



Cambourne Exiles Rugby Football Club

Minutes of the Committee Meeting

28th August 2007
8:30pm, The Monkfield Arms, Cambourne.

Apologies for Absence

Received, in advance, from Pete Simpson (Fixtures Secretary).

In Attendance

Mark Lisher (Chairman), Neil Ingham (Secretary), Mark Griffith (Treasurer), Will Charter (Captain), David Warwick (Vice Captain), Darren Macey (Youth Coordinator), Howard Smith (Sponsorship Secretary)

Team Selection

It was decided that teams will be selected by the Captain, after taking input from selected others within the club (eg. Vice Captain, Coaches, more-experienced players, etc). The selected team will be circulated in advance of each match. Any major changes to playing positions will be discussed with the player(s) involved. Player availability for each match will be assessed up to one month in advance.

Coaching

Paul Greaves had notified the Chairman and Committee in advance of the meeting of his intention to leave Cambourne Exiles RFC to take up a playing position offered to him by Newmarket RUFC. Thus, Paul is no longer able to perform the coaching role with Cambourne that he had taken on following the last AGM. The committee and the club would like to express their grateful thanks to Paul for all his efforts since the foundation of the club, from keeping spirits high, to pitch marking and, more recently, coaching.

Darren Macey has been looking into coaching courses as part of his role as Youth Coordinator. This information is to be made available to all members to encourage players to train as coaches to Level 1 and beyond. It was agreed that Howard Smith will take over the role of Club Coaching Coordinator (CCC), as part of his role in the youth rugby setup in Cambourne.

Youth Rugby

The clubs efforts to establish a youth rugby division suffered a major set-back recently when Luke Green decided that due to other commitments, he is no longer able to fulfil his role as coach.

In the light of the limited success of the youth rugby to date, Darren Macey recommended that we suspend the summer youth touch rugby sessions on Wednesday evenings and restart on at 10am on Sunday mornings as from October 7th. This will allow players to attend coaching courses in the interim and

to further publicise the opportunities for youth rugby within Cambourne Exiles RFC.

Further to Luke's decision to move on to new pastures, it was agreed that Howard Smith will take on the role of CCC, and work alongside Darren Macey to encourage players to train in coaching rugby.

A.O.B.

GoPlayRugby.

Mark Lisher notified those present that a further GoPlayRugby workshop will be held at Sawston RUFC on Monday 17th September at 7:30pm. Members of the Exiles GoPlayRugby campaign team are encouraged to attend.

First Aid.

Andy Nichol notified Mark Lisher in advance of the meeting that his mother (a first aid instructor) has offered to run a training course for several club members to attend. Mark Lisher will contact the club membership to ask for volunteers to attend.

Next Meeting.

Suggested date – Tuesday 2nd Oct. 2007, 8:30pm, Monkfield Arms, Cambourne

Minutes for this meeting prepared by **NI** (30th August 2007)