



Whitley Bay FC Supporters Club

Committee Meeting Minutes

11 September 2017

Attendees:

Lynn Bone (LB); David Moore (DM); Chris Smith (CS); Doug Parker (DP); Stuart Beattie (SB); Fred Kelly (FK); Ken Thomas (KT); Bryan Clarke (BC); Stephen Tyley (ST); Paul Athey (PA)..

Board Representative(s): Peter Siddle (PS).

Apologies for absence: James Wright (JW); Tommy Moody (TM); Allan Barkas (AIB); Ann Barkas (AnB); Adam Taylor (AT).

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

LB read through the main points of the August Minutes.

KT confirmed that he was almost finished with the generator and the stand would then need painting. DM confirmed that we had 66 members. DM said that car sharing for away matches had been considered and suggested putting a notice in the Club Shop for willing drivers to leave their name and contact details. LB suggested that the passengers could pay the driver into the game.

Accepted as a true record of the meeting on 09 August 2017 by DP and FK.

Round Table:

DP - We had a lucky escape with an electrical fault in the club shop as there was too much load on the system. We can only use one boiler at a time. There is a charity race night on Saturday night at 19:00. The Xmas party has been pencilled in for 16 December. We need to push tickets and there will be a mention in the programme. Geoff Smoult has asked if the SC minutes could be shared with members. After a discussion it was decided that DM would produce an abridged version and DP would put it on the website.

DP has found a new supplier for pennants at a lower cost and is considering other order options from their catalogue. They also do polo shirts and hoodies at a cheaper price. If we use Bolam's, the club gets points to spend on other items and that option is also being considered. DP has had 33 internet orders since December 2015. The Whitley Bay Christmas Fayre with the Chamber of Trade is on 02 December and tables are £20. It clashes with a home game against Shildon so it may be difficult to get people to help. Barry Hindson, Mark Carruthers and Paul Dixon work for Made in Tyne and Wear and are doing talk ins between 17.10.17 and 18.03.18. It will have to be on a Thursday. We can have

one of our players involved in the talk in and can do raffles, pie and peas etc. The main room in the clubhouse holds 60 people. February was the favoured month. PS said we could use the new oven. AnB needs to be involved. DP can also try to get Tommy Cassidy down for a talk in.

DP is on holiday from 09.10.17 and JW will cover the Club Shop on the Saturday. AIB, CS and DM volunteered to cover the Tuesday night game.

ST – The Treasurer's report shows that we took more by credit card than by cash in the shop. The tea hut is doing well.

SB – Are we having a firework display and entertainment? PS said we would be having one on 04.11.17 after the Bishop Auckland match.

DM – Nothing to add.

PA – PA was welcomed as a new committee member by LB. A discussion ensued re the purchase of a new strimmer. It was decided not to purchase one and volunteers would use their own.

KT – A rubber mallet is missing and it is needed to sort out the paving slabs. PS agreed to ask about it. A weed sprayer is also missing but it may be in the dressing room or under the stand. PA said that we needed a proper programme of weed spraying. The stand needs painting and we need volunteers to help.

FK – Some weeding is also required.

LB – Are we still going to purchase a small hut for FK and others to sell programmes and raffle tickets? SB said that a decent 8' by 6' hut would cost £475 with £50 fitting although it was agreed that we could fit it ourselves and rest it on paving slabs. SB agreed to look at alternative options. The Seahorse Club needs decorating. Are there any plans? PS agreed that it was a bit shabby but there was nothing planned in the immediate future.

CS – Nothing to add.

BC – Three players completed the Great North run in aid of charities and the SC could make a contribution to acknowledge their efforts on behalf of the club. It was agreed that each player would be given £20 for their charity. Could we have a competition to see who has the oldest WBFC football strip? We could charge to enter. The proposal would be considered.

PS – There will be a function each month. In October it has been proposed to have a players v supporters night with darts, pool, dominoes etc. Nothing has been finalised yet.

Meeting closed at 20:10 and the next meeting will be at 19:00 on Wednesday 25.10.17.