

Men's Committee Meeting held at Clubhouse on Tuesday 8th March 2016

Present: Lol Mounteney (President) P. Bryan, C. Berrill, J. Rushin, J. Bass, G. Smedley, P. Cowham, J. Hitch, T. Moulding, N. Wragg.

Apologies: P. Woods

3 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting dated 2nd February were considered a true record.

Proposed J R seconded PB.

Matters arising:

- 1 No matters arising..

4 Communication from the Management Committee

1. No date yet for delivery of the new shirts.
2. Use of mic's at the Pre-season meeting.
3. LM explained the new Dirty Dozen format.
4. Toilet Roof project has been passed. It was re-iterated that the Men's Committee favoured waiving this year's membership cost to David Rajczyk.
5. Date of Presentation Evening is Saturday 12th November 2016. County President David Ward and wife will be attending. CB suggested having large bottles of wine again (LM to ask Management Committee).
6. There was a request for the price of the Saturday teas from £3.50 to £4.00. It was agreed to accept the proposal provided that the quality was maintained AND hot potatoes were on the menu.
7. JB requested to have a copy of the management minutes for his information.

5 Correspondence

There were 3 applications for membership. Mick Brookes, Terry Funnell and Ken Au were accepted as members. LM to inform them.

6 Secretaries Report

No secretary.

7 Match Secretaries Report

LM reported in the absence of PW that the EU Referendum voting day has an effect on the evening fixture. He is trying to re-arrange the fixture away.

8 Competition Secretaries Report

No report. Discussion was had about the play by dates being cast in stone. This was agreed.

9 Captains Report

There was nothing to report.

10 Welfare Report

A very quiet month.

11 Ground & Maintenance Report

GS reported that many jobs have been completed over the winter and everything is ready for the coming season. DH wanted the soakaways in the ditches to be filled in to make the ditch smoother, after some discussion it was agreed to leave it as is. Rink markers are proving difficult (re the black line). LM suggested having 2 large washers set in the bank for the 2 mtr. marks.

12 Green Rangers Report

The Green is in very good condition. Discussion was had about where we put the grass cuttings from the green because the work being done on the field prohibits us from dumping it there. It was suggested by PB that we put it in the field behind the Co-op's brick building.

13 Bar Managers Report

Started selling bottled beers. A few more bookings were coming in, will need bar staff.

14 Social & Entertainment Report

The Theresa Knowles evening went well; otherwise there was nothing to report.

15 Forth Coming events

Pre-season meeting is on Sunday March 20th at 10.00am.

16 Any Other Business

JB has bought spray chalk to be made available @ £3.00 each.

PB reported that after the work on the field is finished the car park is to be marked out with parking bays. Please use them courteously.

17 Date of next meeting

April 5th @ 2 pm.

Captains Discussion

Our team Captains were invited to this meeting to discuss various matters relating to our performance in the competitions we enter. Team makeup, competitiveness and communication were discussed during a lively debate.

On team makeup, availability sheets were thought to be invaluable to aid the Captains in their efforts to form a team for each game. TM and NW both have availability sheets. We should copy these for all teams.

Team sheets are thought to be vital so that everyone knows when and where they are playing. We will insist that there is a team sheet for each team on the notice board for this season.

For Saturday away games, could the Captain ask what the tea consists of when he contacts the away team Captain regarding the game. This would enable the players to plan their Saturday meals.

JH remarked about the different stickers that are often seen on one person's set of bowls. It was felt that this should be frowned on. No more combinations of stickers (Club, County, Cavs, Tourists) should be allowed.

JB wants to try to keep his good compatible rinks together for the whole season regardless of occasional bad results; this was thought to be the way to go for all competitive leagues.

TM expressed concern that he has not had any fixture cards etc. for his Monday team, JB to look into this.

JB feels that we, as a club should have more practice at weighted woods.

LM read an inspirational document about motivation and communication during a match, that he had found and good discussion was had about the various points it raised. It was found to be very informative and beneficial.

This document is available to anyone who would like to have a copy.

The meeting closed with comments that it had been a very useful exercise.

Practice – Attitude – Commitment - Communication.