

Minutes of the SEMLA GCM Monday 14th September 2015

Present:

John Maynard	(JM)	EVP, Disciplinary Chair & Purley
Peter Mundy	(PM)	Croydon& Centurions
Simon Peach	(SP)	South Referees Committee Chairman
Miles Whittle	(MW)	Treasurer& Bath
Harry Collins	(HC)	Hillcroft
Ray Wood	(RW)	Youth Chair
Peter Compton	(PC)	EVP, Spencer
Jacqui Hicks	(JH)	Foxes
Nik Roberts	(NR)	RDO
Jon Cooper	(JC)	Fixture Secretary
Mick Chennell	(MC)	Secretary& Croydon

1. Apologies for Absence.

Tracy Woodall Pythons, Trevor Rogers President& Reading, Robert Gooch Spencer

2. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting.

Minutes accepted. Noted the correction that Jacqui Hicks had attended.

3. Matters arising not included in the Agenda

None

4. President's Report

Nil report.

5. Treasurer's Report (Distributed Previously)

Agreed report

Noted that the balance was approximately £400 lower than this time last year and that the six-a-sides raised £160.

6. Secretary's Report.

Noted that the SEMLA website needed updating. JM to progress.

Secretary's note JM has sent an e-mail to the Webmaster.

7. Youth Development Committee's Report. (Verbal)

Noted that a Youth program has been constructed for the forthcoming season.

Noted that there would be Academy coaching sessions, the first on October 11th, the venue TBA, possibly Southfields.

Noted that the ELA had been asked to sponsor one session at the Surrey Sports Park in Guildford. Confirmed that Guildford was a suitable venue for all including Portsmouth and Reading attendees.

Noted that the George Abbot School has a 2/3 size 3g pitch marked out and that Hillcroft could also host with a 3g pitch and floodlights.

Noted that a website would be available run by Tracy Woodall.

8. University Liaison Report. (Verbal)

Noted that a package was available for download for Freshers, that there would be Regional Freshers Tournaments, first one end of October organised by NK.

9. South Manager Report.

Nil to report. Noted that the Secretary did not have the South Manager's e-mail address yet.

10. Disciplinary and Complaints Panel Report.

Nil to report

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11. Referee Secretary Report. (Verbal)

Noted the Summer League worked well, with the U19 Development Team and Universities attending making it good for refereeing.

Noted that no Northern referees had attended the Summer League so no referee assessing possible.

Noted the need to train more Southern Assessors.

Noted the perceived difference between the standards of North v South Assessors.

Noted there was a Southern Referees conference call next week. SP to organise.

Noted there would be a data base available so that referees could select their games to referee.

Noted the Inter-services Tournament Day on Friday 26th September at HMS Tremeraire Portsmouth where referees applying for 2016 International Duty would be assessed.

Agreed that it would be a suitable venue for the Pythons juniors to spectate. SP to inform TW.

Noted the changes to the pitch size, the requirement for mouth guards.

Noted JM asked that the referees be coached in the details required in reporting expulsion fouls.

Noted that there would be a development plan for training Level 1 referees to Level 2, ready for the next meeting. SP would contact the Level 1 referees.

12. Fixture Secretary Report. (Distributed Previously)

Noted that Brighton face off is 1pm.

Noted that Hillcroft have two face off times namely 1pm and 3pm and had had discussions with some visiting teams about adhering to the relevant Byelaw. JC recommended that Hillcroft communicate the face off times with all proposed visiting teams and get their acknowledgement.

Noted the West would be having Tournaments and that Helen Murray was organising one at Westonbirt School (?) Gloucestershire.

Noted PC to liaise with JC regarding Junior Flags results.

13. RDO Report.

Noted trying to get Universities going.

Noted on the ELA website a National Club Day. An annual event at which men and women's clubs could get together locally for a throw around, BBQ's etc., etc. 60 clubs had signed up.

Noted the ELA was still awaiting a response regarding obtaining visas from the UKVI this year and that some anticipated USA coaches had now found alternate employment.

Noted that some English coaches were available and were being used.

Noted that Europe had been approached for coaches with nil response.

14. MPC Liaison Report.

Noted that Peter Rawsthorne was the SEMLA representative on the NLC.

15. SEMLA Associated Clubs

Noted the discussion on whether Junior only clubs and schools have full rights etc.

Agreed MC to check the Constitution.

16. Any Other Business.

Noted PC request for SEMLA to sponsor one facility for the Youth Academy.

Agreed to a maximum of £300. PC to return to the GCM if it was to be more than that.

17. Date and Time of Next Meetings: 7pm, Mondays

5th October 2015 2nd November 2015 7th December 2015

4th January 2016 1st February 2016 7th March 2016

4th April 2016 9th May 2016 6th June 2016 AGM

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