

North of Scotland Cricket Association
Minute of Meeting

Date: 2nd March 2021

Location: Virtual meeting

Chair: Nigel Gerrard (NG)

Present: R Belli (RB), C Farr (CF), N Gerrard (NicG), C Blake (CB), M Fox (MF), J Lodge (JL), K Fraser (KF), A Duncan (AD), M Ross (MR), G Ravi (GR), P Short (PS), M Bronkhorst (MB), K Neill (KN)

Item		Action
	Welcome: NG welcomed everybody	
1	Apologies: J Lean (JLean), J Ford (JF)	
2	<p>Minute of meeting held on Tuesday 12th January 2021:</p> <p>The minute was accepted as a true and accurate record.</p> <p>Proposed: R Belli Seconded: M Fox</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Working Party Update: nothing to report currently. b. Cricket Balls: MB informed the group that 48 pink balls were ordered and delivered at the beginning of last season. Of these, 2 were given to each of the following clubs: Fochabers, Nairn, Ross County, Fort Augustus, and Huntly. The 38 remaining balls are with Martin who kindly agreed to look after them for the time being. <p>MR confirmed that Reader still have 240 balls that were produced for us in 2020. It will be agreed at the next meeting, when we will hopefully have more of an idea of the length of the season, if we will purchase all those balls.</p>	
4	<p>Treasurer's Report – MR circulated his Treasurer's report.</p> <p>MR recommended that NoSCA do not pay umpire's membership of CSMOA as they will now be getting paid per game. This was agreed.</p> <p>KN circulated a break down of the Awards 4 All grant which was appreciated by all.</p> <p>MR has a contact who may have information of grants available to support clubs. It was agreed that he would speak to him and report back to the committee.</p>	MR
5	<p>Timeline 2021 Season – All clubs were contacted to ask for their updated contact details, whether they would be entering a 1st and / or 2nd team, and ground availability. All except for Fort William and Skye have responded. Highland still to confirm which league they will be entering their team. NicG will forward the team information to the Match Secretaries.</p> <p>R Beli asked for thoughts on formats. One possible option would be that each team meet once in the league and there is only one competition. He will do his best with the information he has.</p>	NicG

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. AD and JLodge will continue in their roles on the disciplinary committee. b. It was agreed that a “slimmed down” version of the handbook would be produced for this season. It was also agreed that we would trial an electronic version only this season and not print any. We will review the success of this next year. 	CB
6	<p>Update from Cricket Scotland</p> <p>NG attended a meeting where CS stated that they were proposing a 14-week season beginning in June.</p> <p>CS will fund any costs for a Zoom account. NG to check if JLean incurs any costs for our meetings.</p> <p>Equality training will be offered to all clubs in the next month.</p> <p>CB informed the committee that CS are hoping to introduce a professional version of the database and results system.</p> <p>Our Competitions Committee representative with CS is James Lean.</p>	NG
7	<p>Future Sponsorship of the League – It was agreed that currently it is very hard to approach potential sponsors as we really have nothing to offer them until we know what the season will consist of. It was agreed to contact Macleod and MacCallum, previous sponsors, to see what their position is.</p>	NG
8	<p>AOCB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The T20 proposal from Highland will be circulated and discussed at the next meeting. b. It was agreed that Saturday 30th October would be an appropriate date to have an end of season dinner. Clubs were asked to forward any recommendations / ideas for venues. c. It was confirmed that CS will be collecting subs from clubs this season. d. It was agreed that the 2019 Limited Participation List will be used for the 2021 season. e. The awards criteria will be agreed at the next meeting. f. Fochabers are still waiting for the lease of their ground to be renewed. g. PS informed the committee that Davie Duncan, a previous Fort William and Fort Augustus player, is currently extremely ill with Coronavirus in Brazil. PS will pass on our best wishes to his partner. h. KF informed the group that Buckie’s insurance renewal has an absolute exclusion for Coronavirus related incidences. This is valuable advice to all clubs to check the small print for their own policies and be aware of restrictions. 	NicG
9	<p>Date and time of the next meeting:</p> <p>Next meeting of the exec to be held on Tuesday 6th April 2021 at 7.00pm.</p>	