

# WARGRAVE & DISTRICT SNOOKER CLUB

## Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Monday 26 April 2021 at 7pm (by web conference)

<b>Present:</b>	Darren Cabbage (DC)	Chairman
	Dom Matthews (DM)	Treasurer
	Steve Wallace (SW)	Secretary
	Graeme Blythe (GB)	Committee
	Glene Sandom (GS)	Committee
	Dustin Handcock (DH)	Committee
	Steve Barton (SB)	Committee

### Apologies:

The meeting was again hosted by Dom as a video conference.

### 1. Previous Minutes (15 March 2021)

No corrections had been received by the secretary and the meeting approved these unanimously. Actions updates are included in their appropriate sections.

### 2. Financial Update

We have paid the rent due 1<sup>st</sup> April (which was the last of the reduced payments). There have also been payments of utilities. However, we have more than £21,250 in the bank, so we are in decent shape, financially. Wokingham have indicated that we are liable for a restart grant. This means that we are in profit for the year.

The committee thanked Dustin for his initial research and Dom for pursuing the applications, which have meant a big difference to the club.

### 3. Facilities (and Re-opening)

PPE. No change since last meeting. We are well stocked. Graeme will review again when we know what restrictions are required to be in place when we re-open.

**Action: GB**

Ceiling light. One of our lights in the bar area was damaged during the installation of the new fire detection system. This has been fixed by Bruce Glasby at the expense of the Trustees.

Skylight. The flashing around the skylight was repaired. The top glass has also been replaced and should provide better insulation. Martin Macro confirmed that one more piece of work remained to be done. Steve W continues to liaise with him on progress. This will not prevent re-opening.

**Action: SW**

Ladies' Toilet. The overflow pipe from the cistern in the loo has a small leak. This pipe leaks when there is an overflow. We decided to fix this on a TLC day, as it is not a pressurised pipe.

Given our improved financial situation, we should look to replace the water heater in the ladies' loo and the light meters.

Steve W. to confirm the order for the meters. We need to ensure token compatibility. He will also discuss with the manufacturer the specification, especially given our adoption of low-energy bulbs. Steve will confirm costs by email.

**Action: SW**

Graeme will source the heater if we can provide a specification (same as men's toilet).

**Action: GB**

Reopening. Whilst we do not know for sure whether we can reopen on May 17<sup>th</sup>, this is our current intention, based on the roadmap. The assumption is that it will be on the same basis as our last opening in December 2020, but we understand that doubles will be permitted.

The following need to be done in advance:

- Deep clean of club and general safety inspection.
- Re-stocking of the bar and ordering of barrels.
- Clearing away of the out-of-date stocks.
- Booking system to be re-enabled (2 tables).

Daz will bring some spare blue bags, as we appear to be out.

**Action: DC**

We will do the deep clean and inspection at 2pm this Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May.

**Action: ALL**

Additionally, we will have a "dry run" on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May to ensure all is working.

**Action: ALL**

#### **4. Memberships**

This is around the same figure as before (around 65).

It was decided that those members who had supported the club by renewing or joining during the current year would be offered a membership renewal at zero cost. This will also simplify the renewal process but will cost the club £2445.

Glene will draft the text of an email and send to the committee for approval.

**Action: GS/all**

#### **5. Bar Matters**

The number of out-of-date items has increased as time has gone by. Committee members are encouraged to remove any they can use and make a suitable donation to the club.

**Action: All**

A new rota has been prepared by Graeme. He will check via the WhatsApp group whether all the barmen are still available.

**Action: GB**

## **6. Competitions**

One of the singles matches (Sandom v McGovern) has now been played. The other remaining players have indicated willingness to play when allowed. We still intend to complete the singles comp.

**Action: GS**

The snooker “ladder” remains an aspiration but has not been progressed during lockdown. C/F.

Glene raised the question as to whether we should start all the competitions for the coming year, given the risk of another lockdown. The feeling was that we should still hold them.

## **7. Events**

Social events are obviously held in abeyance. The items that will need to be discussed when there are fewer restrictions in place include the following, which are noted only so we will not forget to discuss them when the time comes:

- an evening donated to the auction of promises (for Simon Holburn).
- a commitment to host the CAMRA crowd on a Thursday evening.
- an outing to a snooker event.

We indicated our willingness to support the Village Festival, which in fact has been postponed by a year, to be held in 2022.

All the above carried forward.

## **8. Web Site**

Daz has asked Jerry Barnwell to put a notice on our home page indicating closure. This has been done. If we have other requirements, Jerry is happy to do these.

**Action: DC**

## **9. AOB**

### Wargrave News

It was agreed that the best time to put in an article would be just after we have re-opened (maybe June issue) to promote awareness that we are open, and maybe encourage new members.

**Action: DH**

### AGM plans

The view is that we should probably wait until we can hold a physical meeting and roll the previous AGM and current one into one meeting, since that would make more sense. There will be a delay, as we need to get the accounts reviewed. We will mention this in the re-opening email.

### Booking System

Dustin suggested that we might want to keep the booking system in place after we return to “normal”. We will review this when we know what the rules are.

### Cricket Club

Daz received an approach from Andy Meader on behalf of the Cricket Club, who are looking to hold an event on 11 July, that would involve participation from multiple clubs in the village. We are in principle keen to support this and await further details.

## **10. Next Meeting**

We will hold the next meeting during our Dry Run day on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May, time TBD.

Steve Wallace, Club Secretary