

BASSETLAW & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE

Minutes of a Management Committee meeting held at Worksop Cricket Club on Tuesday, 10th May 2005 at 7.15pm.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. D. Graney, J. H. Goodman, C. Drury, G. Evans, A. Duckering

Present: Messrs. J. A. Bennett (President), J.C.Garton (Chairman), M. J. Smedley, C. Adwick, J. B. Wilson, K. Board, D. Edmunds, T. Haywood, J. Leaning, J. Heaman, G. Pym, K. Lound, G. Holden, G. Jones, P. Neale, C. R. Martin (Secretary).

The **Minutes of the last Meeting** were read, passed and signed as a true record.

Matters Arising. Clay Cross Works C.C. had made alternative arrangements for the upkeep of the ground and would be continuing in the league. A list of teams whose wicket-keeper's gloves did not conform to the new Law, as reported by umpires, was read out and it was agreed that each club be contacted and informed that they should be changed. No person was proposed for nomination to receive an OSCA, but if one was received by the Secretary within another 14 days or so it would be submitted to ECB. Mr. Andrew Duckering had volunteered to undertake the post of League Statistician, had been carrying out the duties since the start of the season, and would attend meetings whenever possible. In the Eric Adwick Memorial Match the Bassetlaw XI had been defeated by the Joe Lumb Competition XI, the game being expertly staged by Kiveton Park Colliery C.C. A letter was to be sent to Ollerton Colliery C.C. reminding the captain and players of their responsibilities under the 'Spirit of Cricket' especially towards young opponents and umpires were to be appointed and asked to report on future conduct.

Correspondence. The committee of Blyth C.C. had terminated Martin Court's membership following an incident of alleged threatening behaviour on 29th April and ten other members of the club had resigned and/or requested a transfer. The club's request to withdraw the 1st XI from Division Three and fulfil the Division Eight fixtures was approved and fines imposed for withdrawal from the League (£15) and non-fulfilment of fixture on 7th May (£20) as per Rules 1.1(iv) and 2.5(vi). It was also agreed that the League did not have jurisdiction over an occurrence on a non-match day and therefore the Disciplinary Committee should not be involved. It was further agreed that, should Mr. Court seek a transfer to another club, that club should be recommended to contact Blyth to ascertain the reason for the termination of his membership. In a memorandum issued to all Leagues, the ECB had requested the identity of a suitable official to have access to its disciplinary register and it was agreed that this should be the Secretary. Pilsley C.C. had submitted a letter of resignation from the League effective from the end of the current season. Thurcroft Welfare had withdrawn their Second XI from Division Six prior to the season and were fined £15. West Indian Cavaliers C.C. claim of the points for the cancelled match at Clay Cross Works on 23rd April was rejected. Ransome & Marles C.C. letter regarding the freedom of Premier League players to play in this League was considered and the club was to be advised to submit an amendment to rule to the AGM if they wished. Interski had requested permission to approach clubs with a holiday package which could provide financial benefit to clubs whose members participated and also to the League; this was granted. Copies of correspondence between Clay Cross Works and the Derbyshire Cricket Board concerning the ground had been received. Letters from Bilsthorpe C.C. and South Normanton C.C. concerning the provision of umpires were read out. It was agreed that submitting results sheets by e-mail was not currently viable. Three umpires, Messrs. D. Lambert, C. Russell and D. Froggatt, who had travelled to cancelled matches were to be reimbursed their expenses from League funds. Clubs were to be instructed to contact John Leaning or Alan Bennett when a match was cancelled: a) if informed by an umpire that he had been moved to another match, and b) if only one, or no, umpire had been allocated on the sheet sent to a club. A list of banned players had been received from the Yorkshire Cricket Board. Registrations[all c(iv) except where shown]: J. Tuitt [A(iv)], L.

Baldry (Notts. & Arnold Amateur); S. Valentine (Whitwell); L. Klazinga (Clay Cross Works), I. Beverley (Ashover); Usman Saeed (Bolsover); Marshalls had cancelled the registration of G. Talorica.

Transfers: C. Ludlam (Killamarsh to Eckington); R. Lee (Blyth to Manton); C. Curran (Brookhouse to Kiveton Park Colliery).

Finance. The Hon. Treasurer, Peter Neale reported that the printers had been paid for the League Handbooks and other items of stationery, the donation of £400 to the Bassetlaw & District Junior League sent and acknowledged, and £18 subscription paid to DCB. 47 clubs had paid their annual dues most advertisers had paid giving a current balance of £4683. 80

Registration of Players. Those clubs who had failed to submit an amended list of players were to be contacted and instructed to do so. It was agreed that K.C. Jayasinghe (Mansfield Hosiery Mills) should retain his status as an overseas student [C(iii)] though his attendance on a course at West Notts. College had been disrupted by assisting his parents in Sri Lanka following the Tsunami disaster.

Results, Statistics, Publicity. Andrew Duckering and Paul Barker were both happy with the system in place for compiling results and league tables and circulating them to the media. The Secretary was checking the results and points allocation prior to publication, and John Leaning agreed to do this when he was not available. The re-arrangement of the Division Five match, Bulwell v Clumber Park, due to travelling people on the ground on 23rd April was noted. A £10 fine and a 10 point deduction was imposed on Anston C.C. for non-fulfilment of the Division Ten fixture on 23rd April, Worksop 4th XI were awarded 20 points. The record of Blyth 1st XI was to be expunged from Division Three. Further enquiries were to be made into the circumstances surrounding the cancellation of the Division Six match, Ashover II v Killamarsh II on 30th April.

The **Date of the next Meeting** was confirmed as Tuesday, 14th June 2005 at Worksop Cricket Club at 7.15pm.

Any other business. John Heaman stated that the first umpire assessment had gone well with full co-operation from the captains, whose reports had agreed with that of the boundary assessor. The attention of umpires would be drawn to the correct method of dealing with dangerous bowling. It was reported that the covers at Marshalls C.C. had no wheels.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.25pm.

Signed Date

Addendum: It was agreed that, if a player who had been registered as an overseas player [C(iv)] was subsequently registered under another category, documentary evidence should be provided to show that absences from the UK had not exceeded the prescribed limits.