

SIZE DOES MATTER

Representatives of the Raith Supporters Trust recently met with other Scottish trusts to discuss the SPL proposals to move to an SPL of 10 teams and a 12 team SPL2. A proposal that appears driven by the needs of TV rather than the needs of fans.

The overwhelming consensus of the meeting was that the current proposals are not the right way to ensure that football in Scotland has a strong future. There was strong opposition to the plans for regionalisation and the inclusion of SPL colt or B teams in the lower leagues. A number of SPL trusts had been in direct contact with the SPL Chief Executive Neil Doncaster and it was clear that there were huge inconsistencies in the information and figures he was providing .

This is an issue which will have drastic implications for us. A 10 team SPL reduces the chance for Rovers fans to see our club play at the top level of Scottish football. A recent survey by Supporters Direct showed that 88% of fans oppose the proposals but we want to find out what Rovers fans think. Let us know your thoughts in person at the Supporters Trust table or by leaving a comment on our website or emailing us direct at chairman@raithtrust.org.uk



FAN DIRECTOR APPOINTED

David Wann (right) has been announced as the new Supporters Director for Raith Rovers. He replaces Tom Phillips (left) and his role is to make sure the voice of fans is heard and help with the running of the club. Dave has been a Raith fan for over 50 years and is a Supporters Trust member. He has already set up a website where people can contact him and keep up to date with what he is doing at:

www.raithroversfanontheboard.co.uk

NEW TRUST FACEBOOK PAGE

The Raith Supporters Trust is now on Facebook so if you're interested in keeping up to date with what is happening around the club and finding out what the Supporters Trust have been up to then log on and search for 'Raith Supporters Trust'.





Val with John Mainland and Alan Russell

CRIME WRITER SIGNS UP

Val McDermid recently dropped by our table in the South Stand to give her backing to the work of the Supporters Trust. Val is a well known fan of the club and we were delighted to receive her membership form and her £5!

SUCCESSFUL AGM

We recently held our annual general meeting in the Raith Suite at Starks Park where Chairman Alan Russell and Treasurer Graeme Condie updated us on the last year.

All in all we had a very successful year maintaining our membership levels and continuing to contribute financially to the football club. We also ran a successful fan survey which led to the re-branding the Supporters Trust area in the South Stand and improving our communication with fans through this newsletter, establishing a presence on Facebook and letting people know what we are up to through the local newspaper.

You can find out more about what is happening throughout the year on our website at www.raithtrust.org.uk

Join the Raith Supporters Trust today to have your say in the future of our club. Simply fill in the form below and hand it in at the Supporters Trust Table in the South Stand on matchdays or post it to The Raith Supporters Trust, Freepost RLTS-AJGJ-YX2J, PO Box 26727 Kirkcaldy, Fife KY2 5WP.

Name:

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You can also join online at:

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