



*Buckfastleigh Bowling Club
Duckspond Road
Buckfastleigh
TQ11 0NL*

Executive Meeting

Meeting held on 3 April 2024 at 9:30am.

Present: Secretary - Sue Heyes; Treasurer - Tom Bowden; Ladies Representative
- Ann Pedrick; Men's Representative - Andy Bowen

Chairman

Tom was appointed Chairman of the day.

Apologies:

Terry Humphries.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the Executive Meeting held on 8 February 2024 were signed by the Chairman as correct.

Matters Arising:

- 1. Teignbridge DC Interactive Sessions**
In hand.
- 3. Retaining Wall**
Tom to contact Jamie.
- 4. Water Control System**
Sue will investigate further.

Secretary's Report:

Sue has updated our Safeguarding policy documents and these are now in a file above the microwave.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report (copy attached) was agreed by all present.

Green Managers Report:

Sue's report is attached.

Tom has also contacted Dartington Garden Machinery and they are picking our scarifier up for service on Monday 8 April.

New Shirts / Sponsorship

Tom presented everyone with all the designs available from the well known sports company Aceit. He also provided a 'mock up' of how a couple of those designs would look.

After discussion it was agreed that we would have the 177 design.

Venus Dentists in Totnes have provided sponsorship of £200 towards the cost of the new shirts. The shirts will be provided free to members with the balance of the cost being financed from the Special (Covid) Fund. If any member requires an additional shirt, this will be at a cost to the member of £29.

Subsequent to the meeting, WFS Woodburner Fitting Services have agreed a £300 sponsorship package - £200 towards the new shirts.

Catering / Biscuits / Travel

It was agreed that we have the same kind of biscuits this year as we did last year. Sue to source from Amazon.

And to confirm, the charge for tea & biscuits will be £2, irrespective if the member doesn't want tea & biscuits. We are providing for the opposition members.

For away matches, for those sharing transport the contribution towards fuel costs for the driver will be £3 per person.

Any Other Business

1. Opening Day

The arrangements for Opening Day are:

Teas – we will provide a cream tea for 36 people. Sue will source the scones, cream and jam.

We will run a raffle.

We will provide a bunch of flowers for the Bowls Devon President's wife, Aileen. Ann will buy these.

Following the official opening, we will run a spider and Tom will provide a bottle of whisky or vodka.

We can then have a mini competition of 5-10 ends.

Dress code is Whites.

The bar will be open all day.

2. Coaching

We have offered those new members who are new to bowls up to 6 free coaching lessons. The onus will be on the new member to contact Sue to arrange a session at a suitable time, preferably on Club Night.

3. Junior Bowls

Sue will investigate the cost of providing the club with a set of triple 0's or Junior Bowls.

4. Visitors

Committee were reminded that our green is a public green open to the public, by arrangement. The green fee is £3.

5. Bar

The procedure for serving from the bar was outlined to everyone, ie we trust our members to serve AND pay for their drinks. On most friendly matches though, Barbara will usually be 'behind the bar'.

6. Water Jugs

We need a top for one of the water jugs. Ann will source.

Date of next meeting: TBA.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:55am.

Signed as correct:

Chairman



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**Treasurer's Report for Executive Committee on 3 April
2024**

Accounts 2023/24

Subscriptions

All have been paid except:

Dave Barnes, Jamie Barnes, Matt Bowen (will pay before Opening Day), Kelvin Clark, Ham Sampford, Lesley Clark, Linda Salter.

Sponsorship

We have received the following advertising/sponsorship income:

Buckfast Barbers	£200	
Searles	£100	
Venus Dentists	£300	(£200 for shirt logo)
Buckfast Carpets	£100	
Buckfast Post Office	£100	
Dart Garage	£100	
Jolly Rogers	£100	
Buckfast Farm Shop	£50	
No. 44 Café	£50	
Kwerky Krafts	£50	

I am still waiting to hear from: SDR, Otters & Butterflies & Dartmoor Lodge Hotel.

Bank Interest

As previously reported, we moved £25k to a 6 month fixed term deposit account which has now matured and realized interest of £383.56. I have now moved £20k to a 32 day notice account, and in total I expect the bank interest received for the year to be around £700.

Insurance

The annual fee (£984.92) has now been paid, which includes £175 for 3rd party and employer's liability. Prior to this year, we have had 2 years of no 3rd party cover!

Balances at the bank are:

Current	£806.51
Deposit	£8,697.12
32 Day Notice Deposit	£20,000.00

Cash Balances are:

Treasurer	£228.22
Bar	£75.10



Tom Bowden
Hon. Treasurer

Buckfastleigh Bowls Club

2022/23	Revenue Account	2023/24	
Actual		To Date	
£	Income	£	£
2,285	Annual Subscriptions	1,690	
0	Grants	0	
200	Sponsorship	1,150	
3	Donations	21	
871	Teas & Draws	0	
0	Annual Dinner	0	
1,559	Bar Sales	68	
0	Competitions	15	
319	Green Fees	0	
30	Clothing	0	
10	Social Events	127	
4,200	Special Fund	197	
0	Ian Howkins Bequest Fund	0	
175	Bank Interest	464	
65	Other Income	74	
9,717			3,806
	Expenditure		
1,074	Green & Machinery	750	
5,699	Premises & Grounds	677	
168	Rent	0	
233	Electricity	95	
473	Water Rates	108	
52	Fire Extinguisher Check	244	
739	Insurance	985	
10	Advertising - BBC	94	
0	Advertising - 3rd Party	0	
64	Printing, Postage & Stationery	47	
70	Bar Licence	70	
1	Website	0	
58	Sundries	0	
0	Annual Dinner	0	
367	Affiliation Fees & Trophies	37	
309	Food & Draws	142	
50	Clothing	115	
958	Bar Expenses	30	
10,325			3,394
(608)	Surplus/(Deficit)		412

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2022/23	Capital Account	2023/24	
Actual		To Date	
£	Fixed Assets	£	£
0	Premises	0	
0	Machinery	784	
0			784
	Current Assets		
30,073	Bank	29,504	
169	Cash in Hand	303	
198	Bar Stock	189	
425	Clothing	310	
118	Debtors	108	
30,983			30,414
	Less: Current Liabilities		
0	Creditors	0	
30,983	Net Current Assets		30,414
30,983	Total Assets		31,198
	Financed by:		
	Members Fund		
17,679	Balance B/F	17,071	
(608)	Surplus/(Deficit)	412	
17,071			17,483
	Other Funds		
13,756	Special Fund	13,559	
156	Ian Howkins Bequest Fund	156	
13,912			13,715
30,983	Balance C/F		31,198

Signed as a correct record:

Treasurer:

Tom Buckle

31 March 2024

Green Report for Executive Committee on 3 April 2024

Well, what can I say! I have temporarily taken over green care while Ham is getting his medical problems sorted out.

The weather has not been very kind to us at all this year and we are well behind with the maintenance of the green. It has only been cut once and that was a struggle as the blades kept jamming with the amount of wet grass.

We had Tim Wakeham down to give us advice and Ken has applied 5 bags of lawn sand to hopefully get rid of the moss and weeds, now we need a dry spell to scarify and cut again before we can plan overseeding.

Over the Easter weekend we have been busy scarifying and cutting managing to fill the wheelie bin and a dumpy bag as well. Both machines are protesting at all the work but hopefully we will be getting them serviced in the near future.

I have been in touch with Tim Wakeham from Wakeham ground care and he has a contact who can overseed the green with a machine to put the seed into multiple holes (dimpling), so this will be organised asap. Meanwhile we will continue to cut as the weather allows, next cut will be at 8mm aiming for 6mm for opening day and the 4-5mm for season depending on the weather.

The overseeding has been arranged for Wednesday 10th April we will aim to cut the day before weather permitting.

Sue.