

BASSETLAW & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE

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Minutes of the LMC Meeting Tuesday 12th April 2011 – Start time 7pm

1.Apologies:

George Evans, Glenn Pym and Jack Tarr.

2. Present:

Jim Garton (Chairman), John Heaman, Gary France, Peter Neale, Ian Batty, Keith Board, Martin Cannon, Michael Carlisle, Malcolm Daniels, Matt Deaves, Malcolm Hall, Trevor Haywood, Roger Heath, Gareth Jones, John Leaning, Richard Martin, Tom Munro, Chris Revill, and Alan Vollans.

3. Minutes of the last meeting:

8th March 2011 – Passed and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising:

4.1

The next meeting of the three leagues, NCBPL, SNL and BDCL had been re-arranged to be held at Cuckney CC on Tuesday 19th April 2011.

DECISION: For information only.

5. Correspondence

5.1

On the 7th May 2011, various clubs in the Mansfield area would potentially have some difficulty with player availability, due to Mansfield Town FC playing in a cup final at Wembley in this date, thereby creating difficulty in fulfilling BDCL cricket fixtures on this date.

DECISION: The fixtures as published must be honoured by all clubs. However, where there was an agreement from both clubs playing in any match on this date to re-arrange the fixture, the LMC would accept this alternative, as a solution to overcome the problem, with the League Secretary requiring to be informed of any agreed changes.

5.2

A letter from M & P outlined some problems anticipated in the early part of the season regarding the quality of their outfield, due to the ground being used recently for the provision of a circus. The club were doing their best to restore the outfield to an acceptable standard.

DECISION: For information only.



5.3

The Nottinghamshire Cricket Board had circulated details of the 2011 'OSCA' applications, for people involved in the recreational game, which also included a total of 9 separate categories by which people could be nominated. The Secretary read the various categories to the meeting.

DECISION: For information only.

5.4

Discussions were on going between MHM IV and South Normanton regarding their fixture in Div 8 on the 30th May 2011. An alternative date was being sought, due to ground unavailability.

DECISION: The LMC awaited an agreement between the two clubs.

5.5

Wiseton had informed the LMC of a player who had left their club in 2011, whilst still owing various amounts of money for club subscriptions, membership and a tour. Wiseton CC and the player had agreed a sum of £150 which was still outstanding and needed to be paid. Wiseton were concerned that the player would transfer to another club before this debt was cleared.

DECISION: The name of the player was noted and registrars had been asked to monitor any registrations at other clubs for this player, who should not play any form of league cricket for another club, until this financial matter had been resolved.

5.6

The Secretary update the meeting on certain player registrations for certain clubs and in particular those in any unusual circumstances. The full list of players registered in Categories B and C would be circulated to all clubs within the next few days via the League Website.

DECISION: For information only.

5.7

A letter from Bracebridge Heath CC, explained the reasons why they no longer wished to be Associate Member of the BDCL from season 2011. The BDCL were thanked for involvement with this club over the years.

DECISION: This was noted and was for information only.

5.8

Clumber Park wished to register a player Sean Fitzpatrick who was visiting the UK on a Youth Mobility Visa from Australia and was currently gaining work and life experience at Ranby House School. He wished to play recreational cricket in the lower Divisions of the BDCL for Clumber Park CC, whilst on his temporary visit to this country. Full details of this person and supporting evidence had been provided by the club.

DECISION: The player would be recorded as a Category A(v) for the season 2011 for Clumber Park CC.



6. Finance

The Treasurer provided a detailed report to the meeting regarding some concerns over the cash flow of the league in relation to certain months of the year.

The report involved:

- Costs involving the League Dinner
- Stationary and printing costs
- League Trophies
- Costs of communications and postage
- Current levels of League Subscriptions fines various rules affecting finance

DECISION: At this stage, the meeting agreed that the cost of the League Dinner should rise to £25 per ticket to cover costs and also, League Rule 1.2(ii) be presented to the AGM for amendment to read....'to be paid no later than 30th April in any year'. This would alleviate a problem with cash flow to allow sufficient funds to be available, to resolve a high volume of invoices which have to be paid between the end of March and May each year.

Additional checks and reviews of finances would be considered for the AGM throughout the year.

7. Review of League Dinner:

The meeting discussed various elements of the dinner, with the general agreement that most issues were very positive and that the location, facilities and standard of food were to a high standard.

DECISION: For information and the venue had been booked once again for 2012.

8. Reports of meetings:

8.1

A discussion document from the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board had been circulated prior to the meeting in relation to the three leagues across the county (SNL – NCBPL – BDCL) and the potential structures and processes for consideration in the years ahead, which also involved the issue of 'open cricket' format for the PL AGM's and payment to players. The meeting discussed the content and any thoughts would be discussed further at the 3LM to be held on the 19th April 2011 at Cuckney, with the Nottm'shire CB to be updated from this meeting.

DECISION: The Chairman and Secretary to convey the considerations of the BDCL at the above meeting.

8.2

Martin Cannon reported upon the recent umpires meeting and updated the meeting regarding training courses, the award of the Howard Walton trophy, the formulation of the umpires pre-match briefing to Captains and a contribution to the New Zealand earthquake fund regarding cricket clubs in that country.



8.3

Richard Martin spoke of the recent meeting of the League Cricket Conference. Matters raised were:

- Funding of recreational cricket
- Review of costs per player and funding for clubs
- The home League should now pay for all umpires in the President's Trophy / Cedric Rhoades Cup inclusive of travelling costs @ 30p per mile.
- Alternative Insurance cover for cricket clubs via 'Cricket Club Cover'.

DECISION 8.2 & 8.3: For information only.

9. Player registrations.

9.1

Both Tom Munro and Michael Carlisle had no problematic issues to report in relation to the registration of players for their respective clubs. Glen Pym was not available for this meeting. **DECISION:** For information only.

10. Date of the next meeting is: Tuesday 10th May 2011 @ 7pm

11. AOB

11.1

The meeting discussed the plight of the earthquake in New Zealand and its affects upon local cricket clubs in that region who historically had strong links with the BDCL.

DECISION: In keeping with the BDUA and in conjunction with the Nott'mshire Cricket Board, the BDCL would donate the sum of £200 to assist the afore mentioned cricket clubs.

11.2

The meeting discussed and debated a number of the changes to the laws of cricket effective from the start of the 2011 season, which had been communicated to all umpires and clubs. DECISION: No further action to take.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 8.45pm

Signed	Date