



DRFC ExCom Minutes	
Date/Time:	Wednesday 29 th May 2024
Location:	Doha Sports Park
Attendees:	Tim Newnham (TN), Tom Robertson (TR), Pip Innes (PI), Curtis Wolstenholme (CW), Andy Coomer (AC)
Apologies	Justin Murray (JM), Jo Addison (JA)

Item	Details	Action & Rep/s
2023-24		
1.A.	<p>Season Feedback from Section Reps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positives (to build upon) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> M&Y participated in 3 trips last season, aiming to add 1 more to the calendar for next season. M&Y plan to introduce a 'player-progression' pathway next season, providing access for all coaches to 'Rugby Coach Weekly' website and offering 1 coach from each age group to undertake the World Rugby Coaching Level 1 certification. Ladies participated in 3 rounds of the DXB 7's league this season, aiming to participate in 4-5 rounds in the upcoming season. Men returned to WAP. An expanded league next season will mean a minimum of 15 WAP games across the season. Vets have built a good inter-club relationship with the Blue Falcons through joint training sessions. Vets' main sponsors re-confirmed for next season. Negatives (areas to improve) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> M&Y would like more domestic competitions (only 1 competition in 2023/24 season). Travel planning needs to improve (organisation in a timelier manner). Momentum in the senior playing numbers drops post-December. All sections to work on keeping numbers and interest high throughout the season. More sponsor interaction required - social events involving the sponsors, invitations to all matches & tournaments, details of the sponsors to be made clearer to members. More 'whole club' events required throughout the season. 	
1.B.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AGM - Reminder to all sections that the AGM is being held on Saturday June 8th at 4pm. Registration is mandatory, and non-members are not eligible to attend. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Reps



- **Season Requirements (reminder)**

- **Budgets (travel)** - Reps to provide requirements for next season regarding number of trips and people attending and the subsidies required (flights/hotels/F&B/etc). Vital to ensure proper budgeting for next season.
- **Kit/Equipment** - Reminder that all kit/equipment needs to be ordered through the summer, so requirements to be completed on google doc sent to all reps.
- **Reps** - ExCom to be updated on Section Reps for next season and any replacements (currently only Ladies Section requires a replacement).
- **Schedule (Training & Playing)** - Proposed training and competition schedule sent to all Reps. Any changes or additions to be updated ASAP to ensure all sections have as much notice as possible on the playing schedule and advance booking for training is confirmed with DSP.
- **Sponsorship** - Reminder to all sections that sponsorship contributes a large amount to travel subsidies, ALL sections should be actively approaching potential sponsors.

- All Reps

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Oval Ball

- Feedback for the JW Mariott.
 - Service was not great; F&B was being cleared away whilst only half empty
 - Slow service at the bar areas, with staff not fully knowledgeable on all beverage requests
 - Terms of the contract regarding timings of service were incorrect
 - Speaker system needs to ensure it is covering the entire ballroom, not just facing the centre
- Suggestion to confirm host earlier for next season and negotiate better rates for the package being offered.
- Event needs to be more inclusive of the whole club (M&Y reduced to a 2-minute speech).