

Stoke City Southern Supporters Club AGM 5th June 2009 at The Dartmouth Arms, NW1

These minutes are 'draft', subject to agreement at our 2010 AGM. If you were in attendance and have any comments, please forward them to Paul Tunnicliffe (club@scssc.co.uk). Minutes by Gary Kemp

Attendee List:

Les Tuck (Chair), Neil Chadwick (Treasurer/Publications/Website), Julia Zuk (Membership/Fans Forum), Gary Kemp (Secretary), Norman Croucher (Committee Member), Garry Zuk (Committee Member), Paul Tunnicliffe (Committee Member).
Ted McCoy, Margaret Croucher, Monica Hartland, Maureen Sparks, Isobel Tunnicliffe, Chris Reynolds, Nick May, Kevin Billings, Steve Fowler, Glen Goodwin, Nick Pepper, Christine Bailey

Apologies:

Jeff Lea (Vice Chair), John Wood (APFSCIL Rep), Steve Henry, Denise Faulkner, Keith Mackenzie-Ingle, John Maguire, Gordon Morse, Stephen Heath, Dave Banks, George W E Smith, Paul Stokes, Gregory Goodwin, Paul Goodwin, Andrew Dobinson, Steve Lyne

Minutes previous meeting

These were accepted

Chair's opening remarks

Les welcomed everyone to the 42nd AGM of the Southern Supporters Club. He congratulated Stoke for a successful season and thanked Tony Pulis and Peter Coates for everything they've done for the Club.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

Membership

Julia reported the club ended the season with a bigger membership than the previous season, with 159 paying members and 126 family members.

In response to a question on membership cards, Julia advised members the old system of allocating membership numbers linked to seniority was no longer practicable and would not be reintroduced.

Treasurer

Neil provided members with a breakdown of the accounts (see over the page for a copy).

The Club had a surplus for the year of around £600. Neil advised that the main reason for the surplus is that membership income is up, including £735 from donations. Also, the amounts claimed for printing/distributing the newsletter did not fully reflect the real costs this year (likely to go up next year).

Neil advised members that the committee wanted to keep membership subscriptions at £10.

It was agreed next season's statement of accounts would itemise donations.

As with last season, it was agreed to send a copy of the Statement of Accounts with the next newsletter.

It was also agreed the Club would explore the possibility of purchasing a season ticket for use by members. **(NB Secretary's Note:** the club has since purchased a season ticket in the Boothen End)

Press & Publicity

Julia advised members the Club would write an article celebrating our 40th Anniversary and try to persuade the Oatcake or matchday programme to publish it.

Newsletter/Magazine

7 newsletters were produced during the season.

The Annual Magazine was a bumper issue to celebrate the 40th Anniversary and promotion to the Premier League. Spare copies were still available for £3.00. Lisa Bibby had volunteered to provide graphic design for the newsletter and magazine.

Website

Neil advised members there had been a lot of interest in the car share page.

The travel page would be updated for next season making it more flexible.

Travel

Gary reported that because of Virgin's continued intransigence it had proved impossible to run rail trips to games. However, APFSCIL had been lobbying hard on members behalf and were hopeful Virgin would reintroduce Group travel for affiliated clubs.

Les advised members the club still ran minibus/car trips to all midweek matches outside the London area and that Steve Henry had volunteered to share the driving.

Fans Forum

Julia advised members she rarely attended meetings as they were held during the working day.

Election of Officers

Les advised members that the Club was always looking for volunteers to join the committee.

Gary Kemp stood down as secretary. Paul Tunnicliffe was elected in his place.

The rest of the committee was re-elected enbloc.

Any Other Business

It was agreed to send a letter of congratulations to the Club for a successful season. **(NB Secretary's note:** A letter was sent to Tony Pulis).

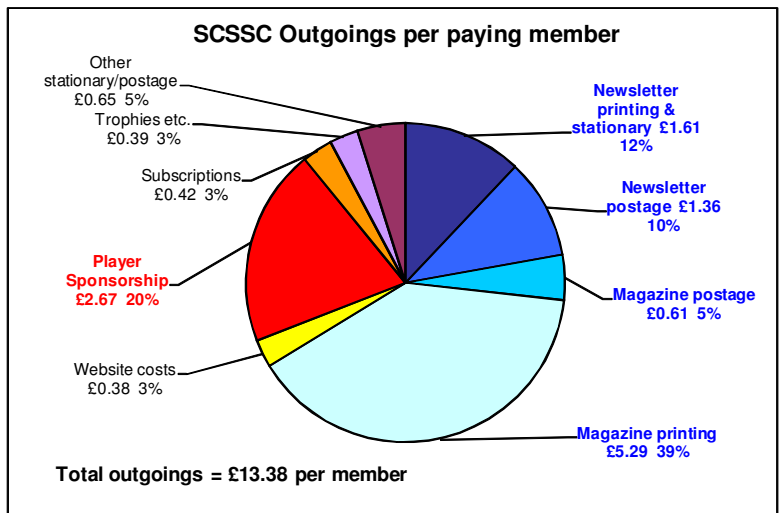
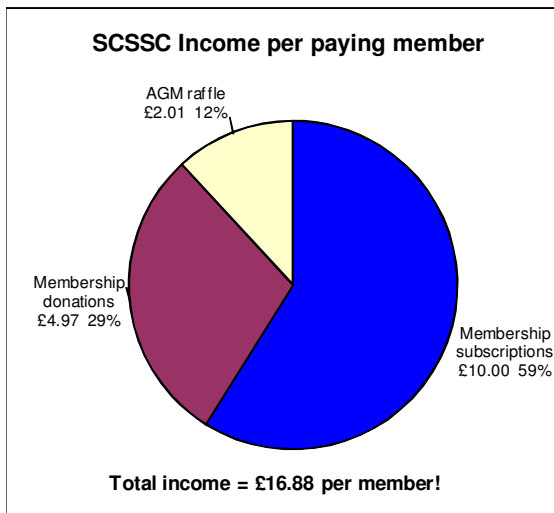


Stoke City Southern Supporters Club Statement of Accounts 2008/09



Prepared by Neil Chadwick (Treasurer) on 4 June 2009, for AGM on 5 June 2009
2007/08 figures are as presented at previous AGM on 6 June 2008

Main Account	Income		Expenditure		Remarks
	This season 2008/09	Last season (2007/08)	This season 2008/09	Last season (2007/08)	
Membership	£ 2,305.50	£ 1,749.00	£ -	£ -	Includes donations
Newsletter printing & stationary	£ -	£ -	£ 247.90	£ 218.42	Not all printing costs claimed, i.e total less than it should be Next season we will need to buy a new printer
Newsletter postage	£ -	£ -	£ 208.74	£ 206.25	
Magazine postage	£ -	£ -	£ 94.23	£ -	
Magazine printing	£ -	£ -	£ 814.15	£ 760.00	Cost was high last year due to it being a special edition
Website costs	£ -	£ -	£ 58.50	£ 51.57	
Player Sponsorship	£ -	£ -	£ 411.25	£ 352.50	This will be £460 in 2008/09
Subscriptions	£ -	£ -	£ 65.00	£ 85.00	APFSCIL incl competitions, and FSF. Nil to Fans Forum
Trophies etc.	£ -	£ -	£ 60.00	£ 45.00	Player of season
Waddington suite tickets	£ 587.50	£ 394.20	£ 705.00	£ 253.20	Unfortunately we had one unsold ticket in 2009
Other stationary/postage	£ -	£ -	£ 100.13	£ -	Membership cards (in recent years these costs have been waived as a 'donation')
AGM costs	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 100.00	No charge was made by Nick for last years AGM
AGM raffle	£ 310.00	£ 265.00	£ -	£ -	Last years raffle
John Ritchie fund donation	£ 135.00	£ 350.00	£ -	£ 500.00	We collected more money, eventually more or less breaking even on contribution the club made last year
Bank & CC interest / fees	£ -	£ 0.89	£ -	£ 36.94	None this year
	£ 3,338.00	£ 2,759.09	£ 2,764.90	£ 2,608.88	
Overall surplus	£ 573.10	£ 150.21			
Surplus/Income	17%				
Bank balance at last AGM on 6 June 2008	£ 1,643.25				
Add this years surplus of	£ 573.10				
Our bank balance at 4 June 2009	£ 2,216.35				
<i>(includes allowance for some cheques recently issued/received that may not have cleared yet)</i>					
Travel Account (excl minibus)	Income		Expenditure		Remarks
	This season 2007/08	Last season (2006/07)	This season 2007/08	Last season (2006/07)	
			No activity on account in 2008/09		
	£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 0.00	
Bank balance at last AGM on 6 June 2008	£ 62.07				
Add this years surplus of	£ -				
Our bank balance at 4 June 2009	£ 62.07				



Notes:

- Based on current membership (over 150) which has increased from 120 last year
- Ritchie fund donations, Waddington Suite ticket purchases (normally cost neutral) and other accounting oddities ignored in the above