

Dolau Recreation Association



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DRA Minutes – Thursday 23rd January 2020

| Item | | Discussion & Actions |
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| 1 | Present | Jess Bufton (Chair), Sarah Price (Secretary), Julie Hardwick, Kevin Lewis, Philip Hardwick, Geoff Lewis, Wendy Watkins, Mary Lomax, Phil Davies, Annette Watkins, David Lewis, Ray Trend, Rob Shelton, Elizabeth Newman, Dan Price, Rhian Griffiths, Chris Jones, Brentan Van Reede-Wells |
| | Apologies | Adam Shearman |
| 2 | Minutes of the last meeting | The minutes of the previous meetings held on 28 th November 2019 were agreed by Jess Bufton, Chairman as a true reflection of the meeting. |
| 3 | Matters arising | Flicks – Queens Corgi – Went well, 35 attended. Christmas Fayre & Auction – Went well although poorly attended with half the number of stalls to the previous year. General feeling is that the stalls do not sell much but the auction is well supported. Made more profit this year as changed the entry fee for the auction. Agreed if do again the committee should look to something different such as an evening super with the auction. |
| 4 | Correspondence | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No correspondence has been received. |
| 5 | Finance | Finance update given in the AGM prior to this meeting. Internet banking – Kevin to update on this at the next meeting. Scottish widows & Robert Owen Community Banking –The current rate of money invest with ROCB expires on the 22 nd March 2020. Everyone agreed for the Scottish widows account to be closed. Mary to look into closing the Scottish widows account. Proposed: Mary Lomax, Seconded: Kevin Lewis. |
| 6 | Building and Facilities Maintenance Issues: | Electric Tariff – Expires in March, Rob to start looking into tariffs to see what the best tariff for the hall. ACTION: Rob to look to see if a better tariff is available. Insurance - Mary to look into quotes for the hall insurance to see what is the best available. Access to school – Kevin has started to look into prices into the work. Kevin to update at the next meeting. Defibrillator – Jess has received some costings to have the defibrillator serviced which were passed onto Community Council last week, these were discussed but felt they were high and not value for money. Mary confirmed that the defibrillator is listed on the halls insurance. David updated the meeting that after the defibrillator was purchased, a demonstration was done by Ianto who did not think the quotes were good value for money. The pads currently need replacing, they last 3 years unless used, the cost to replace the pads is - £90, to replace the battery - £180 (to be replaced every 4 years). Community Council are happy to take on the costs 50/50 with the costs of the pads and batteries. All agreed for Community Council to pay the bill and invoice the DRA 50% of the bill. |

Action: A sign in record to be created so when the defibrillator is checked the person who undertook the checks can sign to say it is working. David Lewis and Rob Shelton agreed to take it in turns to do this weekly.

Proposed: Mary Lomax, Seconded: Geoff Lewis

David Lewis proposed another training session to take place on how to use the defibrillator. Agreed for Community Council and DRA to pay 50/50 for this and encourage all hall user groups to attend. Suggested committee members to provide cakes as refreshments.

Action: David to arrange a date for the training and pass onto Sarah to promote on Facebook and to hall user groups.

Hall charges – It was agreed to review the hall charges as they have not been reviewed since 2017. Agreed the below new charges:

| Function | Original | New Cost |
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| Afternoon Tea/ Funeral Tea / Christening | £28 | £35.00 |
| Children’s Birthday Party (2 hours) | £14 | £20.00 |
| Corporate booking – full day | New price | £80.00 |
| Concert / fundraising event | £28 | £35.00 |
| Weddings | £150 | £200.00 |
| Elections | £150 | £200.00 |
| Evening Meeting | | £15.00 |
| Hire of Main Hall | £7 an hour | £ 8.00 an hour |
| Hire of the Committee Room | £3.50 an hour | £ 5 an hour |
| Party / Disco (Evening booking with use of Committee Room & Kitchen) | £60 | £80.00 |

Meter readings – These are currently still with Andrew Billingsly. Mary to see if Adam knows how to get the meter reading. Andrew has now moved from the area so the committee will need to know the formula to work out the meter reading.

7 Funding

Tesco’s – The DRA’s application is now live in store for the public to vote with blue tokens. The voting remains open until the 31st March 2020.

Big Lottery Celebration –Sarah has submitted an application for funding towards a fun day.

Big Lottery Renovation- Sandra is currently in the process of painting the hall. To review how much money is left to spend after the invoice has been submitted.

8 Future Events

Flicks – Shaun the sheep – 22/2/19

- Earlier start of 2pm due to YFC drama finals.
- Usual refreshments to be available.

Charity shop -W/C – 10th February 2020

- Jess drafting a rota.
- Jess to look into back to riches / Bags to School
- Committee to meet Thursday 6th February to look through stuff donated.
- Jess to ask Mr Shearman is stuff can be left in the mobile. A lot of stuff left from when W.I had the shop which is currently in Philips garage.

Frog racing

- The frog has been created

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary has looked at ways to do a tote / possibly may be able to use Ken's equipment. • Mary & Sarah looking for sponsors from businesses for the races (£30 a race). • Frogs to be sold at £2 a frog. 8 – 10 races with 8 frogs in a race. • Dan to compare for the evening. • Refreshments – Hot dogs to be sold as 'Hot Frogs'. 200 sausages to be purchased and same amount of bread rolls. Julie to cook onions. • Hoppy Hour 'Happy Hour' – when the bell rings! • Start time – 6/ 6.30pm • Mary to apply for bar license • Raffle – See if Gaynor will organise the raffle and everyone to donate prizes • 50 / 50 to Bracken Trust and DRA. <p><u>Ceilidh / Fun day</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob to look to see availability of a ceilidh band for September 2020. • Sarah to ask Helen McCarthy if she knows of any Ceilidh bands. |
| 9 | Any other business | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Julies Honorarium – Julie left the room for the discussion. Last year £1,187 with tax was paid so Julie had £950. Agreed this year to increase to £1000 net without tax and to purchase a voucher for a meal for 2 at the Metropole. Proposed: Brentan Van Reede-Wells, Seconded: David Lewis. • Laptop – It was felt the committee should have a laptop so all information can be saved centrally. All present agreed for a laptop to be purchased and to speak to Adam Shearman / Its Dun for advice on what to purchase. Jess to look into this. • Gift for Kevin Morris – All agreed to buy a meal voucher for 2 at the Metropole. • Piano – Rob reported the piano is going to need a lot of maintenance, over Christmas it has gone so wrong when using the pedal. Rob to look to see how much it is to repair. • VE Day – 9th May – Community Council discussed and are looking at a possibility of holding an afternoon tea. • Community Council - Have agreed to pay £1600 towards the DRA if they send a signed copy of the accounts to them ASAP. The committee thanked the Community Council for the additional £100 given this year. • Heart of Wales – Have contacted Julie to see if they can hold a presentation in the hall on a Tuesday to encourage businesses near to the station to attend. Julie to respond and see if could do on an evening instead of a Tuesday. |
| 10 | Other community events | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 23/5/2020 – School Plant Sale • 20/6/2020 – Dolau YFC's 70th dinner • 26/6/2020 - Dolau School's Birthday Celebrations |
| | Confirm date and time of next meeting | 13 th February at 8pm |

Signed..... Date