

Pedras Lawn Bowls Club Committee Meeting of 13th February, 2025 At 10.00am.

Meeting opened at 10.12am.

Present were Lorna Bateman LB. Julie Mc Bride JB Thea Tushuizen.TT.. Sean Tighe.ST. Antonio Pires. AP.

Apologies for absence. John London.

Minutes of the previous meeting of the 13th December, 2024.

Proposed by. Julie Mc Bride. Seconded by. Lorna Bateman.

There were no matters arising.

Election of Committee Members.

The following were elected unopposed.

Chair...Lorna Bateman.

Treasurer....Thea Tushuizen.

Secretary.....Sean Tighe.

Social Secretary...Julie Mc Bride.

Club Captain.....John London.

Club Captain's report.

Pedras Super Tens Champions for 2024/2025.

Pedras have won the Super 10's Competition for the third year in a row, and were Captained by John London in each of these victories.

John reported that he was approached by Mark Richards, the club Captain in 2024 to again Captain the team. After careful consideration he decided to take on the task and immediately enlisted the help of Gerry Flynn as his Vice Captain.

Each game was carefully planned to field the most capable players to represent the Club. They had a pool of some twenty players, but some were not always available to play, so choosing a team became a challenge. But when any member was asked to support the side none let the club down.

This clearly showed the strength of support in the club.

Gerry and John wish to thank everyone who played in the competition as well all those members who travelled as supporters and to watch the games.

John especially thanked Gerry Flynn for his invaluable assistance throughout the year. The next job to be done is to collect the Cup and to have a weekend away.

Happy days.

The need for the dates of the Greens maintenance closure in May.

AP reported that as soon as he knew he would immediately inform the Club Captain.

Advertising for Captain's for the summer league.

After discussion it was agreed that the nomination of captains for various teams has been left to the members in recent years and that should continue.

Social Secretaries report.

Julie Mc Bride reported that sponsorship from the Charette Restaurant has been received and is €500, over a two year period with first refusal when renewing. She thanked Robbie Hubbard for his efforts in obtaining the sponsorship.

Secretaries report.

ST reported that Christine Martin, our past Chair had not received the monies owing to her for payments she made in relation to the Clubs Website. AP. Stated that he personally would now rectify this.

ST. Reported that a Team Captain had approached him asking for the financial details of club members so that he can verify whether or not they are Bona Fide members thereby entitled to play in Bowls Algarve Competitions.

After discussion this was refused because of the law governing confidentiality.

As all current members are issued with a current Club Membership Card, it is a simple matter of asking them to produce it, thereby verifying their Bona Fides.

ST. Reported that a Financial Advisor and Investment Company called St. James Global, based in Loule, are seeking to hold an event at the club. ST will report in due course.

ST. Reported that the membership of Joe Scott had arisen immediately prior to the AGM. AP reported that Joe Scott was a full Bona Fide member of the Club and the Pedras records would be so amended.

ST. Asked when the new Wooden Storage Shed would be erected. AP reported that he has spoken with the Companies Carpenter the previous day and he will be erecting it immediately, weather permitting.

ST. Asked if the Committee were happy for Chris Wallen to continue the good work he has undertaken as the assistant to the Club Captain in his capacity as the Bowls Algarve Representative.

All readily agreed.

ST. Reported that he had discussed the Honours Board names for a club member who had played in a final representing the club with John London, when the club won, but his name had not been shown. John stated he would rectify that.

LB. Reported that several members of the club had died in recent years, including her late husband, and no Remembrance Plaques have been placed on the Wooden Bench by the Green

AP reported that he now has a company located in Faro who would supply the engraved plaques, all he now required was all the information about deceased members. LB, Stated that she would collate same and inform AP.

Any other business.

Thea reported that she has been trying to update the details held by the Pedras Estate for all members.

After discussion it was determined that all members information is confidential and is not a matter for the club.

This information is held by Pedras and any amendments must be done by the members themselves.

Julie reported that she has now placed the poster for the St.Patricks Day Competition on the Noticeboard.

Robbie Hubbard informed the committee that he has sold shirts and has handed over €290 to Lorna Bateman for same.

He now has eight left from the old stock.

He had ordered and received 20 new shirts and after sales now had 18 left in stock.

The value of this stock being \in 540.

Any new member not owning a shirt could purchase one including subvention for €20.

Any member already having bought a shirt previously the cost is \in 30.

Robbie suggested that we should sell the old stock for €30 each instead of €35 to non members

The committee agreed.

Robbie then reported on his enquiries with O'Neills for the purchase of a Club Jacket called the Dalton Jacket.

The committee agreed that it should be Navy Blue in colour.

The cost of purchase, including the Embroidery with the Clubs Logo depending on the numbers required would be in the region of €50 plus embroidery.

However this cost may well be reduced for the first and second orders as Robbie is still negotiating with the company.

The cost of 60 Jackets with a subvention by the club would be €1,800.

The purchase price per member would then be about €20.

The Commitee agreed to Robbie continuing negotiations with O'Neills and to report back as soon as possible.

Dress Code .

ST. Reported that the dress code for members was not being followed.

Members are reminded that the code is compulsory.

All members must wear a white top or Pedras Club Shirt when playing.

The wearing of the Club shirt is compulsory when representing the club in any competition. Members must wear light coloured trousers, shorts or skirts, and the wearing of Jeans or Jeggings is forbidden.

Members must wear flat soled bowling shoes when playing, so that the Green is not damaged.

Events Calendar.

St. Advised the committee that we must have an Events Calendar to be put on the website, outlining all club competitions to be held this year thereby ensuring that there is no clash with visiting teams or other competitions.

This was agreed and the social Secretary to arrange.

The date of the next meeting is Wednesday, 9th April, 2025 at 10.00am.

Meeting closed at 11.25am.

Submitted. Sean P.Tighe. Club Secretary.