

TESTON CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held in the club on 2nd November 2009.

PRESENT:-

J. Wood (Chair), R. Harker (Treas), K. Worcester (Sec), R. Thornton, T. Smith, P. Bond, R. Pullen & K. Loughlin, N. Wood.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-

T. Vince, S. Worcester

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:-

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

ANY MATTERS ARISING:-

Rod advised that we would not qualify for the lotto machine mentioned previously. It was also clarified that volunteers are covered under the insurance for accidents which occur in the club, but any contractors will need to have their own insurance. Karen mentioned that the A frames which were supposed to be being built for us have still not turned up, but Steve Pascoe has offered to make one. Ronnie will confirm this with him.

CORRESPONDENCE:-

A note was received from Bob Wilson which requested that the 'no food rule' be clarified. It was therefore decided by the committee that any food brought into the club for personal consumption, hot or cold, may not be consumed on the premises, besides that which is provided for all club members. Some correspondence regarding Biffa was also received which will be dealt with by Kayleigh.

NEW MEMBERS:-

There were no new members for this month.

FINANCE:-

An 8 month audit has been carried out. The club appears to be showing a profit for the year, however it was highlighted that there will be some impending expenditures and we are still heavily reliant on the volunteers we have.

BAR COMMITTEE:-

Terry advised that there is a competing pub, which is due to reopen shortly, therefore he suggested that we open at 4pm on Monday from now on. George has offered to do Mondays on a trial period to the end of the year. This was agreed by the committee. The Stella is due to be properly installed on 3rd November. Terry also advised that we will be going ahead with 2 pumps for the cask ale. He advised that we have the option of having one regular ale, available

all of the time and change the other, or have both as guest ales, which change on a regular basis. We will need to see what works best. Willie will be arranging this. The agreement with the brewery is just waiting to be signed. It is likely to be agreed that they give a part cash sum towards the cooler and then a discount on barrelage. Bob advised this is likely to be to our advantage in the future.

The Christmas opening hours were agreed as follows:

Christmas Eve - 12pm to 11:30pm*

Christmas Day – 12pm to 2:30pm

Boxing Day – 12pm to 6pm

Sunday -12pm to 6pm

Monday – 12pm to 6pm

Tuesday – 4pm to 11pm

Wednesday – 4pm to 11pm

New Year's Eve – 12pm to 3pm & 7pm to 12:30pm*

New Year's Day – 12pm to 6pm

* Rick will open from 12pm on these days as a volunteer.

Terry also suggested investing in a machine that would allow us to serve hot pies and sausage rolls etc. Rod will look into this.

HOUSE COMMITTEE:-

The trial bulb which was suggested by Rod in the last meeting has been fitted and agreed to be a good idea. Rod advised that they are not on a dimmer switch and LEDs are quite expensive. He advised that he expected the club to save £500 per year on the electricity bill, with an initial set up cost of £300. Phil suggested he contact the carbon trust to see if it is possible to get a grant towards the cost of the fitting. Rod advised he will do this before installing them. It was brought up that the television was left on overnight on Monday because they are not automatically switched off like everything else. This needs to be done. Rod also advised that there had been a problem with the heating and he had to call out the boiler company, which incurred a charge. Rod also suggested that the lotto machine be changed to a 50p tickets, however it was agreed to keep the tickets as £1.

ENTERTAINMENTS:-

Ronnie wanted to thank everyone who helped with the function night on Saturday. Steve Pascoe has offered to do a disco on Christmas Eve, depending on whether he can get the equipment together, Ronnie will check to see if he can do this in order for promotional posters to be made and put up. Cate is now doing the cleaning in place of Ronnie. Cate asked Ronnie to put to the committee that she would like to have a music group in the club on 2nd December as a Birthday celebration for Becky between 8:30 and 10:30pm. This was agreed by the committee, as long as non-members are signed in. It was agreed that the charge for New Year's Eve this year will be £5. Phil will make up some posters to

promote the event. Rod suggested we have someone on the door to make sure all guests are signed in.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:-

Nicki advised the floor seemed very dirty when she was cleaning. It was suggested she use the spare Hoover and clean the filters to see if this makes any difference, but the situation will be monitored. It was agreed that the Christmas decorations will be put up on 5th December. Terry suggested that the cleaning be agreed at the next meeting to ensure that the cleaning does not get overlooked after the functions over Christmas.

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

J. Wood, Chairman