

**Minute of Emergency General Meeting and the 62nd Annual General Meeting
held in Dalsersf Bowling Club
On Saturday, 25th February 2017 commencing at 2pm.**

ATTENDANCE

As per sederunt. A total of 20 Members attended and 11 Clubs were represented.

President David Logan Snr welcomed the Members and Delegates to the E. G. M and Sixty-second Annual General Meeting and invited President Alex Scobbie of Dalsersf Bowling Club to address the members

President Alex Scobbie welcomed Fellowship Members on behalf of the Members of Dalsersf Bowling Club. He wished the Fellowship a successful Meeting and handed the Club over.

President David Logan Snr thanked President Alex for his good wishes and opened the E.G.M.

The only motion was the ratification of the Rules and Regulations, which having been circulated to members previously, and no objections being received was proposed by Olive A Allardyce of Cardonald Bowling Club and seconded by Jim Hagan of Weir Recreation Bowling Club. The motion was carried by 17 votes for, and 0 against. 3 people did not vote.

President David Logan Snr continued with the Annual General Meeting and asked for any apologies.

APOLOGIES

Secretary John M Lassa stated that apologies had been received from Harriet Nicol of Brunstane B C, Robert Fairbairn of Beltane BC and Jim Ramsay of Hyndland BC.

RESIGNATIONS

Secretary John M Lassa, stated that he had received resignations from Thomas Patton of Parklea BC due to ill health, Dick Woodger of Spateston BC and Bob Allardyce of Cardonald BC.

OBITUARIES

President David Logan Snr called for a minute's silence in respect of Members who had passed away during the past year, notably Ian Richardson of Mount Vernon BC.

MINUTE OF AGM 2016

Held in Beltane Bowling Club on Saturday, 20th February 2016.

As this had been previously circulated to all Clubs, President David Logan Snr called for this Minute to be taken as read and proposed acceptance. Acceptance seconded by John M Lassa, Weir Rec. B C.

MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTE

There were no matters arising from this Minute.

CONFIRMATION OF CO-OPTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBER DURING 2016

During 2016, Robert Fairbairn Beltane BC, Thomas Kempton Pollokshaws BC, and Jim Ramsay Hyndland BC were co-opted on to the Management Committee and now required to be formally proposed and seconded.

Robert Fairbairn proposed by David Logan Snr and seconded by Tommy Cassidy

Thomas Kempton proposed by Colin McLachlan and seconded by David Logan Jnr

Jim Ramsay proposed by Olive Allardyce and seconded by David Logan Snr.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary John M Lassa following on from his report in the magazine reiterated his honour of being appointed Secretary of such a venerable charity, and the important work the Fellowship has done over the years. He hoped that members would fully support the Match Secretary in attending games that had been organised for them. He wished all members a successful season in their clubs. The Report was proposed by President David Logan Snr and seconded by Olive A Allardyce and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer, Olive A Allardyce began her report by first apologising to Thomas Cassidy and Robert Fairbairn, both of Beltane BC for transposing them in the Annual Report. Thomas was elected at last year's AGM and Robert was co-opted during the year. She went on to say that if there were any other errors or omissions, she apologised now. The Report was put together in a hurry as the ceiling was about to fall down and she had to move everything to storage.

The Treasurer asked if everyone had had a chance to study the Accounts (pages 6 & 7)? There was a drop in Membership Fees of £1,100 approx and both Bennie Cup and Rose Bowl entries were down around £100 each. However, on a brighter note, the Fixed Term Deposit of £70,000 with Scottish Widows generated interest of £979 bringing our total interest received up to £1,256 as against £679 for the previous year. Advertising revenue increased to £300.

Most items of expenditure increased – Repairs, telephone electricity, printing, postages, travelling, etc. Some of this increase was due to OSCR demanding increased record keeping, and we had to replace the photocopier, one of the computers and invest in a new printer. The cost of replacement of the ceiling will appear in the Accounts for the year to 31 October 2017.

As expected, there has been an increase in applications for Grants, up this year from £5,400 to £7,200.

She reminded Clubs that Membership of the Fellowship was by payment of the Annual Membership Fee which is recorded and remitted to the office. A Badge is given as receipt. Only Members whose names are recorded as having paid their Annual Fee are eligible to apply for Bereavement or Hardship Grants or to take part in Bennie Cup and Rose Bowl Competitions.

The terms of the Trust Deed make it very difficult to find ways to help Members as there have to be "necessitous circumstances" but the Management Committee is actively seeking ways to give assistance.

Any Club with a project which falls within the terms of our Constitution can apply for a Grant from the Fellowship. If in doubt, telephone the office to see if we can help.

MATTERS ARISING FROM ACCOUNTS

Eddie Nicholson of Bridge of Earn and Tommy Cassidy of Beltane BC both asked if the Treasurer had not considered a change of venue due to the high cost of rental. Eddie Nicholson asked if surplus rooms in other bowling clubs could not be rented. The Treasurer countered this by saying that it was not just rental for 2 days, but for every day in the year. The Office staff had to have access to the premises when they wanted, and that Fellowship files and documents had to be kept safe under lock and key. There was physically NO room in other clubs. The Report was proposed by David Logan Snr and seconded by Tommy Johnston of Motherwell Miners' Welfare BC and adopted.

STOCKTAKER'S REPORT

This was given by Jim Hagan who confirmed he had completed the internal Audit of all Stock in Hand and Petty Cash and found everything to be in order. There were no matters arising from this Report.

GUARDIAN'S REPORT

This was given by Colin McLachlan, Dalserf B C who confirmed that the elected Guardians had monitored the actions of both the Executive and Management Committees and found their actions complied with the remit of the Rules and Regulations and were in the best interests of the Fellowship. There were no matters arising from this Report.

MATCH SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Match Secretary, Colin McLachlan had nothing further to say than what he had written in the magazine, though the Opening Game of the Fellowship this year would be at St Duthus BC in Tain, coinciding with the Tourist's match. He urged members to support the various Fellowship games that had been arranged. The Report was proposed by Olive A Allardyce and seconded by Jim Hagan, and approved.

APPROVAL OF THE 2016 AUDIT AND ANNUAL REPORT

This was proposed by Tommy Johnston, Motherwell Miners' Welfare BC and seconded by Jim Hagan, Weir Recreation B C.

COST OF MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2018

Treasurer Olive Allardyce confirmed that she recommended the Fees remained at £1.00 for Annual and £20 for Life. Approval was proposed by Eddie Nicholson, Bridge of Earn B C and seconded by Tommy Johnston Motherwell Miners' Welfare B C.

CONFIRMATION OF SECRETARY

Secretary John M Lassa was confirmed for 2017/2018 on a proposal by Colin McLachlan and seconded by David Logan Snr.

CONFIRMATION OF TREASURER

Treasurer Olive A Allardyce was confirmed for 2017/2018 on a proposal by Colin McLachlan and seconded by David Logan Snr.

ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2017

Making his retiring speech, President David Logan Snr thanked those friends who had supported him during his year and both John M Lassa and Olive Allardyce for their work in the office during the year. He then declared all offices vacant and called for nominations.

PRESIDENT

President David Logan proposed Senior Vice-President, Colin McLachlan Dalsarf B C and this was seconded by John M Lassa, Weir Rec B C. There being no other nominations, Colin McLachlan was duly elected.

President Colin McLachlan took the chair and was presented with his badge of office by Immediate Past President, David Logan Snr who promised his support for the coming year. President Colin McLachlan thanked those present for this honour and presented Immediate Past President David Logan Snr with his Past President's Badge and asked for his support during the coming season. Dalsarf President Alex Scobbie congratulated Colin McLachlan and promised him the support of Dalsarf BC during the coming year. President Colin McLachlan thanked Dalsarf President Alex Scobbie for his good wishes.

SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT

President Colin McLachlan proposed John M Lassa, Weir Rec BC and this was seconded by Immediate Past President David Logan Snr, Beltane BC. There being no other nomination, John M Lassa was duly elected.

JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT

President Colin McLachlan proposed Jim Ramsay, Hyndland BC and this was seconded by Jim Hagan, Weir Rec BC.

Tommy Johnston proposed Tommy Cassidy, Beltane BC and this was seconded by David Logan Jnr. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken, with Tommy Cassidy receiving 11 votes and Jim Ramsay 4 votes. Tommy Cassidy was duly elected.

HONORARY MATCH SECRETARY

Olive A Allardyce proposed Colin McLachlan, Dalsarf B C and this was seconded by Thomas Kempton, Pollokshaws BC.

Tommy Johnston proposed Jimmy Blair, Hutchesontown BC and this was seconded by Benny Hands. There being no other nominations, a vote was taken with Jimmy Blair receiving 10 votes and Colin McLachlan 8 votes. Jimmy Blair was duly elected.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

President Colin McLachlan asked the following Members of the Existing Management Committee to stand up when their name was called:-

Benny Hands, Motherwell Miners' Welfare B C

Proposed by David Logan Snr, Beltane BC and seconded by Tommy Cassidy, Beltane BC

Tommy Johnston, Motherwell Miners Welfare BC

Proposed by Tommy Cassidy, Beltane B C and seconded by Benny Hands, Motherwell MW BC

David Logan, Jnr, Beltane B C

Proposed by Tommy Johnston, Motherwell MW BC and seconded by Benny Hands, Motherwell Miners' Welfare BC

Mary Thomson, Motherwell Miners' Welfare B C

Proposed by Tommy Johnston Motherwell MW B C and seconded by Benny Hands, Motherwell Miners Welfare BC

Jim Hagan, Weir Recreation B C

Proposed by Olive Allardyce, Cardonald BC and seconded by John M Lassa, Weir Rec BC

Thomas Kempton, Pollokshaws B C

Proposed by Olive Allardyce, Cardonald B C and seconded by John M Lassa, Weir Rec BC

Robert Fairbairn, Beltane B C

Proposed by Tommy Cassidy, Beltane B C and seconded by David Logan Jnr, Beltane BC

Kevin McKay, Willowbank B C

Proposed by John M Lassa, Weir Rec B C and seconded by Colin McLachlan, Dalsersf BC

Brian Middleton, Beltane BC

Proposed by Tommy Cassidy, Beltane BC and seconded by David Logan Snr, Beltane BC

There were no other nominations and the above were confirmed as Committee Members

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

As per the Rules and Regulations as agreed at the Extraordinary General Meeting in February 2017.

STOCK CONTROLLERS

It was agreed unanimously that Jim Hagan, Weir Rec B C and Robert Fairbairn, Beltane B C continue in this post. Robert Fairbairn was not present.

EXTERNAL AUDITOR

On a motion proposed by Olive A Allardyce, Cardonald B C and seconded by Tommy Johnston, Motherwell MW B C, the External Auditor be confirmed as W Crawford C A. Agreed unanimously.

SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE

The former Match Secretary Colin McLachlan was asked to leave the room to allow discussions on this subject. After discussion it was decided unanimously to keep the "status quo" and the current figure of £500 would be retained. Colin McLachlan returned to the room.

AOCB

President Colin McLachlan called for any other business.

Eddie Nicholson of Bridge of Earn B C questioned why the note about Past Presidents in the magazine was removed. After some heated discussion it was proposed that it be kept in the magazine, and on a proposal by David Logan Jnr and seconded by Jim Hagan, and by a vote of 14 against 4, the wording regarding the Past Presidents would be included in the magazine page.

Eddie Nicholson also enquired as to why the Fellowship was not represented at the Bowls Scotland Finals at Northfield in Ayr. He felt that the publicity would be of benefit to the Fellowship. He also felt that at the Bowls Scotland development days, the Fellowship should attend and make themselves known by asking questions at the end of the sessions. The Secretary, John M Lassa, said that he was aware of these days, but wished to take part in a 15 minute presentation at the end of the Bowls Scotland talk, not just to ask questions at the end. The Secretary was in touch with Bowls Scotland on this matter and was awaiting their response as to the Fellowship's inclusion.

Kevin McKay, Willowbank B C, thanked members for his election to the committee and informed members about the website he was designing for the SBF, that it was currently live and further content would be available as and when.

Jim Minns, Wishaw South BC asked for place and time of departure for Tourist's visit to St Duthus BC, Tain. The Secretary informed him that in early April, this information would be sent out to those playing.

There being no other business, on behalf of the Members present, Senior Vice-President John M Lassa, thanked the Chair for the conduct of the Meeting, Jackie from Dalsarf BC who prepared the sandwiches and tea/coffee and Les Weir in the bar who kept everyone watered.

President Colin McLachlan presented President Alex Scobbie with a Fellowship tie pin and an enscribed pen and thanked him for the welcome and hospitality extended to Fellowship Members, and handed the Club back.

The Meeting closed at 3.25pm.