

TESTON CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held in the club on Tues. 8th Mar. 2005

Two new Committee members Vicky Williams and Ronnie Pullen were welcomed.

New Club Chairman Jim Wood was voted Committee Chairman for this and future meetings.

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.

It was agreed that the Committee responsibilities would be apportioned as follows:-

Jim will continue in Entertainments Committee, with the help of Phil, Vicky and Ronnie.

Phil – Website.

Rod and Andy – House Committee

Terry – Bar Committee.

ANY MATTERS ARISING:-

Rod reported that the drains were running clear at present but when the weather is better he will look again with a view to carrying out any improvements required. The rise in bar staff and cleaners wages was discussed and agreed upon. Bob will be working out a bonus figure for Willie this week. It was agreed that Rod would purchase 2½ litres of floor sealant for the Games Room and Andy will lay it. A suitable time will be arranged, considering the drying time required. Willie has sorted out the ice maker which is now functioning correctly. Rod has made new No Smoking signs as well as new suggestion box notices.

CORRESPONDENCE:-

A note was received from Phil suggesting that our website be updated with the club's history for the past 13 years. Phil will approach Trevor and Peter for help with this project. A letter was received from Kent & Sussex Snooker Ltd, who suggest that as our snooker table was recovered some months ago, it is now due to be restretched. It was agreed that this should take place and Bon will ring them to arrange for this work to be carried out.

FINANCE:-

It was noted that this time last year the fruit machines were doing considerably more trade. It was felt that we have lost some serious players. New machines were discussed, also quiz machines, but no decision was made as to how income could be increased in this area. It is hoped that there will not be too many high costs annually, so as to enable us to once more break even at the end of this year as we did last year.

NEW MEMBERS:-

There were three new members this month namely.

BAR COMMITTEE:-

The question of trying a different hand pump bitter was discussed and Terry will investigate the various beers on offer and will cost out for the next meeting.

HOUSE COMMITTEE:-

Rod established key holders as follows:- 1st key holder – Jim, 2nd – Phil and 3rd – Vicky. Rod will be listing the various keys held. It was agreed that as a result of the electrical installation and appliance inspection, substantial works need to be carried out. The price quoted of £1,500 plus VAT was accepted and Rod will arrange for this to be done. Complaints regarding the low temperature, mainly in the Games room, have been received and Rod feels that this is due mainly to the malfunction of the extractor fan. It was agreed that a new fan be installed in the games room for the approximate cost of £365 plus VAT. The flotex floor covering in the Games room is looking grubby and Rod will get a price for cleaning.

ENTERTAINMENTS:-

Jim would like to have notice boards in the toilets to advertise coming events and Vicky will look at various ways of doing this. Our next event is Barlimix on 19th March. We will be holding a special Easter Raffle on Easter Sunday which will incorporate Chocolates, Eggs and the usual Meat raffle, a good day to diarise. The Entertainments sub-committee will arrange another evening meeting to discuss future events in the light of some ideas from new members.

CLUB GAMES:-

A Spring knockout will organised by Bob.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:-

Vicky requested that the application forms for membership be amended as they are out of date in some aspects. It was agreed that this needed to be attended to and will be done for the next meeting. Vicky and Ronnie brought up the question of allowing Grandchildren in the Club. It was agreed that considerable time had been spent at meetings historically discussing this point, and that if Vicky and Ronnie felt so strongly about this they organise an Extraordinary General Meeting, in order to change the rules. Bank signatories will need to be changed and Bon will attend to this. Members were sorry to hear that Life Member, Jack Pellatt is quite seriously ill, and we will send a Get Well card from the Committee and friends at the club, to help cheer him up.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.25pm

J. Wood - Chairman

