Committee Meeting 26th October 2021 @2000 at The Cock

Present: Tony B, Mary L, Jim T, Stevie A, Alan T, Adam Gunn, Marti A, Keith T, Leanne H

Apologies: Simon C, Stephen C, Jason N, Michelle C

Chairman: Opened meeting at 2004 and welcomed all.

Competition Sec: Not present but messaged to say that draw for first competitions will be done via FaceTime tomorrow. Concern about Ladies' individuals. Problem raised if unavailability of some players for Finals Night. It was agreed that their final could be rescheduled if this should be required.

Treasurer: Balance £3322.78 There is a mystery payment of £50 with Quiz reference. Believed to be linked to Lorin. Tony will check.

Social Sec: Not present but contacted by phone. Confirmed Quiz Night is 26th November at Moulton WMC. Concern expressed that many members are not accessing website therefore not seeing notices. ML will send email to membership. Suggestion made that front of website has news section that highlights activities. This will facilitate those less confident with technology seeing important items. Tony will discuss with Lorin

Data and Stats Sec: Not present. Leanne mentioned that Stephen has long way to come and asked if we could zoom some meetings. Tony will bring IPad and zoom will be set up at meeting to make it easier for those experiencing difficulty at getting to meetings.

County and Inter Area: Limited uptake on website expressing interest. ML will email and hopefully news on front of website will assist with this issue.

Communications Officer: Gary still unable to take over as yet but Lorin happy to continue. Many thanks to him.

Secretary: Lotto ... only(!) 86 numbers sold. Not a failure or negative but great news. Thanks to Martin for sterling work with this! Decided that prize amounts will remain as advertised and profit to league be slightly less. Will still mean an annual return of £964 profit. First draw will be Tuesday 14th December by Lotto sub -committee of Martin, Stevie, Adam, Gary and Alan. To be held at The Cock 2000

Rose and Crown struggling for players.. only guarantee of 3, especially for away games, due to Rachel expecting imminently which will also affect Mark. Agreed that they can continue with 3 if unable to rearrange matches to be at home as often as possible for remainder of this calendar year. If away they will notify opposition that only 3 will be coming. Adam attempting to recruit locally. Would like poster if available...Tony??

Adam also mentioned taking table out of Snooty Fox which Tony and Jim will sort. He has been touting Thrapston pubs to see if new venue feasible. Thanks for your efforts Adam!

It was recognised that people are still reluctant to participate post pandemic, may be in isolation, which is having knock- on effect to completion of games. The committee agreed that discretion may need to be used more frequently to assist struggling teams to continue in these post-pandemic times.

Warm welcome to newest committee members Adam and Leanne.

A.O.B. An episode of alleged gamesmanship was reported to the committee, substantiated by both teams playing, at a recent match. Ideally if an incident of this nature occurs it should be resolved on the night by captains. If this is not possible, or it becomes a recurring problem then captain of team being disadvantaged should put a formal complaint to the committee who would then decide what action needs to be taken. An official apology was offered and accepted.

Subs: Tony suggested that in these challenging times, and as funds are healthy, that subs for teams would be waived for this post-pandemic season. It was unanimously agreed by the Committee.

Martin then informed us that Ted Dunkley very poorly in hospital and prognosis not looking good. It was agreed to send Dawn flowers from the league. Leanne will organise this.

A former BB player, Richard Simons died two weeks ago. Funeral on 12th November.

Meeting closed at 2101.

Next meeting 23rd November @2000 at The Cock.