

TESTON CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held in the club on Weds. 4th January, 2006

PRESENT: -

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

A silence was held in memory of the late Mr. John Wilson, a frequent visitor and friend of the club.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:-

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

ANY MATTERS ARISING

The Christmas opening hours proved popular with our members. Rod has blocked off the fans and this has made the bars much warmer. Although it was pointed out that the bar staff will have to be vigilant and allow the fans, especially the one in the games room, to be working when there is too much smoke. Rod will do a notice reminding members of the need to pay fees by the 31st January.

CORRESPONDENCE:-

None

FINANCE:-

There was a slight improvement in the financial situation for December. The idea of introducing another Lotto machine in the Lounge was discussed but no decision was made. Committee members will endeavor to get some feed back from members regarding this.

NEW MEMBERS:-

There were two new members this month, Mr. & Mrs.T. Loughlin.

BAR COMM ITTEE:-

Terry and Bob carried out the annual stock take on the 1st January.

HOUSE COMMITTEE:-

Burnt out contacts caused a power failure on Friday night last week. Fortunately Rod was on hand to fix the problem.

ENTERTAINMENTS:-

We all enjoyed the Draw night with Toni Lee and Christmas Eve and New years Eve were successful too. Jim wished to thank Vicki for taking over the raffle, Steve Worcester for the lunch time entertainment, and the ladies for supplying the food at each evening function. In fact a big thanks to all who gave of their time and effort to make the club *the* place to be over the Christmas period.

There will be a Race Night on the 21st January and The Tour have been booked for New Years Eve 2006. Look out for an impromptu evening coming up, with Ronnie's Grandson who has a great voice

CLUB GAMES:-

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:-

It was agreed to investigate the possibility of erecting an illuminated sign on the grass verge outside the club. A feasibility study will be carried out and Parish Councilors approached regarding planning etc during the course of the next month. Three Committee members attended a demonstration of the Lazer oven as mentioned at our last meeting.

They were impressed with the resulting taste and texture of the foods when heated. It was agreed that we would rent an oven for three months and after that time we will know if it is worth purchasing. The positioning of the oven, the purchase of a freezer and the ordering of the food was discussed and it is hoped to have this facility up and running in the very near future. Rod and Bon will look into the question of insurance. Rod brought a sample Welcome leaflet for distribution and the Committee was generally happy with this. Some members doubted that posting into every Teston letter box would have the desired effect, but it was agreed to ask the Tapestry if they would insert one in the next edition. It was agreed that we would try a leaflet drop in part of Wateringbury, where new residents may not be aware of our club. There were several volunteers to do this when it is printed.

Phil pointed out that he has revamped the web site and invited all to browse. It was decided to make the start time for future meetings 8pm as some members could not always guarantee arriving at 7.45pm. The date of the Annual General Meeting will be Friday 3rd March. The appropriate forms and last years Minutes will be posted on the board.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.30pm.

J. Wood - Chairman