**London Branch Meeting Minutes**

**held via Zoom on 20th January 2021**

The meeting was opened at 7.00 p.m.;

with Dave Brown in the Chair and Simon Clarkson, Ken Hullock, Peter Smithson, Paul Irving, Andrew Dobinson, Terry McCarthy, Mike Carruthers, John Bowman and Jason Casey present,

1. **Business of the meeting**
	1. Matters arising
		1. November minutes
			* Approved.
			* Dave to purchase extra storage on Google Drive (DB)
			* HA agreed that he be co-opted onto the committee. Mailing list to be updated. (KH)
		2. Record of decisions made via WhatsApp since last minuted meeting
			* Purchase of further golden goal tickets on behalf of the branch approved; plus agreed regular purchase on same basis for the rest of the season (SC)
	2. November action notes
		1. Item 1- Three to chase from Kids R United event (DB)
		2. Item 2- TM has compiled list of N Cumbria schools. SC & TM to produce draft poster & get JG to do artwork (TM, SC)
		3. Item 3- See Agenda item 2 below
		4. Items 4-5 &7-8 closed
		5. Item 6- JB & HA to be added to committee list in membermojo. (PS)
		6. Item 9- closed. Noted, with thanks to Nigel Clibbens, for kind donation of Blues store vouchers as 40 Club prizes
2. **Reports - questions arising**
	1. Agreed to deadline of 20th Feb for HTB! Contributions.(JB)
	2. E-mail to be put round regarding summer trip 2021. (DB)
3. **Agenda items**
	1. Recruitment (DB)
		1. Three people to chase up from KAU event (DB)
	2. Events (DB)
		1. Agreed that Quiz would be next online event for members only, on Thurs. 25th Feb.
		2. Agreed we would try to get current players for online event in April. (SC)
		3. Also agreed we could try to get former players for an online event in March. Murph & Danny Grainger suggested. (SC/DB)
	3. Branch Communication (DB/KH)
		1. Agreed to create a branch-wide **WhatsApp** group from current Bratislava group with HA’s agreement (HA).
		2. As and when needed another summer trip group will be created (HA)
		3. **Website** – agreed to create new site - recognized that there were a number of links to site that no longer exists – it will link to other pages / sites where possible – it needs to link to membermojo joining page.
		4. Members of committee to get back to KH or DB with suggested contents
		5. KH & DB to liaise and report back to next meeting
		6. **Twitter** – it was noted that it was relatively quiet – ask in vHTB for volunteers to tweet from branch account (KH)
	4. Accounts (AD)
		1. Noted that there was an invoice for £1,000 to come in
		2. Branch has £8,000 available to support the club. Ideas from club for project(s) to fund wanted (SC&TM)
		3. TH reported that Sunset Suite work would cost mor than £3,000 allocated so there may be a request for the branch to provide more funding.
		4. JC suggested that we could make a donation to the Cumbrian Foundation.
	5. Club Correspondence (JC)
		1. JC explained that originals of club letters he handed over sometime about 3 years ago, probably to Ian Jardine, were wanted for the memorabilia collection.
		2. AD agreed to have a quiet word with Ian about it.
4. **Any Other Business**
	1. Date of next meeting
		1. Set for Thursday 18th February to be held virtually from 7pm.
	2. Happy Birthday messages were done for BH to be shown at virtual pub.

There being no other business the meeting was closed by the Chair at 9.05 p.m.

40 Club draw

 KH conducted the 40 Club draw with the winners as follows:

* + - * + First prize: Chris Tembey
				+ Second prize: Andrew Dobinson
				+ Third prize: Iain Maclachlan