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Management Committee Meeting Minutes. 2026-04

Date: 22 April 2026

Attended: Gordon Hughes (GH); Gillian Bunting (GB); Bridget Longworth; Matt Frier(MF); Karen Walker (KW).

Apologies: Penny Biggs; Jono Wills

Item	Discussion	Actions	By whom	When
1	Minutes and Matters Arising The minutes were agreed and matters arising were discussed under the main agenda.			
2	Safeguarding: Sarah Jones was unable to attend the meeting but is going on training soon in Leicester and will report back on any safeguarding updates.	Sarah to report to the chairman who will update the committee on any relevant changes.	GH	ASAP
5	Finances: The P&L for the period April to end of February was reported in the last minutes. The figures to the end of March are not available yet as it was the year end and the figures are being checked by the accountant. The amounts in the bank and building society have improved with £22k in the bank and £3.2k in the building society. But			

	<p>costs have risen since April 1st with the impact of increased NI and minimum wage.</p> <p>The chairman has sent out a reminder to monthly payers that they should be paying £14 per month as of 1 April – a £1 increase from £13 previously.</p> <p>The chairman reported that it had not been possible to increase the points earned on the loyalty card for purchases over the bar but that an extra 5% discount is being given at the bar until further notice. The 10% is added to the card on the balance.</p> <p>GH is organising the spare TV screen to be used in the main room for advertising food menus and prices to increase uptake.</p> <p>Funding:</p> <p>KW reported that the application to Melton building Society had received no response, so assume no funding coming from that source.</p> <p>Another application has gone into the Ragdale Hall Community Fund for £500 towards the painting of the 2 extra pickleball courts and new equipment (full cost c£850). RH are only accepting bids between £250 and £750.</p> <p>Another opportunity to bid may come from East Midlands Railway community fund, but has not been announced yet.</p>	<p>Check that all monthly payers have increased payments and send out further reminders if necessary.</p> <p>Review the 5% discount at the end of May.</p> <p>Report back on any updates to the funding bids at next meeting.</p>	<p>GH</p> <p>GH</p> <p>GH</p> <p>KW</p>	<p>Next meeting.</p> <p>End of May</p> <p>Next meeting</p> <p>Next meeting</p>
4	<p>Tennis and Pickleball:</p> <p>Tennis:</p> <p>GB confirmed that tennis teams and team captains have been agreed.</p> <p>Match fees have been increased to £3 (from £2.50) for the cost of balls used. The fee has been £2.50 for some years.</p> <p>The tennis calendar will be produced soon to be sent out and put on noticeboards.</p>	<p>Info to be sent out to all members.</p> <p>Team members have been informed.</p> <p>BL to produce tennis calendar.</p>	<p>GB/BL</p> <p>GB/BL</p> <p>BL</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASP</p> <p>ASAP</p>

	<p>Pickleball:</p> <p>The chairman updated the committee in the absence of the pickleball captain.</p> <p>PB will arrange an evening to bring in new kit for everyone to see and try on and purchase. Also members can look online as there is a list of everything available.</p> <p>There is a provisional date for the painting of the extra 2 pickleball courts on Court 4 – May 24th. This is a Sunday and will be confirmed as soon as possible.</p> <p>It was confirmed that League tennis matches will take priority on court 4.</p> <p>The issue of junior players playing with adults on Monday nights and Saturdays was discussed. It was decided that there will be a minimum age of 13 and that a parent/guardian must be present (either playing or watching) at all times. It is hoped that some family/children specific sessions will be arranged when this rule will not apply but a volunteer or volunteers to manage the sessions will be needed.</p> <p>Young players (under 18) will not be allowed to use the adult Whatsapp group. All communications will be via the parent/guardian.</p> <p>Four couples played in the Leicestershire league on 28 March with mixed success. A Ladies Doubles match with Hinckley club is planned for May 17th. A friendly match day is taking place in Coventry on May 10th.</p>	<p>Arrange evening showing of new kit</p> <p>Confirm date for painting.</p> <p>GB will block out courts 4 and 5 for that date.</p> <p>Communicate the decision to the membership (in addition to these minutes?).</p> <p>Confirm players participating on 17 May.</p>	<p>PB</p> <p>GH GB</p> <p>GH</p> <p>PB and GB</p> <p>PB</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>By next meeting.</p> <p>ASAP</p>
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	<p>The picnic benches on the grassed area need replacing. They will be required before the Fun Run at least.</p> <p>Members bar: the lighting will be upgraded and new sofas or comfy seats purchased to make it more cosy and inviting. The room will also be repainted.</p> <p>A new 85 inch TV has been put up in the members bar, donated by a member. The old TV will be moved to the main bar for use there and advertising club services etc. A new camera is needed in the ceiling of the Games Room to be able to show events in the main bar when both rooms are being used.</p> <p>The sign on the Members Bar to be arranged to restrict access.</p>	<p>MF to source some picnic benches that are reasonably priced.</p> <p>Arrange repainting, lighting and purchase new furniture.</p> <p>Arrange old TV to be installed in main bar. Arrange for new camera in Games Room.</p> <p>Arrange signage.</p>	<p>MF</p> <p>GH/MF</p> <p>GH/MF</p> <p>GH</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>AOB:</p> <p>It was confirmed that the AGM will take place on June 11th. As many members as possible to attend. GH to send out documents in advance.</p> <p>First Aid: GB had obtained a quote for the first aid training in Oakham which was £150 pp. Alternative providers to be sought.</p> <p>A first aid kit has been supplied by a member for the pickleball box. No further action required.</p> <p>The health & safety in the club is being reviewed. A company is coming in to look at the situation and give a quote for any improvements needed.</p>	<p>Email to all members.</p> <p>Review</p>	<p>GH</p> <p>GB/GH</p> <p>GH</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p>

9	Next Meeting date: Wednesday 27 th May 6.30 pm.			
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Karen Waler
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