



The Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

founded 1904

MINUTES of the LMC

Date: 14 January 14

Time: 7pm

Location: Central Avenue, Worksop

People Present:

Janet King (President), Gareth Jones (Chairman), Gary France, Tom Munro, Bob Little, Brian Rivington, John Leaning, Ervin Devney, Jack Tarr, Michael Carlisle, Alan Vollans, Ian Batty, Graham Bullock, Malcolm Daniels, Jim Garton, Malcolm Hall, Trevor Haywood, Richard Martin, Richard Swann, Graham Venables and Alison Watts.

Apologies:

Roger Heath and Glenn Pym

The Minutes of the previous meeting in November 13 had previously been circulated and were accepted as a true and accurate record.

1 MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

1.1

Work was on-going through the officers of the BDUA to create a simple assessment system for team captain to use regarding umpiring standards in Div's 2 to 8 inclusive. This was a voluntary opportunity to assess umpires in these Divisions at this time.

DECISION: The League Secretary would be provided with the details for onward circulations to all clubs and publishing via the League Website and other electronic communications.

1.2

Concern was still expressed regarding the use of the new Play-Cricket technology when considering that the BDCL relies upon these systems to record player registrations and electronic results. Currently, player registrations were on-going with the majority of the work having been completed in the previous season, with results issues needing clarification nearer the start of the season. The LMC awaited any county changes to player registration processes via the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board Ltd.

DECISION: For information only.

1.3

A new website for the BDUA was in its initial stages of being created by Jack Tarr..

DECISION: For information only at this stage.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

2.1

A letter from an umpire asked for clarification regarding head injuries to players on the field of play and the requirement or otherwise for the player to leave the field to receive appropriate medical treatment,

The BDUA Management Committee had already discussed this and put forward their views for the LMC to discuss its position.

DECISION: It was agreed that within the laws of the game, there was no requirement for any player to be removed from the field. However, umpires working together with players and captains should apply reason and common sense to ensure that the right thing is done, based on individual circumstances and discussions with players and Captains on the day, as had always been the case throughout the history of the League.

2.2

The Tomlins final from season 2013 between Anston CC and Notts & Arnold Am CC had been agreed to be played on Sunday 20th April 14, before the start of the new season, which is Easter Sunday. Umpires had been allocated to this game by John Leaning, although Killamarsh CC could no longer host the game due to football commitments on that ground.

DECISION: Both participating clubs would be consulted with a view to the LMC making the draw at the February meeting as to which if the two participating teams would host the game.

2.3

The Secretary updated the meeting regarding the winter developments within the PL. The decision had been made to show MHM's remaining within that League and the fixtures for the BDCL had now been created and published, based upon that decision. Further information was provided for discussions regarding future BDCL Disciplinary Hearing's, together with individual liability Insurance cover for volunteers who formulate the LMC and the work they complete on behalf of the clubs constituting the league.

DECISION: The League Secretary and the League Treasurer were asked to make enquiries with both the ECB and the current League Insurance providers to confirm the current situation and report to the next LMC meeting.

3. FINANCE

Tom Munro reported upon the current financial standing of the league and provided a circulated summary of recent transactions regarding income and expenditures £575 in and £90.74 out.

The current League balance stood at £8,176.78.

DECISION: Tom was thanked for his detailed report. Further discussions and work was on-going regarding sponsorship for 2014 and the potential for the equitable distribution of certain sponsorship money from the previous season between clubs in relation to value for money projects or suggestions.

4. ELECTION – LMC PERSONNEL

DECISIONS:

- Malcolm Daniels was elected as LMC Vice Chairman
- Graham Venables was elected to be the Chairman of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee, with the following people making up the disciplinary team:
Malcolm Hall, Trevor Haywood, Richard Swann, Jim Garton and John Leaning (Hearing co-ordinator on the day). The BDUA would provide a member for each hearing from one of only two of their members involved with this team.
- Gareth Jones and Bob Little agreed to deal with any issues regarding the potential for a BDCL Representative Team to play any matches at the relevant age group level, although the league would not have any fixtures from the previous Presidents Trophy in future.
- The LMC Referral Team would be:
Gary France, Gareth Jones, Michael Carlisle, Graham Venables, Malcolm Daniels, Richard Martin and John Leaning.

The meeting also reviewed its current written policy regarding the processes involved when conducting a disciplinary meeting and the penalties at its disposal.

DECISION: There would be no changes to the existing policy and the fair and equitable processes.

5. REPORTS OF OTHER MEETINGS

5.1

Ervin Devney reported on behalf of the BDU A regarding up and coming plans to roll out and communicate with clubs who have teams in the Championship and Div 1 regarding the 2014 arrangements for submitting umpire assessments in accordance with league rules. As a reminder clubs should be informed of the league rule 6.5 which states that failure to submit this assessment in keeping with the electronic arrangements shall result in a 1 point deduction from the offending team's Divisional total.

DECISION: For information at this stage.

5.2

Richard Martin spoke about a recent ECB meeting and the work of the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board LTD, which involved concerns about player conduct in the recent Ashes series in Australia and its potential influences upon the recreational game, with documented changes to personnel and the various roles at Board level.

DECISION: For information at this time.

6. League Dinner and Trophies

6.1

The meeting discussed the arrangements and plans for the League dinner at the South Forest, Edwinstowe on Saturday 22nd March 14, including invited guests. The speaker would be Colin Tunnicliffe (Derbyshire CC).

The following additional **DECISIONS** were made regarding certain League trophies for season 2013:

- Randall Trophy (Batting) – won by Luke Tongue (Ordsall Bridon) – 1160 runs Ave 89.69
- Larwood Trophy (Bowling) – won by David Crabtree (Clay Cross) – 50 wickets Ave 15.3
- Elvidge Trophy (Wkt keeping) – won by Ben Marson (Thoresby Coll) – 31 victims
- Wilkinsons Trophy to be decided at the Feb LMC meeting

7. MALLEN T20 2014

The League Secretary discussed the arrangements for this cup competition for the forthcoming season. Participating numbers were low at the moment but it was hoped or anticipated that further entrants would appear in the weeks ahead. In due course a ground/venue would be agreed for the finals day on Sunday 29th June 14, followed by the venue and date for the Mallen T20 winner to play for Mapperley Sports Trophy against the winners of the SNL T20.

It was not clear at this time what involvement the PL would have in the T20 format.

DECISIONS: For information at this time.

8. OFFICER UPDATES

8.1

The following people gave a brief report regarding their role and the current issues at the beginning of the year.

Gary France (Secretary), Michael Carlisle (Registrations – Play-Cricket Results – Twitter – Facebook and League Handbook), Tom Munro (Fixtures and Finance), Jack Tarr (Results and Website), John Leaning (Umpire Appointments), Alan Vollans (League Welfare Officer), Janet King and Tom Munro (Advertisers and sponsorship).

9. AOB

9.1

Reminders were given for information about the AGM's of:

- The Bassetlaw & District Junior League (Sunday 2nd Feb at Worksop CC)
- The Nottinghamshire Cricket Board Ltd (23rd Jan 14 at South Forest)

There was no other business and the meeting ended at 9.15pm

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