



# NORTHUMBERLAND GIRLS FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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## MANAGERS MEETING 12<sup>th</sup> February 2008

Attendance: Dave Henderson, Charlie Kitson, Michelle Mitchell, Nicola Hepworth, AE Phoenix, Ashington, Bedlington, Blyth Spartans, Chester Athletic, Cramlington Blue Star, Cramlington Cobras, Cramlington Juniors, Forrest Hall, Hexham, Kingston Park, Longbenton, New Fordley, Newbiggin Hall, North Shields, Ponteland, Prudhoe, Seaton Burn, Stanley Oxhill, Walbottle, Walker Central, Wansbeck, Wallsend and the committee from Northumberland Women's League.

Apologies: Steve Pate, Newcastle East End, Wideopen

Registration and meeting commenced at 19.30. The meeting opened with a welcome from Dave and thanks to our guests for attending.

Speaker	Details
MM	Treasurers report – Thanks to those who have paid – those who haven't expect an email.
CK	Referees – apologies for Saturday but we had referees phone in sick that morning and the spares were unavailable. It was unavoidable but dealt with accordingly.
CK	Please do not approach me on a Saturday morning if I am about to coach my team as this is not fair to me or the girls. I will be available after the game for league matters. Questions were raised about this – small discussion.
CK	Team sheets – there will be a new 11 a side team sheet going on the web. The changes are at the bottom – email team sheet to Michelle and text results to Steve Pate. Some team sheets are not being filled in correctly – gave examples which were a joke, not even the name of the team on the sheet? Fines will be imposed for this please take the time to write the information down it is for your teams benefit.
CK	Cancellations – please inform the opposition if you have cancelled, we had a team turn up on Saturday that knew nothing about it. Also if you cancel please let Michelle, Steve or Charlie know ASAP. Some question about this as some train on Fridays but we have to have a cut off point and it was voted for at the AGM.
CK	Affiliation – all teams have to be affiliated so if you have not already told your club to contact the FA to inform them of your team you must to so. It does not cost you will have the same affiliation number throughout your club. We will be sending out new registration forms which will be asking you for this number and also the address of the clubs secretary for any future issues that arise such as complaints, information, fines. Questions raised about the league being affiliated – we are and this can be verified through the FA.
CK	Web site – added a last update page so please check regularly. There are changes to the fixtures for this weekend.
DH, CK	Easter – we will be putting games on throughout the holidays – if you can not make it please inform the Committee. We are aware that people will be going away. Talked about fitting all fixtures in.
CK	NABC – thanks to those for their kind words regarding our league at the meeting. Not much interest in the girls side from them other than they have to develop that way at some point.
DH, CK	Joining the leagues – possibility for Women's league to join our league giving the girls a clear pathway through from U10 to Women. This would be around June/July when both leagues hold their AGM's. Questions raised regarding fees and money. Ian Skinner – outlined the proposals and what it would possibly involve – we have to look at the positives by being under one umbrella. Both committees are stretched and coming together, two sets rules – mini soccer and 11 a side which will be done through the FA, better funding opportunities, two meetings mini and then 11 a side. It seems the only way to develop as a league and for the girls - as requested a proposal will be put together. There will be no changes to the way we run other than we are adding more 11 a side teams who have their own fixtures and play on Sundays. We will be taking a vote on this matter at the next meeting.
CK	AGM – 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2pm – Ann Welfare.
CK	AOB – Can we have uniforms for the referees to make them look the part – there are tops available at the sporting club. Nets at the sporting club not pinned down – to be sorted. Rubbish – please get team to put rubbish in the bins or take it home. Supporters line – please if you can use a line of cones for the parents to stand behind and please ask them not to smoke at the side lines or in the grounds – it is a no smoking area.