

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY JANUARY 9TH 2007 IN 'THE OLD BELL' AT 8.00PM

PRESENT; Mr Tomkins, Mrs Roberts, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Jackson, Mrs Austin, Mr Watson and Mrs Jamieson.

APOLOGIES; Mrs Ball, Mr Elmer,

MATTERS ARISING;

- i) After some discussion it was agreed to recommend that the club Finals remain on the weekend (July 14th / 15th) but a plate competition be introduced to encourage more entries. It would be left to the discretion of the tournament committee to decide which events warranted a plate competition.
- ii) The recent quiz evening was a great success and thanks were given to Keith and Gill Tomkins for their organisation. A cheque for £25 was sent to Children in Need.
- iii) Arrangements for the Dinner Dance are well underway but Lisa needs food orders as a matter of urgency.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

These were approved and signed

SECRETARY'S REPORT

- i) The secretary explained the changes at Bucks Indoor centre. WIN tennis now has the management responsibility.
- ii) A cheque was requested for our annual membership of Bourne End Community centre
- iii) On junior matters - a Green tournament has been run on behalf of Bucks LTA. Teams are competing in the mini tennis team event at Halton and The Road to Wimbledon event will be run for juniors under 14 years of age
- iv) Discussion took place on a proposal to add a two pair division to the Bucks Shield (not instead of 3 pair) to help smaller clubs or those finding it difficult to field 3 pairs in the lower divisions. The committee felt the idea has merit.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- i) The treasurer presented a written report to the committee
- ii) Some replacement furniture for the clubhouse is still awaited
- iii) The entry door is sticking badly, Keith will take a look at it
- iv) Considerable discussion took place concerning subscriptions and changes for next season. Proposals to be put to the AGM were as follows;
Senior sub raise from £90 to £93, Midweek raise from £59 to £63
Intermediate to change from £59 to £60
- v) Discussion took place about family membership. It was appreciated that this has been discussed on many occasions but Liz Austin says she is often asked about it. Taking 2 adults plus 2 children as the model it was thought that very few families could benefit but a sum of £252 was proposed. Keith would do a more detailed analysis.

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY

- i) Mrs Austin explained that there were few enquiries concerning membership at this time of the year
- ii) The coaching opportunities are now in place but no bookings had taken place - this is probably due to the time of year

- iii) Intermediate numbers were discussed. At the present moment approximately 15 juniors could be identified as Intermediate members. This will be checked and consideration given to next season.

PARISH COUNCIL

- i) Mrs Roberts explained that very little has taken place but the next meeting of the PC is scheduled for February 24th. There is an open meeting next week concerning plans for Bourne End recreation Ground

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- i) It was suggested by Mrs P Cooper that the tennis nets should be replaced. The committee did not feel this was necessary but agreed to purchase one new net for court one (on the basis of more wear and tear) and hold the existing net in case of any damage to other nets.
- ii) The 10K run has been scheduled for May 20th. It is once again hoped to raise money for grants and bursaries
- iii) A good mat is required in the clubhouse to minimise the problems of mud on the new carpet
- iv) A new leaf blower has been purchased
- v) The padlock on the gate has been changed with a new number (8261). It was suggested that another e-mail should be sent to members as it was originally advised before Christmas
- vi) The chairman asked if any members of the present committee felt unable to stand for re-election for next season
- vii) The AGM is scheduled for March 29th 2007 at 7.30pm. Wine and nibbles will be provided.

There being no other business the meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman. **The next meeting will be on Wednesday March 14th at 8.00pm in the clubhouse**

Signed _____ **(Chairman)**