

Minutes of the Valverde Management Committee Meeting held on Friday January 23rd 2015

Present

David Russell [Chairman]
Maria Romano [Treasurer]
Jen Preece [Secretary]
Sue Hunt [Social Secretary]

Apologies for absence
Peter Hollis [Captain]
Geoff Williams [Vice President]
Terry Kerr [Fiscal Committee Chairman]

1. The minutes of the last meeting held on November 28th 2014

- The minutes were accepted by the committee

2. Monthly Reports

- There was no captain's report as he is away.
David Russell asked if there were any problems with the green. Jen Preece said that she felt it was rather bumpy and that there had been a few complaints. It was agreed that this time of the year is difficult as it is too cold for the grass to grow.
- Maria Romano, treasurer stated that our finances are still good. Our water and electricity charges are in line with our original forecast.
- Jen Preece, secretary, said that she had been asked by a member why 'The Holiday Inn' was not noted as a club sponsor on our web site. David Russell stated that although they always give us a deal at Christmas and are willing to provide accommodation as a prize for some events, they are not a sponsor as such.
- Sue Hunt, social secretary, said that the choice of food has now been added to the Valentines Day Competition. It was felt that the Friday drive format would be a good fun competition for the day. A quiz night may be arranged in the future and a Saturday meal and social. There was discussion on whether we want to change the Christmas party venue currently The Holiday inn in Armacoa de Pera. David Russell will do a "Member Survey" poster asking for the members opinion on this.

3. Sub Committee reports

- None

4. New Membership Applications

- No new membership applications

Jen Preece stated that she had met Tim and Jane Smith recently and that due to family commitments they would not be joining the club this year but hoped to return next year.

5. Any Other Business

- It was agreed that the club`s finances are such that a further payment to Founder Members can be made. This will be 75euros per 1000euros as before. It was agreed that the same letter as was sent to members last time will be used.
- David Russell stated that the minutes of the last AGM have now been translated into Portuguese for our files and the ACTA book.
- David Russell has arranged for Joe Scott, the new owner of Tavira Lawn Bowls Club to visit Valverde on Wednesday January 28th. He will play with David in the roll up. Any members of the Management Committee who are playing that day should introduce themselves.
- David Russell stated that there are insufficient pens for the coming tours. There was discussion whether to remain with the current supplier or look for a cheaper alternative. David agreed to research suppliers.
- Peter Hollis is to be asked to sort out our supply of trophy cups. It was felt that the cups purchased recently were of poor quality and easily broken. There do not seem to be many suppliers in Portugal. David agreed to help in research.

6. Date of the next Meeting

Friday February 27th at 2pm