**NORTHMEAD BOWLS CLUB**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

**28 AUGUST 2016 @ 09H00**

Prior to opening the Vice-Chairman, Mr J Waugh, advised that the Chairman, Mr K Mullen, was ill and in hospital and unable to attend. Mr J Waugh would therefore be presiding over the meeting.

**OBITUARIES:**

A Minute’s Silence was held for all those who passed away during the year.

**NOTICE OF MEETING:**

Notice was hereby given of meeting. Copies supplied.

**WELCOME:**

The Vice-Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

**APOLOGIES:**

As per list together with Attendance list.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 August 2015 were approved by P Carr and seconded by A Hart.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

None

**TREASURERS REPORT:**

Mr M O’Neil, the Club Auditor, reported that the Club was in a good financial position. The accounts have been on display on the Notice Board for the past 6 weeks. The salient points are as follows:-

* Expenditure exceeded income by approximately R12 000.00. This amount was mainly due to the provision for rent for Ekurhuleni Municipality. For the past 3 years an amount has been put aside monthly to pay any rental that may be levied by the Municipality. However, as nothing has materialised from the Municipality to date, it was decided at the last committee meeting to stop putting aside monies monthly for this as the Club currently has a provision of R45000.00 should we be called upon to pay.
* Mr O’Neil pointed out that profits from the kitchen have dropped to R2 800.00 for the year which is very little – the bar can make that in one day. Tea costing must be more accurate for special events and the costs for the league teas must be looked into as we are exceeding the amounts budgeted for this. Out of the facility fee of R20.00, R5-00 is for green fees and R15-00 for teas.
* The bar turnover was R463 000.00. The pensioners and extended bar hours contributed to this figure. The percentage profit did drop from 48% to 45% and this must be looked into.
* Assets increased from R31 000.00 to R55 000.00.
* Maintenance costs were higher this year due to revamping of ladies cloakroom and painting of the Club. This is a one-off cost.
* General Club Maintenance is within budget for toiletries & cleaning materials.
* Green Maintenance was within budget.
* The percentage usage of the greens went from 21% last year to 36% this year which is very encouraging.
* Annual Subscriptions make up 11% of the Club’s income.
* The Club’s gross takings were R734 000.00
* The Joker Draw and 120 Club also contributed to this figure.

Mr O’Neil advised that he would not be able to act as Auditor for the Club due to his poor eyesight in future and asked that we appoint a new auditor for the coming year.

Mr Jan Ebersohn offered a vote of thanks to Mr O’Neil for his services.

The Financial Report was approved by Mr E Brown and seconded by Mr A Hart.

**CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:**

Due to Mr Mullen’s ill health there was no Chairman’s Report.

**VICE-CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:**

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr J Waugh gave a brief report:-

Congratulations were given to Patsy Smook and her team for the successful running of the recent Spring Tournament which raised approximately R22 000.00. Congratulations were also given to Jess Saunders and her team on winning the tournament. The raffle which was won by the Late Mr Stan Marks was re-donated to the Club by his family to be re-raffled.

Mr J Waugh also congratulated Wilma Richardson and Ivan Tinniswood on their selection to play in the Masters.

Mr Waugh thanked the following for their help:-

Mr Mike Thomas for his generosity and assistance.

Messrs John Busby, Keith Bull and Piet Uys for all the work they do for the Pensioners bowls.

Mr Mike O’Neil for stocktakes and audits.

Mr Colin Saunders for odd-jobs and moving of lockers etc.

Mrs Stephanie Hill for stepping in and assisting as secretary.

All the out-going Committee for braais, competitions etc.

Priscilla and Marion for catering of functions.

Ivan Tinniswood for the gardens.

He also apologised should he have left anyone out of the thanks.

**COMPETITIONS:**

Mr Paul Carr thanked all the members for their co-operation in the competitions. He also thanked Sue Hartle for her assistance in this regard.

Prize-giving will be held at the end of October.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Nil

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Mr D Jones had submitted a letter requesting that Saturday dress code be changed to casual wear. Dress is a By-Law not a Constitutional matter and therefore does not need a Special meeting to be called. A Vote was taken by show of hands and by a small majority Casual wear was elected.

**LIFE MEMBERS:**

None this year.

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**COMMITTEE:**

Unopposed apart from position of Chairman. A ballot was held for this position. The two candidates being Mr K Mullen and Mr P Carr. The position of Treasurer was vacant as Lisa Adamson had declined the position.

After the voting the committee was elected as follows:-

PRESIDENT: M VOLLMER

VICE PRESIDENT: M O’NEIL

CHAIRMAN: P CARR

VICE CHAIRMAN: J WAUGH

TREASURER: VACANT

SECRETARY: S HILL

COMPETITION SECRETARY: P CARR

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: K MULLEN (Outgoing Chairman)

S MULLEN

T DE FREITAS

L ADAMSON

S KOTZE

A PIKE

A HART

N DOLLEY

MEN’S SELECTION COMMITTEE: P CARR

A HART

K BUTLER

M LOGAN

T DE FREITAS

A Hart or P Carr can be convenor and the Committee can make the decision.

LADIES’ SELECTION COMMITTEE:

On a point of order, L Adamson advised that M Butler had been nominated by two men and this is not allowed in terms of the Constitution thus ruling her nomination ineligible. Mr J Waugh pointed out that at the discretion of the Ladies’ Selection Committee she could be co-opted on instead.

This Committee comprises: L ADAMSON

J SAUNDERS

P SMOOK

M O’NEIL

**GENERAL:**

1. Mr M Thomas asked if we could please issue till slips at the bar.
2. Mr M Thomas queried who was responsible for the green staff as he did not see them outside working. It was pointed out that they were often working in the back loading glasses and cleaning. K Viljoen proposed a Greens committee be set up. The new Committee will look into the matter.
3. Mr J Waugh congratulated Mr P Carr on his appointment as Chairman.
4. A vote of thanks was given to the Chair by Mr Jan Ebersohn.
5. Mr Helmut Reimann sent wishes to Mr Kevin Mullen for a speedy recovery on behalf of the Club members.

Mr J Waugh handed over to Mr Paul Carr who thanked the Club for nominating him Chairman.

**The Meeting closed at 09h45.**