



# The Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

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## **LMC MEETING – AGENDA**

<b>Date</b>	Tuesday 17 March 2020
<b>Time</b>	7.00 pm
<b>Venue</b>	<b>EDWINSTOWE Cricket Club</b>

- 1 Apologies for absence**
- 2 Acceptance of the minutes of the February 2020 Meeting**
- 3 Matters Arising**
- 4 Finance / Sponsorship**
- 5 Child Welfare and DBS Matters**
- 6 Correspondence**
- 7 Club Consultation Plans 2020**
- 8 Any other business**
  - **Updates from other relevant meetings**
  - **2020 Season Arrangements**
  - **Any additional matters raised at the meeting**
  - **Handbook & Team Card Collection/Ball Distribution**

Meeting Dates 2020 Worksop Cricket Club @ 19:00 hrs	
January 2020	Tuesday 14
February 2020	Tuesday 11
March 2020	Tuesday 10
April 2020	Tuesday 14
May 2020	Tuesday 12
June 2020	Tuesday 09
July 2020	Tuesday 14
August 2020	Tuesday 11
September 2020	Tuesday 08
October 2020	Tuesday 13
November 2020	Tuesday 10
December 2020	Tuesday 08

Other Diary Dates 2020	
Captains Pre-Season Meeting	Thursday 2 April
Handbook Collection	
Season Start	Saturday 18 April
Mallen Trophy Rounds	Sunday 21 June
Mallen Trophy Final	Sunday 28 June
Feeder Leagues 20-20 Final	Tuesday 7 July
Season Finishes	Saturday 19 September
Pre-AGM Meeting	THURSDAY 24 September
League Dinner	Saturday 7 November
League AGM	Sunday 22 November
New Season Detail Form 2020	29 February 2020

### Meeting Attendance Log

League Management Committee													
Record of Attendance: December 2019 – November 2020													
Venue: Worksop (* Edwinstowe) Cricket Club													
X = Present A = Apologies N = Not in attendance (no correspondence received)													
Name	Position	December 19	January 20	February 20	March 20	April 20	May 20	June 20	July 20	August 20	September 20	October 20	November 20
A Vollans (AV)	President	X	X	X									
M Bonsall (MB)	Vice President	X	X	X									
G Jones (GJ)	Chairman	X	X	X	A								
N Fenwick (NF)	Secretary	X	X	X									
T Munro (TM)	Treasurer	A	X	A									
J Leaning (JL)	Umpire Appointments	A	X	X									
B Norris (BN)	Fixture Secretary	X	X	X									
D Flowers (DF)	League Management Committee	A	X	X									
M Hall (MH)		X	X	X	A								
T Haywood (TH)		X	X	X									
B Hicklin (BH)		X	X	X									
D Parnham (DP)		X	X	X									
I Rich (IR)		X	X	X	A								
S Roberts (SR)		X	X	X									
A Rossington (AR)		X	X	A									
R Swann (RS)		X	X	X									
G Venables (GV)		A	X	X									

<b>Minutes of the LMC Meeting held on</b>	Tuesday 11 February 2020
<b>Venue</b>	Edwinstowe CC
<b>Start time</b>	19:00 hrs.
<b>Closure time</b>	20:40 hrs.
<b>1. Apologies for absence</b>	Andrew Wilson

**Additional attendees:** Andrew Wilson, NCCC

**In the chair: Gareth Jones**

## **2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on **Tuesday 14 January 2020** were accepted as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

## **3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

### **3.1 County Disciplinary Forum / League Disciplinary Rules.**

GV reported that he had met with DP and MH to discuss this matter and review the league's current rules as agreed at the January LMC meeting.

A working document had been produced following the meeting which had been distributed for discussion amongst the members of the LMC.

GV stated that a review had been undertaken of the documented procedures from other local leagues, and these were found to be very similar to the BDCL procedures used during 2019.

Several changes for 2020 were agreed, these include:

- ▶ Clubs to take the initiative for Level 1 offences in the first instance, with strict timelines to be imposed such that sanctions are imposed within one week of incidents taking place; and appeals held within fourteen days.
- ▶ Including a specific procedure for dealing with under 18's – this will include a mandatory hearing.
- ▶ Level 3 and 4 offences will automatically be subject to a hearing.
- ▶ Affirmation of the constitution of the league disciplinary sub-committee and appeals committee.

A further meeting to discuss the structure and mechanics of the proposed county wide disciplinary committee is due to be held on 13 February (post meeting note-deferred to 17 February as a result of traffic problems in Nottingham); following which GV will produce a note for the minutes and the updated league disciplinary rules for inclusion in the handbook.

- 3.2 Umpires Refresher Course. IR reported that he has arranged a refresher course for BDUA umpires on 11<sup>th</sup> March at Cuckney CC. All league umpires have been invited. The focus of the course will be Law 42 (Players Conduct), together with any other matters raised by BDUA members.
- 3.3 Fixtures. The production of the 2020 fixtures was discussed at length as the process has not yet been completed. GJ undertook to arrange a meeting as soon as possible between those involved with fixture compilation to resolve several outstanding issues.
- 3.4 Carlton CC. Following discussions at the January meeting, GJ contacted Carlton CC officials to reinforce the requirements stipulated in the league rules that new clubs provide an umpire to the league. Carlton CC were subsequently able to propose Mr Ivan Stallworthy as their nominated umpire; both the LMC and BDUA found this proposal acceptable.

#### 4. FINANCE & SPONSORSHIP

- 4.1 TM had produced a financial report and balance sheet which was presented and discussed.

The current balance stands at £8,059.57.

It was noted that only one club now owes for their annual presentation dinner tickets, discussions are ongoing regarding the sum owed.

#### 5. CHILD WELFARE AND DBS MATTERS

- 5.1 AW reported that a Safe Hands training course had been run at Edwinstowe CC on 5<sup>th</sup> February for new and existing child welfare officers.

Any club CWO's due for retraining will be identified from the central database held at Trent Bridge and the individuals concerned will be notified about updating their training as required.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE

- 6.1 NF reported that an e-mail has been received from Aaron Campbell, ECB competitions manager, detailing proposals for an ECB Club T-20 plate competition. NF confirmed that he had replied via the expression of interest form within the e-mail confirming that the BDCL are interested in our clubs participating in the competition.
- 6.2 **A reminder regarding the Past Presidents Dinner.** This will take place at South Forest Complex on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2020. Invitations to past presidents have been distributed as necessary by Janet King & Richard Martin, and to current LMC members. **Please let Janet or Richard know ASAP if you wish to attend.**
- 6.3 Rule 5.4.2. TM reported that because of the changes to ECB Play Cricket player registration procedures, it will be necessary to rephrase this rule to accommodate these changes as the league registrar no longer has the authority to carry out transfers.

This change will be reflected in the new handbook and communicated to all clubs once the wording has been agreed.

## **7. CLUB CONSULTATION PLANS 2020 (RULES COMMITTEE)**

7.1 No further updates given.

## **8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

8.1 AW reported that processes had begun to disband the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board. However, this must be confirmed at the Nottinghamshire Cricket Club AGM in March before the process can be completed.

Once confirmed, all references to the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board in the league handbook will need to be replaced accordingly.

AW added that he and Joe Fish now work directly for the county club; AW as full time CDO covering the north of the county, likewise Joe Fish for the south of the county.

Chris Revill has now stood down as a CDO and the clubs he was responsible for have now been redistributed between AW and Joe Fish.

8.2 IR reported that the regular monthly BDUA meeting had taken place at Cuckney CC on 1 February 2020.

8.3 Promoted teams from 2019. TH raised a query regarding the structure of the 2020 divisions and how they had been formulated. BN explained how the divisions had been derived and the various factors that were considered when finalising each division.

These included the withdrawal of Edwinstowe CC and Lea & Roses III from the league and entry of Carlton CC into the league.

8.4 League Handbooks. Handbooks and other relevant documents will be made available at the captains meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020 and at the umpires monthly meeting on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020.

Any clubs wishing to make alternative arrangements should do so by contacting Tom Munro directly; likewise umpires via John Leaning or Ian Rich.

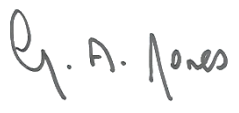
8.5 BDCL Web Site. NF reported that he and Ian Rich had visited B4-6 IT on 31 January to discuss changes and improvements and changes to the league web site.

These included:

- Removing the ball order page.
- Adding a page for Carlton CC.
- Updating the API between the BDCL web site and the BDCL Play Cricket site to ensure the results and league tables display correctly on the BDCL web site.
- Creating pages for the historic information taken out of the handbook with provision for adding recent and new details and records.
- Adding a diary page to post dates for league meetings and other events/fixtures/training courses relevant to the league.

IR was also given access to the web site and trained how to upload articles and photographs for the BDUA section of the web site.

**END OF PROCEEDINGS**

<b>Signed:</b>	
<b>Position:</b>	<b>CHAIRMAN</b>
<b>Date:</b>	25 February 2020

## APPENDIX I

### BDCL DISCIPLINE 2020

#### SECTION 7.4 OF 2019 HANDBOOK TO REMAIN UNCHANGED

##### 7.5 PROCEDURE

- 7.5.1** Any alleged breach of discipline within Levels 1 to 4 of the Laws and any other alleged breach of conduct shall be reported in writing, on the prescribed Disciplinary Report Form, and sent to the League Secretary within **24 hours** from the date of the alleged incident.
- 7.5.2** Any such report received by the League Secretary shall be forwarded immediately to the Chairman of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee who will then take the matter forward.
- 7.5.2.1** The Chairman of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall, following the receipt of a report, inform the secretary of the club concerned that a report has been made and of the process the club needs to follow.
- 7.5.2.2** Any Level 1 or Level 2 breach of the Code of Conduct should, in the first instance, be dealt with by the participant's club in accordance with the guideline penalties detailed at paragraphs 7.8.2 and 7.9.2 below and the secretary of the club shall notify the Chairman of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee within 48 hours of any action taken or proposed by the club.
- 7.5.2.3** Within 48 hours of receipt of the notification from the secretary of the club as to its action or proposed action, the Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall consider the matter and resolve –
- i. To take no further action except to record the complaint and notify the club of its decision; or
  - ii. To endorse any action taken by the club and confirm that no further action is required; or
  - iii. To amend the action taken by the club which may include increasing the sanction proposed by the club.
- 7.5.2.4** Level 3 or 4 reports will automatically be subject to a Disciplinary Hearing.
- 7.5.2.5** Reports relating to Under 18s will be dealt with as per 'ECB Guidance On Disciplinary Proceedings that Involve Under 18s'.

##### 7.6 DISCIPLINARY HEARING

- 7.6.1** In the event of a disciplinary hearing, the Chairman of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall convene that hearing as soon as practicable and in any event within 14 days of receipt of the report/request.
- 7.6.2** In any case which is subject to a Disciplinary Hearing, at least seven days notice in writing of the hearing and of the alleged offences shall be given to the player or in the case of a club it's secretary.
- 7.6.3** The accused player or club shall be entitled:
- To submit written statements ahead of the hearing
  - To attend the hearing
  - To state his case (in the case of a club by a club official)
  - To be supported by a colleague and to call witnesses
- 7.6.4** The accused player or club shall not be entitled:
- To reschedule the hearing if they are unable to attend
  - To cross-examine any umpires or witnesses called by the Chairman of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee.

**7.6.5** The hearing shall be conducted by the Disciplinary Sub-Committee of the League and will consist of not less than three persons.

## **7.7 LEVELS**

**7.7.1** The umpires shall act on any unacceptable conduct and follow the procedures and corresponding actions for umpires as outlined in Law 42.2 to 42.5. The player has no right of appeal against the level of offence decided upon by the umpires.

## **7.8 LEVEL 1 OFFENCES AND SANCTIONS**

**7.8.1** Any of the following actions by a player shall constitute a Level 1 offence:

**7.8.1.1** Wilfully mistreating any part of the cricket ground, equipment or implements used in the match

**7.8.1.2** Dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action

**7.8.1.3** Using language that, in the circumstances, is obscene, offensive or insulting.

**7.8.1.4** Making an obscene gesture.

**7.8.1.5** Appealing excessively.

**7.8.1.6** Advancing towards the umpire in an aggressive manner whilst appealing.

**7.8.1.7** Any other misconduct which, in the opinion of the umpires, is equivalent to a Level 1 offence.

**7.8.2** A player reported as having committed a Level 1 offence may receive any of the following sanctions:

**7.8.2.1** A written warning as to future conduct.

**7.8.2.2** A suspended ban.

**7.8.2.3** A ban of up to two weeks.

**7.8.2.4** A deduction or suspended deduction of points.

**7.8.2.5** Any combination of the above.

## **7.9 LEVEL 2 OFFENCES AND SANCTIONS**

**7.9.1** Any of the following actions by a player shall constitute a Level 2 offence:

**7.9.1.1** Showing serious dissent at an umpire's decision by word or action.

**7.9.1.2** Making inappropriate or deliberate physical contact with another player.

**7.9.1.3** Throwing the ball at a player, umpire or another person in an inappropriate and dangerous manner

**7.9.1.4** Using language or gesture to another player, umpire, team official or spectator that, in the circumstances, is obscene or of a seriously insulting nature.

**7.9.1.5** Any other misconduct, the nature of which is, in the opinion of the umpires, equivalent to a Level 2 offence

**7.9.2** A player reported as having committed a Level 2 offence may receive any of the following sanctions:

**7.9.2.1** A suspended ban.



**7.9.2.2** A ban of between 3 and 8 weeks.

**7.9.2.3** Suspended points deduction from their team.

**7.9.2.4** Immediate points deduction from their team.

**7.9.2.5** Any combination of the above.

### **7.10 LEVEL 3 OFFENCES AND SANCTIONS**

**7.10.1** Either of the following actions by a player shall constitute a Level 3 offence:

**7.10.2** Intimidating an umpire by language and gesture.

**7.10.3** Threatening to assault a player or any other person except an umpire.

**7.10.4** A player found guilty of an offence at a Level 3 Disciplinary Hearing may receive any of the following sanctions.

**7.10.4** A suspended ban.

**7.10.5** A ban of between 4 and 10 weeks.

**7.10.6** Suspended points deduction from their team.

**7.10.7** Immediate points deduction from their team.

**7.10.8** Any combination of the above.

### **7.11 LEVEL 4 OFFENCES AND SANCTIONS**

**7.12** Any of the following actions by player shall constitute a Level 4 offence:

**7.12.1** Threatening to assault an umpire.

**7.12.2** Making inappropriate physical contact with an umpire

**7.12.3** Physically assaulting a player or any other person

**7.12.4** Committing any other act of violence

**7.12.5** A player found guilty of an offence at a Level 4 Disciplinary Hearing may receive any of the following sanctions.

**7.12.5.1** A ban of at least 10 weeks

**7.12.5.2** Immediate points deduction from their team

**7.12.5.3** A combination of the above.

### **7.12.6 SANCTIONS**

**7.12.6.1** All bans from playing will be stated in terms of weeks with a start and end date.

**7.12.6.2** The League shall inform the club's relevant County Board of all disciplinary reports

**7.12.6.3.** Bans will apply to all cricket played under the auspices of ECB

**7.12.6.4** In addition to the above penalties the Disciplinary Sub-Committee may, at its sole discretion, impose further penalties which can include:

- i. suspended deduction of league points; or
- ii. deduction of league points; or
- iii. a fine; or
- iv. any combination of the above.

**7.12.6.5** Where any player has been found guilty of disciplinary offences in the same season on two or more occasions an additional ban from playing of a further 2 weeks shall be imposed upon that player at each separate subsequent disciplinary hearing in addition to any penalties imposed by the Disciplinary Sub-Committee on each occasion. In such circumstances, the player's club shall be fined a sum not exceeding £50.

### **7.13 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**7.13.1** The conduct listed in Levels 1 to 4 above cannot be considered to be exhaustive. Where any alleged breach falls outside the conduct outlined above, whether on or off the field, the disciplinary committee shall determine the appropriate Level with reference to the following factors:

- 7.13.1.1** The level of harm potentially caused to the interests or reputation of the League or the game of cricket in general.
- 7.13.1.2** Whether any alleged language used, or gesture made may offend, insult, humiliate, intimidate, disparage, threaten or vilify another person on the basis of that person's (or that person's perceived) age, race, religion, sexual orientation, colour, descent or national or ethnic origins.
- 7.13.1.3** Whether it is alleged that any conduct was intended to cause physical harm to another person, or such harm was foreseeable.
- 7.13.1.4** Whether the alleged behaviour broke the Child Protection Code.
- 7.13.1.5** Any other factor relevant to the particular circumstances of the alleged behaviour.
- 7.13.2** In addition, where a Club, individual or their representative and witnesses behave inappropriately or fail to respect the formality at any level of hearing, the Disciplinary and Appeals Sub-Committees reserve the right to impose further corrective actions or penalties as they see fit.
- 7.13.3** Decisions of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee shall be by majority vote; where necessary the panel chairman shall have a casting vote.

### **7.14 APPEALS PROCEDURE**

- 7.14.1** A player or club found guilty of a disciplinary offence will have the right of appeal to the Appeals Sub-Committee. Notice of appeal, stating whether the appeal is against the finding or the sanctions imposed and setting out the grounds of the appeal, must be given in writing to the League Secretary within five days of notification of the decision of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee together with a deposit of £50
- 7.14.2** If notice of appeal is given sanctions shall not take effect pending the outcome of the appeal hearing.
- 7.14.3** The appeal shall be by way of a re-hearing before a different committee.
- 7.14.4** The Appeals Sub-Committee shall be chaired by the Chairman of LMC, or his appointed deputy, and shall consist of not less than three persons. The composition of the committee shall be at the discretion of the chairman.

**7.14.5** The Appeals Sub-Committee may confirm, vary or reverse the decision of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee and it also has the power to increase the sanctions. Decisions of the Appeals Sub-Committee shall be by majority vote and, where necessary, the chairman shall have a casting vote.

**7.14.6** The Appeals Sub-Committee shall have the power, where they consider an appeal to be without merit, to order the deposit to be forfeited to the League.

**7.14.7** The decision of the Appeals Sub-Committee or, if no appeal, of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee, shall be final and binding.

**7.15 FINES**

Any decision by the LMC ordering a club to pay umpires' fees or expenses, or any other monies, must be carried out by the club concerned within 21 days of the date of notification from the League Secretary, failing which a fine of £5 will be charged.

**7.16 UNFORESEEN MATTERS**

Any matters which arise which are not provided for under these rules (except those relating to the laws of the game) shall be dealt with by the LMC whose decision shall be final and binding on all parties concerned.

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