

North of Scotland Cricket Association
Minute of Meeting

Date: 6th April 2021

Location: Virtual meeting

Chair: Nigel Gerrard (NG)

Present: R Belli (RB), C Farr (CF), N Gerrard (NicG), C Blake (CB), J Lean (JLean) M Fox (MF), J Lodge (JL), A Duncan (AD), M Ross (MR), G Ravi (GR), M Bronkhorst (MB), J Ford (JF)

Item		Action
	Welcome: NG welcomed everybody	
1	Apologies: P Short (PS)	
2	Minute of meeting held on Tuesday 2nd March 2021: The minute was accepted as a true and accurate record. Proposed: A Duncan Seconded: M Bronkhorst	
3	Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Handbook: CB has worked on a slimmed down version of the handbook for the season ahead. It will only be available in electronic format. It was understood that Ken Ross had retired from umpiring and should be removed from the umpires list. CB to check with George Chappell to see if he would be umpiring this season. The patrons list may need to be reviewed. CB will send the handbook out to all clubs asking them to check details. b. J Lean to send zoom invoices to MR and NG so that the costs can be reimbursed by Cricket Scotland. 	CB CB JLean
4	Treasurer's Report Balance unchanged from last month. Clydesdale Bank have misplaced our change of signatory paperwork. New paperwork has been sent out.	
5	Update from Cricket Scotland Code of Conduct 2021 – It was agreed that the code would be adopted by NoSCA. Nicky will circulate again to all clubs asking for confirmation that they have received and circulated appropriately, as well as adding a copy to their website. Nicky will confirm our acceptance to CS and add a copy to the NoSCA website. The disciplinary process will be reviewed by our disciplinary panel and sent out to clubs. It was requested that umpires take a sensible approach to monitoring swearing in matches.	NicG NicG Discip Panel
6	2021 Season Match secretaries have almost finalised fixtures for the season ahead. They will be circulated to clubs this week and also sent to CB for inclusion in the handbook. LPL – JP from Highland requested to be removed from the bowling LPL for the	JLean RB

	<p>2021 season. This was agreed.</p> <p>There followed a discussion, after which it was agreed we would ensure that the spirit of the game is upheld when bowling to juniors, and also take into account guidelines for junior players in open age group cricket.</p> <p>A member of the junior sub committee from Northern Counties had emailed NG and JLean to express their concern that “juniors would be put off playing cricket due to being taken advantage of or given a negative perspective of cricket”. NG apologised that he missed the email – he will respond.</p> <p>Cricket balls – it was agreed to purchase 240 balls from Readers. The fixture lists will be sent out this week, then clubs would be asked to let Nicky know the maximum number of balls they will require. Clubs will be charged £12 per ball (down from £12.50 per ball in 2019). The existing supply of pink balls will be used for T20 competitions.</p> <p>Awards criteria: it was agreed that the Batting average qualification for the senior league will be 5 innings and 150 runs, and the Bowling average qualification for the senior league will be 40 overs and 1 wicket. For the bowling aggregate award, in the event of a tie the best average per wicket will be used to decide the overall winner.</p> <p>Playing conditions: there are one or two tweaks to be made to the playing conditions. CB will put out some suggestions and these will be discussed further at the next meeting.</p>	<p>NG</p> <p>MR</p> <p>All clubs</p> <p>CB</p>
8	<p>AOCB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Subscriptions – as it stands, subscriptions would be as per agreed at the AGM (£135 for full member clubs, and £75 for affiliate member clubs). We agreed at the AGM that these figures can be adjusted if the season is cut short or if Cricket Scotland make any decision that affects this. All clubs to feedback their thoughts on the cost of subscriptions before 4th May when the final figure will be agreed. b. MCC will be playing Gordonstoun on Saturday 12th June 2021. It was agreed that NoSCA would raise a team to play MCC on Sunday 13th June. c. The meeting ended at 9.30pm. Please let Nicky know if there are any items to go on the agenda for the next meeting. 	
9	<p>Date and time of the next meeting: Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 4th May 2021 at 7.00pm.</p>	