



NORTH BUCKS & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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Annual General Meeting

Agenda

The Annual General Meeting of the North Bucks and District Football League is to be Held on Wednesday 28th June 2017, at **Buckingham Athletic Football Club, Stratford Fields, Buckingham, MK18 1NY**, commencing at 19.45 Hours.

Delegates Attending the Meeting are advised to bring these Documents with them.

1. Apologies
2. The President's Address - N. Holman Esq.
3. Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting Held Thursday 16th June 2016.
4. Matters Arising
5. The Chairman's Address - A.P. Jeskins Esq. (attached)
6. Reports: (a) General Secretary - A.P. Jeskins Esq. (attached)
(b) Treasurer - Mrs. B. Sprules
Acceptance of League Accounts (attached)
7. Election of Officers (See Attached List)
8. Election of Auditors - Peter J. Jeskins Ltd.
9. Proposed Rule Changes for the 2017 / 2018 Football Season
10. Honorariums
11. The Bob Mayes Sportsmanship Award - Most Sporting Club as Voted by the Member Clubs
12. The Derek Cannings Award - Club Linesman of the Year as Reported by Match Officials
13. The Michael Connolly Award - Best Administered Club as Reported by the League Officers
14. Election of New Clubs for the 2017 / 2018 Season
15. Formation of League for 2017 / 2018 Season
16. The Date for the Commencement and Conclusion of the 2017 / 2018 Season
17. Any Other Business (As Communicated in Writing to the Secretary Not Later than 14 Days Prior to the AGM)

Attachments: Minutes of the AGM 16.06.16
Chairman's Report
Statement of Accounts 2016 - 2017 Season
League Officers and Committee
Proposed Rule Changes for the 2017 / 2018 Season



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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Thursday 16th June 2016

Present: D.C. Grainge Esq. (Vice-President & Chairman of the Berks & Bucks F.A.);
A. Bond Esq. (Vice-President & Member of the Berks & Bucks F.A.);
R. Reading Esq., J. Fenner Esq. (Members of the Berks & Bucks F.A.);
R. Gurnett Esq. (Hon. Life Vice-President);
A.P. Jeskins Esq. (Chairman & General Secretary);
M. McStraw (Vice-Chairman); Mrs. B. Sprules (Treasurer & Fixtures Secretary);
J. Hedge Esq. (Referees Secretary); N. Aldren Esq. (Registration Secretary);
B. Stuchbury Esq., (Vice-President & Member of the League Management Committee);

Delegates From:

AFC Santander	Padbury Village F.C.	Twyford United F.C.
Brackley Sports F.C.	Potterspurty F.C.	University of Buckingham F.C.
Great Horwood F.C.	Silverstone F.C.	Westbury F.C.
Great Linford F.C.	Southcott Village R.A. F.C.	Wicken Sports F.C.
Hanslope F.C.	Steeple Claydon F.C.	Willen F.C.
Marsh Gibbon F.C.	Stewkley F.C.	Wing Village F.C.
MK Gallactico F.C.	Stoke Hammond Wanderers F.C.	Yardley Gobion F.C.
MK Wanderers F.C.	Syresham F.C.	
Olney F.C.	Towcester Town F.C.	

1. **Apologies for Absence:** N. Holman Esq. (President);
R.S. Page Esq. (Hon. Life Vice-President);
B G. Moore Esq. (Vice-President);

Charlton & District F.C. (Resigned)
MK Titans F.C. (Resigned)

New Clubs in Attendance: Buckingham United F.C.
Duston Dynamo F.C.
Mursley United Development F.C.

2. **The President's Address - N. Holman Esq.**

In the President's absence the Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

The Chairman advised the meeting that Mr. A.J. North and Mr. E.B. Smith, both Vice-Presidents of the League had passed away during the season, and a moments silence was held in their respect.

Mr. Holman had submitted an address to the meeting which the Chairman read on his behalf:

Firstly, please accept my apologies for not being in attendance tonight but I am currently holidaying in Hungary.

This has been a testing season for us all but we have survived to eventually complete all league and cup competitions. Congratulations to all our winners, but more importantly a big thank you to all our clubs and the 1600+ players who competed in our league last season.

A number of other thankyou's are also due:

- To all the referees for their efforts. Without you there would be no football, so sincere thanks.
- To all you club secretaries and club administrators for the considerable effort you all put in to ensure games are played, team sheets submitted etc. A thankless task as I, as a former club secretary, am only too aware.

- To my fellow committee members for the dedication shown in their particular roles both individually and collectively.
- To Buckingham Athletic FC and Roade FC for their support as excellent venues for our cup finals.

We will be losing three clubs from our ranks for next season, Brackley Old Boys, Charlton & District and MK Titans. We hope you have enjoyed your respective stays with us and best wishes to you all for the future. Depending upon the wishes of those present tonight I would also like to welcome any new club or team joining our ranks for next season.

Finally, whilst I feel that the North Bucks and District Football League is indeed a very good league I do realise that there are certain aspects of both league and club administration which need to be tightened up and improved upon to ensure an even more successful season 2016/17.

So let's all enjoy our too brief close season break, look forward to next season and together aim to take this league to an even higher level.

3. The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting Held Thursday 18th June 2015

The Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 18th June 2015, were accepted by the Members present as a true and accurate record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Brackley Sports F.C. and Seconded by Marsh Gibbon F.C. All present were in agreement.

4. Matters Arising

There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting.

5. The Chairman's Address (including the General Secretary's Report) - A.P. Jeskins Esq.

Good Evening Ladies and Gentlemen, Vice-Presidents, Members of the County Football Association, League Officers, Club Representatives and Guests.

On behalf of the League, I would like to welcome you all to the 106th Annual General Meeting of the North Bucks & District Football League.

This season on the whole has not been a bad season overall however we continue to be let down by the minority during the season having had a few issues both on the field, which at times fell far below the standard expected, and with Administration.

I would like to thank Nick and Neil for their work as Registration's Secretary and Result's Secretary over the course of the season. As discussed at the Secretary's meeting in December, this seemed to have worked very well, and a change is proposed under the Rule Changes to make this a formal position within the Rules which we hope you will support.

I would like to thank those Clubs who did not pick up any fines for the way in which they have conducted their clubs affairs this season, please keep up the good work. In order to try and assist new Clubs and new Secretaries going forward, we will be re-circulating a slightly re-vamped 'Secretaries Summary Information' sheet of what to do and when which seemed to work well over the last season. This will hopefully reduce the number of fines and charges that Clubs incur again.

On a more positive note, the quality of football played within the League this season was improved from previous years with all divisions being very competitive and going down to the last matches to determine the winners and runners-up. I do continue to hear a number of positive comments regarding the standard and quality of the football and the operation of the League, which is a credit to all Member Clubs, involved.

I would like to congratulate all of the trophy finalists for the manner in which the finals were played this season; and for their efforts and support in raising just over £800 for Charity from the gate receipts. Thanks to Neil, Brian, Mick and Brenda for their time in staffing the gates, organising the raffle, obtaining prizes and generally ensuring that the finals run as smoothly as possible.

I would like to offer the League's congratulations to Potterspurty, MK Gallactico, University of Buckingham and Padbury Village Reserves for winning their respective divisional trophies and to Towcester Town for winning the Interdivisional Trophy and Potterspurty Reserves for winning the re-instated Reserve Team Challenge Trophy. I would also like to record thanks to Buckingham Athletic for allowing us to play our finals at their ground and for their hospitality, similarly for hosting the Annual General Meeting for us this evening. The final thanks to Roade Football Club for stepping in at short notice to host the Interdivisional Trophy Final due to issues encountered in that competition.

I would also like to congratulate Potterspurry, MK Gallactico, Wing Village and Southcott Village R.A. Reserves for winning their respective divisions.

We have been unfortunate to be losing Brackley Old Boys, Charlton & District and MK Titans from the North Bucks & District Football League who are either ceasing to run or moving on. We have however received applications from a number of new established Clubs to join the League for the coming season in Duston Dynamos, Mursley United Reserves, Old Bradwell Reserves and Buckingham United and some reserve teams.

Coming onto next season, the League Formation for 2016/2017 has caused us a number of issues again this season and we have managed to re-shuffle and juggle teams around to balance the numbers in each division.

I would like to extend a warm welcome the new Clubs present this evening, and subject to the agreement of Clubs tonight, hope they will enjoy and successful time with the North Bucks & District Football League.

Finally, as in every season, despite the administrative issues this season, there is a lot of work involved in running a Saturday Football League, and I would like to thank each of my fellow Officers and Committee Members personally for their continued support, commitment and dedication to the League and for all their hard work over the course of the season.

6. Reports (a) The General Secretary – A.P. Jeskins Esq.

See 5 above.

Reports (b) The Treasurer - Mrs. B. Sprules

Mrs. Sprules gave a brief explanation of the accounts for the season, as circulated, and requested any questions regarding the accounts. There being no queries, the Chairman thanked Mrs. Sprules once again for her splendid work and efforts throughout the course of the season. A vote of thanks was recorded to Mr. Jeskins for verifying the League's Accounts free of charge once again.

It was Proposed by University of Buckingham F.C. and Seconded by Potterspurry F.C. that the accounts be accepted as a true and accurate record of the League's Finances for the season. All Members present were in favour.

7. Election of Officers

President:	N. Holman Esq.	Proposed By:	Potterspurry F.C.
		Seconded By:	M. McStraw Esq.
Vice-Presidents:	B.G. Moore Esq., A. Bond Esq., D.C. Grainge Esq., R.S. Page Esq., K. Tew Esq., P. Hammond Esq., B. Stuchbury Esq.	Proposed By:	Hanslope F.C.
		Seconded By:	Potterspurry F.C.

The League's Vice Chairman, Mr. McStraw took the Chair for the Election of Chairman and General Secretary, and thanked Mr. Jeskins for his hard work again over the past season.

Chairman:	A.P. Jeskins Esq.	}	Proposed By: M. McStraw Esq.
General Secretary:	A.P. Jeskins Esq.	}	Seconded By: MK Wanderers F.C.
Vice-Chairman:	M. McStraw Esq.	}	
Treasurer & Fixtures Secretary:	Mrs. B. Sprules	}	
Registration Secretary:	N. Aldren Esq.	}	Proposed By: A.P. Jeskins Esq.
Results Secretary:	N. Holman Esq.	}	Seconded By: Wing Village F.C.

Referee's Secretary : J. Hedge Esq.

The League Management Committee: B. Stuchbury Esq.;

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8. **Election of Auditors:** Peter J. Jeskins Ltd. Proposed By: Southcott Village F.C.
Seconded By: Great Linford F.C.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Jeskins for once again verifying the League's Accounts free of charge.

9. **Proposed Rule Changes for the 2016 / 2017 Season**

The Chairman advised that the following Rule Changes had been received, proposed and seconded, and approved by the Berks & Bucks County Football Association subject to the vote of Member Clubs at the AGM. The following rule changes were put to the vote as noted, to take effect for the 2016 / 2017 football season.

<p>Current Rule 10 (F) (i)</p> <p>The Officers of the Competition shall be the President, Vice-Presidents, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, General Secretary, Treasurer, Registrations Secretary, Fixtures Secretary, Referee's Secretary and Minutes & Press Officer, to be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (N.B. Verifiers of Accounts are not Officers).</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 10 (F) (i)</p> <p>The Officers of the Competition shall be the President, Vice-Presidents, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, General Secretary, Treasurer, Registrations Secretary, Fixtures Secretary, Results Secretary, Referee's Secretary and Minutes & Press Officer, to be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting (N.B. Verifiers of Accounts are not Officers).</p> <p>Proposed By: A.P. Jeskins Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p> <p>RATIONALE: Following the trial this year of splitting the role of the Registration's Secretary into two with a Result's Secretary - to carry this forward as it enhances the service provided by the League.</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 23 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>
<p>Current Rule 11 (B)</p> <p>(B) The Home Club shall telephone / SMS / email the result of each match including external Cup Competitions to the General Secretary within one and one half-hours of the completion of the match. Failure to comply shall incur a fine as set out in the fees and fines tariff.</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 11 (B)</p> <p>(B) The Home Club shall telephone / SMS / email the result of each match including external Cup Competitions to the General Secretary within one and one half-hours of the completion of the match. Results of County Cup Fixtures shall also be communicated to the Fixture's Secretary. Failure to comply shall incur a fine as set out in the fees and fines tariff.</p> <p>Proposed By: Mrs. B. Sprules Seconded By: The Management Committee</p> <p>RATIONALE: To ensure that Clubs can be released for future cup dates, and also to allow any changes to made for the forthcoming week if fixtures are not completed for any reason.</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 25 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>

Amendments to Fees & Fines Schedule (as agreed at the Mid-Season Secretary's Meeting)

<p>Current Rule 8 (F)</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) £ 0.50p</p>	<p>Current Rule 8 (F)</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) (1st July - 30th September) £ 0.50p</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) (1st October - End of Season) £ 1.00p</p> <p>Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p> <p>RATIONALE: To encourage Clubs to register players earlier in the season, and to cover the additional workload for registering players mid-season and checking Player history.</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 21 in favour, 3 against.</u></p>
<p>Rule 16 (E)</p> <p>Arbitration Deposit Fee (New)</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 16 (E)</p> <p>Arbitration Deposit Fee (New) - £ 25.00</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 21 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>
<p>Rule 3 (A)</p> <p>New Club Application Fee</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 3 (A)</p> <p>(Increase) £ 50.00 (To accord with League Subscriptions for One Team)</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 27 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>
<p>Rule 7</p> <p>Failing to Submit the Required Written Agreement or to Notify Changes to Signatories (New)</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 7</p> <p>(New) £ 20.00</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 18 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>
<p>Rule 8 (B)</p> <p>Failing to Correctly Register a Player (New)</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 8 (B)</p> <p>(New) £ 15.00</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 21 in favour, 1 against.</u></p>

<p>Rule 8 (C)</p> <p>Failing to have the Required Number of Registered Players prior to 7th August (per Team)</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 8 (C)</p> <p>(Increase) £ 20.00</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 22 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>
<p>Rule 8 (H) (i) / (ii) / (iii)</p> <p>Signing or Playing for Multiple Clubs, or Inaccurate Completion of a Registration Form (New)</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 8 (H) (i) / (ii) / (iii)</p> <p>(New) £ 25.00</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 22 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>
<p>Rule 8 (Q)</p> <p>Playing an Unregistered or Otherwise Ineligible Player</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 8 (Q)</p> <p>(Increase) £ 50.00</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 21 in favour, 1 against.</u></p>
<p>Rule 13 (H)</p> <p>Failing to Pay Match Officials Fee and Expenses as Required</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 13 (H)</p> <p>(New) £ 20.00</p> <p><u>Put to the vote and CARRIED by majority vote, 30 in favour, 0 against.</u></p>

10. Honorariums

The Management Committee have proposed that the Honorariums for the 2015-2016 season should be as follows:

General Secretary:	£ 1,000.00
Treasurer:	£ 500.00
Fixtures Secretary:	£ 600.00
Referee's Secretary:	£ 575.00
Registration Secretary:	£ 500.00
Results Secretary:	£ 650.00

The above proposal was Seconded by Wing Village F.C. and Agreed by all Members present unanimously.

11. The Bob Mayes Sportsmanship Award

This award, for the most sporting side as voted by member clubs, was awarded to Charlton & District F.C., who had tendered their apologies for the meeting.

12. The Derek Canning's Club Linesman of the Year Award

The Chairman announced the winner as Mr. C. Walmsley of Hanslope F.C., who had achieved an average of 92% over the course of the Season and a representative of Hanslope F.C. collected the award on his behalf

In 2nd place was Mr. M. Millburn from AFC Santander with 89%, and in joint 3rd place was Mr. T. Howles of Great Linford F.C. and Mr. E. Cardorna of March Gibbon F.C. achieving average marks of 86%.

13. **The Michael Connolly Award**

The Chairman explained that the winners had been chosen by the Management Committee based on League Administration. The Chairman presented the award on behalf of the League to Mrs. Marcelle Turner of Marsh Gibbon F.C. and Mr. Keith Wilkes of Charlton & District F.C. as a joint award for this season.

14. **The Formation of the League for 2016 / 2017 Season**

The Chairman advised the meeting that the Management Committee had agreed the following Constitution of Divisions for the forthcoming 2016 / 2017 season:

Premier Division (14)

Potterspurry
Great Horwood
Great Linford
Marsh Gibbon
Silverstone
Brackley Sports
Stewkley
Hanslope
Towcester Town
Deanshanger Athletic
Duston Dynamo's
Mursley United Development
Twyford United
Southcott Village R.A.

Intermediate Division (13)

MK Wanderers
Yardley Gobion
Wicken Sports
AFC Santander
Potterspurry Res.
Clean Slate Res.
MK Gallactico Res.
Stoke Hammond Wanderers
Great Horwood Res.
Wing Village
Willen
Grendon Rangers Res.
Stony Stratford Town

Division 1 (13)

University of Buckingham
Tattenhoe
Great Linford Res.
Olney
Padbury Village
Stewkley Res.
City Colts
Steeple Claydon
Southcott Village R.A. Res.
Towcester Town Res.
Stony Stratford Town Res.
Scot
Buckingham United

Division 2 (14)

Deanshanger Athletic Res.
Hanslope Res.
Silverstone Res.
Marsh Gibbon Res.
Yardley Gobion Res.
Westbury
Brackley Sports Res.
Padbury Village Res.
Steeple Claydon Res.
Buckingham United Res.
Willen Res.
Wing Village Res.
Tattenhoe Res.
MK Wanderers Res.

It was proposed by the Management Committee that the new Clubs that had applied to join the League were duly elected as Members of the Competition, and that the Constitution of Divisions be accepted. This was proposed by Wing Village F.C. and agreed unanimously by all Members present.

15. The Date for Commencement and Conclusion of the 2016 - 2017 Season

The Date for the Commencement of the 2016 / 2017 Season would be Monday 15th August 2016, and the Conclusion would be Saturday 27th May 2017.

16. Any Other Business

The Chairman presented monthly awards for sportsmanship and administration to the following Clubs:

Premier Division:	Marsh Gibbon F.C. and Hanslope F.C.
Intermediate Division:	Southcott Village R.A. F.C. and Charlton & District F.C.
Division One:	Wing Village F.C. and University of Buckingham F.C.
Division Two:	Westbury F.C. and Yardley Gobion F.C.

The Chairman noted that there had not been any other business notified to the League, and thanked all those present for their attendance at the AGM and wished all Clubs an enjoyable and sporting 2016 / 2017 season and a safe journey home.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 20.21 hours.

A.P. Jeskins Esq.
29th June 2016



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Chairman's Report

To the Member Clubs of the North Bucks & District Football League Annual General Meeting - Thursday 15th June 2017

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I would also like to congratulate Potterspurty, Wing Village, City Colts and Hanslope Reserves for winning their respective divisions.

We have been unfortunate to lose a number of teams from the League during the course of the season, which seems to be following the national decline in 11 Vs 11 football. We are also losing Padbury Village Reserves and the University of Buckingham from the North Bucks & District Football League who are unfortunately ceasing to run.

We have however received applications from a number of new established Clubs to join the League for the coming season in Old Bradwell Development, Mursley United Development, Newport Pagnell Athletic together with some reserve teams.

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I'm sad to say, that this will be my last season as Chairman and General Secretary of the North Bucks & District Football League as I tendered my resignation to the Management Committee at the end of April for a number of reasons, some of which I have explained below.

For the past three seasons, it has been apparent that there is significant unrest amongst and between the League's Management Committee, demonstrated by the number of comments made about Members of the Committee to other Committee Members or to third parties and the general tension and conflict in meetings.

As League Chairman, I've always tried to be fair and manage the League in the best way I see fit both for local football, the League's Member Clubs, and at times to mediate between the Committee Members, all for what I believe is in the best interest of the League. I accept that at times this has not been well received by the Committee, or there has been disagreement over decisions that I have made.

I've received numerous e-mails of complaint and criticism over the years from Clubs, but have never lost an appeal from a member Club over the way in which the League is run, or a decision that has been made, despite an attempt prompted by a former Committee Member last season, which cost the League through his resignation. Clubs may not have always agreed with decisions that have been made, but have always been fair and consistent in applying the League's rules across the board. I have always backed and supported the League's Officers and Committee Members in their roles even if I may not have personally agreed with it - that's my role.

As League Secretary, I've always worked to try and improve the League, taking it from what it was in 2005, to where it is today, developing with Members of the Committee various streamlining, improvements for Member Clubs and overall positive impacts for our League. Again, I always covered other Officer's roles when they've been away, or unable to carry out their work, in order to ensure the League runs as smoothly as possible.

I have always admitted when I haven't done something and held my hands up, and also taken blame and accepted criticism when things haven't been done quickly or as efficiently as they should have, or where I've made a genuine mistake. I accept that over the past few seasons I've not always been fully on top of things, but I've openly accepted that and worked to try and rectify it. We are all volunteers as well, and I'm sure you all know what it is like running a Club. Part of the additional workload has come from the development that the League has taken since I joined 16 years ago which I'm sure you will have all seen a change in. It is almost now a full-time job!

A number of Committee Members have expressed their concerns over the past few seasons about the standing of the League within local football, the constant barrage of criticisms that are made by Clubs about the running of the League, and the numerous threats of resignation that have been made by the Committee.

I have thought for some time that the problem is with me and a couple of months ago I was privy to correspondence from a third party where members of the Committee have clearly publically expressed this view.

There were further intimations at the April meeting that there were members of the Committee that were likely to resign for various reasons and that by the time the AGM came round and that there will be lots of vacancies to fill, it has become clear that the issue is absolutely with me, some around footballing matters and some personal.

It was therefore quite apparent that as Chairman, it was only right that I tendered my resignation from the North Bucks & District Football League, in order to keep together what Management Committee there is left.

As noted above, Neil Holman resigned from his position as President, unfortunately due to personal reasons, and latterly, Brenda Sprules has resigned from her role of Fixtures Secretary, leaving a number of positions to fill at the Annual General Meeting, albeit I have stated that I will continue to support the League particularly in the administration of the Full-Time system.

We have been fortunate to receive two expressions of interest in joining the League Management Committee in Matthew Pell (Hanslope F.C.) and Chris Ball (Referee & formerly Yardley Gobion F.C.) who will bring a wealth of knowledge to the League Committee. We also have further interest from Dave McGwyre (Wing Village F.C.) who may also be willing to serve on the Management Committee.

We have also been fortunate to have received an application for the role of General Secretary of the League in Tony Skeggs who is Treasurer of the Aylesbury & District Football League and Secretary of the Oving Village Cup Competition, who some of you will know, and I hope that you will elect Tony at the meeting to take on this important role. I believe it is important for change every now and again and for new people to bring new and fresh ideas to any organisation, and so partly, I also step aside for new faces to take on the challenge and develop the League further..

In closing my (lengthy) report, I would like to express my thanks to all the Officers and Management Committee (past and present) for their work on behalf of the League, our new volunteers to serve on the Management Committee and to all of you as Club Officials whom I have enjoyed working with over the past 16 years that I have been part of the League.

A.P. Jeskins,
Chairman / General Secretary,
North Bucks & District Football League

1st June 2017



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STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT 2016/2017

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>2016/2017</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>2016/2017</u>
<u>2015/2016</u>			<u>2015/2016</u>		
BROUGHT FORWARD			BROUGHT FORWARD		
£326.96	BB CURRENT A/C	£346.37	£0.00	EXPENSES	£0.00
£13,044.22	BB BUSINESS A/C	£12,300.50			
£0.00	CASH IN HAND	£0.00			
£0.00	CHEQUES IN HAND	£0.00			
SUBSCRIPTIONS					
£700.00	PREMIER DIVISION	£665.00	£1,819.92	EXPENSES	£1,715.66
£650.00	INTERMEDIATE DIVISION	£650.00	£0.00	PRINTING	£0.00
£650.00	DIVISION I	£565.00	£3,000.00	HONORARIA	£3,825.00
£550.00	DIVISION II	£665.00	£907.40	TELEPHONE	£809.37
			£256.55	POSTAGE	£129.05
			£622.13	STATIONERY ETC.	£359.09
			£384.24	INSURANCE	£395.94
			£48.00	B & B AFFILIATION	£50.00
£140.00	PREMIER DIVISION	£140.00	£1,041.20	GIFTS & TRIBUTES	£1,284.07
£130.00	INTERMEDIATE DIVISION	£130.00	£3,717.20	TROPHIES & AWARDS	£3,881.08
£130.00	DIVISION I	£120.00	£125.00	COMPUTER EQUIPMENT/REPAIRS	£0.00
£110.00	DIVISION II	£140.00	£0.00	COMPUTER CONTRIBUTION	£0.00
£6,529.05	FINES & EXPENSES	£7,564.10			
£782.00	REGISTRATION FORMS	£988.00			
£520.00	MATCH REPORT FORMS	£530.00			
£120.00	TRANSFERS	£215.00			
£0.00	BB CURRENT A/C INTEREST/CHARGES	£0.00	£11,921.64		£12,448.28
£6.28	BB BUSINESS A/C INTEREST	£4.21			
£190.00	AFFILIATION DEPOSITS	£195.00			
£0.00	FA GRANT FOR COMPUTER	£0.00			
				BARCLAYS BANK	
				BUSINESS A/C	£12,604.71
				CURRENT A/C	£721.53
				UNPRESENTED CHEQUES	£570.34
				CASH IN HAND	£10.00
				CHEQUES IN HAND	£5.00
			£12,646.87	CARRIED FORWARD	£12,770.90
£24,568.51		£25,219.18	£24,568.51		£25,219.18

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS

<u>2015/2016</u>		<u>2016/2017</u>
£11,197.33	RECEIPTS	£12,572.31
£11,921.64	EXPENDITURE	£12,448.28
£724.31	PROFIT/LOSS	£124.03
£12,646.87	ASSETS CARRIED FORWARD	£12,770.90
£13,371.18	ASSETS BROUGHT FORWARD	£12,646.87
£724.31	INCREASE/DECREASE IN FUNDS	£124.03

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BOOKS AND RECORDS OF THE NBDFL

B.C. Sprules

P J JESKINS
F.C.C.A

B SPRULES
[TREASURER]

DATE

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31-5-2017

22nd May 2017



NORTH BUCKS & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(FOUNDED 1911)



Officers and Committee

2017 - 2018 Season

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The League Management Committee

B. Stuchbury Esq., J. Fenner Esq.

Nominations to the League Management Committee

M. Pell (Hanslope F.C.) and C. Ball (Yardley Gobion F.C.)

There were no other Nominations received for any of the above positions.



NORTH BUCKS & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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Proposed Rule Changes

2017 ~ 2018 Season

League Rules	
<p>Current Rule 8 (K)</p> <p>Subject to The Football Association Rule C2(a) dealing with players without a written contract when a player desires to transfer, the Club the player wishes to transfer to shall submit a Transfer Form to the Registration Secretary accompanied by a fee as set out in the fees and fines tariff. Such transfer shall be referred by the Registration Secretary to the Club for which the player is registered. Should this Club object to the transfer it should state its objections in writing to the Registration Secretary and to the player concerned within three (3) days of receipt of the Transfer Form. Upon receipt of the Club's consent, or upon its failure to give written objection within three (3) days the Competition Secretary may, on behalf of the Management Committee, transfer the player who shall be deemed eligible to play for the new Club from such date of such transfer.</p> <p>In the event of an objection to a transfer the matter shall be referred to the Management Committee for a decision.</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 8 (K)</p> <p>Subject to The Football Association Rule C2(a) dealing with players without a written contract when a player desires to transfer, the Club the player wishes to transfer to shall submit a Transfer Form to the Registration Secretary accompanied by a fee as set out in the fees and fines tariff. Such transfer shall be referred by the Registration Secretary to the Club for which the player is registered. Should this Club object to the transfer it should state its objections in writing to the Registration Secretary and to the player concerned within three (3) days of receipt of the Transfer Form. Upon receipt of the Club's consent, or upon its failure to give written objection within three (3) days the Competition Secretary may, on behalf of the Management Committee, transfer the player who shall be deemed eligible to play for the new Club from such date of such transfer.</p> <p>In the event of an objection to a transfer the matter shall be referred to the Management Committee for a decision.</p> <p style="color: red;">No player shall be allowed more than one transfer during the season, except in exceptional circumstances by permission of the Management Committee.</p> <p>Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p>
<p>Current Rule 9 (A)</p> <p>All Clubs to have shirt numbers 1 – 11 for players starting the match, with additional number to be used for the substitutes. Failure to comply shall result in a fine as set out in the fees and fines tariff, per player.</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 9 (A)</p> <p>All Players are to wear shirts with unique numbers. Clubs to have shirt numbers 1 – 11 for players starting the match, with additional number to be used for the substitutes. Failure to comply shall result in a fine as set out in the fees and fines tariff, per player.</p> <p>Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p>

Challenge Trophy Knockout Competition

Current Rule 6

All matches up to the Final shall be played on the ground of the Club first named. Extra time of thirty (30) minutes (fifteen (15) minutes each way) shall be played in the event of a draw. In the event of Teams being level after extra time has been played, the match shall be decided by the taking of kicks from the Penalty Mark in accordance with International Board Recommended Procedures. Kick-off times shall be thirty (30) minutes earlier for League matches. The Finals shall be played on neutral grounds.

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Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq.

Seconded By: The Management Committee

Current Rule 7

After Match Officials expenses have been paid, the gate receipts to be equally divided between the Clubs taking part in the match. Prior to the Final Ties, Officials Fees and expenses shall be the same as for League matches (League Rule 13).

Proposed Rule 7

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Proposed By: Westbury F.C.

Seconded By: Wing Village F.C.

Inter-Divisional Challenge Cup

Current Rule 6

All matches up to the Final shall be played on the ground of the Club first named. Extra time of thirty (30) minutes (fifteen (15) minutes each way) shall be played in the event of a draw. In the event of Teams being level after extra time has been played, the match shall be decided by the taking of kicks from the Penalty Mark in accordance with International Board Recommended Procedures. Kick-off times shall be thirty (30) minutes earlier for League matches. The Finals shall be played on neutral grounds.

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Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq.

Seconded By: The Management Committee

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Proposed By: Westbury F.C.

Seconded By: Wing Village F.C.

Reserve Team Challenge Trophy

Current Rule 6

The Management Committee to have full control over the Finals and in arranging dates for rounds prior to the Final. All matches up to the Final shall be played on the ground of the Club first named. Extra time of thirty (30) minutes (fifteen (15) minutes each way) shall be played in the event of a draw. In the event of Teams being level after extra time has been played, the match shall be decided by the taking of kicks from the Penalty Mark in accordance with International Board Recommended Procedures. Kick-off times shall be thirty (30) minutes earlier for League matches. The Finals shall be played on neutral grounds.

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Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq.

Seconded By: The Management Committee

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Proposed By: Westbury F.C.

Seconded By: Wing Village F.C.

Amendments to Fees & Fines Schedule

<p>Current Rule 8 (F)</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) (1st July - 30th September) £ 0.50p</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) (1st October - End of Season) £ 1.00p</p>	<p>Current Rule 8 (F)</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) (1st July - 30th September) £ 0.50p</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) (1st October - 31st December) £ 1.00p</p> <p>Player Registration Fee (Per Player) (1st January - End of Season) £ 2.00p</p> <p>Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p>
<p>Current Rule 8 (K)</p> <p>Player Transfer Fee £ 5.00p</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 8 (K)</p> <p>Player Transfer Fee £ 10.00p</p> <p>Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p>
<p>Current Rule 9 (A)</p> <p>Failing to commence with Shirts Numbered 1 - 11 (Per Player) £ 5.00</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 9 (A)</p> <p>Failing to commence with Shirts with unique numbers Numbered 1 – 11 (Per Player) £ 5.00</p> <p>Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p>
<p>Current Rule 13 (E)</p> <p>Referee’s Fee £ 25.00p</p>	<p>Proposed Rule 13 (E)</p> <p>Referee’s Fee £ 27.50p</p> <p>Proposed By: N. Aldren Esq. Seconded By: The Management Committee</p>