

THE "MP SPORTS" CHERWELL CRICKET LEAGUE

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD AT BICESTER & NORTH OXFORD
CRICKET CLUB
ON THURSDAY 13th October 2011 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Clive Ricks - Chairman, Richard Giles - Secretary, Len Payne - Treasurer, David Pryor, Peter Tubb, David Ward, Keith Arnold, Gary Murton, Stephen Brain & Lee Morgan.

APOLOGIES

Stuart Misseldine

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Minutes signed as a true record of the September 1st meeting.

MATTERS ARISING

No matters arising not covered by agenda items.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter received from Faringdon requesting confirmation of the process to apply for membership of the Cherwell League.

FINANCE

An up to date balance sheet was distributed by the treasurer and a copy put on file. The balance as of 13th October is £9,985.17 with a further £937.26 in the Business Reserve account and £11,155.66 in the current account.

The Treasurer pointed out that the financial position of the league was good but the Presentation Evening would cost around £4,000.00.

The Treasurer was congratulated on his handling of the accounts.

HORLEY CRICKET CLUB APPLICATION TO JOIN THE CHERWELL LEAGUE

Stephen Brain gave a comprehensive report on behalf of the Ground & Facilities Committee. Horley's ground and facilities are adequate and the club has promised to improve the umpire facilities and score box for the 2012 season.

There are reservations over the size of the ground and of the size of the sightscreens but the Management Committee were unanimous in recommending to the clubs that Horley Cricket Club be elected to membership of the Cherwell League with the 1st X1 playing in Division 5 and the 2nd X1 playing in Division 9.

DISCIPLINARY AND RULINGS

It is with great pleasure that the Management Committee can report that there were no disciplinary reports to review since the last meeting.

CONSTITUTION REVIEW

A second draft was approved unanimously by the Management Committee and will be sent to clubs before the AGM for ratification at that meeting.

REGISTRATION AND RESULTS

All but three sets of statistics had been received allowing Tony Carter to complete his work.

SPONSORSHIP

The Chairman would be attending a meeting with a potential sponsor on 14th October and will report back to the Management Committee at the next meeting.

BALLS

Following the extensive and comprehensive trial of a number of balls the popular choice was the Tiflex ball, with a promise from the manufacturers of a lighter colour for the 2012 season. Len Payne was instructed to open negotiations with the manufacturers with an expectation of a higher level of discount than offered by the current supplier.

WEBSITE

The Chairman expressed his disappointment of the current website and acknowledged that there needed to be a considerable improvement.

The OCA website was seen as a benchmark to aim for.

Gary Murton and Peter Tubb were asked to look at possible domain changes.

UMPIRES

A feedback form had been sent out and the response was good.

Peter Tubb thanked captains for their reports which are proving very useful in umpire development.

A meeting with the ACO will go ahead on 5th December.

AGM

The Secretary was instructed to send out relevant documents to all clubs, prior to the AGM, in compliance of Cherwell League rules. These will be:-

- The proposed constitution
- The proposed rule changes
- The proposed league structure
- The Management Committee nominations

SUB COMMITTEES

Cricket, Rules & Regulations

Chairman - David Pryor

Keith Arnold, Lee Morgan, Gary Murton,

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

- Following the recent club forums the committee have compiled a number of rule changes for the clubs to vote on at the AGM.

Ground & Facilities

Chairman - Steve Brain.

Stuart Misseldine

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

- Horley CC report already minuted.

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.

Sponsorship & PR

Chairman - David Ward

Co-opted - Richard Clapp (Cropredy CC), Kieren Bushell (Gt Tew CC), Simon Wilkinson (Oxford CC)

- Progressing.

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

AOB

It was confirmed that the Peter Baker Trophy is awarded to the club whose top two teams in the Cherwell League obtain the highest aggregate point's total.

The annual HCPL meeting will be held at Harefield Cricket Club on 10th November. It is hoped that the Chairman and Secretary will attend.

The next Management meeting will be held on 17th November at BNOCC.

Date

..... Chairman