

## Minutes of Meeting

**Subject:** Ashford Rugby Club Committee

**Date (Time):** 22-Feb-2017 (19:00)

**Minutes:** John Heaver

Meeting Attendees		Distribution
John Norman	Grant Wilson	Committee
Bob Jones	Rhys Fussell	Web
Charlie Vavasour	John Heaver	
Grant Burdon		
Allan Ferries		
Mark Bowes		

### 1.1 New & Existing Actions

Item	Date raised	Action	Owner
<b>22/02/17.01</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	<b>John Norman</b>
Vicky Norman - Dave Wing - Ian Foinette – Neil Crossley-Roberts - Martin Briscall - Barbara Henderson			
<b>22/02/17.02</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	<b>John Norman</b>
RFU accreditation needs to be completed – JN and JH to complete			
No other matters arising.			
<b>22/02/17.03</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Administration</b>	<b>John Heaver</b>
Minutes from last meeting need to be uploaded to Web site. JH need to learn how to do said upload.			
No other administration issues.			
<b>22/02/17.04</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Subscriptions</b>	<b>Barbara Henderson</b>
No subscriptions report			
JH to update Barbara on GMS webs site to ensure we can now gain access and complete updates.			
No other subscription matters			

22/02/17.05	22-Feb-17	Games Reports	Allan Ferries
<p><b>Bullet Points:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Focus on 1st XV – preparation for next season and recruiting new Head Coach.</li> <li>* Dressing Room capacity.</li> <li>* Physio cover.</li> <li>* Minis – handover.</li> <li>* Duty Managers to end of season.</li> <li>* Fixtures 2017-18.</li> </ul> <p><b>Detail</b></p> <p><b>Senior Men</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* 1st XV still struggling to take control in games and secure positive results. There is however more evidence of structure in the team’s game, but greater resilience is needed. Planning should now focus on next season, and based on being in Kent 1.</li> <li>* Need to move forward on identifying and appointing new 1st XV coach, strengthening the senior coaching pool so that there are sufficient personnel for both 1s and 2s.</li> <li>* We also need to determine where we need to recruit new players and consider how this will be done.</li> <li>* 2nd XV staging strong run-in to end of season. Last Saturday saw another serious injury to a 2nd XV player that resulted in transfer to a local A&amp;E. Again, the team was without physiotherapy support to provide initial diagnosis and treatment. As a club, we need to consider a duty of care for players and whether we are doing enough to support them.</li> <li>* 3rd XV have experienced a number of issues in field a starting XV plus 3 reserves. Again, more evidence of the need to recruit more players.</li> </ul> <p><b>Ladies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* A positive atmosphere, with the new team coach bringing a positive approach. Mixed results, although the team retains good spirit.</li> <li>* Last weekend, hosted a touring Belgian side. The game was played at Sandyacres because of logistical problems at Kinneys Field – combination of dressing room/shower provision and the VP Lunch. Would be helpful to know whether any more progress has been made re new dressing room accommodation portakabin.</li> </ul> <p><b>Juniors</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Moving into phase of season with focus on Kent Cup fixtures. We have enjoyed a good pool of referees and Martyn Hodge is looking to enlarge the numbers</li> <li>* Martyn Hodge has circulated first cut dates for 2017-18 season.</li> </ul> <p><b>Girls</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Good season by U15s – contesting RFU regional semi-final v Sutton and Epsom this Sunday. More support needed if we are to develop more at U13s level.</li> </ul> <p><b>Minis</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Numbers remain good. Quins training camp this weekend, and further plans running through to Easter. Matt Parker has stepped in to replace Scott Booth who will stand down officially at the AGM.</li> </ul> <p><b>General</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Fixtures for Juniors and Minis – have circulated first cut based around known Junior and</li> </ul> <p><b>No other Games matters</b></p>			

<b>22/02/17.06</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Bar Report</b>	<b>Julie Cromwell</b>
<p>No Bar Report</p> <p>No other Bar matters.</p>			
<b>22/02/17.07</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Welfare</b>	<b>Neil Crosslet-Roberts</b>
<p>Nothing to report on welfare.</p> <p>No other Welfare issues.</p>			
<b>22/02/17.08</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>VP's</b>	<b>Dylan Tomkins</b>
<p>No VP's Report.</p>			
<b>22/02/17.09</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Development</b>	<b>Charlie Vavasour</b>
<p>Planning permission granted on club extension.</p> <p>Houching field - approached with plans for land for multi sports academy but still in negotiations and planning.</p> <p>Committee discussing the longer-term plans for the club – ongoing</p> <p>No other Development Matters</p>			
<b>22/02/17.10</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Communication</b>	<b>Grant Burdon</b>
<p>No communications update.</p> <p>Need updates When home fixtures are cancelled to notify bar staff and kitchen</p> <p>No other Communications issues.</p>			

<b>22/02/17.11</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Finances</b>	<b>Bob Jones</b>
<b><u>Web Version</u></b>			
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<b>22/02/17.12</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>100 Club</b>	<b>Mark Bowes</b>
<b><u>Web Version</u></b>			
100 Club lunch 11 <sup>th</sup> March			
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No other 100 Club Matters			
<b>22/02/17.13</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>House</b>	<b>John Norman</b>
No House report			
There is a list of minor jobs that are being worked through.			
No other House Matters.			
<b>22/02/17.14</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Sponsorship</b>	<b>TBC</b>
Sponsorship – Nothing to report.			
<b>22/02/17.15</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>AoB</b>	<b>All</b>
Around the table for any other business			
Bob Jones – Questioned will there be a Beer Festival or Rugby festival, agreed on the latter and notifications will be posted on social media and papers that we will NOT be holding a beer festival this year due to the increase of costs to run the event.			
Grant Wilson – Asked about the new Rugby Club Sign – JN will get it sorted ASAP.			
Charlie Vavasour – Mr Eddie Jones ....yes that Eddie Jones has signed ARFC players tops, an adult, medium and a minis – Suggestions have been made to the selling of said tops to raise funds for the club.			
Meeting completed 21:32			
No Other Business			

<b>22/02/17.16</b>	<b>22-Feb-17</b>	<b>Meeting Complete: 22:06</b>	<b>Sign:</b>
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