

North of Scotland Cricket Association
Minute of Meeting

Date: 24th May 2022
Location: Virtual meeting
Chair: Nigel Gerrard
Present: J Lean, C Farr, R Belli, C Blake, N Gerrard, M Fox, M Ross, A Ballantine, J Lodge, K O'Meara, A Duncan

Item		Action
	Welcome: Nigel welcomed all to the meeting.	
1	Apologies: Highland CC, Nairn CC	
2	<p>Minute of meeting held on 19th April 2022:</p> <p>Item 6: Stanton was amended to Santon.</p> <p>Item 4: RA's was an abbreviation for Regional Associations.</p> <p>Item 7h: The playing condition was amended because the change had been agreed at a previous meeting but the playing conditions had not been updated.</p> <p>Mike clarified that hot drinks could be served by clubs on match days – this was confirmed.</p> <p>Following these points, the minute was accepted as a true and accurate record.</p> <p>Proposed: R Belli Seconded: C Blake</p>	
3	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>a. MCC match report – the game went ahead in glorious weather. 40 over format. MCC were 322 for 5, NoSCA (including 2 guests) were all out for 181. Unfortunately, it was a fairly one-sided game. Nigel will write a letter of thanks to the Head Teacher of Gordonstoun. Dave Wolton was thanked for his work to bring together a team.</p> <p>b. Tony McKenna was in the area at the beginning of May. He took a session at Northern Counties.</p>	NG
4	<p>Cricket Scotland Update</p> <p>Chris was asked to go to Edinburgh and assist in the selection process of the new Cricket Scotland CEO. There were 4 prospective candidates who spoke to 2 interview panels and 2 groups of selected others. The successful applicant should be announced by the end of the week.</p> <p>Nigel, Chris and Nicky had met with Plan4sport to discuss our approach to EDI (equality, diversity and inclusion). We were honest in our responses, acknowledging that there had been incidents that we have had to deal with, but also that, overall, we felt we were an inclusive association.</p> <p>Carolyn has also spoken to Plan4sport and is due to meet them on Monday.</p>	
5	Disciplinary Procedures	

	<p>James gave a comprehensive account of the differences between our existing disciplinary process and the Cricket Scotland process. This will be circulated to clubs and we will vote at the next meeting whether or not to adopt them.</p> <p>Whilst discussing the above it came to light that Johannes Van EE had played cricket for The Forty Club as recently as the 15th May. It was agreed that Chris would contact The Forty Club. UPDATE: Chris has now spoken to Colin Neill, Chairman of The Forty Club Scottish branch and it has been agreed that JVE would not be available for selection going forward. Chris also contacted George Burns from Cricket Scotland to confirm that they were aware of the disciplinary against JVE. They were, and Chris has requested that they also contact The Forty Club.</p>	JLean/ NickyG
6	<p>NoSCA live.com update</p> <p>It was agreed that the live.com scoring system has not been as straightforward as anticipated and there are some glitches to iron out. Kevin informed the group that they have a member who has used the system in England and who believes that, once we are familiar with it, it is good.</p> <p>Chris offered to walk through it with teams if they are having difficulties. Also, if teams are having trouble inputting the information, send a photo of the scorebook or details to Nicky, who will arrange for the information to be uploaded.</p>	
7	<p>Proposed CSMOA umpire fees</p> <p>It was agreed that the increase in fees by CSMOA was not handled well by that association, and they have apologised. Following a vote, it was agreed that umpires will be paid £32 per person per game for a league match and £24 per person per game for a cup match, in accordance with the increase decided by CSMOA.</p> <p>The playing conditions will be updated by James.</p> <p>Chris will inform CSMOA of our agreement.</p>	JLean CB
8	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>The latest Treasurer's report was circulated.</p>	
9	<p>AOCB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Live Streaming: An email has been sent out from Nicola Wilson, Cricket Scotland, to remind clubs that if a game is to be live streamed, it is the policy of Cricket Scotland that where a child (someone under the age of 18 years) is playing, then the requisite permission to photograph/film (normally through utilising the Partnership With Parents/Carers Form) must be in place. b. Waist high no balls: If a ball is over waist height, it was confirmed that it is at the umpire's discretion as to whether it is deemed dangerous. c. Munro was asked if the latest balls received from Reader were the same grade as previous seasons as there appears to be a slight difference (Invicta Elite v Invicta A). Munro will check. 	MR

	<p>d. Allan asked if the registration of players still needs to happen by Friday night now as teams can enter their own players. It was confirmed that the registration and transfer of players should continue to be passed to Nicky. This will be reviewed next season.</p> <p>e. James confirmed the 2 groups for the Senior T20.</p> <p>Group 1, Ross County, Northern Counties, Fort August. Location – Northern Meeting Park. 1st game, Northern Counties Vs Ross County, 2nd game, Fort Augustus Vs Loser game 1, 3rd game, Fort Augustus Vs Winner game 1.</p> <p>Group 2, Nairn, Elgin, Forres. Location Grant Park. 1st game, Forres Vs Nairn, 2nd game, Elgin Vs Loser game 1, 3rd game, Elgin Vs Winner game 1.</p> <p>The winners of both groups will go on to contend the final. CSMOA will organise umpires.</p> <p>f. Kevin asked if the feedback on Who’s the Umpire had to completed. It was agreed that it doesn’t.</p> <p>g. Kevin asked if a nominated 12th man could come on if another player leaves. It was confirmed that they could, although they could not bowl or bat.</p> <p>h. Renato voiced his concern at the number of games already forfeited in the Reserve league.</p>	
10	<p>Date and time of the next meeting:</p> <p>Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 28th June 2022 at 7.00pm.</p>	