

Guy's Kings' and St Thomas's Hospitals RFC Committee Meeting Minutes From 20th April 2004.

160th Anniversary.



1. **Presiding;** Dr T Gibson.
2. **Present;** J Powell, S Rigg, T Wright, D Berry, Y Umebuani, L Farrell, R Hone, T Bevir, P Gretton, J Jackson, E Sheppard, T Price, D Austin
3. **Apologies for Absence;** Gavin Brigstocke, Mark Kinirons.
4. **Matters Arising;** The President informed the committee of the recent sad death of Tom Lewis, a former Guy's Captain and England trialist. Many will remember Tom awarding the Scanlan Memorial Cup to the 'Vets' last year following their defeat of the 2Nd XV on Past Vs Present day. A minutes silence was observed at the 1st XV match last weekend, and there shall also be a minutes silence at the AGM. Thanks to Hone Landscapes Ltd was given for their generous sponsorship of the UH Cup. The President intends to write to personally extend the thanks of the committee. The UH Cup was agreed by all to have been a great event. The 1st and 3rd teams narrowly losing, the 2nd XV winning against ICSM. The Newspaper articles reporting the days events were judged to have been written by an ex Mary's man. Tim Woodstockeprice aired views that the competition should become a 'round robbin' event. Greg Ryan appears very keen to become official coach next season, and would like to be able to attend some coaching courses. All present hoped such courses could be organised and that this would aid Greg becoming 'Head coachie' next year.
5. **Finance and Grant;** Once again the Treasurer stated with dismay that not enough subs had been paid this season. A 'name and shame' method shall be employed next season to ensure all pay their subs. Plans were agreed to ensure that those leaving the club continued to provide financial aid. Tim Price and Mr Rigg agreed to co-ordinate efforts to recruit associate members and supporters club members at the AGM and Ball. The Clubs grant allocation is still pending, no one expects to have the original grant restored 'even by a penny'. T price suggested that those playing for the 1st XV

on Saturday pay additional subs. Mr D Berry along with others though this a bad idea, as players already pay for transport and gin, amongst other things.

6. **Continuing Action Towards KCLSU;** The plan detailed in the last committee meeting minutes is yet to be fully implemented. This is no doubt a matter for the next committee to implement fully. Mr Rigg made a comment about sinking in a boat with a load of rowers.
7. **Match Results;** These shall be detailed at the forthcoming AGM. Congratulation to GTHWRFC for winning the TRIPLE! The UL Cup, where they stuffed Kings, their league and the UH Cup, other teams being too scared to even offer a challenge.
8. **Club Ball;** Taking place following the Past Vs Present matches on Saturday 1st May at HOP is in great hands. Jamie Jackson was agreed to have systematically organised a most excellent event, costing as little as £55 per head. This shall include a bottle of wine each and a bottle of port for each table. A champagne reception shall commence at 19.30 hours. The committee was asked to look for sponsorship for the event. Jamie expressed thanks to Gill and Alison for their offer of help on the day. The committee was unsure of the arrangements being made for a 7s competition the next day. The following awards shall be presented; Best Newcomer, Best Player, Most Improved, Club Man of the year.
9. **The AGM;** Potential officers were discussed. There shall be no need for a student President if the 1st XV (club captain) is a student. The 4th XV shall be disbanded and merged with the Vets' Penguin side, captaincy to be shared by a student and veteran. There was agreed to be no need for a Secretary's assistant next year. Photos shall commence at 6pm promptly, in the Colonnade, Guy's campus. Captains shall have their teams in full clean kit by 17.30 hours. Following the AGM fare shall be provided at the Tower Bridge Elusive Camel.
10. **AOB;** Captains are to send their Blues nominations to T Price asap. T Price is in the process of organising a UH Tour to France, and the Penguins shall tour Devon this coming weekend, all players welcome. The Secretary has contacted J Coombes about 'lost' committee meeting minutes from the last few years.
11. **Notice of Next Meeting;** The next committee meeting shall take place at the same time and place on the 14th September 2004, 161st season.