

Mt. Kemble Lake Country Club
Annual Meeting, June 20th 2014
Meeting Minutes

The annual meeting was scheduled as part of the June TGIF.

Carl Bonar, Country Club President, called the meeting to order a little late at 7:40 and proceeded with the roll call. New members were welcomed, including Austin Brock and Rachael Godfrey, Robert Plum, Andy and Jeannie Tsukemoto and Philip Van Kirk. Anyone who was present and had already submitted a Proxy voting form was reminded not to vote a second time. A moment of silence was observed for recent and former residents who had passed away this last year; Guy Bowden, Christine Davies, Eleanor Erdman, Hank Gordan, Trinny Holt, Teresa Jones, Trina Lawson, Dave Molendyke, Richard Monk, Doris Reinecke, Dottie Scott.

The minutes from the 2013 Annual Meeting were approved.

Bar Chair, Dave Clark reported another successful year! He commented on how central the bar is to the success of our parties (with bar profits often 'paying' for the party) and that the liquor licence is key to the success of our Country Club as a whole. Dave sees no reason for any price changes in the coming year.

Karen Sabol gave a detailed account of a busy year and regrettably her last as Social Chair. Kicking off with the 4th of July Party last year, which was a hugely successful 'Decorate Your Boat or Float' competition, the summer continued with a Softball event, the Mermaids and Minnows TGIF and a very popular 'Elvis' Labor Day Party. With no major storm in October, Halloween was at last able to happen after a two year gap! The year ended with the traditional Holiday Open House with Santa visiting on the Fire Truck and a New Years Eve party which took place thanks to the Lubertos. In 2014, the new event was the MKL Steppers dance lessons, again thanks to the Lubertos and the Witwers. Classes ran from February through March and then from April to May and were talked about with much enthusiasm. There was the usual children's Easter Party, the VSA Thank You Dinner in May (a fabulous spread prepared by Carl Bonar and Bobbi Coulter) and finally a very memorable Taco Truck party for Memorial Day. Karen thanked all that have helped with parties in the past year, particularly the Lubertos, Witwers, Bonars, Kabnick-Clarks, Maxwells, Murrays, Hamiltons and Lukacs, whose time and efforts are very much appreciated. She also thanked Barbara Coe for continuing the monthly Community Newsletter, Ruth Chaney for taking care of 'Beaches and Docks' and Tim Lukacs for taking care of the roads.

Karen also highlighted the upcoming Somerset Patriots Night Out (\$10 a ticket from the Murrays) and the Labor Day Bluegrass and Pig Roast party.

The survey that was carried out earlier this year generated results that were surprisingly similar to those of the survey of 1991; people are busy with their lives and often have conflicting schedules. It is always tough to 'recruit' more people to get involved. It is clear that most people enjoy the casual, relaxed, low price parties and the Holiday Open House. Thanks were given to Lori Denson for all her help in analyzing and summarizing the Survey results.

Karen called for volunteers for forthcoming events and distributed sign-up sheets to get the new Social Chair off to a good start.

Bill Haynesworth presented the Annual Treasurers report and compared the expenses and balance to previous years. Although there have been fewer parties, a good profit has been made. He commented on a few standout parties some of which made a large amount of money. At this time, \$1500, earmarked for the replacement of the stacking ovens, will be passed to the Lakeshore Association. A number of new items at the Clubhouse were noted: A Keurig coffee machine (donated by the Allyns/Greenways), 4 new benches (2 donated by the Witwers, 2 purchased by the Association) and Hibiscus plants for the back deck (donated by the Murrays).

On behalf of herself and Molly, Jean Molendyke thanked the Country Club for the very generous Memorial that was held for her husband.

Alison Maxwell thanked Carl Bonar and Karen Sabol for their many years of service to the Country Club and presented them with gift certificates on behalf of the whole community.

Voting:

Six candidates were nominated for election to three positions on the Board – Cacky Bell, Austin Brock, Dave Clark, Wendy Hamilton, Jay Pultz, Michael Witwer. Voting took place during a break for dessert and votes were counted by Don and Teeny Kuhn. Carl announced the election results: Dave Clark, Wendy Hamilton and Michael Witwer will be appointed to the Board. The new Board will confirm the positions as President, Social Chair and Bar Chair respectively, in due course.

Alison Maxwell, Secretary to Mt. Kemble Lake Country Club