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Committee Minutes Sunday 21st March 2010

Present: Howard Lovegrove, Elaine Lashly, Sarah Brown, Nigel Montgomery, Phillip Mitchell, Jo West and Ed Rees.

Apologies: Simon Brown, Sandie Montgomery, Becky Lashly, Stephen Tier and Alison Lashly.

All those present confirmed the accuracy of the minute of last meeting on the 7th February 2010

1. Welfare Phone.

The purpose of the welfare phone was discussed. Howard highlighted its importance and the need to have the number and the role of the welfare officer widely published. It was agreed the website and notice board would be a start. Full details of the role of the Welfare Officer will be published on the Website as soon as possible.

2. Newsletter.

The committee agreed a newsletter would be the best way to circulate news and information, one subject to notably to publish the role of the Welfare Officer. Ed will be doing some research to find a suitable candidate.

3. Coaching.

Nigel reported the resignation of Harry Smallman following a long and fulfilling time with the Club giving 10 years and the committee were thankful for his efforts. This however has made the coaching numbers low. We are now looking forward, with Simon Brown and Phil Cullimore attending a Phase 1 in Torquay. Olive Cooper is promising to return but has not materialize yet, Nigel to speak face to face to encourage her back, the reason why she has not turned despite promises is unclear. Mark Vokes is becoming more and more involved in training and Sam Harvey O'Connell and Colin Cooper are now putting some hours among the coaching team. The committee is very grateful with the time given up to help the children at the YBC. With the recent changes regular coaches meetings are more likely.

Phase 2 training is still not available within any manageable distance but is a consideration for any instructor with at least a year under their belt.

The Pee Wee's are increasing with 12 on the books. Three are ready for the league, Ryan and Courtney Williams and Jessica Chambers will be introduce to the league but will have to start at zero. They will play each existing league team once before the end of the season.

Nigel has published training dates into March and beyond for Sundays and Wednesdays, it is also understood the club is just under target with the sponsorship from AMF.

4. Fundraising.

The committee is grateful to Intralan for the donation of £500.00 for the club funds. This came at an opportune moment and was very welcome. The Computer firm has been acknowledged on our website in recognition. The South Coast Challenge Tournament and the car wash also generated around £500 between them again this was welcomed by the committee. Fundraising opportunities are all being explored including sponsored walks barbeques and another car wash are all being considered.

At Easter all the children were given tubes of smarties and they were all asked to fill the empty tubes with 20pence pieces, she will collect them up after the event. Current sponsors Apollo and Asda will be approached in the hope they want to contribute further to the YBC funds. Sarah has met the new manager Tim of the AMF who supports YBC, he is also willing to help with publicity and has offered the bar and pool room for functions and quiz night.

A second hand equipment sale is planned with the pro-shop at Eastleigh and any donations from sales to the shop would be greatly appreciated.

5. Treasurers Report.

The current balance on the **21/03/2010** is **£1568.91**. A much healthier figure and however these funds can only be used with assistance for the Nottingham Nationals as this is regarded as the club pinnacle event for the club.

A regular feature will now be the declaration of commitments in order of importance, which will be funded by the YBC funds. This list is designed to show where and why the club uses its funds and helps us all understand projected expenditure throughout a year. The list is not restricted and items can be added, deleted or amended with a majority decision from the committee.

The current funding commitments in order of importance under taken by the club are as follows;

1. Liability Insurance.
2. End of Season League Trophies
3. Presentation Event.
4. Bowling Fees for Nottingham Nationals.
5. Coaching Development, Phase 1,2 etc £25,00 initial assistance followed by full compensation after a full season with club.
6. Christmas Celebration (Barn dance)
7. Christmas gifts for the children.

Phil mentioned it would be good idea to create a yearly diary showing our regular income and expenditure, and Howard to assist with current list of expense commitments throughout a given season.

6. Planning for tournaments, plus agreement on funding of tournaments from funds.

The Great South Coast Knockout is planned for the **17th and 18th July 2010** at Havant AMF it is designed for all under 18's. It will be a cash prize event for boys and girls. Fine details including lineage and facilities are to be confirmed with AMF. It will be aimed at bowlers with high averages, from the positive feedback and calls from other YBC's it has the potential to be a great event.

The committee agreed to fund and have booked **The Nottingham Nationals** for the weekend of the **29th/30th May 2010**.

7. Captain's comments.

Ed explained that lane etiquette was not being adhered to and their were some complaints of bowler are leaving the playing area during open play causing frustration for opponents. Nigel said he would spread the word with the instructors to lookout for culprits as the practice spoils the enjoyment of others. Ed also asked if fun bowls could be made more interesting by introducing high games and series contests.

Next meeting is scheduled for **Sunday 2nd May 2010 at 4pm.**

Remaining meeting dates

Sunday 13th June 2010 at 4pm. (Organising a new committee)

Sunday 25th July 2010 at 4pm (End of season)

Sunday 29th August 2010 at 4pm (Preparation for new season)

Good Luck and Good bowling

Howard Lovegrove.

