Minutes of the Cherwell League Management Committee, held via Zoom on Thursday 10th December 7 30

Present : B Standish, I Murdoch, L Pykett, D Warner, G Murton, D Beck, M Benson, I Royle, N Hinks, O Lewis, J Howe, D Pryor, D Quinn, P Toovey.

BS welcomed the new members to the meeting and looked forward to working with them, particularly on the new Sub Committees that would drive the League forward.

League President

D Burns has accepted the post of President of the league for a period of 3 years. A meeting with him and the officers is planned and a formal announcement will be made.

Correspondence

M Roberts had expressed and interest in joining the committee. He was advised that the committee were looking to add a person with social media skills, unfortunately he was unable to provide that support so withdrew.

Cairns Fudge had asked to change region/division but after discussion with them, there would be no change.

Westcott had requested a week off from the fixtures as they had a tour planned. Regrettably, there were no free weeks in the season, so this could not be accommodated. IM to advise.

There had been many requests for changes, due to non-availability of grounds for a varying of reasons. GM was working through as many as he could to try and resolve any issues before the issuing of fixtures\

Golden Sparrows requested a change of ground to Hanney, DW and IR would arrange an inspection and report back.

Dinton 3 would revert back to the original ground for the season, and would advise if any different.

J Senior (SUW) requested a change of division as thought the travelling was too far. GM had looked at the distances and some were nearer than previous. It had been pointed out at the AGM that all Clubs would have to travel some long journeys as the spread of Clubs was so varied

Finance

The forms had been completed to transfer the signatory to L Pykett. DB had completed forms to change email and address. We were awaiting confirmation from the bank, but this would take time. GM had managed to change details on the paypal account to give access to LP as well as himself. Until we had access to the main account, we would leave the money in the paypal account.

Communication with Len regarding the handover has been attempted but limited response so far.

Club Matters

Already covered.

General Meeting.

There had been discussion on the supply of teas at matches around the country. It was agreed that a poll would be taken of the Clubs to gauge responses.

Sub Committees

These had been set up now and were not restrictive, If there is anyone who wishes to have input, they would be more then welcome. Please advise BS of any additions.

Umpires

NH would arrange to send forms to Clubs by the end of the year requesting information on umpires' allocation.

Disciplinary

A Zoom meeting had been set up for 17th December, currently had 5 members but happy to include possibly D Burns as he had been involved with similar on OCA.

Cricket

They had met on 9th December. They would look at Cup competitions within the divisions. A discussion on 12 player teams in lower leagues would be put forward.

Trophies - a lot of them are old and possibly valuable, we need to arrange a complete inventory and consider insurance. OL advised that Jerry May would have details and that they were currently insured. OL would help with details of competitions outside of the summer season. GM would set fixtures up on website, once agreed how they would work.

Grounds/Facilities

JH reported that he was slowly building up regional teams, which he would oversee. Once agreed he would set up meetings.

Facilities – it was hoped that Nick Wilks be brought into the sub committee for this, OL would follow up.

JH asked if the new grounds/facilities standards could be updated onto the website. GM to follow up.

Media

This was on the agenda but at present time, we had nobody to lead this. The role should include marketing of the league. DP would follow up on some contacts, possibly from OCA members.

Links with other Leagues/Boards

BS reported that he hoped to have a meeting with the officers and TVL in the new year.

Website

Big thanks to GM for all his work on getting the divisions out. The fixtures would be sent to the committee next week for a check and then should be issued. The new website should be launched in the new year.

GM had transferred all the history of the OCA into the CL website and would be happy to add any other information that people had.

The licence for the OCA website was due to expire at the end the year, so would close down. But all information had been captured.

DB had enquired about pennants for 2019 tier winners, he was still awaiting a price but likely to be around £10, this was agreed.

IT was agreed to have the stats for runs/wickets for 2020 on the website, GM would work on this.

Meetings – after a discussion, IM would poll the committee on which night worked for committee meetings. These were likely to continue as a mix of Zoom and F2F. As a voluntary organisation, we are able to meet indoors. Tiddington CC were happy to host but only on Mon-Wed during the winter months.

Cricket Balls – OL was awaiting prices from Tiflex and once received would send a Google form to all clubs requesting information on requirements. A new Google drive had been set up enabling the forms to be issued from there.

LP asked that all communications were held on the drive, a link would be sent. If people had difficulty uploading then send the information to her and she would upload.

DP asked if the player pool would be carried over from the OCA. GM stated he could incorporate this if he was sent the up to date information.

BS thanks all for their attendance.

Meeting closed 21 16

Next meeting not yet confirmed but planned for week of 18 January.