

MINUTES OF THE LADIES SECTION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON
SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER 2018 AT 10AM

Present - Dot Langford, Jenny Moore, Sandra Sutton, Jenny Hopkins, Maureen Wilmot, Lin Oakden, Mo Thomas, Mo Penhaligon, Bebs Harvey, Thelma Bunney, Anne Goring, Anne Stenning, Margaret Bond, Vera Bond, Sally Hoare, Margaret Holbrow, Audrey Armitage, Liz Harris, Margaret Watters, Sybil Greatbatch, Margaret Dyer, Jenny Farley, Maggie Goldsmith, Sally Lees, Maria Costas, Anne Dyke, Jane Inett. (The meeting was attended by 27 ladies playing and social members.)

1. Apologies were received from Audrey Taylor, Carol Dixon, Marion Turner, Jean Tully, Sue Dawes, Margaret Inett, Petra Stephens, Penny Cooley and Anne Gray.
2. Minutes of the last meeting - the Secretary read through the previous year's minutes as they had not been circulated after the last AGM. Those present agreed they were a true record of the previous AGM.
3. Matters Arising - none
4. Correspondence - none
5. Secretary's Report - a brief report was given which highlighted that there were 43 playing members and 4 social members. This was a reduction of 4 on the previous year and members were urged to encourage more ladies to join. The secretary raised the possibility of widening the age groups and to target school aged players as well as looking how bowling could be used to rehabilitate those with medical conditions.

The secretary thanked all those who had supported her in this first season as secretary as well as all who support the club in any way during the last year.

6. Captain's Report including the Competition Secretary's Report - Jenny Hopkins thanked her Vice-Captain, Mo Penhaligon, for her help and support. This was especially so for organising the Christmas tombola for the indoor club and our Christmas Coffee Morning. Both of events were at a time which saw Jenny unable to participate.

Jenny also thanked the Selection Committee including Jenny Moore, Dot Langford and Thelma Bunney for their time, support and good judgement throughout the season.

Jenny also thanked the Secretary for her support during the season.

Jenny also thanked Anne Stenning and Dot Langford for the excellent catering arrangements during the season.

Jenny also thanked Sandra Sutton for the sterling work with the Riviera league and the very successful season.

The final thanks went to Lin Oakden and Mo Penhaligon for all the time and planning they put into Club Nights.

The Charity Day for Marie Curie Cancer Care was a huge success despite the weather. The fantastic sum of £900 was raised. Jenny was delighted with this and thanked all who had contributed to the day. The Ukulele band was also present. A letter has been received from the charity thanking the club for their generosity. Jenny also said that the support and advice she received from Sally Hoare was invaluable and thanked Sally wholeheartedly.

Overall the season was a little mixed with the disappointment of the A Team going into Division 2 next season. There were some unavoidable circumstances which contributed but Jenny is convinced the A Team will return to Division 1 at the end of the next season.

The B Team had a successful season finishing 3rd in Division 4. It was good to see new players who had been brought into the team stepping up and this is very encouraging for the club's future.

Congratulations were given to the ladies who played in the 4321 as they reached the semi final where they were defeated by Torquay.

In the Grace Matthews the team reached the 2nd round and lost to Torquay.

In the Interclub the team reached the 2nd round and lost to Topsham. However in the first round they had a tremendous victory over Newton Abbot.

The Points Trophy, which goes to an unbadged player who gets the furthest in the Championship, the two wood and the handicap competitions was presented by Jenny to Dot Langford.

Jenny was unsure at the start of the season whether being Captain this season was the right thing following the loss of her husband but it has proved to be just what she needed in terms of focussing on the job in hand. She thanked all the members for their support during the last 12 months.

Jenny concluded by wishing Mo Penhaligon and Mo Wilmot a happy and successful 2019 season and their badges were handed over to them.

Mo Penhaligon presented Jenny with her present and flowers from all the ladies and thanked her for all her hard work during the year.

7. Competition Secretary's Report - Jenny took over this role at the end of July and had received a great deal of support from Sally Hoare and Audrey Armitage with the 2 Wood competition.

There were slightly more entries this year for the competitions but Jenny would urge all re entering the Championship as playing in it is very good experience.

The Club Finals two days were very enjoyable and Jenny was so pleased to see so many spectators on both days. Congratulations to all the finalists and to all the ladies who entered competitions.

Results:

Ladies Championship -	Winner - Jenny Moore
	Runner Up - Linda Oakden
Ladies Handicap -	Winner - Anne Gray
	Runner Up - Janet Bolland
Ladies 2 Wood -	Winner - Dot Langford
	Runner Up - Jenny Moore
Ladies Jubilee -	Winner Sybil Greatbatch
	Runner Up - Thelma Bunney
Ladies Novice -	Winner - Jenny Farley
	Runner Up - Janet Bolland
Ladies Pairs -	Winners - Jenny Farley and Mo Thomas
	Runners Up - Anne Dyke and Dot Langford

8. Bowls Devon Items - the county competitions entries have been completed and dates will be posted as soon as possible.

The SDLBL Presentation Evening date is Friday 26 October and any members wishing to attend should let the Secretary know. A raffle prize to the value of £10 will be taken. Last year this was in the form of a gift token. The AGM is on Thursday 15 November at 7pm at Torbay Country Club and is open to all.

Two proposals on rule changes were discussed. These provoked a great deal of discussion. In essence the second proposal for substitutes in the 4321 competition due to illness was agreed but there was concern about players feigning illness or injury when playing poorly. The first was a proposal on avoiding the need to re-arrange matches when, due to unforeseen circumstances, a team arrives with one player short. Following a vote 15 were in favour with 2 against and 5 abstentions. This will be taken to the next SDLBL Representatives meeting.

9. Election of Officers - the only vote necessary was for the Selection Committee as there were six nominees. Therefore the playing members present were asked to vote for three people in rank order so that in case of a draw second and third choices would be used.

Captain	Mo Penhaligon
Vice-Captain	Mo Wilmot
Secretary	Jane Inett
Fixture Secretary	Janet Bolland
Competition Secretary	Jenny Hopkins
Selection Committee	Jenny Moore
	Dot Langford
	Jenny Hopkins

10. Important Dates - 10 November - Club's Full AGM; 8 December Coffee Morning in the Clubhouse - request for raffle prizes; 12 December Oldway's Christmas Fair and BBC have a tombola stall - request for prizes; Coffee Mornings will be the second Monday in the month in the Clubhouse; pre-season lunch Monday 8 April; pre-season meeting Friday 22 March; 12 April - Clubhouse cleaning; 13 April - Try It and Opening Day.

11. Tea Rota - Mo Penhaligon will not be doing it next year and that it the feeling of the meeting is that it need not be a woman organising. Recommendation that it be part of the Catering Coordinator's role. This role to be added to the list of roles discussed at full AGM on 10th.

The meeting closed at approx. 11:50am.