



THATCHAM & DISTRICT CRIB LEAGUE

Chairman – Tony Denny
Secretary – Mark Fordham
Fixture Secretary – Dave Goddard
Treasurer – Pam Haines
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Minutes of A.G.M. held on 21st July 2009, Shaw Social Club

1. Tony Denny welcomed everybody to the meeting, which commenced at 8.10 pm.
2. Apologies

Apologies had been received from Andy Tillen of B.S.C. who had verbally confirmed that he would be arriving slightly later. Teams represented were: -

Lord Lyon	Plough on the Green	Shaw "A"
Plough – Thatcham	Black Horse	Shaw "B"
Old London Apprentice	The Lamb – Newbury	B.S.C.

3. Minutes of previous A.G.M. held 8th July 2008

The minutes from previous A.G.M. held on 8th July 2008 and the last meeting held on 21st April 2009 were made available to all Teams and were unanimously accepted as read.

4. Secretary's Report

Mark Fordham confirmed that there was nothing new to report and that the season had run without difficulty. It should be noted that the introduction of new Teams still remains a high priority if the League is to continue and flourish in the future. A web-site www.thatchamcribleague.com has been registered and Dave Goddard is currently finalising the Site Layout and 'up-loading' the Content – a working version should be published within the next week & will contain Match Dates / Results, Dates for Crib Drives / Meetings and their Minutes, Crib League Rules, Contact Information etc.

Mark Fordham also confirmed that he would be dropping off details about the Crib League to the following locations who had recently expressed an interest in joining the League:-

The Falmouth, Woolhampton	The Gun, Wash Common	Three Horseshoes, Donnington.
The Wessex Club, Newbury	Conservative Club, Newbury	

If you are aware of any other Pubs / Clubs who may be interested, please contact Mark Fordham on 07768 024152 or mark@thatchamcribleague.com

There was some concern expressed regarding the Tim Steer and Les Black competitions where two players from the same Team played in the same Competition, Although this was an error on the night, it may be worth considering the allowing of two players from same Team for each competition seeing as the League is no longer as large as it once was, although perhaps this would be limited to a maximum of say 16 players per Competition due to time constraints.

[see comments & suggestions by Dave Goddard under Fixtures Secretary's Report and A.O.B.]

Tony Denny thanked Mark for his report.

5. Treasurer's Report

Pam Haines made available the 2008/09 Balance Sheet, which detailed a balance of £194.25 and also showed the breakdown of this balance. A copy of this is shown at the end of these minutes. Mark Fordham stated that there will be an additional £100 to come off this for payment of Timsons Engraving Invoice which has been passed to Pam. This charge reflected higher than expected costs due to additional engraving of the omitted 'previous years' Winners on several lost Trophies that had been found. Additionally some trophies had also been modified and the "backing replaced" to accommodate the engraving & fitting of extra 'Year Plates'. Mark also explained that his colleague at Timsons had performed engraving at reduced cost over several years (£50 last year, £0 previous 2 years), accordingly it was felt the 'total' of £150 represented excellent value over a four year period.

Tony Denny thanked Pam for her report and work on behalf of the Committee throughout the year.

6. Fixture Secretary's Report

Dave Goddard commented that no previous records for the Fixtures Secretary have ever been made available. The same point applies to the post of Secretary! This has always been of considerable concern because quite frequently comments have been made at Meetings about 'historical matters'! There are very clearly a number of Issues which should have been easily clarified either from earlier versions of 'Rules' or by referring to decisions taken at previous Meeting Minutes (although 'old')!!

Andy Tillen has recently provided Dave with all of his 'personal copies' of League Documentation.

Stuart Warren of Shaw "B" stated that he would also attempt to dig out his "old" historical records and will give them to Dave (thanks to both Andy & Stuart for their assistance on this). Dave commented he would Report to the Committee regarding anything 'unearthed' during this exercise.

It would appear that Fifteen Perpetual Trophies should be available – whilst some previously mislaid Trophies have now been located TWO Runner-Up Trophies are STILL missing [Team K.O. & Doubles K.O.]. A 'Master Record' detailing the current and previous winners has been taken from engraving on the Thirteen Trophies we have currently available – some have 'gaps'!!

It was re-confirmed by Dave that we do need to spend at least £500 on trophies to get the discount that we are currently receiving. We spent £529.53 last year and only just about got that discount!

Dave commented on the League Rules (Issued with effect from 23rd August 2005) which currently applies a 7-Day advance notice requirement for Signing On New Players but is not complied with!!

Rule 5 States >> "New players may register at any time but at least seven days notice should be given to both League Secretary and Fixture Secretary to enable players to be registered".

As further clarification – this notice period is also an essential need for some 'Private' Clubs.

Rule 2 States >> "All players to be registered with League Secretary & Fixture Secretary upon payment of the Team Registration Fee. Up to date Copies are also to be made available to the Chairperson, Treasurer and any Venue requiring advance notification of a "Guest Attendance" (currently Burghclere Sports & Social Club and Shaw Social Club)".

During the past few years Dave confirmed he usually only seeing new players being 'signed on' when he actually receives the posted weekly score cards!! Can all Team Captains ensure that this rule is observed in the future – if required a meeting can be held to discuss this in the future.

Comment was made by Gill Kay of OLA about lateness of the finalised fixtures for singles competition, which has been noted, however this was largely due to the late entries from the Teams!

Tony Denny thanked Dave for his report and work on behalf of the Committee throughout the year.

7. Chairman's Report

Tony Denny offered his thanks to all the Officers of the Committee – as a result of their hard work on behalf of the League throughout the season he was in fact left with little to do.

8. Election of Officers

It was suggested that all four existing Committee Members could be re-elected 'en bloc' if all were prepared to 'Stand' again and no one else wished to be considered for the Posts.

Continuations of these duties were accepted by the existing Chairman (Tony Denny), Secretary (Mark Fordham) and Fixtures Secretary (Dave Goddard) however Pam Haines stated that she would be unable to continue due to ongoing work commitments.

After consultation with members of the committee, it was proposed that Stuart Warren of Shaw "B" could formally act as "Assistant Treasurer" to Pam in her duties. This arrangement would also have significant secondary benefits in that (1) The Treasurer is expected to be a 'Landlord' (2) Both Pam and Stuart are already Signatories for T.D.C.L. Cheques (3) There would be 'continuity' in the Post.

There were no others offering to stand for any of the four Posts available and it was suggested that all four should be re-elected unopposed with Stuart acting as “Assistant Treasurer”.

This was proposed by Andy Tillen of B.S.C. and seconded by Jim Barnes of The Lamb.

Many thanks to Stuart for taking on the role of assisting Pam in her continuing role as Treasurer.

9. Team Registration

All Team Registrations MUST be confirmed at the 25th August Meeting, Shaw Social Club with the Fee preferably also paid at the same time – it is suggested Teams should register 8 players as a minimum. Although a few days grace will be acceptable all completed Registration Forms and Monies MUST be received by 31st August 2009. NOTE There is a Bank Holiday at end of August.

New Teams >> Under rule 23 “Each New Team Application will be discussed by the Committee followed by a Vote of Election”.

The Registration Fee of remains unchanged from recent years and will include as usual:-

- i. Entrance fees for Singles Champion Competition
- ii. Entrance fees for Doubles Champion Competition
- iii. Entrance fee for Team Knockout Competition
- iv. Entrance fee for Les Black memorial shield
- v. Entrance fee for Tim Steer Rose Bowl
- vi. Free entry for players and partners for end of season presentation night.

10. Start of League

This has been confirmed as starting on 22nd September 2009, with a crib-drive preceding this either on Tuesday 8th or 15th September 2009. Pam Haines subsequently confirmed this date as the 8th Sep.

11. A.O.B.

Although we have the individual Les Black & Tim Steer Memorial Trophies it was felt that it would a ‘Fitting Tribute’ to have an additional Memorial Trophy for Players and Committee Members who have sadly passed away. Dave Goddard has a Shield available for this, so we would ask Team Captains to advise Mark Fordham of the names of any players who are ‘no longer with us’ along with the year of their passing if known so their names can be engraved on a Plate. This Trophy can be competed for on the same night as that for the existing Tim Steer and Les Black Trophies.

Andy Tillen of B.S.C. requested that new list of contacts be made available – this will be updated immediately after the Team Registration Meeting and re-issued with the New Season’s Fixtures List at the September Crib Drive.

12. Date of Next Meeting

This will be on Tuesday 25th August 2009 at Shaw Social Club, 7.45pm for 8.00pm start.

Please ensure your team is represented as Team Registration & Payment is required that day.

13. Meeting closed at 8.55pm.

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2006/2007 – 2007/2008 – 2008/2009 BALANCE SHEETS

	<u>2006/2007</u>		<u>TAKEN FROM HAND OUT PROVIDED AT AGM 10TH JULY 2007</u>
START BALANCE	£1080.27	BAND	£ 400.00
TICKETS	£ 385.00	FOOD	£ 300.00
RAFFLE	£ 107.00	TROPHIES 06/07	£ 463.01
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INCOME	£1572.27	EXPENSES	£1163.01
LESS EXPENSES	£1163.01		

<u>BALANCE 06/07</u>	<u>£ 409.26</u>		

	<u>2007/2008</u>		<u>TAKEN FROM HAND OUT PROVIDED AT AGM 8TH JULY 2008</u>
START BALANCE	£ 409.26		
10 TEAMS @ £60.00 =	£ 600.00	BAND	£ 300.00
RAFFLE	£ 88.00	TROPHIES 07/08	£ 574.01 **
CRIB DRIVES	£ 138.00	ENGRAVING 06/07	£ 50.00 **
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INCOME	£1235.26	EXPENSES	£ 924.01
LESS EXPENSES	£ 924.01		

<u>BALANCE 07/08</u>	<u>£ 311.25</u>		

IN THE BANK	£ 273.75 **		** SHOWS 07/08 EXPENSES SUBMITTED
CASH IN HAND	£ 37.50 **		AND TO BE PAID IN JULY **

	<u>2008/2009</u>		<u>TAKEN FROM HAND OUT PROVIDED AT AGM 21ST JULY 2009</u>
START BALANCE	£ 311.25	MUSIC	£ 275.00
9 TEAMS @ £60.00 =	£ 540.00	FOOD	£ 390.00
RAFFLE/CRIB DRIVES	£ 227.90	TROPHIES 08/09	£ 529.53
TICKETS PR'N NIGHT	£ 186.00	ENGRAVING 07/09	£ 100.00 **
RAFFLE PR'N NIGHT	£ 119.00		
INTEREST	£ 5.79	TAX [£0.85 + £0.31]	£ 1.16
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INCOME	£1389.94	EXPENSES	£1295.69
LESS EXPENSES	£1295.69		

<u>BALANCE 08/09</u>	<u>£ 94.25</u>		

IN THE BANK	£ 94.25 **		** SHOWS 08/09 EXPENSES SUBMITTED
CASH IN HAND	£ 00.00 **		AND TO BE PAID IN JULY **