

**12 January 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

D Saunders

G Hyde

## ACTION

1	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>Gary had done all the jobs which needed attention before Christmas. MG will ask him to check the floodlights which are supposed to come on automatically.</p> <p>We have £1,000 from the Parish Council to put towards the cost of the car park. Keith said again that Lea Sports would prefer to offset the costs against labour. It will cost in the region of £3,000 – agreed to carry this forward as Gary has the quotes.</p> <p>Ed wondered if there were any grants available and Keith offered to look into this. We could possibly approach the FA for sports grants.</p>	<p>MG</p> <p>c/f</p> <p>KL</p>
2	<p><b>Committee Members Reports</b></p> <p><b>Tennis Section</b> - Ed reported that there had been little usage of the MUGA due to the weather. The committee met before Christmas to discuss revised charges for this year. It was thought that £60 and £95 for a couple may be too high so these may be reduced. They will contact all members re membership renewal from 1 April, revised charges and reducing subs for juniors. Following this they will decide on the percentage to go to the Sports &amp; Social Club. They would like to keep some money back, however, to pay for new equipment etc.</p> <p>Ed will pass the minutes of this meeting on to Rosemary.</p> <p>Re the tokens, more are needed in circulation and Dibby will pass some over to Ed. Ed will also speak to Chris Stimson or Graeme Low.</p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - Keith said that the Scouts were using the pitch on Saturday morning and Lea Sports had not been informed. They have not made arrangements through the Sports and Social Club either. Rosemary will write to them to ask them in future to liaise with the club and let Keith know by telephone on 01582 726692. We also need to know who their keyholder is.</p> <p>Sam Davies was contacted re the junior team using the pitch but there has not been any response as yet.</p> <p>Lea Sports have been given a 'Fair Play' award from Luton News.</p> <p>The under 15s will continue to the end of the year but probably not beyond and this will badly affect Lea Sports revenue</p>	<p>EC</p> <p>DS EC</p>

	<p><b>Bar</b> - Dibby reported ticking over as usual. £1,400 roughly from over Christmas. More band nights would be good as they are a money spinner. The Burns Night is coming up on 24 January at the Village Hall and we are running the bar. He needs someone between 7.00 and 8.00pm.</p> <p><b>Bookings</b> - There are a few bookings coming in. New Year's Eve was not particularly good.</p>	
<b>3</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Christ Stimson may be able to take over as Chairman in February.</p> <p>Dibby suggested again that we write to everyone we can think of who has had an interest in the past, or shown an interest, in the Club to see if they would be willing to come to a meeting to discuss how it can be taken forward. We also need to put something in the magazine for next month. Dibby will draft out a letter and Rosemary will get it out to anyone we can think of.</p> <p>Names suggested were: Andrew Sparks, Lorna and Dennis Sexton, Chris Stimson, Neil Frost, Nick Sheridan, Tom Gammell, Graeme Low, Judy O'Donnell, Kate Leafhead, Ted Hollingdale, Steve Smith, Rosie Hamilton-McLeod, Carol Brown, Brian Somerville and Dick Woodward</p> <p>Another Welcome Evening might also attract more people, Rosemary will suggest this at the next PCC meeting as its a Church organised event.</p> <p>Keith mentioned that heating was a problem on Sundays in the winter. If it was warmer, people might stay on longer. Mick will ask Gary for advice.</p> <p>Ed queried insurance for the MUGA and also for Bonfire Night. There was a lot of clearing up to do after the last Bonfire Night and there is still a lot of debris lying around. Mick, Keith and Ed will clear this up but next time it must be pointed out to anyone other than the Club who runs the event that clearing up afterwards must be organised.</p> <p>The Parish Council had received a complaint about fly tipping. In actual fact, Mick had been tipping top soil onto the mound intended eventually for seating for the tennis courts. He had thought it also could be used when work can begin on the new car park. This had not been ratified by the committee and permission should have been sought from the Parish Council. Mick apologised and agreed it had been an error of judgment on his part.</p> <p>Rabbits - The rabbits are a big problem on the pitches, the junior pitch particularly. The cricket club will put a mini fence around the cricket square and there is a programme of work to clear the ditches and then exterminate the rabbits.</p>	<p><b>DS/RM</b></p> <p><b>RM</b></p> <p><b>MG</b></p> <p><b>PB</b></p> <p><b>MG/KL/EC</b></p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Date of the Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Next Meeting - Monday, 9 February, at 8.00pm</p>	

Chairman

c.c. Diane Bailey, Parish Council

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting on Monday.**  
**9 February 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:** P Bidgood  
E Cree  
M Goddard – Chairman  
G Hyde  
K Lee  
R Manders  
C Saunders  
D Saunders

**Apologies:** None

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1	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>Correction to previous minutes, Gary had not had chance to do all the jobs which needed attention before Christmas.</p>	GH																
2	<p><b>Committee Members Reports</b></p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> - Peter said things were ticking over nicely and passed round the up to date financial statement to the end of January 2004. Ed passed over some money from the Tennis Section for the MUGA.</p> <p><b>Bar</b> - Dibby reported ticking over as usual.</p> <p><b>Tennis Section</b> - Ed said his committee had agreed the revised membership subscriptions for existing members as follows:</p> <table><tr><td>Single</td><td>£35.00 per annum</td></tr><tr><td>Couple</td><td>£55.00 per annum</td></tr><tr><td>Attached Junior</td><td>£7.50 per annum</td></tr><tr><td>Unattached Junior</td><td>£10.00 per annum</td></tr></table> <p>The one off joining fee to be set as follows:</p> <table><tr><td>Single</td><td>£10.00</td></tr><tr><td>Couple</td><td>£15.00</td></tr><tr><td>Attached Junior</td><td>£5.00</td></tr><tr><td>Unattached Junior</td><td>£7.50</td></tr></table> <p>The fees have been dropped to encourage interest and to hold on to the existing membership. A letter to this effect will go out in April.</p> <p>More tokens are still needed in circulation and Gary will sort this out.</p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - Keith said that there will probably be an under 11s team joining next year.</p> <p>The goals have been moved as requested and a notice has been put up in the showers requesting footballers not to wash their boots there.</p> <p>There was a suggestion that we hire a skip for the end of March to clear out the shed. Gary said this would cost around £115 cash. Carry forward.</p>	Single	£35.00 per annum	Couple	£55.00 per annum	Attached Junior	£7.50 per annum	Unattached Junior	£10.00 per annum	Single	£10.00	Couple	£15.00	Attached Junior	£5.00	Unattached Junior	£7.50	GH   
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	<p><b>Maintenance</b> - Gary has a list of stuff to do and this is in hand. He has two quotes for the car park with a third one coming.</p> <p>Theres a leak in the changing rooms and another padlock is needed for the MUGA. Ed said it didn't get pinched so often when there was a code, agreed to set this as 987 for February and Ed will set it up.</p> <p>Christine and Gary felt that we need to concentrate on improvements as this would encourage more people to hire the club. Christine said it might be a good idea to ask for another loan from the brewery to pay for a new carpet and flooring for a dance floor. We could also paint a few areas to freshen the place up and possibly improve the look of one of the changing rooms to use as a cloakroom for hirers. We need blinds to screen off the TV and could possibly increase the hire charge as this has not gone up for some time.</p> <p>We also need a new cooker, a heater and shingle for the car park. A ramp at the entrance door may help stop some of the water and mud which gathers near the door when its wet.</p> <p>The bar area needs a face lift - mirrors of some sort at the back on the walls would improve the look, also vinyl flooring round the edge of the bar area.</p> <p>Benches outside would need bolting down and tubs with spiky plants would give the place a face lift.</p> <p>Gary will price up what we want to do then we can decide how much money we can spend and on what.</p> <p>In the meantime we will get rid of the gaming machine – Mick will organise this.</p>	<p><b>GH</b></p> <p><b>EC</b></p> <p><b>GH</b></p> <p><b>MG</b></p>
<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Still need a container for the nets, sponsorship may be a possibility.</p> <p>The Parish Council need to know contents of club for insurance purposes.</p>	
<p><b>4</b></p>	<p><b>Date of the Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Next Meeting - Wednesday, 17 March, at 8.00pm</p>	

Chairman

c.c. Diane Bailey, Parish Council

*P. Biedford*  
**Present:** M Goddard - Chairman  
G Hyde  
K Lee  
R Manders  
Saunders

Matters Arising		ACTION
1.	Mick welcomed the two new members Martin and Paul to the meeting.	
2	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b> - Peter passed round the accounts which showed a deficit which is because of the final payment for the MUGA. The tennis section loan has been re-paid. The Courts account is a contingency fund for the upkeep of the MUGA. Peter made the point that its difficult to control the use of the courts – once the combination is known virtually anyone can get in.</p> <p>We need an AGM, probably in early June</p> <p><b>Tennis Section</b> - Ed is moving from the village so we will need a replacement from the tennis section to replace him on the committee.</p> <p>Martin pointed out that we could possibly get a grant from the Lawn Tennis Club to provide coaches to help people improve their game. If Ed has time perhaps he could look into this.</p> <p><b>Maintenance</b> - Gary reported that the PIR light should be working. The small lights round the beams in the clubhouse which were donated to us have been checked out and are safe.</p> <p>Gary had also done a list of costings for improvements to the club – this will be carried over to the next meeting when we have more time.</p> <p>Mick said the Parish Council have promised us £1,000. We could allocate £500 of this for the shingle for the car park. This problem can probably be left until late summer.</p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - Keith said the youth team had requested an area to change and perhaps they could partition off one of the sheds. Agreed we need to see costings for this. Martin suggested finding a team who need somewhere to play or a youth side who could hire the place for training.</p> <p>Maybe we could apply for lottery funding for portable lights.</p>	<p><b>Tennis Section</b></p> <p><b>EC</b></p> <p><b>c/f</b></p> <p><b>KL</b></p>

	One of the pitch rollers has rotted through and needs replacing. Unfortunately they are expensive to buy, around £300. Keith will provide some costings.  <b>Bar</b> - Dibby reported that the bar is ticking over as usual.	<b>KL</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>  Monday, 19 April and 8.00pm	

The meeting closed at 10.40pm

Chairman

M. GODRANS

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 19 April at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:** P Bidgood - Treasurer  
M Bowen  
M Goddard - Chairman  
R Manders  
D Saunders  
P Turnbull

**Apologies:** G Hyde

**New Member:** A Quelch

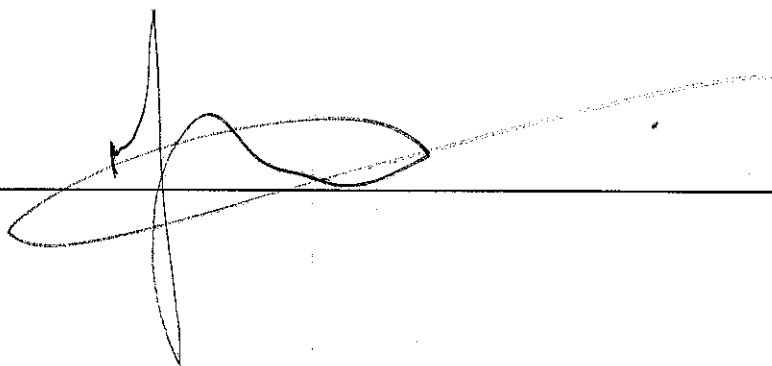
**Attendee:** J Charlesworth

**ACTION**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b>  These were agreed and signed.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>  Joe reported that since the Special Meeting a Social Committee comprising of 5 members had met. (Minutes attached) They intend to run 4 events throughout the year, the first being a barbecue. Joe checked out the dates suggested to make sure they weren't booked already.  Peter asked about the cost and whether it would be self financing. Joe said the PSA may be running the barbecue and asked if the Club would pay for the bouncy castle. There will be a games night which will be self financing.  Joe was thanked for coming to report and was asked to pass our thanks on to the committee.  Ted Hollingdale has volunteered to advertise the Friday nights as a family night.  Marie Freeman's suggestion for a student night might not work as there might be problems with under-age drinking. However, Ted could possibly encourage a band night.  Decided to leave the Lea Sports bar volunteers until the football season starts again. The private functions are a problem and need to be re-generated.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> - Peter handed out the accounts. It looks like we lost £2,000 but we paid for the MUGA. Martin commented on the bar takings falling so much. Functions and football games make the difference. Peter will get the accounts audited.	

	<p><b>Membership Report</b> - Alf Quelch has volunteered to take this section over and will liaise with Steve Bright re the database. He will also get membership cards printed.</p> <p><b>Tennis Section</b> - Unfortunately there was no representative from this section.</p> <p><b>Maintenance</b> - Gary has quotes but since he couldn't attend the meeting it was agreed to carry this forward.</p> <p>Dibby will ask Dud Gentle to look at the carpentry which needs doing and also the taps.</p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - No representative.</p> <p><b>Bar</b> - Dibby reported that the bar is ticking over as usual.</p>	<p><b>AQ</b></p> <p><b>c/f</b></p> <p><b>DS</b></p>
<b>4</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Martin said we need to look into replacing the whole building as a long term plan. Peter said the groundwork had been done re getting lottery grants and Steve Smith had said he would look into this. Agreed Martin will get in touch with Steve.</p> <p>Peter and Mick have re-seeded the mound intended for the tennis viewing area.</p>	<b>MB</b>
<b>5</b>	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday, 17 May and 8.00pm</p>	

Chairman





**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 17 May 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:** P Bidgood - Treasurer  
M Goddard - Chairman  
K Lee  
R Manders  
A Quelch  
D Saunders  
P Turnbull

**Apologies:** M Bowen  
G Hyde

**ACTION**

<b>1.</b>	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b>  These were agreed and signed. .	
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>Joe Charlesworth had dropped off copies of the minutes of the Social Committee meeting (attached). They will need extra help setting up for the Sunday Funday on 20 June. Jo also needs to know whether we have a Public Liability Insurance. Possibly the Parish Council would hold this as the owners of the recreation ground. RM will check with Diane Bailey, the Clerk.</p> <p>There is still no word from the Tennis Section on who is taking over from Ed Cree as their representative on the committee. RM will write to Graeme Low.</p> <p>Dud Gentle has repaired the taps in the Ladies. There is nothing else outstanding at the moment.</p> <p>Mick had had a letter received from Martin Bowen with a leaflet about a conference 'Managing Community Projects' in Colchester. Unfortunately its in the week although it might been useful is someone could have gone.</p>	<p>RM</p> <p>RM</p>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Reports</b></p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - Keith mentioned the external lights being repaired and reminded the committee we had previously discussed getting portable lights. Gary will be asked to get a quote on this as soon as possible and also a quote for getting the present ones repaired. Keith pointed out the fact that all the goal posts had been cleared away and stored behind the tennis courts.</p> <p>Lea Sports are planning to do some work on the changing room in the shed. They want to partition it off to give the younger teams somewhere to change and want to know if they do they work will the Sports &amp; Social Club will go halves. Agreed we would at an estimated cost of £100 for the lot.</p> <p>Lea Sports will be holding their Awards Evening at the Club and also the AGM. The proposed change of name to include Pirton will be put forward at this meeting.</p>	GH

	<p>Keith said that the under-11s are definitely joining next season.</p> <p>Keith enquired about the car park and Mick explained this had been put on hold. We have £1,000 from the Parish Council towards this and Gary has three quotes. Lea Sports are willing to put some money into this if it can be offset against the annual fees.</p> <p>We need to inform the Parish Council that we are looking at the car parking issues and ask for permission to utilise the area between the club house and the play area. The play area gate will need to be moved into the other corner for safety reasons. Work could probably begin in late August andf RM will write and also thank the Parish Council for their support.</p> <p><b>Membership Report</b> - Alf reported progress on the membership front. Numbered membership cards can be done free of charge and a renewal reminder will be sent out every year. He proposed that on presentation of the card a member could get a discount on the price of admission for events. He handed round an explanatory sheet about the Club which he suggested we put through every door in the village. Anyone wishing to join can fill in the tear off slip and hand it in to the Post Office. Agreed to do this.</p> <p>Alf will get in touch with Steve Bright to get the membership database.</p> <p><b>Tennis Section</b> - Unfortunately there is still no representative from this section.</p> <p><b>Maintenance</b> - Gary not present so this report is carried forward.</p> <p><b>Bar</b> - Dibby reported that the bar is ticking over as usual, however, he expressed concern about running outside bars. There are three coming up, the first on 11 June and the others in October. They are good money spinners but he can't do them on his own and its always a problem getting help. We still need to decide whether we are going to get paid help and, if so, from whom. Agreed to put this on next meeting's agenda.</p>	<p>RM</p> <p>AQ</p> <p>cff</p>
4	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Dibby said there had been some vandalism at the weekend and what looked like a potential break-in. A window was broken but this had been repaired.</p> <p>The fruit machine had still not been picked up despite Mick having chased the company. However, we are not paying for it at present.</p>	
5	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday, 14 June and 8.00pm</p>	

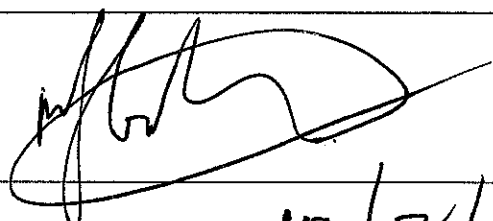
Chairman

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 14 June at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:** M Bowen  
J Butler  
M Goddard  
G Hyde  
R Manders  
D Saunders  
P Turnbull

**Apologies:** K Lee  
P Bidgood

		<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1.</b>	Mick welcomed John Butler, the new Tennis Section representative, to the meeting.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Minutes of the previous Meeting</b>  The Minutes were signed.	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>  Help is needed with the Sunday Fun Day on the bar.  Re the conference in Colchester, Martin may be able to go and the Club will fund the cost of £40.  Re the portable lights, Gary said these were very expensive to replace. The current lights need taking down and are too expensive to repair. The solution may be to put one light at the end of the building and one at the main entrance.  Gary will check the partition in the changing rooms.  Lea Sports agreed the name will be changed to include Pirton, i.e. Lea Sports and Pirton Football Club.	MB  c/f  GH
<b>4.</b>	<b>Committee Reports</b>  Membership – Nothing as Alf not present.  Bar - Dibby said the outside bar on 11 June was successful but he had no assistance  Lea Sports - Nothing as Keith not present  Steve Smith was supposed to be getting plans from an architect on another club house and ideas on how to fund it but we haven't heard anything.	

	<p>Tennis Section - John said the courts need keeping clean and treating to stop the surface getting too messy, they have found someone to do this and are waiting for a quote. He asked if the club would fund this. We originally agreed to maintain the courts with some financial assistance from the tennis section so agreed in principle that we will fund this as far as the budget allows.</p> <p>He also reported that the security fence needs repairing, the locks keeps disappearing (they may issue keys to individual members) and there have been 40 renewals of membership out of 90. The lights are not switching off as they should and some tokens aren't working. Peter will be asked to check to see if the electricity bill has gone up since the courts have been used.</p> <p>Improvements - Martin will speak to Steve Smith re grants.</p>	PB
5.	<p><b>Car Park</b></p> <p>We have had a reply from the Parish Council who want a plan of the proposed alterations - Gary said he has a copy and will pass this to Rosemary to include in the reply letter. They would like the footpath in front of the clubhouse and we could ask them to fund the costs of moving the gate.</p>	GH RM
6.	<p><b>Bar Staff</b></p> <p>RM will ask Lorna Sexton to organise a bar for the Summer Fayre on 10 July.</p> <p>Friday nights are fine but Sundays are not good. Dibby felt we need a bar sub committee with special interest in the bar rota.</p>	RM
7.	<p><b>AGM</b></p> <p>Alan Hartley has agreed to do the accounts and, once we have these we can organise the AGM. September time would be good.</p>	
8.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>The Parish Council raised some issues:</p> <p>There are some bits of posts of the metal fence which are obstructing the mower and we need to look out for these.</p> <p>The ditch is blocked and needs attention and they think its our problem to sort out, we may be able to do this without professional help.</p> <p>4 or 5 trees are dying at the edge of the pitch since we took down the 3 poplar trees to put in the MUGA. We need to replace these with suitable trees and Lime trees were suggested. Agreed to purchase these after Mick has found out the cost.</p>	MG
9.	<p><b>Date of the Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday, 19 July 2004.</p> 	

19/7/04

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 19 July 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:** P Bidgood - Treasurer A Quelch  
M Goddard - Chairman D Saunders  
G Hyde P Turnbull  
R Manders

**Absences:** M Bowen K Lee  
J Butler

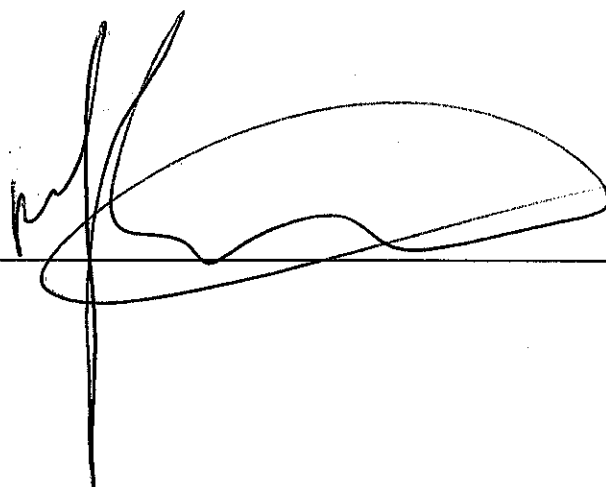
## ACTION

1.	<p><b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>These were agreed and signed. .</p>	
2.	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>Feedback from the Sunday Funday was good.</p> <p>Changing rooms still not completed.</p> <p>Re the culvert, the Parish Council need to look into this, however, Peter will have a word with Andrew Hunter who may know whose responsibility it is to maintain them. He will let Rosemary know once he find out then she will write to Diane Bailey explaining the committee felt it was not our remit and suggesting a contact who may be able to help.</p> <p>Trees - It was agreed its our responsibility as we took the original ones down and Mick had got some prices from Carol Brown. It was agreed we would ask the Parish Council to buy 12/14 at £38 then they can claim the VAT back and we will reimburse them. RM will write and ask them if they will agree to this and also tell them the price of the trees we want.</p> <p>Summer Fayre - Was not a success, basically because nothing was organised. This was due to the fact that a cricket tour coincided with the event and, consequently, very few committee members were around. No band was booked for the evening but, luckily, Lucy, the band who had played in the afternoon, did an evening session to help out - Rosemary will write to Harry Thomson to thank them. It had also been agreed as a thank you that they can practise free at the clubhouse.</p> <p>The bar rota, which had been organised at the last minute, didn't work very well and led to a small core of people doing a very long stint. It should be formally noted that Christine Saunders had been a huge help and the committee formally thanked her. Joe Charlesworth's committee have offered to take this on next year so, hopefully, will organise the bar rota. Shambles have been booked for the Bonfire Night.</p>	<p>PB RM</p> <p>RM</p> <p>RM</p> <p>RM</p>

<p>3.</p>	<p><b>Reports</b></p> <p><b>Membership Report</b> - Alf had a draft membership card which was approximately credit card size. Agreed this was a good idea. Also need to have membership forms behind the bar. There should be a template for the application form in the stuff passed over to Rosemary from Joy Stimson and she will look for this. Alf needs to know the membership before he can set up the database.</p> <p><b>Bar</b> - Dibby reported the bar is fine and there is no need, at the moment, to put up the prices. However, we will need to review prices at some point.</p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> - Peter said we are solvent, the MUGA is paid for. We need to review the affiliation fees for all the sections. The Cricket section need to decide what they will pay and come back with a suggestion to the next meeting.</p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - Keith did not attend so no report. Need to know what nights they want to use the MUGA for training.</p> <p><b>Tennis Section</b> - John did not attend so no report. It was mentioned that Elsa Cree's name is still in the Parish Magazine as the booking secretary and this needs to be changed.</p> <p>RM will write to them to let them know that the £1250 fee is now due on a pro rata basis.</p> <p><b>Maintenance</b> - Gary reported that it would cost £150 for repairing the fence, agreed to do this.</p> <p>There is no lock on the MUGA again. The lock on the cellar which wasn't working is now OK. However, the outside rear door needs a new frame. Agreed to do the work necessary. Benches definitely need replacing but will have to leave this until next year. The MUGA lights are now OK.</p>	<p>RM</p> <p>RM</p> <p>c/f</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p><b>Car Park</b></p> <p>The plans have been sent to the Parish Council and Paul said work is set to go ahead on 3 August - Lea Sports will put the posts up. He has organised the necessary lorry loads of aggregate but needed to know where they were to be dumped. Agreed these should be put at the end of the car park to the left of the pitch. Peter expressed concern about the access road being destroyed again - Paul will supervise the lorries to make sure they don't cause any damage.</p> <p>It was agreed to go ahead with Paul's quote and to ask the Parish Council for their contribution and Lea Sports for their advance of £1,000.</p>	

5	<b>Any Other Business</b>  The AGM needs to be in September.  Bonfire Night needs to be discussed at the next meeting.	
6	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>  Monday, 23 August at 8.00pm	

Chairman

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23/8/04.

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 23 August 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

<b>Present:</b>	J Butler M Goddard - Chairman G Hyde R Manders	A Quelch D Saunders P Turnbull
<b>Apologies:</b>	P Bidgood	
<b>Absences:</b>	M Bowen	K Lee

		ACTION
1.	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b>  These were agreed and signed. .	
2.	<b>Matters Arising</b>  Changing rooms still not completed. Down to Lea Sports.  Fence is in hand to do.  Dud Gentle has repaired the back door frame.  MUGA is OK.  Car park has been done but the contribution from Lea Sports for this has not been received. They agreed to put in the logs marking the car park and this needs doing as a matter of urgency.	Lea Sports
3.	<b>Reports</b>  <b>Treasurer</b> - Peter had sent his apologies and Rosemary reported that he had passed on to her the audited accounts for the AGM.  <b>Tennis Section</b> - John reported that a lock had been put on the MUGA and keys issued to members. It was noted that Gary will need a key. Bren Timson who is not a club member had complained she couldn't use the courts but Graeme Lowe had written to her to explain the position.  Re the subs due, John said that they had received roughly £962 in subs with some yet to come in. They would like to keep some of this back for their own use but could probably hand over £750. We will negotiate once the subs are all collected.  Ed Cree is still continuing to do the bookings but, once this changes, the Section will need to find a replacement and change the magazine and the shop notices.	



	<p><b>Membership Report</b> - Agreed to go ahead with Alf's membership application form.</p> <p><b>Maintenance</b> - Gary reported as follows:</p> <p>Problem with the lock sorted out  Thermostat had been left on which had caused a problem  Electrics need to be looked at  Car park needs another rolling over, possibly the Cricket Club may help – Dibby will sort this out  Mick mentioned he could probably get old telegraph poles to cut down for marking the car park. We would need approximately 5 and he will ring Keith about this.  Now need lighting for the car park both sides and the changing rooms need to be re-connected. Would be better to have an underground cable but this would be very expensive. Gary will check out the cost of one post with two lights facing in both directions.  Dibby mentioned the outside socket isn't working and neither is the beer store light – Gary will check this.  Dud Gentle's bill for £750 seems a bit on the high side, agreed next time to get quotes through Gary.  The car park need another load of hardcore as a matter of urgency. Gary and Mick will look into this.</p> <p>The MUGA needs a sign on it to let people know who to contact for bookings and a key. John will consult the Tennis Section about who whose name should go on it. Paul will see if he can get a roller for half a day if the cricket club can't help.</p> <p>Gate is in hand to be moved by Darren Simmons.  MUGA fencing will be done after the school holidays</p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - Keith did not attend so no report. The Stand needs painting which is the responsibility of Lea Sports, possibly this could be done when they mark out the car park.</p> <p><b>Bar</b> - Dibby said its fine. Took £450 on the Post Office day. Used paid bar staff after 9.00 as no one was available.</p> <p><b>Bookings</b> - There is a Games Night run by the Social Committee booked for Saturday, 11 September and Lorna Sexton has booked the 18 for a party.</p>	<p>DS</p> <p>MG</p> <p>GH</p> <p>GH</p> <p>GH/MG</p> <p>JB</p> <p>PT</p> <p>KL</p>
4.	<p><b>AGM</b></p> <p>To be Monday, 27 September to allow time to get the necessary notification out. Rosemary to check if Peter will be available on that date.</p>	<p>RM</p>
5	<p><b>Bonfire Night</b></p> <p>We need to know if Joe and his committee are organising this and, if so, we need an update on how its progressing and what they want us to do. Rosemary will ring him to ask if a representative can come to the next meeting.</p>	<p>RM</p>

<b>6</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>  A letter had been received from Peter about the condition of the drive after the lorries dumped the loads for the car park. Agreed to pass a copy of this to the Parish Council and ask that they notify their insurers.	<b>RM</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b>  Monday, 27 September at 8.00pm - AGM to be advised	

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Chairman

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 27 September 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:** G Hyde A Muxlow  
K Lee D Saunders  
R Manders

**Apologies:** P Bidgood  
M Goddard - Chairman

**Absences:** M Bowen P Turnbull ✓  
J Butler A Quelch

		ACTION
1.	<b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b>  These could not be agreed and signed as the Chairman was not present.	
2.	<b>Matters Arising</b>  Car Park - After the lorry loads of hard core being put down this needs more rolling. Adrian Muxlow, the Parish Council representative, said if we wanted he could organise a vibrating roller to go over the area. Agreed he should do this after talking to Paul  A bill for £1200 has been received for the hardcore which Paul Turnbull organised.  The posts still need to be put in and Keith reported that Derek and Phil Cook have offered to do the drilling. The posts will be placed inside the car park. The gate has not yet been moved but is in hand to be done.	AM
3.	<b>Reports</b>  <b>Treasurer</b> - None as Peter not present  <b>Tennis Section</b> - None as John not present.  <b>Membership Report</b> - None as Alf not present.  <b>Maintenance</b> - Gary reported that the door has now been repaired and the lights are working. There is no key as yet for the MUGA padlock but Graeme Low is on holiday.  He has got a price for new car park lights - £1,200 plus VAT for 3 new lights. We also need to put poles up and dig a trench for the cable.  Agreed we can't afford this and Adrian said he may know someone who could give us a cheaper quote.	AM

	<p><b>Lea Sports</b> - Keith said Lea Sports will advance £1,000 towards the car park improvements and he has asked Peter to raise an invoice for this.</p> <p>The dug out has been painted but the benches need re-fitting and will probably need bolting down.</p> <p>The changing rooms still have to be done but this is in hand</p> <p><b>Bar</b> - Nothing to report.</p> <p><b>Bookings</b> - There was a Games Night to be run by the Social Committee on Saturday, 11 September, but nothing happened. RM will check with Joe Charlesworth to see why.</p>	<p>PB</p> <p>RM</p>
4.	<p><b>AGM</b></p> <p>Due to problems with getting the necessary notification out on time, it was agreed to hold the AGM on Monday, 25 October. Rosemary will check if Peter will be available, get the necessary letters out to the guarantors, put a notice in the shop and the parish magazine and ask Diane Bailey to put a notice on the Village Notice Board. Mick will need to do a Chairman's Report for the meeting.</p>	<p>RM</p> <p>MG</p>
5.	<p><b>Bonfire Night</b></p> <p>Since no one from the Social Committee was present at the meeting, agreed RM will ring Stuart Alexander to ask about the preparations for the 6 November.</p>	<p>RM</p>
6.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Keith mentioned there was no one to run the bar one Sunday. Dibby said this was probably because someone forgot it was their turn. Agreed that Dibby will provide Keith with an 'idiots guide' to running the bar and also a key in case it happens again.</p> <p>Keith also said he had taken the shutter off the kitchen window. It was agreed the kitchen is better without it and we could possibly install a grille instead.</p> <p>We need a container for the tennis nets as previously discussed. Adrian may know where we can get one and will look into this.</p>	<p>DS</p> <p>AM</p>
7.	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>AGM - Monday, 25 October at 8.00pm</p>	

Chairman

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 25 October 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:**

**Committee:** M Goddard - Chairman  
P Bidgood - Treasurer  
R Manders - Secretary  
J Butler  
T Hollingdale  
G Hyde  
K Lee  
A Muxlow  
A Quelch  
D Saunders

Mr and Mrs G Low  
Mr and Mrs C Stimson  
Paul Gathern  
Steve Smith  
Nick Sheridan  
Simon Maple

**Apologies:**

M Bowen  
O Lister  
P Turnbull

<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>Mick read through these and they were duly accepted as a true record. Keith Lee proposed the Minutes be accepted and Grahame Low seconded.</p>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>None</p>
<b>3.</b>	<p><b>Chairman's Report</b></p> <p>Mick pointed out that he was still only 'Acting' Chairman since, despite the fact that we have been actively trying to find someone willing to take over the Chairmanship, no one had come forward. He went on to explain the make-up of the committee and said that, although we are ticking over, we are not able to do as much as we would like for the Club and are desperately in need of new blood.</p> <p>The Cricket Club won the Herts Village Cup this year and the Football Club has also done well.</p> <p>Unfortunately, due to most of the committee being away that particular weekend, the Summer Fayre was not successful for the Club this year. Also, due to problems with the person doing the fireworks, this event is not going ahead either.</p>

4.	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>Peter reported that the Club is still in a reasonably good financial state and is not running at a loss. The loan from Greene King will be paid off in February 2005 freeing the guarantors of their responsibilities.</p> <p>Bar takings are down compared to 2002/03 and there were not as many social functions. However, the private hiring is still good and both the Cricket and Football Clubs have had social events here.</p> <p>Alan Hartley has agreed to audit the accounts for this financial year.</p> <p>Nick Sheridan queried the 'Courts' account and Peter explained this is for the maintenance of the courts. Grahame Low asked if there were any outstanding accounts on the MUGA and Peter confirmed there was nothing.</p> <p>Steve Smith asked why the Football Club was paying more than the Cricket Club and Mick said we are looking into this and it will be sorted out before the start of the next cricket season.</p> <p>Mick proposed a vote of thanks to Peter for all his hard work on the accounts and also to Alan Hartley for the auditing.</p> <p>Nick Sheridan proposed the accounts were accepted and Chris Stimson seconded.</p>
5.	<p><b>Election of Committee</b></p> <p>Mick welcomed Ted Hollingdale back on the committee and asked if anyone present would like to join. Since there was no response he said things will therefore continue as they are until we have a more active committee. Joy Stimson said that she had been prepared to go on the committee organising the social events but, since there seemed to be a lot of people already willing, she didn't bother.</p> <p>Mick proposed, since no one serving at present had said they wanted to stand down, that the whole committee be re-elected en masse. Agreed unanimously.</p>
6.	<p>Changing the name of the club was suggested in order to get away from the old 'Football Club' image.</p> <p>Nick Sheridan suggested improving the clubhouse itself since private functions seem to be such a money spinner. We could possibly ask the brewery to give us another loan to improve the facilities and may not need guarantors as we have successfully paid back most of the previous loan.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.10pm</p>

**PIRTON SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB**  
**Minutes of a Meeting held on**  
**Monday, 22 November 2004 at 8.00pm at the Clubhouse**

**Present:** M Goddard - Chairman✓ A Muxlow✓  
T Hollingdale✓ D Saunders✓  
G Hyde✓ P Turnbull✓

**Apologies:** R Manders

**Absences:** P Bidgood✓ K Lee  
M Bowen A Quelch  
J Butler

**ACTION**

<b>1.</b>	<p><b>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</b></p> <p>The previous meeting being the AGM, minutes of this are not required until the next AGM. There was no committee meeting afterwards so the last minutes were those for September.</p> <p>There had been a certain amount of confusion regarding the arrangement of this meeting which had originally been for the 15<sup>th</sup>. However, due to unforeseen circumstances, it had to be changed to the 22<sup>nd</sup>.</p> <p>Agreed that it is important that the minutes are circulated in advance and that when a meeting is postponed <b>all</b> committee members are contacted. It was also requested that members send their apologies to the secretary if they are not able to attend.</p>	<p><b>RM</b> <b>ALL</b></p>
<b>2.</b>	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p>Car Park - Mick reported that, once again, the Parish Council had expressed their concern about the condition of the new car park. They have refused to pay for the material element of the work - £1200 + VAT - for which they have been invoiced. Apparently they were unhappy about the fact that the invoice had been sent straight to them and had queried whether the material costs were included within the quote we had accepted and if any VAT had been incurred.</p> <p>In his response Paul said he was very disappointed at the level of criticism he had received. He had carried out the work as per his quotation, he had also done additional work in tidying up the existing car park, removing scaffolding poles and the planted area to provide additional parking space.</p> <p>He also stated that, although his quote was for all labour, plant and material he had only invoiced the PSSC for the labour and plant element as instructed. It had been assumed that the Parish Council would be able to reclaim the VAT element and would have accepted a cost of £1200 as their contribution to the overall improvements.</p>	

	<p>It was therefore agreed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The work carried out reflected the price paid and was, in the main, suitable for its purpose.</li> <li>b) It would be improved by rolling in the spring and tidying up the front edge to give a straighter line.</li> <li>c) Communication between the Club and the Parish Council was not all it could have been on this matter and an 'audit trail' had not yet been fully presented. It was stressed, however, that Paul had the full backing of the committee and there was never any question of any wrong doing regarding the presentation of his invoice.</li> </ul>	
3.	<p><b>Reports</b></p> <p><b>Treasurer</b> - None as Peter not present</p> <p><b>Tennis Section</b> - None as John not present.</p> <p><b>Membership Report</b> - None as Alf not present.</p> <p><b>Maintenance</b> -</p> <p>There is a problem with the overflow pipe so a plumber is required. The PIR light to the cellar is not working so an electrician is needed.</p> <p>Re the pool table, it was agreed to spend up to £150 to overhaul it and get a new cover.</p> <p>It was proposed that we purchase approximately 40 chairs from the Village Hall at a cost of between £2 and £2.50 each. We can then put the existing wooden chairs into the local auction.</p> <p><b>Bar Rota</b> - Dibby reported that bar staff are still needed for the functions booked for 4 and 11 December.</p> <p><b>Lea Sports</b> - None as Keith not present.</p>	<p>GH GH</p> <p>MG</p> <p>MG</p>
4.	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>Agreed that we would donate £50 to the Pumpkin Club.</p>	PB
5.	<p><b>Date of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday, 10 January at 8.00pm</p>	

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Chairman