

# UP FOR DISCUSSION



A short, but nevertheless perfectly formed update from your dedicated and hardworking committee!!

## **Committee Meeting 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

Attendees (committee): Lorin Clough, Alan Taylor, Simon Coleman, Michelle Kennedy, Mary Leeming, Tony Britten, Iestyn Pocock, Damian Coates

Apologies received from: Jason Dunkley, Stevie Anscombe, Gary Tipping, Sue Thomson, Jim Thomson, Stephen Coleman, Keith Thomson

Meeting opened at 20:34

### **Chairperson's opening statement:**

Once again I offer a hearty thank you to all committee members who were able to attend this meeting. It is still fresh in my memory when having eight attendees for a mid-season committee meeting would have astonished us and yet now we are slightly disappointed. This shows the measure of our progress. I am impressed by the continued commitment of our committee.

## **County Reports**

### **Inter Area Main competition**

Damian is still trying to arrange mutually agreeable dates for the final which is now a little overdue. The Home leg is to be played first and is likely to be held on either the 14<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> November at Rushden Conservative Club. It would be great to have as many supporters as possible attend this highly important event for our league so please keep an eye out for confirmation of the date.

**All England County Championships (Division 2)** will be held at Didcot Conservative Club on 16<sup>th</sup> November. This is Stephen Coleman's first competition as County Captain and he is trying to confirm the team as we speak. Good luck to Stephen and his team when the competition comes.

### **Social Secretary:**

**Quiz Night – 21<sup>st</sup> November – Moulton WMC** To date only three teams have registered for this event where we had hoped for up to 10 teams. One of the teams registered is in fact a team made up from non Bar Billiard playing members! So before we allow them to put us all to shame may I remind you to register your team as soon as possible.

Teams may be registered via the website at the following address:

<http://www.northantsbarbilliards.org/quiz-night-entry-form.html>

## Secretary:

- **Working Groups Update** – Lorin apologised that plan templates were not issued last month as previously stated and committed to forwarding them to members in the coming days.
- **Honorary President's Award Update** – Lorin provided an update and will pass further details to the committee.
- **League Extension** – Lorin brought an idea to committee for consideration for extending the Winter League fixtures (2015/16 and beyond) to include a third fixture against each of the teams in the same division. This was not met with positive response and will not be considered for change but may, if proposed & seconded, be brought as a proposal to AGM in future.

## Treasurer:

The cheque to support the 8 Counties Challenge in aid of Cancer Research UK has been paid and the current balance is £1,732.55.

Only four teams have paid their annual subscriptions to date. They are:

C&A Saints – paid in full  
The Cock 'A' – paid in full  
The Cock 'C' – paid in full  
Headlands – paid in full

Teams have the following amounts outstanding:

Storm £12  
Fox £60  
Cobblers £48  
Rushden £60  
Exiles £60

Please arrange payment as soon as possible.

## Competition Secretary:

Draws were made for the following competition which will be added to the website:

### Team KO Q/F – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec

Rushden vs Headlands  
The Fox vs Storm  
Saints vs Exiles  
Cock C vs Cock A

Matches will be played at neutral venues which will be advised soon.

## **Any Other Business**

**All England Under 25's – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** Many congratulations to Stephen Coleman who won his second national title. His impressive performances throughout a tough day secured the win in a round robin followed by a final format. Yet again Stephen's efforts have placed our league and association firmly on the Bar Billiards map. Well done, Stephen!!

Gary and colleagues have been discussion the possibility of an additional team and venue for the Summer 2015 and Winter 2015/16 seasons and has had a tentative 'yes' from the Thomas a Becket pub in Northampton. Fingers crossed that this progresses.

**Performances of the month** – As ever there are a number of candidates worth a mention. Top of the list must be Stephen Coleman for his All England U25's victory. Turning to league affairs, Sean Getty played his first game for a while and put in a very strong performance.

Other consistent league performers include:

Damian Coates – who has won 8/8

Lorin Clough – who has won 8/8

Ian Street - has won 7/7

Jason Neal – has also won 7/7

Ben Foster & Andy Chambers have won 7/8

Meeting closed at 21:00

**The next meeting will be held at The Fox on 2nd December at 20:30 sharp!**

