

Notes from a Meeting of the Cromwell Probus (Luncheon) Club Held on 15 March 2022

1. The Meeting was opened by Peter Baker with the following in attendance:

Gordon Steptoe
Chris Leah
Ros Townsend
Roger Bruce (Ex Officio)
Dave Mack (Sec/Admin)

2. Prior to the Meeting and by email the Group had agreed (using e-banking when set up) to refund Admin for the cost of the pen presented to Roger on his retirement as Treasurer and to refund Alf for his expenses prior to his retirement as Secretary.

3. SG Meeting Expenses. It was agreed the residual funds would cover the expenses for Tea/Coffee for the SG Meeting. Admin will pay it and claim it back every 3 months or so against receipts using Bank Transfer when set up.

4. E-Banking – Progress. Admin confirmed that the application form had been submitted on 17th Feb 22 and Roger confirmed that it had been received by the Bank BUT there are issues with the number of signatories requested as well as completion of the Form Para 1.1.

Admin agreed to contact the Bank and resolve to get e-banking up and running asap.

5. Lunch Hosts. It had been agreed in the distant past that the person hosting the Lunch did not need to be the Chair of the SG. It was agreed that this person would be called the Lunch HOST. This would open up involvement opportunities to a wider range of diners just as the 5 min talks are achieving. Anyone interested should approach the SG Chair (Peter) or Admin (Dave) with a suitable month.

6. 5-Min Speakers. This list is maintained by Admin who it was agreed would continue to actively engage with diners to obtain volunteers. To date Speakers are for Mar: John Rolfe; April: Peter Horrocks; May: Peter Ringrose; June: Peter Baker & Gordon Steptoe. Doreen Steptoe has also volunteered so Admin will find a convenient date for our first lady speaker after June.

7. Payment of Subsidy and Service Charge to Slepe Hall. Admin explained that he had arranged with Slepe Hall Management the methods of paying these 2 via e-banking using different references to avoid confusion.

8. Current Membership List. It was agreed to send Lunch Invitations to all listed members until they request Lunch@ not to do so as some already had.

9. Lunch Letter/Email. It was agreed to amend the Lunch Choices Letter/Email to let partners/spouses know that they are welcome to attend in their own right with guests even if their partner/spouse is unable to do so and to let us know if a different email address would suit better.

10. Queen's Jubilee Lunch on 16th June. Whilst details of this special 3 course lunch have yet to be finalised, it was agreed that we would welcome any royal 'dress-sense' (Red White Blue for example) that would reflect Her Majesty's patriotic service to us all.

11. Old Club Assets. Peter Baker was still in talks with the Norris Museum on the disposal of old Club Assets and would report back on those now that photos of them were available.

- Bowls Cup. – Peter Baker advised that Peter Ringrose would investigate the whereabouts.
- The Snooker Trophy would be presented to the last winner at the March Lunch and the Bowls Lapel pin to a deserving member.
- The disposal of 2 ties and 2 Probus lapel pins to be decided by the Chair.
- The disposal of 5 Past President medals to be determined at a later date.

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