



North West Counties 13 – 15 Junior Amateur Rugby
Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting 7 October 2009

Committee Members:

Margaret Byrne (Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Sam Armstrong (League Sec. /Discipline Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jayne Bissett (Treasurer)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jeff Schofield (Referee Appointments Officer)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Paul Edwards (U13's Fixtures & Reg Sec.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Lindsay Bissett (U14's Fixtures)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Jackie Clowes (U15's Fixtures Sec.)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Paul Mitchell (Transfers Chair)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
David Lowe (Registrations Secretary)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Brian Edwards (Child Welfare Officer)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Apologies: Jackie Clowes

Next Meeting: Wed 4th November 2009 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"/>	Clockface	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Crosfields	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Culcheth Eagles	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Eccles & Salford Juniors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Folly Lane	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Halton Farnworth Hornets	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Haydock	<input 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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Leigh East	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leigh Miners Rangers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Leyland Warriors	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Liverpool Lions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Manchester Storm	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Milnrow Cobras	<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 type="checkbox"/>
Rochdale Mayfield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Runcorn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rylands Sharks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Saddleworth Rangers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Shevington Sharks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Thatto Heath Crusaders	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Waterhead	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	West Bank Bears	<input type="checkbox"/>
Westhoughton Lions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Widnes Moorfield	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Widnes St Maries	<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"/>		

As this meeting follows the League's AGM, Clubs not present at that meeting have been fined £50 as outlined and minuted at the May 2008 meeting.
(Cheques to be made payable to NW Counties 13-15 ARL)

II. Minutes & Updates from the Last Meeting

The minutes of the September 2009 meeting which were posted on the NWC 13 – 15's website and left for reading in the room were proposed by Runcorn and seconded by Wigan St Patricks.

III. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

IV. Correspondence

One letter received covered under Child Welfare Officers' Report

V. Referee Appointments Coordinator's Report

No report

VI. Registration Secretary's Report

David Lowe stated that everything seemed to be going well but if you do send in Registration Forms please ensure that there is contact data enclosed.

David re-iterated his request for missing postcodes from the Registration Sheets - if they are missing from your sheets please find out the details and forward them to him.

VII. U13's Fixture Secretary's Report

Paul Edwards took the opportunity to re-iterate to teams participating in the Under 13's age group that all results must be sent to him and no other members of the Committee!!

The draw for the U13's Lancashire Cup which, as last year is to be held at the Stobart Stadium, Widnes was held and produced the following fixtures.

PRELIMINARY ROUND – 18th OCTOBER 2009

Ince Rose Bridge	v	Portico
Chorley Panthers	v	ClockFace
Thatto Heath	v	Burtonwood Bulldogs

ROUND 1 – 25th OCTOBER 2009

Leigh East	v	Leigh Miners Rangers
Ince Rose Bridge or Portico	v	Bank Quay Bulls
Milnrow	v	Widnes Moorfield
Thatto Heath or Burtonwood	v	Manchester Storm
Shevington Sharks	v	Saddleworth Rangers
Golborne Parkside	v	Blackbrook Royals
Orrell St James	v	Halton Farnworth Hornets
Runcorn	v	Crosfields
Pilkington Recs	v	Folly Lane
Westhoughton Lions	v	Waterhead
Blackpool Scorpions	v	Latchford Albion
Wigan St Judes	v	Rylands
West Bank Bears	v	Chorley Panthers or ClockFace
Langworthy Reds	v	Wigan St Cuthbert's
Wigan St Patricks	v	Culcheth Eagles

VIII. U14's Fixture Secretary's Report

The draw for the NW Counties U14's Cup rounds 3 & 4 took place. There were still outstanding games which were due to be played on Sunday 11th Oct which will obviously have an outcome on the fixtures below and which would then need to be amended to incorporate those results. The draw was as follows:

ROUND 3 – 25th OCTOBER 2009

Game 1

Chorley or Oldham St Anne's v Wigan St Patrick's

Game 2

Thatto Heath Sharks v Hindley or Rylands Tigers

Game 3

Wigan St Judes v West Bank or ClockFace

Game 4

Rylands Sharks v Orrell St James

Game 5

Ince Rose Bridge v Leigh Miners or Widnes Moorfield

Game 6

Wigan St Cuthbert's or Widnes St Marie's v Leyland or Crosfields

Game 7

Shevington v Bold Miners

Game 8

Leigh East or Blackbrook v Saddleworth or Langworthy Reds

Due to the date of the next round already having been notified there would be insufficient time to organise the fixtures for the 8th November if the draw was to take place at the next Monthly Meeting on the 4th. It was therefore decided to press ahead with the Draw for Round 4 which produced the following fixtures and which have, for ease of reading, been entered as below due to Team A or Team B or Team C v Team D or Team E being somewhat confusing.

ROUND 4 – 8th NOVEMBER 2009

Winner Game 4	v	Winner Game 7
Winner Game 1	v	Winner Game 5
Winner Game 3	v	Winner Game 6
Winner Game 2	v	Winner Game 8

IX. U15's Fixture Secretary's Report

Apologies were received from Jackie who was unfortunately unable to attend due to a work commitment, however, the draw for the U15's Lancashire Cup which, as last year is to be held at the Stobart Stadium, Widnes was held and produced the following fixtures

ROUND 1 – 25th OCTOBER 2009

Wigan St Cuthbert's	v	Ince Rose Bridge
Woolston Rovers	v	Culcheth Eagles
Pilkington Recs	v	Orrell St James
Haydock Warriors	v	Rylands Sharks
Ashton Bears	v	Latchford Albion Unicorns
Saddleworth Rangers	v	Portico Vine
Westhoughton Lions	v	Wigan St Judes
Bold Miners	v	Eccles & Salford Juniors
Latchford Albion Giants	v	Rochdale Mayfield
Blackpool Scorpions	v	Crosfield Cobras
Leigh Miners Rangers	v	West Bank Bears
Bye	v	Wigan St Patricks
Chorley Panthers	v	Langworthy Reds
Oldham St Anne's	v	Thatto Heath Crusaders
Higginshaw Eagles	v	Leigh East
Folly Lane	v	Widnes Moorfield

X. Transfer Committee's Report

Paul Mitchehell announced that Transfers were currently up to date but that he had received a further 3 prior to the meeting which it was hoped David Lowe would be able to process whilst visiting the RL Services office at The Zone in Huddersfield

XI. Child Welfare Officer's Report

As highlighted under "Correspondence", the League had received an unsigned letter making very serious allegations over the playing ages of the players of a team in our League.

The letter was read out to the Meeting whilst not naming the team.

There was no evidence whatsoever provided to support this allegation and, due to it being unsigned, we were unable to follow it up. Brian Edwards stated that the League would appreciate signed letters with contact details and evidence to support any allegations against any other club.

The allegations stemmed from a claim that players birth certificates and passports were insufficient documentation to prove a players age!! If we can't trust Clubs to send genuine pics and birth certificates then we have a problem. The League do not have the resources to provide the kind of service currently provided by the Government and so if the data is adequate for them then it is equally adequate for the League. Passports/Birth Certificates have always been sufficient up to now and still will be accepted as confirmation of age.

Brian asked that Club CWO's please send an e-mail then he has contacts to send info on to if required.

XII. Disciplinary Chair's Report

Hearing Notifications were issued for those cases to be heard on Thursday 15th October

XIII. BARLA Representative's Report

There was nothing to report.

XIII. Any Other Business

The Treasurers' Report showed that the League had a balance of £15498 at the time of the meeting.

The date of the next meeting at Golborne Parkside will be the 4th November 2009 commencing at 8.30pm.