

Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held at Worksop Cricket Club on Tuesday 13th February 2007

Prior to the start of the meeting, a presentation was given by Charlie French, representing CRICKETFIRST of Units 4 & 5 Bromley Croft, Mansfield Woodhouse. www.cfbats.com. (01623 654 242). The various levels of cricket equipment for sale was outlined including balls, caps, shirts and sweaters, along with the various costs to clubs and Bassetlaw League representative teams, which the Secretary noted. It was agreed that details should be provided to clubs in the next League Newsletter.

1. Apologies for absence

Messrs. D. Graney, G. Evans, G. Jones, S. Brown, G. Holden.

2. Present:

Messrs. J. Garton, G. France, P. Neale, M. Daniels, A. Vollans, B. Norris, G. Pym, J. Heaman, J. Leaning, K. Board, M. Smedley, R. Martin, B. Wilson, C. Adwick, T. Haywood, C. Drury.

3. Minutes of the last Meeting

This meeting was held on the 9th January 2007. The Minutes were passed and signed as a true record.

4. Matters arising

4.1

The Secretary updated the meeting concerning the averages for the 2006 season and circulated the final list of individual prize winners. One outstanding issue related to the fact that no bowler in Divisions 6 & 7 had achieved the criteria of 35 wickets and therefore a decision had to be made for the award of the David Mason Memorial Cup. DECISION: The person with the number of wickets closest to 35 would be the winner and therefore M. Kilday of Mansfield and Pleasley CC with 31 wickets was voted the winner. The Secretary would also circulate the details of all trophy winners within the next Newsletter.

4.2

The recent edict from the ECB relating to Junior Cricketers Playing in Adult matches was an outstanding matter in terms of how it should be integrated into the League. The Bassetlaw & District Umpires Assn. had also sent its recommendations in the form of a letter to the Secretary which was read to the meeting.

DECISION: The content of the ECB document should be adopted, with the League handbook to incorporate all the essential issues. Additionally, the Secretary should circulate the details to all clubs in the form of a Newsletter prior to the start of the season.

4.3

The Secretary reminded everyone of the potential problems for the venue of the League AGM to be held at the Valley School in November this year, due to changes to the school buildings, car parking and functionality. It had been confirmed that Cuckney Cricket Club were willing to host the AGM at no cost, as an alternative.

DECISION: The 2007 AGM would be held at Cuckney CC

5. Correspondence

5.1

The Secretary summarised two letters sent by the League Press Officer, Paul Barker. The first letter had been sent to John Leaning personally, and the second letter addressed to the League Secretary which contained Paul Barker's ideas about issues within the League which in his view needed improvement. The Chairman elaborated in more detail concerning the letter to John Leaning including certain elements which were personally critical and potentially offensive which had caused John Leaning to offer his resignation as Umpires Appointments Secretary. The Secretary then read the afore mentioned second letter (addressed to the Management Committee) in full. DECISION: The Chairman, Secretary and Bernie Jarvis from the Umpires Assn should meet with Paul Barker to discuss his letters and try to resolve some of the issues raised.

5.2

The League U.25 match against a Derbyshire League team had been arranged to be played at the ground of Ockbrook & Borrowash on the 5th August 07, with a 1.30pm start, 45 overs. Roy Fox being the contact for that game.

5.3

Eckington CC outlined that Dean Edley was to transfer to Killamarsh CC and I. Thompson was to transfer to Cutthorpe CC.

5.4

A letter from the League Sponsor Tony Wilkinson outlined his regret at not being able to attend the League Dinner this year due to a wedding commitment in Oxford. DECISION: The Secretary was asked to arrange via his Secretary how the sponsorship cheque should be received.

5.5

An e mail from Peter McKenzie gave details of a 6 week scorer's course commencing on Tuesday 13th Feb 07 at Worksop CC. The Secretary stated that he had circulated the details of this course to all League Clubs.

5.6

A package of literature from the Nottinghamshire CB and the Yorkshire CA contained various information about meetings, structures, events, promotions and elections. A third document was received concerning the Bassetlaw District Council Local Development Framework Update, which related to council policy and strategy for community engagement and planning issues. The Secretary retained all three correspondences for reference.

5.7

An e mail from Jayne Robson, Secretary of Worksop CC confirmed the availability of the Worksop ground for the fixtures:

Rhoades Trophy – 22nd July 07

Tomlins Final – 9th September 07

5.8

A letter from David Richards Hon. Sec. of the Gunn & Moore South Nottinghamshire CL confirmed the Champion of Champions Final will take place on Saturday 15th September 07 at Hucknall CC, with the reserve day being Sunday 16th Sept 07. The match will commence at 12.30pm with each League providing its own umpire. Match balls will be provided by the Gunn & Moore SNCL.

6. Finance

6.1

Peter Neale gave a report to the meeting on the financial matters of the League, outlining income and expenditure. Potential fines for clubs relating to various matters were being compiled in accordance with League Rules. The League Insurance was becoming due. Although there were comparisons with other quotations, with potential savings being minimal, the renewal premium via the ECB link (£275) was to be renewed.

At the date of the meeting, the League balance stood at:- **£4236.23**

Peter was thanked for his report and there were no questions.

7. Reports of Meetings

7.1

John Heaman spoke of a recent umpires meeting where the potential of a future 'cautioning system' may be implemented along the lines of two in a season possibly leading to a ban for one or more matches. However, this was not believed to be something which would take effect in the short term.

8. Umpiring matters

8.1

The meeting led by the Chairman discussed various matters in relation to umpires.

DECISIONS:

- That Rule 6.4 should be scrapped in principal, with a possible rule replacement to be formulated by the Chairman for approval.
- Any new teams or clubs entering the League, should make a contribution to the umpires list. (The appropriate wording to be formulated).
- The League to support, influence and suggest that clubs encourage young players to attend umpires courses.

9. Dinner update

9.1

The Secretary spoke about the arrangements with Kevin Young at Bassetlaw Trophies, Worksop for the return of last years trophies which was well under way. Kevin also had the list and details of the 2006 prize winners which were needed for engraving. The Secretary also confirmed the list of replies for the invited guests. The Chairman spoke about the potential for him missing this year's dinner due to a teaching consultancy engagement abroad and offered his apologies.

Richard Martin suggested that an accurate estimation of people attending the dinner was 222, which was pleasing but near to the venues limitations.

DECISION: Towards the end of February, the Secretary would chase up any outstanding trophy returns from the previous dinner.

10. Mallen Twenty / 20 Draw

10.1

The teams who had entered this years competition had been clustered into geographical groupings. The draw for the competition was then made by the meeting. DECISION: Details to be circulated to all participating clubs, including a reminder of rules and venue of semi finals and final at Notts & Arnold.

11. Handbook Update

11.1

Richard Martin updated the meeting on the current position on the 2007 League handbook as its Editor. Many items were in a position to be proof read, with the printers having most of the information. The final list of umpires was still awaited. The meeting reviewed various League documents which could be sent either by Royal Mail or e mail.

11.

The date of the next meeting – **Tuesday 13th March 2007 at Worksop CC -7.15pm** start.

12. AOB

12.1

Trevor Haywood spoke of a player Richard Hope, who was in the process of transferring from Thoresby Colliery CC to Glapwell CC, with money still being owed by that player to his former club.

DECISION: The League would support the need for outstanding money to be paid before the transfer is completed. Both club Secretaries should resolve.

12.2

Bev Norris queried if there was any likelihood of Bracebridge Heath CC returning to the League next season.

DECISION: The Secretary had not received any further enquiry from that club.

12.3

Wicket Keeping Gloves and their legality.

DECISION: The Secretary to remind all clubs within the Newsletter of this issue.

12.4

Chris Drury informed the meeting that the Eric Adwick Trophy Match would be played on the 29th April 07, but this date had yet to be confirmed.

There was no other business, and the meeting closed at 9.45pm.

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