

Bassetlaw & District Cricket League

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Minutes of the LMC Meeting

Tuesday 8th September 09 – Worksop CC – 7.15pm

1. Apologies:

Jim Garton, Brian Wilson, Matt Deaves, Mike Hall

2. Present:

Gareth Jones (Chairman), Gary France, Peter Neale, Malcolm Daniels, Richard Martin, Martin Cannon, Alan Vollans, Bev Norris, Tom Munro, George Evans, Glenn Pym, John Leaning, Keith Board, Trevor Haywood, Alan Bennett, Ian Batty.

3. Minutes of the last meeting:

This was held on Tuesday 11th August 09. The Minutes were passed and signed as a true record.

- *Before the meeting began, a report was provided of the Cedric Rhoades Cup final day at New Mills CC on Sunday 6th September 09 when the BDCL representative team won the game, the cup and were NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!*

4. Matters arising:

4.1

The matter of an umpire Mr. King arriving at Farnsfield CC on a rainy day when the game had been cancelled on the 1st August 09 had been resolved with the umpire having received expenses of £15.

DECISION: For information only.

4.2

A report was provided on the progress of the initiative to create a common player registration system across the county for all leagues. Work was being developed to agree:

- Who
- Should complete which work, using what system
- By what deadline

A further meeting was planned for the 30th Sept 09 to make further progress. Malcolm Daniels and Tom Munro were representing the BDCL at the meetings.

DECISION: For information only.

4.3

The annual meeting between representatives of the BDCL and the BDU A to establish the level of umpires expenses for the season 2010 had taken place and the following had been agreed:

DECISION:

- Umpires expenses would increase to £35 for each umpire
- Any umpire standing alone in a game would receive £35 with an additional £10 maximum (to be shared between both clubs) and not match expenses plus 50%.
- Should there be no play in the game following the arrival of both teams and the umpire(s) at the ground, the match expenses shall be £10 only for each umpire

Additionally, the meeting agreed as a matter of policy that in any games towards the end of the season where promotion or relegation was an issue in any Division that umpires would be allocated to those games as a matter of priority over other games, although the Championship and Div 1 would always have two umpires allocated to those games. This would require flexibility from all concerned and understanding from all parties involved in the League.

4.4

A meeting between representatives of the BDU A and the BDCL regarding disciplinary processes throughout the league had been arranged to be held at Cuckney CC on Thursday 8th October 09 at 7.30pm.

DECISION: For information only.

5. Correspondence

5.1

A report from the umpires in the game Clumber Park v Wiseton in Div 2 on Monday 31st August 09, identified a bowler from Wiseton CC who had been required to stop bowling by the umpires after delivering three fast high full pitch deliveries under the laws of the game.

DECISION: No further action was required from the LMC

5.2

Correspondence from the chairman of the NCBPL and Nottinghamshire CCC related the desire for the Nottinghamshire Academy team to have additional players registered with them next year in the PL and a proposal for certain players in that team to have a dual registration, thereby allowing them to return to play for their club team if not selected for the Academy team on any given weekend.

The LMC were asked to consider this proposal.

DECISION: Such a development would require a rule change at the AGM. As the Academy team were no longer a member club of the BDCL (having been promoted to the PL) it was not clear in terms of who would make such a proposal for change at the AGM, as the LMC were not in favour of setting a precedent for one stand alone club. The matter would be debated further at the 3 Leagues Meeting between the BDCL, the SNL and the NCB PL on the 7th October 09.

5.3

A letter from Peter McKenzie gave details of a winter training program for umpires and scorers which would be delivered by members of the BDU A.

DECISION: The League Secretary would inform all clubs by Newsletter and via the League Website.

5.4

John Leaning outlined a set of circumstances where an umpire Mr. A. Bird had been allocated to a game at Mansfield Hosiery Mills where the game had been called off and the allocation of the umpires to that respective game had become questioned or confused.

DECISION: The umpire should be paid the sum of £15 (as league rules) by the League Treasurer on behalf of the BDCL.

6. Finance

The League Treasurer reported on the current financial issues appertaining to the League. Reference was made to only one outstanding fee for an advert in the League Handbook and the expenses paid in relation to the semi final and final of the Cedric Rhoades Cup.

The current League balance was: £9889.83

7. Tomlins Final / Champion of Champions arrangements

7.1

The meeting discussed and agreed on the arrangements for both games being held at Retford CC and Eastwood Town CC respectively on the 13th & 19th Sept 09.

DECISION: For information only

8. Disciplinary Matters / Unfulfilled fixtures

8.1

The disciplinary process involving issues from the game Blyth CC II v Mansfield Hosiery Mills IV on the 28th June 09 in Div 8, had resulted in the Captain from MHM IV, Mark Dobb receiving the following penalty:

DECISION:

- Suspension from involvement in all cricket from 5th Sept 09 to 12th Sept 09 inclusive and from the 24th April 2010 to the 15th May 2010 inclusive, In addition, the player will receive a 2 year suspended sentence of 4 matches in relation to any issues arising in the 2010 and 2011 seasons.
- This penalty relates to showing verbal dissent, the use of foul and abusive language in questioning an umpire's decision.

8.2

A report from an umpire in the game Todwick v Killamarsh III on the 15th August 09, gave information that a player from Killamarsh III had used foul and abusive language directed at the umpire. A disciplinary hearing had been convened which took into account the action taken by the Killamarsh Club themselves, along with a letter of apology from the club.

DECISION:

- That the player, Andy Tyrell of Killamarsh Juniors CC, be suspended for a further two weeks, after his 2 match club ban had been completed. Therefore the additional 2 week suspension would be for Saturday 12th Sept 09 and the first BDCL playing Saturday of the 2010 season.

8.3

The following matches had been unfulfilled:

- Sat 29th August 09
Div - 6 South Normanton v Notts & Arnold IV
South Normanton could not raise a team
- Sat 29th August 09
Div 8 - R & M III v MHM IV
R & M III could not raise a team
- Sat 5th Sept 09
Div 6 – Misterton v South Normanton
South Normanton could not raise a team

DECISION: On all occasions, the teams in bold italics would be fined £20, have 10 points deducted from their league total and the opposition awarded the maximum of 20 points for the game.

- Sat 5th Sept 09
Div 1 – WI Cavaliers II v Papplewick & Linby II
The game had been cancelled by WI Cavaliers on Friday 4th Sept 09 stating that the ground was unfit for play. P & L II did not accept or agree to the cancellation and decided to travel. A detailed report from the umpires attending the ground for the game to be played at 1pm Sat 5th Sept 09, stated that the ground was fit for play, but no players from the WI Cavaliers were present.

DECISION: P & L II be awarded the game and 20 points.
WI Cavaliers II would be deducted 10 points from their league total and fined £20 for not fulfilling the fixture and also fined the sum of £30 as the amount responsible for payment to both umpires.

8.4

The Secretary read a report to the meeting concerning a game in Div 2 on Sat 29th August 09 between Worksop II and Sherwood Colliery, when it was found that the fielding team Worksop II in the first innings of the game in the 34th over had 12 active fielders on the field of play. The problem was resolved by the player not nominated on the Worksop II team card being asked to leave the field and taking no further part in the game, which was played to its natural conclusion, with Sherwood winning the game and earning the full 20 points.

DECISION: No further action to be taken in relation to this game.

9. 2010 Constitution

The meeting discussed the various issues affecting the promotion and relegation issues for 2009 and also Farnsfield returning to the BDCL from the NCBPL, Bawtry now only having two teams to enter the League (Div 4 and 6) and also a further specific request from Waleswood CC for their 1st XI to be relegated lower than Div 2 to Div 5 due to internal issues within that club.

There were further queries about the continuation of certain other clubs.

DECISION: The Secretary was asked to ascertain the intentions of identified clubs for 2010 and a separate meeting to confirm the 2010 League Constitution would be held on Tuesday 15th Sept 09.

10. Representative team – new caps and shirts

The meeting discussed the proposal concerning the provision of new shirts for the players in the league team to wear new shirts for season 2010, bearing the Wilkinson sponsorship logo on their shirts, polo shirts bearing same motifs and also new 'baseball cap style' league caps.

DECISION: This was all agreed to be obtained before the 2010 season.

11. Umpires / Website

11.1

Martin Cannon reported on behalf of the BDUA:

- Winter training sessions for umpires beginning on the 11 Jan 09 at Cuckney CC
- Distribution of various posters regarding scorer training
- Potential of clothing changes for umpires
- CRB renewals
- A trophy donated by the family of the late Howard Walton

John Leaning reported:

All umpires assessments for the 2009 season had been completed and that there had been no fines incurred at all for non-submission. Training in respect of umpires assessments would only be provided in the future to clubs new to the process.

DECISION: For information only.

11.2

Malcolm Daniels reported regarding the League Website:

- 650 members, with 7000 viewings over a short period
- Website advertisers will be contacted again in the near future to maintain a self financing approach
- Thanks were given to Paul Barker Bev Norris and Tom Munro for their assistance regarding the results service during the season.
- The sale of League ties could be advertised on the site

DECISION: For information only

12. Reports on meetings

12.1

Richard Martin reported upon the content of the ECB Regional Assembly:

- The potential for restricted overs for spin bowlers?
- Overseas players and the chance to shine initiative
- The potential for the fast bowling directives for Young Players to be increased by one over?
- The potential for the reduction in overs a young bowler can bowl in any one day under the Young Player fast bowling directives?
- Funding of feeder leagues to County Premier Leagues?

In relation to the Nottinghamshire Cricket OSCA awards held recently, the following people from the BDCL were recognised:

- Young Volunteer: Oliver Williams (Clumber Park)
- Behind the Scenes John Bingham (East Drayton)
- Building Partnerships Lee Wilkinson (Mansfield & Pleasley)
- Lifetime achiever Roger Heath (Kiveton Park)
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DECISION: All issues for information. Additionally, the Secretary to write to all recipients of the above awards to acknowledge their achievements as members of clubs in the BDCL.

13. Date of the next meeting:

Tuesday 13th October 09 – 7.15pm

14. AOB

Nothing to report.

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 9.35pm.

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