Minutes of the **COMMITTEE MEETING** of the Section held virtually at 8.00pm on Monday 10th January 2022.

**M I N U T E S**

## Present:-

M Murray

M Ramsdale

T Hall

S Hargrave

P Reid

M Windebanke

M Barnes

S Thomas

C Bolitho

## Apologies

M Coffin

S Coffin

T Thompson

W Jones

## Agenda

1. Actions

2. finances – no update – will be given next meeting

3. Update from youth and senior section (inc. report from ladies attached)

Seniors Men– 1s & 2s won. Several ex-academy playing. Tuesday training called off due to falling numbers. Win 3 more games should be safe. Looking to make gym more available for rugby players and parents

Ladies – comprehensive report provided by manager (attached below) – Promotion for 1st team not in our own hands. 2nd team won their first game of the year.

COVID postponements may cause league to continue longer and may require end of season dinner to be moved back

Youth – chair not present – update from Stefan – some opposition pulling out of friendly fixtures. Change over in rules occurring 6 months late due to COVID rules – complex for some age groups due to increase in ball size, introduction of tackling and number of players in a game

4. Mike's magic balls – 2021 £2660 income £1350 went on prizes

* £150 – ball 43 Paul Datson
* £50 – ball 28 Carla Crosby
* £50 – ball 26 Pete Bentfield
* £50 – ball 10 Richard Carney

5. AOB

Link to the actions tracker:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1RY-urPNrSblPGgxwPTYEL8DDYCMTniwRHzWsNPV\_n1U/edit#gid=110566892](https://emea01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdocs.google.com%2Fspreadsheets%2Fd%2F1RY-urPNrSblPGgxwPTYEL8DDYCMTniwRHzWsNPV_n1U%2Fedit%23gid%3D110566892&data=04%7C01%7C%7C0ce57b65a0724e533cd808d9706ed5fb%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637664443906571078%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=DXVu8PI0h6wX%2FsfmCI1CRd27bZ%2Fb9mTf2NrSKtmxiZ0%3D&reserved=0)

**What's happened this month:**

**Go Cardless**

Update info from Irwin Mitchell, new steps to take and try before we engage them - Need to give this a kick

**Rugby Safe Lead**

RSL is a group that are taking a lead on regulation 9 relating to the safety of players. Whole bunch of new regs coming in September. Sandra is club RSL and liaising with Suzi for seniors. A gap analysis is being performed ot the new regs to see what we need to progress - need a date for this please. Increased requirement for first aider availability including training combined with more extensive qualification means it’s significantly more difficult provision

**Safeguarding Update**

Safeguarding cases have been closed from a Trojans perspective. RFU providing further advice.

Citation of abusive language case – case against Newbury player not upheld but case report details “(put quote in)” language used. Thanks mentioned to Marc R, Mike M, Damla and Ian Wheaton for all support

Safeguarding case – 2 coaches left Kev Richens – suspended pending an investigation who subsequently quit – reported to RFU incase further sanctions required. Karl Rand U18 girls head coach – complaints regarding attitude and dealings with girls – meeting before Christmas – he has now left his position and the club. Ladies Marcus C help on Tuesdays other club members when available until a longer term solution is available

**Citing Case**

Verbal update to be provided but a massive thank you to Rammers and Wheats who spent a lot of time on this case helping Mike and I.

**International Tickets**

I need to work out how to get them to people through the electronic system – Stefan working out how to distribute

**Membership**

£38k paid to the club (not including December) – highest in 7-8 years

**Diversity Officer**

Mark W meeting with Hampshire contact tomorrow. Mark has been reviewing various approaches by other clubs and will discuss with the Hampshire contact. Mark W to update us in the next meeting.

**Walking Rugby**

Sandra Coffin to help Lee Foster set this up – update to be provided on marketing etc. next month

**AoB**

Pete Reid – asking why bar was closed for 2 weeks over Christmas. Decided due to no Boxing Day game and COVID situation it was decided to close it by the business manager. Also done to provide bar manager a break due to health considerations. Also noted on the Saturday prior to this period the bar was closed at 18:00. Why was bar not kept open for members. Ongoing personnel issues in the bar area and Pete asked to contact Sarah.

Mike B – pay as you play – mainly for youngsters – questions on what the amount should be. Charged £10 available for 5 games and from then membership is required (match fees already paid can be deducted from membership).

Tony Hall – RFU asking if we wanted to add a 2nd team into a league. 2nd team currently in merit league which is not considered a “proper” league?! Agreed to remain as is – currently have issue fulfilling fixtures. Discussed that is does not affect the Ladies teams.

Hardmoor – first use last Sunday – preserving pitches for a while. Strip of land between the 2 football pitches is also available for training use – about the size of a junior pitch.

Cricket not happy with damage done to outfield due to increased usage while Christmas party tent was standing. Nigel Le Bas (Cricket Chair) will discuss with Stefan.

Ladies lunch before the next game for female volunteers.

Clubhouse Rebuild status – nothing heard from the club board meetings

**M Ramsdale**

**Hon. Secretary**

**10th Jan 2022**

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