



## APFSCIL

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### Meeting 355

Monday 5th February 2012 @ 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	A	Dundee United	X	Newcastle United
P	Barrow	P	Everton	P	Norwich City
A	Birmingham City	P	Exeter City	P	Nottingham Forest
A	Blackburn Rovers	A	Gillingham	P	Plymouth Argyle
P	Blackpool	A	Heart of Midlothian	X	Rangers
A	Bolton Wanderers	X	Hibernian	P	Rotherham United
P	AFC Bournemouth	P	Hull City	P	Scunthorpe United
P	Brighton & Hove Albion	P	Ipswich Town	P	Sheffield Wednesday
A	Bristol City	X	Leeds United	P	Southampton
X	Burnley	P	Leicester City	P	Stoke City
P	Cardiff City	A	Liverpool	P	Sunderland
P	Celtic	X	London Scottish	P	West Bromwich Albion
X	Chester City	P	Manchester City		
P	Coventry City	A	Mansfield Town		
X	Derby County	A	Middlesbrough	A	Football Rep

**Top Table:** Kevin Wells, Chairman (Leicester), Nick Head, Treasurer (Southampton) & Roger Pyne, Minutes Secretary (Exeter).

**In Memoriam, Chris Metcalfe, Tranmere Rovers.**

Please would you pass on to people within your clubs, who would have known Chris during his nights at APFSCIL meetings, i.e. 1974-1995.

A further tribute is on the following two site refs.

<http://www.liverpoolecho.co.uk/sport/tranmere-rovers-fc/tranmere-rovers-news/2012/01/21/supporters-tribute-to-a-fellow-fan-100252-30167765/>

<http://www.wirralnews.co.uk/tranmere-rovers-fc/tranmere-rovers-fc-news/2012/01/21/supporters-tribute-to-a-fellow-fan-80491-30167775/>

**His funeral was at Hastings cemetery and crematorium on Friday 27th January.**

**Any sympathy messages can be sent to his sister, Jane Metcalfe, 26 De Cham Road, St Leonards, Hastings TN37 6JP**

**CHEQUES TO MacMillan (in lieu of flowers), can be sent to his sister, or funeral director:- Arthur C Towner, 2 Norman Road, St Leonards, TN37 6NH**

**Also In Memoriam, Grant Harris, Middlesbrough. Grant tragically died whilst on holiday. He was a member of the 'Boro pool team and also played for the football second eleven.**

**A pause for reflection was held to respect the memory of both gentlemen prior to the meeting commencing.**

**Meeting Opened: 19.35**

**1 Apologies For Absence:** Neil Le Milliere, Secretary (Exeter); Andrew Plummer, Gillingham; Peter Cherry, Liverpool; David Gilchrist, Dundee United; Paul Welch, Brighton; John Wood, Stoke; Paul Morrison, Aberdeen; Tony Vass, Vice Chairman (WBA); Mark Cooke, Bristol City; Steve Murray (Mansfield); Andrew Clark (Middlesbrough); Terry Cecil, Football Secretary (Manchester City); Tina Robertson (Manchester City); Mick Gethin (Bolton); Alan Fell (Blackburn); Peter Higgins (Birmingham); Lee Jameson (Plymouth) & Chris Learnmouth (Hearts).

**2 Attending For First Time:** Paul Kennedy (Celtic) was attending for the first time. The Chairman welcomed him on behalf of APFSCIL.

**3 Approval of the Minutes from Meeting 354:** There were two corrections to the minutes, both concerning travel:

- i) Liz Cocks (Blackpool) said that the travel problem to Ipswich was having one ticket for 13 people.
- ii) Phil Arnold (Leicester) pointed out that the East Midlands Special Events return ticket could be used within 30 days.

With the above corrections, the minutes were approved.

**4 Matters arising from Meeting 354 not covered elsewhere:** The Secretary had asked Clubs to note the dates of forthcoming meetings (6<sup>th</sup> February, 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 14<sup>th</sup> May, 11<sup>th</sup> June (AGM), 13<sup>th</sup> August, 3<sup>rd</sup> September, 1<sup>st</sup> October 5<sup>th</sup> November and 3<sup>rd</sup> December) and raised the following two issues and asked for thoughts [None received].

It may be best to move the AGM in June as England are playing in the Euro 2012 tournament that day. The meeting resolved, after some discussion, to hold the AGM on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2012. Would all clubs be good enough to note this.

The meeting decided to leave the November meeting as scheduled – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2012.

**5 Chairman's Report:**

**5.1** Nothing to report.

## **6 Secretary's Report:**

**6.1** Nothing to report.

## **7 Treasurer's Report**

### **7.1 Balances in the Accounts**

Current a/c £718.76

Deposit a/c £5062.98

### **7.2 Monies received**

**7.3.1** Subs received from: Leeds Utd; Leicester; Nottingham Forest; Exeter; Bristol City; Aberdeen; Man City; Norwich; Ipswich; Burnley; Blackburn; Southampton; Newcastle; W B A; Everton; Stoke; Scunthorpe; Sunderland; London Scottish; Cardiff; Coventry; Rangers; Bournemouth; Rotherham; Blackpool; Gillingham; Brighton; Derby; Hull; Sheffield Wednesday; Middlesbrough; Celtic; Chester; Birmingham; Liverpool; London Hibs; Dundee Utd; Plymouth; Mansfield; Barrow; Bolton; and Hearts.

Sports: Sheffield Wednesday paid their darts subscriptions at the meeting.

## **8 Webmaster's Report(Liz Cocks, Blackpool)**

**8.1** Sorry nothing to report this month except another couple of clubs have sent responses about web page updates.

**8.2** We need to discuss what the viewing public sees of minutes and how many months need to be available to view directly. I suggest 12 meetings worth with 2 or 3 years AGM.

The meeting agreed with the above suggestion.

Liz Cocks, [elizabethcocks@sky.com](mailto:elizabethcocks@sky.com)

**8.3** Kevin Wells (Chairman) thanked Liz for the hard work she was putting in getting the website up to date.

## **9 Travel Secretary's Report**

**9.1** I have almost completed setting up the Travel Contacts group e-mail though there are issues with getting a few of the contacts signed up.

It is already proving a useful tool and a number of pieces of travel information have been shared and a couple of clubs have organised joint trips.

In particular using my contacts I have managed to get Man City Groupsave4 Tickets on FGW trains for their game at Swansea even though they were banned on trains that day. The Manchester City representative wished to place on record the thanks of their club for Neil's help and also to Norwich City for their assistance in running a joint trip.

Neil Le Milliere, [neil\\_le\\_milliere@btinternet.com](mailto:neil_le_milliere@btinternet.com)

## **10 Sports & Social Secretaries Reports**

### **10.1 Pool**

**10.1.1** No report received. Participants in the pool league told the meeting that the league has got off to a slow start, for instance WBA have played only three games to date.

Steve Cole, steve\_cole99@btinternet.com

## **10.2 Football**

**10.2.1** Middlesbrough are three points clear of Aberdeen in Division 1 with games in hand. Dundee United and Celtic are first and second respectively in Division 2.

Information etc can be found on the MITOO website as follows:  
<http://football.mitoo.co.uk/News.cfm?LeagueCode=APFS2011>

Terry Cecil, mancylondon@googlemail.com

## **10.3 Darts' Secretaries' Report**

**10.3.1** After the usual quiet December, plenty to report for January with matches taking place in the leagues, Knockout cup and Pairs knockout. Chris Farthing's comprehensive report on the latter appears later.

**10.3.2** In the league, Ipswich Town suffered their first defeat of the season at the hands of Scunthorpe Town in Division One, but still have an 18 point lead over them. The Irons slip to third place on "leg" difference behind Nottingham Forest.

Unbeaten Gillingham are top of Division Two on 48 points with Sheffield Wednesday second 16 points behind.

In Division Three Plymouth Argyle lead with 39 points with Chester City close behind on 34 with unbeaten Burnley just another four behind but with two games in hand on the leaders.

**10.3.3** In the Knockout cup, we now have seven of the eight quarter finalists. Derby County, Gillingham, Ipswich Town, Leicester City, Nottingham Forest, Scunthorpe United and Sunderland are through to be joined, hopefully soon, by the winners of Exeter City v Bolton Wanderers.

The draw for the quarter finals will take place after this meeting, with matches to be played week commencing 27th February or earlier if it suits both teams.

**10.3.4** The Individual knockout is scheduled for Monday 19th March, so could captains please start making enquiries amongst their teams. An e mail reminder will be sent in due course.

### **10.3.5 Pairs K/O: Results**

The 2011/2012 APFSCIL Darts Pairs knockout for the Adrian Hambrook trophy took place in The Horseshoe, Clerkenwell on January 23rd. The event was won by Raj Gujjalu and Steve Port representing Leicester City, who beat Stuart Garland and Craig Munro of Nottingham Forest 3-2 in a final which saw the initiative swing from one pair to the other on several occasions.

With a bumper entry of 22 pairs representing 12 teams, the event was run as best-of-three knockout up to the semi-final stages, and then best-of-5 for the remainder. The pick of the preliminary round matches saw Stuart Garland and Craig Munro Representing Forest overcome Peter Reeves and Tony Wall from Derby 2-1 in a match which saw plenty of tons

and also a 115 check-out from Craig. The first round proper saw a titanic struggle between Neil Johnson and Lee Gordon from Blackpool and Ian Barber and Phil Eaves from Sheffield Wednesday brought to an abrupt conclusion with a 2-dart 94 check-out in the decider from Phil. An unfancied pair from Ipswich, John Last and Daniel Zicha, ran Stuart and Craig from Forest very close before succumbing 2-1.

The quarter finals saw comfortable 2-0 wins for Chris Farthing and Paul Ebbelwhite of Ipswich (Including a 104 finish from Paul), Ian and Phil of Sheffield Wednesday, and Stuart and Craig from Forest. The best match-up was Raj Gujjalu and Steve Port from Leicester against Bob Carter and Nick Davies representing Derby. This went down to the wire with the Leicester pair emerging victorious. The semi-finals were both relatively one-sided, with Stuart and Craig beating Chris and Paul 3-0 after the Ipswich pair missed countless doubles, and Raj and Steve beating Ian and Phil 3-1.

In the final, Raj and Steve took the first leg and were well ahead in the 2nd, but when the Forest pair snatched that and when Craig hit an early 180 in the 3rd, they were well in the driving seat. Stuart and Craig were soon 2-1 up and well ahead in the 4th leg, but missed darts for the match and the scores were levelled. The decider was a nervy affair with everyone throwing at the double, Raj being the one who finally put it to bed on double-8.

Congratulations to Raj and Steve. Thanks to The Horseshoe for hosting and to Heather for some assistant managing.

Full results:-

Preliminary round

John Last and Daniel Zicha (Ipswich Town) beat Ian Lamey and Jamie Vincent (Exeter) 2-0

Stuart Garland and Craig Munro (Nottingham Forest) beat Peter Reeves and Tony Wall (Derby County) 2-1

Chris Farthing & Paul Ebbelwhite (Ipswich Town) beat Simon Thomas and Jeremy McDougal (Chester) 2-1

Jim Shepherd and Howard Field (Exeter) beat Gavin Rennison and Aidan Daly (Sunderland) 2-0

Gordon Crossman and Andy Stephenson (Sunderland) beat Neil Wright and Andy Theaker (Scunthorpe) 2-1

Matt Maguire and Matt Upton (Chester) beat Ian Davey and Michael Helme (Nottingham Forest) 2-1

First round

Richie Cockton and Tina Robertson (Sunderland and Man City) beat Horry Money and Heather Bedford (Ipswich) 2-0

Ian Barber and Phil Eaves (Sheffield Wednesday) beat Neil Johnson and Lee Gordon (Blackpool) 2-1

Raj Gujjalu and Steve Port (Leicester) beat Matt Stephens and Graham Parsons (Nottingham Forest) 2-1

Bob Carter and Nick Davies (Derby County) beat Paul Bradley and Phil Broughton (Rotherham) 2-1

Anthony Bradley and Dave Bowers (Scunthorpe) beat Michael Peake and Barry Greaves (Man City) 2-0

Stuart Garland and Craig Munro (Nottingham Forest) beat John Last and Daniel Zicha (Ipswich Town) 2-1

Chris Farthing & Paul Ebbelwhite (Ipswich Town) beat Jim Shepherd and Howard Field (Exeter) 2-0  
Gordon Crossman and Andy Stephenson (Sunderland) beat Matt Maguire and Matt Upton (Chester) 2-0

#### Quarter-finals

Ian Barber and Phil Eaves (Sheffield Wednesday) beat Richie Cockton and Tina Robertson (Sunderland and Man City) 2-0  
Raj Gujjalu and Steve Port (Leicester) beat Bob Carter and Nick Davies (Derby) 2-1  
Stuart Garland and Craig Munro (Nottingham Forest) beat Anthony Bradley and Dave Bowers (Scunthorpe) 2-0  
Chris Farthing & Paul Ebbelwhite (Ipswich Town) beat Gordon Crossman and Andy Stephenson (Sunderland) 2-0

#### Semi-finals

Raj Gujjalu and Steve Port (Leicester) beat Ian Barber and Phil Eaves (Sheffield Wednesday) 3-1  
Stuart Garland and Craig Munro (Nottingham Forest) beat Chris Farthing & Paul Ebbelwhite (Ipswich Town) 3-0

#### Final

Raj Gujjalu and Steve Port (Leicester) beat Stuart Garland and Craig Munro (Nottingham Forest) 3-2

Thanks to all for turning up, see you on March 19th for the singles (more details later)

**Peter Reynolds**, [pete.reynolds3@btinternet.com](mailto: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 March.

**11.2** Tina Robertson has made the following suggestion.

I have been trying to organize a Dennis Tueart book signing as a joint event with Sunderland supporters' club and our own. Unfortunately, finding a date to suit everyone has proved difficult. Richie has suggested that perhaps we could combine it with an APFSCIL meeting.

We could ask Mr Tueart if he would hold a Q&A after the meeting and then hold the book signing. Obviously, this would mean a lot more City and Sunderland fans at the meeting. I was wondering what your thoughts were on this suggestion.

Tina, Man City

Richie Cockton (Sunderland) said that they did not want to be setting a precedent with the suggestion, and asked the meeting to express any concerns if there were any. Kevin Wells (Chairman) felt that it was likely to be a one-off situation and did not see any harm in seeing how it went, especially bearing in mind that in the past there have been suggestions to have

guest speakers at meetings.. The feeling of the meeting was to allow Sunderland and Manchester City to go ahead with their suggestion.

**Meeting Closed: 20.00**