

Nailsea and District Croquet Club
Minutes of Zoom Committee Meeting 25th June 2020

Present: Graham McCausland, Meriel Forshaw, Mike Tracy, Brian Roynon, Andrew Wimshurst, Peter Dyke, Sandra Morgan. Joan Timmins did not manage to link in to Zoom

1. **Apologies:** None

2. **Minutes of the meeting held on the 22nd May 2020:** agreed and signed as a correct record. (Signed by MF on behalf of GMc).

3. **Matters Arising:**

- a) GMc has informed Chris Roberts that the committee decided to cancel the GC B level Tournament.
- b) Hedge Cutting - on going

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Discussed and Noted

The application for the grant of £10,000 from the North Somerset District Council / Central Government has been accepted although not yet in the account.

5. **Membership Report:**

Nothing much to report. It was noted that on the booking sheet a couple of players had invited someone else who had not (as yet) rejoined and so they were ineligible to play at the club. Graham spoke to the couple to point this out.

6. **Property Report (including Car Park):**

Not a lot happening at the moment, understandably! Discussion on the car parking requirements, costings, Geoff's suggestions, etc.. It was decided that the right way to go about it was first and foremost to draw up a specification of what the committee actually wanted and could agree about. The council have been approached and have no problem with it. Need to send them details when we are ready - a formality.

Brian will put together a specification ready to present at the next committee meeting. He will also speak to Geoff.

Action: BR

It was agreed to cut the hedges to a lower height in the future.

7. **On Line Booking - Update:**

There has been some positive feed back although one or two had reported that they were unable to book a slot on their mobile phones. Several members have already played.

Graham mentioned that it is important for members to make sure their handicap is up to date on the online system. Graham will send out a further update to the members in two or three weeks.

Action: GMc

8. **Mowing slots:**

Discussion on mowing; it was felt that where possible the mowing should be done early in the morning or in the evening in order to minimise any disruption to members playing during the day. Andrew will notify mowers of this preference.

Action: AW

9. **Lawns Report:** Discussed and Noted

It was felt that there should always be three lawns open. Discussion on the different options to do with the seeding programme and the possibility of purchasing or hiring a certain machine. Andrew and Mike will speak to John Wallace.

LAG have not had a meeting for a while but will prepare a report for the next committee meeting.

Action: AW/MT

10. **Recruitment Report:** nothing to report

11. **League Secretary's Report:** Discussed and Noted

Peter will inform Stephen Custance-Baker that the NDCC committee agrees that the league programme for this year should be cancelled.

a) August Advanced Tournament

The committee are happy for Marcus to go ahead with this and he agrees to abide by the rules and regulations. Peter will inform him.

b) Junior Coaching

James is willing to do this with possible help from Erica.

Two of last year's juniors wish to continue this year. Peter to find out if suitable coaches who have had DBS checks are available to coach them. It is essential that parents complete a membership application form and pay the junior subscription before they attend any lessons. Parents, grandparents and older siblings would be allowed to drop off juniors and pick them up.

Esme would like to bring a friend and the committee agreed that Peter would speak to Esme's mother about the restrictions and also that both of them must take mallets home with them until the rules on sharing equipment are relaxed. A coaching form is to be completed by the friend's parents and £10 paid for six weeks coaching.

c) Adult Coaching

Reference Kathy's email, the committee agreed that adult coaching could go ahead. Peter would let Kathy know and to ask her if she could arrange the coaches.

d) Club Competitions

Discussion on how many competitions could be entered etc. Peter will contact Kathy to tell her to go ahead in organising the club competitions.

Action: PD

12. **AOB** Kathy and Peter will be attending the CA webinar on "Recruiting Young Players over Lockdown" on Saturday June 27th June.

13. **Date of next meeting:**

Friday 31st July via Zoom at 10am

The meeting closed at 11.55 hrs

Signed as a true and accurate record:

Name.....

Signature.....Date.....

