

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 13th July 1965.

Minutes of the 1964 Annual General Meeting were read by the Secretary, confirmed by the meeting and duly signed by the President.

The Chairman, Rev. H. M. Hughes presented the Committee's Report for the past year (copy attached).¹

Treasurer's Report.

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. B. D. Wadley presented a detailed statement of accounts for the 1964-65 season, showing an excess of income over expenditure of £157 0s. 0d.

Although on paper the position appeared to be satisfactory, the Treasurer was apprehensive, as with ever increasing costs, the formation of a Colts XV for the coming season plus the new Club House project, income would have to be considerably increased during the coming season.

The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr. Iddles, seconded by Mr. Healey, and carried unanimously, with thanks to Mr. Wadley for his work.

Alteration of Rules.

Proposed by Mr. J. Dancey seconded by Mr. J. Hickey that Rule 4 be amended to include "HON. SECRETARY COLTS XV."

Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Rev. H. M. Hughes seconded by A. T. Voyce that Rules 6 and 7 shall read as follows:

6. The Annual Subscription shall be as follows:

Patrons:	£3 13s. 6d.
Members entitled to admission to all parts of ground, enclosure, and grandstand:	£2 15s. 0d.
All playing members who have obtained 1 st XV Caps:	£1 5s. 0d.
Old Age Pensioners:	£1 0s. 0d.
Members admitted to Ground only:	£1 0s. 0d.
Old Playing Members:	15s. 0d.
Old Age Pensioners:	10s. 0d.

¹ Missing.

Players: 10s. 0d.

Players (under 18 years of age): 5s. 0d.

(the above includes membership of Social Club)

7. Non Members' Scholars Tickets.

Wing Stand and Enclosure: £1 5s. 0d.

Ground: 10s. 0d.

Carried, with one member voting against.

Election of Officers.

Proposed by Mr. R. Parry seconded by Mr. D. Embling, and carried unanimously:

President: Dr. Arnold Alcock, M.B., B.S.

Vice-Presidents: Messrs. A. T. Voyce, A. Hudson, T. Millington, Rev. H. M. Hughes.

Hon. Secretary: T. R. Tandy.

Hon. Treasurer: D. Wadley.

Hon. Fixture Secretary: F. D. H. Dawes.

Hon. Team Secretary: A. G. Hudson.

Hon. Colts XV Secretary: E. Lane.

Committee: Elected by ballot taken at meeting.

To serve 3 years: J. G. A'Bear (56), R. Sutton (54), G. Dance (52), S. Dangerfield (52).

To serve 2 years: A. Brett (46), J. Dancey (45).

Captain 1st XV: M. Booth.

Captain United XV: R. Timms.

Player Representative
on Committee: R. G. Pitt.

All officers elected duly thanked the members for their election.

New Club House.

Mr. Dancey gave members an outline of the new Club House to be erected between the Worcester Street entrance and the Main Stand. Numerous questions were answered by Mr. Dancey.

Fund Raising.

The Treasurer, Mr. Wadley, outlined a scheme for raising funds. His remarks were supported by Mr. A. T. Voyce, who appealed to members present to pull their weight in assisting the Club to sell tickets. Numerous members indicated their willingness to dispose of tickets.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:05 p.m.

Date: 14 / 7 / 66.

Signed: Arnold Alcock.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 27th July 1965.

Present: Dr. A. Alcock (President), A. Hudson, Rev. H. M. Hughes, R. Sutton, E. Lane, R. Morris, D. Dawe, A. Brett, N. Duncalfe, J. A'Bear, C. Sibery, L. Keck, G. Dance, T. Millington, A. T. Voyce, R. Collins, G. Hudson, T. Tandy, D. Wadley.

Apologies: P. Hawker, M. Booth, S. Dangerfield, J. Dancey, R. Pitt, and T. Day.

The Meeting opened with the President, Dr. A. Alcock, in the Chair.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed, and duly signed by the President.

Arising.

Mr. Duncalfe informed the meeting that to date he had received no reply from the West Country Breweries re. assistance with bar fittings in the new Social Club. Hunt, Edmunds & Coates would provide a loan at a rate of interest 1% below Bank Rate, providing they were given 80% of our business.

It was agreed to leave the matter until a reply had been received from West Country Breweries.

Election of Chairman.

Rev. H. M. Hughes was proposed by Mr. Duncalfe seconded by Mr. Dance and unanimously elected Chairman of the Club.

On the proposition of Mr. Keck seconded by Mr. Voyce, Mr. Dawe was proposed and unanimously elected Vice-Chairman.

Correspondence.

The Secretary read letters from A. Moore (Stroud) and A. P. Cant (Waterloo) applying to join the Club as playing members. Letters giving full details of training had been sent by Secretary.

Quotations had been received re. printing of posters, although the estimate from Bristol was extremely cheap compared with the one from Orchard & Ind.; only 14 poster sheets had been allowed for by the Bristol firm against 24 by Orchard & Ind. The Secretary was looking into the matter further.

Daily Lottery.

The Secretary reported that following the discussion at the A.G.M. he had written the promoters of "South Western Association for the Promotion of Amateur Sport", indicating that the Club, subject to further details, would be interested in underwriting 500 daily lottery tickets.

A reply had been received to the effect that the organising committee had verbally agreed to the Club's entry. Further contact would be made when the Committee had met.

It was proposed by Mr. L. Keck seconded by Mr. A. Brett that the Secretary's action be confirmed and the Club be entered in the scheme. Proposition carried unanimously. A Sub-Committee consisting of The Secretary, Treasurer, Messrs. L. Keck, R. Collins, R. Pitt and A. Brett were appointed to make necessary arrangements for the organisation of the competition.

Sub-Committees.

On the proposition of Mr. A. G. Hudson seconded by Mr. L. Keck that the election of Selection Committee be deferred until the next meeting.

Finance Committee:- Officers, N. Duncalfe, G. Dance, and L. Keck.

Ground Committee:- Officers, L. Keck, G. Dancey, P. Hawker, R. Collins, J. A'Bear, G. Dance.

Colts Committee:- E. Lane (Colts XV Secretary), C. Sibery, and R. Morris.

Social Committee:- N. Duncalfe, P. Hawker, S. Dangerfield, T. Day, J. A'Bear, G. Hudson, C. Sibery, R. Collins, J. Dancey, Secretary and Treasurer, R. Sutton, and A. Brett.

N.G.C. Representative:- G. Hudson.

Emergency Committee:- Officers, R. Sutton, L. Keck, and R. Collins.

Ladies Committee.

The Chairman reported that Mrs. Hudson intended resigning as Chairman of the Ladies Committee and this would leave a big gap to fill. Also the ladies were concerned over arrangements for Colts teas.

Lydney Fixture.

It was unanimously agreed that in view of the success of playing last seasons' first Saturday fixture in the evening, Lydney be approached re. an evening K.O. This would then enable the Colts XV to play their fixture with Banbury at Kingsholm in the afternoon.

Balance Sheet.

For members' reference, the Treasurer informed the meeting that the £100 increase in refreshment costs during the 1964-65 season was due entirely to the fact that in the previous year no Ladies Evening costs had been included in the accounts. This meant that there were two such evenings' costs in last season's balance sheet. Also the increased cost in permitting the players a barrel of beer in the tea room after 1st XV matches instead of two jugs as in previous seasons.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:45 p.m.

Date: 10 / 8 / 65.

Signed: M. H. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 10th August 1965.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, A. Hudson, Dr. A. Alcock, R. Pitt, S. Dangerfield, E. Lane, L. Keck, T. Day, C. Sibery, R. Sutton, R. Collins, G. Dance, T. Millington, G. Hudson, R. Morris, P. Hawker, M. Booth, D. Dawe, T. Tandy.

Apologies: A. T. Voyce, A. Brett, N. Duncalfe, J. Dancey, D. Wadley.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed, and duly signed by the President.

Matters Arising.

The Secretary informed the meeting that he had placed the order for poster printing with Messrs. T. O. Elworthy & Son, Ltd., Bristol.

Away Match Rota.

The Secretary read the proposed rota to the Committee. This was approved unanimously.

Selection Committee.

Dr. Alcock proposed, seconded by P. Hawker, that in the event of the travelling Committee-man not being a member of the Selection Committee he be co-opted [at] the following Selection Meeting without power to vote. Amendment proposed by T. Day seconded by R. Sutton that the Committee-man be co-opted with power to vote. The amendment was carried by a majority vote.

Proposed by P. Hawker seconded by R. Morris that additional members of the Selection Committee be increased to four. Carried.

The following were proposed:-

R. Morris	-	Proposer	T. Day	Seconder	E. Lane
R. Hawker	-	"	M. Booth	"	R. Pitt
R. Sutton	-	"	R. Collins	"	R. Morris
T. Day	-	"	R. Morris	"	R. Sutton
R. Collins	-	"	M. Booth	"	G. Dance

On a vote being taken, Messrs. Day, Collins and Sutton were elected, a dead heat for other vacancy between P. Hawker and R. Morris.

It was proposed by the Chairman that both P. Hawker and R. Morris be declared elected. This was agreed.

Trial Dates.

Tuesday 24th August 1965 and Thursday 26th August 1965.

Colts Trial Wednesday 25th August 1965.

Cricket XI.

The Chairman congratulated the Captain, M. Booth, on the success of the Cricket XI in winning both the Tom Graveney Shield and the Stollers Memorial Cup.

The Secretary appealed to the Committee members to attend training sessions when possible, to meet and welcome new players.

A general discussion took place re. Players' Meetings, Social Activities of the Club, and the feasibility of holding a Club Dinner. It was generally felt that efforts should be made to create a closer liaison between players and Committee; also that it would be very desirable to have an Annual Club Dinner.

The Secretary was asked to draw up a rota of Committee members to visit local club matches.

Subject to confirmation a United XV v. N.G.C. was suggested for Monday 13th September, 1965.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:00 p.m.

Date: 7 / 9 / 65.

Signed: M. H. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 7th September 1965.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, T. Millington, G. Dance, L. Keck, R. Brett, J. Dancey, J. Hickie, D. Dawe, C. Sibery, S. Dangerfield, R. Morris, R. Collins, R. Pitt, A. D. Wadley, G. Hudson, R. Sutton, T. R. Tandy.

Apologies: Dr. Alcock, E. Lane, P. Hawker.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

Arising.

The Secretary reported that to date he had received no local clubs' fixture lists. He was not therefore in a position to prepare a roster for members to watch local clubs.

Coaches.

The Secretary reported that he had written Bristol Omnibus Co., Black & White, and Edwards' for quotations in respect of coach transport for the coming season. Bristol Omnibus and Black & White had written to the effect of not being able to supply transport. A quotation had been received from Edwards' Coaches Ltd. This quote, in comparison with last season's charges, was favourable, and he had, after discussing the matter with the Chairman and Treasurer, accepted the quotation. The action of the Secretary was confirmed by the meeting.

Correspondence.

The Secretary had received a letter from [the] Department of Education & Science informing the club that all grants had been postponed due to the country's economic position.

Touch Judges.

Cardiff: R. Collins - R. Morris. N. G. Combination: J. G. A'Bear.

Neath: P. Hawker Wolfhounds: S. Dangerfield

Bristol: R. Sutton

Baggage Man.

The Chairman reported that W. Cale wished to relinquish this post. The names of R. Parry, T. Lane, and J. Holder were discussed. It was agreed that the Secretary should see the gentlemen mentioned and discuss the matter with them, and make appointment of one of them if they are willing; preference to be given to R. Parry.

It was reported that Ivor Oakes had offered his services as United baggage man and permanent reserve. Proposed by D. Dawes and seconded by R. Morris that his offer be accepted with thanks. Carried unanimously.

Colts XV.

In the absence of Mr. E. Lane, Mr. Sibery reported that there was insufficient support of players of Colts age. The Colts Committee wished to change the name from Colts XV to Youth XV. A letter would be [sent] to all clubs on the Colts XV fixture list explaining the position. The wishes of the Colts Committee were approved unanimously on the proposition of Mr. C. Sibury seconded by Mr. R. Sutton.

New Prices.

Mr. G. Hudson reported on adverse criticism regarding the increase of Deans Walk season ticket prices.

P. Ford.

Mr. J. Hickie suggested that P. Ford be co-opted as a member of the Committee. It was agreed to take no action at present on the matter pending a check on Club Rules and finding out future intentions regarding playing.

Players' Meeting.

The Players' Representative, on being questioned stated that there was a certain amount of unrest amongst players, but he was in no position to give facts at present. It was generally felt that a meeting of players and Committee should be held as soon as possible. A date of Tuesday 14th September 1965 at 7:45 p.m. was agreed.

S. Dangerfield reported that the Club premises were found open at 3:00 a.m. on Sunday, 5th September, 1965.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:12 p.m.

Date: 7 / X / 65.

Signed: Arnold Alcock.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Thursday 7th October, 1965.

Present: Dr. Alcock, A. Hudson, J. Hickie, A. Brett, D. Dawe, L. Keck, N. Duncalfe, E. Lane, C. Sibery, R. Pitt, J. Dancey, D. Wadley, T. Millington, R. Morris, R. Collins, T. Day, R. Sutton, G. Hudson, T. Tandy.

Apologies: Rev. H. M. Hughes, A. T. Voyce, S. Dangerfield.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed by the President.

Groundsman.

The Secretary reported that Mr. Stroud had been forced to resign due to ill health. An advertisement had been inserted in the *Citizen* for a successor; to date eight replies had been received. It was agreed the Secretary, Treasurer and Chairman deal with interviews and make an appointment.

Baggage Men.

The Secretary informed the meeting that following the decision of the last meeting, he had appointed T. Law as baggage man of the 1st XV. Mr. J. Oakes had however expressed a wish to be 1st XV baggage man and not United XV as expressed at the last meeting. The Secretary's proposal of appointing both men as Club Baggage Men, and working a rota of 1st and United XV games for them to cover in turn was unanimously agreed by the Committee. Following the discussion on the subject of baggage men Mr. Law expressed the hope that one could be found for the Youth XV.

Damage to Club Premises.

The Secretary reported that a certain amount of damage had been done to Club property. After a discussion it was agreed that a claim be made on the Club's insurers.

Correspondence.

Gloucester Schools Rugby Union applied to use Kingsholm for training between 5-7 p.m. on Thursdays throughout the season. Also to play County Trial match (Gloucester Boys v. Cheltenham Boys) on Thursday 14th October, 1965. Agreed use of ground be granted subject to weather conditions.

Broughton Park R.F.C. thanked the Club for hospitality on tour, and expressed a wish to visit Kingsholm at some future date. Agreed Mr. Dawe act as appropriate.

A. H. Redburn brought to the Clubs notice some points brought to him by members. Agreed Secretary suitably reply to points raised.

Condition of Fence & Gates.

The President expressed concern at the condition of the White Hart entrance gate and the fencing. He stated that the Ground Company would be prepared to pay for necessary repairs if the Club would advise the Company of the requirements.

Proposed by Mr. J. Hickie seconded by Mr. A. Hudson that a specification be drawn up by Mr. Dancey for work required, and tenders be invited. Agreed.

Youth XV.

Mr. Hickie raised the question of affiliation to the N.A.B.C. Mr. Lane agreed to investigate.

Music In Bar.

Mr. Pitt raised the question of music on a Saturday evening in the Club and the possibility of bar extensions being applied for on certain Saturdays to enable Social Evenings to be held. Mr. Duncalfe asked to investigate provision of Record Player. Mr. Tandy to apply for extension to licence when required.

New Social Club.

The Secretary reported on a Finance Committee meeting:- The quotation for the new Club House had been received, namely £12,000. It was therefore necessary for the Club to raise a sum of £5,000. The Finance Committee recommend to the General Committee that work be put in hand immediately. Messrs. Halls and Keck's estimate to be accepted. Proposed by A. Brett seconded by N. Duncalfe that the recommendation of the Finance Committee be adopted. This was agreed unanimously.

Mr. Dancey gave the Committee a breakdown of costs, and stated erection time as about five months.

Following a discussion it was proposed by Mr. Duncalfe seconded by Mr. Pitt that the scheme be set in motion immediately. Unanimously agreed.

It was agreed on a proposition of Mr. Tandy seconded by Mr. Duncalfe that a special Sub-Committee be appointed to deal with business relating to the new Club; committee to consist of Secretary plus six elected members. The sub-committee be empowered to deal with emergencies and make policy recommendations to the General Committee. The members elected to serve on this Committee with the Secretary were: L. Keck, N. Duncalfe, A. Brett, A. D. Wadley, D. Dawe, and T. Day.

Mr. Keck raised the question of Interest from loans being raised from Club members in respect of the new Club House Scheme.

Mr. Brett stated that an offer of a $\frac{3}{4}$ size billiard table had been received.

It was agreed that the new Club House Sub-Committee should discuss these two matters.

Selection of P. Ford.

The Players' Representative raised the question of the selection of P. Ford over a United XV player for the Wolfhounds game. Mr. Day gave the Selection Committee's point of view on the matter. As discussion followed, the President on behalf of the Committee expressed that the General Committee had full confidence in the Selection Committee.

Mr. Hickie express an opinion that the Players' Representative should not bring complaints of Selection matters to the General Committee, as any comments players should wish to have expressed regarding selection should be made to the Captains who would then discuss the matter in Selection Committee.

Youth XV.

It was proposed by Mr. Sibery seconded by Mr. Hickie that when matches are played at Plock Court, catering also be arranged there.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10:00 p.m.

Date: 18 / 10 / 65.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 19th October 1965.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, A. Hudson, Dr. Alcock, T. Tandy, R. Morris, E. Lane, R. Collins, S. Dangerfield, R. Pitt, J. Dancey, N. Duncalfe, R. Sutton, A. Brett, T. Day, G. Hudson, L. Keck, P. Hawker, C. Sibery, G. Dance, T. Millington.

Apologies: A. T. Voyce, J. G. A'Bear, M. Booth.

New Club House.

The Secretary reported on the first meeting of the "New Club House" Committee. Mr. Duncalfe had been elected Chairman. The main points discussed at the meeting were:

1. A recommendation to the General Committee that the existing plan be extended by a 6' 4" section, involving additional costs of about £1,000, thus enabling expansion of kitchen, cellar, lounge, and Players' Bar.
2. That the Club's representative Rev. H. M. Hughes at the next Ground Company meeting request official approval for the erection of the New Club House on the Ground.
3. Approaches were being made by members of the Committee for loans from numerous sources, namely R.F.U., Bank, Building Societies, Memorial Ground Trustees, and Brewery.

Mr. Duncalfe and Mr. Dancey commented further on the desirability of the proposed extension. Following further discussion it was proposed by the President seconded by Mr. Dangerfield that the Committee's recommendation be approved and adopted. Agreed unanimously.

Social Club.

Mr. Duncalfe presented the accounts of the Social Club for the 1964-65 season to the Committee showing a profit of £577.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed.

Arising.

A new caretaker, Mr. Bullen had been appointed. He had until retiring recently been Groundsman at the Kings School for the past nine years.

The Secretary had contacted the Club's insurers and had been informed that there was no cover for damage to Club property, as reported at last meeting.

Correspondence.

A letter from the Secretary of the Wolfhounds had been received, thanking the Club for its hospitality during their recent visit.

Touch Judges.

v. Coventry

R. Sutton

v. Oxford University

S. Dangerfield

A.O.B.

Selectors.

It was suggested by Mr. Sutton that members of the Selection Committee should be withdrawn from the Bar Duty rota. This matter was discussed, and it was felt that the Social Committee could discuss the matter before they draw up the next rota of duty dates.

Deans Walk Gates.

The President stated he had received complaints that the double gates at Deans Walk were not being opened to permit cars to leave. The Secretary stated he had received the same complaint and had made arrangements for them to be opened in future.

Frost Protection.

Mr. Voyce reported that the Rugby Union had investigated protection of pitches from frost by means of Hessian Sacking [and] had found it successful. The sacking used had been obtained from a Brewery Company.

Repairs.

Mr. Hudson raised the question of repairs to Club property, namely stop taps in all the toilets and the guttering in the back of the Stand running along the rear of St. Marks Street. The Secretary commented he had already contacted Woodward's re. inspecting the stop taps, and he would try and get someone to quote for repair to guttering.

Ground Advertising.

Mr. Hudson criticised smallness of the existing posters outside the ground, and that he felt that a Club of our standing should have far larger advertisements outside the ground. Mr. Voyce said he would contact someone re. posters.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:15 p.m.

Date: 9 / 11 / 65.

Signed: Arnold Alcock.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 9th November 1965.

Present: Dr. Alcock, A. T. Voyce, T. Tandy, R. Collins, E. Lane, A. Brett, R. Morris, T. Day, J. Dancey, C. Sibery, R. Sutton, G. Hudson, A. Hudson, J. G. A'Bear, P. Hawker.

Apologies.

Rev. H. M. Hughes, T. Millington, M. Booth, L. Keck, D. Wadley, G. Dance.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, agreed and duly signed by the President.

Arising.

The Secretary requested to send a letter to Ground Company requesting permission for erection of new Club House.

Player's Representative.

The Secretary reported that R. Pitt had verbally resigned from the Club. The Secretary had asked [him] to write confirming this, but to date no letter had been received.

It was recommended that a Players' Meeting be held as soon as possible.

Correspondence.

The Secretary read a letter of resignation from B. Mace, stating he wished to rejoin Cheltenham.

Mr. Price of Cheltenham had written offering his services to clear unsightly bushes and weeds from Deans Walk end of the ground; his charges being 4/- per hour and a complimentary season ticket. It was unanimously agreed the Secretary accept Mr. Price's offer and send him a complimentary season ticket.

An invitation from Bristol Referees Society for a representative of the Gloucester R.F.C. to attend their Annual Dinner on 1st December 1965. Agreed Mr. A. T. VOYCE represent the Club.

S.W.A.P.A.S.

The Secretary reported that the competition was going well. A cheque for £47 6s. 8d. had been received as our share in respect of four weeks' membership. A draw will be held at Kingsholm on Saturday 1st January 1966.

New Club House Committee.

Mr. Dancey reported that work would be started on the New Club House any day now.

The Secretary reported on a recent meeting, recommending that letter be sent to some members and business people, signed by the President, requesting loan of money interest-free. A draft letter was read to the meeting. The President signified that he would be willing to sign such a letter, and offered a donation of £100 to open the fund.

It was proposed by Mr. Dancey seconded by Mr. Sutton that the Committee's recommendation be accepted, and letters be sent as soon as possible.

Youth XV.

Mr. E. Law asked if it would be possible for the Youth XV to enter the N.G.C. Junior Cup Competition. Response from meeting was not very favourable, but it was agreed to defer an actual discussion until a later date.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:15 p.m.

Date: 23 / 11 / 65.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 23rd November 1965.

Present: Rev. H . M. Hughes, T. Tandy, T. Day, G. Dance, P. Hawker, C. Sibury, R. Morris, N. Duncalfe, A. D. Wadley, J. A'Bear, Dr. A. Alcock, A. T. Voyce, R. Sutton, G. Hudson, M. Booth.

Apologies: S. Dangerfield, A. Hudson, A. Brett, J. Dancey, L. Keck, T. Millington, R. Collins, J. Hickie.

Correspondence.

Letters of resignation had been received from R. Pitt and M. Teague.

The Secretary gave Committee details of the referee's report, following the sending off of United XV player D. Christopher in the game with Cheltenham United. The date of the disciplinary meeting had been arranged for Friday 26th November 1965, and the Secretary confirmed he had notified the player of his obligation to attend.

Cheltenham R.F.C.

The Secretary reported that four former Gloucester players had played for Cheltenham on Saturday 20th November 1965. To date no letter requesting clearance of these players had been received from the Cheltenham club. In the absence of any clear ruling on this matter the Secretary was requested to investigate further.

Gloucestershire v Devon.

The Secretary requested the help of any Committee members available on gates, etc. An invitation had been received from the County for 4 members of the Gloucester Committee to attend the after-match dinner at the Bell Hotel. Agreed Messrs. Wadley, Morris, Dawe, and Tandy attend.

Touch Judge.

v. Ebbw Vale: P. J. Hawker.

Youth XV.

Mr. R. Morris reported that members of the youth side had agreed not to ask for permission to enter the N.G.C. Cup Competition.

Deans Walk.

It was agreed that a notice of direction of toilets be erected.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:00 p.m.

Date: 7 / Dec. / 65.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 7th December, 1965.

Present: Dr. Alcock, Rev. H. M. Hughes, P. Hawker, G. Hudson, T. Day, R. Morris, L. Keck, G. Dance, M. Booth, R. Sutton, D. Wadley, R. Brett, M. Booth, T. Tandy.

Apologies: J. Dancey, T. Millington, S. Dangerfield, R. Collins, J. Hickie, A. Hudson, D. Dawe, A. T. Voyce, J. A'Bear, E. Lane, C. Sibery.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed by the Chairman.

Arising.

The Secretary informed the meeting that a letter had been received from the Cheltenham club requesting clearance of M. Teague, B. Mace, and B. McDougall.

Correspondence.

The Secretary confirmed he had received a letter from the Ground Company giving official approval for the new Club House to be erected at Kingsholm.

N.G.C.

The Club Representative was requested to ask at the next meeting of the North Gloucester Combination that clubs forward names of any likely players. Arrangements could then be made for them to be watched on occasion.

A.O.B.

It was pointed out that the fire in the dressing room was not being lit. The Secretary was asked to tell groundsman to do this in future.

First Aid kit for the United XV was considered inadequate. The Secretary to see T. Oakes re. the matter.

The Committee confirmed the Secretary's action in informing the Gloucester Referees' Society that we did not wish to have members of their Society officiate any of our 1st XV matches at any time.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:00 p.m.

Date: 11 / 1 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday [11 January 1966].

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, T. Day, J. Fowke, A. Brett, L. Keck, C. Sibery, D. Wadley, R. Collins, J. Dancey, S. Dangerfield, G. Hudson, R. Morris, E. Lane, D. Dawe, T. Tandy.

Apologies: Dr. A. Alcock, A. T. Voyce, A. Hudson, T. Millington, R. Sutton, P. Hawker, N. Duncalfe, J. A'Bear, M. Booth, G. Dance.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence.

The Secretary gave details of Gloucestershire Referees Society Dinner to be held at the Royal Hotel on Friday, 21st January 1966, when the Guest of Honour would be the President of the Rugby Union. Tickets 15/6d each. Messrs. Dawe, Tandy, Wadley, Hudson, Dangerfield, and Morris agreed to attend.

Players' Representative.

The Chairman extended a welcome to Mr. J. Fowke the newly elected Players' Representative to his first General Committee Meeting.

Club Ties.

The Secretary was requested to check in old Minutes Book for details of qualification for Players Ties. It was agreed that a further supply of Club Ties and Players Ties be purchased.

Touch Judges.

v. Army - S. Dangerfield

v. Wasps - R. Collins.

Fixtures on International Dates.

Following a discussion on Kick-Off times on days when International matches were being televised, it was proposed by Mr. J. DANCEY seconded by Mr. COLLINS that the possibility of arranging early K.O.'s for future home matches on International Match dates be investigated by the Fixture Secretary.

Fixtures.

The Fixture Secretary's action in declining an invitation to enter the Cheltenham Seven-a-Side Competition was confirmed by the meeting.

The games with Wolfhounds and Bective Rangers had now been confirmed, the guarantee for the Wolfhounds being £300. The Bective Rangers games had been arranged on home and away basis. Full details of cost of trips to Dublin to be obtained.

There being no further business the [meeting] ended at 9:45 p.m.

Date: 25 / 1 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on 25th January, 1966.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, T. Tandy, T. Day, A. Brett, R. Collins, N. Duncalfe, M. Booth, L. Keck, C. Sibury, P. Hawker, R. Morris, A. Hudson, J. Fowke, D. Dawe.

Apologies: J. Dancey, Dr. Alcock, A. T. Voyce, A. Hudson, T. Millington, J. A'Bear, G. Dance, S. Dangerfield, E. Lane.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence.

Insurance of Club Cash.

This policy was now very much out of date and an amended one was required to include cash at home of Mr. DUNCALFE, Mr. WADLEY, Mr. TANDY, Mr. GAGE (Steward) and at premises of HUDSON & Co. Ltd. If possible a sum of £150 should be covered.

Headingley R.F.C. request guarantee should be increased. Agreed to leave until next meeting for information from Treasurer.

Neath Fixture.

A long discussion took place on the suitability of playing the match at 10:30 a.m. It was felt that this would necessitate a far too early departure time from Gloucester.

Mr. T. DAY proposed that the K.O. time be amended to 11:00 a.m., that the team travel by cars and Neath be asked to provide Enclosure and Stand tickets for party. This proposition was seconded by Mr. DAWE.

An amendment proposed by Mr. BOOTH seconded by Mr. MORRIS that K.O. be 12 noon or at the earliest 11:30 a.m. and the team watch the International on television. If these arrangements should be unsuitable, cancel match.

The amendment was carried with one dissentient, Mr. A. G. HUDSON, who was adamant that only an afternoon K.O. should be agreed to.

Ground Fence.

The condition of the White Hart gates, fencing and other repairs needed to the ground were raised. A discussion followed and the Secretary asked to expedite matters.

Fire at Pay Box.

By Flag Gate on Saturday 15th January 1966. Mr. Keck stated he would look into [the] matter.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:40 p.m.

Date: 15 / 2 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 15th February, 1966.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, T. Tandy, D. Wadley, J. Fowke, P. Hawker, R. Collins, S. Dangerfield, J. A'Bear, L. Keck, J. Dancey, N. Duncalfe, T. Day, C. Sibery, A. T. Voyce, R. Sutton, D. Dawe, R. Morris, E. Lane, M. Booth.

Apologies: R. Brett, G. Dance, Dr. Alcock, A. Hudson, G. Hudson.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Secretary, confirmed and duly signed by Chairman.

Arising.

The Secretary confirmed from minutes of General Committee Meeting held on [.....blank.....] that the qualification for a players' tie was 21 games for 1st or United XV.

All ground repairs were being dealt with. The White Hart gates were awaiting an outcome of meeting with City Surveyor on Thursday 17th February 1966. A cheque had been received from the Car & General in respect of fire damage to pay box at Flag Gate entrance.

Correspondence.

Letter of thanks from Bristol University for allowing them the use of Kingsholm on Wednesday 9th February to play their U.A.U. Cup Quarter Final with Loughborough Colleges.

Request from U.A.U. to stage their Cup Final at Kingsholm on Wednesday 2nd March 1966. Agreed that permission be granted.

Bargoed R.F.C. letter cancelling fixture on February 5th. Secretary had replied accepting their explanation. No further action to be taken.

Northampton fixture on March 5th 1966; being shown on T.V. - BBC2 on the evening following the game.

Fixtures.

Mr. Dawe had received a request for Gloucester to play French Universities at Kingsholm on Tuesday March 29th 1966. Agreed Mr. Dawe negotiate and arrange game if possible.

New Club House Committee.

The Secretary reported on a meeting held on Tuesday 8th February 1966 which recommended to the General Committee that due to numerous circumstances the opening of the new Club House be at the commencement of the 1966-67 season, and not during April 1966 as at first planned. The Chairman proposed the recommended date be accepted and this was agreed unanimously.

Turnstiles.

Confirming that the existing turnstiles at the Flag Gate had [to] be removed to allow reasonable access to new Club House. Mr. Dancey produced estimate and drawing of a proposed new Turnstile Office to be erected. Mr. Dancey stated that the design fitted in well with the new Club House. Prominence would be given to the club name and a notice board would be incorporated. It was proposed by Mr. Duncalfe seconded by Mr. Dangerfield that the estimate of £387 for the work be accepted. Carried.

N.G.C.

Mr. Sibery was requested to negotiate with Mr. Dawe and Mr. Lane re. suitable dates on which the N.G.C. Cup and Seven-a-Side finals should be played.

A suggestion that gate money be taken and not just a collection on the evening of the Seven-a-Side final was agreed by the Committee.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:25 p.m.

Date: 8 / 3 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday, 8th March, 1966.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, Dr. Alcock, A. T. Voyce, T. Millington, R. Collins, G. Dance, A. Brett, T. Day, J. Dancey, S. Dangerfield, J. G. A'Bear, C. Sidbury, J. Fowke, G. Hudson, E. Lane, R. Morris, D. Dawe, D. Wadley, T. R. Tandy.

Apologies: A. Hudson, N. Duncalfe, L. Keck.

The Minutes of the past meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed by the Chairman.

Correspondence.

Invitation to Bath Centenary Dinner, Tuesday 5th April 1966. Mr. Dawe agreed to represent Club.

Headingley R.F.C.

Request for increase in guarantee. Secretary to suitably reply that this is not possible at the present time.

Swansea R.F.C.

Invitation to play Sparta-Prague at Kingsholm on 5th September 1966. Game agreed in principle. Await further details before any arrangements are made.

St. John's Ambulance Brigade, requesting permission to make their Annual Collection at the Harlequins game, 16th April 1966. Agreed.

Gloucestershire R.F.U. requesting permission for officials of Referee's Societies to be admitted to matches to watch referees and make reports. Any expense involved would be met by County. Agreed.

R. C. Morton, Ministry Inspector, requesting an appointment with Secretary re. Floodlighting Grant. Secretary reported he was meeting the Inspector on Thursday, 10th March, 1966.

Car & General Insurance confirmed insurance of money at the houses of Mr. TANDY, Mr. DUNCALFE, Mr. WADLEY, HUDSON & Co. shop, and Club Steward for £150 on condition that an adult is in the house at the time. Premium £2 10s. 0d. per annum.

BBC requesting K.O. of Harlequins game be brought forward for convenience of sound broadcast. Approval not given.

Fixtures.

Gloucester v. French Universities, Tuesday 29th March 1966, K.O. 6:00 p.m. All-Pay match; guarantee 50% of gate, after expenses.

Baggage Man.

Comment was passed on both baggage men travelling, and not one at Kingsholm for United v. St. Paul's College game. Secretary agreed to prepare a rota.

Youth XV.

Game with Bath Colts agreed should be played after R.A.F. game on 12th March 1966.

N.G.C.

Cup Finals and Seven-a-Side finals had been agreed as follows:

Junior Final - 19th April 1966

Senior Final - 21st April 1966

Sevens - 25th April 1966

Prices of admission to be increased in line with United XV prices.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:15 p.m.

Date: 22 / 3 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 22nd March, 1966.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, Dr. Alcock, T. Millington, R. Brett, N. Duncalfe, T. Day, L. Keck, J. Fowke, J. A'Bear, R. Morris, D. Dawe, M. Booth, D. Wadley, R. Collins, G. Hudson, T. Tandy.

Apologies: G. Dance, R. Sutton, P. Hawker, J. Dancey, A. T. Voyce.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed by the Chairman.

French Universities.

The Secretary reported he had ordered posters to be displayed outside ground. It was also requested that Committee-men should endeavour to be at the ground early in case they were required to assist on gates or with other duties.

Floodlights.

The Secretary reported that a gentleman from the Ministry of Education & Science had visited the Ground to make an inspection of the proposed floodlighting scheme. He had commented favourably to the Secretary.

Correspondence.

A letter from City Surveyors Department of Gloucester Corporation re. the improvement of Kingsholm Road was read to the meeting. This letter stated that the earliest date that work would be started on this scheme was 1970.

Tour.

The Secretary stated he had accepted a booking with the Western Hotel, St. Ives, for the Club Tour. To date he had not been able to arrange accommodation at Exeter.

Bath: Re-arranged Fixture.

Mr. Morris and Mr. Hudson both stated they would possibly be able to make the journey to Bath.

Newport Fixture.

The Secretary reported the coach had been booked for 5:30 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:35 p.m.

Date: 24 /5 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 24th May, 1966.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes (Chairman), Dr. A. Alcock (President), A. T. Voyce, N. Duncalfe, C. Sibery, G. Dance, T. Millington, L. A. Keck, T. Day, S. Dangerfield, J. Fowke, R. Collins, R. Morris, J. Dancy, E. Lane, R. Brett, D. Dawe, G. Hudson, T. R. Tandy.

Apologies: P. Hawker, M. Booth.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

The Secretary reported he had received a letter from the Western Hotel, St. Ives, commenting on how well the Gloucester tour party had behaved, and that the Club would be welcome again next year.

Sub-Committee Meetings.

Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting held on 4th May 1966, and New Club House Committee held on 4th April 1966 and 4th May 1966 were read and confirmed.

A report of a Ground Committee inspection was given by the Secretary, giving full details of essential repair work required on the ground. Agreed as many of the jobs as possible should be carried out.

Players' Meeting.

The date of the Players' Meeting was fixed as Tuesday 14th June 1966. A long discussion took place re. the method of proposing the captain. It was finally proposed by Dr. Alcock seconded by T. Millington that the propositions be accepted in the usual manner, and that the matter be placed on the agenda of the Players' Meeting to follow the election of captain. Carried.

Annual General Meeting.

To be held on Thursday 14th July 1966 at Kingsholm, commencing at 7:30 p.m.

Financial Report.

Mr. D. Wadley reported that he had made a check of the Club accounts for the 1965-66 season and he estimated that they would show a loss of some £200 on the season. The main reason for this being the cost of running the Youth XV and heavy repair bills on the ground.

Nominations for County Committee.

It was unanimously agreed that Mr. A. G. HUDSON and Mr. T. DAY be nominated as the Club's representatives on the Gloucestershire R.F.U. Committee.

Committee Nominations.

Retiring members by rotation; Messrs. DUNCALFE, DAY, KECK, and COLLINS. All were willing to be nominated for re-election.

Finance Committee.

The Ground Company were awaiting necessary estimates in respect of repair and repainting of Worcester Street fence.

Car Park.

The Finance Committee agreed that £200 p.a. rental in respect of a further lease to the Corporation for the Club Car Park to be used for public parking was not sufficient. A discussion followed and it was felt that a far more lucrative use could be made of the Worcester Street frontage of the Car Park. It was proposed by the Hon. Secretary that the Ground Company be asked to discuss the principle of letting the Worcester Street frontage. This would leave ample space at the rear for the Club car parking requirements. Seconded by Mr. Duncalfe and agreed unanimously.

Correspondence.

A letter had been received from the Newport club thanking the Club for its representative attending the funeral of their late Secretary, Mr. Bill Everson.

New Club House Membership.

Membership in respect of non-season ticket holders of the Gloucester Rugby Football Club was proposed by Mr. J. Dancey seconded by Mr. R. Brett as 10/- single, 15/- double; this being agreed unanimously.

Following some discussion it was proposed by Mr. G. Dance seconded by Mr. D. Dawe that membership in respect of season ticket holders be 5/- single, 10/- double. It was agreed by 14 votes to 2 that this change in Club Rules should be placed before the Annual Meeting.

The President proposed that all members of the Ladies Committee should be made honorary members of the Social Club. The proposition was seconded by N. Duncalfe and carried unanimously.

Skittle Alley.

The New Club House committee recommended that the skittle alley be let free of charge to clubs applying for regular use, but all members of the clubs using the alley on a regular basis must be fully paid up members of the Social Club. It was proposed by Mr. R. Morris seconded by Mr. Duncalfe that the recommendation be approved. Agreed unanimously.

Steward.

It was unanimously agreed that a Steward with wife to assist be engaged at a salary of about £1,000 p.a.; catering to be the responsibility and profit of the Steward. [*sic*]

Further discussion on the Club House was adjourned to a further meeting to be held on Tuesday 31st May, 1966.

The meeting terminated at 9:40 p.m.

Date: 31 / 5 / 66.

Signed: Arnold Alcock.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held at Kingsholm on Tuesday 30th May, 1966.

Present: Dr. Alcock, N. Duncalfe, S. Dangerfield, E. Lane, T. Day, C. Sibery, A. Brett, L. Keck, T. Millington, J. Fowke, D. Dawe, R. Collins, G. Hudson, D. Wadley.

Apologies: A. T. Voyce, J. Dancey, Rev. H. M. Hughes.

In the absence of the Chairman, Dr. Alcock was elected to take the Chair for the evening.

Correspondence.

The Secretary had received a letter from Continental Match Makers of Manchester to promote a wrestling programme at Kingsholm; gate receipts being divided 65% to Promoters 35% to Gloucester R.F.C. The Club would be responsible for supplying the ground, stewards and local advertising. The promoters would supply ring, wrestlers, tickets, and 100 posters for distribution. Following some discussion it was proposed by Mr. Duncalfe seconded by Mr. Collins that the Secretary continue negotiations with the view of promoting such an event. Carried.

Application had been received from Gloucester Small Bore Rifle Club for the use of facilities at Kingsholm for a rifle range. It was agreed the Secretary meet members of the Rifle Club to discuss with them the possible siting of a range; a possibility being under the Grandstand.

New Club House.

Further recommendations of the Committee were put to the meeting, discussed and agreed.

- (i) That a retired gentleman be engaged as assistant Secretary/Treasurer for approximately 3 hours each morning for a wage of approximately £5 0s. 0d. per week.
- (ii) The opening date of the new Club House be 30th August 1966 or thereabouts.

Possibility of an official opening ceremony on September 22nd 1966 following the Wolfhounds game.

- (iii) Licensing. Mr. S. Pritchett of Keith-Scott & Co. be engaged to act on the Club's behalf.
- (iv) A Juke Box be installed. Secretary to obtain quotations.
- (v) Safe at present in office be transferred to new Club House.

A long discussion took place re. the control of use of the Lounge Bar following a game. It was finally agreed to leave this matter until after the Annual General Meeting.

Mr. Duncalfe made an appeal to Committee members to try to bring members to assist with staffing the Bar following matches. It was also agreed that an appeal for volunteers be made at the Annual Meeting.

The question of the formation of a committee to run the new club was, after some discussion, referred to the New Club House Committee for recommendations.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:30 p.m.

Date: 14 / 6 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 14th June, 1966.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes, Dr. Alcock, T. Millington, R. Sutton, J. G. A'Bear, P. Hawker, J. Dancey, C. Sibery, E. Lane, R. Morris, T. Day, N. Duncalfe, J. Fowke, G. Hudson, T. Tandy.

Apologies: D. Dawe, L. Keck, G. Danes, A. T. Voyce, D. Wadley.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Arising.

The Secretary confirmed that a wrestling programme had been arranged for Friday, 8th July 1966.

Correspondence.

The Secretary read a letter from Messrs. Halls & Keck re. the wire mesh fencing surrounding the playing areas. To take down, re-paint and repair, renew up to 10 concrete posts and renew all straining wire; the estimate £390. Mr. Keck had kindly offered to carry out this work for £150 0s. 0d. It was proposed by Mr. J. Dancey seconded by Mr. R. Sutton that the offer be accepted.

An estimate had been received to supply a new scoreboard painted and lettered at a cost of £21 0s. 0d. Agreed to defer to next meeting.

New Club House.

A further recommendation from the New Club House committee was put to the meeting; "That a Management Committee consisting of the Secretary and four members from the Management Committee with power to co-opt" be appointed to run the affairs of the new Social Club. It was proposed by Dr. Alcock seconded by J. Dancey that the recommendation be accepted and that the Secretary, N. Duncalfe, T. Day, D. Wadley and L. Keck act in this capacity until after the Annual General Meeting. Agreed unanimously.

Car Park.

Mr. Dancey had received a letter from the City Architect asking [for] an urgent reply to their letter re. rental of the Club Car Park. Mr. Dancey was instructed to reply to the effect that their offer was not acceptable, but that the Club were prepared to negotiate.

Youth XV.

Mr. Lane informed the meeting that the Youth XV Players Meeting would be held on Tuesday 21st June 1966, at 8:00 p.m.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7:55 p.m.

Date: 28 / 6 / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of General Meeting held on Tuesday 28th June 1966.

Present: Rev. H. M. Hughes (Chairman), Dr. Alcock, A. T. Voyce, A. D. Wadley, S. Dangerfield, P. Hawker, J. Fowke, R. Morris, E. Lane, T. Day, C. Sibery, G. Dance, T. Millington, D. Dawe, R. Collins, T. Tandy.

Apologies: J. Dancey, N. Duncalfe, R. Sutton, L. Keck.

Minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and duly signed by the Chairman.

Arising.

New Scoreboard.

Following a lengthy discussion Mr. J. Pickles volunteered to repaint the existing scoreboard.

Youth XV.

The Chairman reported on the Youth XV Players' Meeting. S. Barter had been elected Captain, and the meeting was very well attended. It was proposed by the players that they should pay a match fee, and also if possible a short tour be arranged with players paying their own expenses.

Car Park.

A letter had been received from the Corporation regretting to note the Club's decision in respect of the Car Park [and] requested that possibly further discussion would take place, with the Club suggesting its ideas on rental. Agreed this matter be deferred until after the Ground Company had met.

The Treasurer reported that on first sight of the accounts he felt there would be a deficit of some £60 on the season.

Annual General Meeting.

The Secretary reported all was in hand for the A.G.M. Nominations for Committee was now closed. There would be no election this year. Retiring Committee members by rotation had been re-nominated, with the addition of Mr. C. A. LYNCH who would [be] filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. R. B. BUTT. The Chairman read his report of the season; this being approved by the Committee.

Wrestling Promotion.

The Secretary reported that all arrangements were in hand in respect of the wrestling. A number of players had agreed to assist with stewarding. It was agreed that the bar should not be opened for this event.

Ground.

Concern was expressed at the condition of the ground. Raking and cutting was needed as soon as possible. The Secretary agreed to organise a working party for Thursday 30th June 1966, to do as much as possible. Arrangements had already been made with the Corporation Parks Department to cut the grass. The question of part-time groundsman to be investigated.

Damage to Toilets.

The Secretary reported on excessive damage caused to the toilets under the Grand Stand. It was agreed that the question of responsibility for locking the doors be taken up with Messrs. Halls & Keck, Ltd.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:30 p.m.

Date: 2 / Aug. / 66.

Signed: H. M. Hughes.

Minutes of Annual General Meeting held at Kingsholm on Thursday 14 July, 1966.

Minutes of the 1965 Annual General Meeting were read, confirmed by the meeting, and duly signed by the President.

Chairman.

Rev. H. M. Hughes presented the Committee's report for the past year to the members (copy attached).¹

Treasurer's Report.

The Hon. Treasurer, Mr. A. D. Wadley, presented a detailed Statement of Accounts for the 1965/66 season, showing an excess of expenditure over income of £214 0s. 0d.

The expenses had risen due to the fact that the Club were now running three teams. This, together with the larger items of repairs and renewals accounted for the season's deficit.

Also the Club's investments had now been cashed in order to help pay for the new Club House. Loans had to be obtained to cover the remaining cost. It was therefore essential that the New Club House project was a success. Concluding, the Treasurer informed the meeting that a cheque for £250 had been received from S.W.A.P.A.S. which would in fact cover the loss on the season.

The adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mr. LANDER, seconded by Mr. IDDLES, and approved unanimously.

Alteration of Rules.

Proposed by P. HAWKER seconded by J. FOWKE that Rule 4 be amended to include UNITED XV CAPTAIN. Carried unanimously.

Proposed by G. DANCE seconded by D. DAWE that the inclusion of Social Club Membership be deleted from Rule 6.

Some discussion took place on this proposition. The Secretary informed the meeting that if the proposition was agreed, the membership charge that the Committee had suggested in respect of members of the Gloucester R.F.C. would be 5/- single, 10/- double. Non-members of Gloucester R.F.C. 10/- single; 15/- double. The proposition was carried by a majority vote.

Proposed by A. H. REDBURN seconded by W. J. HOLDER that Rule 10 be amended to "Ballot papers should be made available to all members so that they would be able to deposit same into sealed boxes at all entrances to the ground at the last three home matches of the season."

Following a lengthy discussion the proposition was rejected by a majority vote.

¹ Missing.

Election of Officers.

Proposed by Mr. BUSHELL, seconded by Mr. SMART, and carried unanimously;

PRESIDENT: ARNOLD ALCOCK, Esq., M.B., B.S.

VICE-PRESIDENTS: A. T. VOYCE, A. HUDSON, T. MILLINGTON, Rev. H. M. HUGHES.

HON. SECRETARY: T. R. TANDY.

HON. TREASURER: A. D. WADLEY.

HON. FIXTURE SEC.: F. D. H. DAWE.

HON. TEAM SEC.: A. G. HUDSON.

HON. YOUTH XV SEC.: E. LANE.

COMMITTEE: R. COLLINS, N. H. B. DUNCALFE, T. DAY, L. A. KECK,
 C. A. LYNCH.

CAPTAIN 1st XV: Mr. G. G. WHITE.

CAPTAIN YOUTH XV: Mr. S. BARTER.

PLAYERS' REP.: Mr. J. FOWKE.

The President expressed his personal thanks to all the members present at the meeting for their keen interest in the Club, [and] to Mr. A. Russell for his efforts to keep the Club's name well to the fore in press circles.

Any Other Business.

Mr. Cooke asked if the Memorial Ground was being utilised to the full. The President replied that Widdon Old Boys were using two pitches on the ground, but there was one in fact not being used.

Club Steward.

The Chairman conveyed the thanks of all members to Mr. F. Cage who had served the Club loyally over the past six years as Steward of the Social Club. Due to the fact that the appointment in the new club was a full-time one he was not in a position to continue.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:25 p.m.

Date: 18 / 7 / 67.

Signed: Arnold Alcock.