NOTES FROM THE VALVERDE BC MANAGEMENT MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY AUGUST 29TH 2012

Present

David Russell [Chairman]
Jeff Perry [Treasurer]
Maria Romano [Deputy Treasurer]
Keith Henley [Acting Captain]
Jen Preece [Acting Secretary]
Sue Hunt [Social Secretary]

The meeting opened at 2pm

- 1. The minutes of the last meeting were accepted
- 2. Monthly reports for August were presented

David Russell, Chairman, reported that the pergola is now almost complete. Other matters will be discussed later in the meeting.

Jeff Perry, Treasurer, expressed his thanks to Maria Romano for standing in for him over the summer months. There are no financial issues to report.

Jeff announced that he wishes to stand down as Treasurer at the end of the year. Maria has agreed to be considered as his replacement.

Sue Hunt, Social Secretary, had nothing to report.

3. Sub Committees

There has been no meeting of the Bowls Portugal Committee this month.

The Iberian Challenge has been cancelled due to lack of interest but the Test Match will still be going ahead.

Valverde will be entering two teams for the Australian Pairs competition.

The captain has put sheets on the notice boards for club members to sign if they are interested in playing in the league matches. Pria de Luz and Isla Canela will each enter either the Triples League or the Premier Sixes. The situation with Balaia is still unclear.

- 4. Captain's Report, Competition Organisation and dates
- a. The Anniversary Pairs competition closing date is September 10th. Response from outside the club has been disappointing. Further advertising will take place. The club

wishes to thank Freddie and Sue Hunt for the donation of a cup for the competition. The cup will be engraved and will be kept at the club. Ibex has given 200euros in prize money. First prize will be 100euros, second prize will be 50euros, third prize 30euros and fourth prize 20euros. There will also be a small trophy for each winner which they can keep. Jeff Perry will be responsible for coordinating the scores of the competition and there will be the chance to win a large bottle of wine. This has been generously donated by Maria Romano.

- b. The Open Day will take place on Sunday October 21st. The first meeting to discuss it was held on August 28th. All club members will be asked to bring a bottle of wine, some food and two guests. The aim of the day will be to increase our membership. There will be a welcome drink and information for the guests on bowling. A demonstration game will take place during the afternoon and there will be two fun competitions. Alan Preece, Press Officer is to be asked to place advertisements in the Portugal News and The Resident. Our sponsors Ibex and Premier FX will be present at the Open Day.
- c. The President's Shield will be held on Friday October 12th. This is a singles competition for club members only and a list will go up for entries.
- d. The Pedras League meeting will take place on September 5th and we will be informed of the rules and regulations. Teams from Pedras, Isla Canela, Tavira and Valverde will take part.
- e. Two teams will be entering the Australian Pairs competition. Jeff Perry has agreed to help with organisation at club level.
- f. A new competition sponsored by Premier FX, the Premier FX Trophy will take place on October 14th. Premier FX will be providing cash prizes and sponsoring our match shirts. These will have maroon collar and cuffs, the club badge on the front and the PFX logo on the shoulder. It has been suggested we have magnetic name badges.
- g. The Christmas Party has been arranged for December 7th/8th. There will also be a Christmas fun match, to be held before the club closes for Christmas and the New Year. The date to be arranged.
- h. The Ladder competition has proved very successful. It was agreed that the format be changed to a free challenge system. Next year it will be a round robin format.
- g. Penny has received a letter from Roger Lawrie regarding a Junior League. The letter asks if we would be prepared to support this initiative. If support is forthcoming from clubs John Hewitson is intending to approach schools. It was agreed that we would support the scheme in principle.

5.Sponsorship

Both of our sponsors have been very supportive as has been discussed above. They will both provide banners and advertising stands for forthcoming events.

6. New Members

Roy and Maxine Binns have expressed an interest in joining the club.

7. Action List

The action list was updated

8. Any Other Business

- a. The planned review of our constitution was discussed. David Russell, Chairman has taken legal advice and will have further meetings with the lawyer. Jeff Perry is to review our past documentation.
- b. Our new green keeper starts on Monday September 3rd. The new mower has now arrived and the Management Committee wish to express their sincere thanks to Henry Parlour for generously donating it. Thanks also to Henry's son Konrad for the trailer and for copying the instruction booklet.
- c. The committee also expressed their thanks to David Russell for his very hard work on the pergola.

9. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday September 26th at 2pm