

MINUTES OF THE DIVISION 3 TO 6 CLUBS HELD AT SOLIHULL MUNICIPAL CC ON MONDAY 25 JANUARY 2010

Meeting opened 19:35 – Danny Longhorne apologised, he was representing the league at a meeting at Edgbaston, Graham Seal took the chair.

Clubs not present Nuneaton and Peugeot

An explanation was given of the ground standards and facilities expected in these divisions. This was met with general agreement.

The subject of player registration was only briefly raised as Play Cricket is being trialed in the Premier Division this year, however those currently using Play Cricket were actively encouraged to continue to do so. There was some healthy discussion on the merits or otherwise of play cricket

Rule proposals

- The changes to Rule 9.1.3 fielding Circles was briefly discussed but not voted on.
- The rule changes around teams having to meet ground standards in the season they became promoted was discussed. There was unanimous agreement to the changes however the meeting believed a specific date, Say 31st October needed to be set as ‘end of season’ could mean various things to various people. Committee to draft into 2010 playing regulations
- The rule change to restrict bowlers to 15 overs, in circumstances where a side was bowled out early in the first innings rather than the current 30% which would be higher attracted some debate. Opinions varied as to if the 15 overs should be a restriction were a side declared. There was show of hands taken on the committee suggestion for a 15 over limit in circumstance when the first innings closed because a side was bowled out, Result 19 for 8 against. To further gage opinion of the clubs a second vote was taken on restricting bowler to 15 overs maximum in all circumstances, Result 18 for 7 against. The committee will draft and introduce this regulation

The disciplinary code was discussed in principle and will be sent out to all teams on an e-mail and posted on the web site during February. No major concerns were raised with the principles involved.

Fixtures are on the WCL website. Bridge Trust dropped to the single team league, and Olton and West Warwick invited to join division 6. The meeting welcomed Olton and West Warwick who were present to the league.

Those present were informed that the WCL had about 70 umpires on the books for 2010 and allocations were well underway. As in 2009 these would be weekly placed onto the

web site. The league expected to cover a majority of matches for Divisions 3 to 5 with one or more umpires.

Handbook details and ball orders. If they had not done so already, clubs were asked to ensure that the GM received all orders and handbook details as soon as possible.

AOB – The world cup was mentioned and for the England game on 12/06 the league will allow early starts, providing both clubs agree, the kick off being 19:30. A similar dispensation will apply for other games starting at 19:30 if England are involved in the second stage. Should England reach a quarter final starting at 15:00 the committee would make a decision at the time.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.