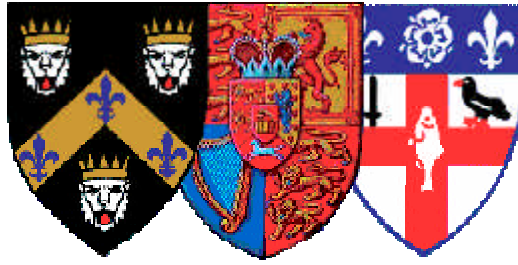


Guy's King's College & St Thomas' Hospitals
Rugby Football Club - Est. 1843



Committee Meeting held in Rheumatology Dept.,
Guy's Hospital on Tuesday 10th January 2006

Presiding: Dr T Gibson

Present:

Iain Wilson
Simon Trotter
Ben Diggins
Dave Manson-Bahr
Robert Hone

Stuart D'Sylva
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Duncan Austin
Oliver Laird

1) Apologies for Absence:

Apologies were received from Rhys Davis and Edward Shepherd

2) Last Meeting's Minutes:

All agreed the minutes from the previous meeting were a fair and accurate account of the last meeting.

3) Christmas Dinner:

The Penguins reported another successful and pleasant Christmas dinner at the George. Dr Gibson remarked that one attendee, a Mr Sam Wrigg, had failed to pay, as similar to previous years due to his 'rubber cheque book'. The Club Christmas dinner, despite the festive mood of Club members, unfortunately did not experience the same success. The Club will not be using the same venue next year.

4) United Hospitals Dinner:

Committee members who attended the dinner observed the evening to be most pleasing, with fine wines and delectable food. However, as is now customary the dinner ended prematurely due to boisterous behaviour from the other London medical schools. Professor Imms, the UH treasurer, has subsequently received a three paged complaint from the host venue detailing their indignation and the damages incurred. As of yet no bill for said damages has been received. The United Hospitals Rugby Football Club will not be using the same venue next year.

5) Rugby Scholarship:

Plans to introduce a rugby scholarship are well underway. A letter has been written by John Novak, the Club's last international representative, inviting people to contribute to the scholarship. The scholarship will be awarded to a male or female first year medical student of promising talent and ability. Several committee members

raised the point that a condition be placed upon the scholarship, that the successful applicant be obliged to play in a certain percentage of Club fixtures.

6) Finance:

Dr Gibson informed committee officers that the supporters club continues to sign cheques paying for match day meals. Mr Shepherd, although not present, passed on information that only 25 students have paid their subs. Although this means the Club will not be de-ratified by King's College London Student's Union, all present agreed this was a totally unsatisfactory state of affairs considering the numbers which play on both weekdays and weekends. It was suggested that Mr Shepherd email those people who have not paid to encourage them to pay their subs.

7) Canada Tour:

Mt Austin, the Canada Tour secretary, reported with great disappointment, that the summer tour to has been cancelled due to lack of interest. A smaller, more local cheaper trip was proposed but Mr Austin said he has no current plans to make such arrangements. Despite this setback, the Club has several tours planned for this season including; the Penguins tour to South Molton, the Freshers' tour to Newcastle and the Wanderers tour to Oak Hampton. Mr Hone added that he may be willing to organise a seven's tour to Ibiza.

8) Kit:

Peverill have written back to the Club regarding the current poor quality of their new shirts. Peverill acknowledged that the collar was weak and tore easily, but they also documented a distinct musty odour emitted from the sample shirt sent. Consequently, they will not be providing the Club with a replacement set. Committee members emphasised the need for at least one new set before the end of the season and if not then for the forthcoming UH competition.

9) Rugby Ball:

Committee members have already urged the social secretaries to get into action now. It was agreed that tickets should be purchased well in advance and purchase would be allowed only to a strict cut off date.

10) UH Competition.

The 1st XV have only played one round robin match so far against ICSM. A match had been arranged against RUMS, but they were unable to raise a team. It is unlikely this fixture will be played, due to the already congested fixture card between now and March. Dr Gibson urged as many to attend the final day, and if possible the luncheon before hand.

11) Macadam Cup:

A provisional date has been set for the Macadam Cup, which falls on the same day as the 2nd and 3rd XV UH cup final days. The Committee agreed if this date remains, the UH competition takes priority and Guys will not enter a side in to the Macadam competition.

12) Website:

Once again the issue of updating the website was raised, Areas of improvement sighted include the player profiles and site appearance. Dr Gibson added that the if such renovations require a fee from the current webmaster the supporters club will foot the bill.

13) Match Results:

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
1 st XV	3	1	2	0
2 nd XV	4	1	3	0
3 rd XV	4	1	3	0
Penguins	0	0	0	0
Student 1st XV	3	0	3	0
Student 2 nd XV	3	0	3	0

