

Cherwell Management Meeting
Monday 16th October 2017, 19:30
Bicester North Oxford Cricket Club

Present: David Beck, David Warner, Len Payne, Gary Murton, Neilson Hinks, Mike Dove, Ian Murdoch & Rosie Beck

Apologies: Brian Standish, David Pryor, Neil Megson, Jim Howe.

Rosie Beck attending as Minutes Secretary

Main point of tonight is to sort AGM, before we do, DB to send out email about Steve Wheeler, agreed he will be great loss
DB to email DP to tweet from the league.

MD - Suggested that the Cherwell/OCA league rep game has a Steve Wheeler Trophy – this is to be discussed later on.

Feedback on the presentation evening.

NH - One negative comment was the evening was too expensive.

GM - Dessert on some tables wasn't great, suggestion of a choice of starter. To get more people there, a suggestion of having a 'runners up presentation', having one presentation. Full discussion on the matter when the new committee is formed. Len wanted to check that he had all the bills.

MD - There has been an issue with the payment for Henry not being paid on the night.

LP is meeting with Henry to discuss Wednesday 18th and sort payment.

DB suggests that a letter to be sent on behalf of the league to say thank you from the league and sorry there was some delay in payment – this has already been done by LP.

DB has given LP the hotel bill and drinks tab.

DB to email Eynsham to ask their current situation regarding reported VAT issues.

2017 AGM

Start time 12:30pm/Split Season:

After discussion it was proposed:

Split season will go down to division 6 with the format of the season being 5 50/50 9 Timed 4 50/50

Division 1-6 will be 12:30 starts until the last 2 weeks 12:00 7 – 10 is 13:00, 12:30 for last 2 games (same as now).

Split season and start times will be put to the AGM

Introduction of internal wide lines:

This doesn't need to go to the AGM. This has been agreed for divisions 1-6.

These would only be in 1-6 and only in the 50/50 games.

Regionalisation:

After discussion it was agreed:

Committee are saying No to regionalisation at the moment

Reinstate the rule of two team rule

DB to write back to Chearsley to remind them of the letter sent.

GM – Chearsley need to come to the AGM to either seek re-election or withdraw this

DB – Eynsham will be sending their proposer and seconder this week.

Length of games in lower leagues:

Staying the same as last season.

Bowling restrictions in the lower leagues:

No

Competent umpires not participating in game extended to Division 7:

After discussion, it was agreed

Down to division 7 only to provide an umpire or forfeit 2 points per game

Late result:

After discussion it was agreed

2-point deduction for late scorecard, result and umpires report

Player pool:

No

Post-Match captains meeting:

After discussion it was agreed

This will not now be mandatory

Constitution:

DB – should committee members be elected for 3 years. Maximum standing for 12 years overall.

After discussion It was agreed to not take this forward

Constitution:

Proposed changes to The League Constitution – Pages 150-152

3 (e)

Currently

All applications for membership of the league shall be considered by the Management Committee. All Clubs which meet the criteria for membership, as laid out in the league rules, shall have their applications put forward to a vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). Those successful clubs (accepted at the AGM) will be eligible to participate in The League competitions with effect from the season following their acceptance.

Replace with

All applications for membership of the league shall be considered by the Management Committee. All Clubs which meet the criteria for membership, as laid out in the league Playing Rules (clause 12), may have their applications put forward to a vote at the Annual General Meeting (AGM). The application must be proposed and seconded by two separate existing Cherwell League clubs and requires to be passed by a majority of over 66% of the voting clubs at an AGM. Those successful clubs (accepted at the AGM) will be eligible to participate in The League competitions with effect from the season following their acceptance. The same rules apply to clubs seeking re-election to the League as a result of a breach of playing rule 3.4 (Failure to Fulfill Fixtures).

3 (f) (iii)

Currently

Member Clubs will only be eligible to participate in the leagues fixtures or competitions if all monies owing to the league are paid by the last day of February.

Replace with

Member Clubs will only be eligible to participate in the leagues fixtures or competitions if all monies owing to the league are paid by the last day of February. At the Management Committee's sole discretion, and only in special circumstances, extensions may be granted.

7 (a) (v)

Currently

To consider and decide upon Constitutional Proposals properly submitted in accordance with clauses 7 & 8.

Replace with

To consider and decide upon Constitutional and Playing Rules Proposals properly submitted in accordance with clauses 7 (b) and & 7(c)

7 (b)

Currently

Constitutional proposals from either authorised representatives of member clubs or from the Management Committee shall be submitted to the Secretary in writing no later than 30th September. The Secretary shall give written notice of all such proposals together with an agenda showing all business to be transacted to all member clubs no later than 5 weeks before the AGM.

Replace with

Constitutional proposals from authorised representatives of member clubs must be submitted to the Secretary in writing no later than 30th September and supported by at least $\frac{1}{4}$ of the member clubs. The Secretary shall give written notice of any such proposals and any Management Committee proposals together with an agenda showing all business to be transacted to all member clubs no later than 5 weeks before the AGM.

7 (c)

Currently

Changes to the playing rules may be proposed by the Management Committee or by a proposition supported by one quarter or more of the member clubs.

Replace with

- (i) The Management Committee is responsible for ensuring that the League Playing Rules are consistent throughout and compliant with the spirit and the laws of the game. To this end, the Management Committee may, from time to time, effect such changes to the Playing Rules as it deems necessary to achieve this, without recourse to membership.
- (ii) Substantive changes to the playing rules will be proposed by the Management Committee for the member clubs' approval. If a simple majority of voting clubs at the AGM rejects the proposed changes, the Management Committee will review and re-present them before implementing. Changes to the playing rules can also be proposed by authorised representatives of member clubs and must be submitted to the Secretary in writing no later than 30th September and supported by at least one quarter of the member clubs. Proposals so submitted can be passed at the AGM by a simple majority of voting clubs.

7 (e)

Currently

Voting at the AGM shall be on the basis of one vote for each member club in attendance at the meeting. A club not represented at the meeting will have forfeited the right to vote. Proposals shall only be carried if they are supported by two thirds or more of the member clubs voting.

Replace with

Voting at the AGM shall be on the basis of one vote for each member club in attendance at the meeting. A club not represented at the meeting will have forfeited the right to vote. Clubs who abstain will be considered as having not voted. Constitutional Proposals shall only be carried if they are supported by two thirds or more of the member clubs voting. Playing Rules proposals shall be decided on as described in clause 7(c).

Playing Rules for 2017 Amendments - ONE

Proposed by The Management Committee who believe items a) and b) work together but are willing for Clubs to consider them as two separate proposals at the AGM.

- a) In 2018 **for teams in Divisions 1 to 6 only** the season will be structured as follows

The first 5 weeks and the last 4 weeks of the season will be played 50 overs win/lose cricket with strict leg side wide rules (anything passing down the leg side) being applied. These games will start at **12.30pm** with the exception of weeks 17 and 18 when the games will start at **12 noon**. Teams are expected to be in a position to bowl the last of their 50 overs **within 3 hours 10 minutes playing time including normal time allowances**.

- b) The remaining weeks of the season will be played according to current playing rules. These games will start at **12.30pm**.

JH – Grounds questionnaire discussed and agreed

GM – Thame have requested to have a fourth team; can they use the ground?

DB – Thame Secretary emailed to say they have a meeting with Lord Williams on Friday, DB to attend to get the leagues view across. DB to take the questionnaire to the meeting.

NH – Have we had a response from East Oxford re player adverts

DB – Not as yet. DB has written several times and had no response.

Action: DB to send email to the chairman referring registration rules 6.5/6.6 also to say we have emailed several times and we need a response by 31st October.

DB – Reviewing the AGM: all we are putting to the AGM is:

- Split Season
- Starting time
- IM's constitutional changes
- List of officers

Playing Rules for 2017 - TWO Failure to fulfil fixtures Rule 3.4 Page 122

In accordance with this rule Chearsley CC need to seek re-election for 2018 at the 2017 General Meeting.

The Management Committee supports the re-election subject to Chearsley CC being able to provide two teams for the 2018 season

DB – To write to Chearsley and Eynsham to request a Proposer and Seconded.

DW – Will not be at the AGM & the representative's shirts are at DW house.

Next meeting Thursday 7th December

Meeting closed: 22:10