

# MINUTES



## OPGCMA SOCOM

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**Meeting Number: 10/08**  
**Date: Monday 27<sup>h</sup> October 2008**  
**Venue 8.00 at the Horns**

### **Attendees**

Tracey Hart (Head of Social)  
Fiona Horton  
Helen Mills  
Gill Hawker  
Graham Rose

### **Apologies**

Roger Weedon

### **1. Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of the September SOCOM meeting were accepted without revision.

### **2. Notes from the Main Committee**

None.

### **3. October Club Night**

The entertainment for the evening was Call My Bluff. The attendance at this club night was very low compared to September and hence the numbers (27) participating were down significantly. Opinions varied but it was felt to be too long winded. The meeting discussed the responses to this evening and concluded that "Call My Bluff" should be "retired" for the next Social calendar. A general discussion on attendance of the various functions throughout the year then took place to try to determine why the support has been so variable. Further suggestions for entertainment included Crazy Golf, After Dinner Speaker. What ever is chosen must allow for non-golfing partners to feel included.

### **4. November Club Night**

This is the Games Evening on Friday November 7th and it is largely organised. Mark Sugden has confirmed he will assist with Table Football. TH will ask Norm Adam or Phil Randle whether they would like to assist, as two players are required as opposition for the attendees participating. Hugh Lovatt will organise the darts. Jean Preston will provide the Shove 'a penny board and will be back from holiday on November 4th.

The Games marshals are as follows:

Quiz	- Graham	Quoits	- Roger
Darts	- Hugh Lovatt	Tiddliwinks	- Helen
Table Football	- Mark Sugden + 1	Shove 'Apenny	- Tracey
Skittles	- Gill	Bagatelle	- Fiona

**Action: 10\_001 TH to ask NA or PR to assist with Table Football**



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There will be a strict rotation of 5 minutes per set with as many games as possible played within the 5 minutes. Graham will blow a whistle to start and then to indicate the finish of a particular set. A minute will be allowed between sets to record the scores.

8 teams is ideal and about an hour overall will be allowed with 4 sets before prize giving and 4 sets after.

FH has two bottles of white wine left from the October Club Night prizes, which can be used.

**Action: 10\_002 GR to arrange prizes for evening**

### 5. Elton John Tribute Music Event

The music event arranged for Saturday November 1st will be an Elton John Tribute Act. 73 names are currently on the sign up sheet although currently only 50 tickets have been actually paid for (break even has been reached). More members may buy tickets at the last minute.

The act will set up in the corner of the conservatory and seating will be arranged cabaret style using tables and chairs rather than in rows to provide an informal atmosphere. This has been discussed with Mark Taskas.

### 6. Christmas Dinner Dance

This will be an optional Masked Ball. TH has prepared the posters and sourced places to purchase of masks if required.

The Crown Golf Party Night menu at £19.95 per head will be used as the menu for the function and this has been confirmed with Mark Taskas. SOCOM will be providing the entertainment and table decorations so this element of the CG package is not required.

The costs thus far based on 80 attending are:

Meal	-	£19.95
Flowers	-	£1.50
Tips	-	£1
Disco	-	£4.50
Extras TBD	-	£3

. This gives a total cost of £30 per ticket.

**Action 10\_003 HM to check with MT to ensure all menu options available.**

The meeting discussed whether it would be possible to provide a reception drink as part of the extras. Ideas for small table gifts for the Ladies were discussed. A further option could be good quality crackers, party poppers and balloons. The committee decided to perform



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some research and gather together ideas prior to the next meeting or before.

**Action 10\_004 GH to talk to Linda Warren about flowers**

**Action 10\_005 TH to discuss bucks Fizz on arrival with MT**

**Action 10\_006 All to source costing on and ideas for additional spend items**

Only arrival drinks consumed will be paid for. The disco is confirmed. The DJ is willing to work to a play list if one can be provided.

### 7. December Club Night

This will take place on December 22<sup>nd</sup> and CG will provide a free finger buffet as last year.

The committee have been researching parlour games to provide some fun for the evening and the following have been selected:

Swinging Slongers  
Walk the Line  
Hunt the Thimble  
Christmas Tree Dress up  
Pass the orange

Further arrangements will be made nearer the time.

**Action 10\_007 TH to promote event in usual forms**

### 8. Social Calendar for 2009

TH has been going through the Social diary for 2009 with the forthcoming Club Captain. The month of August may need looking at, as there are two social functions on consecutive days.

The Portuguese One Club Challenge will be moved to the September Club Night, as it will still be light in the evenings.

Guildford School of Dance and Drama. GR has been tasked to research getting the students to perform at Oak Park (ongoing action from previous meeting). He now has a contact name and will pursue this as a potential act for the Autumn Event.

**Action 10\_008 TH to discuss clash of dates with 2009 Captain**

### 9. Any Other Business

October 31<sup>st</sup> 2009 has been booked for the Autumn Social Event. May 30<sup>th</sup> 2009 has been booked for the Spring Event.

### Next Meeting

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 8.00pm 'The Horns'

