

Minutes of meeting held at 3Hills Sports Centre on 19th July 2017

Present: Alwyn Fernades (Folkestone CC), Steve Thompson (Deal Vics CC, Paul Spratt (Littlebourne CC), Paul Button (Walmer CC), Martin Cobb (Hythe CC), Philip Payne (Hawkinge CC).

1.0 Apologies Action

1.1. Apologies were received from Nobby Clarke, Jaz Thind & Paul Goldspring

2.0 Previous Minutes

2.1. The previous minutes we accepted as a true record of the meeting

3.0 Matters Arising

- 3.1. Item 3.3 AF confirmed that Walmer have paid their invoice.
- 3.2. Item 5.2 AF confirmed that Elham have also paid their invoice.
- 3.3. Item 5.6 PP undertook to contact Dover District Development Group to ask about possible grants for the presentation evening.

4.1 Chairman's Report

- 4.1. PP said that it was nice to see a healthy turn-out but added that it was important that all clubs are represented at the meetings.
- 4.2. PP reported that the outdoor league seemed to have gone well enough. PP stated that it was nice not to have to adjudicate in any disputes during the season. It seems that everyone has been cooperating well and that there are no gaps or ambiguities left in the rules now.

5.0 Treasurer's Report

- 5.1. AF reported that all the payments and invoices are up to date and that there is currently approximately £1200 in the account.
- 5.2. PP pointed out that most of this would be needed to cover the cost of hiring the sports hall for the Indoor League. This is charged up front so it is important that clubs are prompt in paying membership fees.

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5.3. AF said that it was best to send each club a single invoice at the end of the indoor sessions as it would cause too many complications to try and issue staged invoices

5.4. PB suggested that SSL should approach Dover District Development Group with a view to requesting a grant towards the costs of the presentation evening. PB explained that he was secretary and he would ensure that any request reached the appropriate person, i.e Clive Towe the chairman. PP agreed to get a request sent out.

PP

6.0 AOB

- 6.1. AF confirmed that all Cup matches have been played, the finals being as follows:
 - U11 : Folkestone v Walmer Winners Folkestone
 - U13: Deal Vics v Elham Winners Elham
 - U15: Folkestone v Elham Winners Folkestone
- 6.2. AF explained that Folkestone subsequently reached the Semi-finals of the National competition.
- 6.3. AF announced that the entries for the Indoor League are needed in order to establish the number of weeks that the Sports Hall will have to be hired for.
- 6.4. AF confirmed that the U11's is an 8-a-side format whilst the U13's & U15's are 6-a-side. AE added that a minimum of 4 teams are required for each age group in order to make it worthwhile to have a competition for that age group.
- 6.5. AF undertook to contact Linton Park who expressed an interest in entering a team again.
- 6.6. It was agreed that the deadline for submitting entries is to be 1st Sept and that, following that date, AF will organise the fixtures and book the Sports Hall as necessary.
- 6.7. PP suggested that clubs should band together to share players if they do not have sufficient to make up a side on their own. This would enable more players to get the opportunity to play matches and also strengthen the League competitions.
- 6.8. It was confirmed that players can play for a club other than the one they are normally registered for. However, once they have played for a club, they cannot play for any other club (including their own) for the remainder of that competition. This will not affect the Outdoor League.

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6.9. It was agreed that there will be an experimental rule change for the U11's this year. Consequently the Indoor rules will be the same as the Outdoor U11's rules –i.e. 'Pairs Cricket'. The only difference will be that there are only 12 overs so pairs will each face 3 overs.

This rule change will be revisited next year following the completion of the Indoor League.

6.10. It was confirmed that the cut-off point for nominations for the Wallace Laker Award will be 1st September. However there was a general agreement that the nomination from the last meeting was more than suitable.

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6.11. The possibility of running an U9's League was discussed. It was suggested that each club could host an event which would be based upon the Kwik Cricket format. This would only require 4 strips placed on the outfield and might only require an morning or an evening to take place. PP stated that the principal questions o be decide upon were the time of the year and the time of the day it should take place. PP requested that all clubs come to the next meeting with their preferred option so that the mater can e voted upon and wheels set in motion. It was suggested that the Super 8's Rules could be adopted for this format.

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6.12. PS stated that Littlebourne experienced great difficulty in making contact with the Hythe team manager in order to get their U15 games arranged. PS explained that there were 3 outstanding games still to play with little time in which to play them. MC undertook to get hold of the manager to make the arrangement.

MC

6.13. It was suggested that the League should contact clubs who have previously played in the SSL but were currently not involved for the next season's Indoor and Outdoor competitions eg Nonington & Sibton as well as Saltwood & St Margaret's to see if they are willing to enter sides. AF agreed to do this.

AF

6.14. It was pointed out that the U13 games could be played mid-week instead of weekends if both clubs agreed.

7.0 Date of Next Meeting

7.1. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th September 2017 @ 7.30 at The 3 Hills Sports Centre..