

The Village Club Green Hammerton

Committee Meeting Minutes

4 April 2017 19:30 Function Room

Attending: Paul Evans (PE), Bob Mitchell (BM) Chris Nottingham (CGN), Roger Mattock (RM), David Gough (DG), Paul Dacey (PD) Martin Helliwell (MH), Frankie Helliwell (FH),

Apologies: Sue Evans (SE), David Taylor (DT)

Steward: Mandy Helliwell (AH)

1 Approval of minutes of meeting on 7th March 2017 and Matters Arising.

Hinge work done.

Gable end sign PE talking to Heineken.

FH asked for suggestions for the bar chalk boards. **Action: All.**

Minutes of the previous meeting of 7 March were proposed as fair and accurate by BM and seconded by PD. Voted on and agreed unanimously.

2 Steward's report - AH

SE bringing 63 LUFC fans on the way to a match for drinks and pie & peas. Pies ordered - £3 suggested as price for the pie & peas. This was agreed. Action: PE to advise SE and the fans accordingly.

New step ladders required. Approved. Action: AH to buy and throw the old ones out.

Craft evenings has generated some interest.

Toilet - urinal possible leak - investigate. DG agreed to take a look and fix. Action: DG

BBQ - Gas certificate required. Action: MH to arrange certification. Copy of cert to be given to CGN for filing.

Boiler leak has marked the carpet. Action: AH to continue steam cleaning efforts.

Free pool for kids on Sunday started. Action FH to market. CGN to put on web site.

Darts & Doms evening - WIP Action AH / BM

3 Members suggestions box

Joanne Nottingham suggested a Quiz every Friday.

Committee felt that would be difficult to maintain given the work load in preparing quizzes.

PE said he's looking at a quiz league on Tues with other local pubs.

WIP so agreed to defer to next meeting.

4 Trustees feedback and actions

No feedback other than the trustees were aware of the boiler repair and costs.

Trustee meeting scheduled for the following evening. SE will attend as will BM. Action: PE to circulate minutes.

5 Treasurers report

- Bank balances. Current £1616. Reserves £2767. Other accounts nil.
- Major items. Boiler replacement cost roughly £2600. A significant drain on reserves that needs replenishing. Boiler is already fully paid for hence the fall in reserves.

Trading - good week last week.

All bills up to end March paid.

6 Bar Committee report

PE reported some incorrect pricing coming through in invoices from Heineken compare with the the agreed pricing. PE has agreed with Heineken to amend back to the previously agreed prices. Cost increases from Heineken and J B Clark

15p per pint on larger and 10p on bitter.

PE felt it not prudent to ask the members to pay these proposed a 5p increase across the board to cover the duty increase, Amstel excluded. It was agreed with the condition that guest beers are charged at a uniform £2.90/pint and Guinness is reduced to £3.30/pint to promote its sales. If Guinness sales do not improve it will be withdrawn from sale. Agreed 50p on bottle of wine. £1 on a pint of cordials.

Proposed PE, seconded PD, agreed unanimously. Action: MH / AH to amend pricing accordingly. FH to market Guinness promotion. CGN to email and put on web.

Also agreed to limit wastage 2nd guest hand pull to be tapped Thursday and sold till sold out. Exception will be for special events. Action: MH / AH

CGN explained the contract Heineken proposed and that we rejected it terms. Heineken reassessing the contract.

Discussed Isaac Poad offers. Agreed to give one of their beers a try and set up an account. Action AH / SE

7 Membership

- New members: Alison Gough, Sarah Upton both approved unanimously. Total paid up membership now at 170.

8 Maintenance

- Emergency items. Light at outside of function room doors replaced. Boiler done.

9 Policies, Regulations and Administration

Change of Rules to Allow Visitors with he payment of a Visitor Fee.

CGN outlined the reasons for the change of rules and the need for the agreed SGM. SGM date of 5th May approved by Committee unanimously.

Action: CGN to communicate by email and prepare notices for inside the club. FH to market on boards.

PE expressed his apologies for this SGM as he will be away. The SGM will be chaired by BM and officiated by CGN.

Agreed that Proxy votes are to be submitted in writing to both BM and CGN by email or writing at least 7 days in advance of the meeting.

Cancellation of Sunday Half Gallon Draw.

For some time the generosity of the club in giving away this amount of beer in the Sunday Half Gallon Draw has been questioned by the Trustees. It was proposed by BM and seconded by PE

that the Half Gallon Draw be cancelled with immediate effect. Voted and approved unanimously.
Action: CGN to print and distribute in the club.

Prize draw. PE explained the odds of winning have been lowered by changing to consecutive numbers on a smaller membership. And this had resulted in the draw being won several times. As the club subsidise the draw to the tune of £35 each draw PE explained that this could not continue. PE proposed to split the two draws once the current draw is won and have each self funding. After some discussion it was agreed that the issue was the £35 subsidy. Proposed by CGN and seconded by BM it was agreed unanimously to drop the £35 start on the members draw to £10. The draw will therefore start from £10 and build by £10 per week (£5 Friday nights and £5 Sunday nights if funded by football cards done on those evenings) once the current draw is won.

Secretary.

Due to a change in jobs involving the majority of his time working in Singapore for two years Chris Nottingham explained it would not be practical for him to continue with the secretarial duties from June / July. CGN expressed the desire to continue as a committee member and to attend meetings when in the UK. PE thanked CGN and expressed the hope that he would continue as a committee member. Action: Secretary CGN to be replaced due to job change and time in Asia. CGN to issue advertisement of position initially seeking a volunteer.

SE has offered to do membership. Action: CGN to provide handover with data.

10 Sports

Cricket sponsorship request. Declined unanimously.

11 Entertainment

- Upcoming bookings and events - Irish night in May BM arranging. Sat 10 or 17th June Night at the dogs. BM arranging.

Les Wetherall asked to know dates he is expected to do the quiz well in advance. Action PE to advise this to Les.

12 Fundraising

Table top and car boot. Action: PE to run off leaflets to advertise, all to distribute leaflets.

13 Marketing

- Marketing of events. FH asked BM to email her with the list of events on a regular basis to allow her to market them. Action: BM.

14 Feedback to Steward with Actions required (All)

15 Members' questions

None.

16 AOB & Date of next meeting & Close of meeting

BM highlighted the request of a couple of members that the results of the Draws be publicised on the blackboards and Football cards pinned up on the notice boards.

Next meeting: 7.30pm 2 May 2017.

Meeting closed at 21.25 hrs.