



SOMERSET CRICKET LEAGUE

Somerset CCC Centre of Excellence

Thursday 5th March 2020

Meeting Notes

1. Present

Ed Martin (who chaired the meeting), Ray Hancock, Tom Packman, David Derrick, Andy Barrett, Stuart Shepherd, Derek Hicks, Amanda Counsell, Matt Counsell (representing SCB), John Squirrell, Martin King and Simon Glover

2. Apologies for Absence

Malcolm Fox, Matt Lunn, Andy Fairbairn (SCB) and Toby Strang

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings (AGM 2019 09.12.2019 and Man Comm 16.01.2020)

The minutes of these two meetings were taken as being a true and accurate record and were signed off as such by Ed Martin.

4. Matters Arising

There were none.

5. Correspondence

Burnham-on-Sea CC had contacted RH ref the Corona Virus situation. The meeting decided that this was a dynamic and evolving situation and it would keep a watching brief on it. No action would be taken yet with two months to go until the start of the SCL's season for 2020.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported that the charity raffle held at the 2019 Presentation Dinner raised £375. This amount was matched by the League and £750 had been donated to Headway Somerset, a charity nominated by Martin King.

A donation of £250 was made to Parkinson's UK in memory of Ian Latchem.

The Treasurer highlighted some additional costs relating to the Presentation Evening.

The League's Public Liability, Legal Expenses and Officers Liability Insurance had been renewed effective from 1st March 2020.

A query was raised regarding what subsidy opportunities might be available for clubs with teams in more than one league.

7. Constitution

EM thanked all those who had attended this meeting; this group had been EM, AC, RH and SS.

There was now a document to cascade to the Member Clubs as part of the Documentation Suite for the upcoming Spring Meeting.

A Deputy Chair was needed as part of this process and to this end a vote was held and AC was proposed, seconded and was willing to take on this appointment.

She was voted into this capacity unanimously.

8. SCB Club Questionnaire and Responses ref SCL Member Clubs

MC advised that each of Curry Rivel CC, Peasedown St John CC and Wells CC had not completed their online questionnaires.

The deadline for doing so had passed at the end of February.

SCL to take remedial action.

9. Cricket Ball Orders 2020

The required logistics to get the stock to Wembdon CC was in the hands of RH.

10. play-cricket.com Website and SCL Website

JS noted some issues had been encountered with the flow of material to him.

Amending some aspects of the SCL's Twitter feed were mentioned as, for examples, fixture requests can appear and then disappear. Expanding the screen clarity was an option.

AC and RH would review the forms that the SCL site holds and see if they are still applicable given the functionality that now exists online.

JS to be advised as to what to keep, what to remove and what will be subject to an update.

AC to review the Pre-Season Circular with MC to review the P-C User Guide.

11. Player Registrations

AC reviewed her recent purge of player registrations where those who had not played an SCL game in some eighteen months had been removed from the system with an e-mail per deletion going to the relevant Club.

Such persons can be reinstated for 2020 with no issues by following the relevant processes.

12. Players in Debt to Clubs

There were no known persons who fall into this category as of the date of the meeting.

Past defaults in this respect were reviewed and a methodology was determined.

Such a methodology would see transfers refused where monies are owed or being withheld from a player's current Club.

Such would only be accepted once confirmation of payment had been received and was deemed to be acceptable to both the current Club and the SCL.

13. Appointments and Roles of Committee Members
JS was co-opted to the SCL Man Comm and would receive a role description
SG to work with TP on Finance
DD to work with RH on Communications
SS to work on Hospitality Arrangements ref End of Season Dinner and Awards Event
ML and MK to have roles determined
14. Arrangements for Balls Distribution Meeting
RH, TP and DH to be present at Wembdon CC from 6.00pm to deliver match ball stocks.
RH and DD to draw up the required documentation for this meeting.
15. Player Loan Scheme
A new form for 2020 was required as was the point that any loaned player has to play in the lowest team that the Club receiving the loan player is fielding on the day in question.
16. Results Monitoring Arrangements for 2020
AC would continue to be the point of contact in this respect ref issuing and receiving all comms.
DH would oversee that reports on MOs were being filed to SACO in line with SCL requirements.
An induction process for new Clubs (Beaminster CC, TICC Curry Rivel CC and Stoke St Gregory CC) was to be offered by AC.
17. Umpiring Arrangements in 2020
DH noted that all Premier Division games were to be covered by SACO with a cascade to Division Two if availability allowed.
18. Law Changes
DH advised that there were no new law changes for the season ahead.
19. Club Welfare Officers - Update and Going Forward
All was in order in general terms with one or two more opportunities available to get personnel qualified in the right way.
20. Public Liability Insurance Certificates
Sight of such was still required and RH would collect such documents.
21. Rule Changes and Additions
MC noted that the questions posed per visiting team ref grounds and facilities would increase by two.
Sportsmanship (as measured by the awarding of the Don Crouch Trophy) was to be a consolidated score per Club; 2020 would be a transitional year for this measure as there may well be some skewing of the data provided based on the multiple nature of teams that are run by one Club. For this season no calibration of data will be made.

22. Presentation Night 2020 – Wembdon CC Friday 30th October
SS would take charge of the arrangements in this respect, TP noted extras costs levied in 2019 by the Wembdon venue.
Ts and Cs ref SCCC to be looked at as well.
23. Future Committee & League Meeting Dates
Mid-Season meeting to be set for early July.
Spring Meeting - Monday 30th March at Wembdon CC
AGM 2020 - Monday 30th November at Wembdon CC
24. Pre-Season Circular
AC to review.
25. Items raised by Committee Members
National Club T20 Plate Competition - Not something for the SCL for 2020.
Watchet CC had left the SCL with immediate effect.
Educational Subsidies claimed by Member Clubs to be monitored to see that there is no profiteering.
To remember Ian Latchem the SCL's Division 6N trophy would be renamed in his memory.
MC reported that Somerset Cricket Board would be amending its name to Somerset Cricket Foundation from April 2020; this would offer it charitable status.
The meeting ref Strategies in the Recreational Game takes place on Monday 9th March and the SCL will be represented

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