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Subject: Stag Committee Meeting 25/10/2002

Chaps

Here (at last) are the minutes from the Stag Committee meeting held on 25/10/2002

Venue : Varsity, Preston, UK
Time : 8:30pm
Attendees : ST, JC, AS, DM, CG, MP, PXB & numerous unauthorised fillies
Apologies : None

Initial discussions centred on selecting a suitable date for the stag weekend ('the event').

The three most suitable weekends appeared to be as follows :

21/22/23 Mar 2003
28/29/30 Mar 2003
04/05/06 April 2003

Action : ALL - check diary/filofax/PDA/filly/wife/mistress for suitability of dates

ST chipped in with a comment about another seemingly unrelated event on 03/05/2003. This was duly ignored.

The preferred format for the event seemed to be an early start on the Friday morning, travel to destination, rut like stags, return home Sunday PM. This would require all determined attendees to book the Friday off work.

This led to a discussion of the number of attendees. The optimum number seemed to be between 12 and 20.

Action : ST - produce list of other potential attendees unknown to the committee and also minimum/maximum # of attendees for viable event.

Next topic - location. The Lakes were ruled out almost immediately as everyone has the T-shirt. Other suggested locations included Barcelona, Paris, Geneva, Peckham, Madrid, Palma.

Dublin and Edinburgh were mentioned and universally condemned for being 'passé'.

Geneva was ruled out for a valid reason that I can't recall (probably cost)

ST again chipped in about a post-stag event on 03/05/2003 - After due consideration, the committee decided to allow the aforementioned post-stag event with the following conditions :

1. Date subject to change
2. Potential stag doe to demonstrate suitability by supplying demonstration chilli/curry to stag committee on [date TBD]
3. Additional demonstration (if required) of door step scrubbing technique to stag committee on [date TBD]
4. All potential bridesmaids to be vetted by committee

Action : potential stag doe (AR) - produce a chilli/curry that will reduce grown men to tears [date TBD]

The next item to be discussed was the method of transportation to the event. 'A train to Europe' seemed like a popular suggestion, but sounds disturbingly similar to 'A song for Europe' which is to be avoided at all costs. Additionally, a train to Europe will probably only be suitable if the destination is within Europe. [i.e. not Bangkok]

AS then suggested we hire a Lear Jet - this was after only 1.5 pints (0.86 litres) of medium girls lager.

Action : AS - investigate cost of Lear Jet hire (suggest try Avis ?)

Next topic - stag theme. Suggestions included schoolgirls, gynaecologists, clowns, chefs, dough men, Indian waiters and those benders who sang YMCA.

Action : ALL - determine preferred theme for vote at future stag meeting.

The meeting was then duly wound up and the committee adjourned to the '80s bar for refreshments and to watch some horrendous slappers 'dancing'.

Chairman's Notes :

1. AS to be congratulated for trying the patience of all the door monkeys at '80s bar to well beyond breaking point.
2. AS to investigate EU law on ownership of beverage purchased and paid for in good faith.
3. Unauthorised fillies will be allowed at further stag committee meetings according to the following conditions :
 - a. Discussion is restricted to a filly-to-filly basis whilst the meeting is in progress.
 - b. Discussion to be limited to women's business only (e.g. washing powder, menstrual cycles etc.)

Next Meeting : Monday 11th November 2002, Withy Trees, Fulwood, UK, 8:30pm [Pub Quiz available from 9:30pm if required]

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Subject: Minutes !

Chaps,

Minutes from Stag Comittee meeting #2 - apologies for the delay - been too busy
innovating for a safer world.

Date : 11/11/2002
Venue : Withy Trees, Preston, UK
Time : 8:30pm
Attendees : ST, JC, MP, AS, RM (*), CG (**), DM (***)
Apologies : PXB

Notes :

* = Arrived at 21:03, accompanied by unauthorised filly.
** = Arrived at 21:11, after difficulties obtaining a taxi.
*** = Arrived at 21:58, after visiting lap dancing bar, having left work at 4pm.

20:35
Meeting was declared quorate with AS, MP, ST and JC and 4 pints of suitable refreshment
on the table.
Following an action on ALL from meeting #1 (25/10/2002), discussion started once again on
selection of the most suitable date for the event. The three weekends proposed were
placed in the following order of preference :

1st	04/05/06	April 2003
2nd	28/29/30	March 2003
3rd	21/22/23	March 2003

ST pointed out that Easter weekend is planned for 14/15 April 2003, which presumably
falls in the middle of the end-of-term holidays for schoolchildren. The cost of travel
could be higher if the event is held during the school holidays, so we need to find out
when the school holidays are.

Action : ST - check with his boys when school holidays for Easter 2003.

JC pointed out that the 2nd choice weekend clashed with his mother's birthday (28/03).
After much deliberation it was decided the only course of action was to invite JC's
mother to the event. JC pointed out that his mother could prove useful on the event, due
to her medical training as a Dentist. JC's mum was duly appointed as 'Oral Health Officer
(pending availability)'.

Action : JC - check availability of mother

CG is unavailable for the weekend of 21/22/23 March 2003.

It was confirmed by all present that the event should start early on the Friday and all
present confirmed their intent to book the Friday off work (aka. throw a sickie)

21:03

RM + unauthorised filly (UF) strolled in. The committee immediately became suspicious that the UF could be a mole, intent on gathering information for the other side (stag doe). The committee decided not to expel the UF after RM explained, using a phrase almost certainly borrowed from the late Billy-Joe Jim-Bob Jones at the time of his arrest, "It's OK, she's my sister".

21:04

The meeting was temporarily adjourned to allow time for a trip to the bar.

21:06

The meeting was re-convened. AS then 'had a pop' at JC for not producing an agenda. JC replied that surely going through the actions from the last meeting was sufficient, but this didn't appear to satisfy AS who then produced documentary evidence dating back to 1989 to show 'how it should be done'. JC conceded that an agenda would probably be a good idea.

Action : JC - produce an agenda prior to all future meetings

21:11

CG arrived

Discussion then moved on to selection of location for the event. During the discussion, it was stressed several times that Jules (Tanner not Judge) lives in Madrid NOT Barcelona. Quite what relevance this had to anything is beyond my recall, but it has been duly noted in the minutes. Most popular destinations seemed to be Leeds and Newcastle, using the canal system as the main mode of transportation from pub to pub etc. No one seemed to know if there even are any canals in the vicinity of Leeds and Newcastle and an action was placed on MP to investigate.

Concern was expressed regarding the possibility of having the s**t kicked out of us by the toon army, should we happen to be in Newcastle on the Saturday of a home match.

Suggested places of interest in Newcastle included the Metro Centre, the Newky Brown Factory and the String Vest Museum.

Action : MP - investigate availability of barges in Newcastle/Leeds area

Action : MP - investigate availability of barjis in Newcastle/Leeds area

Action : JC - investigate fixture list for NUFC home games

Action on AS from previous meeting (investigate Lear Jet hire) has been transferred to MP, but is now potentially irrelevant.

Action : MP - investigate Lear Jet hire to Newcastle/Leeds area

21:22

Pending start of pub quiz, discussion moved smartly along to stag theme. A straw poll was conducted and gynaecologists seemed the most popular judging by the number of hands up (sic). AS had excelled himself with some extensive research into cost of producing suitable garb. CG questioned the scope of AS's research by asking 'Did you look into rubber fannies ?'

21:35

Meeting adjourned for pub quiz.

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21:50

Impromptu unadjournment

Discussion of selection of roles for the event. ST suggested sausage, spring and those white ones with sesame seeds on top. After some explanation, progress was made as follows :

Role	Proposed Candidate
Jalfrezi Coordinator	MP
Outfit Design/Construction/Testing	AS
Outfit Design/Construction/Testing (deputy)	CG
Transport Coordinator	TBD
Oral Health Officer	Heather M Carmichael

Other historically important roles were identified as follows :

Role	Proposed Candidate
Sticky Bun Security	TBD
Groom	TBD

Still more, inland-waterway-mode-of-transport-specific roles were identified as follows :

Role	Proposed Candidate
Crash Avoidance Officer	TBD
Cabin Boy	TBD
Captain	TBD
Propellor Clearance	TBD [Note: preferably a good swimmer]
Anchor Deployment	TBD
Lock Control Coordinator	TBD
Bilge Pump Operator (2 off)	TBD
Tiller Man	TBD
Cook	TBD
Bottle Washer	TBD
Purser	TBD
Plank Walking Queue Manager	TBD
Scurvy Prevention Officer	TBD
Keel Hauling Coordinator	TBD
Impending Crash Information Distribution Officer	TBD
Crows Nest Inhabitant	TBD
Knot Specialist (preferrably 12 off)	3rd Broughton Girl Guides

21:58

DM arrived.

22:17

Possible cancellation of Post Stag Event due to ST choking on excessive quantity of Dry Roasted Peanuts.

Further discussion of gynaecologist stag theme. [Unknown Stag Committee member] suggested

setting up a kitty for purchase of 40Kg pot of KY jelly per person and investigate purchase of a suitable cosmetic product to provide simulation of 'mouldy fish' smell for further authenticity. CG suggested having name badges as part of the costume, together with a flip chart to help identify all known beaver types [Chairman's note : presumably for possible visit to Newcastle's famous Water-Based Large-Front-Toothed Mammal Park]

Action : CG - investigate/source suitable clips/holders for name badges

Action : ALL - provide Jazz mag(s) to the value of £2.50 [Chairman's note : presumably for possible visit to Newcastle's famous 'Mmmm, That's Nice' Jazz Club]

10:42

DM suggested Indian Waiters would still be his preferred theme for the event. DM also suggested some cross-committee idea swapping, possibly letting the doe's take on the Indian theme - i.e. a Hindu Hen Do

10:50

MP announced he had lost the will to live, probably due to excess coke (a-cola)

10:51

Meeting adjourned.

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Mr Secretary,

I regret that, due to the lack of a video conferencing link between laptop shops in the North and the South, I shall not be able to attend the meeting. Please accept my apologies.

In terms of previous minutes:

1. I am disappointed that my 'Eurostar' joke and suggestion that we rub our hands in mouldy fish did not make the minutes.
2. My loosing the will to live was due to the endless procedural discussions re opening/reconvening the meeting on Moower's (very late) arrival.

And w.r.t. my actions:

1. Barges/canals in Newcastle = none. Same in Leeds = some. I suggest the meeting therefore needs to decide which is the priority: canals or Newcastle - both is not possible. I hereby give my instruction for you, as Secretary, to count my vote for the latter (Newcastle)
2. Barjis in Newcastle = lots. Same in Leeds = lots. Further details to be obtained closer to the date.
3. Assistance in obtaining Learjet quotes provided to ADS - I understand he has the answer tonight.

NB: Learjets only hold about 6 max. If 'Learjet' was being used in the same way as 'hoover', I think electrolux do a 15-20 seater. Or, rather, Gulfstream. Or Embraer Banderainte/ BAe Jetsream 31 for Northern paupers.

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