

"Cropleys Suzuki" Boston & District Saturday Football League Competition
Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2009-10
Wyberton Sports & Social Club, The Causeway, Wyberton
Wednesday, June 23rd 2010.

Mr Roger Gell, Chairman (in the Chair) opened the meeting by welcoming everybody to the meeting.

Following the Roll Call it was agreed **Fishtoft F.C.**, **Freiston F.C.**, and **Kirton Leisure F.C.** be each fined £30 for failing to send a representative as required by Rule 6 (H).

The Secretary, Mr Stephen Morrison, advised that apologies for absence had been received from League Fixture Secretary, Mr Ian Cant.

The Minutes of the 2008-09 AGM had been previously circulated and the meeting agreed that they represented a true and accurate record of the meeting. Under Matters Arising, the "equalisation scheme" for referees' travelling expenses was presented and the report accepted.

The Chairman introduced Mr David Stones to present The Alf Stones Memorial Award for the Best Secretary of the Season. David suggested his father would have been pleased with the award as it went to a Secretary who, almost single-handedly, kept his Club alive and he announced the Award would go to Mr Gordon Lane, Secretary, **Spilsby Town F.C.** Unfortunately Gordon was unable to attend the meeting and the award was accepted on his behalf by Mr Keith Armstrong, Chairman, **Spilsby Town F.C.**

The Chairman introduced the presentation of The Eric Johnson Memorial Award for the Most Sporting Club, based on disciplinary points accumulated over the Season, which was presented to **Eastville, Midville & New Leake F.C.**

The Chairman introduced the presentation of The Referee of The Year Award, which was awarded to **Mr Trevor Basker**. The Chairman advised that Trevor had only taken up refereeing in 2007 and he had done very well in a short period of time.

The Chairman introduced the presentation of the awards to the leading League Goalscorers: -

- Premier Division – **Adam Burrows** (Billinghay Athletic) – 34 goals.
- Division One – **Andy Brown** (Sutterton) – 36 goals
- Division Two – **Rick Harrod** (Billinghay Athletic Reserves) – 34 goals
- Division Three – **Tim Bell** (Benington) – 53 goals

The Chairman asked the meeting to receive and adopt the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts, which had been previously circulated. The Chairman commended the Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts to the meeting. The Treasurer, Miss Elaine Wilson explained, in response to a question, that monies owed by **Wrangle United F.C.** remained uncollected. It was proposed by **Fosdyke F.C.** and seconded by **Wyberton F.C.** and the meeting approved the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts.

The Chairman asked the meeting to approve the payment of Honorariums to League Officers and it was proposed by **Mr Tony Appleby**, Vice-President and seconded by **Fosdyke F.C.** that there would be no increase to the Honorariums and this was agreed.

The Chairman reminded the meeting that the donation to The LFA Benevolent Fund stood at £400. It was proposed by **Wyberton F.C.** and seconded by **Billinghay Athletic F.C.** that this be increased to £500 and this was approved by a large majority (3-21).

The Chairman reminded the meeting that a vacancy existed for a Member of The League Management Committee to be nominated from the Clubs but in the absence of a nomination the

Chairman advised the Officers and members of the Management Committee were all standing for re-election and they were all duly re-elected.

The Chairman and Treasurer proposed **Rushworth & Partners** to remain as Auditor and their re-appointment was approved.

The Chairman reminded the meeting that as had previously been mentioned **Eastville, Midville & New Leake F.C.** had withdrawn their application to continue next Season. **Swineshead Institute F.C.** had also decided to withdraw their Reserve team from next Season. The Chairman advised this matter would be dealt with by the Management Committee.

F.C. Hammers were elected as a new Club un-opposed. **Pointon "A"** were elected as a new team by a large majority (1-21)

It was proposed by **Fosdyke F.C.** and seconded by **Sutterton F.C.** that the Constitution proposed by the Management Committee be accepted and this was approved. The Secretary reminded all Clubs that the compilation of the fixtures would start shortly and those Clubs who had not yet returned their request for Clear Dates had just a couple more days to do so.

The Chairman advised *The Boston Referees Association* had asked for the introduction of Team Sheets and an amendment to Rule 10 (D) had been proposed by the Management Committee. A number of speakers spoke against the proposal and by a majority (6-21) the amendment to Rule was defeated. *The Boston Referees Association* had also asked for an increase in their Match Fee. The LFA Delegate, Mr Derek Andrew gave details of the fees charged by other Leagues in the County. The increase was agreed unopposed. All other Rule amendments proposed by the Management Committee were accepted.

The dates proposed by the Management Committee to be the opening date (Saturday, August 28th 2010) and to be the closing date (Saturday, May 21st 2011) were approved.

The dates proposed by the Management Committee for The *Main Ridge Take Away* Reserve Cup rounds and The *Target Newspapers* Challenge Cup rounds were approved. The draws for the First Rounds of both Competitions were then completed.

The Chairman, under Any Other Business, advised that from next Season, the League would be sponsored by *Taylor's Service Garages* and would be known as The *Taylor's Service Garages* Boston & District Saturday Football League. He wished to place on record his thanks to *Cropleys Suzuki* for their support and generosity over the last six years.

The Chairman went on to give details of what a Club needed to do to attain *FA Charter Standard* status. He reminded the meeting that a number of Clubs had already attained the Standard and he wished to congratulate those Clubs for their hard work in attaining the status and he hoped all Clubs would consider applying. He had hoped to have been able to have handed out more information about *FA Charter Standard* status but it would now be presented by The LFA County Development Manager, Mr Daniel Matson at a later date.

The LFA Delegate advised that for all his hard work in his first year as League Fixture Secretary, Mr Ian Cant had been awarded The FA *McDonalds* Outstanding Contribution to Football in the Community Award and this would be presented to Ian on Tuesday, August 3rd at Scunthorpe United F.C. during The LFA Senior Cup Final.

Mr Tony Appleby, League Vice-President proposed a vote of thanks to the Chairman for his handling of the meeting and to him and all the Management Committee for their hard work. There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30 p.m.

The "*Sharman Burgess*" Boston Sports Football Cup Competition
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The Secretary, Mr Stephen Morrison, advised that apologies for absence had been received from Competition Emergency Committee member Mr Ian Cant.

Fishtoft F.C., **Freiston F.C.** and **Kirton Leisure F.C.** were not in attendance.

The Chairman asked the meeting to ratify all the decisions taken by the Competition's Emergency Committee at its meetings held on 9th December 2009, 13th January, 10th February, 10th March and 14th April 2010 and to approve the minutes of these meetings, previously circulated and these were agreed.

The Minutes of the 2008-09 AGM had been previously circulated and the meeting agreed that they represented a true and accurate record of the meeting and there were no Matters Arising.

The Chairman asked the meeting to receive and adopt the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts, which had been previously circulated. The Chairman commended the Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts to the meeting, which approved the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts.

The Chairman and Treasurer proposed **Rushworth & Partners** to remain as Auditor and their re-appointment was approved.

The Chairman asked the meeting to approve the payment of Honorariums to Competition Officers and it was agreed to make no change to the Honorariums.

The Chairman advised the meeting that all Officers and members of the Emergency Committee were standing for re-election and they were all duly re-elected.

The Chairman advised that the Rule amendment to introduce team-sheets, having been defeated by the earlier League AGM, was withdrawn. All other Rule amendments proposed by the Emergency Committee were accepted.

F.C. Hammers were invited to enter the Competition.

The dates proposed for Cup rounds were approved. The draw for the First Round of the Competition was then completed.

Their being no Other Business the Chairman thanked everybody for their attendance.

League Registration Forms were then distributed.

“Barclays Brokers” Willoughby Cup & Shield Competition
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Fishtoft F.C. and **Freiston F.C.** were not in attendance.

The Chairman, Mr David Ely, asked the meeting to ratify all the decisions taken by the Competition’s Emergency Committee at its meetings held on 10th February, 10th March and 14th April 2010 and to approve the minutes of these meetings, previously circulated and these were agreed.

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The Chairman, Mr David Ely, asked the meeting to receive and adopt the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts, which had been previously circulated. The Chairman commended the Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts to the meeting, which approved the Annual Report, Balance Sheet and Statement of Accounts.

The Chairman and Treasurer proposed **Rushworth & Partners** to remain as Auditor and their re-appointment was approved.

The Chairman asked the meeting to approve the payment of Honorariums to Competition Officers and it was agreed to make no change to the Honorariums.

The Chairman advised the meeting that all Officers and members of the Emergency Committee were standing for re-election and they were all duly re-elected.

The Chairman advised that the Rule amendment to introduce team-sheets, having been defeated by the earlier League AGM, was withdrawn. All other Rule amendments proposed by the Emergency Committee were accepted.

Woodhall Spa United F.C. were invited to enter the Competition.

The dates proposed for Cup and Shield rounds were approved. The draw for the First Round of The Willoughby Cup and the First and Second Rounds of The Willoughby Shield were then completed.

Their being no Other Business the Chairman thanked everybody for their attendance.