

North West Counties Juniors

Minutes of meeting held 3rd June 2015 at Leigh Miners Welfare

Roll Call – Absent: Aspull New Springs, Chester Gladiators , Haresfinch Hawks, Littleborough , Rochdale Mayfield , St Maries Vikings , Widnes Moorfield and Wrexham Bradley Raiders .

In line with association rules all to be fined £10.

1 Minutes of previous meeting – (available on website) accepted as a true record.

2 Minutes Silence – members joined in a minute's silence in memory of local referee Chris Leatherbarrow who sadly died over the previous week we send our sincere condolences to his family .

3 Matters arising from minutes of October meeting.

None

4 Correspondences

None received

5. State of Mind Presentation

Phillip Cooper and Danny Sculthorpe presented an informative and thought invoking insight into mental health issues.

<http://www.stateofmindsport.org/>

5 Primary Rules

Prior to the main meeting the U7 coaches met to review the season and it was agreed by all the 7v7 format had been a huge success and any change would be detrimental to progressive development of the players and coaches, an healthy debate took place with many positive comments in promoting the ethos of "COACH TO DEVELOP" over and above "COACH TO WIN".

Crosfields highlighted the benefits they had experienced by engaging with the parents pre season as to their aims and objectives of the format.

The coaches approved a proposal to the PRL group which will be submitted to the RFL before the end of the week.

Mick and Graham will be at the PRL group meeting next Tuesday 10th November was hopefully all the seasons conflicts can be ironed out, and an agreement found to take the whole game forward.

6. Disciplinary committee –

Three cases currently opened and adjourned nothing to report other than these.

7. A.G.M

Members approved the moving of the A.G.M to facilitate any issues with the above mentioned PRL group meeting.

A.G.M will be on Tuesday 5th January with an 8pm start.

All Current management will be up for re election with the exception of Karen Jackson who will be sadly relinquishing her role as Discipline Chair.

Extra volunteers are sought to share the workload across all areas.

Any proposals / rule changes etc need to be proposed and seconded and emailed to Graham before the December meeting.

All outstanding fines to be paid on or before the December meeting, club secretaries will be notified by email.

2016 Fees remain unchanged and are due at the AGM along with Club applications.

£15 affiliation and £ 10 per team.

8 Registrations 2016

David Lowe handed out the Player registration sheets for the new season any problems initially please contact David.

Please de-register all players who no longer are with your club, just draw a line through the players name and print DE-REG in the players sign section and date the de-reg.

Any issues contact Mick, Graham or David.

Registration secretaries will be announced at the next meeting, and then registrations can then start to be submitted.

DONT LEAVE REGISTRATIONS TO THE LAST MINUTE TARGET THE FEB MEETING AS YOUR DEADLINE.

9. Lancashire Cup

Congratulations to Blackbrook Royals this year's champions who along with Leigh Miners Rangers did the association proud with an excellent display of Junior RL.

10. 13-15s

Nick Moon secretary of the 13-15s invited all the U12 administrators to attend the leagues AGM at Golborne Parkside on Weds 2nd December.

11. Volunteer Awards

Several of our regional volunteers and clubs have been recognised in this year's annual awards.

Our very own and of course Bury Broncos Jean Palin came runner up well done Jean,

<http://www.ladiesoftheleague.co.uk/418.php#.VjtMUtrMXIU>

RFL community awards local volunteers again a big well done;

And the 2015 Community Awards winners are:

Volunteer of the Year – Jeff Ball (Cramlington Rockets)

Coach of the Year – **David Kelly (Bury Broncos)**

Children's Coach of Year – **Doug Owen (Westhoughton Lions)**

Grounds Person of the Year – James Bawden (Millom)

Adult Match Official of the Year – Stuart Evans (York and Selby)
Young Match Official of the Year – **Jamie Barr (St Helens)**
Teacher of the Year – Lee Carbutt, Astley High School, Northumberland
School of the Year – St Benedict's School, Whitehaven
Outstanding Contribution to School Rugby League Award – Ian Jones
Play Touch Rugby League Licensee of the Year – **Stuart Littler (Leigh Community Foundation)**
Play Touch Rugby League Player of the Year - Annie Potter (plays at York City Knights)

RFL Services to Community Rugby League (awarded to a number of people each year for a specific service to RL over a number of years) – **Darren Hayes**, David Braithwaite, Jason Spafford, Ken Sykes

RFL Community Rugby League Award of Merit (awarded for distinguished and outstanding service to Community RL for over 10 years) – Phil Caplan, Keith Fillingham, Jason Talbot, David Ingham, Stuart Brown

Engage With Your Club – many clubs receive funding and the overall winner of additional funding to support their club improvements - **Portico Vine Panthers (St Helens)**

Club of the Year 2015 – Hull Wyke

12. Lottery Draw.

This month's winners Ryland's Sharks

Chair thanked the members and closed the meeting.

Next meeting Tues 1 st December @20.30 Leigh Miners Welfare