



PONTELAND BOWLING CLUB

March 2020 NEWSLETTER



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

Ladies President – Olive Driver has resigned from the post of Ladies Section President. The GPC wish to thank Olive for the work she has done for the Club and wish her and Jack all the best.

Coronavirus – At a special GPC Meeting on 18 March the decision was taken to suspend all Club bowling and social activities with immediate effect. The suspension is to remain in force until the end of June when the position will be reviewed. Members may visit the clubhouse on an individual basis but must avoid any close contact with other persons. Any member suffering difficulties as a result of the virus should get in touch with any member of the GPC.

The Club's decision is in line with guidance from the Government and Bowls England.

Please be considerate during this difficult time and follow the Government guidelines, remember 2 metres apart. (I can just hear 'leads' thinking, why is that distance familiar) and please do not become a 'Covidiot', which I gather is the new word for the greedy and panic buyers.

Bowling Green – During the period of club suspension we will continue to maintain the green to ensure that it stays in good condition for our return.

Applications for Membership – Application received from Frank Woodhouse and agreed by the GPC.

Finance – It has been agreed that the Treasurer would hold on to any fees already paid and not pay them into the Club account. In June or when appropriate we will consider the fees situation. Cheques would be returned to anyone making the request.

Website – Members are encouraged to visit the site more in the coming months and we will try and keep it updated with the current news.

2020 Fixtures – All Club fixtures for the season had been obtained and the fixture book was complete but thankfully had not gone to the printers. We had agreed to play a friendly against Seahouses BC to mark their 40th birthday this year but sadly this is now unlikely to take place.

Car Parking – Despite great efforts by ourselves and the Tennis Club the Memorial Hall parking proposals appear to be going ahead as outlined in our pre-season correspondence. We have not received formal notification of a start date but can only assume that the original date of 1 May still stands. Members are warned to look out for this if using the car park.

Next GPC Meeting – Wednesday 15 April to be conducted by e-mail.