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Minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on Thursday 7th June at Hartley, commencing at 8.00pm.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Ayjay Keemer-Richards, Ray Keemer-Richards, Bryan Yates, David Holden

Present: Tim Edwins, Bob Gaywood, Mike Cubitt, Alan Cregeen, Sheila King, Duncan Brown, Kevin Spillett, Tracy Spillett, Carolyn Edwins

2. **Minutes:**

Tim has corrected the date on the circulated minutes. All present agreed the minutes as a correct record of the previous meeting.

3. **Matters arising from the previous meeting:**

Carolyn asked whether Jamie Finley has been DBS checked yet, Bob said he will follow up on this and find out. Bob reported that he had received correspondence from Petanque England saying they will be taking no further action regarding the espoirs squad day clash.

4. **Treasurer's report:**

David circulated the latest accounts on 6th June and sent the following report:

"At present, our subscription income is £380 down on the total for last year, however, we always get a few late payments so hopefully we will reach last year's total. It looks unlikely that we will receive any income benefits from the Kent Show.

With one Qualifier still to go, we are £680 short of last year's total. Looking at the amounts received so far, I am confident that we will beat last year's figure.

We have paid £1,000 deposit on the accommodation leaving a balance of £6,750 which will be due in the second half of July."

5. Membership report:

Ray sent the following report by email, which Tim read out:

“All well with licenced members. We have 599 + 2 in the pipeline. At Q5 we must let everyone know that the twelfth team to qualify will be in a caravan.”

6. Playing matters:

Bob confirmed that Hartley are OK to host the KPA Singles and Qualifier 5, Tim to check with Annette about running the events. Carolyn asked Bob if he was going to publish a message reminding players that this is their last chance to be eligible to play in the KPA Chairman’s Cup, Bob will send message to Alan for the website and Tim to email to club secretaries. There are 2 teams pre-entered for the KPA Open Triples on Sunday 10th June, Mike will decide the format for the day when all teams on the day have registered. Bob wished to place on record that the KPA thanks Mike Cubitt and his team at GRFC for hosting a very successful Titles Weekend. The 3 days were a big a big success and there has been very positive feedback. Carolyn raised the issue of the junior team at regionals, who have played well but lost a lot of matches and we don’t them to lose heart and be put off pétanque for the future. Tracy said that it is actually good experience and they will learn a lot by playing the best teams. Bob said this may well be addressed at the EGM later in the year anyway. Carolyn mentioned that currently there are 3 Sundays in a row at the end of July / beginning of August when there are no Sunday tournaments on. Carolyn has been in touch with Hartley PC and they have agreed to host a doubles event on Sunday 5th August.

7. Winter League

Tim read aloud an email from Mick Nash reminding everyone that no one has yet put themselves forward as secretary for the Winter League, with Mick stepping down it would be a real shame for the league to just fold. Tim said he had been giving it some thought over the past few months and wouldn’t want the league to fold either so put himself forward. Alan then said he had actually been thinking about putting himself forward as secretary of both summer and winter leagues, as everything is online these days and goes through him anyway. Alan said he would discuss the general running of the leagues with Mick and would provisionally be happy to be league secretary with support from Tim, if/when required.

8. Date of next meeting – Thursday 19th July at Star Meadow Sports Club

Tracy to check the date with Star Meadow and let Tim know.

9. Any other business

Bob mentioned the latest GDPR regulations and that the KPA needs to be compliant. A notice on the KPA website and email to club secretaries would be sufficient. Alan has a template he has previously used so will email to Bob to be adapted for the KPA.

Mike handed out the flyer for the Mayor of Gravesham triples event and announced he has secured 3 return Eurostar tickets again this year.

Sheila said that when she recently played in Jersey a team had a magnetic jack. Sheila has sought to clarify the ruling with the CEP who said they can be used, however there is a maximum weight for jacks. Alan checked the rules and article 3 says magnetic jacks must not be used.

Carolyn reported that Ray Keemer-Richards had asked a question about the precision shooting event circles and scoring. Tim, Tracy & Kevin confirmed that the circles players shoot from are always 50cm diameter as specified in the FIPJP rules, and that the boule must land in the target 1m circle and hit the target boule for the shot to be valid and score points.

Meeting closed 21:10.