



APFSCIL

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Meeting 351

Monday 3rd October 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

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

Top Table: Kevin Wells, Chairman (Leicester) & Roger Pyne, Minutes Secretary (Exeter).

Meeting Opened: 19.45

1 Apologies For Absence: Neil Le Milliere, Secretary (Exeter); Richard Cockton, Sunderland; Andrew Plummer, Gillingham; Tony Vass, Vice Chairman (WBA); Nick Head, Treasurer (Southampton); Monica Hartland (Stoke); Lee Jameson (Plymouth); Rob Hughes (Cardiff); Peter Kennedy (Liverpool); Mick Gething (Bolton); Nick Brennan, Everton; and Paul from Celtic and David Gilchrist, Dundee United.

2 Attending For First Time: There were no first time attendees.

3 Approval of the Minutes from Meeting 350: With the correction that Ian Todd (Sunderland) was at the meeting, the minutes were approved.

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

5 Chairman's Report: The publishers of Mick Rathbone's autobiography (The Smell Of Football) have been in touch and hopefully we might have him as a guest speaker in the near future, possibly at the December meeting. With regard to the December meeting, it is likely it will be held at The Exmouth Arms, with a buffet being provided.

6 Secretary's Report:

6.1 T Nothing to report.

7 Treasurer's Report

7.1 Balances

Current a/c £693.46

Deposit a/c £4762.98

7.2 Memberships

Membership fees received from: Nottingham Forest; Exeter; Bristol City; Aberdeen; Man City; Norwich; Ipswich; Burnley; Blackburn; Southampton; Newcastle; Leicester; W B A; Everton; Stoke; Scunthorpe; Sunderland; London Scottish; Cardiff; Coventry; Rangers; Bournemouth; Rotherham; Blackpool; Gillingham; Brighton; Derby; Hull; Sheffield Wednesday; and Middlesbrough.

Membership fees NOT received from: Barrow; Bolton Wanderers; Celtic; Chester City; Dundee United; Hartlepool United; Heart of Midlothian; Hibernian; Leeds United; Liverpool; Mansfield Town; Plymouth Argyle; and Yeovil Town.

Continuing participation of clubs not yet affiliated in sporting competitions was discussed. Both Terry Cecil (Football) and Peter Reynolds (Darts) said that they would do their best to chase in memberships from teams in their leagues that had yet to rejoin. It was agreed to defer possible actions regarding participation until the next monthly meeting when hopefully their efforts had borne fruit. The Chairman also said that he would make separate attempts to contact the clubs involved.

Dave Leitch (Barrow) told the meeting that they would decide whether to continue in APFSCIL at their upcoming AGM, some of their members feeling that with travel now fragmented amongst the train operating companies membership of APFSCIL had less relevance for their club. Dave said he would recommend continued membership of APFSCIL and would advise APFSCIL of their decision in due course.

N.B. At the time of writing of these minutes Celtic and Chester have now joined. Bolton, Dundee United, Hearts and Liverpool have advised that their memberships are in the post.

8 Webmaster's Report

8.1 Liz was unable to attend the meeting, but reports that progress is being made in updating the site. It would be really helpful if member clubs could check that their links are up to date. Any corrections should be sent to Liz. If contact details or representatives change can Neil Le Milliere, Secretary, be advised as well please.

Liz Cocks, elizabethcocks@sky.com

9 Travel Secretary's Report

9.1 Lee Jameson, Plymouth, attended the RFF meeting on 21st September. Lee was unable to attend the meeting, and hopefully he will be able to provide an update at the November meeting. As a FSF representative would have been at the meeting Ian Todd (Sunderland) said that he would endeavour to obtain information.

Neil Le Milliere, neil_le_milliere@btinternet.com

NB subsequent to the meeting it transpired that Lee had had to attend an urgent Argye trust meeting and was unable to attend the RFF meeting.

10 Sports & Social Secretaries Reports

10.1 Pool

10.1.1 A contact list and a fixture schedule have been circulated.

Regards, Steve Cole, steve_cole99@btinternet.com

N.B. Subsequent to the meeting Steve has advised that his move North has been delayed so he is happy to remain as pool secretary for the time being.

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>

Terry Cecil advised that Celtic had joined the league and that Middlesbrough now had two teams. The league were looking to expand and new teams were more than welcome. Please contact Terry if your club is considering getting a team up for next season.

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

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

Terry Cecil (Manchester City)

10.3 Darts' Secretaries' Report

10.3.1 The darts season got underway last week, thanks entirely to Phil Cordingley, the former secretary, who set the whole thing up before relinquishing his duties. If anyone is still in contact with him please pass on my grateful thanks.

10.3.2 Can clubs please note that Burnley have a new contact.

10.3.3 There were a few cancellations but the games that were played put Rotherham top of Div 1 and Man. City top of Div 2.

10.3.4 The 3 games in Div 3 were all called off so that puts Blackpool on top, if only alphabetically (believe me we take any small triumphs we can!)

10.3.5 The Awards Night/Super Cup, originally planned for October 4th, has, for various reasons, also been cancelled. I hope to get this re-arranged pretty soon and will report further at next month's meeting.

10.3.6 Any progress that has been made negotiating around the various websites has been made largely by Tina Robertson of Man City who has been a massive help and without whom I would probably have sunk without trace by now.

10.3.7 The draw for the Preliminary and First rounds of the Cup will be made after tonight's meeting. It is assumed all teams will enter unless I am notified otherwise.

Peter Reynolds, pete.reynolds3@btinternet.com

10.4 Social Secretary – Position Vacant

11 Any Other Business

11.1 Andy Clark (Middlesbrough) gave the meeting a resume of how the London 'Boro had managed to increase their membership and participation which other clubs might wish to consider. They had re-launched their website, making it easier to register via the website and cut their membership fees. They had also fostered close ties with Middlesbrough FC and had received messages of support from them as they progressed their way to the APFSCIL football final in the programme and via YouTube. They had also got an ex Middlesbrough pro (Marlon Beresford) the play in their 11 a side team. They also pushed the social side with quizzes, a party in a London pub and Guest speakers such as Tony Mowbray.

11.2 Ian Wood (Burnley) said that the social side was important, but travel was still useful, and the exchange of travel information within APFSCIL could be invaluable. It remained a fact though that many member clubs of APFSCIL had an ageing population. The Ipswich representative said that his club had guest speakers at their AGM's (eg players) and found it cheap to run the club mainly by email.

11.3 A brief discussion took place regarding the Plymouth situation, other clubs had proved to be supportive, especially Brighton. The ownership situation was still unresolved.

11.4 Date of Next Meeting – The next monthly meeting will be on Monday 7th November at The Exmouth Arms.

11.5 No other AOB have been notified to the Secretary

Meeting Closed:20.20