

WEST OF ENGLAND BRIDGE CLUB
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – April 29, 2015

Those Present: Gareth Evans, Chris Frew, Alan Evans, Jan Duncan, Bernice Horseman, Jen Challoner, David Jones

1. Minutes of the last Meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were approved with no matters arising.

2. Chairman's Report (Gareth Evans)

Golden Hill

Gareth had been in touch with Martin Jones, Chairman of the Golden Hill sports Club. As the balcony is no longer safe to use the repair of this has taken priority over plans for the redevelopment of the premises. Martin will keep Gareth informed of any further progress.

Pianola

We have had a few difficulties with the migration of the site. We need to compile a list of adjustments needed and ask Pianola for their help.

Directing

This seems to be running well with Mike, Gareth and Alan as Directors.

Membership Renewal

Gareth thanked Bernice for both the collection of membership fees and also arranging the new membership forms which have been issued and completed by all members. At present we have 87 paid up members and 7 active life members.

Bar Tariff

Gareth had been in touch with Martin Jones about the steep increase in price for tea and coffee. Martin will get back to Gareth about this in due course.

Monday's Champion League

It was thought this would be better to run this as an annual event from 1st December until 30th November. This would be on the lines of the best 24 results over the period. A trophy and a financial prize of £50 would be presented at the Christmas Party.

AGM

Ian Mundy has agreed to provide refreshments for the AGM on Wednesday 6th May. A constitutional amendment had been proposed by Chris and seconded by Bernice over the size of the Committee.

Chris said he had sent the annual accounts to Irene to examine so they can be presented to the AGM.

3. GHSC Liaison Report (Alan Evans)

Alan said guidelines had been given for all bar staff. There had been a theft on the 16th April which had resulted in a till being taken (fortunately it was empty at the time). Carolyn is moving to Cornwall on Wednesday 27th May so we will arrange to give her a card to thank her for all her work over the last few years. There will be no bridge on Thursday 28th May because of half term and also on Friday 8th May. We should receive a refund for these dates.

Fun Events (Jen Challoner)

Bastille Night will be held on Wednesday 15th July. Jen is organising this and Gareth has agreed to direct.

Jen asked if the Zodiac pairs event be changed to the end of September. This was agreed.

Thursday afternoons

Thursday afternoons are going very well with up to 10 people attending. Alan, Gareth, Bernard and Laurie had all been along to help.

Tournament Secretary (David Jones)

There are three events coming up which are:

Mixed pairs on 20th May

Jubilee Pairs on 1st June

Bastille Night on 15th July

David will compile a list of 'good' players to pair up with 'less experienced' players for the Jubilee pairs event where names are drawn out of a hat of people who wish to play with the better players.

5. Any Other Business

It was agreed to arrange for the opening lead of each hand to be entered onto the duplimate machines.

6. Date of Next Meeting

AGM on Wednesday, 6th May at 6.30

Signed Date