



## Sir Thomas Rich's Bowls Club

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# M I N U T E S

**Annual General Meeting: Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017 7.30 p.m.**

<b>Apologies</b>	Chris Taylor, Bernadette Rees, Bob Wakefield.
<b>Minutes Silence</b>	Barbara Davis, Marjorie Nichols, Doug Stuart.
<b>Minutes of Previous AGM</b>	Agreed as true record. No matters arising from 2016 AGM.
<b>Chairman's Report</b>	<p>The Chairman welcomed the Club President, Mr Matthew Morgan, Headmaster of Sir Thomas Rich's School.</p> <p>We had a very enjoyable bowling season this year and the green bowled well towards end of season. We carried out our fixtures despite some cold weather.</p> <p>Thanks to all members who were involved with the Open Day this year, which was very successful, and I would like to welcome our new members to the Club.</p> <p>Thanks to all Club Committee Members for their contribution in making the Club a success.</p> <p>Thank you to green maintenance teams for their hard work.</p> <p>Thank you to Grahame and his maintenance team for the all the improvements to the Club he has instigated.</p> <p>I would like to give a vote of thanks to Mary Dawson who has been a long standing committee member and is not standing for re-election this year.</p> <p>I am stepping down as Chairman and would like to wish STRBC and its members all the very best for the future.</p> <p>(copy report on file)</p>

<p><b>Election of Club Officers</b></p>	<p>Chairman: Mr Ian Farrell  Hon Secretary: Mr Philip O'Reilly  Hon Treasurer: Mr Peter Martin  Captain: Mr Derek Davis  Ladies Captain: Mrs Heather Davis  Ladies Vice Captain: Mrs Ruth Stroud-Drinkwater  Afternoon Triples Captain: Mr Tony Pewton  Glevum League and 2 Rink League Captain: Mr Philip O'Reilly  Fixture Secretary: Mr Tony Hook  Competitions Secretary: Mrs Brenda Coole  Mens Delegate GBA: Mr Philip O'Reilly  Ladies Delegate GBA: Mrs Shirley Cromie  Green Advisor: Mr Chris Taylor  Bar Manager: <b>Vacant</b>  Catering Manager: Mrs Brenda Coole  Child Protection Officer: Mr Chris Taylor  Committee Members: Paul Drewett, Marilyn O'Reilly, Margaret Drewett  Proposed en-bloc John Baddeley.  Seconded Margaret Miller.</p>
<p><b>Club Officers' Reports</b></p>	<p><b>Captain: Mr Derek Davis -</b>  Thanked everyone for support.  We had a very enjoyable year games wise. We had a few less games and the new players helped us fulfil all fixtures. Thanks to those members who sometimes turned out 3 or 4 times a week to play. Weather pretty good this season and no games had to be cancelled due to adverse weather. Won about half of the friendly games and hope to do better next year. As always, the Club's main priority with friendly games is to enjoy them.  During the year we welcomed more new players and, hopefully, they will rejoin next year.  Thanks to everyone in completing the patio and areas around the green, the ladies for lovely suppers and teas which were very much appreciated. Please be aware that 2018 is the Club's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Obviously, we want to mark the occasion in some way, so any suggestions would be very much appreciated.  Once again, thanks to everyone for their support. I would not be able to do this job without you all. I will carry on as Captain for one more year.  <small>(copy report on file)</small></p> <p><b>Ladies Captain: Mrs Heather Davis -</b>  Thanked ladies for support. Started off the season on a positive note but, unfortunately, ended up near the bottom of the league. 18 ladies played at any one time during the season and fixtures were fulfilled fairly easily. Weather not good for several games – especially when playing at Churchdown.  Thanks to Ruth for standing in when I was not available, to green maintenance team and to all ladies who provided teas/suppers.  Umbrella on Monday nights very popular, mainly with new players.</p>

**Glevum League Captain: Mr Philip O'Reilly -**

Thanked for support. Usually no trouble finding players and finished in ninth position. Played 18 games and won 4 with a close finish on another 2 games.

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**County 2 Rink League Captain : Mr Philip O'Reilly -**

Club had very successful season playing in Division 3. Finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Played 8 games and won 5.

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**Green Advisor: Mr Chris Taylor (not in attendance) -**

Thanks to all members that have worked on the Green and the extra work they have undertaken as advised by our Green Contractor. Green did not play very well early in the season due to the incorrect length of cut leading to some unevenness in the green. After using 2 mowers and the groomer, the green started playing very well and we received some encouraging compliments. The green now is over-wintering and the contractor will be working on it in January and February. (copy report on file)

**Fixtures Secretary: Mr Tony Hook (commenced in role mid-season) –**

Compiling fixtures for 2018 season and arranging prestigious games to celebrate 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. All Club fixture secretaries have been contacted and advised that Mr Doug Stuart has relinquished role to me.

**Competition Secretary: Mrs Brenda Coole -**

Number of entrants approximately 10% down on previous year, which was disappointing. Nevertheless, all matches were played on time and, thankfully, did not cause me too much stress.

Finals day was bright and sunny (in direct contrast to previous year when it was rained off) and there were some very close matches. Congratulations to all our winners and thank you to all who took part.

I am hoping that next year I will be able to persuade more people to participate (particularly the members who declined the invitation this year as they “don't like trophies”).

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**Mens Delegate GBA: Mr Philip O'Reilly -**

Attended meetings. Report <http://www.glosbowls.co.uk/index.html>

**Ladies Delegate GBA: Mrs Shirley Cromie**

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	<p><b>Bar Manager &amp; Maintenance Manager: Mr Grahame Major (not in attendance) –</b>  Firstly, I would like to thank all who helped both manually and financially towards preparation and completion of the patio. This includes the headmaster who gave permission for land to be used for this purpose, all the Bonus Ball members whose weekly payments helped fund the project and also individuals who personally donated money to help complete the work.  I would like all those who helped behind the bar and to Diana Edwards who helped clean the pipes when I was unable to do it myself.  After 4 years as Bar Manager and spending a great deal of time and energy fulfilling the role, I have decided to take a break. I will miss the banter that comes with the role. I wish my successor good luck and look forward to having the time to play more bowls in 2018.  (copy report on file)</p> <p><b>Afternoon Triples Captain: Mr Tony Pewton –</b>  Season started off very slowly with 3 games being called off in first 5 matches. Within the remaining 17 matches, 3 more were lost. 3 were lost because of the weather, 2 for lack of numbers and 1 for no show by the away team.  The season ran smoothly with few hitches and I was pleased with the support I received. Altogether, 36 members participated during the season including new and junior members and matches were played with enthusiasm. The new members are starting to show potential and are ably supported and guided by more senior members.  One innovation I introduced is the use of e-mail to advise selected players of their team members and position within the rink which helped with travel arrangements.  In total, there were 22 matches programmed: 6 were cancelled, 6 were lost, 1 drawn and 9 won. Total scores were 1189 for and 1169 against.  I would like to thank all participating members and hope they will continue to be keen to play in 2018.  (copy report on file)</p>
<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p>	<p>Life Membership- Mr Alan Hopkins, Mary Stuart.  Club Constitution -Adoption of historical standing orders –revision to clause 3c,6d. Not adopted -clause 3a.  Mary Dawson - thanked all Committee members for their efforts.  Paul Drewitt has developed a STRBC website and a Facebook page which contains information and are updated regularly with information of upcoming events, games, photo's, and all things relevant to the Club.  <a href="http://www.strbc.org.uk/community/sir-thomas-rich-s-bowling-club-13747/about-us">http://www.strbc.org.uk/community/sir-thomas-rich-s-bowling-club-13747/about-us</a>  <a href="https://www.facebook.com/sirthomasrichsbowlingclub/">https://www.facebook.com/sirthomasrichsbowlingclub/</a></p>

## **Presentation of trophies by Club President.**

### **Competition Results**

Ladies Singles	Heather Davis
Mens Singles	John Baddeley
Mens Pairs	Gerry Bird & Chris Taylor
Ladies Pairs	Margaret Miller & Rita Burrows
Mens Handicap	Gerry Bird
Mixed Pairs	Peter Martin & Beth Williams
Open Two Wood	Philip O'Reilly
Ladies Two Wood	Brenda Coole
Captains Trophy	Tony Hook
Old 'Uns	Derek & Heather Davis
Club Triples	Ray Leach, Brenda Coole & Steve Watkins

### **Chairman's closing address**

Attendance 40 members

Next meeting

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018@7.30