

QUINS SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE FIRST GENERAL MEETING held at The Stoop Memorial Ground, Langhorn Way Twickenham on Thursday, 15th May 2003

Present: W. Warner (Acting Chairman) in the Chair; S. Coleman (Acting Treasurer) A.H.Kurtz (Acting Secretary) and over 60 members of the Association.

The meeting commenced at 7.35 p.m.

1. Apologies for absence were received from a number of members.
2. The chairman, Will Warner, reported on the meeting founding the Association which was a very short formal meeting which appointed three acting officers of the Association for the purpose of dealing with formalities including the opening of a bank account, had drafted a constitution and arranged the launch of the Association. The minutes of that meeting will be posted on the website in due course.
3. The draft Constitution of the Association as published and annexed hereto was proposed for adoption by Melvin Baldock and seconded by Stephen Axbey and the motion was passed unanimously.
4. The chairman, Will Warner, reported that the Association had been in being for 46 days, having been launched on 31st March 2003 and as at the date of the meeting had 155 members. We had achieved the target of 150 before the end of the playing season. Our next target was 500 before the end of the calendar year and he had no doubt that would be reached easily. We would overtake the Harlequin Supporters Club before long. Our aims are to support Harlequin Football Club in all of its activities; to have fun while doing so; passing on information to our members and representing their views to the Club. Our transport policy is to run coaches to all away fixtures. We can fill one coach but want to expand further. We have had one focus group meeting since no committee had been elected and are considering a range of activities. The chairman showed the Quinsaa! T-shirts. Other merchandise will follow in due course.
5. The acting Treasurer, Simon Coleman, reported that the formalities with the Bank were nearly complete and members cheques will be paid in during the next week. The financial year of the Association will end on the 30th April in each year. The membership database had been created. E-mail was the preferred method of communication with members but post was used for those who do not wish to use the electronic method. A survey will be made of the membership as to their preferences..
6. The acting Secretary, Alan Kurtz, reported that he had received only one nomination for each vacancy and that accordingly the following Officers and Committee Members of the Association had been elected, namely Will Warner as Chairman; Simon Coleman as Treasurer, Alan Kurtz as Secretary. The following are members of the Committee,

namely, Emma Stewart, Barbara Richardson, Duncan Franklin and Melvin Baldock

7. A General Discussion as to the future of the Association discussed a variety of topics including the relation of the Association to the Club; Association notices and information in match programmes; proposed events; recruitment of members and participation in Club events. The Chairman assured members the Committee would take on board the matters raised and they would be considered at their future meetings.
8. There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.29 p.m.