

TESTON CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held in the club on Tues. 6th April, 2005

PRESENT: -

J. Wood (Chair), R. Harker (Treas), B. Playford (Sec), R.Thornton, T.Smith, P. Bond, A. Hickman, V. Williams, R. Pullen.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:- .

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:-

The previous minutes were accepted and duly signed as a true record.

ANY MATTERS ARISING:-

Rod has fitted a new fan in the Games Room which it is hoped will solve the loss of heat problem due to the broken shutters on the old fan. Jim has arranged for the snooker table to be restretched on Thursday 28th April in the morning. The notice boards to be displayed in the toilets have been purchased and will be put up soon. It was agreed that the Easter raffles were successful. There was a really good turn out of members on Easter Sunday lunchtime.

CORRESPONDENCE:-

A letter was received from our President about a point raised at our last meeting, regarding allowing Grandchildren to come into the club accompanied by their grandparents. Peter pointed out that our rules do not in fact specify that children be accompanied by a parent or grandparent, only that they be accompanied by a member. Bob is of the opinion that a bye-law was passed a few years ago which did in fact specify that children should be accompanied by a parent. It was agreed that we would try to find evidence of this bye-law in past minutes to clear the matter up. Peter's letter will be answered accordingly.

FINANCE:-

Unfortunately the figures for last month compared to those of the same month last year are somewhat lower. Apparently there is a general downturn at other local clubs. Every effort will be made to inject some interest in the club via extra advertising to our members, our tapestry entries, our up to date web site information and an interesting entertainments schedule.

NEW MEMBERS:-

There were no new members this month.

BAR COMMITTEE:-

Terry is awaiting a visit from our suppliers representative, when he will discuss the possibility of trying a different hand pump bitter. Bob will be working out the increase in bar prices over the next couple of weeks.

HOUSE COMMITTEE:-

The electrical work has been put in hand and will be carried out very soon. Rod has a quote for the carpet cleaning of £75.00 plus VAT and it was agreed to have this done. Rod also has a quote for sealing the Games Room floor and the price of £250.00 plus VAT including materials was accepted and it was agreed to have this work carried out also. This job will have to be done on a Monday as the bar will have to be closed to enable the floor to thoroughly dry and Mondays generally are quieter. There has been an inspection of the drainage problem and it is believed that the problem lies where two joining pipes, constructed of different materials, have deteriorated. Whereby the uneven joint is causing blockages. Rod thinks that redirecting the pipe work and installing a new manhole in the pathway will eradicate the problem. However it was agreed that he should obtain an estimate for the work to be done.

ENTERTAINMENTS:-

As mentioned before the Easter raffles were particularly good and the Barlimix evening went down very well and was very well attended. The club has now purchased it's own Bingo machine for £25.00 so it is envisaged that we will be holding some extra Bingo evenings. Our next function is on 23rd April with Flashback, and as it is also St. George's Day it is intended to decorate the club with flags etc. Ronnie suggested advertising our function evenings in the shop and it was thought to be a good idea providing it was directed at members and not the general public. But at the same time it puts our presence in front of all to be seen which is not a bad thing bearing in mind our present downturn in revenue!

CLUB GAMES:-

There is a notice on the board regarding the Spring Games, which have now been organised by Bob.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:-

Phil reported that he had received an application to join the club via the web site. That's progress! Terry is organising an evening visit to Lingfield Races to leave the club at 3.30pm on 16th July at a cost of £20.00 per person with a £10.00 deposit per person when booking. Please contact Terry at the club. Ronnie suggested that when new

members put in their applications, should there be a delay in sending their welcome pack, for any reason, they should have an acknowledgement letter. This will be done in future. Vicky proposed that Phil be considered as Vice Chairman of the Committee, and he was duly voted in unanimously. Terry was thanked for arranging the lovely spread for the last function, so a big thank you to Cath and Terry's mum for carrying out the work!

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

J. Wood - Chairman