

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WELLINGBOROUGH HATTON  
BUSINESS DISCUSSION MEETING  
HELD AT  
WELLINGBOROUGH GOLF CLUB  
ON  
TUESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2019

### **Introduction**

This meeting was scheduled as a follow-on meeting from the previous Business Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Fifteen members were present, namely: President Richard Brooks, David Cernik, Nigel Cheetham, Duncan Forbes, Tony Frankland, Nigel Grimmitt, Trevor Handcock, George Hodgson, Paul James, Bill Layram, Dick Parsley, Dennis Randall, David Smith, Alan Waller and Derek Wingrave.

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the meetings held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April were reviewed. Acceptance was proposed by Derek Wingrave, seconded by Nigel Cheetham and agreed unanimously.

### **Fun Day**

President Richard and David Smith briefed the meeting that plans for the event on 1<sup>st</sup> June were progressing well. Duncan confirmed that the helper list for the flyer distribution in the town centre on 25<sup>th</sup> May was fully covered.

There were some 35 stalls booked with some late entries expected. There would be a self-sufficient dog show and entertainment centred on the band stand with 7 acts performing. Set-up would begin at 9am and the event would be open to the public from 1 to 6pm. Members help was needed throughout that time.

The new roadside banners were in place with some sponsor logos shown. The sponsor income covered the cost of the banners.

A bucket collection would be taken in lieu of programme sales. Duncan proposed that this portion of the income should be donated to the Isebrook Hospital collection and seconded by Alan Waller. After discussion the proposal was agreed voting 12 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions.

Members asked Tony to re-send the Isebrook wish list.

### **Friends of Wellingborough Hatton**

President Richard and Incoming President Nigel along with Tony had met informally with the 'Friends'

There was a firm wish of the other members also to meet the group (and the group to meet the club) soon and it was suggested that such a meeting could be part of a partners evening. President Richard said that he would return to that suggestion later in the meeting.

## **European Rally 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> June**

Tony briefed members on the present state of planning for the rally entry and the recent changes. The original 5 involved had reduced to 3 travelling and one remaining in the UK as the publicity link. The original car offered had been withdrawn but a replacement had been found tested and bought for £450.

Procedural differences had resulted in the entry being withdrawn from the Rust Bucket Rally and the trio would now cover a similar route but independent of the other participants. The money raised would still be donated to the Isebrook Hospital. Members were encouraged to contribute via the Just Giving arrangement already in place.

Tony reiterated that the activity would be at no financial risk to Wellingborough Hatton and that insurance was in place independently. As previously agreed, the monies raised was being banked by Treasurer David.

## **Club Charter Night – 11<sup>th</sup> June**

President Richard stated that his preference was to hold a low-key and relaxed Charter event at the Golf Club. The details:

- Dress: Lounge Suit or equivalent
- Partners invited (on the usual double apology/pay basis)
- The Friends of Hatton to be invited as guests of the club
- One speaker – Anita Smith, speaking about Bansang Hospital
- Normal price

## **Membership Resignation**

President Richard advised the members that he had received the resignation of Andrew Wainwright stating that a clash of other interests as the cause. He stated that he would like to remain a Friend of Hatton and continue to support events and in particular the Burdwall Golf Day. Andrew was not averse to re-joining at some point in the future should his interest clash be resolved.

## **Arrangements with the Wellingborough Golf Club (WGC)**

President Richard outline the communication he had with the General Manager regarding the WGC Board decision to impose a minimum number of covers to pay at each meeting. An initial 18 in number had been reduced to 16 but the start date of 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019 was immovable.

Derek proposed that since there was little choice in the short-term that these terms be accepted into Rotary year 2019-20 whilst being closely monitored by secretary and treasurer. Any 'penalty' costs should come from the club general account. An early warning would need be given if the additional costs became too high. Any high spends might result in an increase in subscription for a later year.

The proposal was seconded by George Hodgson and voted 12 for, 1 against and 2 abstentions (the members having left the meeting before the vote was taken).

**Secretary Vacancy**

Before the meeting closed Derek advised (to general acclaim and much to the relief of the temporary acting scribe) that after careful consideration he was prepared to resume the role of club secretary.

**Meeting Closure**

The meeting closed with the under-cover temporary SAA Nigel Grimmitt extracting small sums from some of those present.

Signed: .....  
President

Date: .....