

NOTES FROM THE VALVERDE BOWLS CLUB MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 5TH MAY 2011

The meeting opened at 10.10 a.m.

Gordon Linford, Chairman, welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending.

1. Minutes of the last meeting: no matters arising
2. Report on green: Gui reports work is starting today and the green will be closed for 2 weeks.
3. Meeting with Jorge: Gordon and Jeff have met with Jorge to pay him his monies for May. Although questioned, Jorge not willing to discuss the store room rental, although he indicated he would not put the rental up again before next year. Margaret has been told by Flor that they intend to “change things” in the restaurant, but when questioned Flor said she did not think prices would be increased. This was particularly important taking into account our autumn touring teams and their food requirements.
4. Members’ suggestions: Tom said he was approached on the green on Monday 2nd May by some members requesting an evening roll up, starting at 6 p.m. This would be for July and August. If agreed, it should be stipulated that parking must be in the bottom car park. Jeff suggested we raise this item at the next members’ meeting to ascertain exactly how many bowlers would be interested.
5. Members’ meeting: A date of Friday 20th May was suggested, starting at 1 p.m. Jeff will put this in the newsletter. It was thought an item for discussion should be our chosen charity. If there is any further news about BP/BA then this too can be discussed. (Bowls Algarve meeting on 8th May).
6. Spider Money: It was pointed out that we have not decided upon what proportion of monies, we put into our charity fund. For the St. Georges day event Jeff had suggested a three way split which he had outlined in his Email to the committee, of 27th April. Jeff said he had set up a separate section in the accounts for the charity fund. At a later date we can decide how we post the charity results. It was thought Pat and Nick should be consulted as to how we should proceed with the purchasing of items from funds collected. Receipts would be needed for items purchased. Jeff said maybe we could consider a special charity day as he was of the opinion that insufficient funds would be generated from just the spider games.
7. BP St. Georges Day: Congratulations were given to Gui for arranging this successful day. Jan said a small article will be put into the newspaper about Valverde BC and our chosen charity. Jeff showed those present a newsletter Terry has produced on behalf of BP, setting out the progress BP have made.
8. Charity: this has been discussed above.
9. Sponsorship: Jeff and Gordon have met with Daniel McGonigal from Worldwide Brokers and Melanie Attwater from Premier FX. Premier FX are the company presently sponsoring the Pedras Summer League, the other company are dealing with money management, but the two companies work in partnership. Gordon said they seemed quite keen to do something for the club and seemed to indicate they would like an ongoing presence and build up a relationship with the club. Jeff said we really need a dynamic “sponsorship supremo” to deal with this issue. It was suggested this be an item for discussion at the next members’ meeting.

10. Summer league: Gui reported that this seems to be running well. Captains have been appointed for each team who are responsible for all arrangements. Jeff said he does not have much feedback from the teams with regard to publishing results.

11. Any other business: Jeff asked Gui about the forthcoming Aussie Pairs competitions and the proposed finish date. This competition will start on 25th May and run to 20/22nd July. It was proposed that the start time should be 10.00 a.m. This proposal to be discussed at the next members' meeting.

Jeff said there was a BA Meeting next Monday 8th May, and asked if there were any items the committee would like raising. Gui said Valverde would provisionally enter 2 teams for the winter league.

Gui said he would like to thank Tom Daly for contributing some coloured stickers for use at club final competitions. Could we mention this in the next newsletter.

Margaret said we should thank Paulyne, John Denn and David Laing for putting in some considerable work on the gardens. This could be done through the newsletter.

Margaret said she had been asked to organise the Christmas holiday again, at the Holiday Inn, although prices might be increased. Margaret reported that Carole Barnes and Margaret Wilson have agreed to join the social committee.

Gui said the garden maintenance crew had lost the padlock to the top gate, and they intend to replace it. However, this will involved providing key holders with new keys, at the club's cost.

12: Date of next meeting: Friday, 10th June 2011.