

# *North of Scotland Cricket Association*

## *Minute of Meeting*

**Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021  
**Location:** Virtual meeting  
**Chair:** Nigel Gerrard  
**Present:** C Farr, J Lean J Lodge, A Duncan, M Ross, J Corsie, P Short, R Belli, C Blake, N Gerrard

The meeting was preceded by a short talk from Gordon McKinnie and Tony Brian, in which NoSCA was thanked for being an engaged Association and getting cricket up and running in 2021.

More details will follow about how Cricket Scotland can potentially support NoSCA

Item		Action
	<b>Welcome:</b> NG welcomed everybody	
1	<b>Apologies:</b> M Bronkhorst, M Fox, Highland CC	
2	<b>Minute of meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021:</b> The minute was accepted as a true and accurate record. Proposed: R Belli    Seconded: A Duncan	
3	<b>Matters Arising</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. C Farr asked at the previous meeting if all games have had at least one umpire this season. J Lean reported that most games (80%) had at least 1 umpire.</li> <li>b. One disciplinary complaint has been completed and is available to view on the NoSCA website. The other disciplinary complaint is still ongoing.</li> <li>c. Fort Augustus raised a proposal at the previous meeting. They confirmed that they are going to withdraw the motion and resubmit it at the AGM.</li> <li>d. There are still some cricket stats to be entered. Please forward to J Lean by close of play Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> October.</li> </ol>	
4	<b>Treasurer's Report</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The Treasurer's report was circulated for information.</li> <li>b. The "donations" expenditure was questioned, and it was confirmed this was "grants" and will be amended to reflect that.</li> <li>c. The accounts will be independently verified for the AGM.</li> </ol>	
5	<b>Update from Cricket Scotland / Regional Associations</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Alex Green is no longer our Cricket Scotland Development Officer. He has been replaced by Tony McKenna. Tony has been the Development Officer for Aberdeen City and Shire clubs for the past 2 ½ years and will now also be the point of contact for Highland and Moray clubs. Cricket Scotland will be asked if this is a permanent appointment, or temporary appointment until we get a replacement for our area. Tony has asked if it would be possible to</li> </ol>	CB

	<p>meet all clubs and it was agreed to arrange a meeting for Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm. This will be confirmed to all clubs at the earliest opportunity.</p> <p>b. Chris had emailed a report to all clubs from the last Cricket Scotland Holdings Ltd meeting.</p>	CB
6	<p><b>2021 Season</b></p> <p>a) Nigel reflected on a positive season and was pleased that the appetite for cricket was still there. It still needs nurturing and there are a number of things to look at in the closed season.</p> <p>b) Forres St Lawrence were congratulated on winning the league.</p> <p>c) It was noted that the NoSCA website has not been updated to reflect any results / achievements this season.</p> <p>d) It was suggested that earlier start times may need to be considered for September games</p> <p>e) It was proposed that the sole purpose of the next meeting will be to discuss the future of cricket in the North of Scotland and what we, as an organisation, can do to solidify our future. Nigel and Chris will discuss further. Carolyn has circulated some ideas; however everybody needs to get on board. James has a meeting with Northern Counties 1<sup>st</sup> XI players to discuss the over rate limit. We all need to share what's going well, and also what's not working.</p> <p>f) Munro complimented NoSCA on the standard of games that he has umpired.</p>	<p>Nicky</p> <p>NG/CB</p>
7	<p><b>Season Awards</b></p> <p>Nominations were considered and a vote was taken for the following awards.</p> <p>Player of the Year, Senior League – Rob Quilliam (Elgin)</p> <p>Player of the Year, Reserve League – Olivia McGhee (Forres St Lawrence)</p> <p>Young Player of the Year – Magnus McGhee (Forres St Lawrence)</p> <p>Special mention for Shannon Thorp (Northern Counties)</p>	
8	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>a. A hub funded by Lord's Taverners and supported by Cricket Scotland has been set up at the Hilton Community Centre, Inverness for those with disabilities aged 12-25 years. The programme is in its second week and will continue after the school break on Mondays 4pm – 6pm.</p> <p>b. Nigel reminded clubs that all constitutional resolutions to be proposed at the AGM must be submitted in writing to the Secretary for inclusion on the agenda not less than 42 days prior to the date of the AGM. Resolutions can only be accepted from Clubs or the Executive Committee. Such resolutions must be considered and voted on in the wording as submitted and as a whole. Proposals should include what text is being altered in the constitution and what it will be replaced with.</p> <p>c. Pete Short reported that Colin Lavin has now left the area. The club didn't get an opportunity to pass on gifts and cards – this will be done early in the</p>	

	<p>New Year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>d. There was a discussion as to whether the AGM should be a virtual or physical meeting. A decision will be made at the next meeting.</li> <li>e. Highland CC are seeking permission from Highland Council to install an artificial track at Fraser Park. The council have agreed for a meeting to discuss further. It was agreed that NoSCA will submit a letter to confirm their support of this proposal, and the resulting benefits, by 15<sup>th</sup> October.</li> <li>f. Carolyn informed the meeting that Mike Roberts, President of Forres St Lawrence CC and father of Ian Roberts (Forres wicketkeeper), has sadly died. Mike was passionate about cricket and a great supporter of Forres St Lawrence CC. He will be missed.</li> <li>g. Allan reported that MCA are looking to get winter competitions up and running.</li> <li>h. CB raised concerns that Johanas Van EE has been playing cricket for the Forty Club Scotland District. It was questioned whether they were aware of his ban from NoSCA and whether we should inform them. CB will contact Dave Wolton to discuss further.</li> <li>i. Jim Lodge referred to the email that Carolyn had sent out about ways to develop our league. Although Huntly were not on the original distribution list, this was in no way deliberate. Jim confirmed that Huntly would like to be a part of moving forward.</li> </ul>	<p>NG</p> <p>CB</p>
9	<p><b>Date and time of the next meeting:</b> Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 at 7.00pm.</p>	