



**Dunbartonshire Football Development League**  
**League Meeting**  
**Strathclyde Homes Stadium**  
**Monday, 5th October 2009**



**Present**

Alan Gadsby-Turner	Vice President	Barbara Short	Child Protection	Sam Gemmell	General Secretary
Paul McLeish	Match Secretary	Paul Ward	League Co-ord	Alastair Bateman	Treasurer
Michael McGinley	Referee Co-ord	Jess McDonald	Minute Secretary		

**Apologies**

Maurice Donohue, Alan Taylor (SFA), Inverclyde BC, Clydeside 16s, Ardencaple, Joe McCaughey, Barcalomond, Torrance, Milngavie, DFC, DFC Villa

**1. Jim Chapman**

- Movement from last year's 12s in to 13s and Jim is delighted that the majority of the kids have come from the DFDL. He is trying to kick-off for this season's 12s. 10s, 11s and 12s meeting in our Lady & St Pats on a Friday night. Jim reported that he is also looking to do goalkeeping. If anyone knows of any boys who could enhance the programme, please put their names forward
- It's a local league with local kids. Dumbarton FC has a 17 year old in the team at the moment
- There is a community facility for any teams who would like to attend a home game – 25 children and 5 adults. Please contact either Jim or the League if you would like to bring your team along
- All Dumbarton FC youth coaches have now reached Level 4. If DFDL have any coaches who have attained Level 3 and would like to progress to level 4, please contact Jim
- Jim stated that Dumbarton FC is here to help. Anything you need please contact the League or Jim with any questions
- The kids who were in the programme last year will be contacted this year.

**2. Minute from 7th September 2009**

Accepted.

Proposer – Euan Birss

Seconded – Robert Dalgleish

**3. General Secretary (Sam Gemmell)**

- A letter has been received from Antonine 16s saying that they are leaving the League
- In future, League minutes will be emailed to the co-ordinators in order for them to email out to their age groups
- Not every team has high viz vests (yellow jackets) – there are more on order. 150 have been bought so far this year and we have ordered a further 100. Any teams that don't have yellow jackets should email Paul McLeish or Barbara Short
  - Any adult going in to a changing room must be wearing a yellow jacket
- There is a new signing sheet for attending the League meetings. Any teams who have not signed in, come to meetings or sent in apologies will be fined £10. It should be noted that only 2 apologies will be allowed during the season.
- It should be noted that in order to release a player, you must send in an email or fax to the SYFA stating the player's name and club ID
- Joe McCaughey has received a letter from a team from P&D asking about joining DFDL
- Everyone to note that if you are registered with 1 team, you cannot play in another team
- Please note that you are **not** allowed to put scores down in any kind of media (websites, newspapers etc) for Soccer 7s as it is non-competitive
- There is no law about having team photos on a website, but you must have agreement from every parent.

**4. Match Secretary (Paul McLeish)**

- If anyone has any problems downloading the new team lines for this season, please email Paul for a copy
- Some team lines are still coming in without numbers, addresses etc for boys. It should be noted that if there are any mistakes/omissions on team lines then teams will be fined £2 for **each** mistake
- To date there have been a total of 55 bookings, 6 sending offs and 1 official sent off. Good behaviour bonds will be kicking in. Most bookings can be avoided as they are mostly for dissent
- Scottish Cup 3rd round ties to be drawn this week and played on 31st October
- Any team who has applied for a fixture relief will be put on the web site. Note that teams are only allowed 2 per season. It should also be noted that the 14 day rule will now apply.

**5. Jim Dolan (Central Region)**

- Jim thanked the Committee for inviting him to attend our meeting and apologised for not making it last season
- Every point that had been raised tonight is the same as his league
- If anyone needs any help with registrations, please ask – Jim, SYFA or DFDL

- Jim reported that they discourage teams from putting up match reports on websites
- If anyone has a problem regarding the Scottish Cup, please email Jim. Regional Cup ties are the same. Jim is there to mediate/enforce the rules
- Regions provide members for the Nationals – they're always looking to get administrators
- They are running regional teams at 15s, 16s and 17s. The biggest drawback is the number of coaches. Anyone who would like to help please contact Jim. Ideally a Regional coach won't have a team/club
- Trying to work with the SFA as we have to have an exit strategy for boys who come out of pro-youth football. It's important to get them back in to football
- Player Pathway – want everyone working to a similar programme. Hopefully we should hear more in the next month or two
- 18 coaches went to Holland in April to study a boys club who had 1,700 players. If you were born in the town, you played with the team. They educate their children to make a choice. They play with a size 5 ball from age 6 upwards. The Dutch system was getting them used to the bigger game at a very early age. Mitch Agnew is in the process of compiling a DVD on the trip
- If you wish to opt out of the Regional Cup, email or phone Jim as it's not a problem
- RE the £12 funding from teams – what benefit do teams get? Jim reported that they run cups, administrate, are there to help teams and leagues.

6. **Treasurer** (Alastair Bateman)

- There are a lot of receipts to be distributed to teams after the meeting
- Just over £5,800 has been collected in League fees but there is still 1 team who has still to pay. £261 has been paid for yellow jackets and £550 for regional affiliation fees
- Re changes to the Constitution – all payments received at August meeting. Fines levied. All payments by cheque. Higher fees for teams who are late in paying.

7. **Referee Co-ordinator** (Michael McGinley)

- No problems this month.

8. **Child Protection** (Barbara Short)

- It should be noted that if any teams arrange friendlies then you must get a permit from Barbara as you won't be insured. The same goes for attending tournaments.

9. **League Co-ordinators**

- 8s Kilpatrick want to join the League
- 9s Renton Craighandro want to join the League
- 10s Kilpatrick want to join the League. Have received reports from various teams that they are not happy going to Goals. It was pointed out that there are 7-a-side pitches at Havoc that aren't used. Stan has a meeting with the Council tomorrow afternoon to discuss facilities
- 11s Welcomed Antonine and Clydeside (no contact details for them)
- 12s No problems
- 13s (east) Main issue is that clubs are not advising results. Working fixtures round Regional Cup
- 13s (west) Juggling fixtures to accommodate cup draws
- 14s No problems
- 15s No problems
- 16s No problems
- Girls No problems

10. **AOB**

- Alan Gadsby-Turner asked if anyone had received any registrations as he had received an email saying that Hampden are currently working on 12th August
- On the day of your game, you must contact your co-ordinator by 6pm with results
- Date of next meet will be Monday 2nd November 2009.