

Minutes of the committee meeting held on Weds 21st Aug 2019
at 7-30pm

Present :- Steve Cornell, Simon Airey, Sue Hillbeck, Alan Medcalfe, Dan Hartley, Paul Crossland, Geoff Thompson, Martin Blamire. Also present :- Alan Sanderson, Dave Mould.

Apologies :- Apologies were received from Alan Gilpin and John Foster.

Minutes of previous meeting :- The minutes of the previous meeting, held on Weds 17th July 2019, were read and approved. These were proposed by S.H. & seconded by D.H., all agreed.

Matters arising :-

- a) **Floodlights** – Steve Cornell told those present that due to people being away on holidays, that nobody had yet been to look at the electrics for the floodlights, so no quote has been obtained yet.
- b) **Other capital projects** – No prices obtained yet with regards to building a new storage shed.
- c) **Floodlight league 2019** – As Alan Gilpin was not present, there was no direct update on this, but it is covered in his secretaries report.

Proposals / other matters for discussion :- Alan Sanderson requested a key for the bar. This was approved, and he has received one.

Treasurers report :- Treasurers report to be added as an appendix later.

Secretaries report :-

Open Competitions

The Seniors Pairs was won by Martin Gilpin & Billy Caldwell, who beat Geoff Thompson & Mick Simpson in a field of 29. A new sponsor would be good for this competition for future years (currently sponsored by our committee, following the end of funds from the LVA). The new Mixed Pairs, in memory of John O'Flaherty, was won by Dave McRoy & Ellie Chandler, who beat Steve Carruthers & Jane Glaister in a field of 29. A sponsor for this

competition would be good to see it continue in future years, which John's family seemed keen on seeing.

The Jim Oswald Memorial Pairs was won by <insert winners here>, who beat <insert runners-up here> in a field of 37.

Our Autumn singles and doubles competitions will be held on 31 August and 15 September respectively, and Sue Hillbeck will report later on entry numbers, sponsorship etc.

Club Competitions

The Paul Kerigan singles was retained by Alan Gilpin, who beat Mick Simpson in a field of 32. Cindy sent me an email, thanking us for a good day and helping to raise £55 for the MNDA charity.

The first Moscrop Cup night was held on 2 August, with 16 players attending and 4 qualifying to the final night (Ira Collier, Keith Hartley, Alan Gilpin & Mick Simpson). This evening went very well, and seemed to be enjoyed by all. The second qualifying night is this Friday (23 August), and there is one space available. Finals night is the following Friday. Presidents Day was postponed and has been moved to 26 October, as a way to close the green for the season after the Floodlight League. A list has been put up for that and the Joan May Rose Bowl.

Floodlight League

Emailed fixture packs have gone out to clubs, with thanks received from Heversham and Netherfield.

A list is up for our own teams, which needs more names on it

A letter has been received from Cumberland Building Society (see appendix I), and I ask how the committee would like me to respond. I would suggest that we let them know the fixture dates for their tiers, but also let them know that they are welcome to attend any of the nights to see other players. We could also invite them to the two autumn open competitions, should they wish to attend and talk to players.

Teams / Selection

Mike Fell has emailed to request return of the Seniors League trophies, which were sent back to him through Dave McRoy on Sunday.

Our A Team were successful in regaining the KDBL Cup, following an aggregate victory against Ambleside B on Windermere last Friday. Sue Hillbeck is going to arrange for the cup to be engraved, then I will try to get a picture of all those that played with the trophy after the last league games.

Finally, we have received an email from the Safeguarding Officer for Cumbria, Denise Noble, regarding a complaint raised by Lesley Blackstone. As far as I have been informed officially, this was regarding the non-selection of a minor, though her conclusion was that this was not a safeguarding issue. She advised Lesley to put any complaint into the committee ahead of this meeting, but at the time of writing this report nothing had been received. As far as I am concerned, our Team Selection Committee have acted appropriately and fairly in this matter and I hope that nothing further comes from it.

Competition secretaries update :- S.H. informed the committee that the draw for the autumn singles open competition will be made on Friday.

New membership applications :- None received.

Any other business :-

- 1) A.M. has been asked by Martin Gilpin, who in turn had been approached by Hale BC, if there is any possibility that Hale could use our green to run a competition on Saturday 5th October. Hale would run this themselves, and do the kitchen, we would just need people to cover the bar and keep an eye on things. This was approved by the committee, and Alan will let Martin know.
- 2) S.A. told the committee of his intention to resign as club treasurer at the next AGM. As such we will need to start looking for somebody willing to take over the role.
- 3) The club has received a letter from Lesley Blackstone, which contains several complaints with regards to the way the club is being run, team selection, treatment of various individuals, and 1 particular member of the committee. This letter, and ALL of its various complaints, were discussed at length by the committee. A response to each & every complaint was agreed upon, and a letter is to be drafted. Once complete, this letter of response will be circulated to all committee members, and the club president, for approval, before being sent to Lesley.

Meeting closed at 9-35pm. The date of the next meeting was agreed upon, and will be Weds 6th Nov 2019 at 7-30pm.

S.A. CURMAN 22/9/19.
CHAIRMAN