

Minutes – Brinklow FC Parent Support Group (PSG)
Tuesday 13th November 2007 The Raven

Below are strictly not minutes but observations, comments and feedback extracted from notes taken at the above meeting.

Communications

- Website is excellent
- On the Brink is 'great' – everyone reads each others reports, not just their own.
- Manager to ask their age group parents for preference of comms.
- Website & e-mail should not be the 'be all and end all of comms'. Other forms of comms should include text, newsletter and phone.
- Cov Minor League pitch locations put on map of Coventry either on BFC website or League website
- Multimaps links to pitch locations
- Postcodes for pitch locations for those with Sat Nav

Referees

- Possible with new people involved in the Club (younger age groups) that some parents might have a go at refereeing or train to be a referee.
- Parent concern at lack of referees
- Complaint from a Club that as a FA Charter Standard Club for a match, BFC didn't have a qualified ref assigned.

Managers

- Don't be afraid to ask for parent help if you need it
- Manager should be managing the team. Parents should be responsible for comms, organisation etc.

Presentation night

- Needs to be in Brinklow
- Barr Lane favoured – more room, opportunities to raise funds e.g. BBQ, pig roast.
- Trophies for everybody – very important. Do not change !!
- Understand the need of mixing age groups but at the end of the day people most concerned about their own age group..
- Consider session to be shorter and snappier.

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Social Functions

- Should be more of them. Barn Dance etc. is a good idea.

Facilities

- Are club aware of matching fundraising?
- With new people involved in the Club (younger age groups) – raise awareness of clubs need for land, facilities etc.
- Lack of toilets at Barr Lane
- Pitch at Bretford
- Pitches & new Community Centre at Woodlands Road, Binley Woods.

Various

- Low price kits at JJB
- Girl's football – not enough competitive games, leagues too small.
- Can girls play friendlies against BFC boy's teams?

Next Steps

- Explore parent(s) organiser for each age group
- Re-address following issues – referee training and land/facility/funding
- Club to consider all of the above.
- Involve older age groups in PSG.

Next meeting – The Raven, Brinklow. **7:30pm Monday 14th January 2008**