



PONTELAND BOWLING CLUB

January 2020 NEWSLETTER



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

Ladies President – The GPC members' thoughts are with Ladies President Olive Driver and husband Jack following Olive's recent stroke. We are sure all members wish them all the best.

Applications for Membership – None in last few months.

Finance – There was little activity to report

Website – Members are encouraged to visit the site more as fixtures will be appearing in the coming months.

Green and Site – The winter programme continues to be on target and the disease in the green is still being monitored. Daily removal of worm casts and dew from the green each morning continues in order to minimise further disease.

2020 Fixtures – Fixtures for the Men's leagues are now displayed on the Clubhouse notice board and are available on the Bowls Northumberland website.

Recruitment and Development – We are planning to carry out our usual taster sessions in May. Members are asked to be on the lookout for anyone they think might be interested in coming along. Personal contact continues to be the most successful means of bringing new members into the Club.

Memorial Hall Development & Car Park Usage – It has been confirmed that the Bowling and Tennis Clubs would not be directly affected by the MH development plans. MH was currently obtaining quotes for roof repairs and temporary repairs to the car park. They are presently negotiating with two providers for solutions to the car parking problem. The system adopted may be technical, as operated in other locations in Ponteland. The meeting felt it was important that the MH do not adopt a system which is overly high tech.

Memorial Trust Representation – Our Club Chairman is a co-opted member of the Memorial Trust, representing the Bowling Club, and can ensure that we keep involved in any future changes.

Social Programme - Although not particularly well attended the Dotty Domino afternoon before Christmas had been successful. Support for the Burns Night Supper has been good. The next event is the Games afternoon on Thursday 13 February. Members are encouraged to support the winter socials.

Next GPC Meeting – Wednesday 12 February at 10.30am in the Clubhouse.