

# Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

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## Minutes of the Management Committee held at Worksop CC on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 07 at 7.15pm

### 1. Apologies for absence

Messrs. D. Graney, M. Smedley, T. Haywood

### 2. Present

Messrs. J. Garton, G France, P Neale, B Norris, J Heaman, J Leaning, G Jones, R Martin, B Wilson, C Adwick, K Board, G Evans, G Pym, M Daniels

### 3. Minutes of the last meeting

This was held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 07. The Minutes were passed and signed as a true record.

### 4. Matters arising

#### 4.1

The aspects of the presentation given by Peter Johnson, Chairman of the NPL was discussed and reviewed.

**DECISION:** Three matters were agreed as potential for development by the BDCL These were:

- Some ground standards and playing conditions in our Div 1 could mirror some of those implemented in the NPL
- Joint Presentation Evenings
- Two annual meetings between the BDCL, the NPL and the SNL

Jim Garton, George Evans and Richard Martin were to represent the BDCL at the first of these meeting at Trent Bridge on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 07

It was agreed to hold an informal meeting of the MC on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 07 at 7.30pm at Worksop CC to discuss the above and various other issues which the Secretary would formulate into a flexible steering document as an Agenda.

#### 4.2

The potential improvement of dealing with Match Result sheets was an outstanding matter with the suggestion of clubs copying the sheet and sending one to the Worksop Guardian and the other to Bev Norris.

**DECISION:** To be included on the Agenda at the above meeting on 4.9.07

#### 4.3

The payment of umpires from the last meeting was still outstanding and not yet paid.

- South Normanton – 16/6/07 Umpire Jon Eaton
- Cutthorpe – 23/6/07 Umpire Trevor Mitchell
- Weston – 30/6/07 Umpires P Baggaley 7 RS Broadley

The Secretary had asked all clubs to pay the umpires via cheque to John Leaning. Cutthorpe CC had explained that they had left a full and detailed message for all umpires for the above game (3 of them, as the umpires had been changed) and had a record of the messages left, suggesting that if two did not attend, it was not their fault that one did. They asked the MC to accept their point of view that messages were left by their club.

**DECISION:** The Secretary to contact South Normanton and Weston once again. The meeting accepted Cutthorpe's account on this occasion and gave the benefit of the doubt to them, that they should **not** pay the £25 fee.

#### 4.4

The matter of delayed starts or interruptions by weather during matches where no umpires were present was discussed once again, which also linked to a letter from Peter McKenzie on same subject, asking the MC to consider a policy or comments on the potential problems.

**DECISION:** Both Captain's must try to agree on the way to progress and if they cannot, play should not take place. Whilst common sense was needed, SAFETY was paramount. The Chairman agreed to formulate a draft statement for guidance on the subject for the next meeting.

#### 4.5

Two disciplinary meetings had been arranged on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July 07 involving two players from Thoresby Colliery CC. The results were:

- **Mr N Birkett** – Directing abusive language towards an umpire on 20/6/07. Penalty imposed: The player has a **FOUR** match ban, suspended pending good behaviour until the end of the 2008 season.
- **Mr. R Walker** – Directing abusive language towards an umpire  
Showing dissent at an umpire's decision. Both on 7/7/07

Penalty imposed: The player was banned from playing for 4 matches from 28/7/07 to 18/8/07.

#### 4.6

The meeting discussed the merits or otherwise of Rule 6.4 relating to the provision of umpires and its relationship to Rule 1(1v).

**DECISION:** The matter should be discussed in greater detail at the informal meeting, particularly relating to Rule 1(iv). However in principal at this stage the meeting agreed for Rule 6.4 to read after amendment:

*'Any club wishing to join the League, shall provide one umpire for each team it wishes to enter into the League. All such umpires should be acceptable to the Bassetlaw & District Umpires Association and should not be drawn from the existing pool of umpires'.*

## 5. Correspondence

### 5.1

A full package of information in the form of an application to join the BDCL for the start of the 2008 season had been received from Firbeck Cricket Club, who wished to play at Costhorpe and effectively replace Worksop III in the League, as most players

in that particular team will revert to Firbeck CC next season. There was also the request to play where Worksop III finish in their respective League position at the end of the 2007. There was also full supporting evidence from Worksop CC in relation to this transition.

**DECISION:** Firbeck CC will be integrated into the BDCL from 2008, and will play in whatever Division is earned by right of the current Worksop III team this season.

## 5.2

A report from Peter McKenzie, identified the following clubs as not having returned their umpires assessments forms for Div 2 matches in July:

7 July – Notts & AA, Caythorpe II, Edwinstowe

14 July – Notts & AA, Caythorpe II, Kiveton Park, Blidworth

28 July – Notts & AA, Bolsover

**DECISION:** That all clubs should be fined in accordance with Rule 6.5(i)

## 5.3

Bev Norris had reported a problem with the cricket shirts worn by Glapwell CC in a recent match which was supported by a telephone call from Paul Barker, where a bright red sponsor's logo about the size of an A4 sheet was designed into the middle of the shirt at the front. Dean Graney had recognised the problem and had stated by e mail that the shirts were not in keeping with the rules of the BDCL and had informed players not to wear them in such League games.

**DECISION:** Dean Graney's assessment was concurred by the meeting and the Secretary was asked to confirm to Glapwell that such shirts should not be worn.

## 5.4

Bev Norris had identified a player Mark Kilday, who whilst being a registered player with M & P had played for Thoresby Park on the 14<sup>th</sup> July 07 when they lost to Welbeck (2 points gained) and 28<sup>th</sup> July 07 when they lost to Retford (1 point gained). Enquiries with the Sec. of M& P and with the respective registrars confirmed these facts. Following contact with the two clubs the correct transfer of the player did not happen until the 7<sup>th</sup> Aug 07 and therefore Mark Kilday could not play after the 18<sup>th</sup> August this season.

**DECISION:** Thoresby Park should be fined £20 for each match where the registration was contravened, with the 3 points gained in those matches, deducted from their league total for their 1<sup>st</sup> XI team in Div 3.

## 5.5

A letter from Anston CC requested their last game of the season for their 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Whitwell CC on the 8<sup>th</sup> Sept 07 be transferred to a ground in the Sheffield area (Sheffield Utd) due to building work and alterations at the Anston ground on that date. Both clubs were in agreement.

**DECISION:** The change of venue was agreed.

## 5.6

A letter from Peter McKenzie informed the meeting that the BCP (Bassetlaw Cricket Partnership) was dissolved on the 31 July 07.

**DECISION:** Noted for information

5.7

Edwinstowe had registered a change of overseas player. Muhammed Wajih Uddin replaced Dean Elgar.

5.8

A letter from an umpire D Blizzard explained the reasons for a late start in the game between Clumber Park IV and Woodsetts III in Div 9 on 14/7/07, due to a dispute with the groundsman of the school where the game was played.

**DECISION:** For information only.

## **6. Finance**

6.1

The Treasurer reported a current **financial balance of £7516.56**

There had been some expenditure relating to League games at Cuckney and Derbyshire, along with the Mallen and Tomlins cup competitions. The telephone bill had been paid. Rockware Glass had still not presented their 'Fair Play Award' cheque from March this year. Two advertisers had not yet paid, with reminders having been sent.

## **7. Rule 6.4 – discussion**

See the decision at 4.6

## **8. Update – Mallen & Tomlins Trophy**

8.1

The Secretary clarified that the two semi-finals in the Tomlins Trophy were:

Edwinstowe v Thoresby Coll

Cutthorpe v Kiveton

Dates were being confirmed.

Mallen Trophy

The final was between Thoresby Colliery and Marshalls. The date was to be confirmed (although 26/8/07 was probable at 2.30pm) and would be at Kiveton CC

**DECISION:** For information only

## **8. Reports of Meetings**

8.1

Richard Martin reported that an inaugural meeting had taken place of the Operational Management Group, who objectives were:

Strengthen District Groups

Integration of League cricket into structures

Notts Academy

**DECISION:** For information

## **9. Disciplinary matters / unfulfilled fixtures**

9.1

A report from Howard Walton, an umpire in the game between Bolsover and Cutthorpe in the Tomlins Trophy on 29/7/07, identified a Bolsover player Andy

Roddis as verbally abusing the umpire during the game. The other umpire Ernie Devney concurred with the report. Bolsover had already taken their own disciplinary action. A League Disciplinary meeting had been arranged for Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 07 at 7.30pm with Mike Smedley, Gareth Jones and Brian Wilson formulating the Sub-Committee

**DECISION:** The meeting as arranged should continue.

## 9.2

A further report from an umpire Ian Walton, identified two players from Kiveton Park Colliery CC, Richard Spurr and H Godber as using foul language to an umpire together with unacceptable behaviour during the game between Kiveton and Notts & AA on 4/8/07. The Secretary read the umpires report to the meeting.

**DECISION:** A Disciplinary meeting should be held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 07 for the above two players to attend. Jim Garton, Gary France and Brian Wilson would make up the Sub-Committee

## 9.3

The following fixtures had not been fulfilled:

- AnstonIII v Teversall II – Div 6. (28<sup>th</sup> July 07)

This was due to Teversal cancelling the game due to unavailability of players. An e mail from Anston also outlined that the match teas had been bought and prepared, with the request that the normal cost be restituted, as the cancellation call was not until 12.25pm on the day of the match.

**DECISION:** Teversall II be penalised in accordance with Rule 2.5 (vi) and required to pay Anston the usual £27.50 for teas.

- M&P IV v Edwinstowe III – Div 9 (11<sup>th</sup> Aug 07)

This was due to M& P having insufficient players

**DECISION:** M&P IV to be penalised in accordance with Rule 2.5(vi)

- Ollerton v M&P III – Div 8 (4th Aug 07)

This was due to Ollerton not having a prepared ground, with a letter sent by Ollerton in mitigation which was read to the meeting by the Secretary

**DECISION:** Ollerton to be penalised in accordance with Rule 2.5(vi), but **NOT** to be fined.

- M&P II v Worksop IV – Div 8 (14<sup>th</sup> July 07)

This was due to M&P cancelling the game via ClipstoneCC (ground unfit due to rain) and a breakdown in communication by not informing the away team Worksop IV, who travelled to the ground to find the ground locked. Worksop IV wished to claim the 20 points for the game and not being informed.

**DECISION:** Both teams to be allocated 6 points each, with M&P fined £20 which is to be transferred to Worksop for the expense of travelling.

## 10. 2008 Vice President

The meeting discussed this appointment. Mike Hall of Retford CC was proposed.

**DECISION:** The Secretary should contact Mike Hall and invite him to become the League Vice President from January 08

**11. Date of next meeting**

This will be Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September 07, 7.15pm at Worksop CC

**12. AOB**

12.1

Bev Norris reported the match between Farnsfield and Bolsover in Div 1 on the 28<sup>th</sup> July, had been recorded as Bolsover creating 3 late overs whilst fielding.

**DECISION:** Bolsover CC - a reduction of 3 points

12.2

The balls provided by Charlie French at a winter meeting were asked to be reviewed in terms of quality and suitability for competitive games.

**DECISION:** The next meeting to report on this.

12.3

The meeting heard that Ted Clarke had passed away

There was no other business and the meeting concluded at 9.50pm

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