

Well, yet another season starts for the Lee Valley Lions - let's hope it goes a lot better than the last one.

The first thing I must say is how shocked and saddened we were to hear of the death of Alec Goldstone, myself and the Supporters Club offer our fondest condolences to his wife and family. I reported this fact to the Hartford Whalers in the U.S.A. and our good friend Jerry Carroon said that they all felt for Alec's family - whilst in England Jerry got to know Alec quite well and admired him for his management skills, I am sure he will go down as one of the great characters of British Ice Hockey - we will certainly remember him.

I have had meetings with Steve James and British Engine and as far as I can gather from this, Greg Cyr will be coming back to us as 'Player, Promotion Officer', this means he will deal with all aspects regarding the programme plus finding sponsorship and dealing with advertising. He will be based in an office in the Ice Rink with Jim Graves who will be the new General Manager. Randy Oswald will be back with a possible new import 'Guy Peron' who is a forward and has a fair record with Colorado, his college team in the States, but seems to have had a better record in Europe. As things stand at the moment it does not seem clear as to what British players we will have.

Looking at the fixture list it seem we can look forward to an exciting season 'I hope'!

We will be having an A.G.M. later on but not yet due to finance and finding a venue to suit most people - the Ice Centre bar is not suitable as we have found in the past. I asked for nominations for this season for the Treasurer's job - I received none so have reinstated Roger Rosenfeld for another period. Also for the job of club secretary I received one nomination for Hilary Jenkins and nine for Karen Fuller, so will ask Karen to take on the job. Hilary, I believe is involved with other jobs for the team. I enclose a fixture list and applications for membership, you will see it costs £5 for old members & £6 for new. Supporters club members who show their new cards at the shop will get discount on any item they buy over £5. We will run a raffle again this season - officiated by Big Al & Steve & Eve will run the 50-50 again.

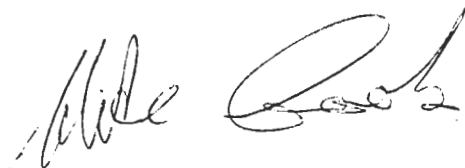
We will do our best once again for the success of the Lee Valley Lions - let's hope it works this season - I am sure it will if all concerned pull together, the Supporters Club will certainly do their utmost.

See you at the first game when we try to beat the Russians!!

All the best,

Mike Cook - Chairman - L.V.L.S.C.

P.S. PLEASE SEND L.V.L.S.C. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS BACK A.S.A.P. - TKU

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Mike Cook', written in dark ink on a white background.