



Social Club AGM Report 2019

Social Club

2019 has once again proved to be profitable for both club and village hall. The events planned and unplanned have been well received and supported. We look forward to 2020 events being equally if not more successful.

The social club continues to work hand in hand with the hall committee to ensure that the facilities are used to benefit all.

I would like to thank all committee members and volunteers for their support and hard work. It should be recognised that Hall and Club achievements would not be possible without the commitment and support of the committees and volunteers who give up their time throughout the year.

I too wish to pay tribute to our bar team who have given 100% especially at the large functions when they have been truly tested to supply our customers' needs notably at the New Year's Eve event.

The joint committee consisting of representation of the Trustees, Village Hall, Social Club, Hug a Mug and Social Club members meets regularly to discuss events and operational issues, all decisions being determined by vote. Members are welcome to attend.

We as volunteers have the community's interests at heart and would welcome others to participate in the running of both club and hall, as it is after all said and done a "community hall", those interested should contact Hall Office.

Membership

Membership numbers have grown in 2019 and we look forward to members renewals ongoing and during February going forward. The cost will remain at £5.00.

I take this opportunity to remind members that the club has rules to which we expect they adhere to. We operate as a social club and welcome children but emphasise that it is the parent's responsibility to ensure the children behave socially with consideration to other members.



Finances

Paul will be giving an overview of the club's finances in a separate statement, I thank him for his continued support also to Kerry and Sue in managing the accounts, stocks and bar team.

The membership funds stand at £6,525 and over the last few weeks notices have been posted to enquire what the members may wish to spend for the benefit of the Club.

The following items have been proposed for Membership fund expense in 2020 and are seen as a benefit (read as per list).

Purchase of some more seating for Clubroom Shared with LVH

Part funding of the NYE Casino (as you can imagine all entertainment fees are hiked up)

Part funding of clubroom redecoration

Recover the pool table

Does anyone present has any suggestions

Staffing

The Social Club has seven on the team of bar staff, and it should be recognised that they, as mentioned, have become an integral part of the club offering a welcome and good service to all. Thanks to Sue Sturman who has now organises the staff rotas and Committee cover plan.

Club Room is open from Tuesday to Friday evenings as well as the regular advertised weekend times. Our intention remains to encourage use as a regular meeting and drinking venue. We are looking again to provide a selection of fun evenings such as wine and food events, karaoke, live music, darts, quizzes, not to forget the Sunday BBQ's when weather permits. As the MUGA lettings increase it is hoped that users will, if not yet members, join and benefit from using the club during and after events. The outside area will again with picnic benches be a great benefit in fair weather.

As well as our successful Darts team and Petanque Team we welcomed two groups who are in the local pool leagues.



Hall Events

The Social Club is as ever committed to supporting the Hall functions, Weddings, Christenings, Funerals, Dances and parties. These events ensure bar takings are bolstered by event users over the year and long may they continue.

The use of the Clubroom during the mornings for the Hug A Mug Cafe team has proven to be a great success, providing additional income for the Village Hall and is a great community hub.

Forthcoming events are planned for the year, this will include the regular Ceilidh, Race Night, Quiz Nights, BBQ's and of course another Easter extravaganza celebration.

This time last year Jim Marshall stood down as Chairperson effective following the AGM and the challenge of Chair was taken on by Clare Searby. Sadly, Clare left us recently, we thank her for all her hard work, she was an excellent ambassador, event organiser and bar team member and we wish her well in her future endeavours.

The present Social Club committee consists of Jim Marshall (secretary), Paul Sheldrake (Chairperson), Sam Bethell, Carl Johnson, Caroline Holmes, Nigel Holmes (treasurer), Sue Hewitt, Phil Barnes

Also regular attendances at meetings by Trustees and Village Hall committee and members Richard Bethell, Brian Whiskin, Ben Bethell, Steve D'Souza, Kerry Sturman, Janet Marshall.

I now would like to ask these committee members to declare if they are able to continue with the commitment and also ask if anyone present wishes to participate.

Any questions or comments from the floor?

Jim Marshall
Social Club Secretary
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