

## **Accommodation**

The Board has to balance the wishes of the members.

Some members get a team together and they take over the whole lodge for a week and they have a very good time.

The Board has usually approved such applications because it enhances members' experience in the use of the lodge and it assists with the lodge finances. However, it is often the case that members feel unfairly excluded by a block out booking. The Board has considered this issue and it has decided to adopt the several views of the membership as an orderly policy so that all our members understand what rights and duties they have.

## **Block Out Policy**

- 1 Members may book the entire lodge (block out), but only with the consent of the Board. The Board has discretion to approve an application for a block out and is not required to provide an explanation for a decision allowing or denying the application.
- 2 The Board will hold a general policy that it should not consent to a block out request made by the same member more often than once every two years without compelling reason.
- 3 An application to the Board for a block out will be considered if the following conditions are met-
  - 3.1 An application for a block out may be made by email to the Booking Officer, who will refer the matter to the Board.
  - 3.2 As with any other booking, an application for a block out may be made at the times set out on the website for bookings.
  - 3.3 The number of adults and children and the names of the members in the booking must be provided with the application for the block out booking, but the names of the non-members are not required at the time of the application.
  - 3.4 A block out booking for winter season must be for the 7 days from Sunday night to Saturday night for all the members and guests in the booking. A block out booking for summer may be for any period.
  - 3.5 Similarly to any other booking, at least 8 of the adult persons to be accommodated during the block out period must be members. This restriction does not apply to summer bookings.
  - 3.6 A block out booking for the winter must be made for at least 16 adults; in the summer for at least 10 adults.
  - 3.7 After the Board's consent has been obtained, then, as with any other booking, payment for the entire booking is to be made at the time of booking, that is, the booking system will not allow the block out until all of the booking is paid for and until that occurs, the lodge will remain available for any other bookings.