BATH CITY SUPPORTERS CLUB

Report of Committee meeting 2 January 2020

1. Apologies

All present

2. Sign off of Previous Meeting Minutes

- a) Action point CB to purchase scratch cards for selling in bar and on coach
 completed
- Action point CB to purchase cards and flowers for Sean Kitson and Gill Rixson
 - completed

The minutes were signed off.

3. Treasurer's Report

GW shared the latest accounts

These included Keith Archer's donation of £129 which was to be paid to BCFC. It was agreed to point this out to Paul Williams when it was included in the next training facility payment.

GW explained that a letter had been sent today to the Head of Retail Banking at HSBC concerning the ongoing issue re setting up an online account.

4. Training facility

It was agreed to make a payment of £1250 to the Club.

5. Travel Co-ordinator report

CB shared her report on the recent trips to Hampton and Chippenham, explaining that a £28 profit will be used towards the cost of future coaches.

The Free Place competition was launched on the Hampton trip. The scratch cards, at 50p a square, raised £20. This will be held over to cover the winner's free place on a future trip. This was a popular competition and some asked if we would be doing it on future coaches – this will depend on the numbers on board but well worth doing.

AG was thanked for collecting the fares at TP for the Chippenham trip.

Jerry and the Board are keen for as many supporters as possible to make the upcoming Trophy trip to Concord and we have received donations from John Reynolds, Anthem Publishing, Bob Chester and Nick Blofleld. The coach cost is £800 so we only need to cover £400 in fares.

Therefore we advertised at £20 flat rate, £10 children based on 20 travelling. So far 25 have booked so the sliding scale means fares will now be £18/£9.

To break the journey we will be stopping at Beaconsfield services.

6. Tea Bar report

SM reported that he had spent £450 on stock, there were takings of £950 for the Wealdstone, Sholing and Chippenham matches and that he had recently paid in £415.

£160 will be carried forward to the next month.

AG offered to cover CB's absence at half time of the Hemel fixture.

7. Match Day Draw report

Thanks were expressed to Leon Webb for covering MB's absence at the last two fixtures.

Action point – MP to send an email of thanks to Leon.

8. HQ report

The difficulty in accessing the HQ on Boxing Day due to the hog roast on the patio was discussed.

Action point – SM to raise this at the next Events or Management Meeting.

Ebay sales of old programmes in the last few weeks have resulted in net income of £15.85

On Boxing Day the HQ had programme sales of £25 and a framed photo for £10.

9. Supporters Club Membership report

The latest total stands at 135.

10. Publicity & Communications report

December was a busy month with 2 popular coach trips.

Twitter continues to be our most seen output, helped massively by the Club retweeting most of our items.

12 people downloaded our November meeting report from the website.

We now have 662 Twitter followers, at this point last year we had 564 so almost 100 more in a year. 301 people like our Facebook page compared with 277 last year so growth is a little slower here.

11. Fundraising & Marketing ideas

CB reported that the present Easyfundraising total stands at £800 with 45 members.

The bucket total stands at £21.50

MP explained that Joy Saunders had replied to his enquiry re advertising the quiz evenings to local residents and suggested using three Facebook groups for advertising SC events.

GW suggested that after a break of a couple of years it may be worthwhile to hold a Christmas Draw in 2020. It was agreed to discuss this during the close season.

12. Items for next agenda

Next quiz evening date

13. Any Other Business

The problem of smoke bombs being thrown at Chippenham was briefly discussed. Those responsible were not known to the committee but it was very unlikely that they had travelled on the SC coach.