

Full League Meeting held on Tuesday, 13 April 2010 at Thornhill & Westborough CC

ATTENDANCE

All clubs except Denby Dale, Edgerton & Dalton
All management board members except S Hawden, B Cooper, P Senior

APOLOGIES

Edgerton & Dalton, S Hawden, B Cooper, P Senior

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 2 February 2010 had been circulated and were accepted as a true record.

MATTERS ARISING

None

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter received from Pure Financial Services outlining the service they provide. They deal with Pensions, Mortgages, Investments and Life Cover/related insurances. They are independent and all their advisors are qualified and experienced in their chosen area. They are looking for clubs to spread the word and if a club recommends any new clients the club could earn commission.

For further information contact Rob Horne at Pure Financial Services Ltd on 07946 297269.

CHILD WELFARE

Every club should have a Child Welfare Officer and it is the responsibility of Club Child Welfare Officers to make sure that relevant people in their club are CRB checked. Relevant people would include captains, vice-captains, adult scorers, umpires.

Most CWO's have attended a 'Time to Listen' course and following that should have set up their own club's Child Welfare Policy.

RESULT SECRETARY

1. A CRB validation session will be held at the Star Inn, Upper Cumberworth on Thursday, 15 April 2010 between 8 and 10 pm.
2. Result Sheet (Spreadsheet)
 - a) Do not cut or drag cells around the result sheet as it corrupts the automatic wicket calculation. If you wish to move data (e.g. moving list of players who batted first last week to position for batting second) copy and paste.

However, as batting orders change, it is highly recommended that you use a blank sheet each match.

- b) Remember to enter the date, catcher's name and identify wicketkeeper catches.
 - c) Also, remember to enter actual team names instead of the default value of Flockton & Penistone.
 - d) Email result sheet in asap and do not wait until deadline of 9 pm on Monday.
 - e) Even if the result sheet is emailed on Saturday, it is still necessary to phone in the linescore since there is not time to check emails prior to newspaper deadline of 9 pm Saturday.
3. Phoning the result to 01484 606379
Ensure the person who telephones is familiar with the format of linescores printed in papers to avoid waste of time.

Start message with section, then details of first innings, the second innings. Innings details to commence with team runs & wickets then top batter (runs) and top bowler (wickets and runs only).

REGISTRATION SECRETARY

Rule 7 (c) Retained Players Lists – not received from the following Clubs

Birchcliffe
Horbury Bridge
Thornhill & Westborough

Transfers

Cawthorne: Andrew Kaye ex Mirfield
Crigglestone: Martin Scarth and Jordan Scarth ex West Bretton
Flockton: Graham Hirst ex Denby Grange
Mirfield: Shaun Simpson and Ben Thornton ex Upper Hopton
Nortonthorpe: David Kirk ex Skelmanthorpe
Penistone: Scott Briggs ex Green Moor
Silkstone: John Dalton ex Penistone
Woolley MW: Christopher Stott ex Royston

Signing On forms required for the following players

Durkar: Joe Gardiner
Holmbridge: Greg Moorhouse
Mirfield: Edward Dixon, Callum Fern, Joe Manning, Joshua Ratcliffe, Ryan Scott, Sufyan Zaman
Penistone: David Harrison, Christian Bentley, Ben Hoyle, Connor Smythe, Sam Smith, Daniel Needham, Joshua Marsh, Howard Ross, Jack Meek, Ben Matthews, James Winterbotham, Daniel Brown, William Hoyland, Douglas Riley, Thomas Phillips

Clubs are reminded that Under 12 age group players (i.e. players born after 31/8/97) are no longer allowed to play Open Age Cricket.

The directive also states that Under 13 age group players (i.e. players born after 31/8/96) can play in Open Age Cricket if considered by a Level 2 Coach (or above) that it is appropriate for their development. The Under 13 age group players will need written parental consent.

UMPIRES APPOINTMENT SECRETARY

All umpires will receive their handbooks in the next day or two if they do not already have them

Could clubs please remind their umpires to let me know their ECB ACO membership numbers. All umpires were sent an application form in January but I have heard from less than half of them so far.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

U17 v Nidderdale, sponsored by Arrow, to be played at Thurstonland on 30 May, Manager Lee Booth

White Rose U21 drawn at home against Drakes League, Manager Andrew Matthewman

Nixon Inter League drawn away to winners of York or Scarborough, Manager Umar Chishti

TROPHIES

In recent times, it has become a big problem collecting in trophies. The league have not been imposing fines as per Rule 10D, however, notice is given that fines will now start to be imposed for the late return of trophies.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- The following clubs still need to provide evidence of Public Liability Insurance to Neil Heppenstall by 31 March 2010 - Azaad, Birchcliffe, Calder Grove, Crigglestone, Denby Dale, Denby Grange, Edgerton & Dalton, Flockton, Holmbridge, Horbury Bridge, Leymoor, Mirfield, Old Almondburians, Upperton, Woodfield Park Police Sports.

Clubs are reminded that no games will be allowed to be played until the insurance evidence has been submitted.

- Nuffield Hospital Huddersfield has changed their name to Birkby Rose Hill.
- Calder Grove will only have one team this season and will play in Section E.
- Clubs are encouraged to check to see if they receive a discretionary rate relief. If you do not receive relief, contact your Local Authority Officer for Discretionary Rate Rebate. For your information the officer for Kirklees is Graham Beckett.
- Lee Booth is revamping the HCCL website and it will be up and running within the next few days.
- There will be a Cricket Development Group meeting on Wednesday 28 April 2010, 7.00 pm at Kirkburton CC.
- Denby CC has built new changing rooms, which will be official unveiled on Sunday, 18 April 2010. See photos on their website at www.freewebs.com/denbycc/
- The foundations for the new pavilion at Azaad are well underway.
- The new drainage system at Penistone is working well.
- Would opposing clubs please note that Edgerton & Dalton require vegetarian teas (i.e. tuna, cheese etc)
- Changes to Handbook details:
 - Leymoor**
2XI Captain - Lance Gilbert, 07546 505147
 - Edgerton & Dalton**
1XI Captain - Rohan Abbott, 01274 851651
2XI Captain - Vinay Singh Badban, 07815 703369

NEXT MEETING

Full League Meeting – Tuesday, 15 June 2010, 7.30 pm at Almondbury Wesleyans CC

Captains Meeting held on Tuesday, 13 April 2010 at Thornhill & Westborough CC

ATTENDANCE

All captains (or playing representative) except for:

Birkby Rose Hill 2XI
Cartworth Moor 1XI
Denby Dale 2XI
Edgerton & Dalton 1XI and 2XI
Flockton 1XI and 2XI
Higham 2XI
Leymoor 1XI and 2XI,

1. The President, Jack Carson, opened the meeting by welcoming the captains and Gary Rank, HCCL UA&S Training Officer.
2. Gary Rank, explained the criteria used in deciding suitability to play regarding ground, weather and light and explained that MCC rules were followed.

A handout, which was a copy of a document used for Umpires Level 1 training, was passed round (see Appendix A).

3. Jack Carson asked the captains to take note of the following points:
 - Please comply with the rules regarding phoning in results, submitting results electronically, posting team sheets and registration sheets.
 - Although HCCL do not have bad disciplinary record, captains were reminded that if action has to be taken against a player it would be more than likely that action would also be taken against the captain, since the captain is responsible for the conduct of the players.
 - Make sure scorers are provided to avoid the need to take a player off the field.
 - Umpires should be paid during the tea break.
 - The weather rule is that the captains or representative can meet at the ground to decide the suitability for play. If called off remember to contact Brian Cooper, Umpires Appointment Secretary who will cancel the umpires. Do not call the umpire direct.
 - Facemasks are not allowed since no manufacturer has had British Standard approval, therefore full helmets should be worn.
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 - The batting side shall be responsible for organising a search for any ball lost during play (Rule 17F). Please try to commence the search promptly.
 - It would be better not to wait until the last minute to play 20/20 games so that there would be adequate time to re-arrange in case of bad weather

The President finished by wishing Good Luck to everyone for the season.

Ground, weather & light

LAW 7 - THE PITCH

Selection and preparation of the pitch

- Before the match the Ground Authority will select and prepare the pitch -
Umpires do not get involved

Fitness of the pitch

- Umpires will decide on the fitness of the pitch for play

LAW 3 - GROUND, WEATHER & LIGHT

- There are 3 Levels of fitness

Level 1 - Suitable - perfectly acceptable conditions - play has to take place

Level 2 - Unsuitable - not ideal for play but NOT dangerous

Umpires consider that play should be suspended

- Captains may agree to continue playing

Level 3 - Unreasonable or dangerous - any reasonable person could foresee the likelihood of injury

Umpires will not play under any circumstances

LAW 3 - GROUND CONDITIONS

What is the Umpire looking for?

Fielding Side

- Bowlers' run ups/footholds/run offs should be safe
- Ground should allow for free/safe movement
- There should be no puddles, standing water or serious water hazards anywhere
- **Play will not be suspended solely because the ball or the grass is wet or slippery**

Batting Side

- Secure footholds around the popping crease
- Freedom to run safely between the wicket and turn

LAW 3 - GROUND, WEATHER CONDITIONS

Process to follow for **Ground** and **weather**

Consult with your colleague - if you both agree that conditions are unsuitable

- Tell fielding captain and the batsmen at the wicket that the conditions are unsuitable and
- Unless BOTH sides agree to play

THEN PLAY IS SUSPENDED

However after agreeing to play on in unsuitable ground or weather conditions EITHER side may later appeal prior to the next call of time

Umpires will uphold this appeal providing

- Conditions/factors are the same or
- Conditions/factors have deteriorated since their original decision

LAW 3 - THE LIGHT

Process to follow for **LIGHT**

Consult with your colleague - if you both agree that conditions are unsuitable

- Tell the batsmen at the wicket that the conditions are unsuitable and

Unless they agree to play on

THEN PLAY IS SUSPENDED

However if agreeing to play on in Light conditions that are unsuitable THE BATSMEN may later appeal prior to the next call of time

Umpires will uphold this appeal providing

- Conditions/factors are the same or
- Conditions factors have deteriorated since their original decision

THE FIELDING SIDE HAVE NO SAY IN THE MATTER OF THE LIGHT

LAW 3 - GROUND, WEATHER & LIGHT CONDITIONS

What happens if the batsmen at the wicket decide to come off, but when you are back in the pavilion, the batting captain says that he wishes to continue?

- Whilst on the field the batsmen are acting for the captain and their decision will be accepted **BUT** once players are off the field, it is the captain who decides what he wants his team to do and therefore the captain's wishes will be met and play will recommence.

OVERRIDING ANY OF THE PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS

If BOTH umpires agree that the conditions are such that there is:

- Obvious and foreseeable risk to the safety of the players, and/or umpires making it unreasonable or dangerous to play then they will **SUSPEND PLAY IMMEDIATELY**

If NOT on the field of play and the criteria remain the same

- But instead of suspending play - they shall tell the captains that conditions are unsuitable to go out and play, however should they wish to continue, then they will be allowed to, as they can when on the field

UMPIRES STILL HOWEVER HAVE THE RIGHT NOT TO ALLOW PLAY TO START IF IT IS UNREASONABLE OR DANGEROUS

UMPIRES OFF-FIELD RESPONSIBILITIES

Whilst off the field Umpires will keep a close eye out for improving playing conditions

- Once the conditions improve from **dangerous** to **unsuitable** Umpires will instigate the necessary procedures
- Once the conditions improve from **dangerous or unsuitable** to **suitable** the umpires will inform the captains that play will commence at a given time

(Umpires will carry out any ground inspections on their own, and instigate any removal of covers etc that is necessary)

UMPIRES MUST GET PLAY RESTARTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE - BEARING IN MIND ALL ASPECTS OF SAFETY TO ALL