



The All Rounder Cricket Bradford Premier League

President: Mr Keith H Moss MBE



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Management Board Meeting Monday 12th November 2018

Held at Cleckheaton CC commencing at 7-45 p.m.

Attendees: David Young, Mark Heald, Chris Leathley, Neil Johnson, Bob Schofield, Brian Pearson, Bob Shackleton, Rod Heyhoe, David Clegg, Alan Birkinshaw, Philip Radcliffe, Peter Arundel.

1 Apologies: None

2 Minutes of Meeting

The minutes of the October meeting were passed as a true record.

3 Matters Arising:

Scholes have now paid all the fines relating to fixture cancellations.

4 Chairman's Report

Website: Many thanks go to Alan Birkinshaw for his ongoing work on the BPL website and for the recent Updates.

Rule Amendments: A rule change proposal has been drafted for the agm. If approved by clubs it will result in a Sub-Committee of the Management Board, made up of David Young, Mark Heald, Chris Leathley, Alan Birkinshaw and Neil Johnson being responsible for drafting the rules. The proposal was made after no clubs submitted rule change proposals by the deadline of August 31.

7 Secretary's Report

Clubmark / Compliance: Steve Archer (YCB) has now accepted both Wrenthorpe and Undercliffe as compliant with Clubmark which confirms their promotion to the Premier Division. Congratulations were extended to East Ardsley, Gomersal and Lightcliffe on receiving their Clubmark accreditation.

An email of thanks and gratitude has also been sent to Steve Archer for his 'considerable' time and effort in supporting 'our' Clubs. There are now 28 clubs in the league with Clubmark.

Premier Leagues Champions Trophy Final: There was a report given on the incident which saw items of equipment removed from the Yorkshire dressing room which was being used by Great Ayton. The Yorkshire Premier League Management Board have given authority to the North Yorkshire South Durham League to conduct the disciplinary action.

The Len Hutton Award 2018: The prestigious award was presented to 91 years old Tom Priestley at his home on Saturday, November 10 as he was unable to attend the league dinner.

Treasurer: The league chairman will make a statement to clubs at the agm about the recruitment of a new treasure.

Annual Dinner

Trophies: Thanks to the hard work of Neil Johnson all trophies have been returned and are ready for distribution.

Preparations: There will be 312 people attending the dinner and the table plan has been completed by Chris Leathley and Alan Birkinshaw. The running order has been confirmed and MC Malcolm Lord has been informed.

Spirit of cricket Award: This year a lot of additional factors were taken into consideration including disciplinary records, commitment to junior cricket, ground marks, fulfilling league fixtures, and Clubmark. While gathering data it was noted that clubs in the league have junior sides competing in eight different leagues.

Fixtures: The league fixtures are being finalized and are expected to be released at the start of December.

T20 Cup: Invitations have been sent out by the secretary to ALL CLUBS inviting them to enter the T20 Competition by November 21. This will then allow the league officials to determine the format of the 2019 competition. The aim is to regionalize the qualifying groups to restrict travelling and increase local interest.

Priestley Shield: Invitations for the Priestley Shield competition have gone out to clubs whose 2ndXI Teams play in Championship One, Championship Two and the Conference Level. The deadline for entries is November 21.

Premiership League Trophy: The Asa Briggs Trophy has suffered 'damage' and been repaired by a Silversmith at a cost more than £400. Poor or inappropriate repair work in previous years have contributed to some of the additional cost on this occasion. The matter is being dealt with by the league's insurers.

World Cup 2019: A £1k incentive / small grant is to be made available from the ECB for Clubs / League to apply, for use in conjunction with summer cricket camps linked to the World Cup. Alan Birkinshaw to inform clubs at the agm.

Spennymoor Victoria: Leigh Manton had requested that a fine be cancelled for failing to provide live scores. His observations were considered but it was agreed the fine should stand.

5 CEO's Report

Priestley Cup final: Farsley have challenged the league's findings and on November 12 the league chairman received a letter from Rebecca Kay, a legal assistant at Lupton Fawcett, informing the Management Board that all future communication should be directed to her. A request for a "Without Prejudice Meeting" with Farsley officials was approved by the Management Board. The league chairman will reply and will be the sole person to communicate on this matter from now on.

6 Treasurer's Report

The accounts are now complete, and copies of the report were provided for review and discussion. David Young and auditor Paul Calvert were thanked for their work

The chairman is to report to clubs at the agm about the recovery of monies owed to the league.

Several meetings have taken place with the proposed new treasurer and confirmation and full details will be announced presently.

7 Umpires Association

Training course: A further umpires training course is to be arranged with details to be confirmed by Philip Radcliffe.

Recruitment: Once details of the course become available details will be posted on the website, Twitter and circulated to club. In view of the age profile of our existing umpires it is important we recruit newer and younger umpires.

Social evening: No arrangements have been made for this despite the League chairman requesting this should happen. It is hoped this will now be planned for pre-season.

8 Any Other Business

Compliance: Premier Division clubs are required to sign a certifying statement by the end of February. A revised version to be signed by Championship One clubs. Clubs are to provide their confirmed Junior XI entrants by the end of February 2019 with the focus age groups being Under 9's, 11's, 13's and 15's.

Data Protection: The BPL's data protection protocols require updating in line with recent changes to legislation. Alan Birkinshaw has been tasked to review and update these requirements and rewrite the league's policy.

Grounds: Rod Heyhoe advised of the latest Institute of Groundsmen information. He will provide a more detailed report at the January board meeting.

Sponsorship: Bob Shackleton advised that he has had some discussions with a possible sponsor. David Young and Mark Heald to discuss with Bob Shackleton.

Overseas Players and possible Brexit implications: Brian Pearson has had some discussions with the ECB with regard to overseas player regulations and advised that at the moment the situation unchanged. There has also been some discussion regarding the possible eligibility of more senior cricket professionals, but more details are to be provided from the ECB when available.

The Young Wicket Keeper of the Year award (The David Bairstow Trophy): This has been repaired and will be reinstated for presentation at this year's dinner.

The provisional meeting date for December 10 will not be utilised. The next meeting will be on January 21.