## **Isle of Man Cricket Association Executive Meeting - Minutes**

Date	29 <sup>th</sup> March	Time	18:00 pm	Location	IOM Sports Development Offices
	2021				

## **INTERNAL - DRAFT**

Attendees		Apologies		Also Distributed to	
Mike Haywood	MH				
Greig Wright	GW				
Chris Cunningham	CC				
Peter Crompton	PC				
Clare Williams	CW				
Sally Green	SG				
James Cherry	JC				
		Author	Chris Cunningham		
Andy Coulson	AC	Russ Miller	RM		
Clare Crowe	CC2	Phil Richardson	PR		
Colin Jackson	CJ				
Roy Corlett	RC				
Gareth Roome	GR				
Ollie Webster OW					

## **Minutes**

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1.	Apologies	
	No apologies received	
2.	Minutes of the last AGM	
	There were no matters arising from the previous minutes and these were signed off.	

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3.	Chairmans Report	
	Before I begin this years report I would just like acknowledge the passing of 2 members who have been key figures in the development of Isle of Man cricket, Ian Tomlinson and Peter Luft.	
	This is my second report as Chair of the Isle of Man Cricket Association and it would be fair to say that the last twelve months have proved as busy and eventful as in my first year as Chair.	
	As Chair I am very aware that the success of the Association is the result of teamwork from a large number of people. This includes	
	<ul> <li>the other members of the Executive,</li> <li>the Cricket Development Officer,</li> <li>Community Coach,</li> <li>club representatives who attend the association sub committee meetings,</li> <li>the members of the committee's of the cricket clubs on the Island,</li> <li>coaches, umpires and the other volunteers who work to make cricket on the Isle of Man successful.</li> </ul>	
	I would like to thank you all for continued support and efforts.	
	As Dave Picken and Chris Cunningham are stepping down from their roles as Chair of the Senior Committee and Secretary I would like to especially thank them for their work as part of the Executive. I know they will continue to be involved through their roles at Crosby and Union Mills and that they will still be playing a part in the development of Cricket on the Isle of Man.	
	I believe that the purpose of the Chair's report is to provide an overview of the Associations activities in the last year and to highlight what the Association will continue to focus on in the next twelve months.	
	To provide some background as to what drives the activities of the Isle of Man Cricket Association (IOMCA) I thought it would be helpful to remind everyone of who the governing bodies for the IOMCA are.	
	As an Associate Member of the International Cricket Council (ICC) the IOMCA is able to enter competitions, draw on training resources and receives funding from the ICC. The ICC decides the funding that each Associate Member will receive based on their ability to meet the funding criteria set by the ICC.	
	Isle of Man Sport also provide the opportunity to obtain funding, but again this is determined by the extent to which the funding they provide is used to deliver against the objectives that they set for sport in the Isle of Man.	
	The objectives of the IOMCA need to be aligned with the ICC and Isle of Man Sport if we are to successfully meet their funding criteria.	

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	Helpfully(!) both the ICC and Isle of Man Sport publish their objectives.	
	Earlier this year the ICC published a new strategy which has six areas of focus:	
	<ul> <li>Participation – bring about a transformative growth in participation.</li> <li>Women's Cricket – accelerate the growth of women's cricket.</li> <li>ICC Events – expand all ICC events, giving more nations a global platform to drive competitiveness and sustainability</li> <li>Digital – build digital platforms that enable members to create direct relationships with fans</li> <li>Olympics – aim to secure Olympic inclusion in 2028 and 2032</li> <li>USA – add new fans through investment in growth markets – starting with the USA</li> </ul>	
	Isle of Man sport have the following as their objectives:	
	<ul> <li>Increase participation in sport across all levels from grass roots to elite</li> <li>Improve and develop coaching, volunteering and officiating to enhance performance across all levels</li> <li>Improve Governance of local governing bodies and member clubs.</li> </ul>	
	The IOMCA was asked by the ICC to take part in a pilot exercise with four other Associate Members to create a strategy for the IOMCA. Being asked to take part in this exercise was seen as a positive by the IOMCA and I would like to share a high level view of the strategy with you now.	
	Vision – Isle of Man Cricket – creating opportunity for all; inspiring world class.	
	Five focus areas:	
	<ul> <li>Women and Girls – revolutionise Women and Girls cricket.</li> <li>High performance – create opportunities for talented individuals to develop and progress to high ranked national teams.</li> <li>Education – deliver high quality cricket in schools</li> <li>Coaches and Umpires – establish a network to support player development and quality match play</li> <li>Digital – we will embrace the digital era, making greater use of technology to promote IOM cricket to all our audiences</li> </ul>	
	There are a number of common areas across the strategies and objectives of all three organisations. I am going to highlight where the IOMCA activities are connected to these shared goals.	
	Increasing participation is key for both the ICC and IOM Sport. For cricket in the Isle of Man we believe children and schools present the greatest opportunity for increasing participation. In the last year we have seen the following activities take place, which are linked to the strategic focus area of 'education':	

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	<ul> <li>Launch of the CricStart programme and the establishment of a sponsorship partnership with Ravenscroft.         <ul> <li>A total of 130 children aged between 3-8 took part.</li> <li>Opportunity to register 130 new club members.</li> <li>£5,200 given to participating clubs</li> <li>£2,500 worth of equipment provided to children who took part and for participating clubs.</li> </ul> </li> <li>550 school aged participants attended the IOMCA Cricket Camps and clinics</li> <li>Club school links programme developed. This will see a select number of schools (6 per year) being given opportunity to sign up to formal links between the 2 parties. The IOMCA community coach Sally Green communicates between the club and school and puts together an action plan over a 3-4 year period which will offer standard delivery to pupils at targeted times of the year to support Manx youth games, Primary schools festivals, club migration or CricKids migration.</li> <li>If we are successful in increasing levels of participation, we will need more coaches and umpires. Activities which will support the strategic focus area of 'coaches and umpires' are as follows:         <ul> <li>Free online ICC coach education courses (foundation)</li> <li>Opportunity for ICC level 1 qualification to be taken, once the foundation qualification has been gained</li> <li>Free online umpire training available</li> <li>Free online 'curator' training</li> <li>29 new facilitators enrolled in the CricStart programme</li> <li>As part of the Club school link programme, teacher training, free coach education qualifications, young leaders for older primary school children to facilitate play in break times for children and equipment for the schools to deliver independently and embed cricket into their school curriculum and playtime.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	Activities which will support the strategic focus area of 'Women's Cricket' include:	
	<ul> <li>Introduction of Women's softball league.</li> <li>2022 will see Monday nights used to host the Women's league fixtures</li> <li>Women's national team held super 2 games last summer</li> <li>Second winter of training for Women's national team</li> <li>Opportunity to play first international fixtures later this summer</li> </ul>	
	Activities that will support the strategic focus area of 'high performance' include:	
	<ul> <li>U13,U15,U17 Women's and Men's senior team</li> <li>Men's national team four wins from four in Cyprus saw a 23 place climb in our world ranking</li> <li>Island fixtures later this summer include U19 World Cup Qualifications, Senior Men's sub division European World Cup Qualification,</li> </ul>	

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	Intercontinental Cup, Women's initial ranking games and junior squad festivals and games.	
	Activities that will support the strategic focus area of 'digital' and embracing the digital era include:	
	<ul> <li>Introduction of Microsoft 365 improving communication and record keeping through the use of Microsoft Teams</li> <li>Introduction of QuickBooks to modernise invoicing to clubs and to parents for attendance at camps, as well as reducing the time and effort required to conduct the annual audit</li> <li>Recruitment of part time administrator and signing of contract with DPN for payroll services</li> <li>Introduction of Ludimos to provide video analysis for players in Island</li> </ul>	
	<ul><li>squads</li><li>Online coaching and umpire training courses</li></ul>	
	I appreciate that there is a lot of information to digest in this report and whilst the report will be published as part of the minutes of the AGM, we would also welcome the opportunity to come and talk to you individually as clubs to discuss the strategy in more detail. We will contact you after the AGM to look for a date when we can arrange a meeting with individual clubs.	
	It is already possible to see how the IOMCA and the cricket clubs on the Isle of Man are working together in areas that would help deliver the ICC, IOM Sport and IOMCA strategic objectives.	
	Growing participation through 'education' is an example of this, particularly with the CricStart programme. Areas for future discussion would include how to ensure that there are enough coaches and facilitators to support the growth in junior numbers. How can we continue to develop Women and Girls cricket and continue to increase participation in senior cricket.	
	There is a lot to be positive about and there has been a number of achievements in the last year. I would like to thank you again for the part you and your clubs play in supporting this development and we look forward to working with you again this year. Let's hope for a summer of good weather, good health and plenty of cricket!	

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Financial Report			
Copies of the audited accounts were provided for those in attendance to read and raise any questions.			
PC highlighted the following points from the accounts:			
<ul> <li>Development grants were down £17k from last year, in part this was due to unfavourable conversion rates for the ICC funding (which is paid in US Dollars) and also IOM Sport Grant was lower.</li> <li>Parental and club contributions down from last year – The previous years figure was boosted by the fund raising activities to support the Guernsey trip in 2020.</li> <li>We have tangible fixed assets – 4 Bowling Machines.</li> <li>£9000 owed to IOMCA from Manx Sport for Cronkbourne Nets is due to be paid to us.</li> </ul>			
AGM Approved Financial Reports.			
Any amendments to the Constitution			
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Election of Officials			
The following positions were voted on and appointed as follows:			
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Treasurer – PC – Proposed by MH – Seconded by CW			
Secretary – Helen Helfrich – Proposed by MH – Seconded by AC			
Junior Rep – CW – Proposed by CJ – Seconded by SG			
Senior Rep – No advances – looking to fill roles			
President – Looking for nominations.			
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7.	Members Fee's	
	It was agreed that this will remain at £50 per club.	
8.	Any other Business	
	No other business.	

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