

## BASSETLAW & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE

Minutes of a Management Committee meeting held at Worksop Cricket Club on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> July 2005 at 7.15pm.

**Apologies for absence** were received from Messrs. J. C. Garton (Chairman), D. Graney, K. Board, G. Holden

**Present:** Messrs. M. J. Smedley (Vice- Chairman), J. A. Bennett, C. Adwick, C. Drury, D. Edmunds, T. Haywood, J. Heaman, J. Leaning, G. Evans, J. H. Goodman, G. Pym, K. Lound, G. Jones, J. B. Wilson, B. Norris, P. Neale, C. R. Martin (Secretary).

The **Minutes of the last Meeting** were read. An objection was raised to the following minute concerning player registration: "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." The Secretary recorded comments to indicate that: "It should be the responsibility of a player to prove that he has been present in the country for the required period by means of a passport (or photocopy) or other means confirming arrivals and departures, or evidence of time working here. Players currently under investigation should be asked to produce this within seven days of receipt of a letter of request." The Vice-Chairman then signed the minutes.

**Matters Arising.** One umpire's report had been received concerning a pitch at Blyth, but no response to the letter to the club, and it was agreed to suggest to them that Paul Wilson be approached to give advice. The Disciplinary Hearing following the match between Rose Leisure and Bilsthorpe had been adjourned and was to be re-convened on 19<sup>th</sup> July. Clarification had been sought as to the date of a re-arranged match between Basford Mill and Bulwell. Keith Tongue was to be contacted to ascertain the situation regarding pitch preparation at Bulwell. The distribution of panama hats to umpires would take place at Cuckney Cricket Club on Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July.

**Correspondence.** Letters were read concerning a disciplinary matter involving Peter Evans and it was agreed that a hearing should be arranged. It was confirmed that umpires' addresses would not be published in future editions of the League Handbook. Contents of letters concerning the pitch at Notts. & Arnold Amateur on 30<sup>th</sup> May, and the lack of facilities at Clifton Campus when the match between W. I. Cavaliers and Ashover was played on 3<sup>rd</sup> July were noted. Cavaliers were to be informed that the League Secretary must be notified of changes of venue. Ashover C.C. had given formal notification of resignation from the League at the end of this season. Farnsfield C.C. and Welbeck Colliery C.C. had indicated some interest in entering another team in the near future. A suggestion had been received that a Twenty20 competition be run on Sundays in the middle of the season. This idea would be communicated to clubs for their reaction. A further report concerning w/k gloves had been added to the folio. Registration: Ramash Sanjay (Worksop). A number of transfers had also been recorded. A copy of information to be distributed to clubs by Interski had been received

**Finance.** The Hon. Treasurer, Peter Neale reported a balance of £6873.47. Cricketal was the only advertiser with an outstanding account and Chris Dawes had been contacted regarding the matter.

**Statisticians' Reports.** The following fixtures had not been fulfilled: **16<sup>th</sup> June** – Division Five – Cuckney 2<sup>nd</sup> v Bulwell; **2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Division Nine – Papplewick & Linby 3<sup>rd</sup> v Basford Mill 2<sup>nd</sup>; Division Ten - Mansfield Hosiery Mills 4<sup>th</sup> v Woodsetts 3<sup>rd</sup>. In each case 20 points were awarded to the first named club and ten points deducted from the second named club who also were each fined £10.

**Rhoades Trophy.** The League Representative XI had beaten the Derbyshire & Cheshire League at Dove Holes C.C. on Sunday, 26<sup>th</sup> June by nine wickets [Derbyshire & Cheshire League 163-8; Bassetlaw League 164-1 (Martin Cheshire 99, Nigel Birkett 60\*)]and would now play the Mansfield League on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> July, probably at Glapwell Colliery C.C.. The under 25 XI would play the Derbyshire County League at Alvaston & Boulton C.C. on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> August.

**Meetings.** The complaint from Anston C.C. about an umpire would be heard by officers of the Association on 19<sup>th</sup> July. The trial assessment of umpires was progressing well. A 10 week umpire training course would commence on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October at the New Inn, Winsick. Details available from John Heaman 01246 221621.

**Constitution of the Divisions 2006.** A lengthy discussion took place and several alternatives considered with regard to the number of Divisions, and number of teams per Division, for 2006. The favoured option was agreed as Divisions 1-4, 12 teams; Divisions 5-9, 10 teams; Division 10, the remaining teams. Promotions would all be honoured, consideration given to transferring Ollerton Colliery to Division 6 and the number of teams relegated would be reduced in most Divisions. The principle of reducing relegations rather than increasing promotions would be maintained where possible. Final arrangements would depend on the number of teams relegated from the Premier League.

The **Date of the next Meeting** was confirmed as Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August 2005 at Worksop Cricket Club at 7.15pm.

**Any other business.** John Leaning was circulating a letter from the Chairman to all clubs concerning a meeting to discuss umpire recruitment to be held at Cuckney Cricket Club on 16<sup>th</sup> August. It was reported that Cutthorpe C.C. had registered players after the scheduled time of start and would be reminded of the correct interpretation of the Rule. A player, registered by Retford C.C., was thought to be registered in the Doncaster League and enquiries would be made. It was agreed that, wherever possible, players under the age of 18 should not be asked to umpire matches to which only one, or no umpire, had been appointed. No umpire's report had been received regarding the bowling of a full pitched delivery, thought to be deliberate, by a Cutthorpe 2<sup>nd</sup> XI player during the match against Nomads. An incidence of umpires taking the wrong balls on to the field of play at the start of a match had been reported. It was agreed that the Mallen Trophy match between Papplewick & Linby C.C. and Worksop C.C. should be arranged to be played as per the rules of the competition.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 9.07pm.

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