



Wessex Blues

28th Meeting Minutes

Started 26th March 2015 20:00

Closed 26th March 2015 20:55

Location: Royal British Legion/Ex Servicemen's Club, 66 North Road, Poole, Dorset

1. Welcome and Introduction

Alan thanked everyone for attending the March meeting (20 in attendance). No new members attended this meeting.

Apologies were mentioned from Dave Eaton, Bill Whistance, Jamie Webb, Peter Birbeck, Gary Forsey, Wayne Millington, Stephen Eaton, Sue Ockenden, Paul Greenwood, Margaret Garner and Joanne Sherry.

2. Chairperson Update (Alan Crumley)

Members present were asked if the previous minutes from the last meeting were satisfactory....no objections were made.

Alan asked if anyone had any travel plans on going to home and away games during the month of April. Pete offered travel to the West Ham game, while Alan said he had a spare seat and ticket for the Crystal Palace game.

3. General Secretary Update (Dr. Richard Wild)

Richard mentioned that he had not received any news about meetings at the IOW/A34 branches in the month of April.

Richard handed out our new Wessex Blues and Supporter Club Badges to members present and showed our new Pennant. Richard also distributed new business cards to all who were present.

Crystal Palace Tickets were not distributed to branch members who had requested them as Richard had forgotten to bring them to the meeting. Richard promised Andy and Joe that he would send them in the post the following day.

Birthday greetings went out to Bill as his birthday was going to be on the 7th April.

Richard mentioned the reasoning why Peter and Jo had been absent from meetings in the last 12 months due to Peter's health issues.

Richard mentioned if anybody wished to have any articles or comments to be added to the home match programme in the future to be sent to him and he would send any comments to the club for insertion.

Richard commented that nobody officially came forward for the Treasurer role after Kay resigning earlier in the month. It was proposed that Richard's partner Claire Wootten would take on this role as she works at Halifax from the next meeting in April and would also officially become a Wessex Blues member. This was approved by Dave and seconded by Martin and various others.

3. Treasurer Update (Kay Brooks)

The committee and members present thanked Kay for her role as Treasurer since last summer and understood her reasoning why she had to step down in her role. Richard confirmed that Kay had sent all the treasurer material the previous week to him and would pass these on to Claire for the next meeting.

4. AOB

Dave Wood mentioned like at the meeting in December that the committee do not talk to each other enough. Alan, Ashley and Richard confirmed that communication was not an issue as most communication was done via email.

Dave also mentioned would it be possible to hold a barbeque at the end of the season.

Alan suggested if we could guarantee to fix Wessex Blues Meetings for the next 12 months. Ashley confirmed via the diary that all Wessex Blues meetings until November 2015 would be the second Thursday of every month.

Alan and Brian suggested on the possibility to set up a points system for the branch. The committee agreed that this would be looked into and Richard confirmed he would try and obtain details from other branches over the coming months on how they awarded branch members with respect to tickets etc.

5. Next Meeting

Next meeting to be held on the 9th April starting from 19:45.

Minutes taken by Dr. Richard J. Wild – General Secretary