

**Minutes of the Meeting of Bridport Rugby Football Club
Held on 11th July 2022 at the Rugby Pavilion**

Present: Julian Hussey, Peter Brook, Louis Brown, Noel Gregory, Simon Hussey, Ayo Fraser, Stuart Briggs, Dan Butler, Sam Petchey, Kevin Hart, Allan Staerck, Guy Livingston, Kathy Briggs

1. Apologies: Andrew Livingston

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting:

The minutes were approved, proposed by Allan and seconded by Peter. All in favour.

3. Matters Arising:

- Agreed that Nigel Carter, Fencing club, should continue to pay £8.80 per hour but will be reviewed next year.
- Lege-Cap Ferret have decided not to tour this year because of difficulties with flights.
- In principle Will Thrower is happy with camping on site but no under 18's.
- Training days with Exeter Chiefs and Bath now sorted.
- According to Will, Carlos is the only person with the kitchen key. The LC need access for insurance purposes etc.

4. Chairman's Report:

RFU Needs based travel funding 2022/23 only applies up to Level 6.

Next Chairmen's Huddle meeting is 1st August. Advise Julian if there is anything to be brought up.

From next season anyone entering the field of play without the consent of the referee will be banned from all rugby environments. Before each match the referee will be advised re Hanna/first aiders but clarification needed re subs.

From 2022/23 season each junior age group and game will require someone to be first aid trained. Agreed Paul Conde ideal person to do refresher courses. There has been a glitch with his DBS which has now been resolved. Not necessary to be RFU First aid courses, work approved courses are fine.

A very worthwhile evening spent cleaning the kitchen as a 5 star rating gained. Many thanks to Karen and Jasmine for the excellent paperwork.

The last two Saturdays have been excellent club days and hopefully will be the same this coming Saturday. An email reminder will be sent to the VPs re the match.

It is hoped the resolution regarding the running of the rugby club facilities will be passed at the AGM. Getting the constitution amended is challenging and this will need to be brought before an EGM. There is a meeting tomorrow with the LC regarding the agreement. The LC proposal is quite demanding re the rugby club responsibilities.

5. Treasurers Report:

Simon Hartley is preparing the accounts for this year.

Check with Stuart King whether there was ever a resolution to waive auditing of the accounts.

Last year's accounts have been submitted to the FCA.

Ayo and Julian need to send a scan of driving licences to Simon Hartley.

Approx £900 owed to the LC this year

Heads of Terms agreement signed with Akuma, runs for a further two years at same prices.

Current balance £55,069.28 which includes some sponsorship.

The shirt sponsorship draw will be done after the match this Sat 16th.

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6. Secretary's Report:

Future events include Bridport Barracudas 17th Jan 2023, presentation evening 10th Sept.

Enquiries for 24th Sept, 30th birthday on 29th Oct.

Agreed to check with Will, Chesil Security, re attendance at functions. His costs to be added to hiring costs.

D&W AGM is on 20th July.

Will need bar staff for the 10's tournament as Rachel unavailable.

7. VP's Report:

Nothing to report.

8. Fixtures:

Wimborne has been changed from 17th to 10th September. One other change is the fixtures with Swanage have been swapped around, now home 12th November and away 18th

February. Confirmed list of fixtures is on the RFU website.

Looking at the end of the season for the Brown Bowler as Crewkerne are changing their Fixture secretary.

Louis is sorting refs for the 10's tournament. Camping will be allowed on the Saturday night.

Charlie Samways' sister has 2/3 possible ladies teams. Other clubs will be approached re interest in bringing a ladies team. A third pitch could run parallel to the first team pitch.

9. Coaching / Team Management Report:

Coaching started last Wednesday. Good turnout, approx 20, with a few new faces. Very positive start, probably the best night's coaching ever. Charlie will do backs coaching, Ayo defence and Wes individual skills.

Membership fees for the season proposed at £65 plus 16 match fees of £5, total £145. This can be paid upfront or £65 plus 4 payments of £20. Ayo proposed and Sam seconded that as an incentive any player attending all pre-season training sessions should be eligible for a 10% discount. This was recommended by the committee.

Holdalls and waterproof tops will be provided from sponsorship at a cost of £2k.

Bridmet and Simon Vallard at BBS will be asked for a contribution. Also Ricky to be asked to approach Seals Cove.

10. Juniors and Colts Report:

Discussion re possible contribution towards Stepping Out. Suggested they run a raffle at the 10's tournament.

Agreed that Junior fees should be £65 to include an item of clothing, possibly tee shirt or ruck sack. Need to look at costings.

11. Social Report:

Nothing to report.

12. Grounds Maintenance:

Pitches not being mown at present. Holes will be filled in before the 10's tournament.

13. Business Development Report:

£3750 has been raised for the shirt sponsorship. Lost 4 from last year but gained 2.

Palmers and Framptons will sponsor the Player of the Year Awards and Tropical Decorators the warm-up tops.

There are 6 new hoardings, so if all hoardings renew this will raise £3700.

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14. Club Development:

- a) Safeguarding – ongoing.
- b) School Liaison – Ryan has gone and been replaced by Julia May.
- c) Publicity – quiet at present. Thanks to Stuart for sorting out Sky. Jasmine to be asked to send a GMS to all parents re the decider on Saturday. Peter will ask John Bandey to update the roadside board.
- d) Volunteers – 9 coaching volunteers this year, more than ever known.
- e) Development Plan – ongoing. Still no response from Chris Burton. Allan to chase.

15. Any Other Business:

- a) Social membership will need to be defined under the new constitution.
- b) The Club Captain is chosen by the players and will be elected at the AGM.
- c) Many thanks to Julian, Jasmine and Dan for cooking at the weekend.

Meeting closed at 9.00pm, next meeting Monday 8th August 2022

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