



PONTELAND BOWLING CLUB

February 2019 NEWSLETTER



Members are reminded that Minutes of GPC Meetings are held in an appropriately identified file in the Club Office.

Applications for Membership – None this month.

Finance – The Treasurer reported that the Burns Night had made £317 compared to £462 last year, a reflection of the reduced attendance, 69 compared to 91 last year. It was noted that 25 of those attending did not have any direct contact with the Bowling Club. The main outgoings were £111.97 to Npower and £100 for boiler maintenance and repairs.

Website – Keep up to date with forthcoming events and fixtures. These are all now available.

Development and Recruitment – Dates for taster sessions have been agreed and we are staging two on Saturday 18 May, morning and afternoon. We are tying this in with a fund raising event for the Moto Neuron Association and we hope members will give their support. Members are also reminded that 'word of mouth' is still the most effective means of getting in new members and we need everyone to help with this. A booklet entitled 'Welcome to the Game of Bowls' is now available and should be of use to new and existing members as it covers all aspects of the game.

Social and Club Events – Our next event is the Quiz Night on Friday 8 March and again we look to members to support this. Tickets are available from Social Committee or GPC Members. The next Coffee Morning is on Friday 15 March at 10.00am and as usual all members are welcome.

Green and Site – Winter work is slightly behind programme. We are awaiting a new summer programme of work required on the green. Replacement of the bank side timber is to be completed.

Fixtures for 2019 – These are all now available on our website and our Fixture Booklet will be available for the start of the season.

Pre-Season Letters - These will be going out on 1 March and will contain details of the Pre-season Dinner, Club Draw and League and Competition involvement. Members are being asked to actively give their full support to our league teams and to involve themselves in as many of the Club activities as possible.

Bowls Northumberland News – The new website is up and running and you can keep up to date with results and events when the season gets underway.

Future Direction – the GPC is looking at where our future lies in relation to communication with members and the outside world.

Next GPC Meeting – Wednesday 13 March 2019 at 9.30am in the Clubhouse.