

**Minutes of a GBU meeting held at Linksfield  
at 12h30 Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

***Present***

D Ingersent chairman  
T Meyer treasurer  
J Grant secretary  
B Donde  
J Solovei

***Apologies***

D Chetty

***Background***

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the upcoming mini congress with Joel. However Joel was unaware of the meeting and was surprised when he discovered that we had proceeded without him. Joel (the painter) on the other hand was delighted that he had been invited and was somewhere in Linksfield looking for the club. To the best of my knowledge he may still be wandering around Linksfield....

***Welcome***

Deirdre welcomed those present.

***Mini Congress***

It was agreed that we should offer cash prizes to the winners along with the spot prizes that Joel had organized but this would be finalized in a meeting where Joel was present. Deirdre would check with our Muslim players whether 2pm would be a more suitable time for start of play on the Friday.

***GSC***

In his absence Devan was voted in as our representative

***Trials***

It was agreed that as a thank you to those who freely gave of their time to monitor Trials We would offer a dinner for two. James would send out the emails.

***SABF subs***

James explained that it was very easy to recognize those that still had these subs outstanding as a message appeared next to their name when posting masterpoints. Most of our clubs had done a good job at cleaning up the backlog but Rob was still our weakest Link. He went on to share his view that there was next to no one who couldn't afford to pay subs and although we had set up a separate Friendship account for helping those in need we had never used the monies in it. As in our last meeting it was agreed that this account should be closed and the balance transferred to the GBU account, Tor please note.

***Subs for National Players***

James then raised the possibility of subsidizing our Gauteng players who had been chosen to represent South Africa. It was possible that the WCBU would receive a subsidy from their local Sports Council so should we follow suit? This proposal was received a luke warm reception as we had far more representatives than the other unions. However it was agreed that we should wait and see what happened in the Cape and in the meantime James would approach the GSC for financial support.

The meeting was then closed