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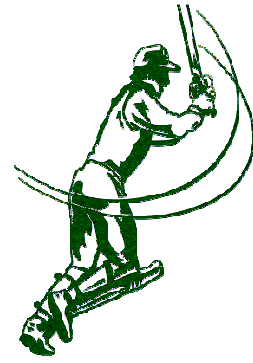
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Minutes of Executive Meeting of 14th September 2009 held at Norton Lindsey CC at 8.00 pm

1 Present:

R Douglas, J Mould, J Bradley, D Gardner, M Germain,
M Rawbone and J Turner

2 Apologies :

R Challinor and D Haines

3 Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 22nd June were agreed as a true record.

4 Cricket Balls

Hugh Rogers and Nathan Searle of our current suppliers OXBRIDGE were invited to the meeting.

They invited comments from the members present and asked if we were content with the balls currently used, the consensus of opinion is that we are all quite content as we have not received any complaints.

The current contract has now come to an end and the possibility of a gentleman's agreement to supply balls for 3,4 or 5 years with a price guarantee was discussed, this would benefit all of our clubs.

They are to formulate a quotation for formal consideration at a later date. The chairman thanked them for attending and they left the meeting

5 Annual General Meeting

The room at Kineton is unavailable for our planned meeting it was agreed to change the date to Tuesday 23rd February 2010.

6 Advertising

The possibility of including space in the handbook and on the web site was discussed as if we can locate any advertisers it may allow us to retain or possibly cut costs for clubs. This will be posted onto the web site which has almost 2,500 hits per week. Would all clubs let us know if they are aware of any possible potential advertisers.

7 Sponsor

It was agreed that the Hon. Sec should write to our current sponsor John Shepherd thanking him for his sponsorship to date and to request if he is prepared to continue at £3k per year as due to the economic climate this was reduced this year to £2k.

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8 Awards Evening

John Mould reported that he is about to order the relevant trophies including for additional trophies for the club for the most improved ground and 2 runners up.

9 Groundsmanship

John Turner reported that he was disappointed with the low number of clubs attending the autumn course. It was agreed that we should consider changes to the current method of marking pitches and how to deal with the insufficient number of match reports being received.

10 Joining the League

We have received applications from Leamington 4ths, Leek Wooton 2nds and Tanworth & Camp Hill 3rds who would be considered if any vacancy arose. To date we are unaware of any. Applications from Bournville and a club near Rugby were also received however the committee resolved not to consider those 2 due to their locations.

11 Bidford C.C.

This was fully discussed following written details from them, as they fielded a player for one game who had played league cricket elsewhere this year. It was unanimously agreed that the 20 point penalty will stand. This is the committee's final decision.

12 Rule Changes

This is to be fully discussed at the next meeting

13 Administrator

The majority of leagues throughout the Midlands employ a paid administrator to run the league due to the large amount of time being given with regard to collating results, umpires, match and ground reports. The committee briefly discussed this and will give due consideration and report at a later meeting.

14 Affiliation with County Cricket Boards

Bidford, Catherine de Barnes and Claverdon are not as we have been informed, members of the Warwickshire County Board. These clubs must become affiliated as the rules clearly state that all clubs must be affiliated to the relevant County Cricket Board

15 Umpires

The shortage of umpires is becoming a major concern. A note is to be displayed on our web site and all clubs are requested to encourage persons to umpire in the Premier Division for which they are paid. Would any interested persons please contact Dave Gardner whose details are displayed in the handbook and on the web site

16 Next Meeting

This to be held on 26th October 8.00pm at Norton Lindsey C.C.

There being no further business the chairman closed the meeting at 10.15pm.

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