



# The Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

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## **LMC – MINUTES**

Date: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2012  
Time: 7.00pm  
Venue: Worksop CC

### **APOLOGIES:**

Keith Board, Matt Deaves and Alan Vollans.

### **PRESENT:**

Gareth Jones (Chairman), John Leaning (President), Gary France, Peter Neale, Ian Batty, Martin Cannon, Michael Carlisle, Fred Clarke, Malcolm Daniels, Jim Garton, Malcolm Hall, Trevor Haywood, John Heaman, Roger Heath, Janet King, Richard Martin, Tom Munro, Glenn Pym, Graham Venables, Chris Revill and Jack Tarr.

### **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2012 – Passed and signed – true record

### **1 MATTERS ARISING:**

1.1

Confirmation had been received from Glapwell CC of a volunteer to become the league representative team official scorer.

**DECISION:** Gareth Jones would contact that person and make the necessary arrangements with her.

1.2

Confirmation was made that the post of League Treasurer was advertised on the League website in planning for when the vacancy becomes available from November 2012. To date there was one applicant.

**DECISION:** The advertisement would remain until a decision was made at the July LMC meeting.

1.3

The League Treasurer had sent an invoice to Readers regarding the ball sponsorship to the league, to claim any 'cash back' monies from the original arrangements with the company throughout the winter months.

**DECISION:** For information only and updating at the next meeting.

### **2. CORRESPONDENCE**

2.1

The game between Notts & Arnold II v Clay Cross CC on Sat 28<sup>th</sup> April 2 in Div 3 had been cancelled due to the ground being unfit from heavy rain. A report from the umpires stated that they had not been informed of the cancellation from the home club Notts & Arnold and upon arriving at the ground found no players in attendance and the ground unfit and not prepared due to the very poor weather.

**DECISION:** Both umpires should be paid their full expenses for the game due to travelling and not being informed the game was off. The LMC would pay the umpires and in turn, Notts & AA CC would be required to pay the LMC the full expenses for both umpires.

### **3. FINANCE & SPONSORSHIP PLANS**

#### 3.1

The League Treasurer updated the meeting on income and expenditure. Fifty clubs had now paid their annual subscription and related invoices, along with eight advertisers in the League Handbook. A small amount of dinner tickets had yet to be paid, with the invoices for engraving the league trophies, the telephone account and sponsorship pavilion display frames having now been resolved and paid.

Concerns were once again expressed regarding the cash flow situation predicted in March 2013, when large invoices had to be paid, set against forecasted account balances, but it was hoped that the income from the Reader Ball sponsorship would offset these concerns.

A report from the engraver recording the value of league trophies for Insurances purposes was also submitted, although the Getliffe Trophy was yet to be included in the final report.

The league balance was currently:       £3637.30

#### 3.2

The meeting also spent a considerable amount of time reviewing the league sponsorship plans, with many people offering their opinions and explanations about a variety of matters, some of which had culminated in positive outcomes and others which needed more work. A frank exchange of views with options was provided, with Fred Clarke presenting a detailed briefing and response.

**DECISION:** The LMC agreed that a small sub-committee inclusive of Fred Clarke from Sports Media Advertising, Janet King, Tom Munro and Peter Neale, would be formulated to discuss and make additional future plans regarding the league sponsorship plans. The LMC gave their full support, backing and had every confidence that all the people involved in this small sub-committee would do their best to achieve whatever was possible in the current difficult financial climate. Additionally, this decision and related support of the LMC to the above people, would be promulgated to all clubs and interested parties via the league website.

### **4. UMPIRES ASSESSMENTS**

#### 4.1

John Leaning reported on the recent postponements regarding the assessment of umpires in games from the Championship and Div 1, due to technical difficulties on the BDUA website. All affected clubs had been informed.

**DECISION:** In terms of the future, the development of the new league website was nearing completion within the next few weeks and it was felt that the assessment process could be incorporated within that site, containing the relevant safeguards and privacy requirements. Jack Tarr and Michael Carlisle in consultation with the BDUA were willing to make these arrangements. Once completed the League Secretary would update all affected clubs.

### **5. UNFULFILLED FIXTURES / DISCIPLINARY MATTERS**

#### 5.1

The following matches were unfulfilled:

Sat 21<sup>st</sup> April 12 – Div 2 – Farnsfield II v Milton

The game was cancelled due to the ground being unfit through rain, but Farnsfield CC forgot to inform Milton CC who travelled to the ground.

**DECISION:** 20 points to Milton CC - £20 fine to Farnsfield CC

Sat 5<sup>th</sup> May 12 – Div 6 Rockware v Edwinstowe III

The game did not go ahead, due to Edwinstowe being able to raise a team.

**DECISION:** 20 points to Rockware - £10 fine to Edwinstowe CC - 10 points reduction to Edwinstowe III

5.2

A report had been received from the umpires regarding two identified players from Edwinstowe II CC concerning their words, behaviour and conduct in the Div 3 game versus Sherwood CC on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> April 12.

**DECISION:** Upon consideration of the reports, a Disciplinary Hearing had been arranged to be heard on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2012 at Worksop CC starting at 7.30pm.

## **6. REPORTS OF OTHER MEETINGS**

6.1

The Secretary summarised a meeting of the 'three Leagues' (South Notts, Premier League and the BDCL at Trent Bridge a few weeks ago). This meeting spent most of its allocated time, discussing a proposal by the NCB to change the structure of Premier League with reference to its AGM's and to integrate the South Notts League and the BDCL into the structure for voting and also create similar playing conditions in the top Divisions of the respective supporting Leagues. The views of the BDCL LMC (as stated in previous Minutes this year) were provided to this meeting, whereby the Chairman of the PL stated that he would create the Minutes and reply to the proposals of the NCB in a separate document.

**DECISION:** This was for information only, the BDCL awaited any further developments regarding any proposed changes. In the meantime, following a proposal put to the BDCL LMC, it was voted that the BDCL would not attend any further three leagues meeting, but would participate in the debates through the Senior Cricket Committee of the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board.

## **7. PLAYER REGISTRATIONS & RESULTS SERVICE**

7.1

Tom Munro, Michael Carlisle and Jack Tarr gave their respective appraisals to the meeting regarding the changes to the player registration system from a paper based system last year, to the electronic 'Play Cricket' website this year. The electronic system was a much more robust and demanding system, which had tightened up the process considerably. Some flexibility and understanding had been interpreted along the way by the registrars, as there was an obvious need for the league registration rules to be amended for 2013, to be compatible with the electronic system and criteria.

Jack Tarr also spoke about the future plans for the league results service. Whilst there was a slightly frustrating duplication of information via the telephone results, linked to the green paper result sheets and the entry of results electronically on 'Play Cricket', this meant that the information required each week in terms of results and statistics, followed by a comprehensive compilation at the end of the season, would be very prompt accurate and informative.

**DECISION:** Jack, Michael and Tom were thanked for their work. The Secretary was asked to consult later in the year to bring the league registration rules up to date for season 2013 to address the electronic requirements.

## **8. AOB**

8.1

Following commitments in July, a request was made for a change of the LMC meeting in July 12

**DECISION:** The meeting would now be at 7pm on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 12.

8.2

Reminder: There is a league fixture at Killamarsh CC on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2012 versus the Yorkshire and Derbyshire League. Start 1.30pm.

**DECISION:** For information only

8.3

Confirmation: The guest speaker at the 2013 League Dinner would be Richard Blakey, the former Yorkshire and England wicket keeper / batsman.

**DECISION:** For information only

8.4

Vacancies and opportunities were available for interested ladies to join the North Notts Ladies CC.

**DECISION:** Information to be included on the league website.

8.5

Jack Tarr updated the meeting on the progress of the new league website which was nearing fruition towards a completion date of the start of June. Migration planning from the old to the new site was in progress, with there being various amounts of potential for advertising opportunities, once under way.

**DECISION:** For information only.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 9.45pm

Signed.....Date.....