



# NEWSLETTER

February 2013

## CAPTAINS BLOG

We're nearing the end of the season now and facing a transitional time. The AGM (news coming shortly) is the time to select new club officers and committee, and we need volunteers to step up and offer their help - we can't simply expect the same old people to keep doing these roles year-in year-out. Over the last couple of seasons the club has moved forwards a great deal, but there's still a long way to go and next season has to see us working hard to build on the progress and change made so far.



One thing which has to change is financial. It is vital that everyone pays their subs and match fees, and does so on time. Though the club can tolerate some flexibility in this respect unfortunately others can't. One problem is insurance; the bottom line is that if the club fields players who are not paid-up members of the club our liability insurance is invalid, and that means we are not allowed to play in any league match or competition. This doesn't just apply to those that haven't paid up, it means the whole policy is invalid and thus affects everyone in the club. So I'm afraid we have no choice but to implement a "no pay, no play" policy. By far the easiest way of doing this is to set up a standing order to cover all your fees, and if you can do this please let us know.

We need to see a good push from everybody towards the end of the season. We have fantastic "club spirit" - possible second to none. However the one area where we need more commitment is in the actual hockey! We've had some great social stuff going on which has been brilliant fun, but we need to see the commitment and drive on the pitch. More regulars at training, more people taking on board that training, and more implementing that training in matches would make a world of difference!

Andrew.

## GETTING THE MESSAGE ACROSS...

Our Facebook page and our Twitter account are both awesome and really pushing the club in the direction we want to be headed in. Please however note that not all of us lovely BACers are on Facebook or Twitter or if we are do not check it regularly. So if you're thinking of organising an event or want to pass a message onto reach everyone in the club, as well as posting on Facebook you can let me know and I can let you have the BAC e mail distribution list (Old School) or I can pop it in the newsletter.



For those of you that have a Facebook account and would like to be added to the BAC Facebook Page, please contact Andrew who will 'sort you out'.

## AGM & END OF SEASON DO

*\*clears throat\**

*...And now, the end is near, And so we face the final curtain. My clubmates, We'll say it clear, We'll state our case, of which we're certain.*

*We've played a season that's full. We've travelled each and every highway;*

*And more, much more than this, WE did it our way!!*

*\*Jazz hands\**

The end of the season is near which means AGM time!! The AGM/End of season do is going to be held in April. Complete details of the AGM will be e-mailed shortly along with voting details.

With this in mind if you wish to take up one of the following posts for the 2013/2014 season please see Maz or Andrew to put yourself forward, the same goes if you are in the post already and wish to stay put.

- 1st Team Captain &
- 1st Team Vice-Captain
- 2nd Team Captain &
- 2nd Team Vice-Captain
- Club Captain &
- Club Vice Captain
- Fixture Secretary
- Umpire Secretary
- Club Treasurer
- Social Committee x4



## COMMENTS OF THE MONTH

Where - Watching BAC 2s V Old Bristolians match

Who - Lorraine Adams

Katie (Wooly-Pully) was having to leave early was apologising to Maz & Andrew who had just turned up, when in stepped Lor with:

"She's got to go, she's got a big leek!!"

(this picture explains it all)



## CHEERLEADING

It's been both great and encouraging for someone who loves this club so much (that's me) to see both teams turning out to support each other in the last couple of weeks. Proving that the them v us attitude is a far and distant memory and the WE ARE A CLUB attitude is our new mantra.

BAC Spirit is alive and kicking!



## FEBRUARY RESULTS

Date	Match	Score
2 Feb	BAC v Bretforten	L 1-4
	Clifton 4 v BAC 2	D 2-2
9 Feb	BAC 2 v Old Bristolians 3	L 1-2
16 Feb	BAC v Westberries 2	L 2-4
23 Feb	BAC v Wootton Bassett	L 1-6
	Thornbury 2 v BAC 2	L 1-2

## MARCH FIXTURES

Date	Match	Venue
2 Mar	Cheltenham CS v BAC	10:15 @ Cheltenham Ladies College
	BAC 2 v Redland UWE 3	10:30 @ Home
3 Mar	Westberries 4 v BAC 2	11:30 @ Combe Dingle
9 Mar	BAC v Firebrands	10:30 @ Home
	Westberries 3 v BAC2	14:30 @ Henbury School
16 Mar	Yate 2 v BAC	13:00 @ Yate Sports Complex
	BAC2 v Westberries 4	10:30 @ Home
23 Mar	Leominster v BAC	12:00 @ Bridge Sports Park
	Lydney 3 v BAC2	12:00 @ Whitecross Leisure Centre

## WILD AT HEART

In last month's newsletter I warned you of the dangers of the Welsh infiltration, this is still a concern, and we remain on an amber warning.

This month, I need to bring to your attention, the wildlife I have spotted on the BAC sidelines!! I can confirm that these animals will cause you no harm as they are all really rather docile, but we do ask that you do not feed them as we want them to remain independent.



## BREAKING NEWS

Something miraculous and rarer than hens teeth happened on Saturday 23rd February, no BAC 1st Team didn't win, BUT I Sally Curnow did win Man of the Match!! First time for a year or two.

Best day ever.



## WHERE ARE THEY NOW



Have you ever wondered what happened to Lightening from the hit TV series Gladiators????



Wonder no more, she was spotted at the Thonbury V BAC 2 match at castle school, sources say she hasn't ever got over the TV series being axed, please be ware.

If you have anything you would like to add to the next newsletter please let me know by the 28th March - e mail - sallygappy78@live.co.uk

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