

**NOTES FROM THE VALVERDE BC MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 23RD MAY 2012**

Present

David Russell [Chairman]

Jeff Perry [Treasurer]

Jen Preece [Acting Secretary]

Keith Henley [Acting Captain]

Sue Hunt [Social Secretary]

The meeting opened at 2.10pm

1. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted

Matters Arising

- a. The question of rink bookings still needs to be discussed.
- b. A pub crawl has been organised for June 8th.
- c. It was agreed to proceed with the coaching and training using the Coleman rules.
Two or three rinks will be used on a normal roll up day. A notice will be placed on the board to see who is interested.
- d. There has been no response to requests for sponsorship. It was felt that we need to be more specific in our requests. David is to undertake this. It was suggested that we could try The Holiday Inn.

2. David presented a paper detailing the proposed work for shielding the pergola. This work also includes a welcome sign, new notice boards, and an enclosure for the garden machinery . Some volunteer help will be required by members. The cost would be around 500euros [see detailed summary attached to these minutes]. It was agreed to proceed.

3. Monthly reports for May were presented.

Keith Henley, Acting Captain, has been away this month and wished to thank Peter Hollis for deputising. With regard to visiting teams, Penny Henley is to take over the organisation and will be building up relationships with the reps. It was agreed that any changes to team numbers must be known by 8am.

Keith reported that the club is doing well in the leagues.

Jeff Perry, Treasurer, reported that our financial position remains stable, and membership is steady at 53. Green fee income is up due to the increase in Pay and Play members. The voucher scheme has had its first take up.

Sue Hunt, Social Secretary, was pleased with the response for the pub crawl, currently 16 members.

A quiz evening is being organised. This will be held at Don Camillo and will include a meal and a drink. She is awaiting pricing. It will be held on a week night.

David suggested a summer barbeque. Sue to discuss with Flor.

Sue has looked into other venues for our Christmas party and is awaiting replies to her emails. Keith queried why we were looking at alternatives when the Holiday Inn was so good.

4. Sub Committees

Terry attended the Bowls Portugal meeting. There was discussion on an east west split due to distance and petrol costs. Bowls Portugal is against this and propose to arrange next season's league schedules so that each club has only one long trip per season.

The meeting discussed the development of bowls within Portugal. It was felt that bowls was of little interest to the Portuguese, and that youth development would best take place at international schools. Coaching is expensive and there is a high drop out rate. There is to be an umpire school in Spain next year.

A replacement is required for Walter Armour as second VBC rep on the BP subcommittee. Keith is to approach Ken Rawlings

The Don Camillo sub committee is no longer required as Sue will deal with them on a one to one basis.

5. Competition Fixtures

The President's Shield [club] will be held on Friday October 12th.

The Anniversary Pairs [open] will be held on Saturday September 22nd. David is to speak to the Holiday Inn with a view to sponsoring the day.

6. Sponsorship was discussed in matters arising

7. There are no new membership applications

8. The action list was reviewed.

Ref 2,8, 15 and 18 to be carried forward

Ref 3 Charity Day to be held next year

Ref 4 Meeting to take place after this meeting

Ref 5 Jeff to draft a letter

Ref 14 Await the A.G.M.

Remaining actions resolved

9. A.O.B.

Jeff reported on a telephone conversation with Peter Moss regarding the continuation of the Amendoeira Bowls Club now that their agreement with Villamoura has ended. Jeff asked us to consider making some provision for them. There was some general discussion. It was felt that we should extend a warm welcome to Amendoeira members who wished to come to Valverde, but, providing them with separate facilities within our club would present difficulties. It was agreed that David would speak to Roger Lawrie, the Amendoeira chairman, and report back.

Jeff asked if there had been any further information on the Algarve Bowls proposal by David Reilly from Pedras. Nothing has been forthcoming. As this proposal has the potential to bring in funds for the club Keith will contact David and ask him to come to talk to us.

10. D.O.N.M.

Wednesday June 27th at 2pm.