



**Area 8 Lancs and Manx  
331<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting  
4<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

**Minutes**

**1. Welcome and Grace**

Welcome was made by Mike Huston, Chairman of Liverpool 8 Round Table

**2. Aims and Objects**

Was magnificently read by Raoul Hamilton-Burke , Liverpool 8's newest member.

**3. Approval of Notice Convening Meeting**

Proposed by Horwich Westhoughton and District 989 and seconded by Bootle Crosby and District 163, who despite requests decided to stay.

**4. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence have been received from Past Area Chairmen Chris Hassall (1982-1983), Steve Gorski (1990-1991) and Brian King, and Warrington 74, Rushen 1072 and Leyland 665 Round Tables

**5. Roll Call of Tables Present**

Tables Present: Liverpool 8, Southport Woodvale 43, Bootle Crosby and District 163, Liverpool Childwall 644, Leyland 665 (obviously not talking to each other!), Huyton 856, Horwich Westhoughton and District 989 and Southport Hesketh 1199.

Past Area Chairmen present – Mike Chase (1998 – 1999), Jon Sockett (2000 – 2001), Mike Orme (2001 – 2002) and Lee Collier (2009 – 2010).

41 Clubs present: Southport Hesketh, Horwich Westhoughton and District.

National President John Kilshaw

**6. Welcome to other guests and visitors**

None

**7. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

No minutes from the previous meeting are currently available. They will be distributed when someone has the chance to make them up.

**8. Approval of Minutes**

As they are not available Liverpool 8 approved the motion to distribute when they are available and Huyton 856 seconded. This was approved.

## 9. Matters arising from Minutes

Surprisingly none!

## 10. Correspondence and Visiting Trophy

No correspondence has been received and the visiting trophy is STILL with Ormskirk.

## 11. National Presidents Remarks and Questions – John Kilshaw

National President John Kilshaw talked about Wonderful Wound Table , the forthcoming Special Meeting and highlighted the challenge of retaining members and reducing resignations. He then talked about numbers, statistics, regional workshops and how we should share and support each other in table and keep investing in Membership.

John closed by thanking those that supported him at National AGM, especially Lee and Mark and opened the floor to questions.

Peter Rees asked where the strategy the CEO is working from has come from – John replied the Special Meeting in Jan 09 set the strategy.

Nick Ormerod asked when the next workshop will be – 26<sup>th</sup> June in Birmingham and John proceeded to explain what the workshops are about and how you should go as there is no CD or presentation to explain what to do when you are in a key post. The encouragement was we do not want to be ‘chuggers’.

Paul Welsby asked if we have approached universities. John emphasised retention is the issue, not attracting new members so that is what we should address.

Andrew Roberts questioned the numbers of resignations at 850 a year and whether we knew why they resign. All are sent a questionnaire after they resign so, for those that bother to fill it in, we do know why.

John finished off by presenting Mark with a banner, numberplate, cufflinks and his front door keys, and also a numberplate to the President.

## 12. Area Rally Report - Mike Orme

Mike explained we have 8 rooms left, bookings will only be taken with forms and money. The format of the weekend was explained for the new guys.

## 13. Executive Reports

### ➤ Secretary Report - Carl Davies

Area meetings will be along this format with a pack of reports for each table. Only secretary's will get correspondence so they must distribute to their tables. Carl wants to pull table secretary's together.

Paul Welsby asked for Chairmen to be included in the distribution as we can't trust Secretary's, and Kilsh emphasised AMR cut off is 16<sup>th</sup> June. Carl promised to chase those still outstanding.

### ➤ Treasurer Report – Richard Gormley

-ve surplus at the end of the year! Lee Collier asked when area subs needed to be paid.

Richard highlighted invoices would be sent out after AMR's had been completed and would need paying within 30 days.

### ➤ Regional Representative Report – Malcolm Mair

Report is in pack, and please attend the special meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> June. The Chairman reminded everyone it is up to us to steer table through this meeting

### ➤ Membership Office Report – Dave Yates

Dave was not present at the meeting so the Chairman filled in for him. After much discussion about how we should promote ourselves and how other areas do it, Huyton 856 proposed we

buy 20,000 post cards for use by all tables in area at a cost of £183 less £39.99, which was seconded by Southport Hesketh 1199 and unanimously agreed.

➤ Media and P.R. – Adam Mackridge

Adam was not present so the Chairman just asked everyone to give him your support in developing the new website.

➤ Sports – Lee Collier

Lee promoted NSW as he has purchased 50 sports only options at £32.50 each, and has also planned a polo shirt which will make the whole package £48. Please book in for this with Lee.

Piggy and a go karting day at 3 Sisters on 9/9/10 for £30 a head with Areas 34 and 46, to make it a Regional event were promoted.

➤ IRO & CSLO - Andrew Dooley

Nothing to report, but a report will be circulated next week – honest.

➤ Area Vice Chairman Report – Malcolm Mair

Report in the pack, though apologised as it is labelled 'Chairman's report'. Promised to visit as many tables as possible this year.

➤ Immediate Past Area Chairman Report - Lee Collier

Nothing to report

➤ Area Presidents Report - Peter Rees

Report as in pack, and he's thoroughly enjoying himself.

➤ Area Chairman's Report – Mark Howard

Mark produced a great speech to encourage tabling and for us all to think of this as 'the opening chapter of the future', get to the Special Meeting in June and influence the future of Table.

Rushen is now the only Table on the Isle of Man and are holding their Charter on 16<sup>th</sup> October – lets go and support them. Book in with the Area Secretary.

Carl Davies highlighted that flights to the Island at £49 return.

Reese then offered badges to all and sundry.

#### 14. Any Other Business

Socko promoted the National President's sales stand. Paul Welsby asked if anyone knew the whereabouts of Warrington's Charter that was exchanged for the Bell at Haydock, and Carl Davies asked for the cards to be returned.

#### 15. Irving Gorski Trophy

Presented to Paul Welsby for proposing to invest in the future with the postcards.

#### 16. Date and Venue of Next Meeting

Southport Hesketh will host on 1/10/10, possibly with the Ten Pin Bowling competition.

#### 17. RTBI – 8.53 p.m. – off to the pool!