

Minutes of the New Forest Hounds Executive Committee Meeting held on Monday 19th October 2020 by phone and video conferencing.

PRESENT

Pam Baker Chair
 Andrew Hollins- Honorary Treasurer
 Graham Ferris - Joint Master
 Carol Lovell -Joint Master
 Paul Ames
 Piers Fitzwilliam
 Judy Sharrock
 Penny Rendle
 Tim Goldfinch
 Tina Bick
 Mike Squibb

1. Apologies	Alan Brown Caroline House and Sonia Waite.
2 . Minutes of the previous meeting	Agreed
3. Matters Arising	The gutters at Kennels have been cleared and the drain problem resolved.
4. Deaths and Resignations	None.
5. Premises	<p>Mast Deal PW Lease is almost agreed. There is a minor restriction on the use of kennels I.e that consent from EE needed to build something over 15 m high within 50 m of the mast. Trees are excluded.</p> <p>PW to draft a briefing document for the Exec and Trustees. Members will need to be given full details of the proposed deal and an opportunity to raise questions. GF said it was important that all members got the full information re the mast lease.</p>
	Agenda to be sent out for Hunt Club meeting with the mast briefing. AH, also need Club approval of the financial statements.
6.Trust and Trustees update	Not discussed
7. Treasurer's Report by AH	<p>Key points are that September income was better than budget from riding subscriptions, flesh round and Hunt Ball funds. October is looking OK because of expected income from events.</p> <p>Executive Committee approval given for 10K of current cash to be transferred to 30 day savings account.</p>

8. Licence Update	A licence was signed this morning but only until 31 December 20. FE are in the middle of a review of certain habitats. The licence has a limit of 30 and there will be stricter monitoring from FE of the licence. Hunting days in the licence are Tuesdays and Fridays. There are two new exclusion areas, Ledenhall and Scrape Bottom.
	<p>Practical Issues on a Hunt Day</p> <p>Non mounted followers must be asked to avoid the Meet so maximum of 30 people requirement is not infringed. MFHA want hunts to keep as low a profile as possible so Ratcatcher to be worn. WD questioned whether Trail Layers were included with the 30 people. MS proposed a we have a back up plan for day sheets if AB is unable to produce. The required Covid Officers will be as follows; PR dealing with Track and Trace, AB for the foot followers and GF for mounted followers when he is riding. CL to be Field Master</p> <p>WD- Trail layers must book in with PR</p> <p>The only car passes will be to AB and PR. There will probably be no second horse rider. Assumption is that PR will bring second horse to the Huntsman.</p>
9. Masters Report including hounds.	Hounds are going well off the Forest.
10. Horses	Horses are both sound and well.
11.AOB	<p>Loans Scheme AH AH wishes to tidy up Loan Schemes which have been in place since 2003. Some counterparts have dies. Those remaining will be offered the choice of repayment or writing off the Hunt's liability.</p>
	<p>200 Club. AH has checked and there is no legal issue with running the 200 club. PA says that it is primarily a Dinner Club and no interest from younger people to join or any success in attracting other new members. Various types of 200 Clubs were discussed. Examples to be circulated.</p>
	<p>Michael's £500 bonus</p> <p>Agreed that this would be paid at the end of October.</p>
	<p>Supporters Club</p> <p>SC to chase people re the £3000 from sale of Hunt Ball tickets still with the Supporters Club to determine how much is to be repaid and how much can go to Hunt funds. Rachel Garrett is now Chairman and it was agreed that she should be invited on the the Executive Committee.</p>
	<p>Point to Point Discussions are continuing with Larkhill over next years P2P. We have currently been offered the 28th Feb 21.</p>

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