

TESTON CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held in the club on Weds. 5th April, 2006

The Chairman called for a minutes silence in memory of Mr. Bill Newell who passed away last week.

PRESENT: -

J. Wood (Chair), R. Harker (Treas), B. Playford (Sec), R.Thornton, T.Smith, V. Williams, R. Pullen, N. Wood, S. Worcester & P. Bond.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:- None

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:-

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

ANY MATTERS ARISING

We have rejoined the Kent Association of Workingmens Clubs. The lazer oven seems to be working properly now. Mr. Wilson has submitted his idea for our club sign. Bob Harker also has some ideas and will be submitting his for next months meeting. The Club games are progressing well. The problem of scratching tables by the card clubs has been addressed.

CORRESPONDENCE:-

A letter was received from Mr. Tony Edwards on behalf of all the Trustees, asking for a definition of the Trustees responsibilities. This will be investigated and a letter sent in due course. Suggestions were received regarding closing on Sunday evenings and extending Sunday lunchtime hours. These suggestions were taken on board but the opening hours in operation at present were thought to be correct, especially for the summer months. Attendance will be monitored and hours of opening will be reviewed in the Autumn, as it may warrant closing Sunday evenings during the Winter months. There was also a suggestion for all day opening on Saturdays, from 11.30 a.m. to 11.00 p.m. This was thought to be impracticable as the cost of staffing would be far too high. A note was received as follows:- **Somebody is taking the Kent Messenger out of the Club and not returning it.** Would the perpetrator kindly remember that the Kent Messenger is purchased and placed in the club for all members to read and would he or she kindly refrain from such practice. A communication was received from the Kent Fire and Rescue Service regarding conducting a risk assessment of the club, Rod will attend to this. The Amusement Machine Licence Application has been received, this will be completed and forwarded by expiry date of the previous licence i.e. 5th May.

FINANCE:-

The Treasurer reports that although income is a little better this month and appears to be levelling out, there will have to be a price increase in the near future. This is largely due to higher costs passed on by the

brewery, but also following the Chancellor's increases. Bob will investigate further the possibility of introducing a Credit Card facility.

NEW MEMBERS:-

There were no new members this month.

BAR COMMITTEE:-

Willie is about to take annual leave and Kerry Ann will be covering for him. Terry will go through the alarm procedure in good time with her.

HOUSE COMMITTEE:-

Rod has repaired the boiler and has attended to a leak on the softener behind the bar. There was a problem with overheating last weekend, this is often a problem at this time of year with fluctuating temperatures. This problem can be remedied by bar staff switching the heating on or off.

ENTERTAINMENTS:-

There will be an Easter Egg Raffle on Sunday 16th April during the lunchtime session at 1.30 p.m. and not as advertised previously. Tickets for this are available behind the bar. The next event will be a St. Georges Day celebration on Saturday 22nd April with Flashback providing the entertainment.

CLUB GAMES:-

The games are progressing well.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:-

Steve has requested that E.Mail addresses be added to the phone list when this is compiled again. The Secretary will ask Nesta if she would like to play the piano for us during the evening or possibly a Sunday lunchtime and will report back for the next meeting.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.

J. Wood Chairman.....

