

Cambourne Exiles Rugby Football Club

Minutes of the Committee Meeting 23rd May 2006 The Cambridge Belfry, Cambourne

Attendance.

Will Charter (Chairman), Mark Griffiths (Treasurer), Neil Ingham (Secretary), Doug Stanton, Andy Nichols, Darren Macey, Stephen Keerie, Ben Yeats, Dave Hatrick, James Crotty, Howard Smith, David Warwick, Pete Simpson, Jack Carmichael.

The agenda for this meeting was prepared by WC.

• Chairman's Report

See attached report.

• Treasurer's Report

See attached report.

• Election of Positions

The current committee members had expressed their willingness to continue in their posts for the next year. No objections were raised to this and the committee was re-instated. Nominations had been collated prior to the AGM by NI for the positions of Captain and Vice Captain.

Paul Greaves and Will Charter accepted their nominations and had agreed to stand for election as Captain. PG received 4 votes, WC received 10 votes from those present.

Howard Smith, Paul Greaves & Mark Griffiths accepted their nominations and had agreed to stand for Vice Captain. HS received 7 votes, PG received 3 votes, MG received 4 votes from those present.

Will Charter was duly elected as **Captain** for the 2006 / 07 season

Howard Smith was duly elected as **Vice-Captain** for the 2006 / 07 season.

• Pre-Season Training

It was agreed by those present that full pre-season training will begin on Tuesday 1st August at 8pm on the pitch. Training will be held on Tuesdays (Fitness) and Thursdays (Rugby) at 8pm on the pitch, with the start time changing as the nights pull in. Floodlit training on the MUGA will be arranged and notification made at a later date.

• Next Committee Meeting :- Thursday July 31st; 8pm, The Belfry.

Minutes

Neil Ingham
18th July 2006



Cambourne Exiles RFC

Chairmans Reports 2005 / 2006

It is pleasing to report that the Club has had a successful season, both on and off the pitch.

A start to a hard season of rugby and to some a first season, saw us against strong and well experienced sides and many disheartening losses. However, we must not lose sight of the fact that the team is only one season mature. The club has one convincing win which was a great achievement given the circumstances. The club has certainly grown in strength and spirit over the past season and it is important now to maintain that momentum.

Congratulations are due to the several players that have played their first games of rugby this season and I can genuinely say that it has been a pleasure watching you improve on a weekly basis and sticking with it.

In our first season we were able to secure several sponsors to help aid the club financially in return for advertising. These are:

Campbell Grocery Products - Advance Security Ltd - Kirby Property Management - Fish'n'Chick'n - Rising High Discotheque - A&R Carpet Cleaners - Ashcroft Veterinary Surgery - Divine Design

My thanks go to all of the sponsors for helping us to raise funds so that the club can progress at the fast pace that are working at.

Funding from Cambridgeshire helped the club in the first few months to get set off. On behalf of the club, thanks go to **Alec Motts** and **Nick Greenhall**.

The club has secured a permanent pitch and through use of funds acquired, we were able to purchase a set of posts that have allowed Cambourne Exiles to play home games and also generate a lot of interest due to having a focal point.

The Club's season ended with yet another successful Dinner & Dance at The HUB in Cambourne. The event was organized by **Andy Nicholls**, who did an excellent job. The Club's annual awards were presented at the end of the dinner. Three awards were made:

Player of the season: **David Warwick** – for an outstanding season at Flanker and superb commitment to the team in its first season. An all round player with excellent decision making skills in both defense and attack and the ability to break a game line from any position on the field.

Most improved player: **Douglas Stanton** – one of the newcomers to the game has shown excellent ability, willingness to learn and solid defense.

Player's player: **Mark Griffiths** – in my opinion a consistently good player on a weekly basis that has improved from week to week and has pushed the club both on and off of the field without fail.

For the Club to be successful on the field a lot of work must be done off it. **Ian Manley** and **Ben Rickard** both need thanks for the effort that has been put in with regards to running various training sessions. **Dean Anderson** has done an excellent job in organizing the fixtures.

David Warwick and **Neil Ingham** continue to look after the Club's website.

Mark Griffiths has looked after the finances of the Club this year and sterling work collecting membership fees.

Neil Ingham has excelled since taking on the post of Club Secretary and I look forward to seeing what he can do for the club in the approaching season.

Both Mark and Neil along with myself have successfully gained a Sports Match grant and are currently producing a case to claim an Awards for All grant to provide the club with the necessary equipment to push youth rugby and also improve the senior sides game.

A special thanks to **Sporting Cambourne** for supporting us in our first season and helping us in every way possible.

RESULTS SUMMARY 2005/2006

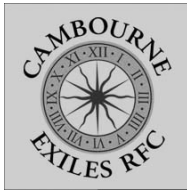
FIRST XV	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Against	Points Diff
	13	1	11	1	113	468	-355

Point Scorers	Tries	Conv	Pen	Total
Will Charter	10			50
Ian Manley	3			15
Clive Lees	3			15
Andy Nicholls		4	1	11
Luke Green	2			10
Paul Greaves	1	1		7
Neil Ingham	1			5

CHAIRMAN'S PLAN – 2006/2007 Season

- To introduce youth rugby into Cambourne Exiles RFC.
- To appoint a youth representative to control mini and youth sections.
- To obtain funding to build a club house/sports club room.
- To have a second team by the end of the season.
- I would like to see Cambourne Exiles First XV perform well in the league with better results.
- Gain a number of new sponsors and build on relationships with current sponsors.
- Continue to represent Cambourne as a village by playing fairly and to the best of our ability.

Will Charter
Club Chairman
6th July 2006



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Treasurers Reports 2005 / 2006

Last 12 Months

During the last 12 months, Cambourne Exiles has been operating funded by club members, donations and sponsorship. Our main activity has been to facilitate the growth and consolidation of the club in its first 9 months.

Our main sponsor has been Campbell's soup who with sports match have generously given us £2000 for the purchase of our club strip, however this money due to delays is yet to be received. A generous bridging loan from sporting Cambourne in November allowed us to make the purchase of kit, this will be paid back shortly. We have also received sponsorship from Advance Security, Ashcroft vets, Fish n Chicken and AF Jones carpet cleaners.

Cambourne Exiles opened an account with the Cambridge Building Society to manage income and expenses. The current Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer are all signatories, and a minimum of two signatures is required to make any withdrawals.

Funding – the future

Cambourne Exiles intends to operate as a 'Not For Profit' Organisation. Excess funds will be used to enhance the training facilities and develop rugby in Cambourne. It is anticipated that in the next twelve months we will continue to receive and attract more sponsorship, for which we will offer advertising space.

Our main effort this year will be our application for Awards for all, a lottery fund, which will allow us to continue to grow so that we can provide enhanced facilities and begin to coach children which will help secure the future of rugby in Cambourne.

Mark Griffiths

Treasurer
7th July 2006

Statement of Financial Activities

	accounts 2005/6 £
Receipts	
Donations	250
Fund raising	261.54
Sponsorship	650
Kit	430
Training	308
Subscriptions	900
Match Fees	925
Loan	1,000.00
Bank interest	5.13
Total	4,729.67
Payments	
Fund raising	25
Equipment	2,791.82
Administration	263.49
Catering	124.31
Hospitality	67.5
Training Costs	300
Depreciation	0
End of Season	425.4
Total	3,997.52
Income/(Deficit)	732.15
Balance Sheet	
Fixed Assets	0
Bank	600.22
Petty Cash	131.93
Total	732.15
Profit & Loss Account	732.15
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