



Whitley Bay FC Supporter's Club

Committee Meeting Minutes

18 July 2018

Attendees:

David Hall, Lyn Bone, Fred Kelly, Doug Parker, James Wright, Ann Barkas, Stephen Tyley, Keith Gibson, Ken Thomas.

Apologies:

David Moore, Tommy Moody, Paul Athey, Stuart Beattie, Bryan Clarke, Chris Smith, Richard Reeves.

DH read out the minutes of the previous meeting and they were accepted.

Keith Gibson was formally welcomed to the committee.

Matters Arising

Facebook page – set up for Supporters Club members only, still a work in progress.

Weeding Day – good turn out, still odds and ends to be done.

Thackley bus

Although 15 names had been collected so far, it was felt the cost would be too prohibitive given the prices quoted from several bus companies to Stuart Beattie. It was noted there are places available on the team bus and there is the possibility of a 'car sharing' option among supporters.

Tea Hut

No-one has come forward to run the tea hut, therefore David Hall put forward the suggestion that committee members should ask if any spouses/partners would be able to help on a rota basis. So far Julienne Hall and Jean Parker have offered to work on the rota.

Round the room

Fred Kelly – Parking of cars in front of the turnstiles on match days – signs should be made to advise not to park there. Paving stones – some need repairing behind car park goal (Ken Thomas said he would attend to).

Ann Barkas – thanked committee for the plaque dedicated to Allan and reiterated that the money collected for Cancer Research was gratefully received (now at £520). She was also not happy about the criticism Bay manager Andy Gowens has received on Twitter; it was 'not acceptable'. She also confirmed that the players who have been placed on the transfer list will not be allowed to leave until a suitable offer has been received by Whitley Bay FC from whichever club wants to sign them.

Doug Parker – stated that Fire Brigade have told the club that the Programme Shop represents a fire hazard as it contains electrical junction boxes and should not be used; the club directors to be asked to decide the way forward on this. Geoff Smoult is planning a 65th Birthday Party at the Seahorse on October 28th and is charging guests £5 per ticket, with the

money going towards providing a hut for the programme/raffle sellers. This will be discussed further at the next meeting. The Motor Neuron box on the bar was emptied and contained £37. A letter of thanks has been received from MN. Old strips handed over to chair of Newton Aycliffe who collects for an African charity. Talk-In with John Beresford now confirmed for Sept 6th at Seahorse; tickets £10 (with pie & pea supper) and Lee Ryder will host. Andy Gowans and Mick Mulhearn to do talk-in after the Sunderland U23 game and Supporters Club to offer £1 off tokens on first drink to all who attend. Fred Kelly to hand out tokens.

James Wright – confirmed his resignation as chairman due to work commitments and upcoming birth of child, but will carry on as a committee member. He then asked about the website and it was confirmed that Julian Tyley and Alfie ? now had it back up and running, it was also confirmed that Julian would be running the club Twitter account.

There then followed a short discussion about a new chair and it was felt best to leave until the next meeting, David Hall agree to be the Interim Chairman.

Treasurers Report

Stephen Tyley had to leave the meeting due to work commitments, but left a prepared balance sheet up to 11/7/18

Doug Parker proposed a vote of thanks for everyone who had worked on the ground over the summer, especially Fred Kelly, Ken Thomas, Richard Reeves and Neil Smith. The committee readily endorsed the thought.

Next meeting Monday 13th August 2018 @ 7pm