



## RULES REVISION MEETING / ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2015

**BARRY MASSEY** (pictured) was installed as the 70th President of the British Crown Green Bowling Association when delegates from all counties met for the Annual General Meeting on Saturday 17th January. The Potteries & District County Secretary, and former Milkman, took receipt of the presidential chain from Yorkshire's Chris Hasselby and his first duty was to present Chris with his Past President's badge.

Barry will be supported by Peter Higham (Wales) as his Deputy President during his year in office. Peter's appointment sees him follow in the footsteps of his brother, the late Mel Higham, who held the post of Deputy President in 2000 before taking up high office the following year.



In 2014 there were a number of changes to the officers of the Association.

Financial Officer. Alan Whitworth, had to relinquish his position due to ill health prior to the start of the season. The Management Committee acknowledged Alan's service to the Association by awarding him Honorary Life Membership. Graeme Underhill has been appointed as Alan's successor and began the role of Financial Officer mid-way through the season.

Mac Farlow, who held the posts of Welfare Officer and Competitions Officer, decided to up sticks and move to enjoy a life in Spain with his wife Barbara, though he did see out the season. Replacing him as Welfare Officer is Paul Ashmore, but the Competitions Officer role is still to be filled.

Ron Holt has reluctantly relinquished the role of National Registrar due to domestic reasons. Ron has served the Association in almost every position and was Secretary and Treasurer from 1985 to 1997 and he was President in 2009. Pat Crowther will now take over Ron's duties having relinquished her Development Co-ordinator role.

Richard Taylor has left his position as Commercial Officer so there are now three officer vacancies and the BCGBA are seeking applications for these positions. Copies of the job descriptions are at the end of this newsletter and can be viewed and/or downloaded from the BCGBA website [crownngreenbowls.sharepoint.com](http://crownngreenbowls.sharepoint.com). Applications close for all positions on **Saturday 31st January 2015**.

The Rules Revision Meeting, held earlier in the day, had fifteen items on the Agenda, three of which were withdrawn.

The items of notable interest are:

#### **BYE LAWS**

The appointment of all Officers, apart from the President and Deputy President, shall be by interview following advertisement of the position. Terms and Conditions and Method of Remuneration shall be determined by the Management Committee.

A proposal to withdraw county status to the British Parks Crown Green Bowling Association, due to some concerns, was heavily defeated. The British Parks Chairman, Matt Hargreaves, acknowledged the concerns raised but advised the meeting that the British Parks has a new committee and they have addressed the concerns raised and assured the meeting that previous practices will not be repeated.

#### **SENIOR and JUNIOR COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP**

No County shall be allowed to adopt Rules which penalise in whatever form their opponents away team players or any Club for which they play so as to affect their opponents County away team selections.

#### **JUNIOR COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP**

A proposal to reduce the number of players in a team from 24 to 20 (10 at home, 10 away) was defeated as was a proposal to increase the age limit from 18 years to 19 years.

#### **LAWS OF THE GAME**

The use of electronic cigarettes are not permitted whilst participating in the game of Crown Green Bowls.

#### **PRESENTATION**

Mike Tordoff, on behalf of the Governance Sub-Committee, gave a presentation on the way forward of the British Crown Green Bowling Association. The aim was to introduce a Board of ten people, with relevant skill sets, through a rolling programme. No vote was taken as the meeting felt they needed more information on the matter and it was deferred back to the June Management Committee meeting.

A full list of the voting can be viewed via the BCGBA website (Laws and Rules – Rules Revision).

# **British Crown Green Bowling Association**

## **Applications are invited for the post of Commercial Officer**

### **Job Description**

#### **Main Responsibilities**

- Negotiate on behalf of the British Crown Green Bowling Association sponsorship and partnership deals to support the sport of Crown Green Bowls.
- Ensure all commercial agreements and transactions are well documented and signed by all parties.
- Implement and maintain a database of all commercial agreements and transactions.
- Establish new initiatives to promote the sport of Crown Green Bowls.
- Provide regular reports and updates for all Management, Officers and Finance meetings.
- Play an active role in the governance of the sport of Crown Green Bowls and attend various BCGBA meetings both mid-week and at weekends.

#### **Skills Required**

- Computer proficient, with a sound administrative background.
- Skilled communicator, with proven verbal and written ability.
- Good interpersonal and negotiating skills.
- Experience of working in a commercial role desirable.

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Applicants are invited to send their Curriculum Vitae, to arrive **no later than 31st January 2015**, to:

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Applicants may also contact **John Crowther** if they wish to discuss the position in further detail.

# British Crown Green Bowling Association

## Applications are invited for the post of Competitions Officer

### Job Description

#### Main Responsibilities

- To work with the Chief Executive, Referees and Green Managers and other personnel at all British Crown Green Bowling Association events to ensure the competitions are run smoothly and in a professional manner.
- Must be available to attend all British Crown Green Bowling Association competitions and to run these competitions on the day.
- Implement and maintain a database of all equipment for competitions held by the Competitions Officer.
- Ensure adequate provision of necessary equipment for all British Crown Green Bowling Association competitions which could include: PA System; Walkie Talkies; Scoreboards; Jacks; Mats; Measures; 19m Tapes; Results Boards; Green Number Boards; Scorecards.
- Play an active role in the governance of the sport of Crown Green Bowls and attend various BCGBA meetings both mid-week and at weekends.

#### Skills Required

- Computer proficient, with a sound administrative background.
- Skilled communicator, with proven verbal and written ability.
- Good interpersonal and leadership skills.
- Ability to deal with problems in a professional manner.
- Experience of running competitions essential.

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## Applications are invited for the post of Development Co-ordinator

### Job Description

#### Main Responsibilities

- Provide advice and support to all County Development Officers and County Development Representatives.
- Work in partnership with other practitioners and agencies to initiate and support developments.
- Undertake the role of National Clubmark Manager for the British Crown Green Bowling Association.
- Maintain a register of all BCGBA Clubs who achieve Clubmark accreditation.
- Produce agendas for all Development meetings.
- Record and produce accurate minutes for all Development Committee meetings.
- Provide regular reports and updates for all Management, Officers and Development meetings.
- Maintain confidentiality and observe data protection and associated guidelines where appropriate.
- Play an active role in the governance of the sport of Crown Green Bowls and attend various BCGBA meetings both mid-week and at weekends.

#### Skills Required

- Computer proficient, with a sound administrative background.
- Skilled communicator, with proven verbal, written and presentation ability.
- Good interpersonal and leadership skills.
- Ability to support team members in a professional manner.
- Experience of working on development initiatives desirable.
- Knowledge of the new Sport England Club Support Programme which incorporates Club Leaders, Clubmark, Help for Clubs and Club Views.

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