

HERTFORDSHIRE BOWLS

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of Council will be held at the Civic Centre, Prospect Place, Welwyn on Saturday 5 October 2019 Commencing at 2.30 p.m. (Doors open at 2.00 p.m.)

NB. Club representation is one male and one female delegate
Representation by two delegates of the same gender is not permitted.

Marcia Dunstone. Honorary Executive Secretary. 20 September 2019

A G E N D A

1. Welcome and Apologies for absence
2. Obituaries
3. Minutes of the previous meeting held 6 October 2018 (copy enclosed)
4. Matters arising from the Minutes
5. Charity Funds
 - a) Women's Samaritan Fund
 - b) Men's Benevolent Fund
 - c) Men's Samaritan Fund
6. Honorary Treasurer's Report
7. Honorary Executive Secretary's Report
8. Honorary County Secretary's Report
 - a) Women
 - b) Men
9. Delegates Reports
 - a) Bowls England
 - b) Eastern Counties B.A.
 - c) County Development Officer
10. Executive Recommendations
 - a) Rules & Constitution (see attachment)
11.
 - a) Annual Ladies' Luncheon – Sunday 03 November at Letchworth Hall Hotel
 - b) Annual Men's Dinner – Wednesday 13 November at Letchworth Hall Hotel
12. Tours 2020
Women's Tour to Worthing & Men's Tour to Bournemouth
13. Events 2020
 - a) Gala Days
 - b) Samaritan Fund events
14. Provisional Match Programme 2020
15. Matters arising from Division Meetings (see explanatory notes)
16. Other relevant business
 - a) Mrs R Varney (Baldock Town) has been proposed by her club for the position of Senior Vice President to be voted at the AGM and effective 2020. The Exec Secretary proposes that until that vote she is accepted as Acting Junior Vice.

If time permits after the conclusion of Council an open forum can take place.

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Explanatory Notes on Agenda for 2019 Council Meeting

10: Rules & Constitution

Rule 9: Selection Subcommittee (P40)

Rule 9 B after ...each gender Selection Subcommittee shall appoint a Team Manager and *replace* “a minimum of two selectors” *with* “will endeavour to appoint a minimum of two selectors from applications received”.

Rationale: The previous wording has been taken to indicate that without appointed Selectors we can't have the appointed Team Manager.

15 Items arising from Divisional Meetings:

(i) **Rules & Constitution** These items need a vote from Council to go to AGM

A Rule 11 Honorary Life Membership (P41) / Rule 7 Administration (P40)

Rule 11C be moved to Administration and become Rule 7C including the word “Divisional”.

Rule 7C to read: Honorary Life Members may attend Division, Council and General Meetings but only past Officers shall have power of vote.

(Proposed by South and Supported by Exec).

B. Rule 11. Honorary Life Membership

Proposal to amend Rule 11A in respect of Honorary Life Membership. Currently states “The Association shall have the power to elect Honorary Life Members for exceptional special services rendered to the Association”.

Proposal is that an additional sentence is added after the first one, to say “**This may include a combination of representation at full International level for a significant number of years plus successful representation at the highest International level**”.

(Proposed by East. Not supported by Executive)

(ii) **Change to Bylaws.** (the following items do not have to be voted on however the opinions of the Floor would be carefully considered by the Exec if any change are to be made.

A. Middleton Cup & Eastern County League players should travel in white shirt with the county logo & grey trousers or shorts. Wearing of county blazers is optional. (to be added to **Dress Code Bylaw Men P48**)

(Proposed by North & West - Not supported by Exec).

*Rationale: Although the Proposers thought this would encourage team spirit the Exec considered that there would be an additional cost to the players. It was also felt that **Dress code Bylaw Men (P48)** sufficiently covers this as “Inter County” should cover both Friendly & Middleton Cup matches.*

B. That players competing in the Men's Inter Division League can wear white or club shirts

(Proposed by West – Supported by Exec)

To be added to **Men's & Women's Inter Divisional League Bylaws (P51)**

C. Club Championship Singles are the preliminary rounds towards the National Champion of Champions Singles. In accordance with Bowls England any member Male or Female can be a member of more than one club, however, when entering Club Competitions they can only enter the Championship Singles at the club that they enter their County & National Competitions. (Proposed by both North and West - Supported by the Exec)

Rationale: This is the recommendation by BE but is not a Rule. However by entering Singles at more than one club and possibly winning at both, once at National level only 1 entry from 1 club is allowed so the other club and their players have been denied an entry. Proposal is that it is added to our Competition Bylaws.