

SENIOR SECTION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 8th Sep 2025



Present:

Will Polland - Captain & Chair (WP)
 Ross McFarlane - Vice-Captain (RM)
 Mick Hempstock - Immediate Past Captain (MH)
 John Frost - External Fixtures Sec (JF)
 Lawrence Burt - Internal Fixtures Sec (LB)
 Dave Stiff - Secretary (DS)

Apologies:

James Newsom - Treasurer (JN)
 Steve Garmston - Mens Captain & Liaison Officer (SG)

Item No	Subject	Discussion/Action	Actionee	Action By
1	Introduction	WP thanked everyone for attending and for their continued support.		
2	Actions from Last Meeting	The minutes, having been circulated previously, were agreed as a true record of events. There were two outstanding actions which are detailed in the 'Fixtures'/'AOB' sections of these minutes.		
3	Finance	JN in absentia stated there were no unusual occurrences. LB had an invoice for £86 for engraving to present.	LB/JN	30 Sep
		Due to uncertainty over competition entry numbers and therefore event revenue, it was agreed that: a. all engraving would be actioned by LB and paid for out of Club funds and b. 2's two's would be issued/quantified on an event by event basis. If awarded, 2's will be paid by cash to green cards.	LB/JN	Ongoing
4	Internal Fixtures	Entries for competitions continue to be lower than previous years. This could be seasonal or demographical, either way LB agreed to continue to attempt to address this worrying trend. Any suggestions from section members would as always be welcome.	LB/All	Ongoing
5	External Fixtures	Seniors matches are going well, with the help of last minute volunteers we have managed to fulfil all 16 places for the 17 matches we have played. Our Next 2 matches are away at Waltham Windmill on the 9 th and at home to Brough on the 11 th (not the 10 th as advertised on section diary).		

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		<p>Post match dining continues to be part of ongoing discussions.</p> <p>A club has requested to rejoin our fixture list. This will be addressed following the outcome of a management board review of club diary fixtures.</p>	<p>WP/JF</p> <p>WP/JF</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
6	Seniors News Round	<p>Falling competition entry numbers will be added to the Sep newsletter's standing items.</p> <p>DS has asked PB for an editable copy of the Women's Newsletter to consider for our future issues.</p>	<p>DS</p> <p>DS</p>	<p>30 Sep</p> <p>30 Sep</p>
7	AOB	<p>External Fixtures: Concern was expressed that numbers are falling. LB will continue to attempt to stop the trend.</p> <p>Website: A discussion took place surrounding the value for money of the web site and its use by members. DS informed the cttee that historically there was an aspiration to have a dedicated section pages as part of a planned update of the club website.</p> <p><u>Afternote:</u> DS discovered thro' Tim Seaton that the Club website update had in fact not been actioned. DS suggested that it be part of the club cttee business to progress and will propose the same at the next meeting.</p> <p>Secretary Post: WP and the cttee sincerely thanked DS for his support over the last few years as Secretary. DS reciprocated that thanks and agreed to produce a full and supported handover package for the next Secretary should a volunteer come forward.</p> <p>Trophies: The cttee was astonished to hear from LB that competition winners are 'handing back' their trophies. LB will have them engraved and the winners are to accept them with immediate effect and with the pride that they deserve. WP will write to the section under sperate cover.</p> <p><u>Afternote:</u> Capt's note issued on 10 Sep: Trophy winners to accept and keep trophy once engraved. And if not wanted, to inform cttee who will award it to the r/up.</p>	<p>LB</p> <p>DS</p> <p>WP</p> <p>All</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>30 Sep</p> <p>30 Sep</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
8	Date of next meeting	In order to prepare section input to the Club AGM, the next Cttee Meeting will be held on Wed 1st Oct.	All	1 Oct

Original signed

D STIFF

Section Secretary