**DTTC Committee Meeting.**

Meeting held at DTTC 19:30 15th January 2024.

**Present**: Steven Cussell (Secretary), Kenny Lee (Treasurer), Shannon Brown, Norma Brown, Graeme Boyd, Kay Solaja, Dylan De Silva, Graham Gault, Anne Borrowdale.

**Apologies**: Jason Fleming, Gordon Duff (Chairman), Paul Dowson.

**Dates for Club Champs: (all)**

* 16th and 17th March agreed provisionally.
* Kenny to assist Jason in organising event. Committee members will support.

**Dates For Prizegiving/Social Event: (all)**

* Friday 10th May agreed provisionally.
* Graeme Boyd, Steven Cussell, Shannon will form a subcommittee.

**Sponsorship Update: (Graeme Boyd)**

* Our 3 main sponsors have been invoiced---Genesis, Your Move & Fusion.
* All 3 should be paid in full by end of Jan 24.
* We currently have 6 £50 sponsors.
* This will yield £1850.00.
* 4 advertising banners have been agreed---layouts currently being finalised.
* Existing exterior signs will be re-used where possible to reduce costs once approved suitable---dimensions measured by Graeme Boyd.
* Full costings will be clarified soon.
* A “Sponsor Board” will be installed in the ground floor lounge area---magnetic “tiles” with sponsor logo will be placed in a grid layout, which will facilitate swapping around easily.
* Demo t-shirts were presented to Committee for approval---Front and back designs for Junior and National League players.
* Teessport to be approached re additional costs for bespoke clothing .e.g. Higher spec shirt for National League.
* Committee were reminded that our current Teessport contract dictates National League and Interleague kit must be sourced from them.
* Possibility of sourcing Junior and “training” kits and Club hoodies, etc from Rostrum was discussed.
* Dylan will set up a meeting with Teessport to discuss options.
* Graeme Boyd actioned to write a brief once logos are agreed.
* Anne will add sponsors to templates for email signature, letter headings and posters.
* Graeme Boyd suggested publishing a club newsletter. Quarterly interval was agreed---mock up to be created.
* End of Feb 24 was suggested as the first one.
* Members will be encouraged to submit articles and pictures.

**Potential Fundraisers: (Shannon)**

* Ceilidh Dance
* Bingo Sundays
* Baking sales
* Scratch cards
* Beetle Drive
* Sponsored walk
* 24hr Play
* Supermarket Bag Packing
* Race Night
* “Sit down” Table Tennis----Fun event
* Mini bat, hard bat, use a shoe---fun games
* Xmas lunch/dinner
* “Lucky Letters”
* 50/50---ongoing with Duffy taking the lead.
* Beetle Drive, Lucky Letters and Ceilidh Dance were voted most popular by Committee.

**Solar Panels: (Anne & Dylan)**

* Fusion Renewables have quoted £20k for solar panels and a storage battery, with payback in five years.
* They estimate 70-80% savings possible.
* Funding options will be explored by Dylan and Graeme Boyd.

**Grant Applications: (Dylan & Graeme)**

* Grant applications are on hold as solar panel installation is deemed a priority.

**Quiz at The Cairndale Hotel: (all)**

* Rotary Club quiz running The Big Quiz at The Cairndale Hotel on Friday 16th February, with sports clubs invited. DTTC team volunteers are Anne and Paul B, Graeme B, Norma and Shannon ---Contact Anne if interested.

**Date of next meeting 26th February 2024 at DTTC 19:30 (prompt!)**

**AOB**:

* Jason is hoping there will be a “Cup” competition later in the year.
* It will be a handicapped event, based on match scores during the league.
* Arrangements to be announced soon…..
* Kenny gave a brief update on club funds as the meeting was ending – I didn’t note what he said
* Discussion about Spond. Agreed that Norma and Shannon will continue trying the Spond phone app for coaching groups and communications. Anne has tried the Spond Club Management tool, but while she thinks it is great in theory, it is too complicated for her to set everything up. Dylan will ask Reuben to continue working on an online registration form which will help keep track of membership.
* Anne said she will put future dates of committee meetings on the website

**Addendum: Decision from WhatsApp Committee group 29/1/24**

Anne – who is now assisting Dylan and Graeme B with funding applications - asked that the club authorise an application for solar panel CARES funding from Local Energy Scotland. This would meet 80% of the cost (£16k approx.), with the remaining 20% (£4k approx.) to come from an additional grant or club funds. Agreed by Shannon, Dylan, Gordon, Jason, Kay, Graeme B, Norma.