



The Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

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MINUTES of the LMC

Date: 9th June 15
Time: 7pm
Location: Central Avenue, Worksop

People Present:

Brian Rivington (Chairman), Gareth Jones (Chairman), Gary France, Tom Munro, John Leaning, Jack Tarr, Alan Vollans, Ian Batty, Malcolm Daniels, Jim Garton, Malcolm Hall, Richard Martin, David Parnham, Glenn Pym, Graham Venables and Bob Little.

Apologies:

Michael Beard, Michael Aplin, Gary Bardill, Graham Bullock, Trevor Haywood, Roger Heath, Richard Swann and Alison Watts.

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

Confirmation had been received that Mansfield CC 4th XI wished to resign from the League and their participation in Div 8 due to a lack of players. The LMC had already agreed to their 3rd XI remaining in Div 5.

DECISION: In addition to the fines already allocated to Mansfield 4th XI for not fulfilling their fixtures up to notifying the league of their intention to withdraw, the LMC will impose a fine of £55, which is a sum of money in keeping with other similar examples of teams withdrawing from the BDCL in recent times at that level of the league.

1.2

Further to the information regarding the umpires not being informed that the game between South Normanton and Blidworth II had been cancelled by South Normanton (Sat 9th May 15).

DECISION: The LMC also wished to confirm that in accordance with league rules, South Normanton will be fined a sum of £10, have 10 points reduced from their Divisional total and Blidworth II will be allocated 20 points.

1.3

The Secretary confirmed receipt on behalf of the league of another player survey from the ECB via the NCB Ltd, which was in addition to the previous examples and also the one currently being conducted by the league itself. Some concern was raised about duplication and the volume of repeated questions being asked about the same topic.

DECISION: The latest ECB survey would be circulated as requested for completion via the league website and its face book account. Additionally the BDCL would continue to evaluate its own survey returns as part of the process for recommendations for developing the league in future seasons. Additionally a small team led by Michael Beard would also consider and make proposals about positive changes to the BDCL with links to young players. All information and feedback would be assessed in September by the LMC for decisions to be made about AGM content and proposals this coming November.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

2.1

Recently there had been two player transfer issues affecting two players from East Drayton CC and South Normanton CC respectively, whereby a certain sum of money was apparently owed by the players to their previous club and therefore the player registration and transfer issues could not be completed.

DECISION: Both debts had now been resolved to the satisfaction of all parties and the players concerned were now eligible to play for their new clubs.

2.2

Following the T20 game Anston v Firbeck on the 19th May 15 which was conceded by Firbeck, information had been received from Firbeck in the understanding that they no longer wished to participate in the competition and that information was placed on the league website.

On Tuesday 2nd June 15, the game planned between Firbeck v Worksop CC did not go ahead, due to Worksop (from reading the league website) believed there to be no game, although Firbeck believed that the game was to be played.

The League Secretary discussed the situation with all clubs.

DECISION: Anston would receive the result of a win in the first planned T20 game, and Firbeck would be fined £10 for not fulfilling the fixture.

Worksop would receive the result of a win for the second planned T20 game and Firbeck (at their request) would be allowed to fulfil the remaining three games in the T20 competition.

2.3

The Fixture Secretary was making on-going arrangements with Killamarsh III and Clumber IV regarding the plans for their game in Div 7 and the relevant date in August (22nd or 31st).

DECISION: Discussions with both club secretaries were ongoing.

3. FINANCE & SPONSORSHIP

3.1

The Treasurer presented a financial report regarding the financial status of the league, inclusive of recent transactions income versus expenditure. Planning for reductions in the costs of printing materials for the league dinner and other future financial decisions were being considered, along with sponsorship money for 2015 being discussed with the sponsorship team. Hopes of linking the benefits to clubs and youth cricket, attracting young players to the game and keeping them were asked to be prioritised.

To date, the league financial balance was.....£8,578.56

DECISION: For information at this time and Tom was thanked for his detailed and accurately presented report.

4. DISCIPLINARY ISSUES & UNFULFILLED FIXTURES

4.1

Issues had been reported to the League Secretary occurring in the game in Div 8 on Saturday 30th May between Thoresby Colliery III and Lea Park II concerning young players, no umpires and some reported instances surrounding these matters.

DECISION: In keeping with the league disciplinary codes, through the Disciplinary Chairman, written advice and guidance should be provided to the clubs on behalf of the league regarding behaviour, conduct and games where no umpires are appointed by the league. The Secretary would also discuss various

issues with senior personnel at both clubs, to ensure that the ethos of developing young players in Div 8 in the right way is achieved as far as possible. This response had now been completed and the matter closed.

4.2

Various reports from many people including the umpire in the game N&AA v Clipstone in the Championship on Monday 25th May 15, had been received by the League Secretary regarding a variety of instances and events which had occurred during the game. Some related matters were also under investigation by other agencies.

DECISION: A formal League Disciplinary Hearing had been arranged to take place at 7.30pm on Monday 15th June 15 at Worksop CC.

4.3

Confusion had occurred in the planned game in Div 8 between Thurcroft v Milton III which was due to be played on Sat 30th May15.

Prior to that date, Thurcroft had suggested a change of fixture date due to club members having other commitments on that day. Milton did not wish to change the date of the fixture and the League Secretary had advised on the debate. On the actual date of the fixture, the club who did not want to play turned up (Thurcroft) and the team who did want to play (Milton III) did not, as they believed that the game had been cancelled.

The LMC were of the view that both clubs had created a misunderstanding and confusion of communication between themselves, but had acted in good faith with one another.

DECISION: Both teams would be allocated 6 points each.

5. LATE SUBMISSION OF RESULTS / SCORECARDS

5.1

The League Statistician reported that that the submission of scorecards was working well and that there were no issues to report requiring any sanctions by the League.

DECISION: for information only

5.2

From Saturday 16th May 15, the decision had been communicated to all clubs that any late submissions of results (after 10am on the Sunday following the game) would attract a 1 point deduction from a team that submitted the late result.

DECISION: The following teams had provided late results and would therefore have 1 point deducted from their Divisional total:

Late results to Sat 6 June 2015:

Sat 23 May

Harthill 2nd

Sth Normanton 1st

Thoresby Colliery 1st

Mon 25 May

Anston 1st

Sat 6 June

Anston 1st

Caythorpe 2nd

Marshalls 1st

6. UMPIRES ISSUES

6.1

The BDUA had not convened any recent meetings.

The umpires assessment process would now begin again from Saturday 13th June 15, by e mailing the assessment form already provided to all club secretaries with teams in the Championship and Div 1.

Guidance and help regarding completion had also been sent.

DECISION: For information only.

7. REPORTS OF OTHER MEETINGS

7.1

Richard Martin had attended a recent meeting of the PL , representing the BDCL at those meetings. The following issues were reported:

- Disciplinary matters
- 2016 registration rules changes
- 2016 Academy player registration rules

DECISION: For information only

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The meeting discussed the arrangements for:

- The two Mallen Semi-finals on Tuesday 30th June 15
- The Mallen T20 Final Day at Papplwick & Linby CC on Sunday 5th July 15 starting at 2pm
- The Mapperley Sports T20 Final between the Mallen T20 winners and the SNL T20 winners which will be on the 14th July 15 at Hucknall CC starting at 6.15pm

DECISION: For information only

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

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