



PONTELAND BOWLING CLUB

APRIL/MAY 2016

NEWSLETTER



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

Development and Recruitment – We have scheduled 5 taster sessions on Saturday mornings in May and the first week of June. We will be carrying out the usual advertising on our website, local press and posters around Ponteland. However we are very much aware that in the past few years most new members have come through word of mouth from existing members. We are therefore asking all members to encourage relations, friends, acquaintances, even those you may not particularly like, to come along and give the game a try. Club membership is dropping significantly and we all need to put in every effort to halt and hopefully reverse this trend.

Applications for Membership – Dorothy Taylor transferred from Social to Full Membership and new member Jack Beswick. Welcome to both. We also have two further applications going through the 2 week waiting period.

Website – Keep up to date with news, fixtures and event photographs, Pre-Season Dinner and Opening Day photographs available.

Social and Club Events – Our next major event will be the Barbeque on Saturday 25 June, get the date in your diary and keep a lookout for tickets going on sale. We need your support for this one! Also please support all Club Events such as Gala Jumbles and competitions.

Green and Site – Work is progressing in accordance with the summer programme and members are reminded, when using the green, that they must adhere to the Order of Play as displayed in the Clubhouse.

Dress on the Green – Another Reminder - For all representative matches there is a strict dress code of white above the waist(or Club Colour), GREY trousers/skirt and regulation bowling shoes. Check the team sheets.

Availability for Matches – And Another Reminder - as we move through the season please ensure that you identify in the appropriate **non-availability** book any times when you will be unable to play. This will greatly assist the Selectors and avoid the frequent and annoying occurrences of members writing 'not available' after selection has taken place.

Handbook – This is the second year for the Club Handbook and all members are encouraged to have a look at it and acquaint themselves with the content. The Handbook contains the Club Constitution and Rules, Addresses and telephone numbers of all members, Club structure, job descriptions and many more items of interest.

Open Competitions – In order to try and keep the noticeboards tidy all 'Open competition' notices from other clubs will be placed in a single folder which will hang on the main mixed noticeboard.

GPC Meeting – Friday 27 May 2016 at 9.30am in the Clubhouse.