



Wessex Blues

33rd Meeting Minutes

Started 10th September 2015 20:00

Closed 10th September 2015 20:35

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

1. Welcome and Introduction

Richard thanked everyone for attending the September meeting (20 in attendance). Richard chaired the meeting as Alan was not present due to family matters and Ashley was on holiday.

Apologies were mentioned from Stephen Eaton, Dave Eaton, Jamie Webb, Tom Ockenden, Martin Ockenden, Ashley Jones, Alan Crumley, Dave O'Brien, Annie O'Brien and Andy Hebblethwaite.

2. General Secretary Update (Dr. Richard Wild)

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

Richard mentioned that ticket requests in the last month were made for the following games: Crystal Palace (Andy Mountford, Andy Parkin, Bill Whistance, Joe Price, Penny Ree, Peter Armstrong, Stephen Eaton and Jamie Webb), Juventus (No requests), West Ham (No requests), Sunderland (No requests), Tottenham (Dave O'Brien, Stephen Eaton, Andy Parkin, Joe Price and Peter Armstrong), Borussia Monchengladbach (Alan Lawrence) and Newcastle (No requests).

Several branch members commented on their trip and the match for the Watford game that was played on the 16th August.

Birthday wishes went out to Kay Brooks (13th September), David Blakeley (15th September) and Alan Lawrence (3rd October).

The new branch logo (as shown above) received the most votes. Thanks to Colin for this efforts. Richard brought in the official Wessex flag which was purchased recently; however being red in colour, branch members distinctly took a dislike. Richard asked Colin to see if he could design a flag(s) for the branch based on the logo design, so away supporters in particular could display this at away grounds.

Suggestions included a blue background with a white dragon. Colin confirmed when he had a moment he would design several flag options and like with the logo, branch members would be given the opportunity to vote on their choice. Based on the choice, a costing would then be tendered with flag designers.

Richard handed out membership cards to branch members that have joined/rejoined that were not present at the previous meeting.

No new news on Wayne Millington; however Martin via email has stated that his condition had worsened in the last week.

Richard mentioned again that he was still doing the Great North Run in Newcastle-upon-Tyne on the 13th September and thanked members for their donations so far which would be sent on to Forest Holme who are currently supporting Wayne with his terminal cancer.

3. Treasurer Update (Claire Wootten)

Claire commented that the current account balance was £1042.

4. AOB

Russell asked if we could have the new Wessex Blues logo as a pin badge. Richard confirmed that it could be a possibility but the priority was to design the flag first and see what the costing for that was first.

5. Next Meeting

Next meeting to be held on the 8th October starting from 19:45.

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