

**Mount Kemble Lake Country Club**  
**Annual Meeting Minutes, 6-19-2015**

Dave Clark called the meeting to order at 7:45. He began by introducing and welcoming new CC members Larry and Lori Lindenmayer, Tara Noonan Amaral, Alex and Lindsay Baydin, Jeff and Eileen McAleney, Tracy Mysel and Adrian Bowie, Dave Smith, Nick Stires and Kara Bosi. Dave also asked that we remember those that had passed in the last year including Robert Plum and Jinny Allyn.

Alison asked for any additions or amendments to the minutes from the 214 Annual Meeting, apologizing for a misspelling of 'Haynsworth'. No other changes were raised.

Bar Chair, Mike Witwer gave an overview of the past year in the bar. The bar continues to be an integral part of events at the clubhouse and the profits from the bar continue to offset the cost of parties. We are very fortunate to maintain a liquor license and as such, need to be careful about how we manage the bar. Inventory is tracked and recorded after each party and the information is sent to the Treasurer. Last year the bar profit was \$920. Mike reported that he did not anticipate any price increases. However, some discussion followed and the general consensus was that the price of a glass of wine should be increased to \$5. It was also suggested that we might try having a 'tip jar' at the bar to increase revenue without having to pay increased tax.

A list is kept of bartenders who can serve as volunteers to tend the bar. Anyone who is interested in joining this list was invited to contact Mike. Similarly, if there are any requests for special party drinks or particular inventory then these should be directed to Mike.

The Social Chair, Wendy Hamilton, started by thanking everyone who has helped to make social events happen over the past year, as well as those who have attended the events. It is truly a great community! This past year we tried some new things - the food truck (Taco Truck) coming to the Lake and the new style TGIF (Moose Munchie) were both much enjoyed. A list of forthcoming parties was presented: 4th of July (with a request for help!), Labor Day (Steam cars to electric cars), an adult Halloween costume party, New Year's Eve Pub party and Mardi Gras. In fact, a full calendar of events is planned through Memorial Day 2016. Some events still require

volunteers to serve on the committees so everyone was encouraged to sign-up on the clipboards. Finally, a request was made to direct any communications about social events to the new MKL CC gmail account to which all Board Members have access.

Barbara Coe was welcomed to the CC Board as 'Community Affairs Officer'. Her role will be to liaise between the 2 Boards and to continue to circulate the Lake Newsletter.

The Treasurers report sparked much discussion when it was highlighted that relatively few events had taken place in the past year and that all profit came from the Bar. There were offers to help with 'pricing' parties effectively (from Bill Haynsworth, Jane Kendall); suggestions to charge for kids parties or to ask for contributions to kids parties; discussion about how to encourage greater participation, such as having a free TGIF or having 'professionally' organized/catered parties at increased cost. However, it is not always possible to please everyone! We have such a mix of newbies, seasoned oldies, legacy residents and second-time-rounders - how do we please everyone? Suggestions in the box please! The Board agreed to follow-up on all suggestions and to put a plan in place for the coming year. A request to sign up to help with parties was made to those who feel well placed to be creative and to make profits. Gail Allyn encouraged party chairs to aim to make a small profit rather than to break even so that we can continue to make improvements to the Clubhouse, such as replacing the ovens in the kitchen.

Joyce Murray spoke of what tremendous community involvement we have here at MKL. From participation at the beach, at the tennis courts, playground, dog park, garden, at events at the clubhouse, to road clean-ups. She has calculated that 89% of residents participate in one way or another!

Since nobody had come forward to run in the Board Election, Alison Maxwell and Bill Haynsworth were re-elected with the support of the meeting.

The meeting was concluded thereafter.

**Alison Maxwell, Secretary of the Mt. Kemble Lake Country Club**