



APFSCIL

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Meeting 352

Monday 6th November 2011 @ 7:30PM

At The Exmouth Arms, 1 Starcross Street, Euston, London NW1 2HR Nearest tube and mainline station is Euston

P = Present X = Absent A = Apologies

A	Aberdeen	P	Dundee United NM	P	Middlesbrough
P	Barrow	A	Everton	X	Newcastle United
P	Birmingham City	P	Exeter City	P	Norwich City
A	Blackburn Rovers	P	Gillingham	P	Nottingham Forest
A	Blackpool	X	Hartlepool NM	P	Plymouth Argyle
P	Bolton Wanderers NM	P	Heart of Midlothian NM	P	Rangers
P	AFC Bournemouth	A	Hibernian	A	Rotherham United
P	Brighton & Hove Albion	A	Hull City	P	Scunthorpe United
P	Bristol City	P	Ipswich Town	P	Sheffield Wednesday
P	Burnley	X	Leeds United	A	Southampton
P	Cardiff City	P	Leicester City	P	Stoke City
P	Celtic	A	Liverpool	P	Sunderland
X	Chester City	X	London Scottish	P	West Bromwich Albion
P	Coventry City	P	Manchester City	X	Yeovil Town NM
A	Derby County	P	Mansfield Town NM	P	Football Rep

Top Table: Tony Vass, Vice Chairman (WBA) & Roger Pyne, Minutes Secretary (Exeter).

Meeting Opened: 19.45

1 Apologies For Absence: Neil Le Milliere, Secretary (Exeter); John Wood, Stoke; Chris Turner, Rotherham; Liz Cocks, Webmaster (Blackpool); Kevin Wells, Chairman (Leicester); Chris Swales, Hull; Paul Whelch, Brighton; Peter Reynolds, Blackpool; Nick Head, Treasurer (Southampton); Paul Morrison (Aberdeen); Peter Cherry (Liverpool); Lee Jameson (Plymouth); Steve Perrins (Derby); Alan Fell (Blackburn); Neil Stoneman (London Scottish); Nick Brennan (Everton); John Egan (Celtic) and finally an apology was received from Hibernian.

2 Attending For First Time: Tony Vass welcomed Aiden Coates (Birmingham) to the meeting.

3 Approval of the Minutes from Meeting 351: The minutes were approved by the meeting.

4 Matters arising from Meeting 349 not covered elsewhere: There were no matters arising that were not covered elsewhere.

5 Chairman's Report: Tony Vass read the following report as Kevin Wells was unable to attend the meeting:

5.1 "I am unable to attend tonight as I have to attend a charity fundraising event tonight. Tony Vass (WBA) has kindly agreed to chair the meeting. I can report as follows:

i) As promised at the October meeting I have been chasing in the remaining 2011/12 subscriptions. Can I thank all the Sports Secretaries for helping me with this task. At the time of writing these notes the only ones still to submit their applications and payments are:

Barrow. They were to decide whether to rejoin at their AGM, which was held after our October meeting. Update – Barrow have rejoined and paid.

Bolton Wanderers. They had advised me that their application and cheque are in the post but it now seems their cheque has gone astray in the post. If that is still the case, come the meeting, they will give a fresh cheque to Nick Head on the night. Update – this has been done.

Hartlepool United. I suspect that this branch is now defunct. Update – Neil McAndrew has moved. Update - Ian Todd (Sunderland) may have up to date contact details.

Hearts. They have had problems getting a cheque countersigned. They are checking with Nick Head to see if they can send the subscriptions direct to the APFSCIL bank account. Update – one of their representatives was at the meeting and the matter should be sorted out soon.

Mansfield Town. They should be attending tonight and will settle up then. Update – they have rejoined as Associate Members.

Yeovil. Due to various reasons they are considering Associate Membership. Update – we have yet to hear their decision.

ii) I did mention the possibility of a guest speaker at the December meeting. It now looks likely that he will have another engagement. Update – Mick Rathbone will be at the Exmouth Arms on the 24th November as a guest of London Everton. All APFSCIL members are welcome to attend.

iii) The Committee can confirm that there will be a buffet after the December meeting, which we be held as usual at the Exmouth Arms."

6 Secretary's Report:

6.1 Nothing to report.

7 Treasurer's Report

7.1 Balances

Current a/c £583.46

Deposit a/c £5062.98

7.2 Payments Due

Darts Trophies 371.70

7.3 Subs

7.3.1 Membership fees received from: Aberdeen, Birmingham, Blackburn, Blackpool, Bournemouth, Brighton, Bristol City, Burnley. Cardiff. Celtic. Chester. Coventry. Derby. Dundee Utd. Everton. Exeter. Gillingham. Hull. Ipswich. Leeds Utd. Leicester, Liverpool, London Hibs, London Scottish, Man City, Middlesbrough, Newcastle, Norwich, Nottingham Forest, Plymouth, Rangers, Rotherham, Scunthorpe, Sheffield Wednesday, Southampton, Stoke, Sunderland, and WBA [38 Clubs paid up]

7.3.2 Darts subs received from: Leicester, Nottingham Forest, Southampton, Blackpool, Gillingham, Chester, Derby, Manchester City, Ipswich, Plymouth , Bolton & Scunthorpe.

7.3.3 Pool subs received from: Newcastle, Southampton, Sunderland & Nottingham Forest.

8 Webmaster's Report

8.1 I have made contact with Phil Cordingley and am currently awaiting his assistance for ongoing issues relating to website.

8.2 Congratulations to Scunthorpe for sending their amendment for the website. Their page was 11 years out of date so would like to urge all other groups to check their individual page and confirm information is correct.

8.3 Please email your changes or confirm whether your individual supporters' group page is up to date

Liz Cocks, elizabethcocks@sky.com

9 Travel Secretary's Report (read in Neil Le Milliere's absence):

9.1 I have now established a Travel Officers' distribution list and this will go live shortly. The Clubs I have not heard from are Aberdeen; Birmingham; Bolton, Bournemouth; Bristol City; Dundee Untd; Gillingham; Hibernian; London Scottish; Newcastle Untd; Rangers; and Yeovil. Apologies if you have replied and I have missed it.

9.2 For anyone 55 and over wanting to travel on First Group trains Club 55 has returned.

9.3 Ian Todd, Sunderland, reports a possible end to Sunderland's marvellous arrangement, with Grand Central.

"Arriva in Grand Central Railway takeover Grand Central will continue to be based in York

Transport group Arriva has announced a takeover of North East-based Grand Central Railway.

The company, which runs services to London from Sunderland, Hartlepool and Bradford, has been acquired for an undisclosed sum.

As an open access operator, Grand Central does not receive subsidy from, or pay any premium to, the Department for Transport.

It provides about 700,000 passenger journeys a year.

Tom Clift, Managing Director of Grand Central Railway said the company would remain a self-contained business with its own brand and identity, and would continue to be based in York.

He added: "The decision by Arriva, one of Europe's largest transport undertakings, to acquire Grand Central is a huge vote of confidence in all our staff who have worked so hard over the last four years to deliver the very highest standards of customer service to the growing numbers of passengers using our routes.

"I will continue to lead Grand Central and will report directly into Bob Holland, MD of Arriva's UK Trains division."

Mr Holland said: "Bringing Grand Central on board means we have a live open access operation up and running, one which is popular with customers and which we believe we can develop to become a key commercial part of our UK rail operations."

Ian Todd (Sunderland) advised that Arriva were forming " Arriva Alliance Rail " to be based in Sunderland.

9.4 Matthew Gabb (Cardiff) asks "Was there any conclusion to who to contact for group deals on the east coast mainline? I have not had to try yet, but have Doncaster in January". Ian Todd (Sunderland) advised that East Coast were now based in London.

Neil Le Milliere, neil_le_milliere@btinternet.com

10 Sports & Social Secretaries Reports

10.1 Pool

10.1.1 Please note that league fees are now due (£16 for League & Cup or £10 for League only). Cheques should be made payable to "APFSCIL" and sent to APFSCIL Treasurer – Nick Head. 27 Frobisher Court, Cheam, Sutton, Surrey, SM2 7BW

Please include your club name and 'Pool' on the back of your cheque

Regards, Steve Cole, steve_cole99@btinternet.com

10.2 Football

10.2.1 Information etc can be found on our website as follows:

<http://football.mitoo.co.uk/News.cfm?LeagueCode=APFS2011>

10.2.2 Terry Cecil, Football Chairman (Manchester City) advised that four clubs remained to pay but they should all be clear shortly. Celtic have rejoined and have won their first two games. Terry also said that there was now a Facebook page on the football website.

Terry Cecil (Manchester City)

10.3 Darts' Secretaries' Report

10.3.1 The darts season is now well under way with fixtures now played in all divisions. With regards to the various websites, thanks once again to some sterling work by Man City's Tina, we're getting there slowly. The contacts list is not yet up to date but we hope to have this sussed by the next meeting. Honest.

10.3.2 Ipswich lead Division 1 with Forest in second, Gillingham lead Div 2 with Sheff Wed in second and Plymouth are the Div 3 early leaders closely followed by Burnley. I believe the tables include all games played but stand to be corrected.

10.3.3 The draw for the preliminary round of the cup competition was made after last month's meeting and gave us: Leicester City v Chester City; Coventry City v Rotherham Utd; Newcastle Utd v Bolton Wanderers.

Fixtures to be played by November 14th

10.3.4 We are in the process of trying to arrange the awards night/Super Cup and all teams will be advised accordingly.

Peter Reynolds, pete.reynolds3@btinternet.com

10.4 Social Secretary – Position Vacant

11 Any Other Business

11.1 Date of Next Meeting – The next monthly meeting will be on Monday 5th December. A buffet will be available after the formal part of the meeting.

11.2 Ian Todd (Sunderland) told the meeting that the SE branch of the Football Supporters' Federation would be held at Orient's ground on the 13th of November.

11.3 WBA advised that they had organised an event at the Exmouth Arms on the 22nd November with guest speaker Brendan Batson. He come highly recommended and all APFSCIL clubs are welcome tom attend. WBA will send out an email to all APFSCIL clubs confirming the details.

Meeting Closed:20.05