

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, October 7th 1924, at 7.30 pm.

Present

H Cropper (Chairman)
Mr AE Mitchell
Mr SW Swale
Mr AW Webb
Mr RL Weston
Mr F Stokes
Mr H Shentall
Mr R Swale
Mr WH Atrill

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Hartlepool match was read and approved.

Bank A/c The Statement of the Bank Account was reported and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	wages	148.16.3
Customs & Excise	tax	63.3.2
Hartlepoons FC	20% gate	61.19.5
Football League Ltd	Insurance	6.5.7
H Parkes	petty cash	7.13.2
H Parkes	travelling	15.0.0
Collis & Sons	sand	4.16.0
Gow(?) & Sons	Stockings etc	2.2.0
Dr TR Evans	Medical fees	21.0.0
Drs Sutcliffe & Proctor	Medical fees	7.6.0
L Green	Medical fees	29.15.0
TP Wood & Co	whisky	5.2.9
A Williamson	tickets	1.10.5
Jones & Middleton	Legal charges	22.8.8
Eyre & Sons	Sundries	13.5.0
Chesterfield Corpn	Police	12.7.6
SA Fisher	travelling	1.7.6
		£423.18.5

Trading Account The Trading Account for the period ending 30th September together with the Balance Sheet at that date were read and accepted.

Manager's Report An application for the loan of the Ground by the Boro Police for the 8th inst was read and it was agreed that the Ground be loaned at a fee of £1.

Teams Teams were selected as follows
1st v Rochdale: Birch, Saxby, Dennis, Edwards, Abbott, Thompson, Fisher, Lane, Crockford, Hutchinson, Hopkinson. Reserve: Rumney.
2nd, v Derbyshire League: Bilcliffe, Humphries, Whitworth, Mellor, Hampson, Wass, Black, Walker, Askin, Widdowson, Oxley.

Travelling Travelling arrangements to Rochdale as follows:

Midland, 9.55 am. Mr Mitchell & Mr Atrill to accompany the team.

AE Mitchell
Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, October 14th 1924, at 7.30 pm.

Present Mr AE Mitchell (Chairman)

Mr F Stokes

Mr AW Webb

Mr RL Weston

Mr WH Atrill

Mr H Shentall

Mr R Swale

In Attendance Mr H Parkes, Manager, and Mr J Black, Secretary.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Derbyshire League match was read and approved.

Bank A/c The following cheque drawn since the last meeting was confirmed:
Midland Rly Co Bilcliff's pass £5.16.6
The Statement of the Bank Account was reported and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	wages	135.7.3
Customs & Excise	Tax	2.6.7
JJ Caffery	gate receipts	17.13.4
Postmaster Genl	Telephone	4.19.3
Football Association	forms	1.10.0
Henry Squire & Co	Advertising	8.15.0
Derbys & S Yorks Billposting Co		5.5.0
Sheffield Billposting Co		0.15.0
Oxford Palace	Advertising	0.8.0
H Parkes	petty cash	5.4.0
		£182.3.5

Manager's report the question of open dates was discussed and the Manager was instructed to advertise for a first team match at home on Nov 15th next and a match away for the second team on Nov 1st next.

A letter was read from Mr Bucknell requesting permission to bring his car on the Ground at the Darlington match owing to his physical infirmity and it was agreed that he request be granted.

The question of a supply of whisky for the players at away matches was discussed and it was agreed that the Manager should purchase a half-bottle of whisky for these occasions.

Teams The team to meet Darlington was selected as follows:

Birch, Saxby, Dennis, Edwards, Abbott, Thompson, Fisher, Lane, Crockford, Rumney, Hutchinson.

H Cropper

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, October 21st 1924, at 7.30 pm.

Present

H Cropper (Chairman)
Mr AE Mitchell
Mr H Shentall
Mr AW Webb
Mr RA Swale
Mr F Stokes
Mr RL Weston
Mr WH Atrill

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Darlington match was read and approved.

Bank A/c The Statement of the Bank Account was reported and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	wages	136.11.3
H Parkes	petty cash	5.5.8
H Parkes	travelling	15.0.0
Customs & excise	tax	78.15.1
Darlington FC	20% gate	78.12.1
Football League	Insurance	8.2.2
H Cropper	Loan A/c	30.0.0
Wolverhampton FC	Transfer fee	62.10.0
Standard Goals Ltd	Goal Posts	10.10.0
		£425.6.3

Manager's report The Manager reported that Abbott's engagement terminated on the 23rd inst and it was agreed that the Manager take steps to fix him up to the end of the season at his present wage of £5 per week.

Friendly match A letter was read from the Glentoran club offering to play a match at Chesterfield on November 15th for a minimum guarantee of £80 and it was agreed that this guarantee be given.
A letter was read from Newark agreeing to a friendly match at Newark on Nov 1st next and it was agreed that the Manager accept with a minimum guarantee of £15. The Manager reported an enquiry from Preston re the transfer to them of A. Saxby and it was agreed that no offers for this player be entertained.

Loan of ground It was agreed that the Ground be loaned to the Rugby Club on November 19th next for a fee of £5.5.0 and that the Newsboys have the Ground for a match on Oct 27th next.

Players	The question of Hutchinson's play was discussed and the Manager was instructed to convey to this player the Board's dissatisfaction with his play.
Dressing rooms	A letter was read from the Borough Surveyor stating he had received a cheque for £250 from Sir E Shentall as a donation towards the cost of the new dressing rooms and that the cheque had been passed on to the contractor. It was agreed that the Financial Secretary convey to Sir Ernest Shentall the best thanks of the Board for his munificent gift and also convey to the borough Surveyor and his staff, the board's appreciation of the services kindly rendered and at the same time ask the Borough Surveyor to convey to Mr Charles Markham the satisfaction of the Board with the rooms and the information that every visiting club had expressed its unbounded admiration of the dressing and bath accommodation.
Bazaar	The question of the bazaar was discussed and it was agreed that the directors should adopt as their stalls, the fancy stall and the glass & china stall.
Teams	Teams were selected as follows 1 st v Southport: Birch, Saxby, Dennis, Edwards, Abbott or Hodnett, Thompson, Fisher, Black, Crockford, Lane, Hopkinson. Reserve: Hutchinson. 2 nd , v Bradford: Bilcliff, Potts, Whitworth, Mellor, Hodnett or Tyler, Wass, Lyall, Walker, Rumney, Whitfield, Oxley.
Travelling	Travelling arrangements were made as follows: 9.8 am, GC. Mr RA Swale & Mr Weston to accompany the team.

AE Mitchell
Chairman

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, October 28th 1924, at 7.30 pm.

Present	Mr AE Mitchell (Chairman) Mr AW Webb Mr R Swale Mr RL Weston Mr F Stokes Mr WH Atrill Mr H Shentall Mr SW Swale			
In Attendance	Mr H Parkes, Manager, and Mr J Black, Secretary.			
Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.			
Gate Receipts	The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Bradford match was read and approved.			
Bank A/c	The Statement of the Bank Account was reported and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn: <table><tr><td>H Parkes</td><td>wages</td><td>159.7.3</td></tr></table>	H Parkes	wages	159.7.3
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Customs & Excise	tax	3.18.4
Ocean Accident Co Ltd	insurance	1.0.0
Mr H Cropper	jerseys etc	15.2.8
RJ Stokes & Co Ltd	paint	14.2.10
H Parkes	petty cash	4.9.0
H Parkes	travelling	10.0.0
Football League Ltd	fine	2.2.0
S Abbott	signing bonus	10.0.0
		£220.2.1

Manager's report

The Manager reported he had signed on S Abbott at a wage of £5 per week plus £1 extra when playing in the first team and this action was confirmed.

A letter was read from Coventry City FC asking for an offer for Thompson, centre half-back, but it was agreed that nothing be done in the matter.

The Manager reported the receipt of a wire and letter from Glentoran Football Club stating they were unable to send their team on November 15th as arranged, and it was agreed that the Manager arrange a match for that date with Luton, cup tie terms with a minimum guarantee of £50.

The Manager reported that Newark Football club had accepted our offer to send a team to Newark on November 1st for a minimum guarantee of £15 with cup tie terms.

A letter was read from Chapeltown Prim. Methodist Football Club asking for a donation towards their funds and it was agreed that the sum of £5 be given.

Teams

Teams were selected as follows

1st v Doncaster: Birch, Saxby, Dennis, Edwards, Abbott, Thompson, Fisher, Black, Crockford, Lane, Hopkinson.

2nd, v Notts Forest: Bilcliffe, Potts, Whitworth, Hodnett, Tyler, Wass, Lyall, McCulloch, Walker, Whitfield, Hutchinson.

V Newark: Bilcliff, Humphrey, Whitworth, Mellor, Hampson, Wass, Lyall, McCulloch, Askin, Widdowson, Oxley.

Travelling

Travelling arrangements were made as follows:

Nottingham: 12.45 Midland. Newark: 12.45 Midland..

H Cropper.