Committee Meeting 1st March 2022 @2000

Present: Mary, Tony, Leanne, Alan T, Gary T, Jason, Simon C, Michelle

Apologies: Martin, Adam G, Stevie A, Stephen C

Meeting opened 2000 by Zoom

Main purpose of meeting was to determine squads for county teams and captains.

Proposed squads - subject to acceptance by invitees:

A team: **Simon Coleman** (Captain), Stephen Coleman, Jason Neal, Damian Coates, Andy Chambers and John Tyson

B team: Dave Sadler, Duncan Harris, Dave Evans, Jim Thomson, Aiden Coe, Richard Botterill, Stuart Greenaway, Chas Peel and Ian Underwood (**Ian Underwood** will be approached to consider captaincy - in the meantime **Tony B** will be interim non-playing captain)

C team: **Keith Thomson** (Captain), Mark Dickerson, Gary Tipping, Kevin Ayres, Alan Taylor, Rob Burton, Matt Thomson, Dass Woodward, Leigh Holmes and Mary Leeming

Captains' details will be passed to Stephen for Inter-Area records.

Though Martin was absent from the meeting he did contribute recommendations for the squads.

Stevie also not present but messaged to suggest that rankings be used to determine squads and that formal invites be sent. This was adopted. Mary will action invites.

A.O.B. Martin asked that Ted and Dawn be invited guests at 50th celebrations. Michelle pointed out that informal discussions had taken place to moot idea of past/special players be invited guests.

Martin also said that Karl and Colin from Red Lion B would be interested in participating in the Masters. This leaves one place unfilled before all divisions are complete

Alan raised issue that Foundryman's no longer willing to host Bar Billiards since accession of new landlady who would prefer pool table there. Additionally, ladies' skittles team returns and wants exclusive use on Mondays. They will complete Winter league fixtures there, however. If all else fails they will relocate to Cock as third team there. Table belongs to McManus and is probably being relocated to Golden Horse. Team not keen on venue but both Michelle and Tony suggested they might check it out. Other suggestions welcomed?? McManus to be approached re league purchasing table.

Leanne raised concern about another episode of unsportsmanlike behaviour from a league player. Player will not be mentioned at this time but should a further episode occur they will be given a formal warning and Committee may decide on further sanction.

Could captains remind players that such behaviour could include deliberately slow play that may affect outcome of match; petulance demonstrated by a player that may adversely affect opponent; banging balls/ cues on table or elsewhere, or any behaviour that causes other players to be distracted or upset. Being annoyed by one's own play is not uncommon but this should not be allowed to distract from the game, or the usual friendly, sociable manner on which our league prides itself.

Meeting closed 2040