

GIRVAN BOWLING CLUB

Minutes of Directors' Meeting 7 July 2025

01	<p><u>Present:</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="220 383 1382 607"> <tr> <td>President</td><td>K Nicol</td></tr> <tr> <td>Vice President</td><td>R MacLeod</td></tr> <tr> <td>Past President</td><td>N Thomson</td></tr> <tr> <td>Directors</td><td>B Cooper, C Getgood, F McCulloch and R McDowall</td></tr> </table>	President	K Nicol	Vice President	R MacLeod	Past President	N Thomson	Directors	B Cooper, C Getgood, F McCulloch and R McDowall
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02	<p><u>In attendance:</u></p> <p>T Copeland, K Earle, M Gaff and M Mathieson</p>								
03	<p><u>Apologies:</u></p> <p>H Noble, S McCubbin, A Scobie and D Sloan</p>								
04	<p>The President welcomed everyone to the meeting and the Secretary apologised for being late.</p>								
05	<p><u>Minutes of Previous Meeting:</u></p> <p>Minutes of the 3 June meeting were approved by C Getgood and seconded by B Cooper.</p>								
	<p><u>Matters Arising:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i – Space for excess trophies still to be cleared. ii – Roughcasting above window in directors room still outstanding iii – Boiler servicing, ongoing iv – Door at lounge exit to be replaced v – Flyer to promote junior membership ongoing vi – Request for a birthday party on 13 December has been withdrawn vii – Request by Greenkeeper for additional irrigation equipment, carried over. viii – Contract for servicing of mowers has been set up ix – Coffee heater plug fixed x – Alarm system has been serviced 								
07	<p><u>Applications for New Members</u></p>								

	Brian Kemp – approved								
09	<p><u>Greenkeepers Report</u></p> <p>Hope all is well! As always happy to answer any questions on the report or in general.</p> <p>Over the past four weeks, we made significant strides in maintaining and improving the quality of our bowling green, thanks to favorable weather conditions, proactive maintenance strategies, and the introduction of new equipment.</p> <p>The weather in Girvan over the last four weeks has been largely cooperative, with a mix of warm, sunny spells and intermittent rainfall. This balance of sunshine, heat and moisture has been ideal for turf growth, promoting healthy grass development. The consistent moisture levels have supported nutrient uptake, enhancing the overall vigor of the green.</p> <p>With our proactive approach to green maintenance has been instrumental in capitalizing on these favorable conditions. Good timing of applications of liquid fertilizer have provided essential nutrients to the turf, ensuring good growth and a consistent surface. The use of Primo Maxx, a plant growth regulator, has been particularly effective in controlling vertical top growth while encouraging lateral growth and recovery. This has resulted in a denser, more resilient playing surface, capable of withstanding the demands of play.</p> <p>The recent investment in a new electric sprayer has proven to be a game-changer for the club and myself in particular. This equipment has enabled precise and efficient application of liquid fertilizers and Primo Maxx, ensuring even coverage across the green. Without any risk of damage to the green Unlike with our previous sprayer that was very dated and with the use of petrol and oil, always pose a risk to the surface.</p> <p>As always we will continue to monitor the greens and perform the required maintenance while alway looking for small details we can improve on to enhance the playing experience of the bowler.</p>								
10	<p><u>Match Secretaries Report</u></p> <p>Everything ticking over. Back end ties will be drawn soon and Club Rinks. Ladies ties going well too</p> <p>Discussion around bringing in sponsorship hoardings around green 1 as it would increase money coming into the club and would cut down on hedge maintenance as well.</p>								
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12	<u>Health & Safety Report</u>								

	Boss wall at far end of building next to lounge need looked at, suggest it needs re rendered.
13	<u>Building Conveners Report</u> Door in lounge still to be replaced and boiler servicing is ongoing.
14	<u>Bar Convener's Report</u> New glass washing machine functioning well and company coming out to give demonstration around a new till.
15	<u>Junior Convenor's Report</u> New clothing for juniors has been purchased.
16	<u>Kitchen Convenor's Report</u> New mixer and scales have been purchased Meals going well.
17	<u>Social Report</u> Civic night went well, made a loss of £45, due to the high cost of the band.
18	<u>Any other Business</u> i – £1000 open pairs competition, Board members in particular need to keep promoting at every opportunity with guests from other clubs or when they are visiting other clubs. ii – Discussion on when we change direction of play in the evening, change for next year. iii – Discussion around difficulties in securing paid staff to cover the bar when needed. iv – President highlighted the issue of club members playing at other clubs at the same time as a competition is being held at Girvan, no problem with this and it shouldn't be brought up as an issue by anyone. v - Request that the date of the Grants open pairs be moved, request denied. vii – Secretary agreed to do a cut down version of the Board meeting's minutes, once they have been approved. ix – Board agreed to a request from a group of Nestle workers to open the bar for them on the 9 August to allow them to have a game of bowls at the club.

19	<u>Date of Next Meeting</u> Next meeting on Monday 4 August at 7.30pm

Proposed

President

Seconded

Secretary