North of Scotland Cricket Association Minute of Meeting

Date: 23rd May 2023
Location: Virtual meeting

Chair: C Blake

Present: A Duncan, M Ross, N Gerrard, M Fox, C Farr, J Lodge, J Corsie, J Lean, R

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Item		Action
1	Welcome & Apologies:	
	Chris welcomed all to the meeting and accepted apologies from Fort Augustus CC, Dornoch CC, J Bentall, M Davies, and T McKenna	
2	Minute of meeting held on 18 th April 2023:	
	The minute was accepted as a true and accurate record.	
	Proposed: R Belli Seconded: M Fox	
3	Matters Arising	
	The MCC match due to be held on Monday 1 st May was unfortunately rained off. Thanks were extended to all those who made themselves available and to Dave Wolton for his work bringing together a team.	
	CSMOA have centralised the payment of umpires. There had been no correspondence received directly from CSMOA although some clubs have already received their first invoices. The mailing list of CSMOA may not be up to date so please contact them direct to amend if necessary.	
	Tony McKenna was due to distribute cricket balls on the 1 st May to teams participating in the Challenge Cup. Chris will contact him to find out what the situation is now.	СВ
4	Treasurer's Report & Sponsors Update	
	Chris was contacted by Pardeep Sandhu to ask where we purchased our balls from so they can purchase some themselves, and also to ask for logos and links to be added to our Facebook page and website. This has all now been done except for a link from our website to their website. Also, Chris's name needs to be amended on the website.	NG
	The treasurer's report and comments were circulated prior to the meeting and there were no questions.	
5	Fixtures – Senior T20 arrangements	
	It was confirmed that the first game for the East teams would be Forres v Elgin with the loser staying on, and the first game for the West teams would be Ross County v Northern Counties with the loser staying on. Chris will update the website with the fixtures. Ordinary balls to be used for the games.	СВ
	Development clubs were reminded to put the result of their game on the results vault on Sunday evening. They have until Thursday to add the stats, but result must be added on the Sunday (BUCKIE CC please take note!)	

6	Umpiring & Scoring System	
	Reminder to clubs that they must give a team sheet to the umpire prior to the start of the game.	
	Chris raised the concern of balls bowled between shoulder and head height and if we want to introduce anything into the playing conditions about this or do we have something already. The consensus is the umpire generally allows 1 per over. This can be monitored.	
	The scoring system was down recently for a couple of weekends. We have been assured that the company who provide it have put additional resources into monitoring it.	
7	Registration Systems	
	We are currently running two systems for registration, Nicky's spreadsheet and one on the Results vault. This will be compounded by the addition of the Cricket Scotland registration scheme. We will continue our two systems for this season but will look at how this can be streamlined and improved later in the year.	
8	Disciplinary Directive	
	There have been changes to the Code of Conduct as per attached. Cricket Scotland have suggested each Association has a Disciplinary Officer to deal with an initial complaint. There was some discussion as to whether we should have a 1, 2 or 3 man disciplinary board, and we will need to update our Disciplinary Directive. Chris to consider further.	СВ
9	Level 1 Coaching Course	
	It is proving difficult to identify a suitable day / time for the coaching course. After some discussion it was agreed that Chris will ask Tony if Saturdays were an option, if not Chris will approach Nic Wilson.	СВ
10	Cricket Scotland Update	
	An interim CEO has been appointed, Pete Fitzboyden, for 6 months to oversee the appointment of a new Chairman and new CEO. Chris has been asked, along with Khizar Ali from WDCU, to sit on the CSL board as well as the CS Council, which he agreed for a period of no more than 6 months. The CS AGM will likely be held in early July.	
11	AOCB	
	a. Nicky asked if any teams based in Moray, other than Forres, had been approached by Moray Council about ownership of their pavilions. Buckie and Elgin have also been in discussions. It was agreed that it's probably best not to rush into signing anything at this time.	
	b. Renato informed the group that the development league T20 final will be held end August beginning of September.	
	c. Mike Fox was nominated as a Community Cricket Hero to the MCC. This was a campaign run in conjunction with The Cricketer magazine to celebrate the grassroots game and the thousands of people who support it and make it happen. The team of 11 winners was chosen from hundreds of nominations by a panel including MCC President, Stephen Fry, Mike Gatting, and Claire Taylor. Mike has been selected and will join the other 10 heroes as special guests of Stephen Fry at Lord's to watch a day's play at the England v Ireland Men's test	

	match next month from the Presidents Suite. Well done and congratulations to Mike.	
	d. Ross County CC has recently greeted some Afghan asylum seekers to the club. Chris encouraged other clubs to welcome asylum seekers if approached and give them a chance to interact as they have been a positive addition at RC.	
12	Date and time of the next meeting:	
	Next meeting to be held on Monday 19 th June 2023 at 7.00pm.	