



Sixpenny Handley Bowls Club



BULLETIN – DECEMBER 2018

Hi Everyone

Not a very busy month for the club, although we did hold the Westbrook presentation evening in the clubhouse. Ron was still in Australia but he put together a quiz for us before he went. Rob Jesse entertained us with his games and his humour and it was an enjoyable evening. I have received several comments from other clubs congratulating us for putting on a great evening. Mere were presented with the winners trophy and we were presented with the runners up shield.

The Tanners and the SH teams are battling away in their respective leagues, we don't seem to have settled down just yet as there have been several matches cancelled for various reasons for both teams.

Hamper day was held on Sunday 25 November, again Paul did a great job sorting the teams and hampers. Sarah was the winner, Karen second and Maxine third, well done ladies where were the men??

I hope to see you all at the presentation lunch on Sunday.
Dave

CLUB PRACTICE DAYS

Sundays at 2.30pm and Tuesday evenings from 7.00pm
when no league or friendly matches are taking place

INDOOR BOWLING MATCH FIXTURES 2018

SIXPENNY HANDLEY BLACKMORE VALE LEAGUE 3

Tuesday 4 December HOME at 7.30pm against Camelot

TANNERS BLACKMORE VALE LEAGUE 5

Tuesday 18 December AWAY at 7.30pm against the Bishops

Social Calendar

Well it is said that as you get older, time passes more quickly and this year seems to have flown by and Christmas is nearly here. I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We hosted the Westbrook League presentation evening in November and Sixpenny Handley as usual gave great support. Special thanks to Ron and Colin for a very popular quiz and to Rob Jesse for his Catchphrase games. The evening went very well with a good American supper and at the end all our guests thanked Sixpenny Handley for a really enjoyable evening.

Sunday 2 December – Presentation Lunch – Our Presentation lunch is on Sunday 2nd at the Rushmore Golf Club and we are looking forward to meeting up with everyone again.

Friday 14 December – Clare and Jojo Christmas music - For those of you who have not got tickets for our music evening on 14 December and would like to come, I will bring the tickets with me on Sunday, the price is £6 per person and tea/coffee and mince pies will be available as well as the bar.

Our last social evening of the year will be on Thursday 6 December at 7pm and will resume in January.

Val

Minutes of the Committee Meeting Wednesday 10th October 2018 @ 7.00 pm

Present; Colin Chambers, David Adams, Gordon Oxford, Pat Oxford, Val Martin, Stella Olsen and Ann Adams.

1. **Apologies;** Pat Hoddy and Ron Jermyn.
2. **Minutes;** Minutes from Tuesday 8th August 2018 Committee meeting signed as correct by **GO** Proposed by **Dave Adams** and seconded by **Ann Adams**.
3. **Matters arising;** no matters arising from the minutes.
4. **Reports:**
President's report; **GO** chaired the meeting as Vice President in place of Ron Jermyn who is in Australia.

Secretaries report; **CC**. Repairs to the mat have been delayed as we need more time to establish the best method of fixing the mat to the sides, we are anticipating early spring 2019, **DA** has taken control of the issue and will liaise with Dales. First Aid-it was agreed 5/6 members (volunteers) to be funded by the club on a suitable first aid course, details to be confirmed before the next outdoor season. **CC** confirmed all affiliation fees and names of players have been sent to Dorset Bowls and Dorset SMBA. Winter membership-we have registered some 12 new outdoor winter members in the last 6 weeks, this is encouraging and makes good use of our facilities during the winter, let's hope some may decide to join as full members! Angus McLeod is not well and now in a nursing home, his wife Mary has donated Angus's bowls woods to the club, these will be available for members to use, thank you Mary and Angus. Youth Academy- we are looking to start a youth academy in 2019, we have support from Blandford Bowls Club and Bowls Dorset, some work to promote this will take place early in 2019 with a visit to local schools and the Scouts, Paul Chalmers has agreed to take level one Coach Bowls course in December 2018, and January 2019.

Match Secretary; **PO** Has confirmed there will be seven teams playing in the Blackmore Vale League for the Tanners. **PO** has also confirmed she wishes to retire as fixture secretary, we will need a replacement as soon as possible as it is only 6 months to the start of the new outdoor season.

Social Secretaries report; **VM** the horse racing evening on the 27th October may have to be switched to the clubhouse as the numbers confirmed to-date are mainly bowls club members, and no support from the village hall, we will keep all informed. The committee decided that we will not have a Christmas party in the clubhouse this year, as this takes a lot of time and effort after what has been a busy year. **VM** is looking to arrange a musical evening in the clubhouse (as per last year) again we will keep all members informed.

Numbers for the Presentation lunch at Rushmore Golf Club are now 68 and could rise further (excellent)

Green Keepers report: DA perimeter fence raising has been prepared however due to other commitments this will be fitted when time permits. DA is corresponding with Dales regarding the mat repair and a suitable method of fixing the mat sides to the base of the green. Qualgex moss killer has been ordered through the Parish Council in readiness to treat the matt before the wet/damp winter.

- 5. Any other business.** PO the date for the Westbrook Mixed Triples presentation evening has been set for Saturday 17th November in the clubhouse. DA has informed the committee that our web site wizard Geoff Symonds has now retired, although he will continue to look after our site, he will not accept any cash payments for his services, the committee agreed therefore to send him a voucher to the value of £60.00 for a meal for two. GO asked if the new indoor rubber mats and jacks have been ordered, this was confirmed by DA.

