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Committee Meeting Minutes, Monday 8th April 2024, 7.30PM

(Held in the Clubhouse)

Meeting started at 7:34pm

1. Attendance: Mel, Becca, Chris, Callum, Adam, Ollie

Apologies: Helen, Laurent

2. Minutes of previous committee meeting (5.ii.24)

a. Minutes of the previous meeting approved.

3. Matters arising from previous committee meeting (5.ii.24)

a. Bar light

i. This is now fixed.

b. HDMI cable

i. Chris has now purchased a wireless HDMI transmitter and receiver to replace this.

ii. Just need to connect this up to the sound system to get this working fully.

c. Broken bench in Men's toilets

i. Chris to speak to John to speak to Mark Thurgood about potentially fixing this.

ii. Will check if anyone can help with this as part of sending out the newsletter also.

d. Tree from allotment

i. Mel sent photographs to the Dulwich estate and nobody responded.

ii. Mel will send follow up and will keep us updated.

e. Garden waste

i. Now successfully disposed of.

f. First Aid Boxes

i. Jill has now replenished these. Thanks Jill!

g. Website

i. Callum investigated old website pages. It seems these are not connected to our WordPress.

ii. Working with Steph to contact Roger to gain control of the account with the hosting provider which may enable us to fix this.

iii. Callum still needs to investigate Chris' issue accessing the website from work due to a security message.

1. Chris to resend the message (which Callum has carelessly lost) so he can do this.

h. Communications with Membership

i. First newsletter now sent out!

ii. Include match reports and request membership for assistance with maintenance / website in the next one.

iii. Contributions from the membership are welcome.

4. Perennials

a. Regular site inspection

i. All looks tickety boo.

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5. Finances (CS)

Balance 7 April 2024: Old current account	£3,982
Balance 7 April 2024: New current account	£27,978
Balance 7 April 2024: Savings account	£76,000
Balance total 7 April 2024	£107,960
Balance at last committee meeting (4 February 2024)	£75,921
Balance one year ago	£85,391

Notable transactions since last committee meeting:

Outflows (total £2,454)

- Table tennis fixing and equipment £39
- First aid box replenishment £39
- French Open trip (will be repaid to club) £1,173
- Zipvan for rubbish removal £57
- Team entries £305
- Hi-fi kit and darts light £81
- New BBQs £166
- New wine fridge for bar £594

Inflows

- Gianluca court payment £46
- Electricity payment from tree people £1,376
- And obviously lots of subs

Commentary

Obviously we let the brakes off a bit with maintenance spending this month once the subs started coming in, which is all fine. Note that the temporary loan from the Treasurer to cover cashflow shortage pending repayment of the Christmas tree electricity was repaid when that payment was received (and is excluded from all the above figures).

It's difficult to make comparisons with last month and last year due to variations in timing of subs payments but there is nothing above to raise alarm bells.

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As I am sure Adam/Helen will cover, there has been good bar income, both from a steady stream of day-to-day drinking and bigger events such as Reg's birthday, Camber kitchen, the cricket club quiz, the AGM, maintenance day, and the Bank Holiday American tournament.

Chris to get Trevor May down to get options for keeping the courts in good condition and relatedly recommendations on bank accounts if we have the details.

6. Membership update (OM)

- a. 49 in total that haven't paid for the new membership year so far.
 - i. Amongst the committee we will follow up with those who we think are expected to renew.
- b. Becca will revoke the court booking rights of people that Ollie lets her know about.
- c. Integrating new members into Camber (CS)
 - i. Plan to have a free social for new members on the 11th May with tennis and a BBQ.
 - ii. Ollie and Adam to organise.
 - iii. Based on Becca's comments will include all new members from the last 6 months including the new women's players.
- d. Confirmed policy that members must pay the subs relevant for their current situation but in accordance with previously agreed policy can apply for a reduction in future membership fees if they are injured for >6 months / move outside the M25.
 - i. Becca sent around a copy of the document detailing this policy to the committee.
- e. Agreed to do a check of the club mailing list to ensure that all members are on it.

7. Inside the clubhouse:

- a. There is an issue with the tap in the Men's toilet where it won't shut off.
 - i. Will check on the Camber newsletter whether anyone can help with fixing this.
- b. Lack of toilet paper reported by Laurent is now fixed.
- c. Light switches for toilets
 - i. Colin bought some new light switches for the bathrooms with an indicator to show if the lights are on or not.
 - ii. However the committee decided that this was unlikely to make a difference to people turning off the toilet lights and so we should not replace the switches.
 - iii. Chris will let Colin know to take the switches back.

8. Outside the clubhouse:

- a. Laurent will put more solar lights alongside Court 3 and we'll check how effective these are and make a decision around how to proceed accordingly.
- b. Had some complaints around how the shed is now organised following the maintenance morning. Agreed we wouldn't make any changes to this. Mel to let Colin know.

9. Social Update (AF)

- a. Camber Kitchen hosted by Chris and Adam on Sat 23rd March.
 - i. 22 people attended and this was very successful.
- b. American Tournament held on Easter Monday
 - i. 18-19 people attended and everyone enjoyed themselves.
 - ii. Good for Bank Holidays and will plan to organise more of these in future.

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- c. April sees the first of two golf weekends.
- d. Busy May with lots of events planned:
 - i. Poker night
 - ii. Eurovision
 - iii. New Members Day
 - iv. French Open Trip
- e. More Camber Kitchen events potentially in the works.
- f. Men's doubles day hosted by Fin and Charlie to be held on Sat 22nd June.
- g. Adam is investigating holding joint socials with the cricket club.
- h. Plan to organise a Pub night also.
 - i. Need to fix a date but hopefully sometime in June.
 - ii. Would include dominos, darts, table tennis and cards etc.

10. Bar report (HN)

- a. All good with the bar. No further comments from Helen in her absence.

11. Tennis

- a. Update from club captain (RS / LC).
 - i. National League
 - 1. In limbo - still waiting for Surrey Tennis/LTA to sort out the fixture clashes - Becca chased again today- the first match is a week Sunday(!)
 - ii. Surrey League
 - 1. Hopefully the captain's details are now all visible.
 - 2. Surrey tennis basically told us to be patient.
 - iii. Handicap Tournament
 - 1. Pairings done.
 - 2. Handicaps being assigned today/tomorrow.
 - 3. Draws out this week, aiming for Thursday.

12. AOB

- a. WhatsApp Community [CH] <https://www.whatsapp.com/communities/learning>
 - i. Proposed by Callum as an improvement for communications.
 - ii. Questions around does it look different? Are there other advantages?
 - iii. Callum to research further and make a case for the next meeting.
- b. Items from AGM (e.g. level of coaches' court fees?)
 - i. Defer this discussion for next time. Becca to share thoughts around this.
Relevant links to think about this below.
 - 1. <https://www.lta.org.uk/roles-and-venues/venues/club-management/club-coach-relationships/>
 - 2. "Utilising the services of a self-employed coach to provide and administer a club programme"
<https://www.lta.org.uk/4ae23b/siteassets/roles/coaches/file/lta-bringing-clubs-and-coaches-together-model-b.pdf>

13. Items agreed to include for the next Newsletter

- a. Request for BBQ volunteers.
- b. Poker Night.
- c. Wine Tasting - 18th May.
- d. Dates for your diary section to be included in every newsletter.
- e. Request for plumbers and web support.

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- f. Create a Camber google calendar and add this to the email.

14. DONM

- a. Next meeting will be held on Monday 20th May at 7:30pm in the clubhouse.

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