

Minutes of the Leigh & District Association Football Referees Society

Meeting held 21st February 2008

Mr Evans in the chair with the following Officers and members present:

D Harrop, D Tighe, P Haworth, G Knowles N Smith, R Thorpe, J Holmes, D Melia, D Sims, D Renshaw, R Drake, D Simms, L Clarkson, J Bolton J Waterfall and L Clarkson

Apologies : F Brown, F Mort, R Birchall, N D'Arcy, A Bennett and K Parker.

Guests present: twelve members of Warrington society and six members from Wigan society

Minutes of the meeting : held 17th January 2008 were circulated and published on the website. The minutes were proposed as a true record by D Sims and seconded by K Evans.

Matters arising : none.

Correspondence : January & February (part) 2007

Received :

- ▶ Referees Association draw ticket remittance
- ▶ Lancashire FA consultation event 2012
- ▶ National magazine insert
- ▶ Lancashire FA consultation event agenda
- ▶ Accrington referees society information
- ▶ Lancashire Referees Association meeting minutes
- ▶ The FA safeguarding children
- ▶ Blackpool invite to centenary
- ▶ Lancashire FA society member discipline
- ▶ Drum beat advertising invoice
- ▶ Manchester FA community meeting
- ▶ Referees Association AGM invite
- ▶ PC World guarantee
- ▶ Awards for all fund completion
- ▶ Bolton Metro sports inclusion
- ▶ Lancashire Referees Association long service awards
- ▶ Warrington referees society apology for not attending quiz
- ▶ Lancashire Referees Association Treasurers report

Dispatched :

- ▶ Draw ticket member letter
- ▶ The FA child protection applications
- ▶ Candidates invite from recent course
- ▶ Awards for all end of report confirmation

Football Partners :

Leigh Youth League : it was noted that one of the society members had refereed a game at the weekend which had been abandoned. Since this the local press were trying to glean information. Members reminded that comment to the press should be done through the Lancashire FA.

Bolton Boys Federation : members reminded that under 18 football is not roll-on roll-off, it is five from five substitutions.

Referees Association : Tickets out and minutes available for members through the society website.

Treasurer's Report : membership now 51.
TSB stood at £559.78 and the Halifax stood at £3703.14, which included £88.00 interest.
Grant 2 was still liquid with an amount of £557.60.

Points of Play: none offered

Any Other Business: noted that a society member had received a sanction from the Lancashire FA for failing to attend a player disciplinary hearing. The society member had been fined £50. It was noted that the Referees Association had been informed and were now reviewing the matter.

With no other business the meeting was adjourned at 8:07pm

8:15pm, meeting reconvened:

Jack Boardman Quiz :

The Society hosted our friends and colleagues from Warrington and Wigan to re-institute the quiz. Paul Haworth oversaw proceedings.

It was great to see novice young referees from all three societies competing for the cup.

Neil Smith captained the Leigh team with colleagues Lewis Clarkson, Danny Sims and Ross Thorpe (average age 17).

Each of the fellow societies followed suit on the age grouping.

Eventually Leigh ran out winners with 49 1/2 points followed closely by Warrington on 48 1/2 points and Wigan a creditable third on 42 points.

Our President offered a vote of thanks to our colleagues from Warrington and Wigan, and Ian Harris and Peter Gouch returned thanks from Warrington and Wigan respectively.

With this the trophy presentation was made.

The meeting was closed at 10:02pm.