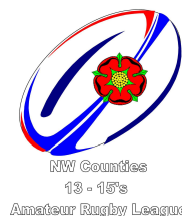


**North West Counties 13 – 15 Junior Amateur Rugby**  
Meeting Minutes



*Date of Meeting*

*Wednesday 5th March 2008*

*Committee Members Present:*

Margaret Byrne (Chair)   
 Sam Armstrong (League Sec. /Discipline Chair)   
 Jayne Bissett (Treasurer)   
 Paul Edwards (U13's Fixtures & Reg Sec.)   
 Brian Edwards (U14's/U15'S Reg Sec.)   
 Jackie Clowes (U14's Fixtures Sec.)   
 Paul Mitchell (U15's Fixtures Sec.)   
 David Lowe (Vice Chair/Ref. Appointments)

*Apologies:*

*Next Meeting:* Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2008 at 8.30pm, Golborne Parkside ARLFC

**I. Attendance**

Ashton Bears	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bank Quay Bulls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Blackbrook Royals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Blackpool Scorpions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Bold Miners	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Burtonwood Bulldogs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chorley Panthers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Crosfields	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Culcheth Eagles	<input type="checkbox"/>	Eccles & Salford Juniors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Fitton Hill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Folly Lane	<input type="checkbox"/>
Halton Farnworth Hornets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Haydock	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Higginshaw	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hindley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ince Rose Bridge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Langworthy Reds	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Latchford Albion Unicorns	<input type="checkbox"/>	Leigh East	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leigh Miners Rangers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Leyland Warriors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Moss Bank Bulldogs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New Springs Lions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Oldham St Anne's	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Orrell St James	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Golborne Parkside	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pilkington Recs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Portico Juniors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rochdale Mayfield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rylands Sharks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saddleworth Rangers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shaw Rhinos	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Shevington Sharks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Thatto Heath Crusaders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Waterhead	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Weaverham Wolves	<input type="checkbox"/>	West Bank Bears	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Westhoughton Lions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Widnes Moorfield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Widnes St Marie's	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wigan St Cuthbert's	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wigan St Jude's	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wigan St Patrick's	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Woolston Rovers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

Clubs not present at the meeting have been fined £10

*(Cheques to be made payable to NW Counties 13-15 ARL)*

**II. Minutes & Updates from the Last Meeting**

The minutes of the Feb 08 meeting which were posted on the NWC 13 – 15's website were proposed by Crosfields and seconded by Haydock.

**III. Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

**IV. Correspondence**

Requests for permission to tour were read out and approved by the League's Management Committee.

Details of a "charity game" for older/OA players was read out from Chorley Spartans, a charity team set up to raise money for local charities. This year they will be raising money for the Mike Gregory Foundation and are in need of players and sponsors. No playing experience is necessary and all contact details are on the Spartans website at [www.chorleyspartans.co.uk](http://www.chorleyspartans.co.uk) or contact Gary Worthington (mobile 07960 173534) anybody wishing to advertise in the programme or make a donation can contact David Ibbison (mobile 07947 330185) or make a donation using Paypal on their website.

**V. BARLA Representative/Coaching Coordinator's Report**

There was no correspondence from BARLA - meeting had been held but Sam Armstrong had unfortunately had to leave early due to prior commitments and none of the issues discussed prior to his leaving had any direct relevance to this League.

**VI. U13's Fixture Secretary's Report/Registration Issues**

Paul Edwards asked the teams with backlogs if they could try to play in the week it would, as always, be greatly appreciated. Unfortunately it is now looking like we are not going to be able to complete the season without help from the individual teams.

The NW Counties Cup Semi Finals are due to be played on Sun 9<sup>th</sup> March and are  
Saddleworth v Rylands Sharks  
Aston Bears v Oldham St Annes

Good luck to all 4 teams.

**II. U14's Fixture Secretary's Report/Registration Issues**

Jackie Clowes informed everyone that fixtures, other than the Premier, have now been sorted to ensure we know the League Winners before the Presentation Night.

Some Prem teams had been e-mailed to try and get games on and Jackie was waiting for responses.

Best of Luck to St Patrick's & Halton Farnworth in the National Cup Semi Finals

For Transfers & Registrations, clubs were again asked not to send registered letters which Brian Edwards needs to sign for .. his post only arrives very late in the afternoon and it can consequently mean a 4.5 mile trip down to the Post Office to collect them ... same issue applies with lack of postage ..... please ensure that there is sufficient on all correspondence as he simply cannot get down there.

**VIII. U15's Fixture Secretary's Report/Registration Issues**

Paul Mitchell stated that it had been a struggle to get Cup games in ... Burtonwood v Thatto Heath Quarter Final has had to be put back due to School commitments.

Again with the recent bad weather and subsequent backlog he asked that clubs please try and get midweek games on but, at the same time, let Paul know so he could keep his records straight.

Management decision to be made on the Folly Lane v Rylands league game after Paul has contacted both clubs

**IX. Transfer Committee's Report**

Margaret Byrne explained that some transfer requests had come in after the Transfer Deadline ... these WILL NOT be heard/reviewed.

There were at the time of the meeting also 12 in the system "on appeal".

Margaret continued by saying that "We, as a League are looking for input from the League's clubs as to how we can improve the Transfers System"

**X. Referee Appointments Coordinator's Report**

There was no Referee Appointments Officers report due to David Lowe not being present

**XI. Disciplinary Chairman's Report**

Hearing Notifications were issued to several clubs for cases which were to be heard on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March at Golborne Parkside Sports & Community Club.

Verdict Notifications were issued to several clubs for cases which were heard on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February at Golborne Parkside Sports & Community Club.

**XII. Any Other Business**

The Treasurers' Report showed that the League had a balance of £12901 at the time of the meeting.

Mandy Ibbison of Chorley Panthers explained that over the coming weekend the RFL were due to start a programme of festivals for U12's, 14 & 16's Girls and invited everyone to go down and watch and support their development of the Girl's game.

Clubs were reminded of the fact that ALL League Division Winners & NW Counties Cups are to be returned, in the condition they were received, by or at the April meeting. The costs for any repairs for damage will be charged to the relevant club.

The date of the next meeting at Golborne Parkside will be the 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2008 commencing at 8.30pm.