

WARGRAVE & DISTRICT SNOOKER CLUB

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Monday 14th June 2021 at 8pm

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

1. Previous Minutes (13 May 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 are in line with the high-level figures that were presented at last meeting. Dom is working on the year-end accounts (awaiting arrival of the utilities bills). In the last two weeks of the financial year, we took about £530, which is in line with previous figures. As indicated, we ended the year in profit, owing to the various rebates and grants that were received from WBC.

3. Facilities (and Re-opening)

Skylight. This has all been finished. The improvised plastic draft-proofing has been kept in case we need it. If there is no draft this winter, then we can dispose of it.

Ladies' Toilet. Graeme has sourced a suitable heater. Steve is organising Bruce to fit this when he is available.

Action: SW

Light meters. These are sitting in the club. Steve is liaising with Bruce to arrange a time to fit them.

Action: SW

Cloth Refurb. The far table (near the toilets) has been done.

4. Memberships

We had a few more renewals and some new joiners after the start of the new year. Some “rolled-over” members have also renewed and paid. We will reach out to them by email to point out that they did not need to pay us and offer a refund.

5. Bar Matters

The draught beer has been selling well. The approach of having a barrel and a keg on together is working well.

Following Graeme’s issuing of the new bar rota, a couple of barmen have become unavailable. Chris Satchwill is stepping down at the end of the current rota and is heartily thanked by the committee for helping the club with these duties for many years.

Please can the committee think of others who might be interested in taking up bar duties, as we could use a couple more on board.

Action: ALL

We have had requests for Guinness on tap, if this can be provided. There are, however, some additional requirements for keeping it, which Darren will investigate.

Action: DC

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. Glene has printed and put up the sign-up sheets.

Action: GS

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

Jerry Barnwell has removed the web site notice indicating that we are closed. We also now show as reopened in Google searches.

9. AOB

Wargrave News

Dustin has submitted a brilliant piece of literature to the next edition.

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. This was mentioned in the last email to go out to members.

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 were in principle keen to support this, but we understand that the event has been cancelled.

Coaching. Dustin has made progress in identifying a qualified coach to run some sessions for us. He met with us on 25th May, to discuss costs and format, etc. It was decided to fund the first session from club funds. This will need to be after lockdown ends (earliest possible date is 19 July). We need to run DBS checks through an appropriate umbrella company. In addition, we could also offer adult members some coaching sessions without the need for DBS.

Action: DH

Pool Table. The idea of a pool table was mooted. This could be a good way of attracting more youth to the club but could also generate more noise. We agreed to ask opinion at the AGM before going further with this idea. C/F.

Table Bookings. The booking system will be amended to allow 4 x 1-hour bookings. We will discuss whether to keep the system after we are open fully. There seems to be support for the idea of having at least one table bookable.

10. Next Meeting

This will be at 8pm on Monday 12th July at the Club.

Steve Wallace, Club Secretary