

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB



AGENDA



MINUTES



ANNUAL REPORT

For the year ended 31st May, 2015

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Cardiff Athletic Club



President
MR. MERVYN G. B. WARFIELD

Cardiff Athletic Club

President
MR. MERVYN G. B. WARFIELD*

Vice Presidents

THE LORD MAYOR OF CARDIFF	K.A. JONES
THE MARQUESS OF BUTE (D.L., C.St.J., J.P.)	B. MARK
B. BENNETT	A.J. PRIDAY
D.O. HERBERT	G. STONE

Management Committee

Chairman
K. MORGAN

Vice Chairman: R. J. O. REES
D.O. HERBERT*
M. JOHN*
R.G. WILLIAMS*

Those marked * are Trustees of the Club and, as such, are ex-officio Members of the Committee.

J. ALLAN	D.R.J. HERBERT
C. SUTTON	S. DOWN
S. DARWENT	S. FINCH
S.T. DAVIES	B. WILLIAMS
L. HAZELL	J.H. WILLIAMS

Co-opted Members:

I. TABOR	W. WOODS
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Of the above, each elected Member holds office for two years and the co-opted Members hold office for one year.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB



CARDIFF ARMS PARK
CARDIFF
CF10 1JA

Date as Postmark

Dear Sir or Madam,

NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the above Club will be held in the Clubhouse on Wednesday 9th December 2015 commencing at 7.00pm.

Your Cardiff Athletic Club current membership card must be shown in order to gain entry to the meeting.

AGENDA

1. To read the Notice convening the Annual General Meeting.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. To approve and, if correct, sign the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 14th January 2015.
4. To receive the Annual Report.
5. To receive the Annual Statement of Accounts.
6. To elect Vice Presidents.
7. To appoint Auditors.
8. To confirm election of Members to the Management Committee. The Members nominated for election to the Management Committee are as follows:-

Bowls Section:	L. Hazell
Cricket Section:	DRJ Herbert
Hockey Section:	S. Darwent
Rugby Section:	K. Morgan C. Davies
Tennis Section:	J. Allen

9. To update the Members on the lease at Cardiff Arms Park.
10. To transact such other business as shall be allowed by the Chairman as fairly arising out of the agenda.

Yours faithfully,

K. MORGAN
CHAIRMAN

**Minutes of the Cardiff Athletic AGM held on
Wednesday 14th January 2015 commencing at 7pm
At Cardiff Athletic Club**

Present: List held separately

1. Notice of Meeting

The Chairman Keith Morgan read the notice of the meeting

2. Apologies

Mervyn Warfield	Brian Mark	Paul Brewer
Jim Allen	David Herbert Snr	David Herbert Jnr
Jean Monk	Julie Jones	JH Williams
Mair Jenkins	Tim Lawrence	David & Jennifer Davies
Jill Parker	Noel Davies	

3. To approve the minutes of the last AGM held on the 14th January 2015

Proposed – Dave Lewis

Seconded – Tony Tarr

4. To receive the Annual Report

There were no questions

5. To receive the annual Accounts

Proposed – Dave Lewis

Seconded – Brian Bennett

6. To Elect the President

KM and the Management Committee asked the members to consider and approve the election of Mervyn Warfield as the new President of Cardiff Athletic Club.

Proposed – Clive Davies

Seconded – Tony Tarr

7. To elect Vice Presidents

Proposed – Clive Davies

Seconded – Richard Cottell

There was an enquiry as to whether there was now a vacancy with the Vice Presidents now Mervyn Warfield has been made president.

Brian Bennett clarified that it is normal for the Management Committee to nominate Vice Presidents.

8. To Appoint the Auditors

KM recommended that Watts Gregory be reappointed as the auditors as they are a very reputable firm and have worked well with us in the past.

Proposed – Alan Priday

Seconded – Alun Jones

9. To confirm election of the Management Committee as follows:

Bowls Section: Barrie Williams

Cricket Section: Jon Rees

Hockey Section: Chris Sutton

Rugby Section: John Huw Williams

Simon Down

Tennis Section: Stephen Finch

Proposed – Brian Bennett

Seconded – Clive Davies

10. To Transact any other business

The Chairman read out the following questions from Paul Brewer;

Q. Last year I mentioned my frustration on learning of the changes introduced by the Company on returning to Cardiff Arms Park. In posing that question I could never have anticipated how the planned refurbishment would drastically change the character of our Members Lounge. The loss of the alcove seating, the colour scheme, (there is probably less scarlet in the Llanelli clubhouse) and the replacement lino now make it look more like a student's union café bar than a rugby club.

Please can you confirm if new alcove seating is planned, and when will the correct club colour scheme replace the current scarlet and grey branding colours?

My question is generated by Section 9 of the Report, page 9, paragraph 6, under: To transact any other business. 'Many of you will be wondering.....'

Q It would appear from reading that section of the Annual Report that 'They' (presumably The Company were already considering the type of refurbishment to be carried out as early as the 19th of November 2013, with the intention of then using the Members Lounge for 'more corporate use'. Does this represent a change in the leasehold agreement? If so, I would like to know when this was agreed by Management. If this change has been agreed, then I am concerned to know how the Company is able to use our Private Members Lounge for Company Business.

It is clear that this paragraph in last year's report clearly sheds light on the reason, nature and style of the refurbishment, and it appears to have been carried out not for the members benefit, but for future corporate use."

Keith Morgan explained that the only way to sustain the Clubhouse as a business was to use it for corporate facilities during the week. If they were to rely on just match day income then the Clubhouse would be closed Monday to Friday. Unless we use these facilities as a corporate venue, I do not see any other way of sustaining this as a business. The members do not use the Club to any great extent, so we are to keep it open and try and attract a new audience. But to confirm, there was no conspiracy, we have never hidden the fact that we want to encourage more people to use the club on non-match days. It was passed by management 5 years ago and it has been reported repeatedly in AGM that we have been trying to encourage new customers. Whilst there may be an apology due for the way it has been done, the reasons behind it are not to detract from the members' rights or comfort.

The next letter was from Jean Monk. The letter was read out and alluded to the fact that she was not happy with the new furnishings and colour scheme in the Members Lounge. Mrs Monks question was;

All the people I know who have complained to Richard Holland have been told that the plans were passed by the Cardiff Athletic Committee. If so what on earth were you thinking or was it that you had sketches with no detail of colours or types of seating? Why did you approve the plans and – in view of the general dissatisfaction with the outcome is there anything you can do about it.

KM responded that this is an Athletic Club and members of the other section Tennis, Hockey, Cricket and Bowls all quite like the new design. KM also noted that the other sections pay more for their membership than the rugby members.

Fred Davies – Do you have a business case to demonstrate how successful it has been? You have mentioned that some now go to Weatherspoons and some of my friends have now started to drink elsewhere. The attendance on match days and international days has been reduced. I would like to know what the gross and net income is compared with the same period last year. We are where we are but we were not consulted, it did not have to extensive details but simple plans should have been shown to members

KM – I understand that some members and shareholders were shown the plans. Jan Cummings had seen plans for the Bar, probably before I had.

Jan Cummings – we attended the shareholders meeting and Mr Holland at the end of the meeting invited the shareholders to see the plans at the end of the meeting. My friend and myself went to look and it was just a design on show with no colour scheme indicated. We did not like what we saw as we thought then it looked like a coffee shop. We pointed out to them that there was not enough seating and Mr Holland agreed that this would be looked at.

Richard Hudon – We were told in the summer that there would be an open evening.

Richard Holland – As CEO of Cardiff Blues I would like to allude to decisions that were taken and the process that was followed to get us to the point that we are now at. When we moved back from the Cardiff City stadium I hope that you

can see that we have done huge amounts for the development of this stadium and the Club House. I take your points on board regarding the Members Lounge downstairs, but I think that we should be commended for the developments that we have made elsewhere in the stadium. We identified that the main bar downstairs needed some resources spent on it so we embarked on a project. We engaged an interior design company to put together a design that you now see down stairs. The design process was put to the Management Committee and was agreed. We have listened to the remarks and comments that we have received. Having previously worked at Celtic Manor and Chepstow Racecourse the numbers of comments that we received were minimal. We have listened to the comments and have engaged our contractors to put additional furniture in place, we are looking at the colour scheme, and I am encouraged at the positive feedback that we have had.

In terms of the financial numbers, the revenue is up 15% on previous years in the same period. We are committed to continuing improving the facilities. I would like to note here that Keith and the Management Committee have contributed to the improvement of the downstairs bar. We are also installing a trophy cabinet in the next few weeks so we can share some of the treasures that are currently in our trophy room. I am encouraged by the visitors that have been here and say how fantastic the facility it. There is no malice in what we are trying to do and we are open to suggestion and change. We are committed to making this one of the best Clubs in Europe and to continue to uphold the values of Cardiff RFC and Cardiff Blues in the world of rugby.

Richard Hudon – Why don't you encourage for people to come into the club and use the facilities? I was always told that we could not advertise as it is a private members bar. There was no food here for a long time, and now all you can offer is 3 pies, there are also muffins and cookies and a coffee machine. You do not use the coffee machine on match days because of health and safety. I know that the coffee machines are very expensive so where is the value?

RH – the bit that concerns and disappoints me is the members who do not use the facility. We are relying on outsiders to supplement the fact that the members do not use their bar.

Richard Hudson – People don't use the Club because there is no food, and there is no food because people don't use the club.

Dave Lewis – I was one of the best members of this club, it was virtually my second home, however after what you have done to the Club and made it so uncomfortable means that I have now moved to another club.

Michael Peterson - My problem is that I need to sit down. The number of times I have come in after a game and all of the seats have been taken. It comes to something when the basic requirements of a bar are lacking. I like the decoration. However there have been at least 2 occasions where the bar has run out of beer. It is a fundamental error when you are unable to serve beer.

Keith Morgan – What I have suggested at a meeting I had last week was that we

do want more furniture, we do want some more comfortable sofas. What I suggest is that with the additional sofas, we can create our own alcoves.

Can I please ask you a question – Is the price of beer around town a factor in where you drink? If the furniture and room was improved, are you happy to pay the bar prices that we charge?

Michael Pearson – I am very happy to pay, however there are others to whom the 20p price difference does make a difference.

Mark Wakeham – Can you please confirm if the sales figures you quoted stating that sales are up 15%, is that a year on year comparison?

Keith Morgan – I can confirm that the figures are based month on month with same period last year

Mark Wakeham – My second question is why Red and Grey which are the colours of Llanelli?

Richard Holland – We put the colour scheme together with a team of interior designers. I am sure that as a Cardiff RFC supporter you will remember that Cardiff have previously had a change strip of red. We put the colour scheme to the committee of the Athletic Club and it was passed and agreed. As you look around the ground, you can see that we are awash with Blue, and in keeping with a modern design concept, and in consultation with many people that is how we ended up with the final design. People have personal preferences, and although you may not like something it does not mean everyone feels the same way.

Keith Morgan – Looking around the room, I know that I have spoken to at least 75% of you about the very things that we are talking about now. We have a Board meeting on 9th February and the feelings from this AGM will be put to the Board. If changes have to be made, we will make them. However you must also understand that any changes that are made will not be done before the end of the season as we cannot afford to close the Club during the season.

Dave Lewis – I am quite happy to pay £3.40 a pint as long as I am comfortable and in a place that I like to drink. I now drink in Llandaff Institute and it is £2.93 a pint. That does make a difference when you are in there for three or four hours. A lot of people in here do not drink downstairs because of the price of the beer. The competition is in Weatherspoons, and it is £1.99 a pint.

Fred Davies – Mr Holland, I still feel that you have not answered the question about the consultation process. You used a professional design service who are used to providing coloured drawings to a reasonable scale to show a before and after effect. It feels to me as a long standing member of this Club that you do not have a handle on the demographics of this Club. There are many other establishments locally with a similar feel to them, however I do not understand what demographic group you are aiming the Members lounge at. You have certainly not considered people who I sit with and what is important to us.

Richard Holland – In short, a full design concept with colour scheme was provided to the Management Committee of Cardiff Athletic Club.

Keith Morgan – The management Committee did see the plans, and my reservation was Scarlet. The majority of the Management Committee were reasonably happy with the design, however we were not aware of the metal stools. The red colour was always going to be like a red rag to a bull. Richard Holland has come here this evening to judge the feeling of the membership and to take it back to the Board to decide what to do.

The original design had a glass wall going into the trophy room, which was sadly out of our league financially. We were originally going to keep the alcoves, until they took them apart and discovered that they were rotten. It would have been too expensive to put them back. We have to make the best of what we have got and adding into that some more comfortable furniture. We are about 60/70 seats less than what we were previously. The additional furniture will be delivered in 4 to 6 weeks so probably by the end of February.

Fred Davies – Can I please ask that before any further changes are made to the Members lounge, can we have a resolution to undertake a consultation process with the members.

Keith Morgan – To repeat my answer to your last question, the plans are to put more furniture in and in time to review the colour scheme. What plans do we need to do that? Richard Holland has come here tonight to listen to what you feel the problems are with the members bar, as we are trying to work together. We understand what the problems are and we will address them. I cannot commit that there will be a change in the colour scheme, however as a management committee we can ask that this is taken forward

Brian Bennett – It was agreed at our meeting this evening that the Management Committee will request Cardiff Blues to provide additional furniture and also ask that the red colour be changed. There will be a trophy cabinet installed, and there are some more pictures to be displayed which will take away from the effect of the grey walls. We have got to move forward, there will be improvements and the Management Committee will take this forward.

Richard Holland – The Club house is here to serve the members of the Athletic Club and it was not being utilised. We have made some changes and the utilisation has increased. We will listen to and change anything that is required to placate the members, I am not here to try and upset anyone, I do not want to put in place anything that people do not want. We want to provide you with a bar and a facility that is vibrant and that the members can use. If all of you use and spread the word to your family and friends to use it then that can only be a good thing. I find it sad that people are so negative about what we have done and the resources that we have spent on it. Since moving back here from the Cardiff City Stadium, we have done huge amounts to take this Club forward and I hope that all of you can engage with that. I take all of your points on board, I have said to Keith and the Committee that we will do anything that we need to do to make sure that you as Members have a facility that you can be proud of, can bring your friends and families to and hopefully we can move forward together.

Dave Lewis – Mr Holland , we think that what you have done out there is great and you have done a fantastic job. The bowls section used to come in here every Tuesday afternoon – and you closed it.

Richard Holland – But is now open every day.

Dave Lewis – You cannot blame us for not coming in here as you closed it.

Richard Holland – But is now open every day.

Richard Hudson – I came to a game a few weeks ago, and as I walked through town, I noticed a Bill Board advertising “the Nuggett” and blue and black burger to the recipe of Martyn Williams. This is the sort of thing that we should be doing. I used to regularly come here for a meal, and then eventually they stopped serving food. Now there are 3 pies. If you want to attract people to come in at lunch time you have got to provide them with food. Also on match days – if you come in here on a match day the only food available is a pie in a cardboard tray with plastic cutlery. When people have come in for a roll – they have run out, for a bag of crisps, they have run out. There is no continuity of food except pies, can you please improve the food that is served in the Club?

Keith Morgan – I come to this Club every lunch time and I have been for the last 7 years. I used to eat in here at lunch time too. However, when they were serving food, they would have been lucky to serve 3 or 4 meals a day. To take a chef on would not make financial sense at the moment. I understand that it is a chicken and egg situation. However, there were not many people who would eat in here. The original reason for stopping the food was that the dumb waiter stopped working. However the Athletic Club forced the limited company to spend £14k to replace it. But still no one came. What I would like to ask if would you use the Club more if there was food available?

Consensus – Yes if it was of a good standard.

Keith Morgan – And here lies the problem, we can not sell cheap meals as we would not have the turnover that establishment like Weatherspoon’s have. They can sell meals with a drink for £4.99, however, we would have to start our pricing to get food of a good standard at £7 to £10.

Richard Hudson – over the years I used to come in at lunch time and the clientele that you had were getting older. I know that a lot of the people that I used to see are now either dead or infirm. You have to try and attract a younger group of trade.

Keith Morgan – we do need to improve things. They have recently bought a panini maker which will appeal to the younger element. The Club is now open from 8am to hopefully catch people parking their cars, so that instead of them going to Costa coffee, they will come in here for their coffees and muffin etc. It is being used reasonably well on the coffee side. I agree with you Richard, I too would love it if they were to now start serving food again.

Richard Hudson – What are we doing to encourage people to use this in the evenings?

Keith Morgan – As we look around this room it is the same faces all of the time, the same people who attend meetings, where are the other 1400 members?

Alan Priday – I think that since the drink and drive laws have become stricter, it has become difficult to encourage people to use the Clubhouse during the week. We need to encourage people to use the club more in the week. We have a good facility here and it should be used more.

Keith Morgan – you would be amazed that people still think that we are a secret society and that they are not allowed in the club.

We need to have signage saying welcome to Cardiff Arms Park, visitors are welcome. Whilst on a match day we cannot accommodate this, during the week and on non match weekends, we should be encouraging people to use our facilities.

To draw this to a conclusion, we take on board your comments and we will continue discussions with Richard and the Board at the next meeting.

Meryl Jenkins – you say that the bar takings are up by 15% since the refurbishment, I was here on Saturday night and left at 10, and there were 15 people downstairs and 7 people upstairs, how can the takings be up when there are so few people here at 10 o’clock on a Saturday night after a prime game for the Blues?

Keith Morgan – I was here from 12 noon on Saturday and watched the game, however I went home at 7pm as I had had enough by then. However the figures also relate to people using it in the week.

Richard Hudson – I have been here when there has been smaller games here, and the club shop has been closed, even though people wished to purchase or browse. Can I suggest that we open the shop more.

Richard Holland – the retail side of the business is being looked at and we will address the opening hours, however I am not sure that this is entirely appropriate to discuss here.

Keith Morgan – I agree.

Richard Holland then left the meeting

Keith Morgan – I think that we need to give Richard and the Blues credit for the improvements that they have made to the ground. The changing rooms have been completely refurbished to European standards with ice baths. So I do think that they have spent a considerable amount of money on the ground. There is no malice in how the refurbishment has been carried out, they may have made a mistake, but it was not maliciously done.

The plan is to continue the development, hoping to look at possibly improving the top lounge. However, we have made it very clear to them that they must preserve the heritage of the Club and make sure that the pictures and boards remain on display.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for sticking with the Club during the refurbishment. I would also like to thank you for your concern, its nice to know that we have 60 people here who care enough about this great Club to attend this evenings meeting and express your concerns. It would be good to encourage more members from all sections to use the Club, then it would give us greater scope to expand the catering options on a daily basis. As there were no further questions the meeting was concluded.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MAY 2015

Yet again my report begins with noting the passing of several members during the year including some long serving members such as our president Dr C.D. Williams, former players and long standing committee men Ian "Robbo" Robinson, Peter Nyhan and Tony Williams, former Club doctor Dr Jim Naysmith. In addition to these former players Howard Norris and John Hickey.

I apologise for any omissions but our sincere condolences are extended to the family and friends of those that have sadly left us.

As far as memberships is concerned I am delighted to report that the numbers are increasing at a healthy rate and certainly in some sections the development of young talent has been particularly noticeable. I extend my congratulations to all concerned for the effort put in to produce our senior players of the future.

On the playing front it was a mixed bag of results with notable success in the Hockey front and improved results for both Cricket and Rugby sections. Tennis has continued to flourish and Bowls have managed to expand their playing base which will hopefully benefit them in the future.

During the year we experienced the refurbishment of the Members Lounge in the Clubhouse and, whilst I appreciate that it was certainly not universally accepted, I hope that we can move on to improve other areas of the Clubhouse and make it a more welcoming environment. I hope that the members will increase their use of the Clubhouse throughout the week and not just on match days.

We continue to discuss ways of improving facilities around the whole area of Cardiff Arms Park and have had very constructive discussions with representatives of our tenants Cardiff Blues.

Please be assured that our members will be consulted before any major alterations are made to our existing facilities should this arise in the future.

Once again my thanks go to our Management Committee for their help, guidance and support throughout the year and their tireless efforts on behalf of their respective sections.

Abbie has continued to be a tower of strength on the administration side of the business and I thank her for her continuing efforts to improve our record keeping and systems.

To Karl and his staff huge thank you for looking after the members and the wonderful Norma who does such a superb job of keeping the Clubhouse in a clean and tidy state and who is always ready with a cheery word and smile.

Last but certainly not least I thank all the Members of Cardiff Athletic Club for their support throughout the year. I know that there have been some lively discussions, especially relating to the refurbishment of the Clubhouse, but I hope that we have been able to assure you that we are acting in what we consider to be the best interest of the members.

**K.J.W MORGAN
CHAIRMAN**

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 MAY 2015

**CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2015**

**INDEPENDENT REPORT OF THE AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS
OF CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB**

We have audited the financial statements of Cardiff Athletic Club for the year ended 31 May 2015 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

This report is made solely to the club's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the club's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the club and the club's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Committee of Management and auditor

As explained more fully in the Committee of Management's Responsibilities Statement, the Committee of Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements which give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the club's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Committee of Management; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Annual Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the club's affairs as at 31 May 2015 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice

WATTS GREGORY LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
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Date: 7 November 2015

**CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2015**

	Note	2015 £	2014 £
Income			
Membership income		34,985	33,916
Interest receivable		5,942	10,677
Rental of Cardiff Arms Park		115,162	115,161
Other income	1	41,787	16,572
		<u>197,876</u>	<u>176,326</u>
Expenditure			
Section expenditure	2	113,464	96,957
Insurance & professional charges	3	5,967	9,507
Stationery, telephone & sundries		8,014	8,212
Depreciation		2,484	2,807
Bank charges		30	25
Irrecoverable VAT		3,253	607
		<u>133,212</u>	<u>118,115</u>
Surplus for the year before taxation		<u>64,664</u>	<u>58,211</u>
Taxation	4	20,739	22,277
Surplus for the year after taxation	12	<u><u>43,925</u></u>	<u><u>35,934</u></u>

The Club has no gains or losses other than those included in the above account.

All the activities of the club are classed as continuing.

There is no difference between the result shown and its historical cost equivalent.

**CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MAY 2015**

		2015	2014
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets			
Land and buildings - freehold	5	2,350,939	2,350,939
Land and buildings - leasehold	5	517,690	517,690
Other fixed assets	6	14,547	2,101
		<u>2,883,176</u>	<u>2,870,730</u>
Investments	7	98,200	98,200
Current assets			
Debtors	8	81,970	56,091
Bank and cash	9	432,903	460,742
		<u>514,873</u>	<u>516,833</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors - due less than 1 year	10	52,767	70,406
Net current assets		<u>462,106</u>	<u>446,427</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>3,443,482</u>	<u>3,415,357</u>
Deferred credit - assignment of ticket rights		63,200	79,000
		<u>3,380,282</u>	<u>3,336,357</u>
Total funds			
Accumulated fund	12	3,380,282	3,336,357
		<u><u>3,380,282</u></u>	<u><u>3,336,357</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Management Committee on 13 October 2015 and are signed on their behalf by:

Keith Morgan
Chairman

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2015

	2015 £	2014 £
1. Other income		
Donations and sundry income	987	772
Membership ticket rights transferred to revenue	15,800	15,800
BT Sport Cardiff Arms Park money	25,000	-
	<u>41,787</u>	<u>16,572</u>
2. Sectional expenditure		
Bowls	6,302	337
Cricket	33,565	40,565
Hockey	27,129	27,713
Tennis	20,474	8,815
Rugby	25,994	19,527
	<u>113,464</u>	<u>96,957</u>
3. Insurance and professional charges		
Audit	3,750	3,649
Accountancy	417	858
Professional charges	1,800	5,000
	<u>5,967</u>	<u>9,507</u>
4. Taxation		
Corporation tax charge for year	20,627	22,277
Under provision in the prior year	112	-
	<u>20,739</u>	<u>22,277</u>

Taxation is due on income from non-mutual sources less an appropriate allocation of the expenditure.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2015

5. Fixed assets

Freehold land and buildings

	<u>Cardiff Arms Park</u>				<u>Lisvane</u>	
	Executive Boxes £	Ground Development £	Club House £	Bowls Pavilion £	Tennis Pavilion £	Total £
Cost						
At 1 June 2014	1,743,744	237,662	120,563	42,292	206,678	2,350,939
Additions in year	-	-	-	-	-	-
	<u>1,743,744</u>	<u>237,662</u>	<u>120,563</u>	<u>42,292</u>	<u>206,678</u>	<u>2,350,939</u>
At 31 May 2015	1,743,744	237,662	120,563	42,292	206,678	2,350,939
Net book value						
At 1 June 2014	1,743,744	237,662	120,563	42,292	206,678	2,350,939
	<u>1,743,744</u>	<u>237,662</u>	<u>120,563</u>	<u>42,292</u>	<u>206,678</u>	<u>2,350,939</u>
At 31 May 2015	1,743,744	237,662	120,563	42,292	206,678	2,350,939

Long leasehold land and buildings

	Cricket ground and pavilion £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 June 2014	517,690	517,690
Additions in year	-	-
	<u>517,690</u>	<u>517,690</u>
At 31 May 2015	517,690	517,690
Net book value		
At 1 June 2014	517,690	517,690
	<u>517,690</u>	<u>517,690</u>
At 31 May 2015	517,690	517,690

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6. Other fixed assets

	Cricket fixtures/ground equipment £	Office furniture/ equipment £	Tennis court/ equipment £	Bowls equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 June 2014	46,725	4,773	29,786	3,244	84,528
Additions	9,222	5,708	-	-	14,930
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 May 2015	<u>55,947</u>	<u>10,481</u>	<u>29,786</u>	<u>3,244</u>	<u>99,458</u>
Depreciation					
At 1 June 2014	46,482	4,773	29,786	1,386	82,427
Depreciation for period	1,294	426	-	764	2,484
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
At 31 May 2015	<u>47,776</u>	<u>5,199</u>	<u>29,786</u>	<u>2,150</u>	<u>84,911</u>
Net book value					
At 31 May 2014	<u>243</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,858</u>	<u>2,101</u>
At 31 May 2015	<u>8,171</u>	<u>5,282</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,094</u>	<u>14,547</u>

7. Investments

	2015 £	2014 £
At cost		
WRU - Debenture repayable 2033	93,000	93,000
WRU - Debenture repayable 2026 (both debentures are interest free)	5,200	5,200
Heritage shares in Cardiff RFC Limited.	750,000	750,000
Provision for permanent diminution in value of Heritage shares	(750,000)	(750,000)
Ordinary shares of £1 each in Cardiff RFC Limited.	501,000	501,000
Provision for permanent diminution in value of Ordinary shares	(501,000)	(501,000)
	<u>98,200</u>	<u>98,200</u>

**CARDIFF RFC Limited
Ordinary Shares & Heritage Shares**

In the opinion of the management committee the Ordinary and Heritage shares have no financial value and accordingly full provision has been made against the cost of this investment.

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	2015 £	2014 £
8. Debtors		
Rent debtor - Cardiff Rugby Football Club Limited	57,581	28,790
Recharged expenses debtor - Cardiff Rugby Football Club Limited	12,190	2,547
Other debtors & prepayments	12,199	24,754
	<u>81,970</u>	<u>56,091</u>
9. Cash		
Bank and cash balances	<u>432,903</u>	<u>460,742</u>
10. Creditors - due less than one year		
Corporation tax	20,627	22,277
VAT creditor	1,073	5,335
Other creditors and accruals	31,067	42,794
	<u>52,767</u>	<u>70,406</u>

11. Related party transactions

The club was under the control of the Management Committee throughout the year. The club's related parties at 31 May 2015, with whom the club has either entered into transactions or has balances with and which require disclosure under FRS8 are as follows:

Name	Nature of relationship
Cardiff Rugby Football Club Limited	K Morgan and C Nott, committee members, are directors of the company
Carston Chartered Accountants	J Rees, committee member, is a partner with Carston Chartered Accountants

Details of transactions with related parties are

Name	Nature of transaction	2015 £	2014 £
Cardiff Rugby Football Club Limited	Rental income under non-cancellable operating lease	115,162	115,161
Cardiff Rugby Football Club Limited	Recharged expenses	8,265	7,632
Carston Chartered Accountants	Accountancy services	410	370

The following balances are due to/ from the Club's related parties at the year end:

Name	Nature of balance	2015 £	2014 £
Cardiff Rugby Football Club Limited	Recharged expenses debtor	12,190	2,547
Carston Chartered Accountants	Accountancy services payable	100	80
Cardiff Rugby Football Club Limited	Rent debtor	57,581	28,790

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12. Reconciliation of movement in accumulated fund

	2015	2014
	£	£
Revenue account		
At beginning of the year	3,336,357	3,300,423
Surplus for the year	43,925	35,934
 Total funds at 31 May 2015	<u>3,380,282</u>	<u>3,336,357</u>

13. Transactions with committee members

All those on the committee are members and pay subscriptions in accordance with the Club Rules. There have been no other transactions with committee members other than in the normal course of business.

**CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB
ACCOUNTING POLICIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2015**

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The accounts are prepared on the historical cost basis of accounting and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

INCOME

Income is accounted for on a receivable basis.

FIXED ASSETS

Freehold land and buildings, and other tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation where applicable.

INVESTMENTS

Investments are recorded at cost. Provision is made, where necessary, for any permanent diminution in value.

DEPRECIATION

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis on fixtures / ground equipment, office furniture / equipment, tennis court / equipment at a rate of 25% per annum.

No depreciation has been provided on freehold or long leasehold land and buildings. The Cardiff Arms Park is let under a full repairing lease and has to be maintained in accordance with Sports Ground Legislation, such that the value does not diminish over time. The Management Committee are of the opinion that the market value of the land is greater than the value at which the land and buildings appear in the accounts. As a result, the corresponding depreciation would not be material and therefore is not charged in the Income and Expenditure Account. The Freehold Property at Lisvane is newly built and is subject to a maintenance period.

The Management Committee perform an annual impairment review in accordance with the requirements of FRS11 and FRS15 to ensure that the recoverable amount is not lower than the carrying value.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC CLUB COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2015

Statement of the Management Committee's responsibilities

The club rules require the committee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Club and of the income and expenditure of the Club for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the committee is required to:

- i) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- ii) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- iii) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Club will continue in business.

The committee is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Club and to enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the club rules. It has general responsibility for taking reasonable steps to safeguard the assets of the Club and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

By order of the Management Committee

K Morgan
Chairman

CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLS CLUB CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2014

It was with great pleasure and delight that we were able to announce the appointment of Bob Williams as our Honorary President of Cardiff Athletic Bowls Club after the main Cardiff Athletic Committee approved the appointment in January this year. Bob had served the bowls club as its Chairman for many years and in other capacities before that. He had steered the club through some very difficult times and his appointment as our Honorary President was thoroughly deserved in recognition of his efforts on our behalf.

Our season began with the opening of the green on 10th April by The Cardiff Athletic Chairman, Mr Keith Morgan. Keith has performed this duty for us for a number of years and he and his lovely wife Heather were able to join us once again for a memorable evening. The evening would not have been such a success without the support of the members who provided the food and prizes for the draw and gave their time freely to prepare the green and the pavilion, man the bar and to tidy up afterwards. Without their help we wouldn't have a club and I am most grateful for their time and support.

Despite the very mixed weather we have experienced this season we fulfilled all our fixtures. We have fielded two teams each Saturday with the help of 3 new members to the club. The first team Captained by Dennis Turnbull and his Vice Captain, Ken Thorne, had a difficult season in the Welsh Private Greens (PG1) Division 2 after securing promotion the previous year. Despite several close matches we were not able to secure our position in the division and will begin next year in (PG1) Division 3.

The A team under the captaincy of Dave Lewis and Vice Captain Terry Ewington also had a difficult year but they remain in PG2 Division 2 and are looking to better things next year.

But winning isn't everything and everyone enjoyed playing and meeting old friends.

The Alliance and Mid Week League also provided some well contested games and I am indebted to Alex Rayer, Dennis Turnbull and Ken Thorne for their Captaincy of these teams.

In July we held our charity triples event to raise funds for The Welsh Veterans Partnership, a charity which provides support for Welsh Service men and women who have been injured serving in Afghanistan and Iraq, and for Jake Whitfield who has been seriously ill with a form of leukaemia. It was a wonderful event supported by many teams from all over Cardiff and a total of £1200 was raised for these two worthy causes. Once again I have to thank all those people who worked so hard to ensure the success of the evening and to those who donated prizes for the raffle and drinks for the bar.

The annual bowls trip to Reading and Shiplake arranged by Dave Lewis with support from Les Hasell and Dennis Turnbull was appreciated by everyone who went. The weather could not have been better and the friendships and hospitality provided by the two clubs was exceptional. We also had a visit from the Bideford Bowling Club in September and once again we had a very enjoyable day with old friends.

Sadly, just prior to the trip to Reading, we lost one of our longstanding and popular club members, Roger Griffiths. Roger will be remembered for his cheeky smile, his ready wit and his card tricks. He was always unconventional, sometimes late and sometimes missing altogether! A measure of Roger's popularity was shown by the number of his friends who attended the memorial service at Llandaff Cathedral where members of our bowls club provided a guard of honour as he was brought into the Cathedral. We will miss him greatly and our thoughts and prayers are with Kath and the family.

The Clubs' Annual Tournaments were again run and completed under the guidance of David Phillips. Congratulations to Martin Summerhayes on becoming Club Champion. Congratulations also to all the other singles and pairs competition winners and commiserations to the runners up. The Finals Day was well attended and the spectators enjoyed the competition between the bowlers.

I would like to place on record my thanks and appreciation to the Officers and Committee Members for their work and support throughout the year- without their help the club would not function. Particular thanks go to Les Hazell for his hard work as Secretary and Treasurer, to Dave Lewis for his work as Fixture Secretary and managing the club's website. The club members also owe a huge debt of gratitude to Ken Thorne, Barrie Williams and myself for cutting the green three times a week during the season and for oversight of the ground maintenance contract. Additionally Ken also carries out a great deal of work maintaining the area surrounding the green and our club buildings. My thanks and appreciation also go Barrie Williams and Ray Bridges for their work in keeping the bar stocked and serving behind the bar all year and to Sue and Jean Williams for providing our post match catering.

Finally, I would like to thank all those people who volunteered to carry out any task no matter how small. We are a club who would not exist without the voluntary assistance of our members. The more people who undertake the official roles and carry out other tasks needed to keep our club going, the easier it is for everyone, and it will ensure that the club will continue with a bright future.

Chris Barrett
Chairman

CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB

2015 Season Review

I would firstly like to thank my predecessor Matt Phillips for all his hard work in the last 7 years. I took over a club in excellent shape, the adult teams performing consistently well, we have a vibrant and successful youth and a wonderful ground.

The 2015 season was another successful one for the club. The 1st team came second in their league while the 2nd team won again. We continued to run 4 teams on a Saturday and the respective captains of the third and fourth teams, Darren Swart and David Ricketts should be congratulated on their efforts to raise competitive sides.

With the 1st team having won the league and cup the year before it was always going to be hard for new captain Greg Holmes to repeat the success but his team performed well with a very young side.

An indifferent start to the season put us on the back foot in defending our title, however a stunning win against Pontardulais, where David Kirtley starred with a magnificent 116* chasing 254, sparked a 2 month league and cup run where we were only defeated by league champions Bridgend.

In this period stand out batsman Alex Milton consistently performed with the bat (876 runs at an average of 55) and James Lewis (37 wickets) stepped up to lead the bowling attack and claim his maiden 5 wicket haul. A notable performance against Blackwood, inspired by Mathew Preece and Alun Thomas, the pair striking 8 6's between them to get the side over the line in what seemed to be a lost cause chasing 234 in 40 overs.

Unfortunately we could not catch Bridgend in our title defence, but finished runners up. In the Welsh cup we narrowly lost out to eventual winners Colwyn Bay in the semi final, with a great fight back from the team to take the game to the final over.

In the second team new captain Gwyn Hobbs led the team with distinction. Our aim with this team is to offer high quality cricket to as many younger players as possible under the guidance of our senior players. To have won the league by over 50 points, at the same time as blooding so many youngsters, is a credit to Gwyn and his senior teammates as well as to the quality of youth cricketers we have at our disposal.

With the bat, there were many fine contributions, including: Gwyn scoring 525 league runs (including 2 hundreds at an average of 75); Anush Patel, Dafydd Manley and Ian Bridgeman all scoring 300 league runs at averages of 43, 31 and 33, respectively (which included one hundred for Anush); Andrew Thomas and Umar Malik both scoring 250 runs at an average of 31; Mathew Preece striking two rapid half centuries; and Dewi Preece making the team's top score with a superb 162 not out. Dan O'Sullivan really impressed with the ball taking 33 wickets to end as the leading wicket taker in the league (taking 4 wickets in an innings on 7 occasions), and Anaesh Patel and Tom Barry both bowled very well to take 18 and 15 wickets.

In the third team Darren Swart continued his good work from 2013. The majority of 3rd team cricket is played against other 1st teams meaning they are primarily adults against our team which is invariably a team of older players and promising youth.

The 3rds finished 5th in the league with notable performances from James Meggitt and Will Mably with the ball and Umar Malik with the bat.

The 4ths enjoyed the 2015 season finishing third in the Welsh cricket conference division five despite using 39 players. Notable performances were hundreds from David Ricketts (719 runs at an average of 72), David Herbert and an unbeaten 184 from Jonathon Good as well as 21 wickets from promising young seam bowler Tom Watson.

The mid week team run by Mathew Preece won the league cup competition.

Special mention should be made for David Kirtley and Ian Bridgeman who announced their retirement at the end of this season.

David has played for 16 years and scored over 10,500 runs. He has been a successful club captain and has been ever-present in the 1st team since he joined the club.

Ian has played for the club since he was a child as an aggressive and flamboyant opening batsman with a fear of slow spin bowling.

Their attitudes, experience, skill and humour will be greatly missed and we hope to see them supporting the club next year.

Youth

The junior section had another successful year with pride of place going to the U15 age group who won the Welsh Cup at SWALEC Stadium as well as retaining their Cardiff and Vale league title. Congratulations to Tom Bevan and Mujahid Ilyas who represented West of England at the prestigious Bunbury Festival. The club was very proud to see Kiran Carlson receive Glamorgan Academy Player of the Year for the 2015 season. It is a real credit to the club and the youngsters that we have 3 players in the academy in Kiran, Prem Sisodiya and Mujahid Ilyas.

The U13 squad also won their league whilst several U9 players show potential for the future.

The youth train on Friday evenings and I encourage members of the Athletic Club to visit in the summer. We tend to have around 100 children playing with many parents watching and enjoying a BBQ. We see this as a crucial part of the club and we are delighted to see so many youth players representing the club at the senior level.

In this year we employed our own groundsman Tim Walden to help ensure our ground remains one of the premiere facilities in the region. This development has been a success and we thank Tim for his hard work as well as Chris Fowler for his continued commitment to developing the ground.

In summary we have enjoyed a successful season throughout the club. At 1st team level our young team will be a year older and more experienced next year and we will continue to challenge for honours. Our youth remains strong and we believe the club is in a strong position. We greatly appreciate the support from the Athletic Club and hope to see members of all divisions at our ground in 2016.

Cardiff Athletic Hockey 2014/2015 Review

The 2014/15 season was one of continued success and putting in place a sound structure to build upon and increases expectations even higher.

The men's first team kept up their impressive record in the National Hockey League, Conference West, suffering only 2 defeats all season and narrowly missing out on winning the championship on the last day of the season. This was the first time that the side had not won the title in three seasons and the side vowed to make amends the following year.

Frustrations over the league disappointment were vented against local club side Whitchurch in the National men's Championship Cup with an 8-1 victory.

Adding to their outdoor success they also won the National indoor Cup 9-3. The team travelled to Rotterdam in February to represent Wales in the European indoor hockey championship where they finished 6th and consolidated their position for 2016.

In May the team travelled to Switzerland for the EuroHockey Challenge, where they emphatically won the gold medal and promotion, winning all of their games in the process. During the summer of 2015, eight of the current team were selected for the National Team who played in the European Championships in Portugal. Wales won every match and the gold medal.

This is the thirteenth consecutive year that the Club has represented Wales in Europe and the whole squad would like to thank the Athletic Club for their continued support of these European ventures and making this continued success possible.

The rest of the club continues to go from strength to strength with the seconds, fourths, fifths and sixes all consolidating their positions in the league. The Sevens achieved promotion for the second year running and thirds enjoyed yet another fantastic season doing the double, culminating in beating Whitchurch in the cup final.

Cardiff Athletic ladies fielded 2 teams in the South Wales League in the 2014-15 season - the 1st XI having suffered demotion into Prem 2 the previous season and the 2nd XI playing in Division 1. A huge recruitment drive over the summer months gave the ladies section a boost going into the opening games of the league with the 1st XI winning game after game, their first league defeat not happening until the break for Christmas in a top of the table clash. This winning bug took hold and stayed strong through the 2nd half of the season with the girls securing promotion back into Prem 1 with 2 games still to play - promotion simply wasn't enough though and the Ladies 1st XI went on to pull off fantastic wins against the remaining 2 teams and finished as league champions. The 2nd XI had a less fortunate season, with so many new players to choose from it was difficult to field the same team twice, whilst still maintaining the all-inclusive ethos of the club. As a result, despite hard work and determination, the season saw the 2nd XI slip to the bottom of the league and, ultimately find themselves demoted to Division 2.

Whilst all this was going on in the foreground, plans were floated to follow in the Men's footsteps and merge with Cardiff Met ladies hockey and the section was asked to vote on the proposal. A narrow margin saw the merger being agreed and the ladies are now working hard to drive the club forward as one with the men. The merger will allow for the addition of 2 extra teams and double the membership, bringing a huge number of other benefits with it. The 2015-16 season will have 2 teams competing in the top league in South Wales - Prem 1; 1 team in Division 2 and 1 team in Division 3 - making the club a diverse and attractive proposition to players looking to join a team in South Wales.

After a decade of being at the helm of this truly great club, it's time for me to step down and hand over the reins to Ben Eaton, who I know will continue to lead the Club to great things.

All members of the section would like to thank the Athletic Club for its superb support throughout the season.

Mark Shelton

RUGBY SECTION CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2014-2015

This season under the captaincy of Jonathan Edwards has a most creditable finishing position of 4th in the premiership League Table, and not since 2007-2008 did we have a better conclusion to a season.

A huge tribute must be paid to our head Coach Simon King in his first full season with the Blue and Blacks. Also, may I mention his coaching team of Adam Rosser, Richard Hodges, Richard Hughes and Team Manager Iestyn Williams. Well done boys!

On the playing side, doubles were achieved against Llanelli, Newport and Bridgend (cup round not included!) An outstanding performance at Llandovery in October winning 22-13 was well worth the journey.

Consistency in availability of the players each week for the RFC is most critical for our playing record and position in this league table. However, now that the WRU have publically stated that this league is key in the development of players for the regions and the national Welsh squad we at the RFC must continue with this development and talent recognition.

May I thank Abbie Gibbins and Cathy Selio for the outstanding contribution in administration work for the RFC. Also Lisa Petersen, Rhianon Loxton and Ian Richards who also provide a great service to all concerned with the RFC. Karl Kruger Williams, Mike Salt and Spiro and team for their attention to the needs of the players during the season.

The support of Peter Thomas and his directors, Richard Holland, Peter Ghattas, Paul Bailey and Martyn Ryan is well documented and sustained during the season.

Getting injured players back on the field is work vital in every game today. Dyfri Owen and his team of physiotherapists are hugely experienced and qualified in this area. Many thanks to them and aided by a great team of specialist doctors.

Our artificial surface has now established itself over the past 2 years and reference must be made to its use every day of the week. This provides a facility to all local clubs for training and playing rugby, rugby league, soccer and fitness sessions. Our new grounds man Matt Jones with Alex Jones look after this "jewel in the crown" to a high standard.

With the half time school / club tag demonstrations in its second year, may I thank Chris Collins for his work in organising these demonstrations during the half time break.

One main observation that I did make during matches is the outstanding performances of certain Blues players to the RFC when they come down to us for games.

My Rugby Committee have again worked tirelessly during the season. Keith Morgan my vice chairman and treasurer continues his work most actively. Simon Down and Clive Davies attend Premiership League meetings, Steve Davies and Brian Bennett,

East District meetings and Jill Parker is a most enthusiastic Secretary to the RFC. Clive is also the RFC fixture Secretary.

Several former players have passed away during the year. Dr CD Williams (President of CAC), AD (Tony) Williams, Howard Norris, Ian (Robbo) Robinson & Peter Nyhan. These great Cardiff players will be sorely missed in the Club and on behalf of the Rugby Committee, players and supporters we would like to pass our sincere condolences to their close families and friends.

Our Annual dinner was held on 22nd May and caps were awarded to players of the RFC; Bruce Douglas, Craig Lodge and Jack Phillips. A special blazer award was made to Shaun Powell for playing 100 games for the RFC.

All players completed a difficult but enjoyable season and are looking forward to a short break before next season.

During the Rugby World Cup, eight matches will be held at the Millennium Stadium and in the last few days an announcement from the WRU stated a fan Zone will be held at Cardiff Arms Park from 9th September to the 22nd October. This of course means that some RFC and Blues home matches will be played away for this short period. However notices of any disruption to our members will be posted in the Clubhouse.

May I in conclusion thank all members for their support during the season and I look forward with a great deal of optimism to 2015-16 aided with our most creditable final league position this season.

CARDIFF RFC APPEARANCES 2014 - 2015

TOTAL		STARTS	SUBS
24	WHITE NICK	18	6
24	SMOUT LEWIS	16	8
21	EDWARDS JONATHAN	20	1
21	DOUGLAS BRUCE	12	9
20	LODGE CRAIG	16	4
20	PHILLIPS JACK	16	4
20	SLATER TOM	15	5
19	GOODE JAMES	19	
19	GUNTER DEAN	15	4
18	LOXTON JAMES	14	4
17	LEWIS ETHAN	12	5
16	POWELL SHAUN	14	2
16	YOUNG CERI	14	2
16	ROACH BEN	11	5
16	MURPHY JAMES	9	7
16	JONES JOE	5	11
14	DAVIES HARRY	13	1
14	REES-HOLE WILL	13	1
14	NORMANDALE MILES	10	4
14	LEWIS CALLUM	5	9
14	TOMLINSON JOE	2	12
13	WYN-BENHAM ELLIS	10	3
13	WILLIAMS RHYS	8	5
12	STEPHENS MIKE	9	3
12	PASCOE THOMAS	7	5
11	SHEEKEY JAMES	10	1
10	WITTINGHAM JAMES	8	2
10	HALE MIKE	6	4
10	FOWLER AARON		10
9	BREEZE MARK	6	3
9	DAVIES THOMAS	6	3
7	WATTS-JONES RORY	6	1
6	THOMAS WILL	5	1
6	GRIFFIN JOE	2	4

TOTAL		STARTS	SUBS
6	JONES EUAN	2	4
6	BAIRD WILL	1	5
5	WATKINS GEORGE	5	
5	LEE GEORGE	2	3
5	MARLEY MATTHEW	2	3
5	LEWIS ROB	1	4
4	ANDREWS SCOTT	4	
4	FISH DAN	4	
4	SMITH RICHARD	4	
4	GROVES JEVON	3	1
4	LLEWELLYN GERAINT	3	1
4	VIGGERS JORDAN	3	1
4	KNOYLE TAVIS	2	2
3	MITCHELL CRAIG	3	
3	PARKER SAM	1	2
3	WILLIAMS TOM	1	2
2	FILISE TAUFAR	2	
2	KNIGHT CHRIS	2	
2	REED LOU	2	
2	HARRIES RORY	1	1
2	PHILLIPS BRYN	1	1
2	PHILLIPS IWAN	1	1
2	EDWARDS MORGAN		2
2	WILLIAMS TYLER		2
1	AP MYRDDIN LLWYARCH	1	
1	FRANCIS DAVID	1	
1	WILLIAMS LLOYD	1	
1	CONNOR MIKE		1
1	DOMACHOWSKI COREY		1
1	HALL CHARLIE		1
1	JONES LEWIS		1
1	PIPER TOM		1
1	RONAN DEAN		1
595		405	190

CARDIFF BLUES PLAYING RECORD 2014 - 2015

				SCORES FOR					SCORES AGAINST				
DATE	OPPONENTS	H/A	Res	G	T	PG	DG	Pts	G	T	PG	DG	Pts
15/08/14	EXETER (F)	H	LOST	1	2			17	3		1		24
29/08/14	LEICESTER (F)	A	LOST		1	3	1	17	1	1	3		21
07/09/14	ZEBRE	A	WON	5		2		41	1	2	3		26
14/09/14	GLASGOW	H	LOST			4		12	3		4		33
19/09/14	ULSTER	H	LOST			3		9	2		4		26
26/09/14	LEINSTER	A	LOST	2		3		23	4		3		37
03/10/14	CONNACHT	A	DREW	3		1		24	3		1		24
12/10/14	OSPREYS	A	LOST	1	1	1		15	2		4		26
18/10/14	GRENOBLE (E2)	H	WON	3	2	2		37		1	3		14
25/10/14	ROVIGO (E2)	A	WON	4	1			33	1	1	2		18
01/11/14	MUNSTER	H	LOST	1	1	4		24	1		7		28
07/11/14	NEWCASTLE (LV)	A	WON	2	1	1		22	3				21
14/11/14	SCARLETS (LV)	H	WON	1		4		19	1		2		13
23/11/14	EDINBURGH	A	LOST	1		2		13	2	1	3		28
28/11/14	TREVISIO	H	WON	4	1	1		36	2	1	2		25
06/12/14	LONDON IRISH (E2)	H	WON	3		1		24	2				14
13/12/14	LONDON IRISH (E2)	A	LOST	2		3		23	2	1	5		34
19/12/14	SCARLETS	H	WON	1	1	3		21			3		9
26/12/14	DRAGONS	H	LOST	2		1		17	2		3		23
01/01/15	DRAGONS	A	WON		1	1	1	11			3		9
10/01/15	LEINSTER	H	LOST	1		2		13	1	3			22
16/01/15	ROVIGO (E2)	H	WON	12	4			104	1	1			12
24/01/15	GRENOBLE (E2)	A	WON	4				28			1		3
01/02/15	WASPS (LV)	A	WON	6		1		45	6				42
07/02/15	LEICESTER (LV)	H	LOST			3		9	5	1	1		43
14/02/15	MUNSTER	A	LOST	1		3		16	3		4		33
20/02/15	TREVISIO	A	LOST	3		1		24	3	2	3		40
01/03/15	EDINBURGH	H	WON	3				21	1	1	1		15
06/03/15	CONNACHT	H	WON	1	1	2		18	2		1		17
27/03/15	ULSTER	A	LOST	2		1		17	2	2	4		36
04/04/15	DRAGONS (E2)	A	LOST	3				21	2	1	2		25
10/04/15	GLASGOW	A	LOST	2		1		17	4	1	1		36
25/04/15	OSPREYS	H	LOST	2		3		23	4		1		31
10/05/15	SCARLETS	A	LOST			2		6	1		3		16
16/05/15	ZEBRE	H	WON	2	3			29		1			5
				78	20	59	2	829	70	21	78		829

	PL	W	D	L	GL	TR	PG	DG	PTS	GL	TR	PG	DG	PTS
FRIENDLY	02	0	0	2	1	3	3	1	34	4	1	4	-	45
(LV) ANGLO WELSH	04	03	0	1	9	1	9	-	95	15	1	3	-	119
(E2) EUROPE 2 CUP	07	05	0	2	31	7	6	-	270	8	5	13	-	120
LEAGUE	22	07	1	14	37	9	41	1	430	43	14	58	-	545
TOTAL	35	15	1	19	78	20	59	2	829	70	21	78	-	829

CARDIFF BLUES POINTS 2013 - 2014

	TR	PG	CON	DG	PTS
PACHELL RHYS	5	31	35	1	191
ANSCOMBE GARETH	1	18	26	1	114
WILLIAMS LLOYD	12				60
DAVIES GARETH	2	8	12		58
NAVIDI JOSH	7				35
SMITH RICHARD	6				30
DACEY KRISTIAN	5				25
JENKINS ELLIS	5				25
ALLEN CORY	4				20
COOK MACAULEY	4				20
CUTHBERT ALEX	4				20
HUMBERSTONE SIMON		4	3		18
FISH DAN	3				15
JENKINS GETHIN	3				15
THOMAS ADAM	3				15
TUCULET JOAQUIN	3				15
TURNBULL JOSH	3				15
VOSAWAI MANOA	3				15
AMOROSINO LUCAS	2				10
HOBBS SAM	2				10
JONES LEWIS	2				10
NORMANDALE MILES	2				10
PENALTY TRY	2				10
WARBURTON SAM	2				10
WATTS-JONES RORY	2				10
ANDREWS SCOTT	1				5
DAVIES HARRY	1				5
DAVIES SEBASTIAN	1				5
DAVIES THOMAS	1				5
DICOMIDIS CHRIS	1				5
HOEATA JARRAD	1				5
ISAACS TOM	1				5
KNOYLE TAVIS	1				5
SMITH GARYN	1				5
WATKINS GEORGE	1				5
THOMAS WILL			1		3
	97	62	76	2	829

CARDIFF BLUES APPEARANCES 2014-2015

	TOTAL	START	SUBS
COOK MACAULEY	31	14	17
TURNBULL JOSH	30	26	4
NAVIDI JOSH	29	23	6
DACEY KRISTIAN	28	13	15
HOBBS SAM	27	15	12
EVANS GAVIN	26	23	3
JONES ADAM	25	21	4
WILLIAMS LLOYD	25	19	6
REES MATTHEW	24	17	7
VOSAWAI MANOA	24	12	12
PACHELL RHYS	23	22	1
JENKINS ELLIS	23	13	10
DAVIES GARETH	23	9	14
PAULO FILO	22	20	2
ALLEN CORY	22	19	3
SMITH RICHARD	21	18	3
THOMAS ADAM	21	17	4
KNOYLE TAVIS	21	9	12
JONES LEWIS	19	8	11
FILISE TAUF'A'AO	19	7	12
CUTHBERT ALEX	18	18	
HOEATA JARRAD	18	17	1
ANDREWS SCOTT	18	4	14
WARBURTON SAM	17	17	
ANSCOMBE GARETH	17	15	2
DAVIES THOMAS	17	6	11
JENKINS GETHIN	15	13	2
FISH DAN	15	11	4
WILLIAMS RHYS	15	5	10
TUCULET JOAQUIN	13	13	
REED LOU	13	11	2
AMOROSINO LUCAS	12	12	
DICOMIDIS CHRIS	11	10	1
ISAACS TOM	11	5	6
MITCHELL CRAIG	11	5	6
WALSH GERAINT	11	5	6
SMITH GARYN	10	6	4
NORMANDALE MILES	9	3	6
JENKINS OWEN	5	5	
HUMBERSTONE SIMON	5	2	3
WATTS-JONES RORY	5	2	3
HEWITT DAFYDD	4	2	2
ROACH BEN	4		4
GROVES JEVON	3	2	1
WATKINS GEORGE	3	2	1
THYER BRADLEY	3		3
WILLIAMS TOMOS	3		3
SHEEKEY JAMES	2	2	
SUMMERHILL ALED	2	2	
WILLIAMS TOM	2	2	

CARDIFF BLUES APPEARANCES 2014-2015

	TOTAL	START	SUBS
DAVIES HARRY	2	1	1
DAVIES SEBASTIAN	2	1	1
BELCHER LIAM	2		2
LEWIS ETHAN	2		2
JONES IEUAN	1	1	
LEWIS DILLON	1		1
LODGE CRAIG	1		1
PHILLIPS JACK	1		1
THOMAS WILL	1		1
VIGGERS JORDAN	1		1
789	525	264	

CARDIFF RFC PLAYING RECORD 2014 - 2015

	OPPONENTS	H/A	Result	GL	TR	PG	DG	Pts	GL	TR	PG	DG	Pts
16/08/14	COVENTRY (F)	H	WON	2	2	2		30	2	1	2		25
23/08/14	MERTHYR (F)	A	WON	3	1			26		1	2		11
30/08/14	RICHMOND (F)	H	WON	1	1	4		24	1	1	3		21
06/09/14	PONTYPRIDD (BIC)	A	LOST			4		12	1	3	4	2	40
13/09/14	BRIDGEND	H	WON	6	2			52	3		2		27
20/09/14	LLANELLI	H	WON	2	2	1		27	1	1	1		15
27/09/14	CROSS KEYS	H	LOST	1	1	4		24	3		3		30
04/10/14	LLANDOVERY	A	WON		2	4		22	1		2		13
11/10/14	NEWPORT	H	WON	2		1		17		1	3		14
01/11/14	CARM'THEN QUINS	A	LOST			3		9	3		2		27
21/11/14	ABERAVON	A	WON	1		4		19	1	1	2		18
13/12/14	NEATH	H	WON	3	2	1		34	3	1			26
20/12/14	BEDWAS	H	WON	1		5		22	2		2		20
27/12/14	PONTYPRIDD	H	LOST			2		6	2				14
03/01/15	EBBW VALE	A	LOST	1	1	2		18	3	3			36
17/01/15	BRIDGEND	A	WON	4	1	4		45	1	1	1		15
31/01/15	CROSS KEYS	A	LOST	1		2		13	1	1	2		18
10/02/15	BRIDGEND (CUP)	H	LOST	1	1			12	2	1	1		22
14/02/15	CARM'THEN QUINS	H	WON	1	4	2		33	3				21
28/02/15	NEATH	A	LOST	1		1		10	1	1	1		15
07/03/15	NEWPORT	A	WON	1	2	1	1	23		2	2		16
11/03/15	LLANDOVERY	H	LOST		1	2		11	1	1	1	1	18
20/03/15	ABERAVON	H	LOST	3		1		24	2	1	3		28
04/04/15	PONTYPRIDD	A	LOST	1		1		10	5	1			40
11/04/15	LLANELLI	A	WON	1	4	1		30	1	2	2		23
18/04/15	BEDWAS	A	WON	4		2		34	1	1	3		21
24/04/15	EBBW VALE	H	LOST					0		2	2		16
				41	27	54	1	587	44	27	46	3	590

	PL	W	D	L	GL	TR	PG	DG	Pts	GL	TR	PG	DG	Pts
FRIENDLY (F)	3	3	0	0	6	4	6	-	80	3	3	7	-	57
CUP (C)	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	-	12	2	1	1	-	22
BIC CUP (BIC)	1	0	0	1	-	-	4	-	12	1	3	4	2	40
LEAGUE	22	12	0	10	34	22	44	1	483	38	20	34	1	471
TOTAL	27	15	0	12	41	27	54	1	587	44	27	46	3	590

CARDIFF RFC POINTS SCORERS 2014 - 2015

POINTS			TRIES	PEN G	CONV	DG
132	GUNTER	DEAN		32	18	
83	WHITTINGHAM	JAMES	1	16	15	
35	REES-HOLE	WILL	7			
35	WATKINS	GEORGE	7			
30	DAVIES	HARRY	5	1	1	
25	SLATER	TOM	5			
20	STEPHENS	MIKE	4			
20	WYN-BENHAM	ELLIS	4			
18	LLEWELLYN	GERAINT		4	3	
16	GRIFFIN	JOE	1	1	4	
15	PENALTY TRY		3			
13	FISH	DAN	2			1
10	EDWARDS	JOHNATHAN	2			
10	JONES	IEUAN	2			
10	KNIGHT	CHRIS	2			
10	MARLEY	MATTHEW	2			
10	PHILLIPS	JACK	2			
10	POWELL	SHAUN	2			
10	SMITH	RICHARD	2			
10	WHITE	NICK	2			
10	WILLIAMS	RHYS	2			
10	YOUNG	CERI	2			
5	DOUGLAS	BRUCE	1			
5	HALE	MIKE	1			
5	KNOYLE	TAVIS	1			
5	LEWIS	ETHAN	1			
5	LOXTON	JAMES	1			
5	PASCOE	THOMAS	1			
5	ROACH	BEN	1			
5	SHEEKEY	JAMES	1			
5	WILLIAMS	TOM	1			
587			68	54	41	1

TENNIS SECTION CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2015

I am delighted to announce that yet again our membership is at a new record level. At time of writing, we have 176 members. A big thank you to our hardworking membership secretary, Lucinda Anderson, who has dealt with the increase and liaised with Cardiff Athletic Club extremely efficiently.

On the tennis court pride of place, this year, goes to the men's 2nd team who captained by Paul Carter came 3rd in their league. The men's 1st team, captained by Andrew Dodd, were extremely unlucky with injuries throughout the summer and were unfortunately just relegated. It was the same story for the ladies first team unfortunately. The ladies 2nd team came 4th. However, I am optimistic that we can bounce back next year as we have a number of very talented juniors and new members due to make an impact on the teams and, surely, we won't be so unlucky with injuries again! The Team Player of the Year (being the player who has won the most matches during the summer season) has this year been won by Mike Shipman. A special mention also for Angela Whittle, who won 9 out of 12 matches.

We had a busy year socially as usual. Alex Williams organised an excellent quiz night. The Lisvane Festival Fun Run and BBQ hosted at our club was a great success and very popular as ever. Once a month, the men's section have had a "social tennis night" on a Wednesday evening. Many thanks to Gareth Harvey for coming up with this idea and running the first such event. We have had further such events, equally as successful, organised by Leigh Caveney and Des Whittle. These are set to continue.

On behalf of all members I would like to thank our hardworking committee members.

As everyone will be aware, the big news is that we finally received planning permission for two new courts this year. I would like to thank Ron Kelly for all his hard work over the years in helping us obtain this planning permission. A sub-committee was formed to organise the necessary removal of the trees and to obtain quotations for the new courts. This sub-committee comprises Mike Salter, Mike Braithwaite, Steve Finch, Clive Bolton and myself. This has inevitably involved a lot of time and effort of those involved. One member in particular has been especially proactive and energetic in dealing with all matters relating to the two new courts. This member is Clive Bolton and I am very pleased to announce that I am this year awarding the Chairman's Cup to Clive.

Having obtained the necessary quotations we are now in the middle of the fund-raising process and again Clive has put in a lot of hard work and it looks very likely that we will, thanks to his completion of the necessary paperwork and meeting with the relevant people, shortly be in receipt of a Sports Wales Development Grant.

Mike Salter is chairing another sub-committee with regard to fund-raising. This sub-committee is made up of Mike, Gareth Harvey, Leigh Caveney, Emma Reid-Jones, Jim Allen and Chris George. We do very much need these additional two courts. We have almost doubled our membership in the last five years and this, coupled with the increase in coaching being delivered, is putting pressure on court availability.

Our coaches Chris and Tony continue to be very busy throughout the year. Several of the juniors who receive regular coaching have made an impact on our Annual Club Tournament this year and the large number and high standard of play from the juniors bodes very well for our future. Greg Jones has again helped Chris and Tony with the coaching and he is himself a Level 2 LTA coach and Greg featured in two finals on Finals day. A special mention must be made of Tony hosting and organising a Grade 4

tournament at our club in May. This tournament was open to all age groups and not merely juniors and attracted competitors from far and wide. The tournament ran Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 5.30pm and many members gave up some of their time to help Tony ensure that it was a great success. Events like this greatly raise our profile in the tennis world and help attract new members.

Our Annual Club Tournaments reached their climax again in September although we were very unlucky with the weather in the two weeks leading up to Finals day. This meant that unfortunately many matches had to be played in wet conditions, which was obviously not ideal. A big thank you and congratulations to our Captain, Andrew Dodd, who managed to get all the matches played, notwithstanding the wet weather.

In the men's singles Final, it was a repeat of last year's Final between Chris and Tony, with this year Tony getting his revenge. In the ladies singles Final, Rebecca Saunders-Nash became, I think, our youngest ever winner of any trophy. Rebecca had a busy day as her and Sheridan won the ladies doubles. In the men's doubles, Chris and Andrew prevailed in an excellent three set match over Tony and Mike. In the mixed doubles, Carole and myself just managed to win after three very close sets with Paula and Greg. In the men's doubles plate Final it was a real battle of the youngsters with Greg and Sam coming out on top.

The full results on Finals day were as follows:

Men's Singles Winner: Tony Symons-Hicks

Runner up: Chris George

Ladies Singles Winner: Rebecca Saunders-Nash

Runner up: Sheridan Snook

Men's Doubles Winners: Chris George & Andrew Dodd

Runners up: Tony Symons-Hicks & Mike Jones

Ladies Doubles Winners: Rebecca Saunders-Nash & Sheridan Snook

Runners up: Caroline Jacobson & Sue Jones

Mixed Doubles Winners: Carole Stokes & Simon Stokes

Runners up: Paula Jones and Greg Jones

Men's Doubles Plate Winners: Greg Jones & Sam Lynn

Runners Up: Will Jowett and James Symons-Hicks

Simon Stokes - Chairman

1. The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country and the position of the various provinces. It is a very interesting and useful summary of the state of the country at the time of the survey.

2. The second part of the report deals with the results of the survey. It is a very detailed and accurate account of the work done and the results obtained. It is a very valuable contribution to the knowledge of the country and its resources.

3. The third part of the report deals with the conclusions of the survey. It is a very clear and concise summary of the main findings of the survey and the recommendations made. It is a very useful guide to the reader.

4. The fourth part of the report deals with the appendixes. It contains a list of the names of the various places visited and a list of the names of the various people who were interviewed. It is a very useful reference for the reader.

5. The fifth part of the report deals with the index. It is a very complete and accurate index of the report, which will enable the reader to find the information he is looking for very easily.

6. The sixth part of the report deals with the bibliography. It is a list of the books and papers which have been consulted in the preparation of the report. It is a very useful reference for the reader.

7. The seventh part of the report deals with the list of illustrations. It is a list of the maps and photographs which are included in the report. It is a very useful reference for the reader.

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