

WARGRAVE & DISTRICT SNOOKER CLUB

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Monday 23 September 2019 at 8:00pm

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

The meeting started at 8:00pm.

1. Approval of previous minutes (meeting held 3 June 2019)

The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by Chairman. 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

New armchairs have been acquired and are proving to be useful.

The holder for the half butt has been re-fixed to the wall.

Electrical Testing. PAT testing has been done and we have the required paperwork.

Tables & Equipment. The middle table has been re-clothed; all tables have new pocket leathers. We also have new ball holders on the far table and have tightened the nuts on the others.

Still required: new balls (three sets thereof) and spare rest heads. Steve W to order.

Action: SW

3. Treasurer's Update

Dom provided an update for the meeting by email.

The 2018-19 accounts are signed off by Richard Arnold, to whom we send our thanks.

Income is normal for this time of year. Expenses exceed income, as is also normal. Membership income is now £2610, so we need to encourage more renewals, seek new members, or both.

4. Membership Update

Glene has received 80 membership renewals and processed 78 of them. His view was that membership is up compared to last year, with new joiners continuing after the summer. He also pointed out that an article in the Wargrave News promoting the snooker club may have a recruiting effect.

5. Bar Rota Update

Graeme has managed to recruit another couple of volunteers for bar service and the rota has been working well.

It was noted that the sheet for table cleaning is not always being updated. This will be moved from the main hall into the bar and pinned to the board there.

6. Bar Update

We are again a two-beer club.

Nick P-G had done some numerical analysis of the waste of beer during the summer. The committee agree with his main conclusions that we should still offer cask ale during the summer, but should remind barrel changers to update the cellar sheet.

Action: SW

7. Club Competition / Tournament Update

The new season is underway, with the draws having been posted and an email reminder sent. Glene brought a paper copy for the notice board.

We may have a cheaper source of trophies, through Graeme's contacts, although Berkshire Trophies have done a good job for us in the past. He will see what prices they would quote us.

Action: GB

8. Social Events Update

Graeme received a request from a friend asking whether we could host a charity event. We are supportive and await further details. Steve W has not yet received any comms from the other party and will check his junk mail.

Action: SW

Snooker Outing. We do have some options on the calendar, including the English Open. Steve will post a sheet on the board giving some details and asking for members to express interest. Then we can gauge the numbers and whether the interest is sufficient.

Action: SB

Village Festival 2019. Our Festival event was as lively as ever. We congratulate the winners, who are Jerry Barnwell and Alex Hands.

Juniors' Event. 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 the Club and obtaining the right clearances. We have not heard further from Andy and Colin was not at the meeting. Carried forward.

Action: CB

Rugby World Cup. Interest in opening has been curtailed by the awkward hours and the fact that our licence does not permit an early morning opening of the bar.

Ladies' Pub Crawl. We are happy to host this. It will be on Weds 18th December.

9. Web Site and Branding

Tim knows how to make our club appear as a location on Google Maps and will put this into effect. There is no cost.

Action: TW

10. Any Other Business

Blue Book (of instructions). Nick has been working his way through this, amending inaccuracies. Carried forward.

Action: NPG

Wargrave News. Colin is working on another article for the paper. We've missed the June issue, but can maybe get some in by 27 June for the summer edition. We didn't make that issue but we still hope to do this. It could help with recruitment of members.

Action: CB

Tim noted that it is possible to have results of local competitions recorded in the Henley Standard and Maidenhead Advertiser. Glene has been asked to inform both of these of our finals results.

Action: GS

The Librarians. Roz and the others have been very helpful to us, over a long period, in terms of facilitating opening out-of-hours, and also steering Dayla in the right direction on occasions, and various other matters. We would like to send her a gift in appreciation. Carried forward.

Action: DC

Roles & Responsibilities. Nick has started pulling together a roles and responsibilities definition, which will be re-circulated for review and improvement. This is nearly finished.

Action: NPG

11. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 5 December at 8pm.

Steve Wallace, Club Secretary, 24/9/2019