

Minutes of League Meeting 31st July 2017

All Clubs in attendance

Apologies – Simon Rees

Minutes from June Meeting – Changes.

- Hamer cup final is 1pm start not 1.30pm start.
- It says Walkden/Heaton, should read Walkden / Farnworth SC

Matter Arising –

Cricket Balls – Email to go out to clubs to be passed on to Captains for feedback on the league ball. This needs to be back by 15th Aug. So a discussion can be made next meeting regarding next years cricket balls.

Peter Stafford Final- 4 clubs asked for it to be staged Heaton, Westhoughton, Farnworth SC and Kearsley. Draw was made and Westhoughton will stage the Peter Stafford Final.

The Stafford Final will be done with toss of a coin between the 2 finalists, will determine who gets to stage the final.

Cric HQ –

Phil Andrews explained the cric hq only informed the BCL 24 hours before they informed all their subscribers, as a league we have wrote to cric hq stating our concerns and are waiting a response. As A league we have contacted the GMCL and Lancashire league for a meeting regarding the new charges cri chq have introduced. Also was suggested we contact the Bradford league as well. John Hutchinson will contact them.

Finance – Each club was given a copy of the treasurer's report and an invoice which includes the Junior interleague donation.

Bank balance £1776.71

Amount owed by clubs £2482.00

Amount owed by Sponsors £8100.00

Amount Owed to Suppliers £7876.97

Frank Hinks to chase Heineken and John Hutchinson to chase Axfords for their donations.

Was suggested we get a sponsorship committee together and Ask Gary Dixon to chair it. Separate email will go out to clubs asking for volunteers.

Most clubs are upto date before this invoice. Darcy Lever are behind but came to an agreement with John Hutchinson to pay instalments, which would mean they would be caught up by end of season. One club put a proposal that they pay a deposit of £400, this was voted on and a majority voted yes. Darcy Lever will be asked to pay £400 off their debt.

Juniors – U18's 2 clubs have pulled out of the U18's competition Blackrod and Atherton.

Most Juniors league have only a couple of matches left.

Junior cups U13's date still to be confirmed. U11's semi final still outstanding. U15's final is 27th Aug and U18's Final is 20th Aug

There's been a few issues with the juniors and a couple still to be resolved. Once these have been resolved a junior meeting will be held.

Tracey noted that junior results is poor coming in if not scored via cri chq and she is having to chase clubs on a regular basis. A few clubs have also had 2 warning letters for these results and scorecards and she 'll be looking to fine them very shortly if still not uploaded.

Some clubs are failing to text the result after a game, therefore the league tables are not upto date.

Interleague – U12's played 3 won 2 lost 1.

U14 are in the final in September

U18's played 2 won 2, if they win on 13th Aug, they go through to final

U21's have had both their matches abandoned

Registrations – The last date for registrations is 9pm fri 4th Aug, no new registrations or transfer's will be able to take place after this date.

All 1st team's must supply a list of 7 players (including the pro or overseas) of starred players to Tracey Brooks (email phillips012001@hotmail.com, or text 07878755467) by 9pm fri 4th Aug. These will be vetted and verified. All these players will not be allowed to play any 2nd team games for the last 6 games of the season.

There has been a problem with scorecard not uploading but scorers may not be aware its not uploaded. Please can clubs uploaded urgently if contacted by the league asking for it to be uploaded again.

Sajawal Khan Transferred to Little Hulton before the start of the season from Adlington and wishes to go back to Adlington. No clubs objected, so he's now transferred back to Adlington as of Mon 31st July 2017.

Competitions – New rule was sent out via email re rain effected games, where slow overs were bowled in 1st innings.

Darcy Lever were not happy with the discussion made by the appeals committee on the change the rule mid-season and that they were not invited to the appeal. They were not aware there was an appeal until the email with the new rule and outcome of the appeal was communicated to all clubs.

Outcome the appeals panel decision is final.

Umpires – only 4 round of matches where all matches have 2 umpires. This will be an impact on 2nd team where more will only have 1 umpire due to shortage of umpires.

Chair of the Umpires Alan Greenhalgh read out a letter that from the umpires association regards to the lack of respect for umpires from players and the lack of support from the league committee, especially when reports go in and are reduced on appeal.

To support the umpires an email has gone out to clubs from the League chairman asking for a member of the clubs committee to speak to the club captains regards the attitudes and respect to the umpires. Failure for this to improve will result in umpires leaving the league.

A few suggestions were put forward harder punishments, improved process, higher payment for appeals, the discipline committee are currently putting together a document to make changes to the system for next year. League have asked they bring this to the next league meeting to be discussed.

Grounds – covers and umpires changing facilities are coming up on the umpire/captains reports.

Discipline – no reports as Simon sent his apologies.

Junior Presentation – date to be confirmed, once we know the winners

Senior Presentation – 10th Nov 2017 at the Holiday Inn, Bolton. Tickets will have to be paid for before the event due to the contract the league has with the holiday inn.

Proposed Rule Amendment – to replace 12(C) and (D) “ A Players leaving a club cannot return until 12 days after playing his first match for the new club. A Player joining a Bolton League club may not be released until 9 days after playing his 1st match in the Bolton League.”

Peter Stafford Draw These will be 12.30pm start for Final and 1pm for Semi Finals

Walkden v Heaton

Kearsley v Daisy Hill

Stafford Draw

Heaton v Eagley

Lostock v Little Hulton/Farnworth

Start times – Weekend 19th and 26th Aug will be 1pm start, Weekend 2nd, 9th and 16th Sept will be 12.30pm starts.

The chairman of the league made a statement about the state of the league and pettiness going on social media, he suggested we need to pull together or the same people that do all the work will walk away and we won't have a league

He would like a successful league.

Next Meeting 21st Aug 2017