



Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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Senior Section Cricket Committee

12th Meeting – Thursday 6 February 2022 – 7pm by Zoom

Notes of Meeting

Present: David Ward (chairman), Melvyn Bond, Richard Fidler, Bryan Lowe, Richard North, Lindsay Pepper, Linzey Scothern, Matt Summerhill, Graham Swallow (secretary)

Apologies: Irfan Mirza

1. **E & D Group feedback.** No report – a meeting was held last week.
2. **Safeguarding**
 - LP confirmed that the Conisbrough/Sheffield United investigation was still ongoing. However, Sheffield United have now agreed to meet officials from Conisbrough and the Barnsley & District CL to discuss matters. The date and venue of the meeting to be confirmed.
 - LP reported that a Safeguarding course was arranged for 21 February, and Lisa Chapman from Barnsley Woolley Miners was due to attend.
 - LS mentioned that Barnby Dun were waiting for a certificate and LP said there were problems with the submission of online forms. LP would chase this, but ultimately it was a YCB responsibility. LP said that stated that other clubs were also in the same position.
3. **Thornccliffe CC.** DW said that Gareth Davis had met officials of Thornccliffe last week but there had been no update from the meeting.
4. **Fixtures**
 - DW reported that Sheffield United are trying to rearrange 3rd XI fixtures due to the withdrawal of the Aurora facility.
 - MS confirmed that Wickersley OV 3rd XI would be using the Maltby ground.
 - MS said there were still eight fixtures which need to be re-arranged, of which four involved Rockingham 4ths, one Sheffield United 3rds, and one Wickersley OV 3rds.
 - MS suggested that we should have an honest conversation at the end of the 2022 season with those clubs who are struggling to find grounds. DW emphasised that the YCSPL is a Saturday League.
5. **Wentworth CC.** GS has received an email from Wentworth stating that they are currently lacking the required number of officials, but have sufficient players for the 2022 season.
6. **Applications for membership**
 - DW, GS & LS carried out the Barnby Dun ground inspection on 27 January. DW reported that their facilities were very good, and they appeared to be a well-organised club. He recommended that their application be

approved. This was agreed. They would now need to obtain permission from the Pontefract League in order to join the YCSPL in 2023.

- DW said that no other applications for membership have been received.

7. Teas. DW Confirmed that teas had been debated at the recent LEB meeting after the matter was raised by Mark Beardshall, supported by Chris Froggett, who thought that many Premier Section clubs did not want to provide teas in 2022. They felt that no motion had been put to the AGM, this was due to the issue not having been discussed during the season. The LEB agreed that clubs who wanted to provide teas should be allowed to do so, and clubs that did not want to need not. It was LEB agreed that clubs should be asked whether or not they would provide teas in 2022. All clubs would have to provide refreshments for umpires and scorers. MB queried this decision and stated that costs had increased whilst the maximum charge levied has not. DW reiterated that there were many strong views regarding the provision of teas, and that the league should consider increasing the charge for 2023.

8. Cricket Ball order. MB confirmed that the balls had been ordered. The first drop would cost £40,029, and the second drop £9,600

9. Play Cricket. MB reported that the registration was changing for junior players up to the age of 16. They were all due to de-registered and they will need to re-register adding their parent's details. He will be cleaning the database soon.

10. Other business

- DW said that Rockingham were in discussions with the Forge Partnership about access to their ground.
- DW confirmed that a sub-committee of Chris Froggett, Steve Ward, MS and GS were to make proposals for the distribution of the £11,620 ECB money
- DW has received a letter from Peter Boycott asking if the YCSPL were interested in re-joining the Yorkshire Cricket Council. This would involve the top two clubs in Division 1 participating in YCC play-offs on the August Bank Holiday and the following weekends. It was agreed we should not accept, but this would need ratification at the AGM in November.
- BL reported that umpires were concerned about live streaming and asked if all clubs should be sent details. DW replied that they the YCSPL live-streaming policy is on the website. MS stressed that opposition clubs should agree to the use of live streaming and clubs and players should not be put under any pressure. DW to raise this at the pre-season delegates; meeting. RF asked if notices should be displayed outside changing rooms and MS stated that this was part of the ECB criteria.
- BL stated that umpires were concerned about dates of birth on match cards and that the required details were different between the Premier and Senior sections. DW said this is not the case – the Playing Conditions on the website are clear on this.
- BL said that an umpires' refresher course was being held at Wickersley on 19 February with 31 attendees and a meeting with the Disciplinary Committee is being held at Phoenix on 29 March.
- LS asked GS to order 3,500 team cards from the YCB.
- RF asked if committee members can be linked to more than club, bearing in mind the current situation at Wentworth. DW confirmed there was no conflict of interest from the YCSPL.
- MB said that despite some issues Eden Grove were hopeful of fielding two teams in 2022.
- GS reported that six clubs have still not completed and returned the club contacts form for 2022. He reported that he has currently received back 66 GDPR permissions from a total of 158 sent out.
- DW suggested that the next meeting be held at the Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club. This was agreed.

11. Date of next meeting. Thursday 3rd March – 7pm, as above.

Meeting closed at 7.50pm