

Minutes of the Valverde management meeting held on Friday November 29th 2013

Present

David Russell [Chairman]

Keith Henley [Captain]

Maria Romano [Treasurer]

Jen Preece [Secretary]

Sue Hunt [Social Secretary]

Terry Kerr [Fiscal Committee Chairman]

The meeting opened at 2pm

1. The minutes of the meeting held on Friday November 1st 2013

- Terry Kerr stated that he did not recollect saying that the Fiscal Committee considered the cost of the aerator was too great an amount for the club to spend.
- With this exception, the minutes were accepted by the committee.

2. Matters arising

- A slightly higher insurance premium has now been paid.
- It was agreed that action to give more benefits to founder members should be put on hold due to the purchase of the aerator, but planning should continue.

3. Monthly Reports

- Keith Henley, Captain reported that the President`s Shield had been very successful, but that the format should be changed next year and the final played on another day, this would be fairer to both finalists, and, if held on a roll up day would ensure an audience to support the finalists. Keith congratulated the winner Jeff Perry. Keith stated that the green is still playing very well.
- Maria Romano, Treasurer, stated that she had nothing significant to report.
- Sue Hunt, social secretary reported that the Christmas lunch at the Don Camillo restaurant would now go ahead as originally planned on Friday December 13th.

4. Sub Committee reports

- Terry Kerr reported that the Bowls Portugal EGM was held on November 26th 2013. Keith Henley summarised the discussions at the meeting and reported that a new MC was elected consisting of President John Hewitson, Vice President Stewart Banks and Secretary Mel Knickle. Referring to an email received from John Hewitson the following day, there was

surprise at his comments, as he had talked only of forming an international squad. It was agreed that our members are satisfied with CEAB and want it to continue as a separate operation, independent of BP. There is no desire for BP to revert to its former role, and the prospect of league bowlers paying to come under the BP umbrella was unwelcome.

Terry was asked to pass these views on to the CEAB secretary Mary Mullaine and Peter Harris at Pedras and, if they agree with our views, suggest that the CEAB secretary sends a joint statement to the BP MC on behalf of the three clubs.

4. Membership Applications

- The club now has 67 members. There have recently been a number of enquiries from people who have never bowled before. It was agreed that they should start after the Christmas break on a date agreeable to Mel.
- It was agreed to speak with Brian Pullin and Peter Wilson with regard to organising Bowls days for their respective Rotary and Walking Clubs.

5. Any Other Buisness

- It was agreed to go ahead and print the new Daily Cash Sheets.
- Terry asked that the President's Shield results should go into the newspapers. This will be done. David suggested that we should have a new club photograph taken and some General action photos that can be used for any report.
- The aerator has been ordered. The cost is just over 4000euros. It includes hollow tine and pencil tines. It is an ex demonstration model and no VAT is payable. The purchase fund currently stands at 1100euros. The money raised by the raffle at the Holiday Inn will go into the fund. There will be other fund raising events in due course.
- David reported on the email sent by Guy Gomez regarding the Autoridade Tributaria E Aduaneira. David explained that this is a legal organisation, and that the MC was not aware that Guy had registered with it. The matter will be dealt with by our accountant who has been informed that Guy resigned from the club in 2012 and that his position on the management committee was filled by another club member.
- There will be a fun game of bowls on Friday December 13th prior to our Christmas lunch. Alan Preece is to organise it.

6. Date of the next Meeting

- There will be no meeting in December. The January meeting will take place on Friday January 31st.