

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at The Recreation Ground, Chesterfield on Thursday 6th August 1931, at 7.45pm.

Present Mr H Shentall (Chairman)
Mr WH Atrill
Mr. E Mitchell
Mr E Shentall
Mr F Stokes
Mr SW Swale
Mr RA Swale
Mr RL Weston

In attendance JE Davison (Secretary-Manager.)

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting held 9th July 1931 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

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

JE Davison	Wages	96.5.0
do.	Petty cash	19.16.11
		£116.1.11

And the following cheques drawn since the last meeting were confirmed:

F Middleton	Ground alterations	45.15.10
Robinson & Sons	Bandages, cotton wool	2.5.7
JE Davidson	Wages	168.14.2
Notts County FC	Part transfer fee	100.0.0
JE Davidson	Wages	151.14.9
F Middleton	Ground alterations	38.1.6
Allen & Orr Ltd	Timber	7.7.9
		£513.19.7

Players report for training

It was reported that the players, excepting H Wass, had commenced training on Wednesday 5th August 1931, on the rugby ground, kindly lent by the Chesterfield Rugby Club until the Recreation Ground is ready.

Practice matches It was agreed to play two public practice matches on Saturday August 15th 1931, kick-off 3.15pm, and Saturday August 22nd, 1931, kick-off at 6.15pm so as not to clash with the Derbyshire CC match that day in Chesterfield.

2-monthly cards It was decided to have cards showing fixtures for two months instead of the usual monthly card in previous seasons, and to accept the tender of Messrs. Brayshaw & Bateman for printing 400 at a cost of £3.

Large posters It was also decided to have a similar number of posters (2-sheet double royal streamer) as last season, and to accept Messrs. Brayshaw & Bateman's tender of 14/- for 25 for printing same.

Football League and Taylor's compensation claim

A letter was read from the Football League Mutual Insurance Federation regarding SJ Taylor and asking what steps had been taken to get this player fit again after his injury last season, and also the amount claimed by Taylor's Society for compensation.

Bell, Helliwell, Jones

It was decided that no engagement be offered to M Bell (late Hull City,) E Helliwell (late Stockport County) or D Jones (late wombwell.)

I Turner

It was agreed to further continue I Turner's sick pay of £1 per week for another four weeks commencing 8th August 1931, and that Turner be informed that a reduction would have to be considered at the end of this period.

Complimentary tickets for Directors' Box

It was agreed that complimentary tickets for the directors' Box be sent to Sir E Shentall, Mr. Geo. Kenning, Ald. H Cropper, FS James (Chief Constable) and Mr. Robt. Thompson.

Complimentary tickets for Enclosure

That complimentary tickets for the Enclosure be given to S Wallhead (Spital,) JH Bradley (Old Whittington,) G Crawford and Holmes and Wallwyn, lorry drivers, Sir E Shentall Ltd and G Fells.

Appointment of Clerk

The applications in reply to the advertisement for Book-keeper / Shorthand Typist were read and it was then decided to leave the appointment to the Chairman and Mr. E Mitchell.

Payment on a/c to Collis & Sons by the Chairman and Mr. E Shentall

The Chairman, Mr. H Shentall, reported that Messrs. JJ Collis & Sons had requested payment for work already done on the Ground. As there was to be no meeting of the Board, the Chairman and Mr. Ernest Shentall had paid £300 (£150 each from their private accounts) on account, on the understanding that these sums would be repaid them immediately on receipt of sufficient money from the Supporters Club.

H Shentall
13/8/31

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at The Recreation Ground, Chesterfield on Thursday 13th August 1931, at 8pm.

Present Mr H Shentall (Chairman)
Mr WH Atrill
Mr. E Mitchell
Mr E Shentall
Mr SW Swale
Mr RL Weston

In attendance JE Davison (Secretary-Manager.)

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting held 6th August 1931 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

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

JE Davison	Wages	100.18.11
do.	Petty cash	20.0.0
do.	Copper for turnstiles	10.0.0
Postmaster General	Telephone a/c	14.16.8
Head Postmaster C'field	Telegraphic address	2.0.0
		£147.15.7

Training Book The Training Book was read and all players reported fit.

Teams for Practice Match 15/8/31

The teams for Public Practice Match on Saturday 15th August 1931 were selected viz.

Stripes: Dolman; Hamilton, Schofield; Cousins, Froggatt, Duckworth;
Thornewell, Bell, Pynegar, Binks, Cochrane.

Whites: Jarvis; Wright, W Roscoe; Thompson, Seabrook, T Edmundson;
Urwin, Frith, Beedall, Abel, Wraith, Orr.

Engagement of Mr. A Cox

It was agreed to engage Mr. Arthur Cox for the coming season on same terms as previously, viz. 10/- per week (August 29th 1931 to 7th May 1932.)

No engagement to Messrs. Payne & Wright

It was decided not to offer an engagement as Trainer-Masseur to either Mr S Payne or Mr HP Wright, both of whom had applied.

Roseboom It was agreed to invite E Roseboom to state his terms for engagement as Player-Coach to "A" Team.

Engagement of Clerk – E Willey

The action of the Chairman (Mr. H Shentall) and Mr E Mitchell in appointing Mr Eric Willey as Clerk (Book-keeper, Shorthand Typist) at a wage of £2.10.0 per week from August 24th 1931 was confirmed.

CS Ordish to leave employ

It was decided to dispense with the services of CS Ordish (Office Boy) and that he be given a month's wages and leave on the 22nd August 1931.

Staveley ground and "A" Team

It was agreed that before any decision be arrived at with regard to the "A" Team playing at Staveley the ground there be first inspected.

August, September & October matches in Chesterfield

The times of kick-offs for home matches in august, September and October were agreed to as follows:

Aug 29 th (Sat)	Hull City Res.	3.15
31 (Mon)	Plymouth Argyle	6.15
Sep 5 (Sat)	Charlton Athletic	3.15
7 (Mon)	Boston	6.00
12 (Sat)	Doncaster Rovers Res.	3.15
14 (Mon)	Grimsby Town Res.	5.45
19 (Sat)	Bradford	3.15
Sep 26 (Sat)	Mansfield Town Res.	3.15
Oct 3 (Sat)	Tottenham Hotspur	3.15
5 (Mon)	Loughborough Corinthians	5.45
10 (Sat)	Nottm. Forest Res.	3.00
17 (Sat)	Lincoln city Res.	3.00
24 (Sat)	Oldham Athletic	3.00
31 (Sat)	Scarborough	3.00

Derbyshire Schools Sports Association application

A letter was read from the Derbyshire Schools Sports Association Football Section asking for use of the ground for matches at Christmas and Easter. It was agreed to interview the Secretary (Mr. H Marsh) and suggest they apply for use of Chesterfield Rugby Ground instead.

Mrs. Gladwin

It was agreed that Mrs. E Gladwin be again engaged as Washerwoman etc, at a wage of £2 per week.

Ladies Tickets for Enclosure and Ground

It was agreed to order a further 100 ground tickets and to issue Ladies' Tickets for Ground and Enclosure at the same charges as supplied to Boys, viz. Enclosure 15/-, Ground 10/-.

H Shentall
20/8/31

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at The Recreation Ground, Chesterfield on Thursday 20th August 1931, at 8pm.

Present Mr H Shentall (Chairman)
Mr WH Atrill
Mr. E Mitchell
Mr F Stokes
Mr E Shentall
Mr SW Swale
Mr RL Weston

In attendance JE Davison (Secretary-Manager.)

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting held 13th August 1931 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate receipts The statement of the Gate Receipts for Practice Match on 15th August 1931 was presented (£52.16.6)

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

JE Davison	Wages	105.18.10
do.	Petty cash	20.0.0
Customs & Excise	Tax	1.9.2
J Black & Co	Insurance	22.6.3
Chas W Pugh Ltd	"Atco" mower repairs	8.11.7
W Carrington & Sons	Rolling Ground	7.6.9
		£165.12.7

Training Book The Training Book was read and all players reported fit.

Teams for Practice Match 22/8/31

The teams for Public Practice Match on Saturday 22nd August 1931 were selected viz.

Stripes: Dolman; Hamilton, Schofield; Cousins, Froggatt, Duckworth;
Thornewell, Bell, Pynegar, Binks, Cochrane.

Whites: Jarvis; Wright, W Roscoe; Cousins, Seabrook, Robb;
Urwin or Holdsworth, Frith, Abel, Wraith, Lee.

Travelling It was agreed that the team travel to Stoke on 29th August 1931 per LM&SR, leaving Chesterfield 9.57am, have lunch and tea at the North Stafford Hotel, Stoke, and leave in the Special Train at 6.55, arriving Chesterfield 8.45.

Mansfield That the Reserve Team travel to Mansfield on 2nd September 1931 per saloon bus, and that Mr. A Turner's quotation of 25/- be accepted.

Williams, Deacon, Greaves

It was decided that no engagement be offered L Williams (Swansea Town,) H Deacon (Swansea Town) or A Greaves (Peterborough & Fletton United.)

Roseboom An application was read from E Roseboom for position of Player-Coach and it was agreed that he be asked his lowest terms.

AC Ellis It was decided that no complimentary ticket be given to Mr. Arthur C. Ellis.

“A” Team ground With regard to a ground for the “A” Team it was agreed that Mr. WH Atrill make enquiries at Clay Cross concerning the ground Clay Cross Red Rose play on.

Advertising at cinemas

It was agreed that no further advertising of matches be made at picture houses and that the Chesterfield Entertainments be informed of this.

Third-Party Insurance

It was agreed to extend our insurance policy for third party risk to cover total indemnity of £25,000 at an annual premium of £27. (Commercial Union Insurance Co. Ltd.)

H Shentall
Aug 27/31

Minutes of a Meeting of Directors held at The Recreation Ground, Chesterfield on Thursday 27th August 1931, at 8pm.

Present Mr H Shentall (Chairman)
Mr WH Atrill
Mr. E Mitchell
Mr E Shentall
Mr F Stokes
Mr SW Swale
Mr RA Swale

In attendance JE Davison (Secretary-Manager.)

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting held 20th August 1931 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate receipts The Statement of the Gate Receipts for Practice Match held on 22nd August 1931 was presented (£95.11.9)

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

JE Davison	Wages	157.6.1
do.	Petty cash	28.6.5
Customs & Excise	Tax	2.2.6
JJ Caffery, Derbyshire		
Senior League	Entrance fee etc	3.18.6
		£191.13.6

And the following cheque drawn since the last meeting was confirmed:
F Middleton Ground alterations 72.8.7

Mr. E Shentall vote of thanks

It was agreed (unanimously) that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to Mr. Ernest Shentall for having supervised the alterations and improvements carried out at the Ground during the past four months.

Training Book The Training Book was read and all players reported fit.

Teams, 29.8.31 The teams for Saturday 29th August 1931 were selected as follows:

v. Stoke
(1-2) First Team, v Stoke City, at Stoke:
Dolman; Hamilton, Schofield; Wass, Froggatt, Duckworth;
Thornewell, Bell, Pynegar, Binks, Cochrane. Res: Orr.

v. Hull City
(3-0) Reserve Team vs. Hull City Res. at Chesterfield:
Jarvis; Machent, Wright; Cousins, Seabrook, Robb;
Urwin, ~~Frith~~ Walker, Abel, Wraith, Lee.

v. Burton Res
(lost 1-4) "A" Team vs. Burton Town Reserves, at Burton:
Jacques; Weily, Cramp; Thompson, Gascoyne, Woodhouse;
Jeavons, Beedall, Smith, Egan, Peacock.

Team v. Plymouth Argyle, 31.8.31
(lost 1-2) The following team played v. Plymouth Argyle at Chesterfield on Monday 31st August 1931:
Dolman; Hamilton, Schofield; Wass, Froggatt, Duckworth;
Thornewell, Bell, Pynegar, Binks, Cochrane.

Reserve team v. Mansfield Res., 2.9.31
(won 3-1) The following played v. Mansfield Town Reserves, at Mansfield, on 2nd September 1931:
Jarvis; Machent, Wright; Cousins, Seabrook, Robb;
Urwin, Frith, Abel, Wraith, Lee. Reserve: Walker.

Travelling
Lincoln It was agreed that the Reserve Team travel to Lincoln on September 5th 1931 per LNER, leaving Chesterfield Market Place Station 10.15. Lunch & Tea at Great Northern Hotel, Lincoln. Leaving 6.5, due Chesterfield 7.46pm.

Gresley That the "A" Team travel to Gresley on 5/9/31 by Turner's bus, at quoted charge of £4.4.0.

I Turner It was agreed to further continue I Turner's sick pay for another four weeks commencing 5th September 1931, at half the previous amount viz. 10/- per week.

E Roseboom, E Worrall
It was decided not to offer an engagement to E Roseboom or E Worrall, both of whom had applied for position of Coach to the "A" Team.

Midweek matches in Holland
An invitation from the holland Football Association (Nederlandsche Voetbalbond) was read, but it was decided not to arrange any mid-week matches with them in Holland during this season.

"A" Team to play again at North Wingfield
Mr. WH Atrill reported on having made enquiries concerning the Clay Cross Red Rose FC ground, but as it would not be possible to arrange our "A" Team fixtures conveniently with the Clay Cross club, it was agreed that we play again on the Spinning Wheel Ground, North Wingfield.

Sutton Charity Cup It was decided not to enter the "A" Team for the Sutton in Ashfield Charity Cup competition.

New flag from Supporters Club
It was reported that a new flag had been received from the Supporters Club. It was agreed therefore that a suitable letter of thanks be forwarded to the Secretary of this body.

H Shentall
3/9/31