

Senior committee Meeting

18:00 hours Tuesday 19^h November 2019

NSC Meeting Room

Minutes

Present: Dave Picken (DP), Andy Coulson (AC), Kevin Kniveton (KK), Nathan Knights (NK), Mark Burrows (MB), Rob Webber (RW), Gillian Craine (GC), Greg Wenn (GW).

1. Apologies

Jaco Jansen, Malcolm Guild, Arun Mahalingam

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 10th September 2019 were agreed.

3. Matters arising

Action points raised were in relation to the holding of the meeting to be held 19/11/19 and are closed apart from action point relating to Umpire courses.

Action Point MG to check with Dave Kenworthy re date of Umpire course - Open

4. Increasing Player participation numbers

DP advised that he had had confirmation from Greig Wright that there would be no Development XI playing in the Weekend League in 2020.

A discussion followed and all the clubs expressed a desire to support a B team League at the weekend. There was some concern about the quality of players who would be playing in the league. AC advised that the intention of the B Team League is to give opportunities to players to play who would not otherwise do so.

KK reported that Crosby felt that they could support a team on Saturday and possibly 1 team midweek.

NK felt that there was potential for another team midweek with Cronkbourne, but they have falling numbers of juniors and he was not confident for a Saturday team.

MB reported that Finch Hill may be able to support a Sunday League but felt that it would not be easy to fulfil fixtures.

AC advised that Valkyres felt that they could support a Sunday League and possibly a Monday (Forrester) team. However, the team's make up for the Forrester team was likely to be similar to their Cain team and therefore defeat the aims of the B Team League.

GW advised that Union Mills intend to play in the Forrester. He also reported that they have 2 teams at present, but it is likely that this may drop to one team.

Action Point – AC to contact Castletown to see what kind of support they hope to provide.

The delegates present agreed to try and form a B team league on the Saturday. There was a lot of discussion whether the league should be on a Saturday or Sunday but agreed that Sunday would make it too easy for A team players who might not be able to play Saturday to play on Sunday. This may distort the reasoning behind the foundation of the B League felt the delegates.

In summary, DP said that the B league is likely to be four teams, Crosby B, Castletown B (subject to their confirmation), Ramsey B and Cronkbourne B/Finch Hill combination. Six games for the season, two per month (May, June, July), 30 overs but rule flexibility to allow reduced player numbers/overs etc, etc.

Action Point – AC to check with Greig Wright if the age of eligibility can be reduced for Juniors to play in the B League.

The following points were agreed:

- i) Premiership –Seven teams to play twelve games each with no league split.
- ii) Cain league, Union Mills A to drop to Forrester leaving seven teams. 12 games to be played with no league split after one round of games.
- iii) Forrester – Potentially 12 teams. 9 teams as per 2019, plus Union Mills A, Crosby C, Cronkbourne C, and Ramsey C (subject to Rob Webber agreeing) less Union Mills B who are unlikely to enter a team.
- iv) Subject to 12 teams entering, we will split into two leagues, top 5 from 2019 plus Union Mills as Forrester 1 and the rest in Forrester 2.

Action Point – KK to set up Facebook/WhatsApp group for teams' liaison of the B Team Weekend League

5. AOB

DP confirmed that Crosby had agreed to chair the Senior Committee meetings until April 2021. It was agreed that thereafter the Chair would be rotated between the clubs on an alphabetical basis. The clubs should ensure that an appropriate person did this role as he or she would be required to also become a Director of the Isle of Man Cricket Association

6. Date of next Senior Committee meeting

February 25th, 2020. Tuesday 18:00 NSC meeting room unless advised differently.

Meeting closed 19:15