

The Bognor Club Minutes of the Meeting Wednesday 5th March 2025

Present: Jenny Bartlett; Mark Gregory; Simon Wigan. Also present Dagon Fitzwilliam from Burgess Furniture

- Apologies Janice Crockett; Pam Cook, Silvia Turley, Dinah Honey, Ian Mackay & Lesley Simmons. There wasn't a quorum but the Committee members present went ahead with an informal discussion.
- Matters Arising **Trophy Boards**
Work is now underway and several boards have been removed from the Club for updating. Thanks to Ian for actioning this.
- Fire Risk Assessment**
This is an annual mandatory requirement and we will be requesting that this is carried out by our existing contractor (LS/MG).
- Sims Pairs and Eve Fryer Competitions**
The Sims Pairs event is scheduled for Thursday 6th March. Having just 5 tables is disappointing.
Eve Fryer is to take place on Sunday April 6th at 2pm. It is a Hi-Lo event using your NGS grading to create a level playing field for each partnership. More details to follow.
- Committee Matters**
Robin McCaughan has resigned from the committee. We would like to thank Robin for his support as a committee member.
Simon Wigan has joined the committee to represent the snooker section. Simon has several refreshing ideas to boost the involvement of snooker players. He is looking to contact the members to introduce himself and has volunteered to undertake the internal monthly Health & Safety checklist. (MG to send SW the template)
- Treasurers Report Bank balances are largely static and remain healthy. Part of our deposit with Cambridge & Counties Bank matures on March 25th. (MG to advise renewal rates/terms when received)
- Webmaster Matters Nothing was discussed. The Member's Questionnaire is still in development. (ST action)
- Refreshments Janice has recommended that some prices are increased as prices in the supermarkets have increased over the last 24 months. Some discussion took place on the range of items we stock. (To be discussed MG, LS and JC)
- Welfare Rob Hedgecock advised that his father John Hedgecock, a former Club member, passed away last month. May he Rest in Peace.
- Membership Several Monday PM players have re-joined the Club. The Snooker section continues to attract new members.
- Bridge Chichester Bridge Club have been in contact regarding inter-club liaison events. Currently they have received positive views from Hayling Island, Petersfield, Horsham and Bognor. We await updates.

AOB -Chairs We arranged for Dagon Fitzwiliam from Burgess Furniture to visit with samples of the chairs we are interested in. This allowed a more informed decision on the chair type, width, fabric colour and frame colour. Based on our table numbers & discussions with hirers of our premises it is felt that 32 chairs with arms will be sufficient.

New Payment System This was not discussed. Although several members were happy to operate the new payment terminals there are not sufficient numbers to ensure willing operators for all bridge sessions.

Next Meeting Wednesday April 16th at 09:45.