



Cherwell League Management Meeting Minutes
Thursday 11th October 2016 at BNOCC, Akeman Street, Bicester.

Present

Richard Giles (RG), Len Payne (LP), David Beck (DMB), Neilson Hinks (NH), Gary Murton (GM), David Warner (DW), Jim Howe (JH), Mike Dove (MD).

Apologies

David Pryor(DP), Neil Megson (NM)

Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd September 2016 were agreed.

Matters arising

DMB confirmed correspondence had been responded to as per actions in Minutes.
All other matters outstanding would be covered during this meeting.

Review of Aston Rowant 2 v Long Marston 1

The matter was reviewed including new correspondence from LMCC. After discussion on a reply, it was agreed GM/DMB would construct the actual reply and DMB would respond to LMCC **GM/DMB**

Correspondence

- Correspondence from Brackley CC re the game BNOCC v Witney Mills was noted. It was felt a reply was not necessary.
- Mike Hall Recreational & Amenities Manager Banbury Town Council re Hortin View Playing Field. - DMB had received a phone call and email correspondence. The meeting was informed that following a completed survey on facilities, Banbury CC had ended the survey by stating regarding the pitch 'we have been told by the league we can't use (it) next year because it is so bad.' It was confirmed that the League, whilst previously informally discussing the facility, had made no such comment and JH would inform Banbury CC of the League's concern at this statement. **JH**
- Dom Pritchard BTCC – re 'missing' trophy. DMB to pursue. LP agreed to get the trophy to BTCC when it is located. **DMB/LP**
- BNOCC – re contact they had from Radio 5 Live about 'abuse of umpires'. DMB had responded.
- Martin Darlow Chief Executive Bedfordshire Cricket. – re LBTCC v GBCC. The email correspondence was recorded. The email had been discussed, a reply from the Management Committee agreed and sent to Martin Darlow.

Finance

LP circulated the monthly report which showed the League net assets at £30,892.36

- LP to invoice Oxford Times/Mail £10 per week for results service **LP**
- Forfeited fixtures fines - still 5 outstanding from 2014/2015. It was agreed if no payment by 31st October a 25% surcharge would be imposed. 15 teams had forfeited in 2016 season with a total cost to clubs of £2250. LP would raise this situation as part of his report at the AGM. It was agreed that any outstanding fines needed to be paid by end of year otherwise they would be added to 2017 Membership fees. **LP**
- LP still awaiting invoice from the PA system people for the 2016 Dinner. It was thought the dinner cost was c.£1300 plus the cost of the trophies.
- Balls 2017. – Tiflex had held the price for 2017 plus positive feedback on the balls and so it was agreed to stay with them. It was agreed to propose to the Clubs at the AGM that the cost to Clubs be reduced to £10 a ball for 2017 only. **LP**
- The charge for the League's Domain Name was paid.
- It was agreed to make a payment of £150 to Lords Taverners. **LP**

Annual Dinner 2016

It was agreed this had been a success and thanks were recorded to DMB for his work on the event. Final attendance had been 123. The Management Committee felt the venue very suitable and should be used again in 2017. Mike Dove to head up the Sub-committee which would also involve social events and the Representative Games. **MD**

2016 General Meeting

The procedures for the night were confirmed.

Alterations/amendments to the Constitution and Playing Rules and Regulations were agreed and would be circulated to the Clubs. **See document below**

The Management Committee to propose that Brian Standish, Jim Howe, Neilson Hinks, David Warner and Neil Megson be elected to the Management Committee.

The Management Committee support Kimble and Chearsley re-election to the League and Minster Lovell application to join.

DMB to produce the draft AGM documents and circulate to the Management Committee for approval before circulating to the Clubs.

Website

GM reported all things running ok.

2 scorecards still missing from 2016 season . Gt Tew 4 v Banbury 5 (20th Aug) and Banbury 4 v Cumnor 2 (27th Aug). DMB to remind these clubs that points could be deducted for next season if not completed. **DMB**

Any other business

JH – inspection needed of grounds of new teams/clubs. DMB to request new teams information including grounds to be in by October 31st. **DMB**

JH - had made an informal inspection of Brackley CC.

DG – Proposal that the Annual Umpires Award be titled the 'Chris Bishop Award'. This was agreed subject to the approval of Mrs. Bishop. NH to discuss with her. **NH**

Future Meetings and Events - All meetings will be held at Bicester & North Oxford Cricket Club, Akemen Street, Bicester and commence at 7.30pm.

General Meeting at BNOCC November 24th.

Constitutional and Rule Change Proposals General Meeting November 2016 as proposed by the Management Committee and agreed at their meeting 11th October 2016

Following feedback the Management Committee recommend the following changes for the 2017 season. *Page numbers refer to the 2016 Handbook*

Constitution Amendment

Membership (3b) *Page 158* – This ruling is suspended for the 2017 season

Registration Regulation Amendment

Eligibility Rules 5.1.1 and 5.1.2 *Page 149*. The Management Committee believe these Rules are unworkable and propose they are removed.

Playing Rules for 2017 Amendment

Playing Rules 8.5,8.6 and 8.7 *Pages 142 and 143*. The Management Committee believe these Rules are unworkable and propose they are removed.

Playing Rules for 2017 Amendments

In 2017 **for teams in Divisions 1, 2 and 3 only** the season will be structured as follows
The first 5 weeks and the last 4 weeks of the season will be played according to current playing rules. The remaining weeks of the season will be 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** and 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.**

If this proposal is accepted the amended full playing rules for the 50/50 games will be circulated to relevant Clubs and Officials prior to the season

Playing Rules for 2017 Amendments

Playing Rule 5.15 *Page 139*. This rule be replaced by the following..

Bowlers in all divisions will be restricted to bowling a maximum one third of the overs available at the start of an innings. In the event of a reduction in overs due to rain, the number of overs a bowler is allowed to bowl will be recalculated before play commences. Where one third is not an exact number, the overs available to a bowler will be rounded down. **In the event that a bowler exceeds his permitted overs, for any reason, the batting side will be awarded 10 penalty runs for each over bowled (or part thereof) above the permitted limit (in addition to any runs scored in the over). The side bowling at the time will also be deducted 3 match points for every over bowled over the limit. If any individual bowler bowls three or more overs above their permitted limit, his team will be deemed to have forfeited the match and receive no points.**

For the avoidance of doubt, it is the responsibility of the captain to ascertain from the umpires and/or scorers the adjusted bowling limits after any rain delay or interruption and responsibility for the allocation of overs is always with the captains.

If in the opinion of Panel Umpires officiating in the match, or the League Committee where no Panel Umpires are present, the team transgressing are deemed to have deliberately exceeded a bowler's limit to gain an advantage then the match will deemed to have been forfeited and will result in 0 points for the offending team and 25 points for the opposition. Examples of 'deliberate' could be, but are not limited to: a bowler bowling additional overs when informed he has bowled

his allocation, a bowler bowling additional overs and significantly altering the outcome of the match by doing so. There is no right of appeal to any decision made based on the above.

Playing Rules for 2016 - Failure to fulfil fixtures Rule 3.4 Page 137

In accordance with this rule Kimble CC and Chearsley CC need to seek re-election for 2017 at the 2016 General Meeting .

The Management Committee proposes both Clubs are re-elected.