



Gwynfi Bowls Club

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GWYNFI BOWLS CLUB

Annual Report of the Trustees for the period 1st Jan 2024– 31st Dec 2024

Charity Name: Gwynfi Bowls Club

Registered No. 1158830

Trustees of the Charity

Colin Robinson

Leigh Jones

Ian Jones

Paul Wilkins

Robert Quinn

Treasurer

Secretary

Vice-Chairman

The Charity is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation governed by a constitution document, available for public view on the club website:

gwynfibowlsclub.wordpress.com

All other policies and procedures pertaining to Club governance are similarly available. The Trustees are nominated and elected by the membership at an Annual General Meeting held each January.

OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Club shall be to promote community participation in healthy recreation and social engagement for the benefit of the inhabitants of Gwynfi and surrounding areas by providing and maintaining facilities for playing bowls recreationally and competitively and organising related community events and activities such as coaching sessions, family days, presentations and events for members and guests or similar. The club shall seek to encourage and support participation in the sport of bowls by all interested members of the local community irrespective of age, gender, ability or circumstance and aims to sustain a viable and active membership into the future that represents all sections of the community.

1. Chairman's Report for 2024 – Annual General Meeting 15^h Jan 2025

The Chairman welcomed members and trustees to the meeting and was pleased to report it had been another good season for the Club with no relegation and a secure position in the 1st Division of both the Port Talbot League and Neath & District League. The membership had excellent participation in League and County tournaments and the Club retained its reputation as a strong contender in the regional bowls community. The Chairman thanked all those who had contributed to the upkeep of the

green and other Club facilities this season, especially for the repair of gutters; the playing surface remained in good condition despite a continuing problem with intermittent mole damage. Mr. K. Robinson was thanked for his support in managing this. Mr. A. Simpson was thanked for his efforts to administer league and club tournaments and presentations and wished good luck for the forthcoming season. The Chairman advised that he would be standing down for 2025 and had been somewhat disheartened by the apathy of the wider membership for supporting the activities required to secure the future of the club. The Secretary and Mrs. Geraldine Jones were thanked for their contributions to Club administration and financial management throughout the year to date and Mr. C. Trahar for his outstanding contribution to Club finances through management of the bowls lottery. The Chairman also thanked Mr. Clive Rogers and the G2 Sports Bar for once again providing hospitality to visiting teams and sponsoring the club.

1. Treasurer's Report & Annual Accounts

The report was presented by the Secretary on behalf of the Treasurer. The club opening balance for 2023-24 was £10,780.31 comprising £4,867.39 cash and £5,912.92 bank. Total income for the year was £7,300.78 and total expenditure £6,104.21. The Bowls Lottery had contributed £2,243 and thanks were given to Mr. C. Trahar for his efforts to manage and sustain this. It was hoped that another member would step up to this vital role for the forthcoming season. The club had received compensation for interruption to power supplies and unauthorised council use of electricity by workmen during the year and other overheads had been contained fairly well despite rising costs. The club had emergency reserves of £3,057.94 with the opening balance for the year amounting to £11,976.88, up on the previous year and a healthy position for the forthcoming season. The Treasurer had advised his intention to stand down at the end of 2025 and hoped a new appointment could be made in time to ensure a smooth transition.

2. Secretary's Report

Mr. P. Bryant would be standing down as Secretary after completing outstanding administration prior to the season and supporting handover to the new appointee. The membership were reminded that the Corona Energy account needed to be updated with submission of a monthly meter reading in order to avoid any unnecessary estimated charges.

The Secretary reminded the membership of constitutional obligations as set out in the Governing Document to appoint an annual trustee replacement for the longest-serving incumbent. Two new trustees would need to be appointed for 2025 to replace the outgoing Chairman and Secretary.

3. Election of Officers: President, Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Captain, Vice Captain and Fixtures Secretary

Mr C. Jones agreed to act as President, Mr R. Quinn agreed to stand as Vice-Chairman, Mr I. Jones agreed to stand as Secretary, Mr L. Jones agreed to act as Treasurer during 2025, all carried by those present. Mr A. Simpson agreed to continue to act as Captain and Mr I. Jones agreed to act as Vice-Captain. Mr. D.Cole agreed to act as Fixtures Secretary. There were no nominees for Chairman and the position remained vacant.

Mr. I. Jones (Hon. Secretary) and Mr. C. Robinson agreed to act as Trustees

4. Policy Reviews (previously circulated)

Health & Safety Policy Review. The policy document as last reviewed on 26th Apr 2021 was approved without amendment. Mr. P. Bryant agreed to act as nominated First Aider post training and certification at the end of January. The incoming Secretary was asked to ensure fire extinguisher certification remained current and all appropriate risk assessments remained current in accordance with the policy.

Safeguarding Policy. The WBA model policy as adopted in 2017 was reviewed and the current Model Policy document approved for club adoption. Mr. P. Bryant agreed to continue to act as Safeguarding Officer until a replacement was agreed.

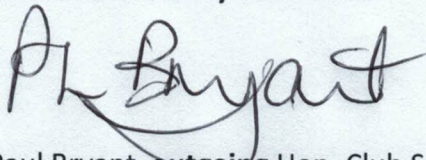
Governing Document. The document as currently constituted was reviewed and an amendment agreed: to remove the statement under 3.1 Membership "Associate members using green and clubhouse facilities but with limitations on access".

The outgoing Secretary undertook to update review documents with the signatures of incoming officers and post copies of these to the Gwynfi Bowls website at wordpress.com

The Trustees declare they have approved the Trustee's report above

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signature

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'P. Bryant', written over a horizontal line.

Full Name : Paul Bryant ~~outgoing~~ Hon. Club Secretary

Date: 21st January 2025

Accounts 2024

Cash in Hand end of 2023	£4,867.39	
Bank Account (1) end of 2023	£2,886.76	
Bank Account(2) end of 2023	£3,026.16	
Total Money end of 2023	£10,780.31	Starting Fig
Bowls Lottery	£2,243.00	
Interest on savings	£31.78	
Rink & Raffle Collected	£2,091.00	
Membership income	£900.00	
Misc income	£2,035.00	
	£7,300.78	Money in
Green expenditure	£2,794.85	
Misc expenditure	£1,817.22	Automated accounting
Water Rates	£590.88	
Electric	£651.26	
Transport	£250.00	
	£6,104.21	Money out
		£18,081.09 Total
MONEY IN CLUB 2024		
Cash -in -Hand	£4,232.65	
Bank Account	£4,686.29	£18,081.09 Balance
Savings Account	£3,057.94	
Total Money in club	£11,976.88	£6,104.21 less money out
		£11,976.88