

UP FOR DISCUSSION

Committee Meeting 15th May 2018

Attendees (committee): Lorin Clough, Mary Leeming, Tony Britten, Stevie Anscombe, Gary Tipping, Simon Coleman

Apologies received from: Sean Getty, Jim Thomson, Sue Thomson, Michelle Coleman, Stephen Coleman, Jason Dunkley, Keith Thomson



Meeting opened at: 20:39

Chairperson's opening statement:

Welcome to all once again. Following a highly successful Grand Finals Day & Jim Wilson event it is a clear testament that we are doing many things right.

Treasurer:

No update.

Simon to give full Jim Wilson & Northants Open report at the June meeting.

Social Secretary – Update from Michelle

Presentation Evening – tickets for this great event are now on sale at £20 per head. Please either contact Michelle directly with payment or register and pay via the league website.

The menu is as follows:

- Starter: Melon & Grape Salad with Mango Sorbet
- Main: Chicken filled with Mushroom & Onion wrapped in Parma Ham, fresh veg, Savoyard Potatoes
- Dessert: Lemon tart with burnt cream, brandy snaps & Crème Fresh
- Vegetarian option: Parsnip Wellington
- Gluten Free dessert: Panna Cotta with fresh berries.

The event will commence as follows: 18:30pm arrival for 19:00pm meal.

It is thanks to Michelle and Tony that we are able to maintain the great price of £20 per head as per last year as this represents great value. The timings shall be:

- 19:00 Dinner
- 20:00 Presentations Part 1
- 20:50 Break
- 21:10 Presentations Part 2
- 22:00 Disco
- Midnight - Carriages

Annual Golf Day – advertising to be added to the website as a matter of urgency. Lorin confirmed that the price has been maintained at £35 per person to include full English breakfast, 18 holes of golf and prizes. A deposit of £50 has been paid to Oundle Golf Club by Lorin.

County Reports: Stephen Coleman not available

Inter Area 'A' vs Reading 'B'. The team won 5-0 at home and then 4-1 away giving them a 9-1 aggregate victory. In the next round they face Reading 'A' (who recently overcame our Northants 'C' team). The matches are being arranged and shall be played during June & July.

Inter Area 'B' vs Portsmouth to be arranged.

Inter Area 'C' team sadly lost to Reading 'A' and are now out of the main knockout competition. They continue to compete in the 'C' team shield and have made a good start to this competition.

Secretary: Lorin Clough

Trophies – It is now time to return trophies and Lorin will email all with a request to return trophies both cleaned and in a good state of repair. The current holders are as follows:

Golf Day – Mick Haynes
Summer League – Cardigan Arms 'A'
Quiz Night – Mary's Motley Crew
Nene Cup – Headlanders
Premiership – Storm
Masters 4 – Shaun Thomson
Masters 3 – Kev Ayres
Masters 2 – Jason Dunkley
Masters 1 – Chas Peel
Masters Prem – Simon Coleman
JW Mixed Pairs – Stephen & Liz
JW Plate – Lorin Clough
JW – Stephen Coleman
Blind Pairs – Mick Haynes & Ted Dunkley
Div 2 KO – Stevie Anscombe
Wooden Spoon – St Jimmy's
Div2 HAS/HAB – Mick Haynes
Div2 - Red Lion
Team KO – Cock 'A'
Div1 HAB – Lorin
Div1 HAS – Simon
Div1 – Rushden Cons
Pairs – Simon Coleman & Ian Jellis
Individual KO – Simon Coleman
Committee Award – Rob & Liz Scarrott
ML Award – Karen Biseker

Summer League – the 2018 Summer League has started successfully and will proceed as a full league as requested by a number of teams and players last year. This will mean a later finish than in previous years and so the league is scheduled to finish on Monday 25th September.

Awards – Chairman's Award, Mary Leeming Award and Committee Award to be discussed and decided at the June meeting.

Annual Survey – the annual survey will soon be added to the website and Lorin asked whether there was a desire to alter what was being asked. He suggested that we canvass for ideas to further change and progress the league. It was suggested by others that the questions around 'best looking team' etc should be removed as they are no longer appropriate.

AGM Proposals – Lorin reminded the committee to bring with them their suggestions for AGM proposals to the June meeting.

Competition Secretary: Simon

Jim Wilson events – Simon recorded that these events proceeded very well with particular thanks to sponsors and helpers. In particular Stephen Coleman & Jason Neal. It was, however, disappointing that the entry numbers were low with limited or no support from some teams in the league. A full report will be brought forward at the June meeting. The event timing and organisation went particularly well and the tables were set to an exceptional quality.

Mary highlighted how disappointing it was that Lorin did not mention or congratulate the winners and runners up of the Mixed Pairs tournament during the brief presentations at the end of the event. Lorin apologised without reservation for this oversight and committed to ensure that this would be adequately covered during Presentation Evening.

Northants Open: We continue to aim for 64 entrants and we currently have 62. Simon requested that all committee members approach their team mates one further time to secure these entries.

AEBBA 4-Pin 19th May – this event is sold out and will deliver at least £160 to the league. It has been agreed that the AEBBA shall recognise these funds in the form of discount from the table hire for the Northants Open.

The tables are scheduled to arrive on Thursday 18th and helpers would be welcomed.

Any Other Business:

Invitation shall be issued to Kevin Tunstall to be a guest of honour at the forthcoming Presentation Evening. Kevin has been a longstanding friend and supporter of our league and has proven to be of invaluable friendship and support to Simon when organising, planning and running events.

Meeting closed at: 21:40

