**LEGS – TREASURER’S REPORT - 2023**

Firstly, I am most grateful to David Steel for once again ‘Inspecting’ these accounts on behalf of our members.

Our membership remains fairly consistent this year falling to 27 from 28 in the previous year. At this level of membership, the subs raised at £20.00 per member will continue to cover the cost of prizes if we purchase 6 quality bottles of wine for each match.

For the past year, following our decision to raise the match fee to £55.00, I am pleased to report that we produced a healthy match surplus of £590.00. However, we have already seen a significant rise in costs from nearly all venues for next year’s matches. By keeping the match fees at £55.00 for next year our current forecast is to roughly break even.

I would like to thank Andrew for making the majority of our wine purchases, and once again thank Tom for storing our wines in his cellar at a perfect temperature.

Paul Jones has done a fine job again sourcing and selling LEGS shirts, selling 3 more this year with just 2 shirts now remaining in stock. Bob has the important executive role of keeping some sort of control over our club tie stocks, some years they grow in number and sometimes they shrink a little. Bob says he now has 16 ties left in stock which should last us a few years or more.

For the past four years the club has paid for trophy engraving, and on behalf of our winners I would like to thank Richard Ebbs for organising this so efficiently. The total costs have gone up this year due to general increase in costs and the purchase of a ‘special’ trophy.

This year our Captain’s charity collections raised a staggering £3,236. From this figure £127.00 was used to make special donations to our members and their families following illness and sad loss, with the balance being awarded to several very grateful local charities.

In summary, I am pleased to report that as a society we remain in a strong financial position with our balance sheet strengthening by nearly £500.00 mainly due to the profit on match days. The ‘Inspected’ accounts are attached with this report showing a balance sheet totalling £3,830.

It therefore recommend that we maintain our match fee for the forthcoming season at £55.00 and keep subs at £20.00.

Jeff Wood

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