

Seniors Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date - 14 August 2023

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| Attendees : | John Botton | Captain |
| | Peter Newton | Vice Captain |
| | John Winzer | Treasurer |
| | Pat Swandell | Secretary |
| | Roger Penney | |

Apologies Steve Brewster
 Ken Snook
 Colin Bentley

Items from Minutes of last meeting - 22 May 2023

No issues outstanding.

Item 1

Captain's Report

Matches so far have all gone well with our win rate running at circa 65%, well done to the teams for their sterling efforts. Support for the matches continues to hold up indicating that we have no need to alter our current number of matches. We will continue to monitor this situation and take appropriate steps if we find the position changes.

Action

Captain to continue monitoring match support and report back accordingly.

Item 2

Treasurer's Report

John reported that our finances are in a good position with a healthy bank balance.

AOB

Junior Section Contribution

Steve Brewster has made a request to the section asking if we would be prepared to support the junior section by making a donation to assist in coaching. The meeting agreed this was an appropriate and worthwhile use of our funds and agreed to making a £100 contribution to the section

Action

Treasurer to inform Steve Brewster of our decision and proceed with the contribution

Senior Section Badges

We had a discussion regarding whether or not we would continue to hold a stock of Senior section badges and after much discussion it was agreed we would continue to hold stock.

Action

Treasurer to organise 10 years worth of badge stock.

Bowmaker Maximum Handicap

The meeting agreed that the maximum handicap for the Bowmaker competition would be set at 28

Action

JW to update material around the Bowmaker to reflect the max 28 handicap

Diary Changes

The Ham Manor away match for 2/08 was cancelled due to adverse weather and Ham Manor have found it difficult to find a date before 18/10 where we can replay. We discussed this and decided we would offer to play the match at Ham Manor up until the end of October if they could accommodate.

We have a congested schedule at the end of April where we have 3 matches in the week of 22nd to 26th April. We will look to move the Guildford away match to the following week if this can be agreed with Guildford.

Action

Secretary to contact counterpart at Ham Manor and review the possibilities of scheduling the match for late October.

Secretary to contact Guildford requesting their views on whether this change can be accommodated.

Board Competitions

Vice Captain pointed out that we do not have any 'Board Competitions' in the Clubhouse i.e. no senior section unique space where we can have competition winners displayed.

Action

Captain/Vice Captain to bring up at the Captain's committee with a view to acquiring some dedicated space in the Clubhouse for the seniors' to display board competition winners.

Vice Captain to investigate the cost of perspex style boards as used by other clubs in the area given they are much lighter than the current wooden boards and therefore much easier to hang on the walls.

Senior Open

We had a good number of entries this year with 102 visitors. There was a view that Peter Cooper, our sponsor, were not making the most of the marketing opportunity and a little concern as to whether or not they would continue with the sponsorship.

Action

Roger to pursue with our sponsor to establish their view on the arrangement and whether or not they will continue in future years.

Checklist/Progress Documents for Senior Open/Bowmaker

There was a view expressed that we were occasionally not fully up-to-speed with aspects of these competitions and may have been exposed should someone need to step in to assist in the admin if someone needed to withdraw for any reason.

Action

John Winzar/Roger Penney/Steve Scaife to get together and prepare a procedure and checklist document which can be used for these competitions which will ensure clarity of where we are in the event of any unforeseen changes during the organisation of the events. This should include, value and type of prizes etc.

Next Meeting will be held on Monday 9th October at 14:30 at the Club