

Draft Minutes for Committee Meeting 20/8/19

Present Sheila Montgomery, John Whiteside, Ray Mardon, Graham Eele, Sue Blake.

Apologies Christine Brierley.

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

Treasure's report.

JW was optimistic that our cash balance at the end of the financial year would be above our £3K minimum target, and was not of concern at present. July was our best month for attendance since January.

There is no immediate plan to increase table money next year although this is subject to ongoing review. The Archway membership subscription will remain at £7.50, but as the WBU has put up its to £11, the overall subscription will now be £18.50

JW will buy 100 or so bar coded new card packs.

Website.

Pete Taylor to be Webmaster for a year. He will help GE and David Green (and SM) to get up to speed.

The Chepstow Archway domain has been bought for £11 a year.

Bridgewebs costs £60 a year.

Monmouth Teams Match

SB to arrange teams and catering – each player to bring one item, and SB to top up.

New notice board

It was agreed to buy one, for about £25.

Lessons

GE and SM to run lessons, targeted mainly at beginners, but accepting those with minimal experience, from 19 00 to 21 00 each week, probably on

Wednesdays, possibly on Thursdays, starting 2nd October (or 3rd) for 11 weeks. £30 per head (with a free taster session)

SM to explore running a Thursday afternoon No Fears / Supervised Play session from Christmas. Maybe also a bit of teaching.

RM to organise half hour improvers sessions, 18 00 to 18 30, on a Club night, probably Thursdays, possibly other nights. These will start in October, and will depend on teacher availability, and member demand. £1 charge per person to cover materials and rent.

All the above need to cover (marginal) costs, if they are to run / continue.

Advertising

GE showed a poster for the beginners' course. He also proposed that we have "Club Colours" SB commented on the background. G.E. will complete design and organise printing

Posters are to be displayed at appropriate sites.

Flyers will also be used.

Responses to the Open meeting

Some of the above is related to this.

Highlighting the behaviour expected of us all – prominence to the key points on the new notice board.

Explaining the role of the (friendly) Director – as above. GE to write this.

An Individual Competition to be arranged. GE's idea, that received wholehearted support. This is a (first step?) attempt at the "random partners" suggestion at the open meeting. G.E. will liase with Pete Taylor re scoring, and it would be held in the New Year.

A Mixed Teams event is to be arranged, for which some prior research and planning will be necessary.

A.o.B.

Preparing for AGM was discussed. Motions need to be received 3 weeks before the event, but preferably before the next committee meeting. The forms will be pinned on the new notice board and published before the end of August.

The next committee meeting will be on 1/10/19.