

Minutes of the Friends of Thamesmead Meeting
Monday 16th September 2019 at 7pm

Present

Sara Hamer SH (Chair)
Garry Court GC (Treasurer)

Apologies

Candida Brook (secretary)
Tracy Harris
Tracey Bannister
Aileen Armstrong
Phil Hamer
Fiona Fletcher
Jo Palmer

200 Club Bank Account

GC has recently taken over the management of the 200 club and its bank account. Having no previous bank statements to refer to and limited details of the scheme's participants, GA has been working to get the scheme administration up to date.

GA met with Peter Wicking, NatWest Bank Relationship Manager and has managed to get all the historical signatories changed over.

Removed signatories: Hazel Croft, Lilley Deere and Nicola Jenkins.

Added signatories: Garry Court, Sara Hamer and Amanda Irwin.

A cheque book has been ordered so the winners can be paid directly from the 200 Club bank account instead of the main Friends of Thamesmead account.

GA has noticed that there is a £6 monthly bank charge on the account which he will discuss with the bank.

200 Club Revamp

GA and SH had previously met to discuss revamping and remarketing the 200 Club in order to increase its popularity and make a profit instead of a loss.

The new format details are attached with these minutes. The basic premise is that it costs £24 per year per number to join and the monthly prizes will be a percentage of the income rather than a fixed amount. Therefore, the more participants, the higher the winnings. 1st prize will be 30% of the total monthly income and 2nd prize will be 20% of the total monthly income. The remaining 50% will go into our donations to the school.

The annual prizes, drawn in July will be £200 1st prize and £100 2nd prize.

Upcoming Events

Friday 4th October - Quiz Night. 4 team entered so far via the new online registration set up by SH. Expecting at least 8 teams, hopefully more. **We will need at least 4 volunteers** for the evening to help with the games and bar. The alcohol licence has been applied for.

Thursday 14th November - Rotary Club Performing Arts Show. Event being held at Halliford School but Thamesmead Performing Arts department are performing. GC and Irina have volunteered to run this bar. Mandy Irwin will notify of expected number of parents based on ticket sales so **we may need more helpers**. SH may also be available. **Who is arranging the alcohol licence?**

Thursday 21st November – Year 11 Leavers Presentation Evening. GC and SH available. **We will need a minimum of 6 more volunteers** for the evening to help cook and serve hot nibbles and soft drinks.

Carol Concert - Date TBA December 2019

Spring Show – 24th, 25th and 26th March 2020

Quiz Night – in May 2020 – date TBA

Shepperton Fair – Saturday 13th June 2020

AOB

- It was agreed that we need to replace the gazebo. GC has looked into it and has a possibility of buying a second hand one (used only once) from a colleague. Alternatively, then same gazebo new would be around £350.
- SH has been asked to provide a generic Risk Assessment for our refreshment stand activities to the school.

Meeting closed at 7.50pm