Joan. He also thanked Maureen for running training sessions on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

**9. Greens report**

S Perkins said that the greens were now closed. He thanked the green team of Martin, Roy, Jeff, Bryan, Bill and Walter who had worked hard every week during the season to keep the greens cut and the gutters clean. Gerald had caught several moles on the bottom green again.

Paul from Turfmaster had done some restoration work on the greens, deep aeration, reseeded and 10 tons of top dressing which should put the greens in good order going into the winter.

Plastic fascia boards were planned for the spring to improve the appearance of the gutters and to save repainting.

**10. Captains report**

B Buckland reported that the Stockport pairs team finished mid-table, about 7<sup>th</sup>. The team had a good nucleus of players.

B Buckland reported that the mixed pairs team had had mixed fortunes in the combined league, but that there had been a good turnout of players.

S Perkins reported that the Wednesday team had now gone down a division.

W Smith said that the Saturday team had won 2 more matches than in the previous year. The new rule allowing women to play had worked out well.

E Coombes said that the Ladies team had slightly improved their position in the division to 4<sup>th</sup>.

M Coombes said that the Thursday A team had only 7 players and really needed 3 more players to be viable.

K Charlton reported that the B team only had 6 players.

It was agreed that the only sustainable option was to combine the 2 teams next season.

#### 11. Election of Officers and volunteers

President and Chairman	B Buckland	
Treasurer	D Howell	
Secretary	S Perkins	
Minutes Secretary	M Hargreaves	
Greenkeepers	S Perkins, M Coombes, B Buckland, W Smith, Jeff Favell, B Clayton	
Membership Secretary	B Buckland	
Website administrator	Neil Linsky	
Club outing and Club clothing	B Taylor	
Club keys	H Prady	
Housekeeping	P Taylor, M Beattie	
Club Captains and vice-captains:		
Stockport pairs	B Buckland	S Perkins
High Peak mixed pairs	B Buckland	(H Prady to assist)
Tameside Mens	S Perkins	W Smith (vice)
Tameside Ladies	E Coombes	S Linsky (vice)
Longdendale	W Smith	M Bolton (vice)
N Derbyshire	M Coombes	K Charlton (vice)

Club Trustees were to be M Bolton and H Prady

Bank signatories were to be the 3 officers

#### 12. Any Other Business

Barbara Taylor would look into options for the club outing and discuss with members.

N Linsky raised the question of rechargeable portable floodlights and agreed to forward information to S Perkins.

B Buckland said that final numbers for the Christmas party on 2 December needed to be in a week before.

The next committee meeting would take place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February at Rose Green at 7.15pm

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

