



The Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

founded 1904

MINUTES of the LMC

Date: 11th Nov 14

Time: 7pm

Location: Central Avenue, Worksop

People Present: Bob Little (President), Gareth Jones (Chair), Gary France, Tom Munro, Brian Rivington, Janet King, John Leaning, Gary Bardill, Alan Vollans, Ian Batty, Graham Bullock, Malcolm Daniels, Jim Garton, Trevor Haywood, Glenn Pym, Richard Swann, Graham Venables and Alison Watts.

Apologies: Jack Tarr, Malcolm Hall, Roger Heath, Richard Martin and Craig Buckingham

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

1 MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

1.1

Updates on changes to LMC roles for 2015 included:

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| ➤ Player Registrar | Tom Munro |
| ➤ Assistant Player Registrar | Jack Tarr |
| ➤ BDCL Play-Cricket Administrator | Tom Munro |
| ➤ Weekend Results Service | Sam Stringfellow and Jack Tarr |
| ➤ League Handbook Editor | Michael Carlisle |

DECISION: These appointments had been included for the 2014 League AGM

1.2

Tom Munro and Malcolm Daniels provided an update on the County Player Registration System, which had the BDCL element contained within it. Plans were on-going with the home page agreed.

DECISION: Full updated guidance and support would be provided to clubs via close season Newsletters.

1.3

The population of the Divisions for season 2015 needed an amendment from the published document, as Notts & Arnold Amateur CC had taken the decision for their 4th XI in Div 7 and 5th XI in Div 8 to be transferred to the South Notts League. This transfer had been completed. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd XI of the club would remain in the BDCL in their appointed Divisions.

DECISION: For information only

1.4

Following an additional extra meeting of the LMC to discuss plans and developments for the future of the league, decisions had been made regarding the structure of the Divisions with further proposals for amendments to certain playing conditions in the lowest Division of the League (whatever that number was to be) with implementation being from the beginning of season 2017. This would allow for a brief final window of consultation with all clubs briefly during season 2015, so that the full plan could be completed to allow everyone to know what they were playing for at the beginning of season 2016. This would enable the agreed changes to become 'live from April 2017'. These matters were discussed and decisions made in response to and in tandem with National, County and League Surveys regarding current player participation in the game and young player issues.

DECISION: The League Secretary would announce these plans at the 2014 League AGM; details would be published later on the League Website and the January 2015 LMC Minutes updated from the 2014 AGM reports.

1.5

The meeting discussed internal LMC responsibilities moving forward, which would be documented within the 2015 League Handbook.

DECISION: One additional development would be the creation of a Saturday morning BDCL- HELP DESK telephone number for clubs, players and administrators to use on the morning prior to a game from 9am to 2pm. This contact number would be available and be published on both the League Website and the rear cover of the 2015 League handbook for ease of access.

All Saturday morning queries, problems, questions and enquiries should be directed to this number, only on Saturday mornings.

Full details of the number, its purpose and accessibility will be detailed in League Newsletters during the close season.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

2.1

The Fixture Secretary was in receipt of a number of queries from various clubs about a range of difficulties with ground availability which were still under discussion and action before the deadline date of the 17th Nov 14.

The issues referred to the LMC were:

- Arrangements for the completion of Woodsetts CC's fixtures for all three teams
- Welbeck CC (2 teams) v Wadworth & Shirebrook on the 25th July 15
- Thoresby Colliery CC v MHM CC on Sat 19th Sept 15
- Bilsthorpe CC v Rockware CC on Saturday 13th June 15

DECISION: If a solution to the fixture problems could not be resolved by respective clubs by the 17th November 14 the LMC would activate rule 2.4 (iii) and inform each club as above when the fixture would be played and when. The Fixture Secretary would publish fixtures accordingly, based upon the above range of outcomes.

All above clubs, to be updated before publication of the Minutes.

3. FINANCE & WINTER SPONSORSHIP PLANNING

3.1

The AGM financial accounts had been published by the Treasurer and his detailed report to include an update on those figures would be presented at the League AGM on the 22nd November 14.

Additionally, a twelve month Budget Forecast was also circulated to the meeting to allow further financial planning to begin towards league commitments for 2015.

Additionally there was to be a meeting of the Finance and Sponsorship Sub- Committee (Janet King, Tom Munro, Alison Watts, Graham Bullock and Malcolm Daniels in December 2014, to plan those future fiscal arrangements

Further plans were being worked up to provide opportunities in the training aspect of club members, providing potential opportunities relating to:

- First Aid
- Scoring
- CWO responsibilities
- Coaching

DECISION: The Treasurer was thanked for his work and reports. He would also present the case to the AGM, regarding a potential positive development regarding the distribution of League Handbooks to all clubs for season 2015, which will be evaluated and reviewed each year by the LMC
The January 2015 LMC Minutes, would be updated from this financial disclosure within the AGM reports.

4. UMPIRES ISSUES

4.1

Gary Bardill spoke about:

- On-going processes to assist the Umpire Appointments Secretary
- A growing shortage of umpires across the BDCL
- A relatively poor ‘take up’ of umpire training course, especially for new umpires
- BDUAGM issues
- Winter Meetings
- Umpire Assessments in the Ch and Div 1
- Potential opportunities for recruiting new umpires

DECISION: For information only at this time

- The meeting generally discussed plans for the forthcoming AGM at Cuckney CC on Saturday 22nd Nov 14. There were no other reports of other meetings, with one additional meeting to take place at Edwinstowe, involving the Nottinghamshire Cricket Board, the SNL, the PL and the BDCL, on Wednesday 12th November 14.

DECISION: For information only

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 8.35pm

The next LMC meeting will not be until Tuesday 13th January 2015

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