

BASSETLAW & DISTRICT CRICKET LEAGUE

Minutes of a Management Committee meeting held at Worksop Cricket Club on Tuesday, 13th September 2005 at 7.15pm.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs. D. Graney, G. Evans, C. Adwick, K. Lound, D. Edmunds,

Present: Messrs. J. C. Garton (Chairman), M. J. Smedley, J. A. Bennett, K. Board, C. Drury, T. Haywood, J. Heaman, G. Jones, J. Leaning, J. H. Goodman, G. Holden, J. B. Wilson, B. Norris, P. Neale, C. R. Martin (Secretary).

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

Matters Arising. Joe Goodman reported on documentation presented to him regarding the eligibility of Tim Down and Garth Brown and it was agreed that no further action be taken in these instances. The Secretary was asked to draft an amendment to Rule 5 to clarify the qualifying period and what should apply subsequently, and to indicate that, in future, full documentary evidence would be required before the player plays. Farnsfield C.C. had expressed displeasure that the nomination of a third umpire would be a condition of entry for a proposed 3rd XI. Cutthorpe C.C. had confirmed that an application for membership had been made to the Derbyshire County League. Retford C.C. were fined £25 and a deduction of 10 points was made from their total in Division Four for playing an ineligible player, Strepth Sowden, and submitting an inaccurate registration form. The Chairman would endeavour to attend the League Cricket Conference meeting on 24th September to express concern over the allegation of foul and abusive language by the Chairman of the Derbyshire Premier League to two of our umpires.

Correspondence. A form from the League Cricket Conference to claim umpiring expenses for cup matches was passed to the Hon. Treasurer. Killamarsh C.C. had complained about two occasions on which clubs had cancelled cup matches at short notice. Bridon C.C. had already been fined £20; a similar fine was imposed on Farnsfield C.C. and it was agreed that £20 be sent to Killamarsh to defray expenses. It was decided to hold a General Purposes Sub-Committee on 5th October to discuss the future of the cup competitions. A letter of thanks from the B.& D. U. A. for the donation of £150 was read, as was the response of their sub-committee to the letter from Keith Lound. An umpire's report of poor ground conditions at Kingsway Park was to be copied to Mansfield Hosiery Mills C.C. Letters had been received from umpires D. Lambert and A. Bird stating that South Normanton C.C. had not informed them of a cancellation. The President, Alan Bennett, confirmed that the club had contacted him and that he had tried to ring each without success. It was agreed to make ex gratia payments of £5 to cover petrol expenses from Kirkby-in-Ashfield. Umpires' reports had been received concerning discipline problems during the matches Notts. & Arnold Amateur II v Anston and Pilsley II v Worksop III and copies had been forwarded to Mike Smedley, Anston C.C. and Worksop C.C. Following a report that Justin Miller had played for Bridon II v Caythorpe II the 9 points gained by Bridon were deducted from their total and a fine of £25 imposed. West Indian Cavaliers had played an ineligible player in three matches during the season; a fine of £25 was imposed and the 48 points gained in those matches deducted. A letter of thanks had been sent to Tony Wilkinson following the distribution of the Panama Hats.

Finance. The Hon. Treasurer, Peter Neale reported that a cheque for £150 had been sent to the B.& D.U. A. towards new equipment, and that the match expenses and trophies costs for the two cup finals had been settled leaving a balance of £6095.35.

Statisticians' Reports / Cup Competitions. The following teams had failed to fulfil fixtures; in each instance a fine of £10 was imposed, a deduction of 10 points made, and 20 points awarded to their opponents: Marshalls II, Woodsetts III, Basford Mill II (twice), Rose Leisure, Mansfield Hosiery Mills IV. Fines of £5 were imposed on Notts.& Arnold Amateur III, Ransome & Marles II and W. I. Cavaliers

II for causing late starts. Points deductions for 'late overs' were made against Worksop 1st XI (4) and Ransome & Marles 2nd XI (1).

Brief reports were given on the Mallen Trophy final in which Worksop had defeated Killamarsh, and the Tomlins Trophy final when Blidworth Welfare had beaten Cutthorpe. The respective man of the match awards were made to Glenn Pym (Worksop) and Dave Wood (Blidworth)

Meetings. At Disciplinary Appeal Hearings the following penalties had been imposed: Clive Savage (Retford II), 8 match suspension, 8 point deduction; Ian Morley (Welbeck III), 2 match suspension, 4 point deduction. It was agreed that future suspensions should specify start and finish dates and apply to all cricket, be transmitted to the Secretary of the County Board immediately and to the Press Officer for publication after the appeal period has elapsed. This information to be passed to clubs. Only two clubs, Wadworth and Woodsetts had been represented at the umpires recruitment meeting held in August. A 3 hour disk aimed at recruiting casual umpires was now available with a certificate given to those who viewed it.

Constitution of Divisions. This item was left on the table other than the Secretary reporting the wish of Mansfield & Pleasley C.C. to enter an academy eleven, and the possibility of additional teams from Milton and Edwinstowe.

Rule Amendments. The Secretary listed a number of rules to be considered. Mike Smedley agreed to discuss Rule 2.5(iv) with his club committee following the charge made to Glapwell Colliery for both teams' teas at Kiveton Park Colliery on 10th September; the wording to be clarified for the future.

The **Date of the next Meeting** was confirmed as Tuesday, 11th October 2005 at Worksop Cricket Club at 7.15pm.

Any other business. It was agreed to invite Wilkinsons to continue as the main sponsor of the League. It would be necessary to nominate a Vice-President for 2006 at the next meeting. Ransome & Marles C.C. had informed the Secretary that none of the comments on the Follow On website concerning the playing of the Division Two match at Papplewick on 10th September had come from their club. The Chairman, Jim Garton, was to see a copy of what had appeared to ensure that the comments could not be construed as coming from the League, via Paul Barker in his capacity as Press Officer.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 10.10pm.

Signed Date