

Huntingdon Local Joint Pitch Council
Minutes of the Meeting of the Huntingdon LJPC
Held on 18 October 2006

PRESENT: N Pateman, NJPC (NP)
A Starkey, Huntingdon Racecourse (AS)
S Hodgkinson, Huntingdon Racecourse (SH)
I Moss, NAB (IM)
J Christie, RBA (JC)

1. Previous Minutes

The previous minutes were approved as a true and accurate record.

2. Matters Arising

AS asked if bookmakers would be willing to sponsor a race and either put £3 on the badge box fee per day or a one off payment of £40. The date of the race is to be confirmed and entrance on the day for the public would be £5. IM and JC thought this was a good idea and will talk and confirm with AS in the spring.

3. Designated Numbers

It was agreed to keep numbers at the same levels as 2006.

Rails	6	All Meetings
Tatts	20	12 th Jan and 31 st October
	23	All other fixtures
Silver	9	9 th April, 27 th August, 26 th December
	5	7 th October
	3	23 rd May
	2	4 th March, 3 rd and 15 th May, 24 th November

4. Open Meeting

NP informed the council that concerns had been raised from the Tattersalls bookmakers that Huntingdon plan to go one enclosure and their business would be affected.

5. Racecourse Development (One Enclosure)

AS went through the redevelopment and confirmed that they plan to go one enclosure from the first fixture on January 12th 2007. AS confirmed that she has no plans to move the rails bookmakers as she thought it would not have any detrimental affect on the Tatts business as Tatts has the better facilities. IM disagreed and asked AS if the rails could be moved further up the members grandstand. AS said no to this and JC agreed that the rails should stay where they are. AS did agreed to remove the six blank rails to make access easier into Tatts from members.

JC thought this may look unusual having four rails bookmakers, a gap, two rails bookmakers and another gap and asked if the two rails bookmakers could join up to the four to make a straight line of six, making one large opening into Tatts.

During the meeting, IM agreed to the above, however, after consultation, IM informed NP that he thought it would be better for the rails bookmakers to remain how they are and remove the blank rails.

AS needs to speak to the Chairman and contact NP and confirm the decision if the two bookmakers can be moved up. **AS contacted NP and confirmed the rails bookmakers will be staying as they are and the blank rails will be removed.**

NP confirmed to AS that any work undertaken would be at the expense of Huntingdon racecourse and AS agreed.

5. Any Other Business

As informed the council that when bookmakers are paying for their betting badge, they would not be allowed to use an annual members badge. Workmen will still be allowed to have an annual members badge. AS suggested that each bookmaker buy 2 annual members badges for their staff. These can be purchased in the racecourse office.