

**Minutes of a Special Meeting held at the Club Tuesday February 15<sup>th</sup> 1955 at 8 p.m.**

Present: - Mr F Cooper (Captain) and Messrs Butlin, Hobson, Firth, Wood, Haselden, Hobson, Lees, Buckley and Harrop. Messrs W C Woods and K Gregory also attended.

Apologies were received from Messrs: - Cawthron, Bolt, Battersby and Sykes.

Mr F Cooper, Captain, in the Chair.

The Captain explained the purpose of the Meeting which was to again consider the possibility of making a Mixed-room in the room now occupied as the Ladies' Toilet and transferring the Toilet to the room now used as the Secretary's Office.

A long discussion on the merits and demerits of the proposal took place and reference was made to the Architect's plans as submitted.

Messrs W C Woods and K Gregory as Sponsors of the scheme, had been invited to attend the Meeting to give their views thereon and to explain how it was proposed that the cost of the alterations would be made.

It was eventually resolved that the Committee feels that the proposed alterations to the bar are worth further consideration and that the Sponsors be requested to obtain a more definite estimate of the cost and that enquires regarding planning permission be made.

Signed.

F Cooper

17 March 1955.

**Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held at the Club Thursday February 17<sup>th</sup>, 1955 at 7.30 p.m.**

Present: - Mr F Cooper (Captain), Messrs: - Harrop, Battersby, Buckley, Cawthron, Firth, Haselden, Hobson, Lees and Sykes.

There was an apology for absence from Mr Bolt.

Mr F Cooper, Captain presided.

The Minutes of the Handicap, House and Greens Committees were read and signed.

The Minutes of the General Committee Meeting held January 13<sup>th</sup> were agreed and in business arising reference was made to the Special Meeting relating to the proposal for a Mixed-room.

Regarding the Budget Statement given by Mr Butlin at the last Meeting Mr Firth asked whether it would be possible for Mr Butlin to refer to him on this matter as, due to Mr Firth's absence from the last Meeting, he would like to raise one or two points with Mr Butlin. The Captain is to ask the Treasurer to speak to Mr Firth in this connection.

Correspondence: - A letter was read from the Ladies' Committee enquiring whether the old Piano can be moved from the landing and Mr P Jones is to be approached for advice on this matter.

Accounts: - Mr Butlin was absent from the Meeting apparently due to a misunderstanding and it was agreed that the Captain should pass the Accounts with him.

Resignations: - The following resignations were received: -

Playing: - Mr & Mrs H S Colls, Mr C Pickering, Mr N Holden.

Social: - Mr G W Page, Mrs J Costello.

Mr J Costello applied for a transfer from Provisional to Social Membership.

The resignations were accepted with regret and the transfer approved.

Applications for Full Membership were received from Mr Lees Marland, 6 Morley Street, Oldham, proposed by Mr Rawle and seconded by Mr Greenhough and Mr E H D Smith, "Brentwood" Mottram Road, Stalybridge, proposed by Mr J H Chidlaw and seconded by Mr J T Chidlaw. A ballot took place and the applications were accepted. Due to the lateness in the Season the membership is to date from March 25<sup>th</sup> 1955 in each case.

The following matters came up under any other business: -

The Captain proposed a Potato Pie Supper on Friday March 11<sup>th</sup>. Permission was given to the Social Committee. A bar extension to 11.30 p.m. to be applied for.

Mr C Pickering had applied for the use of the Club for a party for his friends on March 3<sup>rd</sup> prior to leaving Ashton. This was approved.

Mr Cawthron is to order 4 dozen packs of cards from Boardmans at 18/- per dozen.

The Secretary is to speak to Mr T Fish regarding the Lounge windows and the use of Atomic Strip.

Signed.

F Cooper

17 March 1955.