

Leicestershire & Rutland ACO
Minutes of Committee Meeting
Held at Electricity Sports, Leicester

Meeting commenced at 7 pm on 4th February 2015

Present

Gordon Hubbard (GH) in the chair, Keith Towers (KT), Colin Samuels (CS), Dick Whateley-Knight (RWK), Bob Sizer (BS), Alan Pearce (AP), Scott Fraser (SF), Chris Day (CD) and Richard Spiers (RS)

In attendance

Simon Clark (SC)

Apologies

Ian Armitage (IA), Phil Palfreyman (PP)

John Edmonds (JE), Chris Johnson and Graham Pickering (GP) . All teaching but available

Minutes of last meeting

Approved, then signed by GH

Matters Arising

1. GH informed the meeting that L&RCB had still not called a meeting.
2. Nearly all the Umpires who will be on the L&RCL Umpires Panel for the forth coming season were now members of ACO.
3. Six members had attended a meeting for prospective Umpire Assessors. A course, run by the RPO Paul Joy, is to take place prior to the season starting.
4. The venue for the various training courses was changed from the Illingworth Suite, Grace Road, to Electricity Sports CC and Loughborough Greenfields CC.

Annual Dinner

Details of the annual dinner were discussed, and CS was requested to send invitations out ASAP.

Financial Report and Budget for 2015

RWK informed the meeting that we had £4476.76 in the General Account. GH produced a draft 2015 budget, which he was going to present to the L&RCL management meeting the next night (5th February). After some discussion, which mainly centred on scorers courses and their funding, the meeting agreed on the proposed budget.

Scorers' matters and courses

SF advised the meeting that Level 1 scorers packs cost £30, and Level 1A £10. He was looking at holding courses at Loughborough and Melton Mowbray in the near future. The tutors being Lisa Bell, Kev Gerrard and himself.

An open meeting

GH suggested that an open meeting, like the one being held by the LRCFA RA-FA, where 1st class umpires be invited to participate in a general discussion might be held. After much debate, it was decided that this may well be a subject for a winter meeting night next year.

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Loughborough University Coaches

Loughborough University are going to hold a Coaches weekend, and had asked if it were possible for some umpires to attend. They wanted a presentation on the Laws of cricket. SC stated that he would ask Heather Beattie, Cricket Development Coach at Leicestershire and Rutland Cricket Ltd, what the requirement was.

Midlands Regional Conference – November 2014

The meeting was informed of the various breakout activities which took place at the Midlands Regional Conference. (This was the first opportunity for this information to be disseminated to the committee).

AOB

CD raised a query about the marking system employed in the L&RCL, and whether anyone monitored these marks during the season. GH reassured him that as CPO, he undertook this job.

KT stated that the appointments for the County Cup would be carried out by the CAO, as is the case at present. He also said that he thought that there would be less umpire appointments to LYC matches this year compared to last.

SC attended the Leicestershire Silver Foxes (over 60s) AGM a few weeks ago and informed the meeting that Alex Mofford was coordinating the umpire appointments for their matches.

There being no further business, the chairman closed the meeting at 9-30pm.

Signed as a true and accurate record



G Hubbard

Chairman

23rd March 2015