

**MINUTES of the MEETING of GUILDFORD REFEREES SOCIETY held on MONDAY 8
SEPTEMBER 2008 at GODALMING TOWN F.C.**

Vice Chairman Steve Ferris (in Geoff's holiday absence) opened the meeting at 7.58pm with 20 members present. He welcomed everyone to the meeting. There were six **apologies for absence** – Richard Garland, Geoff Comley, Barnabus Leavers, Cyril West, John Thornton and Bill Matthews. The minutes of the August meeting were printed in the Magazine. There were **no matters arising**.

Hon. Secretary's report – Brian advised that as of last week there were 1075 Referees registered with County. SCRA membership stood at 345. We had now received our £180 back from the RA as our share of the proceeds for selling tickets. Thanks to everyone who took part and to Steve and Cyril for organising locally on our behalf.

Training Report – Tony advises that a course will begin w/c 15 September and is fully subscribed. Vince Penfold is now looking for names for the January course.

Hon. Treasurer's report – membership remained at 54 and one associate. Money numbers were as per the September Magazine.

Magazine Editor – appealed for articles for the October edition. He also advised that he had received some suggestions for ongoing printing of the Magazine and would be following these up. Alan Hook, now based in Sussex, had sent his best wishes to the Society.

Supplies Officer – In Cyril's absence, Ray Cotton advised that we could buy copies of the 2008-09 FIFA L.O.A.F. in bulk via the FA. Mike Stobbart took the names of colleagues who would be interested in a copy and agreed to send these on to Cyril.

Match Incidents – Tony Ireland reminded everyone to ensure that substitutes warming up opposite you (when you're acting as Assistant) should always be clearly distinguished from those actually playing so there can be no mistakes in who is and who isn't taking part.

Colin Henderson asked if everyone understood the situation with offside if the second rearmost defender's own momentum takes him off the field of play, thereby leaving an attacker appearing to be in an offside position. Consensus was yes, we did understand.

HALF TIME

Brian Fish led the second half of the meeting with a DVD about Offside decisions and interpretation, the commentary on the DVD coming from Mike Riley.

AOB – Vic Rolland advised that Derek Stovold had been appointed SCFA Governance Officer.

Roger Hall had the winning ticket but selected the wrong key in the draw. The meeting closed at 9.50pm.