

Drakes Huddersfield Cricket League

THE MINUTES

Council Meeting held on Wednesday 3rd August 2011

In the Chair: Roger France

Officials Present:

The President, Vice President Donald Earnshaw, 4 members of the Secretariat and 7 members of the Executive

All clubs were represented except Hoylandswaine and Paddock

The Minutes

The minutes of the Management meeting on the 7th July 2011 were taken as read, approved as a true record, and signed

Matter arising

- a) Broad Oak are fined £10 for their non- attendance at the July Council meeting in accordance with Rule L3(e).
- b) Holmfirth's Appeal to the Council regarding the Executive's decision that in the matches against Paddock and Almondbury Javid Iqbal Snr was an unregistered player for Holmfirth and were therefore deducted 12 points for each occurrence and fined £20 for each occurrence. Also the 6 points gained in each match are to be awarded to Paddock and Almondbury respectively.

Janet Armitage together with her husband presented Holmfirth's appeal to the Council. In reply the Chairman and Registration Secretary explained the findings of the Executive.

After much discussion, with questions from the clubs, the Chairman asked the clubs to vote on Holmfirth's appeal. From the 28 clubs present the result of the vote was

In favour of Holmfirth's appeal	12
In favour of the Executive decision	16

Holmfirth's appeal to the Council was unsuccessful

The Chairman said he felt that in certain cases the additional 6 points deduction for clubs playing ineligible players was harsh. He said the punishment was on occasions in excess of what the infringement was. He quoted Golcar being penalised for fielding a 12 year old girl and similarly a 12 year old boy who did not bat or bowl who fielded for Kirkheaton at Delph and Dobcross. He said that the Rule was originally proposed by a club who felt that a £20 fine was not sufficient when a club deliberately breached the rules and played a player or players who they knew to be ineligible. He said that he thought that 6 points should be deducted from the offending club whether they won or lost but in the former case the extra 6 points may be severe. He suggested that the clubs and the Rules Revision Committee may consider amending the additional 6 points to a 'maximum of 6 points'

- c) The Chairman congratulated Shepley on winning the Heavy Woollen Cup and Kirkburton on winning the Twenty/20 Trophy. He offered condolences to Golcar as runners up in the Twenty/20 for the 2nd year running
- d) The Finance Secretary said that Hoylandswaine owed £30 for an outstanding fine.

Fines

The Match Secretary read out a list of fines from 5th July to 30th July (copy attached)

Disciplinary Matters

The Administration Secretary announced details of disciplinary decisions made

Ian Holt	Slaitwaite CC	Severe reprimand for verbal dissent to the umpire
Allan Greenwood	Emley Clarence CC	2 match suspension for foul and abusive language to the umpires and visible dissent
R Wimpenny	Scholes CC	2 match suspension for foul and abusive language towards the umpires
Dan Barber	Clayton West CC	1 match suspension for knocking over the wickets at the end of the Game
Laurence Pearson	Rastrick CC	2 match suspension for dissent towards the umpire's decision and foul language
Matthew Lambert	Rastrick CC	2 match suspension for as Captain failing to control his team on the Field
K Rehman	Rastrick CC	3 match suspension for using foul and abusive language towards the Umpire
Terry Lyons	Lepton Highlanders CC	Cautioned as to his future behaviour and also, as Captain, for the behaviour of his team, for whose behaviour he is also responsible

Eligibility for last 6 matches

The Match Secretary said she had received a barrage of e mails to clarify Rule L9(a). She said that some of the confusion was caused because the 2nd part of the Rule had be inadvertently omitted from the handbook, however this was still applicable and eleven most eligible players for the 1st X1 was based on the number of 1st X1 games played.

The Chairman said that despite amending the first part of the Rule from last year to this he now realised that it is the 2nd part that causes the difficulties for clubs and he said that he wondered whether it would make it easier by using the percentage of 1st X1 games to 2nd X1 games played.

Fred Stallard and Lady Sykes Candlesticks

The Chairman requested clubs to send in nominations for the Fred Stallard Award and the Lady Sykes Candlesticks.

Nominees received last year remain on the list for this year if they were not a recipient of the award. The Chairman asked if plenty of details of service of the nominee could be supplied.

White Rose Final

The Executive Secretary announced that the White Rose Final against the North Yorkshire and South Durham League will be played at Honley on Sunday 14th August 2011.

Oddfellows Cup and Earnshaw Cup Final

The draw was made for the home team venue in the above competitions

Oddfellows Cup Clayton West v Thongsbridge

Earnshaw Cup Hall Bower v Thongsbridge

Annual Dinner Speaker

The Executive Secretary announced that Graham Thorpe would not be able to speak at the Dinner as he is the batting coach for the Lions and their tour abroad has been brought forward.

Geoff Miller will now be the speaker.

Any Other Business

a) The Umpires' Representative announced that the following home club umpire would be required at the 2nd team away games on 6th August 2011.
Marsden, Emley Clarence and Rastrick

b) The Hall Bower Representative asked if there was a short list for the nominations for a new Chairman.

The response was that nominations were not due in until 7th September.

Please note:

Once nominations have been received, a list of the nominees will be sent out in late October/ early November for the clubs to vote on their preferred choice.

Management Meeting held on Wednesday 3rd August 2011

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Officials Present: As at the Council Meeting

Finance Secretary's Monthly Report

The Finance Secretary gave details of his monthly Finance Report

Appeal against Fines

Hall Bower appealed against their 2 fines of £10 for their result sheets from the 18th June and 2nd July not being received by David Lockwood at the Examiner Office on time. Their reason, being that although they delivered the results to the new Examiner Office in town, the correct address was at Bradley Park, but this address had not been announced to the clubs, only advertised in the newspaper.

The Executive accepted Hall Bower's reasoning and rescinded the above fines.

Shelley appealed against their £10 fine for not ringing Gosnay's Sports Agency with their results on the 11th June. They said that the match had a later than normal finish, and when the results were phoned through there was no response and the answer machine was not working.

The Match Secretary said that results, according to Rule L8(o), are to be phoned to Gosnays within 15 minutes after close of play. The match finished at 8:05pm and she has confirmation from Gosnays that at 9:15pm Shelley had not phoned in with their results and they were to obtain them from the away team, Marsden.

The Executive rejected Shelley's appeal and the £10 fine stands.

Twenty/20 Competition

The Executive Secretary said he had had various comments from players and/or clubs regarding the competitiveness of this Competition. He therefore thought that for the Competition to proceed positively it could be revamped. Discussions took place on the Executive and it was agreed that the Executive Secretary do draft proposals which are to be distributed with these minutes for the clubs comments. (Details are attached)

Non Fulfilment Of Fixtures

In accordance with Rule L7(d) the following clubs are fined £50 for non- fulfilment of fixtures

- a) **Rastrick** not sending a team for the replay against Clayton West in the Oddfellows Cup on 10th July.
- b) **Micklehurst** not raising a 2nd X1 team to play against Hall Bower on 30th July.

Hoylandswaine Complaint

Hoylandswaine lodged an enquiry into the eligibility of 3 players who played for Linthwaite in the semi-final of the Earnshaw Cup on 24th July 2011

After investigation by the Registration Secretary

- a) Mohammed Liakat was mis-spelt by the scorers and should have been recorded as Mohammed Liaqai
- b) J Wood, whose correct name is Jayden Covell-Wood, has been registered since 2009
- c) Zahid Ahmed, who plays for Paddock, and has a similarity to Aman Ullah, was not playing in this match. He was in fact playing in the White Rose match on this day.

The £20 fee lodged with this enquiry will not be refunded to Hoylandswaine.

Sykes Cup Final And Finals

Arrangements were made for the Executive duties at the finals of the Sykes Cup, The Paddock Shield, The White Rose Competition, the Oddfellows Cup and the Earnshaw Cup.

White Rose Shirts

A discussion took place regarding the supply of shirts for the White Rose Team. The matter is to be looked into further.

Any Other Business

Yvonne Collins, the Match Secretary, announced she would not be standing for re- election at the end of the season.

The next Council Meeting and the Meeting of the Executive will be on Wednesday 7th September 2011