

**EMBER SPORTS CLUB
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING NO 749
HELD 24 JANUARY 2017 AT 7.30 pm**

Present:

Nick Plaut (chairman), Bob Knox (treasurer), Zenda Hedges (secretary), Malcolm Baird (president), Ken Homewood (bowls), Roger Seekings (tennis), Roger Dollimore (croquet), Colin Jones (drama), Dennis Mardon (elected), Dave Roddis (bar manager).

1. Apologies for Absence.

Everyone attended.

2. Minutes of Meeting held on 22 November 2016.

There being no amendments, the minutes were approved and signed by NP.

3. Matters arising.

Car Park Surface – RS has spoken to Petan Associates who say the outside temperature must be above 10 degrees C before the treatment can be applied. It is therefore suggested this is done early March in one day and a note will be added to the newsletter saying the car park will be out of use.

Noisy Radiator – Unfortunately the noise is back and the radiator is having to be turned off. NP will speak to Graham Morland.

External Lighting – DM confirmed this was being done next Tuesday, 31st January.

New Badge for Clubhouse – Has been created thanks to DM, so just needs to be attached to the outside wall of the clubhouse.

4. Chairman.

4 i Flooring

The new floor is currently in the process of being laid but because it is over the existing floor surface there has had to be a remedy to counter the difference in height where the floor butts up against the carpet. RD asked whether there will be a credit for the work now not being done in the removal of the existing floor. DM will speak to Vincent flooring.

4 ii Bamboo

The bamboo has been treated on both 26 Grove Way and the Club which Richard Bateson has paid. NP wrote to Mr Shackell who replied saying there is a delay as he is waiting to hear from his contractor and has promised to review the situation in the Spring. RS has suggested it might be a good idea to put a small trench between the fence and the tennis courts to check any unwanted growth of the bamboo. This will be reviewed.

4 iii 200 Club

MB said the take up this year stands at 153 against 183 last year.

5. Secretary.

5 i Short/Extended Emergency Lighting test / CPR battery light

Lights were checked post meeting and all were working. In ZH absence NP noticed the CPR machine triggers an alarm if the pads' shelf life expires and makes them unusable. NP ordered new pads.

5 ii New Member.

The following new member was welcomed to the club :
Drama : Sophie Cutcliffe (as reported in January newsletter)

5iii External Communications.

Nothing received. However, ZH is continuing to endeavour to get the Highways Department to make the end of Grove Way (club car park entrance) a restricted zone for parking. ZH will now contact our local MP.

5 iv Roof

MC has reported his inspection of the roof has shown no sign of deterioration of the need for repair. The guarantee has now expired (22nd January 2017).

5 v Maintenance Book

Nothing new.

5 vi BT

Still awaiting the compensation form from BT. ZH will keep chasing.

6 Finance.

6 i November/December accounts

BK had circulated the December accounts saying he no comments.

6 ii Subscriptions

Club : Sections have elected to burden the proposed £2 increase in the subscriptions for 2017/18 and not pass this on to their members.

Probus : Fees for the hire of the clubhouse will remain the same as last year. BK will send out notices to the Probus groups accordingly.

7 Estate Management

7i Section Responsibilities.

Bowls (KH)

KH reported Bowls have decided to use Bill Campbell's legacy, to replace the existing main and small sheds with an upmarket one to be known as Campbell's Cabin for which no planning consent is required. Water pipe access will be secured. There will also be a new recruitment campaign as well as new bowls green machinery. Crossy's Sponsorship is still in place until later in the year.

Croquet (RD)

Nothing.

Drama (CJ)

Nothing.

Tennis (RS)

Nothing.

General (-)

Nothing.

7ii Bar (DR)

DR wished to remind that members under 18 cannot use the bar.

7 iii Website

ZH reminded to send approved minutes to Stuart Chalmers for the website. If members wish to have access to the member's area of the website, they need to get a password from Stuart Chalmers. NP will put a reminder in the Newsletter.

8 Sections.

8 i Bowls (KH).

KH will send fixture list to all sections. There will be a social on the 11 March. 13 April is pre season meeting. 1 July, Charity Supper. 19 August trips and BBQ. 2 September Finals. DM asked for short mat

8 ii Croquet (RD).

Indoor croquet beginning next month : 14 February, 14 March. Season will start when the weather improves. There will be a social on the 31 March.

8 iii Drama (CJ).

The Spring production of Run for you Wife will take place at the Walton Playhouse from 27-29 April. Croquet will man the bar. BBQ 12 August.

8 iv Tennis (RS)

Nothing to report.

9 AOB.

MB has received a quote to replace the magnet on the side gate of £241. This spend is approved. MB will also ask Andrew Petty to fit a new globe light above the gate as we have been unable to locate a replacement for the current one.

10. Newsletter.

Ensure all lights are turned off including those on the pathway to carpark when last to leave the clubhouse. Password for members' area access to the website.

11. Next Committee Meeting.

Tuesday 28th February 2017 at 7.30pm in the clubhouse committee room.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.