



PONTELAND BOWLING CLUB

SEPTEMBER 2015 NEWSLETTER



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

Applications for Membership – None this month

Development and Recruitment – A review of this season's work will be undertaken and form the basis of our approach in 2016. It must be remembered that word of mouth and personal contact by existing members has been more successful in bringing in new members than any advertising.

Finance - The Treasurer reports that our finances are healthy and GPC agreed that Membership Fees stay the same for 2016. The Treasurer reminded members that the fees alone did not cover the Club running costs. With reduced membership the fund raising events are bringing in less than in previous years and one of our winter art groups has moved to other premises thereby reducing that source of income. Recruitment is therefore of great importance

Website – Keep up to date with news and event photographs.

Succession – It was noted that there have not been any nominations for the men's committees or posts. It is essential that posts are filled if the Section is to function effectively over the next year.

Social and Club Events – The Winter Social programme has been compiled as shown in the GPC Minutes. A copy of the programme will be issued to each member.

Green – The winter maintenance programme has been agreed and is similar to last year.

The GPC have agreed to have the edges of the green levelled alongside the Memorial Hall and tennis courts. This will cost some £5,000 and will involve lifting 1.5 metres of turf along each side, fitting new edge boards, levelling with Rootzone and relaying the turf. Work will begin immediately after we close to allow maximum recovery time for the grass. This work will bring two end rinks up to full playing standard. The remaining two green edges will be tackled over the next few years.

Help will be needed both on the green and the site to prepare for winter and working party dates will be announced on Closing Day.

AGM Agendas etc.

AGM agendas, winter programme, monthly draw invite and Ladies Dinner letters will be collated prior to Closing Day and members will be asked to assist with distribution.