**Royal Wootton Bassett Pétanque Club. Issue 3 - 2021**

There have been a few actions followed through since the last newsletter so I thought an update might help.

**Site Development**

Several tasks have been carried out …

1. Add some gravel to the piste – Done
2. Killing weeds - Done
3. Put some hooks along the fence – Done

Items to action….

1. Install external light on shed
2. RWBSA have given the OK to use the area behind the Council compound so if anyone is able to build a gate or has one to donate, please let me know.
3. We are looking to purchase a second-hand fridge or better fridge-freezer.

If you think of others let me or other committee members know.

**Club Development**

We are keeping the booking system in place at present until we have a clearer picture of lockdown easing.

Tuesday 10:00 and 19:00

Wednesday 17:00 Junior coaching

Friday 10:00

Saturday 10:00

Lee is considering some adult coaching sessions.

We want to promote the club locally and both increase membership and seek out sponsors, so if you have any ideas, please put them forward.

**Competitions**

The Cotswold League has started with one team winning their first game and the second team play tonight.

Sherston has been cancelled but we are holding some competitions at the club.

Ladies open doubles – 1st August – notice to follow next week.

Club melee – 19th Sept (provisional date)

**Fundraising**

We have started some fundraising ideas…

1. Purchased a boiler for tea/coffee sales at competitions.
2. Wine draw – don’t forget your £1
3. Easy fundraising is set up. This where retail companies make a donation to the club when online purchases are made through their site. There is no cost to the individual and will be an easy income stream. This has already generated over £6.00.

Others to be followed up are…..

1. Purchase of a fridge/freezer for the sale of cold drinks and ice cream. (If you have one spare let me know)
2. Quiz night in the autumn
3. Set up of a 50/100 club.

With any event there is a need for someone to take responsibility to run them so if you are keen to do so please let me or Jacquii know.

With any fundraising there needs to be a target for the money, I have a few ideas but would welcome more and I think we should also look to raise funds for nominated charities.

**RWBSA**

Please use them as much as possible when available. The RWBSA AGM has been moved and is now on Tuesday 20th July at 8.00 pm, please attend if you can.

Can I remind everyone to follow the correct traffic flow and not to drive round the cones or the wrong way at the roundabout.

**Club Clothing**

I have placed the order for club clothing but only 2 items are ready as the company is waiting delivery of the rest. I would like someone to take on responsibility for this role in the future. It is only a once or twice a year job.

Prices for this year are as follows:-

LV550 Fleece - £24.50

RG422 Softshell - £41

RG421 Waterproof - £47.50

RS214 Gilet - £22

LV370 Polo Shirt - £17.50

If anyone would like any clothing, please let me know.

**Other Business**

We are planning to hold our AGM on 23rd July at Friday lunchtime to include a light lunch but this will depend on lockdown easing.

Unfortunately, Bill is no longer able to take on the role of treasurer and so we are looking for a volunteer.

Any club can only run with a team of volunteers and if anyone is interested on joining the committee please let me know.

I feel we are under-represented on the GWR committee and myself and Andrew will be putting our names forward.

If you have any suggestions or ideas for the club, I would be particularly interested to know if there are any playing sessions/ competitions / coaching etc that you think the club should arrange.

Alan

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