

# **THE CHERWELL CRICKET LEAGUE**

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD AT BICESTER & NORTH OXFORD  
CRICKET CLUB  
ON THURSDAY 19<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7.30pm.

## **PRESENT**

Clive Ricks - Chairman, Richard Giles - Secretary, Len Payne - Treasurer, David Pryor, Stephen Brain, Peter Tubb, David Ward, Gary Murton, Nick Pykett.

## **APOLOGIES**

Stuart Misseldine & Keith Arnold

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

Two spelling mistakes were pointed out and amended. Signed as a correct record.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

No matters arising not covered by agenda items.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Email received from Buckingham Town CC naming two players who may play for other CL teams next year but owe BTCC money.

The Secretary was asked to contact the club and clarify any agreements that were in place with the named players.

At this juncture it was pointed out that Buckingham had not paid a fine of £50.00 for a cancelled fixture in 2011. The Treasurer will re-invoice the club.

## **FINANCE**

The Treasurer presented up to date accounts and reported that there was £11,453.97 in the main account and £937.50 in the Business Reserve account.

Thirteen clubs had not paid their subscription for 2012 and although these fees were not overdue the Treasurer will send out a reminder.

It was agreed unanimously to fine Brackley CC £50.00 or non-attendance at the 2011 AGM.

Balls would need to be ordered in ten days and any clubs needing extra were asked to contact the Treasurer.

## **FIXTURES**

Fixtures were now complete. The exercise had been made more difficult by the necessity to play games until the second week of September. Hopefully this will not re-occur next year.

It is hoped to publish fixtures by the end of January.

## **RULES**

Gary Murton and Peter Tubb are currently putting the rules into a more logical sequence. No rules have been changed during this process.

## **REGISTRATION AND RESULTS**

The Management Committee decided unanimously that the rule prohibiting qualified overseas players from playing for the same club for more than one year seemed illogical. This was based on the fact that a player could play for a club for a season, not be allowed to play for that club in the following season, but could return and play for another club in the CL.

It was agreed that the part of the regulation that states that an overseas player cannot return to the UK and play for the same club in subsequent seasons, be removed. It should be noted that all other parts of the regulation must be complied with.

It is hoped that this change will enable clubs to develop relationships with and use the skills of qualifying players for more than one year.

## **HANDBOOK**

It was decided unanimously that the 2012 handbook would have more pages than the 2011 publication and be ring bound.

Clubs are encouraged to obtain advertisers for the handbook and will be rewarded by receiving a portion of the fee. The amount will depend on the size of the advert.

David Ward and Clive Ricks will compile the handbook and can supply further details of the above incentive.

## **SPONSORSHIP**

Discussions are still on going with potential sponsors.

The strong financial position of The League means that there is no time constraint to finalise an arrangement with a main sponsor. It was stressed that The Cherwell League would not be under sold.

## **WEBSITE**

Gary Murton gave a demonstration of the new website which was very impressive.

It will go live as soon as the fixtures have been circulated to clubs.

GM was given a unanimous vote of thanks for all of the work he has put into this and other projects.

## UMPIRES

Peter Tubb reported that Nomination Forms had been sent out and a reminder will be given, to clubs, requesting their return by the end of February.

PT reported that discussions with the HCPL had been positive to date.

An Umpires Sub-Committee meeting will be arranged in the near future.

## SUB COMMITTEES

### Ground & Facilities

Chairman - Steve Brain.

Stuart Misseldine

Co-opted - Clive Weston (Chearsley CC), Kevin Winfield (Long Marston CC), Adam King (Radley College)

- Wallingford CC had requested that the club be allowed to play matches at Blewbury from the 2012 season going forward.
- An inspection had been carried out and a report prepared by Kevin Winfield and Stephen Brain. A number of actions are required by Wallingford CC and these will be checked and monitored before and during the 2012 season.
- It was agreed that Wallingford CC be allowed to play their 2012 matches at Blewbury.
- Wallingford CC will be charged £50.00 for the inspection to cover the costs of the sub-committee members involved.

It was agreed at this point that Horley CC would also be charged, the same amount, for the inspection of their ground and facilities prior to their election to the CL.

### Cricket, Rules & Regulations

Chairman - David Pryor

Keith Arnold, Lee Morgan, Gary Murton,

Co-opted - Jon Talbot (Tiddington CC), Steve Beck (Banbury CC)

- David Pryor requested that reports on pitches and grounds should be part of Match Reports. It was agreed that this would be mentioned at the 2012 Captains' meeting.
- It had been previously discussed that the four teams, in Divisions 1-6, with the lowest pitch and ground marks should be inspected. This will be discussed further by the Management Committee with a view to implementing this action.

### Umpires

Chairman - Peter Tubb

Len Payne

Co-opted - Mick Stockwell (Kingston Bagpuize CC), Bob Hutchins (Gt Brickhill CC), Bob Perkin (Oxford Downs CC)

- See previous minuted report.

The Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer will be ex officio on all sub-committees.

## AOB

### Club Cricket Quiz

Six clubs had responded offering to host a round of the quiz.

Four clubs Stokenchurch, Gt Brickhill, Oxford Downs & Banbury XX, based on geographical location, have been selected and dates will be confirmed.

The two top teams from each location will go forward to the Finals Night. The cost will be £20.00 per team with a maximum of five members.

There is no limit to the number of teams competing at each location.

Clubs will be notified of details, in the near future, by Peter Tubb.

### Twitter

David Pryor requested that a Twitter site be set up for each division.

Problems were seen with this but it was agreed to discuss further at a future meeting.

### Future Meeting Dates

#### Management Committee

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March BNOCC  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March BNOCC  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April BNOCC

#### Captain's Meeting

Tuesday April 24<sup>th</sup> BNOCC

### 2012 Presentation Dinner

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

**Venue TBA.**

Meeting ended at 22.15.

Date .....

..... Chairman