

# Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

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Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held at Worksop CC, Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 08

1. **Apologies for absence**

Messrs. K. Board and G. Holden

2. **Present:**

Messrs. J. Garton, G. France, P. Neale, M. Daniels, R. Martin, B. Rivington, A. Vollans, B. Wilson, B. Norris, C. Adwick, T. Munro, M. Hall, G. Evans, C. Drury, J. Leaning, G. Jones and T. Haywood.

*Before the meeting began, the Chairman welcomed all members of the new 2008 Committee, with particular reference to three new members, Mike Hall, Tom Munro and Alan Bennett. Additionally, the chairman outlined the need for members to comply with the attendance rule at future meetings (1.4) and should anyone be unable to attend, that person should send their apologies with a reason for absence where appropriate.*

3. **Minutes of the last meeting**

This was held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2007. The Minutes were passed and signed as a true record.

4. **Matters arising**

4.1

The Secretary reported that the disciplinary matter involving Richard Spurr of Kiveton PCCC had been resolved with the fine of £20 having been paid and a full letter of apology from the player having been received by the Secretary.

**DECISION:** For information only

4.2

The Secretary reported that the disciplinary matter involving Mr. Roddis and Bolsover CC had come to its own conclusion, as Bolsover CC no longer existed, with Mr Roddis not being in breach of any directive issued by the League. It was perhaps an example from which some lessons could be accepted.

**DECISION:** The conclusion was accepted and although not totally satisfactory, the League Disciplinary process was perhaps now tighter and clearer for the future.

4.3

The meeting discussed the proposal from a sports supplier 'Cricket First' run by the French brothers at Mansfield Woodhouse in relation to the supply of cricket balls to the League and a linked donation to the League of £2 for every ball. Additionally, the Secretary informed the meeting of alternative offers from Mapperley Sports concerning the supply of an inexpensive ball, 'Maestro' £10.95 each. A small quantity of these balls was offered for approval by the MC.

**DECISION:** Following the amendment to Rule 3.8, the MC would continue to verify and check various cricket balls offered to the league and would apply equal encouragement to any supplier without showing favouritism or prejudice to anyone. Clubs would then be at liberty to purchase any cricket ball from any supplier, provided the ball did not contravene League Rules.

4.4

The Secretary informed the meeting that the matter of Killamarsh Juniors proposing another ground at Beighton Sheffield, was now resolved, as Killamarsh had merged with the former Bolsover CC and the ground at Bolsover had been adopted for use by the amalgamated clubs.

**DECISION:** For information only.

4.5

The proposal from David Tighe at Trent Bridge that the BDCL appoint its own CWO, had been replied to by the Secretary, outlining that we did not wish to make such an appointment when the appropriate personal were already appointed from the Trent Bridge Office.

**DECISION:** For information only.

4.6

The amended rule for the Championship Division in relation to leg side wides would be outlined as a rule in the League Handbook with additional guidance to clubs in terms of the marking of the pitch. The Secretary asked how these changes for the Championship Division would be communicated to umpires ready for the start of the season.

**DECISION:** Brian Rivington would take the point to the umpires meetings during the Winter so that umpires were clear on the changes, which could also be incorporated within the winter training for umpires.

## 5. Correspondence

5.1

The only two items of correspondence related to the letter of apology from Richard Spurr of Kiveton PCCC (as 4.1) and an e mail from Chris Hall the Secretary of Retford CC concerning a representative match to celebrate 150 years of cricket at the Retford Ground, which would be discussed later in the meeting.

## 6. Finance

The Treasurer informed the meeting that the current financial balance showed £6295.34.

Some income from additional Handbooks, fines and a refund from the League Cricket Council had all made contributions.

Certain expenditure related to the payment of telephone bills and Corporation Tax (£43.29), with tariff changes to the telephone facilities from the 7<sup>th</sup> January 08.

## 7. Election of Chairman / Vice-Chairman and Registrars

**DECISION:** Chairman – J. Garton (takes responsibility for Disciplinary Appeals)  
V/Chairman – G. Jones (takes responsibility for the Disciplinary C'tee)  
Registrar for Anston to Cutthorpe – T. Munro  
Registrar for South Normanton to Worksop – A. Bennett

## 8. Appointment of Sub-Committee's

### Disciplinary Committee and Appeals

Formulated from Officers and members of the MC, led by G. Jones for the Disciplinary meetings and J. Garton for Appeals.

### Selection Committee

G. Jones, G. Pym, M. Hall, T. Haywood, R. Martin and the appointed Captain.

### Emergency Committee

J. Garton, P. Neale, J. Leaning, G. France, R. Martin, B. Rivington and G. Jones

## 9. Reports of AGM and other meetings

### 9.1

The AGM was generally perceived as a success and the Secretary reported that he had booked the venue once again for the 15<sup>th</sup> November 2008. The Treasurer reported a saving of £59 on the venue.

### 9.2

The matter of the additional amendment to Rule 6.3 whereby a small Sub-Committee should be formulated each year to decide the Umpires Expenses was discussed.

**DECISION:** The Secretary to write to Peter McKenzie, with the proposal that this Sub-Committee should meet between the end of each season and the AGM. The Sub-Committee should consist of the Chairman and Secretary of the League and the Umpires Association, with the Committee chaired by the Umpires Appointments Secretary.

### 9.3

Other meetings:

Richard Martin reported the following:

Youth Cricket: The Academy at Trent Bridge would be accessed through four District Cricket locations (Local Authority boundaries). The Bassetlaw District would be with the Newark & Sherwood District.

Notts Premier League: The AGM took place on the 29<sup>th</sup> November 07 with various key personnel not in attendance. David Groves took over as Secretary.

League Cricket Council: Paul Bedford replaces Frank Kemp at the ECB.

The process of overseas players for 2009 was creating more responsibility for clubs in terms of a duty of care.

Modern Disciplinary measurers were to be potentially reviewed.

Concern was expressed in relation to the high cost of coaching courses.

Cedric Rhoades Trophy – the BDCL have been drawn away on **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July 08** to the Mansfield League with a 2pm start time.

The ACU&S will become ECB – ACO. Although the organisation is new, training in Notts will remain normal with examinations still available.

10. **Individual Prize-Winners 2007**

Two trophies / prize-winners had yet to be decided and they were the Randall and Larwood Trophies:

**DECISION:**

Randall Trophy – Sam Wood (Farnsfield) - 426 runs and Ave. 28.40

Larwood Trophy – Gary Andrews (Marshalls) – 26 wkts and Ave. 14.96

11. **Fixture Secretary - Report**

Bev Norris stated that the fixtures were not yet complete. There were various ongoing problems to overcome, with some clubs requesting ground share at a very late stage of the fixture compilation process. The 2008 season would commence on the 26<sup>th</sup> April and conclude on the 13 September.

12. **Tomlins and Mallen Twenty/20 Draw**

Arrangements were made for the completion of the draws for both of the above cup competitions.

13. **Umpires Appointments Secretary – report**

John Leaning confirmed the ongoing shortage of umpires, perhaps even less than last year. A general discussion followed concerning the deployment of umpires across the League. There may only be a realistic chance of allocating pairs down to Div 5.

**DECISION:** The Secretary was asked to include these facts in the next Newsletter, with the League Website also being an option for this communication.

The UAS was given full support to use his judgement and discretion when allocating umpires throughout the League, when taking into account the various personal criteria expressed by individuals.

14. **Annual Dinner**

Arrangements for the Dinner were discussed, with a List of Guests, Ticket Distribution and Dinner Program agreed.

15. **Additional League Fixtures**

15.1

*Champion of Champions game*

BDCL home game this year, to be played on **Sat 20<sup>th</sup> Sept** with the reserve day being **Sun 21 Sept**. The meeting agreed for Welbeck CC to be the venue with Mansfield Hosiery Mills willing to be a reserve ground.

*BDCL Under 25's v Derbyshire County League Under 25's*

BDCL home game this year, to be played at Farnsfield CC, on a Sunday **date in June** yet to be arranged and agreed

Retford CC – 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ground

Following a request from the club, the meeting agreed to arrange for a League Representative team to play against a Retford CC XI, at Retford on **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May 08**.

16. **Date of next meeting – Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February 08**

17. **AOB**

17.1

Richard Martin summarised the current situation with the League Handbook and the printers. Arrangements were well in hand

17.2

Malcolm Daniels explained that the family of a local player wished to donate a trophy to the league for presentation purposes.

The League website was up and running and available for use and registration via  
***bassetlaw-cricket.org.uk***

Tom Munro was providing assistance to Malcolm with certain aspects of the site

**DECISION:** The above offered trophy should be discussed with the Bassetlaw Youth League.

There was no other business, and the meeting closed at 9.20pm