

**Minutes of the Council meeting of the Merseyside Quiz Leagues held at Old Swan  
Conservative Club on Sunday 12th June 2011 at 8:00 pm**

1. **Apologies:** Were received from Brian Bates, Elaine Bates, Dag Griffiths, David Hodgson, Ronnie Woods and Jim McGrath. **In attendance** were Frank McFarlane, Cliff Houghton, Brian Thompson, Angela Houghton, Jack Bennett, Paul Davitt, Val Gannon, Alan Ainsworth and Bill Thomas.
2. **Minutes of previous meeting:** The previous minutes having been circulated were accepted as a true and fair record.
3. **Matters Arising:** There were no matters arising.
4. **Chairman's report:** The Chairman reported on a good and well attended Presentation Night.
5. **General Secretary's report:** The Gen Sec reported on the outcome of the finals from the two end of season events and also on the North v South match which had taken place the previous day in London, unfortunately it had not been a fruitful journey.
6. **Treasurer's report:** In his absence the Treasurer had sent a short report asking that registration fees be paid quickly.
7. **Assistant General Secretary's report:** A slightly amended system for the submission of question sets had been prepared and was ready for use.
8. **Area reports:** **Liverpool** – There would be 28 teams in the new season divided into three divisions of 9, 10 and 9. **Northern** – There would be either 13 or 14 teams competing in one division. **Ormskirk** – 23 teams would compete in divisions of 12 and 11. A very successful finals night had been held. **Southport & Formby** – Would revert to 2 divisions after an experimental season of playing with just one division. **Warrington** – 17 teams would be divided into two divisions, the 9 teams in Div 1 playing each other 3 times and the 8 teams in Div 2 playing each other 4 times. Warrington has a new General Secretary, Derek Moody, John Ralphs had decided to stand down due to poor health of both himself and particularly his wife. **Wirral** – Would have 32 teams in three divisions.
9. **Competitions:** **President's Trophy** and **President's Shield** dates had been circulated. The finals of the **Merseyside Challenge Cup** and **Mimir Trophy** would be held at the Unison Club, St Helens during week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> May 2012. **Feeny & Rendon** – Finals would be held at St Charles Parish Club, Aigburth Road, Liverpool along with the final of the MQL Plate during week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> May 2012. The MQL heat of the **Mimir Trophy** would be at New Brighton Cricket Club on Weds 21<sup>st</sup> March 2012. The draws took place for the **Feeny Cup** and the **Merseyside Challenge Cup**.
10. **AOB:** Two teams had not attended Presentation Night to collect their trophies, the trophies would be retained by the league and used for appropriate competitions next season.
11. **Next meeting:** Sunday 11th September 2011 at 8pm at Old Swan Cons. Other meeting dates were set as 11<sup>th</sup> December 2011, 11<sup>th</sup> March 2012 and 10<sup>th</sup> June 2012. The AGM would take place on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2012, all meetings to start at 8:00pm at Old Swan Conservative Club.