



Minutes of the meeting of the committee of Ilkeston Football Club Supporters Group held at The Little Acorn on Wednesday 8th October 2014 at 7.00pm.

Present: Duncan Payne, Darren Jones, Duncan Lapping, Alex Middleton, Alison Wall, Lynda Bacon, Jon Shapland, John Attewell.

		<u>Action</u>
55/14	<u>Introductions and Apologies</u>	
	Apologies were received from Lee Francis and Kevin Cross.	
56/14	<u>Race Night</u>	
	<p>JS had previously advised that he would not be able to stay for the whole meeting so the Chairman brought forward the Race Night report to the top of the agenda.</p> <p>JS reported as follows with input from those present to update him on sponsorship and dog sales:</p> <p>Race 1: AW – All dogs sold; no sponsor Race 2: AM – Dog sales progressing; race sponsor; extra sponsor Race 3: JA – All dogs sold; race sponsored Race 4: DL – All dogs sold; race sponsored Race 5: DP – All dogs sold; No sponsor Race 6: LB – All dogs sold; race sponsored; extra sponsor Race 7: KC – No details available Race 8: DJ – Dog sales progressing; no sponsor Race 9: LF - All dogs sold; race sponsored</p> <p>It was agreed that AM's extra sponsor would be allocated to race one and that LB's extra sponsor be allocated to race five.</p> <p><u>Action Points:</u></p> <p>(i) Design poster and programme cover (ii) Purchase race night DVD (iii) Sponsors prizes – to be agreed at next meeting (iv) Race winners prizes – to be agreed at next meeting</p>	LF JS All All
57/14	<u>Project Progress Reports</u>	
	<p>(i) Running a Tote: Project proposed by JS. It was agreed that bets should be on the last goal scorer within the</p>	

	<p>90 minutes of normal match play It was also agreed that the first run should be at the FC United game on 15th October 2014. The project will be advertised through the website; social media; and on Erewash Sound.</p> <p>(ii) The Flying Robin Magazine: The first edition had a print run of 50 with 49 copies sold. At a cost of £40 and with sales of £98, the first print run made a profit of £58. The second print run cost £46 and it was estimated that a further 10 copies have been sold to date. It was agreed that a copy from each edition be retained for the Group's archives. Future editions are to include; alternative articles; Birthday wishes to Group members and players; calendar of past events; real ale guide to pubs in towns to be visited for away fixtures; player interviews (Gareth Holmes; Russell Cooke and; James Cullingworth to be featured); season statistics and league table at time of going to print.. The next edition is due to be published on 27th October (Monday night home fixture against Stamford).</p> <p>DJ and AW reported that they had discussed the magazine with Dave Mantle at IFC. They advised him that it will be published monthly; that it's not intended to compete with the matchday programme. AM reported that based on his knowledge of programme sales, the magazine did not have an adverse effect on sales.</p> <p>(iii) IFCSG Beer: This project appears to unviable due to costs and concerns over licencing.</p> <p>(iv) Mugs: It was reported that the mugs had sold out. It was agreed that a report be made to the next meeting to confirm costs and any surplus generated to the Group funds.</p> <p>(v) Badges: It was agreed that DJ and LF be asked to provide a report and update to the next meeting</p> <p>(vi) Hats: It was agreed that LF be asked to provide a report and update to the next meeting.</p> <p>(vii) IFCSG Calendar: After a discussion it was agreed that this should be project should move forward. It was agreed that LF be asked to approach Craig Lamont to discuss options and costings etc...</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>LF</p> <p>LF/DJ</p> <p>LF/DJ</p> <p>LF</p> <p>LF</p>
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58/14	<u>Treasurers Report</u>	
	<p>DJ reported that the Group is currently holding funds of approximately £11,500 – this includes £1,000 earmarked for the Tannoy fund.</p> <p>A detailed report is to be circulated by email to committee members in due course</p>	DJ
59/14	<u>Membership Report</u>	
	<p>AW reported that all applications she had received had been processed.</p> <p>JA reported on membership numbers prior to 28th September 2014 as follows: Members; 144 (Adults: 125; Junior: 19) Renewals: 104; New Members: 40</p> <p>It was noted that renewal/applications made on or since 28th September are still to be processed.</p>	AW/JA
60/14	<u>Away Travel Report</u>	
	<p>(i) Report: LB circulated a report to the committee. The main points are as follows: Surplus of £315 as at 8th October 2014 Income from football cards, £321</p> <p>(ii) Vote of thanks: The Chairman expressed his thanks on behalf of all Group members for the work done by LB and JS to organise the travel contract and manage the buses. All other committee members present agreed.</p> <p>(iii) Stockport FA Cup fixture: It was reported that the cost is £350 per bus. The Group is expected to cover its costs from fares; prediction sheets; and football cards. At the time of the meeting there were seven seats left. Andrew Raisin has contacted the Group to advise that Stockport FC will charge £20 for bus parking. Initially it was understood that the bus company covered parking in their charges to the Group. It has since been confirmed that the bus contract price was set on the basis of their not normally being any parking costs (NB: this is a normal expectation at most non-league football grounds). There was a debate as to whether free alternative parking should be found but it was ultimately agreed that in this instance the Group should accept the cost and minimise inconvenience to members attending this fixture.</p>	LB

61/14	<u>Website and Media Report</u>	
	In the absence of LF, The Chairman reported that there had been an increase in the information available on the website and twitter. The Chairman expressed his thanks to LF for his work on this and all members present agreed.	
62/14	<u>Any Other Business</u>	
	<p>(i) Tannoy Fundraising: AM proposed that the fund raising should be transferred from the tannoy to assist with floodlight improvements. It was noted that the Group had made a commitment to support the tannoy replacement that had been publicised to members and agreed with IFC. After some discussion, it was agreed to maintain the funds for the tannoy for 2014/15 and to discuss alternative fund raising initiatives for next season at the next meeting with IFC.</p> <p>(ii) Future Meetings: It was proposed and agreed that future meetings (from January 2015 onwards) be held on Wednesdays and that they should be altered through the season as necessary to avoid having meetings in the same week as a midweek fixture.</p>	DL
63/14	<u>Date, time & venue of next meeting</u>	
	The next meeting will be held on Friday 31 st October 2014 at 7.30pm at The Little Acorn	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:15pm

ACTION POINTS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 8th October 2014

Minute:	Action:	By Whom:	By When:	Comments:
56/14 (i)	Design poster and programme cover	LF	31/10/14	
56/14 (ii)	Purchase race night DVD	JS	20/11/14	
56/14 (iii)	Sponsors prizes – to be agreed at next meeting	All	31/10/14	
56/14 (iv)	Race winners prizes – to be agreed at next meeting	All	31/10/14	
57/14 (i)	Running a Tote at the FC United game on 15 th October 2014.	JS	15/10/14	Completed
57/14 (ii)	Publish next edition of The Flying Robin Magazine on 27 th October (Monday night home fixture against Stamford).	LF (plus contributors)	27/10/14	
57/14 (iv)	Report on costs & surplus generated from sale of Mugs	DJ/LF	31/10/14	
57/14 (v)	Report on costs & surplus generated from sale of badges	DJ/LF	31/10/14	
57/14 (vi)	Provide a report and update on the hats project	LF	31/10/14	
57/14 (vii)	Approach Craig Lamont to discuss options and costings for IFCSG calendar	LF	31/10/14	
58/14	Provide Treasures report	DJ	31/10/14	
59/14	Provide a report on membership applications received since 28 th September 2014.	AW/JA	31/10/14	
60/14	Cover car parking cost at Stockport FA Cup fixture from travel income	LB	11/10/14	Completed
62/14 (ii)	Provide a schedule of meetings for 2015. All meetings to be held on Wednesdays and altered through the season as necessary to avoid having meetings in the same week as a midweek fixture	DL	30/11/14	