

Guy's King's College & St Thomas' Hospitals
Rugby Football Club - Est. 1843



Committee Meeting held in Rheumatology Dept.,
Guy's Hospital on Tuesday 18th October 2005

Presiding: Dr T Gibson

Present:

Iain Wilson

Rhys Davies

Edward Jefferies

Stuart D'Sylva

Robert Hone

Oliver Laird

Simon Trotter

Samantha Harris

Benjamin Diggins

1) Apologies for Absence:

David Manson-Bahr, Duncan Austin, Edward Sheppard, Sho Minomitani

2) Last Meeting's Minutes

The committee praised the Honorary Secretary for the excellent minutes of last meeting.

3) Fixture Cards

The committee extended similar laudations towards Oliver Laird who has produced this season's fixture cards. Particular mention was made of the new addition of the International Honours section.

4) Fresher Recruitment

The student captains reported to the President that Fresher recruitment had been a success and the Club has added to its ranks well, especially in the front row and back line.

5) Cobham

Rhys Davies, who was sporting a considerable aesthetic facial impairment, reported that KCLSU have arranged for all student BUSA home fixtures to be hosted at HOP, and not use the one pitch available to us at Cobham. Mr Davies added that KCLSU have taken this action in order to see if HOP will be able to accommodate Wednesday fixtures in light of us losing Cobham in five years time. The committee agreed that it is imperative we continue to use Cobham in order to preserve the life span of the HOP pitches, but also

to avoid fixture clashes with the GKTWRFC ULU fixtures which also take place on Wednesdays, but which KCLSU does not recognise. Mr Davies in his capacity as KCLSU sports officer has since arranged for one student side to play at Cobham on Wednesdays.

6) Subs

Individual subs can not be paid until the treasurer, Mr Ed Sheppard, returns from India and opens the account. Subs will cost £30 Stirling and can be paid at the Spit at Guy's Hospital. All captains were urged to ensure that all members of the Club pay their subs as the Club's grant is proportional to its player base.

7) Finance and Grant:

Dr Gibson will personally track down the grant the Club receives from the RFU.

8) Canada:

A sun-tanned Mr Jefferies informed the committee that there will be a two week tour to Canada from the 8th July 2006. One week will be spent on the East coast at Toronto and Niagara, and one week in Vancouver and Vancouver Island. The tour squad will comprise of 40 men with 6-8 fixtures being played over the fortnight. The cost of the tour is forecasted to be around £1000-1100 for students and £1220-1300 for non-students. A non-refundable deposit of £250 will be asked for in November for those wishing to tour. Mr Jefferies added that he intends to provide some subsidised places for those who may encounter a financial struggle with these prices.

Mr Jefferies further added that he intends for team Captains to organise raffles at all home fixtures to contribute towards tour funds. Dr Gibson added that the group organising the tour should appeal to the Hospital consultants, who are often very receptive to such requests.

9) UH Dinner:

Mr Davies informed those assembled that the United Hospitals RFC Dinner will take place on Saturday 19th November at Wimbledon Dog's Track. The event is being organised by St Georges Hospital, who have used the venue with great success on similar events. The dinner will take place in an executive suite with buffet provided. The committee seemed particularly enthused by the provision of plasma screens to watch the races. Tickets will be around the £30 Stirling, with wine prices starting from £13 Stirling. Dr Gibson reminded the committee that this may not be the eventual cost of the evening. A strict policy of 'no ticket no entry' will be enforced upon the night. Further information can be found at www.wimbledonstadium.co.uk. Dr Gibson urged as many members of the club as possible to attend.

10) United Hospitals RFC:

Dr Gibson commended those who played in the recent UH sevens tournament, commending the spirit in which the games were played and the level of competition. Dr Gibson reminded the assembly that the outcome of the tournament will by no means be an indication of the forthcoming UH Challenge Cup Competition.

Oliver Laird informed the committee that the 1st VX has two UH Challenge Cup round robin fixtures arranged; vs. RUMS on 26th November and ICSM on 23rd November.

11) Results:

1 st XV	P3	W1	L2
2 nd XV	P4	W1	L3
3 rd XV	P3	W1	L2
4th XV/ Vets	P2	W0	L2

Student 1st XV	P1	W0	L1
Student 2nd XV	P1	W0	L1

12) Next Meeting:

The Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 15th November at 6pm, in the Rheumatology Department at Guy's.