

# The Jammers Fans Association Committee Meeting

## September 2022

**Date:** Wednesday 21 September 2022

**Location:** The Blue Boar, Maldon.

**Attendees;** Tony Williams (TW), Richard Buckby (RB), Anthony Knight (AK)  
Ross Holland (RH), Graham Mann (GM), Lee Witney (LW), Scott Mitchell (SM),  
Keiran Ribet (KR),

**Apologies;** Gary Rayner (GR), Mitchell Ribet (MR), Kieran Ribet (KR), Alan Taylor (AT)

**Chair:** Tony Williams

**Minutes:** Ross Holland

Subject & Minutes		Action Decision Message
1.	<b>Welcome</b> General welcome and a note of a venue change, following closure of the original venue.	M
2.	<b>Minutes of last meeting</b>  Minutes of last meeting were agreed as correct.	M
3.	<b>Chairs Update</b>  Meeting arranged with the club for 1 <sup>st</sup> October.  Far end of the stadium to be discussed at next meeting with the club.  TW had written to Jerry Carter regarding whether ACS could provide alternative JFA t-shirts.	TW TW TW
4.	<b>Treasurers &amp; 100 Club Update</b> At time of meeting JFA No.1 account had a closing balance of £711.18, with the 100 Club closing balance of £992.60.  It was agreed to ringfence the coach money within the existing account to avoid it being spent on other items.	M AK

## 5. Secretaries Update

No updates since last meeting.

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## 6. Media Update

LW to speak to Maldon & Burnham Standard with the hope of getting more club articles in their publication. Update Note: Since the meeting the Standard has published an article regarding the success of the JFA.

LW

It was agreed by the committee to pay £140 for a half page advert in the club programme advertising the 100 Club for the remainder of the season, with the hope of attracting more participants.

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A questionnaire produced by LW asking JFA members about their experiences with the Club has been well received, with the returned answers published in the match day programme.

M

RH suggested an 'introduction to Club volunteers' article in the matchday programme, where a volunteer is profiled each matchday. All agreed this would be a good idea and something which should be followed through.

A

Thanks were put on record to SM for writing the match reports which are being published in Nub News.

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## 7. Membership Update

RB suggested not providing JFA membership cards for next year. Some of the cards for this current year hadn't been collected, we would require a different supplier, and it was generally felt they weren't necessary. An alternative method of receiving member benefits, such as retail discounts, would need to be explored if this were the case.

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It was noted to start promoting JFA renewal through Nov/Dec ahead of membership expiring on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

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Members should be asked if they'd like to set-up a membership standing order to ensure memberships are automatically renewed each year.

M

The use of a Sum Up reader was again raised a good way to sign new members on match days, or allow existing members to renew. The use of a Sum Up reader had previously been discussed to assist the raffle and get over the "sorry, I don't have cash" excuse for not buying a ticket. This is to be explored further.

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## 8. Club Update

RB noted the PA system had broken and therefore not available for any announcements on match days. The club were looking into repair/replacement, but it was not known how long this would take.

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The former Galostar north stand was to be renamed the 'Maldon & Tiptree Youth FC Community Stand' courtesy of Roy Warner for a period of two years. Update: This has been completed and is looking fantastic.

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RB is pushing the club for an update on merchandise, which should include hats, scarves, and coats. It was generally felt these should be available ahead of winter before supporters buy alternatives.

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## 9. Match Day Raffle

During the last home match RH priced the raffle at £1 per ticket instead of £1 per strip, as it was felt (a) it saves on raffle books, (b) it ensures ALL tickets get placed into the draw, and (c) it gives the same winning odds with no more effort. It was agreed this should continue and RB would speak to Mike Hunt.

RB

SM suggest we get a better receptacle to collect money rather than the bucket. Open to suggestions.

A

RH suggested acquiring a gazebo branded with the club/JFA logos to provide shelter for the raffle stand throughout the winter. It could also be used as a promotional tool at other events throughout the year. It was agreed this would be a good idea and RH to investigate further.

RH

RB suggested acquiring a better table to replace the wobbly table currently used for the raffle, and this was agreed. NOTE: Since the meeting this table has been purchased.

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## 10. Food Bank Collection

The recent food bank collection had been dropped-off with thanks from the Maldon Food Pantry.

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TW suggested holding another collection before Christmas. Looking at the fixture list this would be on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December v Gorleston.

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## 11. Mayor of Maldon Event

TW had spoken to the Mayor who wishes to hold an event at the club to raise money for the Mayor's charities in early 2023. This could be a quiz night or similar, with further details to be established over the coming weeks.

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## 12. Christmas Party

The date for a possible Christmas party for JFA members and Club players/staff would be Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

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TW to speak to Balti Bhujon in Maldon regarding possible catering for the event.

TW

All to look into entertainment options including DJ.

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Prize draw to be held with Club/sponsors/local businesses approached to contribute prizes.

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## 13. Member Suggestions

None presented.

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## 14. AOB

RB mentioned Wilkins & Sons had been contacted regarding pitch side and programme advertising.

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RH Suggested acquiring some flags for use at away matches, which was agreed. NOTE: Since the meeting two flags have been purchased with a delivery date of 10<sup>th</sup> October.

RH

All committee members to consider local charities and bring suggestions to next meeting.

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## 15. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 @ 7.30pm Blue Boar

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Meeting closed @ 21:00

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