

UP FOR DISCUSSION

Committee Meeting 5th January 2016

Attendees (committee): Lorin Clough, Jim Thomson, Stephen Coleman, Alan Taylor, Gary Tipping, Tony Britten, Simon Coleman, Keith Thomson, Stevie Anscombe, Mary Leeming, Michelle Kennedy, Jason Dunkley



Apologies received from: Sue Thomson

Meeting opened at: 20:41

Chairperson's opening statement:

Happy New Year to all committee members and many thanks for attending the meeting.

County Reports

Inter Area teams to be confirmed with the organisers and so Simon will complete the required forms and submit this week ahead of the weekend deadline. Final confirmation of the Inter Area teams are as follows:

Inter Area 'A'

Stephen Coleman (Capt)
Simon Coleman
Jason Neal
Andy Chambers
Damian Coates
Dave Sadler
Lorin Clough

Inter Area 'B'

Jason Dunkley (Capt)
Dave Evans
Jon Coe
Jim Thomson
Tony Britten
Ian Jellis
Stewart Greenaway
Leigh Holmes

Inter Area 'C'

Keith Thomson (Capt)
Shaun Thomson
Mark Dickerson
Mick Haynes
Kevin Ross
Ted Dunkley
Alan Taylor
Gary Tipping
Chris Brewer
Mary Leeming

Social Secretary:

Race Night (5th February 2016) Moulton Working Mens Club - 7:30pm for 8pm start. Sheets will be circulated to team captains this week. Please ensure that every team attends as far as is possible but as a minimum, that each team purchases a complete sheet.

Treasurer: not present so covered by Jim Thomson

Balance at Bank: £1,637.57

Outstanding Subs:

£60 received from TAB at Meeting

£50 received from Storm at meeting with Matthew to pay remaining £10 directly to Jim.

C&A Cobblers £60 remains outstanding
Rushden Cons £60 remains outstanding

Furthermore, C&A Cobblers still owe subs for 2014/15 season as well as £57.50 collected by Iestyn Pocock for Northants Masters II which has not been paid to the treasurer.

It is vital that these monies are paid to the league no later than 31st January 2016 or by acceptable arrangement with the Treasurer.

Jim to chase outstanding payments as Deputy Treasurer.

Outstanding Payments: monies due to Simon for Inter Area - £10 per team – total £30.

Secretary:

All England Team Championships – Eligibility Competition: Lorin reiterated the details of new competition which shall be held as a One-day event and hosted by The Cock Hotel. All teams that enter, which can be made up of any five players across the league (so long as each player is only aligned to one team) will play in the competition on this day. The format of the competition will be subject to the number of entries.

The only condition for acceptance of a team in this competition is that, should your team win, that you must represent the Northants League and attend the All England Team Championships which will be held in Didcot, Oxfordshire on 16th October 2016.

Simon will entry forms available in due course.

The new competition shall henceforth be called the Northants Team Championship with the Rule Book to be amended as soon as possible.

Northants Website Chat Room: Lorin issued a reminder to all committee members (and urged them to pass this onto teams) of the availability of the new Chat Room feature within the website. Please use this to communicate on league matters, conversations of interest and sharing humour.

Presentation Night Planning: Lorin queried how advanced the planning for Final's weekend and Presentation evening are. Michelle confirmed that she was not aware that she should be speaking to Cheyne Walk Club and was not aware that the venue had not been secured to date. It was agreed that she would make enquiries with the venue as soon as possible, with the assistance of Jason Dunkley if required.

Once the venue is confirmed Simon will schedule delivery of the Bar Billiards tables with the AEBBA Secretary and will coordinate the competition timetable.

Michelle will coordinate with the venue to agree catering for the competitions and the evening event.

Lorin will then prepare for the presentation evening programme of events and confirmed that Stephen will be able to provide the required PA/sound system.

A further review will be discussed at the February meeting.

Rule Book: After recent queries regarding match start times for various competitions, Lorin confirmed that he has posted a reminder on the Website Chat Room and also will update the Rule Book to ensure that it is explicit and clear on this topic.

Lorin requested that Committee members take the time to read the Rule Book to assess what other changes/inclusions should be made.

Competition Secretary:

Draws were completed for the following competitions:

Team KO Semi-Final – Matches to be played on 1st February 2016 8pm start (venues TBC)

The Cock 'A' **vs** C&A Saints

Headlands **vs** Rushden Cons

Blind Pairs Quarter-Final – Matches to be played on 18th February 2016 – 8pm start (venues TBC)

Dave Evans & Shaun Thomson **vs** Jon Coe & Ray Crawford

Jason Dunkley & Mark Dickerson **vs** Leigh Holmes & Martin Atwill

Jim Thomson & David Wilton **vs** Tony Britten & Trish Wilson-Coates

Lorin Clough & Ted Dunkley **vs** Simon Coleman & Phil York

Individual KO 3rd Rnd – Matches to be played on 21st January 2016 – 8pm start (venues TBC)

Damian Coates **vs** Tony Britten

Ted Dunkley **vs** Chris Brewer

Phil York **vs** Jason Neal

Kevin Ayres **vs** Stevie Anscombe

Leigh Holmes **vs** Mark Dickerson

Stephen Coleman **vs** Jason Dunkley

Gary Tipping **vs** Andy Chambers

Sean Getty **vs** Simon Coleman

Lorin will update the website within 24hrs to provide players with as much notice as possible.

Any Other Business:

Tony raised a concern that the Committee Meeting Minutes have not been made available on the website and not issued to committee members either. The previous meeting minutes need to be accepted by the committee and this is not possible if they are not available.

Lorin committed to ensuring that these are made available via the website swiftly and apologised for the delay.

Mary offered to assist with the production of any documents should this be required.

Performances of the month

Mark Dickerson played very well in a recent 2nd Division KO match against Gary Tipping and deserves a special mention.

Meeting closed at 21:40

