



# Club News

## 5th September 2013

### Welcome back everyone!

I have been contacted by several families and individuals during the holidays, so if this is your first session with the Bury Bombers, a particular welcome to you. We have had a busy summer, working with Culford Sports Centre towards the completion of the pathway around the container. Barry has spent many hours trying to sort out the match schedule for the first team, who are now in Division 2 South. Chris and I attended a Coaching Clinic run by BWB. I also attended the first part of my Level 3 Coaching Award Course and am about to attend a Tutor Course, run by BWB. The Committee have had its first meeting, mainly to discuss changes needed to our Constitution so that we can gain Charity Status. Look out for the very short meeting to be held next week to agree to these changes. The first team have also started their training in preparation for the forthcoming season. Finally, I would like to announce a Silent Auction, also to be held next week, where there are many great bargains to be had!

Individual Photos are going to be taken for the website; club members next week, team members the following week. Don't forget to do your hair!

### IMPORTANT

Please may I remind all members, when you are unable to attend a club session, phone 01284 728458 before 5pm or text on 07766 817685!

### Term Dates

Start: 5th September  
 Half Term break: 31st October  
 Last Club before Christmas: 12th December  
 Club Christmas meal: Thursday 19th December ***[I need someone to organise the Christmas Meal as I am unable to and we don't want to miss out!! Please speak to me if you're interested in taking on this role!]***

### WHEELY FUN'draising WEEKEND 6th/7th JULY 2013

The receipt of the generous donation of £750 by the Young Farmers was a fantastic start to our annual fundraising weekend; we were also incredibly lucky with the weather. More Bombers members were available this year to help with the event, serving great BBQ food, sumptuous cakes and playing in the games. The amazing support of many local businesses made both the Tombola and Raffle a great success. The pre-selling of raffle tickets at Bury market in the weeks leading up to the weekend netted an amazing £1800 and tickets sales continued throughout the weekend. The Saturday was less popular with bookings for teams, but this did not curb the enthusiasm of Club members. The highlight of the weekend was the final session on the Sunday when the local Police took on the Bury Fire Service.

Almost all the monies have been collected now. So I am very pleased to announce that we have made **£5,500**. Thank you to all the local businesses that gave so generously to help the weekend and also entered teams. Without their support we wouldn't be able to run this great event, and therefore the club, so we are hugely grateful for all help received!!

## Silent Auction

The Club are holding a Silent Auction next Thursday 12th September for items left from the Tombola. Items for sale are on show tonight. Bids will be accepted throughout the evening and the highest bidder will be able to redeem their goods.

All bids will need to be above the minimum, and written bids placed in an envelope, unseen by anyone else. It is suggested you add odd pennies to your bid to be able to win!

## CONSTITUTION CHANGES

The following changes need to be accepted by club members at a Special General Meeting to be held next week, 12th September. This is to allow the Charity Commission to accept our application for Charity Status.

**OLD** The Charity's objects ('the objects') are to enable people of all ages with disabilities, and their able bodied friends, to enjoy the sport of wheelchair basketball and the social experiences of a sports club, that might otherwise be difficult for them to access.

**NEW** *The Charity's objects ('the objects') are the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in particular by the provision of facilities for the playing of wheelchair basketball.*

**OLD** Every member shall have one vote. **NEW** Every member shall have one vote. If they are under 18, the parent(s)/ guardian will have one vote per player. All members will sign a 'Code of Conduct' upon joining. If they are under 18 the parent(s)/ guardian will sign on their behalf.

**OLD** At the annual general meeting of the Charity the members shall elect, from amongst themselves a chairman, a secretary and a treasurer, and senior representative *and a junior representative (between the age 14 and 17 in conjunction with clause G (5))*, who shall hold office from the conclusion of that meeting. **NEW**, take out italics

**OLD** Nobody shall be appointed as a member of the Executive Committee who is aged under 18 *(apart from the Junior Representative as mentioned in clause F)* or who would, if appointed, be disqualified under the provision of the following clause. **NEW** take out italics

### HELP NEEDED

Want to learn more about the fantastic sport of wheelchair basketball? Want to understand the rules better, help the club and really enjoy the matches?

**THEN TRAIN TO BE A TABLE OFFICIAL!**

It is not hard and certainly teaches you about the game..and in no time you will be "tabling" away! If interested, talk to Jill Anderson or Ian Perry

### Club Subs

PLEASE can I remind all players to mark the register when you pay your subs with the amount you are paying, not just a tick! Please try to bring your money each week.

Anyone who would like to join the 1st team in paying in advance for the term, please talk to Matthew, it could be to your advantage.

## CLUB HELPERS

We still need everyone to help with set up on a regular basis. If you could arrive at Culford for 6pm it would be very helpful.