

Minutes of the March 2015 BCFCSA Meeting – 2/3/15

Present – Richard Williams, Mike Ishmael, Dave Hayes, Mark Jones, Matt Johnson, Peter Davies, Peter Crew, Ethan Ray, Geraint Parry, Dafydd Hughes, Mike Edwards, Dick Rigby, Anora Rigby, Linda Roberts, Daniel Jones, David Jones, Einion Williams

Apologies – Les Pegler, Phil Rigby

Mike Ish – “I’m afraid Les is a little poorly at the moment so I’ve stepped into the breach. If anyone wants to send get well soon cards I’m sure Les will be happy to receive them”

1. Treasurer's Update

As noted previously we have two accounts, the current account and the business reserve account. The current account will fund everyday expenses and the business reserve account will fund our contribution to the club’s next project, the completion of the Menai side stand.

The current account contains **£2,704.16**

The business reserve account contains **£8, 972.74***

* £2,500 from the business reserve account has been earmarked for the BCFCSA's contribution to the terrace at the Antelope End, therefore at present the amount of money raised for the Menai stand project is **£6,472.74**.

If the club do not require the £2,500 the entire amount in the business reserve account will be put towards the Menai stand project. The cost of each stand unit is £9,500 so we aim to raise money for the Menai stand project in tranches of this amount.

All bills have been settled and we’ve paid the monthly standing order to the club.

2. Dilwyn's Update

Due to his workload (both personal and club-related) Dilwyn is unable to attend tonight’s meeting.

3. Peter Crew's Update

“Wok ‘n’ Go” are our latest advertisers, this means that we have had an average of two new advertisers a month since Christmas. Many of our sponsors have renewed.

Arriva will run a trail fans' bus on Saturday. It is scheduled to leave Maes G at 1:45 and will call at the Clock and Station on the way to the ground. It will cost £1 for adults, 70p for kids and it will be free for concessionary pass holders. We need to publicise this.

Meeting – “Could it run a bit earlier?”

“Could it run along a different route to include Penrhos and Coed Mawr?”

“There doesn't appear to be anything negative about this.”

Programmes – The sponsors' offers section will continue and it looks like we will have to push them a bit more.

4. Safe Standing Visit

Following the terrace debate at the last meeting, and a little research, we feel that “Safe Standing” could be a way forward. To clarify, the most well-known “Safe Standing” system involves rail seating with retractable seats (Via the use of an Allen key or lever). A system of this nature would allow a club to offer multi-use facilities. In other words the club would be able to cater for both WPL matches, where standing is the norm, and UEFA matches, where seating is required.

The FSF are at the forefront of the “Safe Standing” campaign and we have been in touch with them. They hold a “Safe Standing roadshow” that involves a presentation and a life size section of rail seating. They have agreed to come to Bangor on 13/3/15 with a 2pm start. Our timetable for the terrace development is such that we have to move quickly, hence the short notice.

We have invited MPs, AMs and most local councillors. The BCFCSA committee will also attend. Any other BCFCSA members that wish to attend should contact Ish or Ethan Ray at the club.

A possible drawback might be the cost of rail seating, although a manufacturer might use us a showcase.

Meeting – “Well done to Mike and the organisers”

5. Merchandise

The full hats order has been delivered.

The sale is going well and was particularly helped by a legion of Swiss visitors on Friday.

We may approach Brodwaith to produce some articles of merchandise as they have opened a shop on the Llangefni industrial estate.

6. Stewards – Wales U18s v Scotland U18s Centenary Shield

We need 5-6 volunteers for the game / car park. The Tea Hut will be open.

7. Bricks

The issues with our last delivery have been sorted out. The new bricks will be added to the wall shortly.

The Friars brick will need the attention of the ex-Friars pupils.

8. Iwan Roberts evening

We have organised an event featuring Iwan Roberts for 15/5/15. It will be a Q&A event.

Due to the Q&A style the cost should be no more than £10 a ticket, it could be Pie 'n' Peas.

We need Posters / Flyers

9. Sportsman's Dinner - Nigel Adkins

Les has been in touch and Nigel sounds very positive about the night. John Martin has been contacted and seems keen. If it comes off it could sell out.

10. Pier event

The risk assessment has still to be carried out but there's still plenty of time.

11. Duck Race

As usual this will take place in May. The forms are ready to go out.

12. Events

We need to book the clubhouse for the quiz on 21/3/15

The U16s are playing Manchester City on 14/3/15

13. AOB

Meeting – The Carmarthen match is on the same day as Italy v Wales and Geraint’s quiz.

Meeting – Do we need a bus to Cefn Druids?

Meeting – “Yes”

Meeting – “When does the bus come back? The match takes place just before Israel v Wales.”

Meeting – “We could stay in the club house and watch it. We need to make enquiries with the Druids

Date of Next Meeting – 30/2/15