

COTSWOLD HILLS LEAGUE

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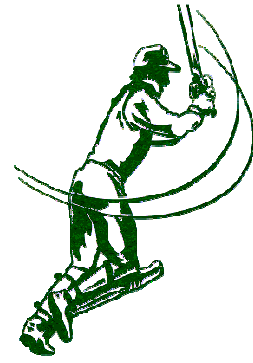
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MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING

26th October 2009 at Norton Lindsey C.C.

Attendees : Ron Douglas, Dave Gardner, John Mould, Martyn Rawbone, David Haines, John Turner, Ron Challinor

Apologies : Mike German

Minutes of Last Meeting : Accepted as a true record, but with some omissions which are documented below.

1. Matters Arising

1.1 Previous minutes did not completely cover the discussions about the grounds courses, and of the lack of support of some clubs in attending. Of the clubs who were specifically asked to attend the course because of their poor record (as marked by their opposition), ten of them failed to turn up at the course without any explanation. Originally at the AGM, it was agreed by the meeting that a fine would be levied for failure to attend if so instructed, however the chairman had used his discretion not to apply the fines in this instance as it seemed a disproportionate number of clubs who were falling into this category. Next season we will review the level set, and report back at the AGM with the new level for mandate to attend. The intention here is as always to assist clubs to improve their grounds and squares by providing first class help and support. Apart from the courses, assistance is also available from the pitch advisors directly. Additionally, a letter had not been sent to Claverdon CC asking them for information about how they were planning to improve their ground before next season, as it had been given a low mark on numerous occasions.

1.2 There are still some clubs who have not affiliated to their respective county cricket boards. As per the League Constitution item 10, all member clubs must be affiliated. Those clubs that have not yet affiliated will be informed and warned that they must complete affiliation to ensure their continued participation in the Cotswold Hills League.

1.3 There was a further discussion on the contract for the league cricket balls for the forthcoming seasons. Martyn Rawbone is awaiting communications from the suppliers as to their conditions and prices for next season.

2. Treasurer

2.1 No outstanding issues.

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3. Any Other Business

3.1 Rule changes to Playing Regulations to be submitted at the next AGM.

Current Rule 1.

All matches to start at 1.30pm promptly. The toss shall take place by 1.15pm with incomplete teams at that time forfeiting the right to toss and being reported to the Executive Committee.

Change proposed by The Lenches

All matches to start at 2.00pm promptly. The toss shall take place by 1.45pm with incomplete teams at that time forfeiting the right to toss and being reported to the Executive Committee.

We have also put together some rule changes to try and clarify the situation regarding any failure of a club to comply with the league rules. At present, the some rules state what cannot be done but do not provide any meaningful guidance on punishment for failure to comply.

Add to rule 5.

In each and every match where a team breaches this rule, the team will forfeit all points earned and incur a 20 point penalty. Points earned by the opposing team will stand, subject to a minimum of 20 points being awarded.

Add to rule 12.

Transference of match venues, for reasons other than a ground being unfit due to inclement weather, may only be made with the agreement of the Executive Committee. Any request for transfer must be made to the Executive Committee at least seven days prior to the match taking place. Without this agreement, any result may be treated as a 'cancelled match for a reason other than the weather' and points awarded as per Rule 10.

Add to Rule 14.

Matches that are cancelled or abandoned because the pitch is deemed to be dangerous, under prepared, or not marked out correctly, will be treated as a 'cancelled match for a reason other than the weather' and points awarded as per Rule 10.

3.2 Date of Next Meeting

To be held at Norton Lindsey C.C. on Monday January 11th 2010 commencing 8.00pm

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