



## PONTELAND BOWLING CLUB

October 2020 NEWSLETTER



*Members are reminded that Minutes of GPC Meetings are held in an appropriately identified file in the Club Office. The October meeting was conducted by e-mail.*

**Coronavirus** – We hope our members and families continue to be well, sticking to the government guidelines and staying safe.

**Finance** – The Treasurer presented the draft final accounts for 2019/2020 for GPC approval. The accounts show that despite all the difficulties, and reduced fund raising, the Club had a deficit of only £20 on the year. The accounts were approved by the GPC and will be submitted to our Account Scrutiniser in due course.

**Memorial Hall Trust** – Our Chairman had attended the PMHT AGM by Zoom. The Trust has concerns over the low usage of the Memorial Hall due to Coronavirus. The view on parking is that although usage to date has been low they are not too concerned and expect numbers to pick up. A copy of the AGM Minutes is attached to the GPC Minutes

**Clubhouse** – Remains out of bounds for meetings. Monthly GPC's to be held by e-mail for the present.

**Ladies Section** - The majority of members of ladies committees had agreed to stay in post for another year. Entries have been submitted for the 2021 Bowls Northumberland competitions. Marilyn Kilmister is now in place as Ladies Section President.

**Men's Section** – David Redhead is now in place as Men's Section President and Don Burbeck has taken on the Section Secretary role. The usual Bowls Northumberland and other leagues and competitions have been entered. The Section is preparing a formal 'selection' policy to ensure that future team selection is both fair and transparent to all men members. A questionnaire has been sent to all men members seeking views on league involvement, club shirts and participation in roll ups.

**Communications** – Members are reminded in future all general correspondence will be by e-mail.

**Website** –Members should regularly access the site in order to keep up with news on the current state of affairs as they affect the Club.

**Remembrance Parade** –The usual poppy wreath has been obtained and the two Club Presidents will informally place the wreath on the Ponteland War Memorial in the week following 8 November. A photograph will appear on the Club website.

**Green Maintenance** – Prior to leaving the Green Ranger post at the end of October Bob has prepared the winter programme for the green . A big thank you is due to Bob for all the work he has put in. Daily dew removal from the green will continue through the winter thanks to volunteers.

**Next GPC Meeting – Wednesday 11 November 2020 by e-mail.**