



# Animo et Fide F.C.

## STOCKFEST '08

# ADMINISTRATION RULES

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### **1. COMPETITION**

- (a) The competition shall be called STOCKFEST 08 – the fans tournament.
- (b) Eight teams will compete for the Richard Harnwell memorial Cup.
- (c) The competition shall be governed in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Football Association.

### **2. TEAMS ELIGIBLE TO ENTER AND ENTRY FEE**

The competition shall be open to all IFA teams.

The entry fee shall be £80 per team.

### **3. COMMITTEE AND POWERS**

A committee comprising of 6 shall be appointed to organise the competition.

The Committee is: Dave Marchbank-Smith (Secretary), Mark Smith (Club Manager), Chris Marchbank-Smith, Andy Warrington, Paul Jamieson and John Sarginson.

The Committee shall have the power to apply, act upon and enforce the Rules of the Competition, and shall also have jurisdiction over all matters affecting the competition, including any not providing for by these rules.

The Competition Adjudicator will be John Sarginson, please contact him in all cases of dispute, protest and complaint.

Other Members shall be co-opted if required.

### **4. COPIES OF RULES**

A copy of these rules shall be given to all participating Teams and are binding on the clubs taking part.

### **5. PLAYERS QUALIFICATION**

Before the commencement of the Stockfest 08 all teams shall submit a list of players eligible to participate (together with details of their dates of birth and addresses) to the Committee.

All players shall be bona fide members of their club and may only play for one club.

## **6. TEAM COLOURS**

Each team competing shall register its first and second choice colours with the competition. In the event of similar colours the second named team shall change.

Players shall be dressed in uniform shirts and shorts together with shin guards. Goalkeepers shall wear colours which distinguish them from other players and referees. The goalkeepers may wear tracksuit bottoms. Footwear must be appropriate to the conditions of play and must conform to FA standards.

## **7. ARRANGEMENT OF STOCKFEST 08**

The competition shall be played on a League basis (in the first stage) with the teams divided by the Committee into two groups of four, where each team will play each other once. 3 points will be awarded for a win and 1 for a draw.

In the event of teams being tied on points at the end of the league stage the following procedure will be used:

- \* Winner of the game between tied teams
- \* Goals difference (goals scored minus goal against)
- \* Most goals scored
- \* If this fails to resolve the tie then it will be settled by the toss of a coin.

The two top sides in each group will qualify for the knock-out stage, the bottom two will enter the 'Plate' knock-out.

In the knock-out stages of the tournament, a drawn game will go straight into a penalty shoot-out.

The tournament finals (Final and Plate) will go into 10 minutes extra time (five minutes each way) if the scores are level at the end of the normal 30 minutes. If there is still no winner, a penalty shoot-out will be used to decide the winner.

The wooden spoon will be 'awarded' to the team that fails to win a game in the plate knock-out.

All teams will be expected to supply linesman for a set number of games.

In the event that a team fails to fulfil a fixture, the points will be awarded to the other team with a 0-0 scoreline.

## **8. REPORTING OF RESULTS**

The referee shall be responsible for reporting the result of the game and goal scorers to the Committee at the conclusion of each game.

## **9. REFEREES**

Four referees shall be appointed for the competition.

Referees shall be paid a fee of £40 and will be presented with a memento of the occasion.

After each game, the two captains will submit an assessment of the referee. The assessment will be marked on a scale of 1-10 (1 being poor – 10 excellent).

## **10. PROTESTS AND COMPLAINTS**

All questions of eligibility, qualification of players or interpretation of Rules shall be referred to the Committee, but no objection relative to the dimensions of the playing area or other appurtenances thereon shall be entertained by the Committee unless a protest is lodged with the referee before the commencement of the game

## **11. MISCONDUCT**

To be dealt with in accordance with the agreed FA Procedures.

## **12. TROPHIES**

The following trophies will be presented:

Winners medals x 16  
Runners-up Medals x16  
Wooden Spoon  
Winners Plate  
Referees trophies  
Golden boot (top goal scorer)  
Richard Harnwell Memorial Cup (will be engraved with winners but retained for future use by AEF FC)

## **13. EXCEPTIONS**

All rules will be as per the Football Association, with the following exceptions:

- \* Games will be 15 minutes each way with a five minute break between halves.
- \* Teams will be allowed a maximum of five substitutions per game.
- \* Players who have previously been taken off can be brought back on during the same game, this will count towards the maximum of five.

## **14. DISCIPLINARY MEASURES**

In the unlikely event of any player receiving a sending off or two bookings, they will miss their teams' next game.

All serious offences (violent conduct, foul/abusive language, serious foul play, spitting) will be reported to the Cheshire FA. This will result in a fine from the Football Association. It is the responsibility of representative of the IFA football club to pay the fine for whom the player was representing.

## **15. DISCLAIMER**

AEF Football Club state that all players compete in the tournament at their own risk. Football can result in injuries, sometimes serious, but the organisers of Stockfest '08 cannot be held responsible for any injuries incurred during the tournament. Likewise, they cannot be held responsible for any theft or damage to belongings or motor vehicles whilst at the venue.

It is the responsibility of each player to ensure that they are fit and well enough to participate and do not enter the tournament with any medical condition, which could endanger their health. All matches will be played on grass.

## **16. OFFICIALS**

Since the emphasis of the tournament is charity and fun, players shall respect ALL decisions made by officials. Referees and linesman will be instructed to punish acts of dissent severely.

Physical and persistent verbal abuse of officials will not be tolerated under any circumstances, and will result in instant expulsion from the tournament.

## **17. RACISM, RACIST ABUSE AND PRO-DIVERSITY**

Any incidence of racism or racist abuse will not be tolerated under any circumstances. It is EVERY participant's duty to ensure that the tournament and its participants are not subject to any form of racism or racist abuse. We gladly welcome all participants regardless of race, disability, religion, gender or sexual orientation. Any participant or team that fails to extend this welcome to their fellow participants is not welcome at this tournament or any of our other activities.

## **18. CAR PARK**

Neither AEF Football Club or the Stockfest '08 committee will not be liable for loss of or damage to any vehicle or its contents while parked on Timperley training ground.

## **19. INSURANCE**

The public liability insurance we have at Stockfest does not cover Personal Accident and therefore excludes football related incidents.

The Stockfest committee strongly advises all participating Clubs to ensure they are adequately insured for Personal Accident. The insurance may be taken out with any provider, however if it assists you, SBJ Sports group can arrange cover (Contact the SBJ Sports Department Tel: 0845 872 5060)