

UP FOR DISCUSSION

Committee Meeting 8th June 2016

Attendees (committee): Lorin Clough, Simon Coleman, Tony Britten, Stephen Coleman, Keith Thomson, Jim Thomson, Mary Leeming

Apologies received from: Alan Taylor, Stevie Anscombe

Meeting opened at: 20:35



Chairperson's opening statement:

Tony welcomed all attendees and expressed gratitude for people's continued commitment.

Social Secretary: Simon reported on behalf of Michelle

Grand Finals Day Review: The Social Secretary felt that the organisation for this event again proved very difficult with Cheyne Walk Club as they can often be unresponsive when trying to confirm arrangements for the weekend's events. In addition, it is very difficult to be too demanding from them as they have offered the venue free of charge. That said, it needs to be considered whether the fact that the venue is free of charge is outweighed by the organisational difficulties for Michelle and Simon. To augment the difficulty, this year there was not enough staff available – as had been promised - to open the small bar in the main venue room.

Michelle recommended that full consideration should be given to changing the venue for next year.

Presentation Night Review: The evening's events seemed to go reasonably well and the food was of an excellent quality.

Jim Wilson Memorial Review: Whilst the event itself went very well – that will be reported on by Simon Coleman below – the same issue arose regarding available staff to open the small bar on Sunday.

Overall, however, the food provision and quality was excellent.

Very special thanks from the entire committee and membership were offered to Simon Coleman & Michelle Kennedy for organising these events, and also to Stephen Coleman & Jason Neal for the administration of the Jim Wilson Competition.

Competition Secretary:

Northants Open: Entry Forms are now available for the Northants Bar Billiards Open Competition. This will be held at The Cock, Northampton on the weekend of the 20th and 21st August. The Saturday event will be a '4-pin' competition, with the main Open to be held on the Sunday.

Entry to these competitions has been made as easy as possible so please contact Simon or view the website for full details.

This event is a great opportunity to put our league on the national map and so it is vital that this is supported wholeheartedly by league members. Please register as soon as possible to play.

Treasurer: Jim reported on behalf of Sue.

Balance at Bank: £1,946.12

Presentation Night made a loss in 2016 due to lower than expected attendee numbers.

Jim Wilson – Small profit (£40)

£200 sponsorship received from Selecta for Northants Open which is fantastic.

Trophies invoice still outstanding and yet to be paid.

County Reports

The Inter Area 'A' team beat Reading 'A' with an overall margin of 7-3. Their next match is another very difficult fixture against Oxford 'A'.

Meanwhile, in the 'C' Team Shield, Keith's Inter Area 'C' side beat Wallingford 'C' 6-4. This was a fantastic result, particularly in light of the 4-1 deficit they had to overcome from the first leg! Reading 'C' is the next match and is in the process of being arranged.

Draw for Supplementary Cup – Northants 'C' vs Northants 'B'.

Secretary:

AGM Update: Details provided for AGM with provisional date of 25th August. This will be confirmed in due course as soon as CWC confirm that we may again use their venue.

Committee Proposals:

Only one proposal was brought for discussion as a committee proposal which was centred around promotion between divisions of the Northants Masters. Committee agreement could not be reached to support/reject this and so it will need to be submitted to the AGM as a member's proposal.

Other proposals were invited.

Any Other Business:

None

Performances of the month:

The following teams or individuals were mentioned in respect of their excellent recent performances:

- Red Lion 'B' for their first ever match win
- All winners of Grand Finals Day and Jim Wilson competitions
- John Tyson for reaching the semi-final stage of the Jim Wilson competition
- County level improvement

Meeting closed at: 21:17

