HORSMONDEN SOCIAL CLUB COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting Tuesday 31 October 2023, 19.45

Present: Lindsey Chave LC(Chair), Nick Belton NB, Anthony Hacker AH, Bridget Walsh BW, Alison Scott AS, Jordan Desaa JD, David Watson DW, Tim Coyne TC, Jimmy Webb JW, Richard Edmed RE,

Apologies: Jan Botten, Paul Fleury PF Lawrence Arscott, Nick Miller (Treasurer)

October Minutes: Agreed

Chairperson's Report

Sat 25th Nov - Club Christmas Tree arriving then and decoration will probably be in afternoon (exact time discussed nearer day) .

Events

2 Quiz nights coming up run by FOHPS and Tennis Club.

Remembrance Day 12th Nov– We will pay £25 to British Legion for Social Club wreath.

Mens Breakfast – 18th November 9am

Wine Tasting – Saturday 18 November. Non-members will be charged and members free as usual.

Christmas Raffle on Sat 23rd Dec. We shall donate £250.

Choir and children singing at 6pm. We will have a Father Christmas and Elf for the children.

New Years Eve – Back in Time band have been booked again.

J Mercury tribute coming again on 6th Jan.

Premises

Carry Smythe does the Social Club garden but clearing of leaves outside around memorial is quite a job in the autumn. AH to speak to one of the volunteers who may be interested in doing this on a regular basis for a few months.

Lindsay /Nick to order anti-slip mat for front entrance hall of club as there is a potential slipping hazard when it has been raining and is wet.

There was another discussion re new furniture TC to ask Denise Bignall, for t guidance in this.

Treasurer

Bank balance as at end of Oct £17,954.37.

- No funds were transferred to savings this month as the account is hovering below our £20k threshold.
- Large payment made to Ray Wood for new internal doors £801.00
- VAT we are now coming to the end of our first quarterly VAT period Hilden Park Accountants will review the Treasurer's bookkeeping after month end and complete our VAT return. Our first VAT payment is due by 7th Dec which I will arrange.
- Savings account balance TBC by those who have access.

Note we spent £5205.62 for costs of goods sold for October and took £8070.00 in bar sales (cash takings still need to be added to this).

Bookings

There have been a number of bookings including Winter Warmers starting Jan 5th. for 8 Fridays in Jan & Feb.

Membership

7 new members names read out and approved. 2024 membership cards have arrived now.

Bar Volunteers

This Saturday the club will be closed due to no volunteers being available.

AOB

Tim is compiling a list of those goods bought over last 4 years, for which VAT can be reclaimed.

It was agreed that Lindsay buy a Xmas tree for the St Margarets Church"Tree Dressing" to raise funds - we will dress tree 14th or 15th Dec.

Date and time of next meeting: Tuesday 5 December at 7.45pm.