



NUNEATON TOWN SUPPORTERS' CO-OPERATIVE

Meeting opens at 7.30pm Wing Wah, Wednesday, 14th January 2015

Present: D. Cook, R. Miller, A. Briggs, P. Davis, J. Skuce, P. Burdett, M. Ball, J. Hobson, M. Turner, R. Barnes

Apologies: D. Hall, E. Stevens

Minutes of last meeting: To be signed off next meeting

Treasurer: Accounts to be sorted for Auditor asap

Chairman: Andy Brigg's has now completed his profile notes, Announcement to be made in next week regarding Supporters' Director in co-operation with football club. Minutes of meeting with football club have been submitted to them.

Co-op Energy Affiliate Scheme: Lady coming to address committee regarding this scheme had been now been re-scheduled.

Youth Team/U16s: Dave Cook reported U16s going top of their league with the latest win. There has been no response from the football club regarding a meeting to talk about the future of youth team football at the club. Dave Cook pointed out that applications to play in leagues for next season have to be in soon, so it was very important to talk to the football club regarding their positions.

Looking at several sites to play games, Bedworth etc. Roger Barnes reported talking to Bramcote contacts about games being played there. Possible visit to look at facilities.

Christmas Raffle: Sales £857, costs £241, profit £616. Chairman thanked everyone who sold books of tickets, especially the contribution from the Youth/U16s sections. Peter Burdett suggested perhaps at the next Christmas raffle it would be a good idea to post every Co-op member a book of tickets to sell, as some of the charities do.

Driveway: Pete Davis has spoken to Steve Smith and produced two quotes for resurfacing. One for £23,000 + VAT, one for £34,000 + VAT. This could only be funded by grants, working in conjunction with the Rugby Club (it is their driveway). These are the full length of driveway, from top to entrance gates. An immediate meeting with the Rugby Club would be arranged regarding this project. Some contact with Football Stadia Improvement Fund had been made on the telephone by Pete Burdett regarding the possibility of funding, and he had been passed on to the Birmingham FA, who pointed out some criteria to him and promised to contact him further. Any further information should be gathered, to be presented to the Rugby Club as soon as possible. It was pointed out that the Rugby Club have recently been granted funding to improved their facilities by the RFU, perhaps this might included the access roadway.

Events 2015: It was agreed that after the success of last season's Player of the Year Event at Liberty Way, the Co-operative would approach the football club about organising this year's event with them, and possibly the BISC might be interested in joining in with us. Roger Barnes and Pete Davis volunteered to organise it again, with any further help from anyone interested. Roger also pointed out, that, this time, tickets for the event should be sold solely by the Co-operative, after some difficulties last year, and who ever was involved from the football club had the authority to commit to decisions made.

JDRF Race Night: Dave Cook suggested that he could arrange a Race Night towards the end of March; he would need help in setting the date, to be run in conjunction with the football club, youth section and JDRF, at Liberty Way. More bums on seats, more funds raised. Dave will bring more details to next meeting. Distribution of any funds raised to be decided later.

It was agreed to support the JDRF Quiz Night at Griff & Coton on Friday, 10th April. All members to notified of this event, via email, fans forum, Twitter, website etc.

Town to Town: The chairman reported that it was going very well. The first ebook would be published shortly. Further meetings were coming up with the College and visits to two schools, Oakwood and Queen's Road, in early February to talk to schoolchildren about the history of the club, introduced them to something called "Football Smell Boxes" and memorabilia. Any volunteers for this would be appreciated, several members offered. There is also a drop-in morning next week at the Heritage Centre, for anyone to lend or donate items relating to football for the project.

A.O.B.: Jim Skuce pointed out to the committee that he thought we should be seen to be spending more money, instead of banking it, i.e. disabled facilities. Several members pointed out to him that with projects already spoken of would need funding. Roger Barnes pointed out that Andy could push disabled facilities at meetings with the football club board.

Dave Cook offered to get a quote to perhaps sort out the PA system once and for all. Roger Barnes pointed out that work done on the PA had been taken out of our hands in the past.

The old chestnut of the lights by the steps at the back of the club was again brought up, and it was pointed out that the stewards in that area could access the switch for the lights in that area behind the bar, perhaps.

Next meeting: Wednesday, 28th January, at the Liberal Club (to be confirmed). **Meeting closed:** 9.30pm

