



Wessex Blues

56th Meeting Minutes

Started 12th October 2017 20:00

Closed 12th October 2017 20:25

Location: Royal British Legion/Ex Servicemen's Club, 66 North Road, Poole, Dorset, BH14 0LY

1. Welcome and Introduction

Dave thanked everyone for attending the October meeting (18 in attendance). The previous minutes from the last meeting were satisfactory; no objections were made, with Pete and Bill G approving the minutes.

Apologies were received from Paul (J), Russell, Mustafa (E), Jamie (E), Andy P (J) and Doug.

Feedback regarding previous games and future games was merged, Bill firstly commenting on the Feyenoord game saying how brilliant it was. Dave mentioned also that the Chelsea game was good and informed members that City would soon be on Amazon Prime. Bill mentioned they have already done some series on American football teams and is looking forward to the episode they do about Manchester City. It is like a behind the scenes programme on match days. Dave stated how he had seen, talking of behind the scenes, the ticket prices for the Tunnel Club which is £12000, Pete joked when you arrive there, you get greeted by a woman with an umbrella! The VIP Tunnel Club ticket is £15000. Dave hoped to do one of the others one day.

Steve Redmond's 50th birthday, a personalised card was purchased and circulated for members to sign.

Christmas raffle tickets were also on sale at £1 per ticket with various prizes. Half the funds go to the branch and half to City. Top prize being £1000.

Andy M asked who else was going to the Napoli game, Dave stated he was and both were advised from Pete to be careful. Bill stating the stadium wasn't in a great state of repair either with lumps of concrete falling off of it.

Gary asked how Wessex Blues publicise themselves as he was curious how new members would find us. Claire stated that if you type in Wessex Blues into Google then the website appears, Rich then mentioned how on the Manchester City website in the supporters section, if supporters enter in their postcode, a map will appear with all

the local supporters clubs near to them. Rich was frustrated how we were getting interest through these sources in joining but no new members are yet to turn up at the meetings.

2. General Secretary Update (Dr. Richard Wild)

Richard mentioned that ticket requests had been made for Wolverhampton Wanderers (Carabao Cup) (H) – no requests

Birthday wishes we sent out for Margie, Pete and Penny.

3. Treasurer Update (Claire Wild)

Claire mentioned that the current balance was £711.94. She also stated that there were a few debts to settle other than that all up to date.

4. AOB

Dave mentioned about Christmas and asked Penny is she was still ok to organise the meeting at the Smugglers Run. Claire asked did we want a Christmas buffet there or to get the curry and drink for £7 deal. Dave and Bill stated that would be a good idea. Pete asked if we would be doing the usual Christmas raffle, Rich confirmed we would and would be purchasing some items shortly from the City store and other sources for this. Rich mentioned we have not got a clothing box this year.

The quiz followed for the remainder of the evening.

5. Next Meeting:

Next meeting to be held on the 9th November 2017 at 19:45 at the Ex Serviceman's Club.

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