



# Cambourne Exiles Rugby Football Club

## Minutes

2<sup>nd</sup> December 2010

7:00pm, The Monkfield Arms, Cambourne.

**1. Apologies** were received from Alec Motts, Peter Simpson, Chris Wallis & Jason Soer

**Attending:** Mark Lisher, Neil Ingham, Mark Griffiths, Steve Brudenell, Ben Yeats & Paul Greaves.

**2. To review the minutes from the meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> November 2010.**

Were passed as a true record of the meeting.

**3. Matters arising / Update of Actions**

Action #10. **BY** reported that the posters are with Darren Macey but are yet to be displayed.

**4. Officer Reports**

**Chairman. ML** described the recent win over Ely 3 as an excellent performance, enjoyed by all. The Renegades match was a good game despite the conditions and the result! The Chairman thanked everyone who attended his 50<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations.

**Secretary. NI** reported that the Elms/SDC sponsored training tops are now in circulation. At a recent Cambs RU meeting it was made clear that all clubs will need to become incorporated. **NI** has contacted Sam Rouse in this regard and will follow up with a discussion with Ross Baxter on the best route on how to proceed. The Treasurer, **MG** with help from **NI**, will work toward achieving Incorporated and CASC status [Action #20/21]. **NI** continues to “encourage” the PC to improve the ramp to the storage container so that its’ use can be optimised [Action #12].

**Treasurer. MG** reported that finances remain healthy status and noted that Ross McEwan has joined the VP ranks of the club. Several members – including some regulars – are yet to pay membership fees for the season. The club continues to make payments the PC for pitch hire and to the Referees society. It was noted that last weekends’ Referee thanked the club for the game, but declined to join us in the pub afterwards; a reflection on our poor changing facilities rather than the club.

**Fixtures Secretary.** In the absence of **PS**, **BY** reported that the seasons’ fixtures and associated organisation are proceeding well.

**5. Training / Coaching Update.** After recent concerns were raised over training, ML has discussed training with Alex Skingley & coaches, with a view to improving sessions to maintain interest for players of all abilities and to improve continuity throughout the sessions. [Action #17 closed]. Numbers attending training are considered good, given numbers of injuries and the time of year. Concerns remain over lighting but this is unlikely to be

significantly improved in the near future. **BY** will work to improve the existing second lighting rig. **BY** reported that Full Circle Fitness are to scale back their current involvement due to reduced numbers attending training, to hold 1 session per month and provide advice for sessions on other weeks. **NI** asked whether provision of sports therapy would be of interest, and will obtain more information on costs with a view to setting up a trial period in the spring.

**6. Clubhouse.** With a view to potential management of the clubhouse, some suggestions were received from **JS**. **PG** also offered assistance. The response to **NI** recent request for ideas / suggestions was otherwise disappointing. The club will continue to send representation to meetings with the PC as the process to delivery of the clubhouse continues.

**7. Xmas Dinner Update.** The forthcoming dinner will cost £15 per head; the club will subsidise the difference. Members are welcomed from 7pm for dinner at 8pm. Black tie.

## **8. A.O.B**

**Fundraisers.** **PG** talked of plans to hold a row-race relay and a 3-Peaks walk but no firm plans are yet in place [Action #8; remains pending]

**Match Kit.** **PG** showed an example of a sublimated shirt from a potential new kit supplier, made by "Warrior RugbyWear", at a cost of £30 +VAT per shirt with minimum order of 12 shirts. **NI** will approach other suppliers for estimates for comparison [Action #22].

**ML** thanked those attended and closed the meeting.

## **Next Meeting:-**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2011, 7:00pm, The Monkfield Arms, Cambourne

Agenda for this meeting prepared by **NI** (5.12.10)