

The Glossop Glass & Glazing Derbyshire & Cheshire Cricket League



Management Meeting Minutes – Monday 12th October 2020 7.30pm at OGCC

Present & Apologies-

Present- Martin Cooper, Alan Johnson, Paul Eyre, Mike Stansfield, Stuart Elliott, Conor Keem, Neil Shaw, John Richards, Steve Monks.

Apologies- Paul Smith, Mike Wilde, Bill Higginbottom

ONE MINUTES SILENCE WAS HELD PRIOR TO THE MEETING FOR NICK SMITH (CHAPEL AND BUXTON) WHO HAD PASSED AWAY TODAY. Our thoughts go to his family and friends

Correspondence

- Started receiving updated details from Clubs as requested. Please keep them coming. I appreciate some of you are waiting for your AGM's but I have more time over the Xmas period to set them up. Den Lane is taking all junior contacts.
- AGM- With the regulatory changes today the AGM for 16th November has been cancelled. With Stockport, Tameside and now Glossopdale being in Tier 2, clubs in these areas would be unable to attend the meeting. However, we would still prefer a "face to face" meeting at this stage as it makes voting easier. We are to monitor the situation over the next few weeks then advise how the meeting is to be carried out
- PLEASE NOTE- we are aware that the league constitution states that the AGM should be on or before the 21st November but these are very exceptional circumstances and I hope you bear with us.
- Again several emails with suggested rule changes for next year. Please keep them coming.

Treasurer

• Tom not present and, as previously stated, he is retiring at the end of the season The auditor, Bob Halstead is in the process of preparing the accounts which should hopefully be with us soon. We are looking for a new treasurer so please get in touch if you feel capable of fulfilling this position. The signatories on the accounts will also need changing at the same time.

Junior Cricket

- There have been enquires from surrounding leagues asking whether they can enter teams into our junior set up. ANY enquiries will be considered BUT we need a "written" (preferably email) request.
- We would like to set up a small (2 or 3) junior committee to help Den through next season, with Den reporting to the main committee. Anyone interested, again get in touch

Senior Cricket.

- Since last meeting Woodly are Division 1 champions, Pott Shrigley Division 2 Champions and Old Glossop have won the 3rd Division Final. Add to that Broadbottom won the Bissenden so all trophies and leagues fully completed. Congratulations to all the above on their success.
- Please note there was NO promotion or relegation this year.



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- Lengthy discussions about next years league structure took place and the structure is as follows. Massive thanks to Neil Shaw and Martin Cooper for sorting the basis of this out.
- The top League (yet to be named) is to consist of 10 first teams all of whom MUST have a second team. This is to avoid concessions and to make sure the cricket in the top division remains competitive. However, with this in mind, the penalty for conceding WILL be more severe. Matches will consist of 45 overs per side.
- The next League (again not named) will be 9 first teams, not necessarily requiring a second team (but see further down). Again matches will be 45 overs per side.
- Following these there will be a league consisting solely of second teams. It is currently anticipated that there will only be one league and the will play 40 overs per side.
- All the above leagues will play on Saturday. This allows us to set up a third division which will play on Sundays. It is anticipated that teams in the third division will consist of players unable to get into the Saturday teams, players coming back from injury, unavailable on Saturdays, or coming back to the game. Many teams complain of having only 14-15 "proper" players and this is designed to give these extra players a game, and to blood younger/newer players which should ultimately strengthen the Saturday teams. Any club with a first and second team could also play a third team in this Sunday League. Currently games will be of 40 overs each.
- Bissenden will revert to being 40 over games whilst the Hawke will remain as a 20/20 competition.
- The 20/20 next season will go back to Thursday nights. At the end of the league format we will have a quarter finals "day" followed by a finals day. The semi and finals will be played on Sunday as before it has yet to be decided how best to use the quarter finals. These have been added to continue to make the games as competitive as possible up to the last day, and giving all teams a chance of playing in the knock out stages. We will also invite teams from out of the league into this competition.
- I also attach a list of the rule changes we have made since the 2019 season and which will apply next year.
- All these changes have been made to strengthen the league overall and to make the cricket highly competitive especially in the top division. It also allows clubs to develop players to get them ready for 2nd and 1st team cricket.

Finals Committee,

• Again, we need all trophies back so that they can be presented to this years winners. Please contact Steve Monks on 07540-282591 to arrange getting the trophy to the league..

Transfers, Disciplinary Committee

- One matter being dealt with via Karl Williams, disciplinary secretary.
- With the advent of the new league structure we also feel that we should take stronger action regarding dissent and abuse of umpires. In the past it was mainly the player(s) or captain who bore the brunt of this. Now it is possible the clubs involved will also be penalised, possibly with a points deduction.
- Also, remember that ANYONE can report bad behaviour on the field of play, that being anyone on the ground at the time of the incident. ANY report will be investigated



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League Dinner

• Bredbury Hall has gone into administration owing £12M so it looks like we won't be getting back our £500.00. However, John Richards is still making enquiries.

Sponsorship Committee

• Readers have paid their sponsorship for the season, which is based on the number of balls we buy from them. This totalled £800.00 and, at a time when we are receiving NO income is very much appreciated. Thanks to John Richards for dealing with this matter

Any Other Business

- It has been apparent, for the last few seasons, that the communication between the league and umpires is not as it should be. Therefore we are considering a small umpires committee to bridge this gap. Anyone interested, please get in touch with myself.
- We are also considering a social media person who can update twitter and facebook whilst games are in progress on Saturdays. This would be normally Conor's domain but, as he plays on Saturdays, he's probably not the best to do it. Anyone interested, please get in touch with the league
- The new rule book and website are both very close and it is just a case of topping and tailing the information before we put them out there. As the rule book will be on the website it is anticipated they will both be released at the same time

Next Meeting

With the new Covid restrictions it will be difficult to organise any face to face meeting, and the next should be via facebook/twitter in the near future.