

LAURO BOWLS GOLF CLUB
COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY 23rd JULY 2026, 8.30AM
MINUTES

Committee members in attendance:

Andy Moffat, Jane Richardson, Monica Toyama, Robert Godfrey, Jeff Turner, Chrystal McCallum, Peter Meyerhoff

Member in attendance : Richard Joss

1. Apologies for absence – Paul Hughes, Margaret Woodin

2. Treasurer's report

The club's financial position remains stable, as expected at this time of year. Only a small amount of membership fees /fab monies remain outstanding, reminders have been sent to all members that have a balance outstanding.

3. Outstanding items from previous meeting

- **Carpet update**

Jaime Ravina will replace Gonzaga as Managing Director of Lauro Golf Club from Monday 27 July. A representative of the bowls club will introduce themselves to him and discuss the replacement carpet and any other relevant matters.

Club Captain Paul is also continuing discussions with the carpet manufacturer to see whether a discount can be negotiated on the purchase of a new carpet.

- **Winners Boards**

As no changes or corrections to the competition winners and dates were received, the boards will now be sent to Alhaurin Digital to be updated to 2025.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Security

The main club gates were recently left open, with bowls visible, although the clubhouse/bar was locked. Members are reminded to lock the gates when leaving.

5. Coaching & Markers courses

As Ron, one of the club's two coaches, is no longer a member at Lauro, Paul is now the only qualified coach. It was suggested that two experienced bowling members could help at the coaching days planned for later in the year. Jane will also run a non-exam markers course for anyone who wishes to learn without the pressure of an exam. Members who would like to take the exam and earn their yellow T-shirt will be encouraged and supported, and an umpire course can also be arranged.

6. The Andalucians

There appears to be some confusion regarding the Andalucians and the qualifying rounds, which will be held at Almeria and Lauro. Lauro delegado Paul and Competition Secretary Rob will speak with John Wilson, FAB Competition Delegado, to clarify the qualifying rounds and rules of play and inform members.

7. Watering

Members are reminded that the water timer for the tubs and troughs is not working. The manual 15-minute button should therefore be pressed at every roll-up, and the conifers should be watered by hand. The watering heads in the tubs and troughs should also be checked weekly to prevent limescale build-up. This will now be added to bar duties to ensure the plants are watered regularly.

8. Cyril

Unfortunately, Cyril, the club cat and mascot, has been suffering from a respiratory infection and has lost weight. A recent vet visit confirmed that his blood results are fine. He is currently receiving food, fluids, and medication at Jane's house until the infection clears, and so far he is doing well.

9. Fundraising and sponsorship

Andy noted that sponsorship has declined and more sponsors are needed. He will drive a campaign for new sponsorship opportunities and develop

fundraising ideas. Any volunteers to help achieve this are welcome and should speak to Andy directly.

10. Suggestion Box

No suggestions

11. Website presentation

Richard presented the new club website for review and feedback.

Everyone agreed that it looked good, with a fresh and modern design. The website will need to be monitored, and administrators will be appointed for this task. Monitoring will begin on 1st August, with the full launch planned for 1st September 2026.

AOB

Due to the continuing heatwave warnings, it was agreed that roll-up times would move earlier to 8.30am for a 9.00am start from Sunday 26th July.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 20th August 8.30am