

Nuneaton Town Supporters Co-Operative

1. Meeting opens at 7:35pm on 06/09/2012 at Liberty Way.
2. Present: Jim Astley, John Hobson, Roger Barnes, Pete Burdett, Dave Hall, Mike Turner, and Andy Briggs.
Apologies: Martin Ball, Ray Miller, Mark Axon, and Mark Mortlock.
3. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Action Plan

1. Respond to FSA - Roger, Dave, Ray and Mike – A document is being prepared – ongoing.
2. Sign up 200 Club members – ongoing.
3. Work on Fans' questionnaire – John has sent to Dover, Leamington, Kidderminster, and Kings Lynn.
4. Programme notes – Jim A – ongoing.
5. Table at Gateshead Match.

John said he had sent out some Mike suggested contacting the Club and arranging a meeting, particularly as the Club have a new Chairman. Dave agreed and suggested the same four representatives (Jim A., Andy, Mike and John) attend. Items to be discussed include the 200 Club, Disabled Stand, and the Fans' Representative. Jim A. agreed to contact the Club and arrange a meeting.

4. Chairman's Report – John said he has been working hard on promoting the 200 Club and the Last Man Standing.
5. Secretary's Report – Jim A. asked for feedback on his programme notes. It was agreed he would continue to write them moving forwards.
6. Treasurer's Report – Ray was absent but had asked Dave to enquire as to whether he was responsible for calculating and transferring over the 20% from incomings into the contingency fund? Everyone agreed this was acceptable.
7. 200 Club – Dave gave the board an update on the 200 Club. There are currently 112 members with potentially nine more to join from the competitions previous incarnation. The bank had lost some standing order forms and John and Dave were communicating with the Bank in an attempt to resolve the situation. The next draw was set for Saturday, 29th September after the Wrexham game. John suggested getting the winners to pose for a photo. Pete congratulated Dave on his excellent organisation of the 200 Club so far, and the Board concurred.
8. FSA update – discussed above.
9. Membership – Jim A said he would update the list of members and email a list to board members.
10. Tables – A table would hopefully be in place outside for the Macclesfield game.
11. Disabled Stand – There has been no movement on this. Pete said that surely a roofed structure should be a priority? John replied that Andy had given the Club that option but they had failed to take him up on the offer. Mike said that an elderly fan that sits in the stand finds it difficult to walk from the car park to his seat. Mike suggested purchasing a wheelchair and leaving it by the turnstiles. Mike said he would be prepared to 'collect' anyone who may require its use. Roger said he had a wheelchair he would be prepared to donate, while Jim S added he might be able to obtain one as well. Mike said he would contact Mick Bates and the Club and arrange for this process to be integrated into the match day.
12. Any Other Business.

- John read out a quote he had been given by Ian Neale for an update of the PA system. The Co-Operative had been asked to contribute towards it. John said that the question we should ask is whether it benefits our members? Jim A said that moving the amp to the other side of the ground may do, but the additional speakers, in his opinion, would not. Mike said that his vote would be no to the whole thing, if the Club wish to alter the PA system, then they can pay for it. Mike said he would put the money towards a scoreboard. Roger said that dedicated amp would improve the sound. Andy suggested that we write to the Club and say that the Co-Operative are not prepared to accept that quote, but would be prepared to consider any further requests regarding the PA system, in particular the re-siting of the amp. John said that we really should consider a competitive tendering process in the future for these items. The Co-Operative has other commitments to members, such as the Disabled Stand.
- Mike said we had recently added two new corporate members – Watts Electrical and the Heart of England Co-Operative.
- Christmas Raffle – Mike suggested getting some proper tickets made. Our last home game before Christmas would probably be on the 4th December.
- Dave said he had emailed St. George's Park (new football centre near Burton) and asked if they did tours. He was told that they would probably start in six months or so. Dave suggested running a trip here. Roger asked if we could look at running a trip to an England international game at Wembley?
- Dave said he had received a letter from Poppleton and Appleby, the accountants involved with winding up Stadiasafe Limited. He said that the liquidator would finally wind the company up on 25/09/2012.
- Newsletter – Mike suggested getting it done for the next home game. Dave said it should be aimed at non-members.
- Roger said he needs Gary Fitzpatrick's signature for the signed Middlesbrough shirt and ball, but he had been in touch with him.

13. Next meeting is set for Thursday, 20 September 2012 at Liberty Way. Meeting ends at 9:10pm.

Action Plan

1. Contact club and arrange a meeting – Jim A
2. Programme notes – Jim A
3. 200 Club – John and Dave work with Bank concerning SO
4. FSA – Dave, Roger, Ray and Mike.
5. Wheelchair by turnstile, contact Mick Bates and Club – Mike.
6. Contact Club regarding PA system quote – Jim A
7. Christmas raffle tickets – costings – John
8. Newsletter