

TESTON CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held in the club on 2nd August 2010

PRESENT:-

P. Bond (Acting Chair), R. Harker (Treas), K. Worcester (Sec), R. Thornton, T. Vince, S. Worcester, T. Smith, K. Loughlin.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-

J. Wood, S. Pascoe, J. Evans.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:-

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

ANY MATTERS ARISING:-

It was confirmed that we have all the trustees we require at the moment, according to the club rules.

CORRESPONDENCE:-

George submitted a request that he be able to do a Golf quiz night. Bob will liaise with George to arrange this. Barbara Hazlewood requested that she be allowed to have the curtains, which fell down. It was agreed that she could have them. An email was also received from Tony Wilson, who is League Secretary of the Tunbridge Wells & District Snooker League. He has requested that we accommodate one of their Monday night teams in the club. This was discussed and it was decided that Phil would go back to them to discuss the details and clarify a few points.

NEW MEMBERS:-

There were a total of 9 new members for July, namely: -
Becky Collins, Richard Cakebread, David & Caroline Cleverly, Christopher Davies, Brian Helm, Laurie Pearce, and Garry & Annette Millen.

There were a total of 2 new members for August, namely: -
Philip Clark, & Ian Bennett.

Current Membership now stands at 328.

FINANCE:-

Bob advised that the fruit machine is still making a profit, so suggested we keep it until the end of the year. He also advised that it has been noted that members' guests are being signed in, but they are not all being paid for. It was suggested that a column be added to the signing in book for 'Guest Fee Payable?' to try to clarify the reason for this discrepancy. Terry will also speak to all bar staff to confirm they are all charging for guests of members.

BAR COMMITTEE:-

Nothing new to report.

HOUSE COMMITTEE:-

The dyson vacuum cleaner has been cleaned and Cate will let Rod know if it stops working again. The lotto machines are now all in and selling well. The curtains have fallen down in the lounge bar so it has been suggested that we have vertical blinds fitted. Steve will get a quote for these. The roof lights have been fitted and the car park door has been repaired. Rod also advised that we have had an offer from a club member to assist in taking the paving slabs up outside and lay down concrete to improve the safety of the paths. This was gratefully accepted. There is also still a mess around the back of the shed, so it was agreed that a working party of volunteers should be formed to help with this. Terry agreed to prune the Holly bush outside the club and the wasps nest is being dealt with.

ENTERTAINMENTS:-

The race night went very well. The next event is a BBQ on 22nd August, which we do need volunteers for, so any help would be much appreciated. Karen will put up the advertising boards and Rod will make the posters. It was agreed that the entertainments sub-committee should be disbanded and the committee as a whole will organise entertainments in future.

CLUB GAMES:-

Nothing new to report.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:-

Phil advised that he has received a letter from the Chairman Jim Wood, giving his resignation due to personal reasons. The committee would like to thank Jim for all the hard work he has put in over years and we are very sad to see him leave the committee, but are pleased to know he will remain a member of the club. It was proposed by Rod and seconded by Karen that Phil takes over as acting chairman until the end of the term. As this left the position of vice chair temporarily vacant, it was proposed by Phil and seconded by Karen, that Steve W takes the place of acting vice chairman.

Bob advised that there is a group of people who would like to hold a party in the club on the 11th September with a fish and chip supper. It was agreed that this would be OK as long as the fish and chip supper is appropriately advertised and available to members and is managed entirely by the people who wish to hold the party.

The committee would like to thank the volunteer staff we already have, but would really appreciate more volunteers. Even just a few hours would make such a big difference and would be really appreciated.

Steve suggested we get some Teston Club polo shirts made up, which can be sold to members. It was agreed that a competition will be held for the logo and Steve will get a quote for the price of the t-shirts and the printing.

Karen advised that she had received a complaint about two members of the club using inappropriate language in the club. It was agreed this kind of language and behaviour is not acceptable in the club and the individuals will be spoken to and reminded of this.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9:25pm.

P. Bond, Acting Chairman