

**THE ALL ROUNDER CRICKET ECB YORKSHIRE SOUTH PREMIER LEAGUE**

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**Committee meeting – 16<sup>th</sup> March 2016**

**Note of meeting**

**1 Members present**

I Armiger, M.Beardshall, T.Bentham, G.Davis, M.Dixon, A.Harrison, K.Motley, R.Pugh, S.Stoker, M.Summerhill, S.Ward

**2 Apologies**

Apologies were received from C.Froggett, R.Knowles, P.McFarlane and R.Tong. RP welcomed the new Website Manager, Simon Stoker, to the meeting, and thanked him for his work so far.

**3 Issues from last meeting**

- RP reminded committee members that email discussions between committee members must not be shared more widely
- from 2017, subject to eligibility, the Pontefract League champions, or runners up should the Champions not be eligible, will join the the Southern pyramid through the SYSCL Division 1
- Rotherham Town have confirmed that they will fulfil their fixtures in the the YSPL in 2016. GD said that the club will be part of the Chance to Shine initiative, and SW has been liaising with the club about transfers
- it was agreed that the committee would proactively seek to help any clubs that were known to be in difficulties; MS expressed the view that we should talk to all clubs about development.

**4 Financial report**

- the Yorkshire League have now paid the agreed amount of £150 per club to the League, a total of £1,050; the YL treasurer has said that the seven clubs will receive their individual cheques imminently
- RP reported a balance of £2,728 in the league account, which includes three loans from league officials of £1,500, that will be repaid at a later date
- League insurance and TCS Live Scores licenses have been paid; there is planned expenditure will be for advertising, balls, pre-season meeting, handbooks and trophies; the majority of ball and handbook costs will be recouped from clubs and advertising; RP to invoice clubs
- YLS will not receive the £150 from the Bradford League/Central Yorkshire League in relation to Wakefield Thornes; it was agreed not to pursue the matter

## **5 Handbook/Publicity**

- the Knock-Out Cup rules have now been agreed and included in the handbook; the draft copy has been proofread by several officials and now requires only a few minor additions before going to print; it is intended that the handbook will be available in time for the umpires' pre-season meeting on 3 April
- SS will put information from the handbook on the League website
- KM agreed to do a Pre-Season Newsletter, and will also produce newsletters throughout the season, including results bulletins; these will be mailed to local media outlets and he will compile a list of local press contacts; SW will contact Radio Sheffield
- RP & KM will work on a press release about the launch of the League, inviting media contacts to the pre-season meeting and offering to do interviews

## **6 Pre Season Meetings**

- a pre-season meeting for all umpires on the new panel has been arranged for 3 April; the agenda will include the new playing conditions and discipline
- a scorers meeting will be held on 9 April; SW and KM will ensure that the laptops are up-to-date, loaded with the database, and that scorers understand how to use TCS; KM will do a training session on DLS
- the clubs meeting will be held on 13 April – this will be the official league launch; Chris Taylor from All Rounder will be invited, along with interested media; balls, handbooks and team cards will be available for collection; RP to talk to RT about catering

## **7 Dinner and Presentation Evening**

- RP has booked Sitwell Park Golf Club for 21 October; the cost of the menu will be around £22 and the venue is free; it was agreed to form a sub-committee to organise the event – this will include RP and RK; RP will talk to Greene King about their involvement

## **8 Knock Out Cup Rules**

- JP Plant Hire have agreed to sponsor the competition; SW will remind all clubs about coloured clothing; a trophy will be purchased in conjunction with YPLN

## **9 Electronic Media**

- SS is working hard on the website, and will ensure it is promoted through Twitter and Facebook
- the Cherwell league management system will be used for captains and umpires reports only, and will be demonstrated at the pre-season meetings

## **10 Trophies**

- RP and SW will put proposals for league trophies to the clubs' pre-season meeting and then do an inventory of existing trophies to determine what trophies will be required; final decisions will be made at the May committee meeting

## **11 Other Business**

- SW will write to clubs, to ensure that they adhere to the DBS requirements
- clubs will be reminded that two sightscreens are needed at either end of the ground
- ground Inspections will be arranged at Wath, Hallam, Kexborough, Houghton Main and Whiston; it was agreed that the same three people will conduct the inspections – volunteers are sought
- SW to arrange Yorkshire Cancer Research to be involved at the T20 Finals Day.
- All Rounder are to producing advertising banners or boards at all grounds; the cost will be split 50/50 between YSPL and All Rounder
- MS proposed that the 2017 League playing season will start on 22 April and will consist of 21 Saturdays and August Bank Holiday Monday – this was agreed
- GD said that Barnsley Doncaster Town, Treeton and Wickersley were successful in getting funding via Small Grants Scheme; he also spoke about the ECB Loan Scheme
- GD will talk about Clubmark at the clubs' pre-Season Meeting
- TB congratulated Whitley Hall on reaching the final of the National Indoor Competition.

### **Next meetings**

- Clubs meeting - Wednesday 13 April, 7.00pm at Rotherham Phoenix
- Committee meeting - Wednesday 18 May, 7.00pm at Rotherham Phoenix

**Meeting Closed at 8.30pm**

**Roger Pugh**  
Chairman