



LEIGHTON-LINSLADE CROQUET CLUB

Founded 2000

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 12th August 2015 - At 1pm - Page's Park pavilion

Committee Members present: -David Ball (chairman), Roger Stroud (secretary), Len Buckingham (treasurer), Eve Buckingham, John Cundell, Malcolm Kirby, John Thorp, Ross Bagni, Peter Cole, Sally Clay

Minutes

1. Welcome

David welcomed everyone present to the meeting at 12:55 pm.

2. Apologies for absence

Sheila Guest had contacted Roger, apologising that she could not attend the meeting.

3. Minutes of meeting held on 17th June 2015

There were no comments so David signed a copy of these minutes.

4. Matters arising & review of Actions (if not included below)

There were no matters arising.

5. Reports: -

5.1 Secretary's report including correspondence to Club

5.1.1 Correspondence

The correspondence was with the Council (Mark Saccoccio & Ian Haynes) setting up the meeting we had with the Council at the pavilion on 30th July. The detail of the meeting is covered in Section 7 of these minutes.

5.1.2 Magazine Holder

Roger asked members of the committee if they knew of a supplier of a simple plastic magazine holder to hold the CA publications.

5.2 Treasurer's report

Len circulated the latest accounts summary and there were no questions regarding the accounts.

5.3 Membership Secretary's Report

John C reported that there were no new members and that he was passing onto Len £14.32 which was profit made by Judith Cundell from the sale of club clothing.

6. Fixtures: -

6.1 League Matches

These are going to schedule.

6.2 C Level

John T said the tournament went well and several players said that they would come again next year. The event returned a profit of approximately £60.

6.3 Friendlies

These are going to schedule.

7. Meeting with the Council

Our club met with the Council on 30th July and following this Len had produced a proposed note that we send to the Council, confirming our understanding of the outcome of the meeting.

It was agreed that Roger would send an email to the Council covering the points agreed at this meeting.

8. Club Garden Party (Sep 5th)

Eve said that the catering would be the same as last year which was a success. David added that the 'Fun' part of the day would start at 10am.

Ross said that he would oversee the various games being played on the stalls and that John T would ensure that any guests would be playing croquet with one of our club members.

John C said that we should remember that the day is primarily for our members and their guests and that he is circulating a poster to all members giving details of the day.

9. Web Site

Roger said that our club web site is running well and is continuously being updated with match reports and any items of news to keep club members informed. Roger also said that he has put a 'Quiz' on the web site comprising 5 questions about Leighton Buzzard - so far he has received no answers from members.

Currently the monthly payment (direct debit) to 1and1 (service provider) of £8.39 per month is from Roger's bank - Roger will shortly be transferring this direct debit to come out of the croquet club bank account.

10. Tables

John T found a competitive supplier for the four folding tables that we require - John C ordered one, received it and members were pleased with it. The committee voted to purchase the rest of the tables required from the same source.

11. Any other business

11.1 John T

John T said that we require more volunteers to set up equipment (gazebos etc) prior to a match. Sally suggested that we produce a list of members who would be able to assist.

11.2 Len

Len said that we would be in a position to decide on whether we should purchase a microwave oven in about a month.

11.3 Roger

Roger asked if we could offer the hire of our lawns to Dunstable Tennis Club on a Friday in early August 2016 if they are interest in using our lawns on the next visit of Porz Tennis Club. Dunstable have not yet decided on which social activity to do on that day - if our committee agree, we could offer our lawns as an option. The committee agreed that we could offer our lawns provided that we know the date well in advance.

11.4 David

David had received a request from the Mayor for our club to supply one of the cakes for the Town Mayor's Coffee Morning. The committee declined this request.

David then closed the meeting at 1:55pm.