

WARGRAVE & DISTRICT SNOOKER CLUB

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Thursday 24 January 2019 at 7:00pm

Present:	Darren Cabbage (DC)	Chairman
	Steve Wallace (SW)	Secretary
	Dom Matthews (DM)	Treasurer
	Graeme Blythe (GB)	Committee
	Tim Wilson (TW)	Committee
	Steve Barton	Committee
	Colin Blakely (CB)	Committee
	Glene Sandom (GS)	Committee
Apologies:	Jason Hurn (JH)	Committee
	Nick Pritchard-Gordon (NPG)	Committee

The meeting started at 7:05pm.

1. Approval of previous minutes (meeting held 6 December 2018)

The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by the Chair. Matters arising and actions are noted under their respective sections below. The approved minutes will be uploaded to our web site.

Action: SW

2. Facilities Management and Safety

Nick will obtain a quote for extending our shelf along the back wall at the same height, which might make it easier to change barrels and stow the piping. Action carried forward.

Action: NPG

We understand from Tim that Tom P-G may be able to get a quote for chairs to replace the old brown ones, through his work contacts.

Action: TW

Dart Board. This is looking very worn and may need replacement.

3. Treasurer's Update

Dom provided an overview of the financial situation. In line with our expectations, income is what we would expect at this stage and costs are higher, owing to exceptional items of refurbishment. Current projection is for a small loss at year-end, which is no issue, given our large bank balance.

We discussed making a change to the bar sheets and till, so that guest fees can be rung up on the till. This change will be managed by Dom at financial year-end.

We should remind bar staff not to discount the renewals. Discounts published in the blue book are intended for new members only.

Action: SW

4. Membership Update

Jason was unable to make the meeting, and subsequently has informed the committee that, owing to increased work commitments, he needs to step down from the role of membership secretary. We will seek a volunteer to take on this role at next meeting.

Action: All

There needs to be a purge of older records in the database. Dom had already offered to help with this and given Jason's stepping down, he should own this action.

Action: DM

There was some confusion over David Griffiths' membership, as he is sure he has paid, but the cash does not appear to have been correctly recorded. We will renew him.

5. Bar Rota Update

Steve handed over his rota sheet and Graeme is doing a great job with the rota. We now have David Brown on the list of barmen. We could use a few more barmen, particularly for Tuesdays, and GB has some ideas for who we might call on. The WhatsApp group is proving to be useful.

We need to advise members to call the number of any barman in case of a "no show". Through our new WhatsApp group, all others can be contacted to arrange a deputy. It would also perhaps help to have the rota published on our web site.

Action: GB

6. Bar Update

It was agreed that we can use the Barmen WhatsApp group for bar supplies requests. Then anyone who can do it can advise the others to avoid duplication.

Darren will purchase some small wine bottles from Dayla and beer from Bingham's, provided not too strong (4% suggested).

Action: DC

7. Club Competition / Tournament Update

The first round of the Wellavize has been completed.

8. Social Events Update

The pub crawl evenings went well.

Snooker Outing. Steve B has been looking at the costs of a club visit to a professional event. This is looking pricey, but he will post something on the board to see if there is interest.

Action: SB

Bob Austen's request has been granted, for the use of the club one Saturday evening (Feb 16th) for a Church-based social event. Darren and Tim will do the bar.

Action: TW/DC

Village Festival 2019. Our entry to the festival brochure has been amended and submitted. The event is now planned to include some food at the higher price of £10.

Tim has kindly offered to be our representative at the ticket selling day.

Action: TW

Six Nations Rugby. Tim has posted a request for bar volunteers for the 6 Nations. This has also been advertised via WhatsApp.

Action: All

Andy Meader has approached the Club with the suggestion of a juniors' event for the Wolves Boys on a Saturday afternoon. We agree in principle, but some work is required in relation to registering us and obtaining the right clearances.

Action: CB

9. Web Site and Branding

The web site continues to function and minutes are being uploaded once approved. Glene is now able to access the site, and is providing competition updates.

It was asked whether we should consider EPSB affiliation. This needs further research, but might prove to be advantageous. Nick will look into this further and present details. Colin took a look at this in Nick's absence and found little information available. C/F.

Action: NPG

10. Any Other Business

Blue Book (of instructions). This needs a review for accuracy. Steve and Nick will both do this when Nick returns from NZ.

Action: NPG/SW

Wargrave News. We should aim to have more visibility via Wargrave News, as this advertises the club for prospective members, and the paper is always looking for copy. Colin is going to have a crack at this.

Action: CB

Mental Well-Being Study. The study has finished Nick asked the Committee for thoughts about getting involved in similar specialist projects in conjunction with WPBSA. On offer at present is doing something to pick up the half dozen over-65s who got involved in the Twyford Club's Well-

Being Study. Nick and Colin will look into this while investigating coaching opportunities. We also noted that Steve Barton is happy to open up the club Wednesdays if that helps. C/F.

Action: CB/NPG

Tim noted that it is possible to have results of competitions recorded in the Henley Standard and Maidenhead Advertiser. However, we think that this probably only applies to inter-club comps.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will on **Thursday 28 March**.

Steve Wallace, Club Secretary, 24/01/2019