

Senior League Executive Meeting

18:00 hours Tuesday 19th September 2017

Sports Development Room Sea Terminal

Minutes

Present: Andy Coulson(AC), Greig Wright(GW), Kevin Kniveton(KK), Chris Cunningham(CC), Richard Jackson(RJ), Rob Webber(RW), Rob Weight(RWT), Mark Burrows(MB), Ollie Webster(OW), Tim Mansfield(TM), Jaco Jansen(JJ).

1. Apologies

Peter Luft

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed.

3. Matters arising

Pitch Facilities – only 1 pitch remains to be renovated (Union Mills). GW reported that there will be no charges to the clubs for the renovations, which will be funded by the IOM Cricket Association(IOMCA).

4. Season Review

See below

5. Premiership

The consensus of those present at the meeting that the Saturday Premiership season had been successful. RW advised that the ability to rearrange matches and start times had been helpful to get games played.

6. Midweek Leagues

OW advised that Peel and St Johns were disappointed that the game with Cronkbourne could not be rearranged. The games between the two of them are usually trophy deciders and it is a shame to lose such a big game.

RW and RJ said they were not totally happy with the midseason split as they felt that there was nothing to play for in the lower tier of the Cain League in the 2nd half of the season. GW remarked that the clubs did vote for such a split in April. It was suggested that perhaps the solution may be 1 team up and 1 team down or just teams play each other twice and no midseason split. AC requested that delegates seek feedback from their own players and then the committee will make a decision at the next meeting. **Action - ALL**

Everybody at the meeting expressed satisfaction with the Forrester League.

JJ asked if there was to be a Development team next year. GW advised that a review would take place at the Performance Committee. However, he reported that the young players had enjoyed playing the games.

7. Cup Competitions

Blincoe Cup. GW advised that the himself and AC would review the rules of the competition before next season. **Action GW/AC.** GW remarked that the Blincoe should be played at the weekend and be a 2 innings per team game. RWT remarked that there should be no problems arranging for the weekend as traditionally the Blincoe is a 2nd team competition. GW advised that due to the low numbers of senior players, it is difficult to say there are actually 2nd teams.

Tinker Cup. AC remarked that it is very disappointing that the 2017 competition could not be completed. Clubs should be reminded, continued AC, that cricket exists in its own right and should not be influenced by people playing football in addition to cricket. RJ remarked that perhaps one of the scheduled games had been called off too soon. AC advised that both umpires had visited the pitch well in advance in the morning and there was no chance of play even without a poor rain forecast.

It was agreed by those present to look to set the final for one weekend in August perhaps with a bowl out on the Sunday if play was not possible due to bad weather on either the Saturday or the Sunday.

8. Open Registration

General satisfaction was expressed by all those present with open registration. RWT remarked that it had worked well and a number of games would have been cancelled if the system had not been in place.

9. Scoring – Play-Cricket

GW reported that there had been issues with the new app early on in the season but things had improved. GW advised that all clubs need to upload the data as

soon as possible to maintain consistency and quality of the information on the Play-Cricket site. GW reiterated the offer of training on the app for any clubs that require it.

10. Umpires – Availability etc

Everybody present was happy with the performance and availability of umpires although more umpires would be helpful. GW reported that the reporting system for umpire performance had given good feedback although the information received was as expected with only 2 instances of a grading of less than 2 all season for umpire performance. GW reported that new umpiring measures are being introduced in the Southern Hemisphere this cricket year which allows players to be removed from the field of play for poor behaviour. Training is due to take place for umpires in March 2018. TM remarked that it will be important for umpires to be consistent.

11. Discipline

GW reported that an incident had taken place this summer which highlighted the need for a disciplinary process to be in place with gradings of offences. It is planned to introduce this for the 2018 season, GW continued to say that it is not acceptable for people, either players support staff, parents or spectators to say what they like. GW continued – more people are coming to watch the games and we should be conscious of maintain good standards of behaviour.

12. Awards

Only one suggestion for awards categories had been received after the last meeting. GW requested that club delegates send in by email to AC the award categories that each club would like – **Action all delegates by 29/9/17**

13. AOB

No other business.

Meeting ended 19:00