

## Committee meeting minutes – June 06/2023

Present: Tony B, Mary L, Gary T, Michelle C, Simon C, Alan T, Keith T, Jim T

Apologies: Jason N, Stephen C

**Chair** opened meeting at 20:03

**Treasurer:** Master's entry money is outstanding from Premier division – except Stephen

Jim Wilson money will be transferred in next couple of days – profit after expenses is about £190. Entry fees =£200, Sponsorship £140, Raffle =£243.12  
Total= £583.12. Expenses = £497

The prizes and trophies are yet to be presented at Presentation night.

**County Sec:** (Not present) Message sent informing people of forthcoming 5-a-side Inter Area comp on 9<sup>th</sup> June. A and B squads will enter. Keith to check whether we can also send C team. There is possibility to enter Ladies' team but felt we do not have sufficient ladies who would be willing to play.

B team Captain had raised concern about being unable to have free choice of players. He was told that squads were selected by committee matched to rankings. Advised if he wished this to be changed would need to put a proposal at the AGM.

**Social Sec:** Presentation Night: Only date available is 22nd July at the ONs. Waiting confirmation from their caterer as to availability and price. If unable to provide a sit-down meal then may have to consider a buffet. We also need to source a disco as usual one not available – price needs to be reasonable. Ticket price provisionally £20 subject to final expense figures.

Discussion held regarding trimming down of number of trophies awarded as felt to be excessive. Simon will produce list of optimum trophies and circulate to committee for consideration. Decided to source trophies locally – possibly County Engravers. Simon/Michelle will pursue this and, if appropriate, Michelle will select trophies. Please could Lorin supply list of current trophy holders and post request for all trophies to be returned (in clean condition) to any committee member by 19<sup>th</sup> June.

Race Night and Quiz Night discussed. Unfortunately, last quiz night had to be cancelled due to lack of support. This may incur a room cost at Moulton WMC for future events. Decided to go ahead with Race Night and discuss quiz night

at a later date. Tony suggested an alternative source for the races and will investigate this.

**Secretary:** Lorin has asked if we want to continue with “fun” categories at Presentation Night. After discussion it was agreed that we would like to continue with –

Div 1 and 2 Players’ Player of the year

Dream teams – both divisions

Best pub food

Most sociable team

Lorin to post categories on website asap please

**A.O.B.** Future of Jim Wilson discussed. Though a popular event it is a huge burden to a few. Yet again support for setting up and clearing away was very disappointing! Same trusty few! It was suggested that we hire some fit shifters (Tony suggested son Tom) to relieve burden. A change of venue was mooted- Carlsberg Club – which would be much easier to transport tables in and out. This to be investigated. It was decided to leave Northants Open at the Cock – as very popular with visiting players and exceptionally well hosted by Rob, Liz and team.

Some players have expressed a dislike of Alternate rules format in Summer- that it was deterring some teams. A few alternative ideas were put forward and discussed. It was agreed we would continue with Alternate Rules but would adopt one suggested modification that, once break has been taken from the spot, thereafter the cue ball can be placed anywhere in the D for subsequent shots. Only on a break shot does it need to be on the spot.

Sussex league asked if we could help cut new slate for one of their tables as was damaged moving. This was passed to Tony and Jim who are willing to assist subject to slate being provided and delivered and collected. Simon will liaise.

Meeting closed at 2113