

Junior League Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday April 4th 2017

18:00 Sea Terminal meeting room

Present: Greig Wright (GW), Andy Coulson (AC), Karen Riordan (KR), Janelle Clarke (JC) Mark Williams (MW), Gillian Craine (GC), Peter Crompton (PC) Rob Webber (RW).

Apologies: Craig Hartmann

1. Junior Leagues

GW confirmed that Under 13s will play their fixtures on Tuesdays. Under 15s will remain as a floating option for days to be played and can be organised by clubs on a match by match basis.

- Pitch/team sizes

All those present at the meeting were positive about the proposed change to pitch/team sizes and it was agreed to implement the change from this year. GW will speak to the schools to ensure that there is consistency in pitch sizes everywhere **Action**
GW

GW requested that Junior entries for teams should be with him by Friday April 21st.

Festivals

GW requested views from the Committee about how to arrange venues and fixtures. Those present agreed that venues should be designated at the time of arranging the fixtures.

2. Coaching

GW reported that the coaching workshops had now finished. GW advised that if there is demand (4 people or more) for a workshop then GW is happy to come along to do a session (2 hours approx).

3. Community

- Manx Youth Games
- GW advised that Sally Green had requested clubs to advise her by Friday 7th April of the number of teams/players that they intend to bring along for the games on May 6th.

GW also advised that clubs need someone to accompany the children for the opening ceremony.

- PSSP programme

GW advised that he has requested to swap the venues for East/South – Boys at Cronkbourne and Girls at KWC. North/West venue will be Rhumsaa school. GW will advise clubs of the dates for the PSSP festival. **Action GW**

GW advised that he is hoping to get volunteers to help with the day and he will also encourage teachers to become involved in the umpiring of games

4. Officials

- Intro umpire course – Review.

JC reported that the day had been useful although not many people had attended. Dave Kenworthy had avoided including unnecessary items.

- Play-Cricket

GW advised that the TCS and CricHQ will no longer work with the Play-Cricket site and should be deleted.

- New scoring app

GW requested that clubs download the new scoring app from the Play-Cricket site.

5. Child Welfare

- Club Welfare officers

KR and GW reported that there is no update from IOM Sport but they felt that a big positive forward movement had taken place. KR had spoken to Grainne Byrne who had advised her that she will discuss the issue with Gianni Epifani.

GW requested that clubs assign a designated Child Welfare Officer. GW advised that it does not need to be a person dealing with Junior matters but rather an independent person who can receive concerns and then refer those issues to IOM Sport. That person needs to be able to make a report and then be contactable by phone in a reasonable amount of time.

- Individual DBS etc

GW urged clubs to ensure that everyone who is involved in a formal manner with children gets themselves DBS checked. The request is free to volunteers but it can be complicated. GW continued that until the DBS check is completed then that person should not be alone with children.

GW will try and get a reasonable number of DBS forms to distribute to clubs. **Action**
GW

6. AOB

PC requested that clubs share contact details with each other in case of rain etc.

GW said that there may be an opportunity to access the media more for Junior Cricket and he requested ideas as to how we may approach the reporting of games (under 450 words).

GW requested that there be no retirement from batting when batsmen reach a score of 25 as exists at present. Also, GW requested that bowlers to be allowed up to 25% of the total overs available. Everybody present agreed with the proposal.

The next meeting is due at the end of the season eg August/September.

Meeting closed 18:40