

Ferndown Bowls Club
AGM 2025 MINUTES 11th October 2025

ITEM		ACTION
1	WELCOME BY PRESIDENT (attached)	
2	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (attached)	
3	APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AGM 2024 Addition of Honorary in front of Life Member Mr. Hopper. Requested by Geoff Adams. Minutes approved nem. con.	
4	MATTERS ARISING None	
5	OFFICERS REPORTS Officer reports circulated with some still to come. Those received accepted, nem. con. (attached)	
6	ADOPTION OF ACCOUNTS. Geoff Cave, Treasurer, provided an explanation of the method of simplifying the accounts to the meeting and thanked Richard Garland for verifying them. The accounts have been previously circulated. Acceptance proposed by Richard Garland and seconded by Nicky Bradley. Accounts accepted nem. con.	
7	ELECTION OF ACCOUNTS VERIFIER Richard Garland proposed by Angela Baggs and seconded by Anne Hutton.	
8	CLUB & CAPTAINS ROLE Richard Clarke asked what the roles of the Club and Premier League Team Captains were. If the Premier team Captain did just that what would be the role of the Club Captain? John Rumball said that the Ladies have their captains.	
9	9(a) PREMIER TEAM Paul Hallett stated that we have enough members to put out a Premier team but struggle to do so. If we withdraw from the Premier League then we would be the only club in Bournemouth and District not to have a team in the Premier League. [Swanage do not have a Premier Team] Paul suggested that our Premier Team comes first. Anne Hutton mentioned that Saturday afternoon is a problem with players only having Saturday am to do things.	

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	<p>Geoff Cave stated that this was an issue since Covid. It is tradition to have a team in the Premier League. There are lots of options to have sufficient player but we need a nucleus of players. John Rumball stated that the players preferred to play 3 woods and that during the last season Richard Garland and Les Rice really helped out the Premier team when there were 8 players missing. John Rumball asked for players to play in the afternoon.</p> <p>David Singleton suggested that we separate the men's Club Captain from the Premier League Team Captain.</p> <p>VOTE TO SPLIT CLUB CAPTAIN ROLE FROM PREMIER LEAGUE TEAM CAPTAIN ROLE TAKEN</p> <p>Accepted nem con</p> <p>Angela Baggs requested that any new player to the Premier Team were made welcome.</p> <p>(b) MEMBERS HELPING OUT THE CLUB.</p> <p>Paul Hallett raised concerns that members in office should only have one role, as if one of those was no longer to be able to carry on that role there would be great difficulty for the club.</p> <p>Geoff Cave. Said we need to bring more people into roles, as at the moment there is not a Treasurer successor, and he will not do the role for ever, and with 99 members you can't just be a bowler. It is time for members to step up.</p> <p>Richard Garland suggested that the club would be in great difficulty if Alan Davies was not available, as he is Club Secretary, men's Secretary, and Friday Organiser.</p> <p>Alan Davies mentioned that this will be put to the test next year as he is unavailable for 3 weeks in March - April next year which is when the Fixtures have to be done.</p> <p>Anne Hutton asked that if anybody wished to shadow any role they should come forward.</p> <p>Hilary Moody volunteered to assist with the fixtures next year.</p>	
10	<p>SELECTION COMMITTEE WORKING PARTY.</p> <p>Richard Garland asked why the men have the overall selection of teams in B&D whereas all the teams are open to ladies. The ladies have a league which is not open to men so they need a ladies selection committee. Men do not with exception of the Percy Baker. Why do we need a men's selection committee?</p> <p>A suggestion is to have a working party to look at selection and how it is decided. There needs to be communication between all leagues for the whole week. At the moment</p>	<p>ACTION Richard Garland to form Selection working party with volunteers.</p>

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	<p>there is no linkage between those who wish to apply to play and therefore not sufficient opportunity for new players. Geoff Cave said that teams had been selected by club captains and as a group of friends would all play together, so we need a selection process.</p> <p>David Singleton agreed and said he is willing to do the Premier League Captain role.</p> <p>Alan Davies asked if we actually need a men's section. As the only men specific League is Percy baker.</p> <p>Richard Clarke stated that Monday roll up was a good practice session and highlighted that the bowlers were getting better and better in a friendly competition.</p> <p>Anne Hutton asked that any members who wished to be a part of the Selection Committee working party contact Richard, and that the party feed back to the Committee.</p>	
11	<p>ELECTION OF ORFFICERS</p> <p>As per attached list.</p> <p>Proposed Ken Hutton and seconded Hilary Moody.</p> <p>Posts to be filled Men's Captain. David Singleton proposed by Richard Garland and seconded by Sue Tovey</p> <p>Accepted nem. con.</p> <p>David Singleton requested a vice Captain and Andy Davies was proposed by Alan Davies and seconded by Ian Tovey.</p> <p>Accepted nem. con.</p>	
12	<p>LEAGUE ENTRIES 2026</p> <p>League entries as per 2025 with the addition of Ladies entering the Edna Paisley League. This is to be confirmed. Entry has to be made by 30th November 2025</p>	Annette Walker to confirm with Secretary asap.
13	<p>SOCIAL EVENTS</p> <p>Angela Baggs has prepared a list for members to provide food items for the Christmas lunch which will be in the form of an American Supper i.e. a variety of items brought to the venue by different people and all shared.</p> <p>Date Christmas Lunch 12th December Regency room.</p> <p>Presentation Lunch 8th November seating plan with Anne Hutton.</p> <p>Anne Hutton thanked Angela for the cakes.</p> <p>Richard Garland is hoping to start games afternoons during the winter.</p> <p>A small contribution by attendees will be required to cover the cost of renting the room. Several different games will be played from cards to monopoly. Tea and Coffee to be</p>	

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	<p>available.</p> <p>A pilot to start and if successful more to be organised. A show of hands indicated approx. 25 were interested.</p> <p>2026 SPRING ENROLMENT MEETING 10 am SATURDAY 7TH MARCH REGENCY ROOM.</p> <p>2026 AGM 10 am SATURDAY 17TH OCTOBER IN REGENCY ROOM</p> <p>2026 PRESENTATION LUNCH SATURDAY 7TH NOVEMBER TBC</p> <p>2026 CHRISTMAS LUNCH FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER REGENCY ROOM TBC</p>	
14	<p>BETBA EGM</p> <p>BETBA EGM is to be held 26th Oct and BETBA is to be dissolved.</p> <p>All administration is to be moved to B&D and everything will be as it is at the moment.</p>	
15	<p>B&D LADIES</p> <p>Anne Hutton requested that Vanda Taylor-Garland update the meeting with the result of the result of the B&D WBA Triples.</p> <p>Vanda, Jan & Sam were runners up in this competition. The morning game lasted 4 hours! And we had less than 30 minutes to prepare for the final eat lunch and rehydrate. The eventual winners had over an hour and a half. As a result of this a polite request was made to have the rules amended so that this would not happen again. The rules have been amended to include a time limit on the morning matches.</p> <p>The room congratulated the ladies in the appropriate manner.</p>	
16	<p>MONDAY EVENING ROLL UP</p> <p>Richard Clarke wished to thank the players from Monday evening roll ups and mentioned the stalwarts, Paula, Ray Pearson, Ron, Patrick, Jonty & Ray Watson who played the final game in very wet conditions.</p> <p>Richard presented the players with a plastic rain coat each.</p>	