

North of Scotland Cricket Association
Minute of Meeting

Date: 18th April 2023
Location: Virtual meeting
Chair: C Blake
Present: A Duncan, M Ross, N Gerrard, M Fox, C Farr, J Bentall, J Lodge, A Ballantyne, M Davies, J Lean, R Belli, T McKenna

Item		Action
	Welcome: Chris welcomed all to the meeting.	
1	Apologies: Fort Augustus CC, Dornoch CC	
2	<p>Discussion with Cricket Scotland Representatives</p> <p>Nic Wilson – Head of Development, nicolawilson@cricketscotland.com Charles Paterson – Head of Communications, charlespaterson@cricketscotland.com Paul Macari – Head of Operations and Commercial, paulmacari@cricketscotland.com Lucy Preston – Head of Finance, lucypreston@cricketscotland.com</p> <p>All clubs have received a document giving details of three current initiatives that CS propose to implement in the coming months.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Governance review consultation and special general meeting 2. A new national registration system for all participants – SCRS 3. A new disciplinary framework and processes <p>The representatives spoke about the above and the role that they play. They asked for questions.</p> <p>Q. How do they define competitive cricket? A. Organised league cricket Q. What happens if somebody plays who isn't registered? A. Final details are still to be confirmed, however reflective registration may be an option. Q. What do people get from Cricket Scotland? A. The registration system does offer a discount scheme. The reps also asked what people would like to get from this system. Q. Will the price be going up yearly? A. No, they can't see it going up hugely and it may be frozen. Q. Will clubs still pay a CS registration? A. No Q. What is the anticipated income generation of the scheme? A. Possibly £60,000, which will be ring fenced for domestic cricket. Q. Umpires currently do not receive feedback if they raise a complaint. A. Paul Macari will pick this up with CSMOA</p> <p>Charles finished by saying they would welcome feedback and provided email addresses for all. The representatives left the meeting.</p>	
3	<p>Minute of meeting held on 14th March 2023:</p> <p>There was a query about the minute of the meeting held on 21st February as to whether or not development league games would be played on Sunday 7th May (Coronation Weekend). It was confirmed that the meeting only agreed that no matches would be played on Saturday 6th May. If teams are struggling to raise a team on the Sunday, please contact the Development League Fixture Secretary.</p>	

	The minute of 14 th March was accepted as a true and accurate record.	
4	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>There were no matters arising that are not on the agenda.</p>	
5	<p>T20 Venues & Arrangements</p> <p>Senior League - Forres will host the east T20 games and Fort Augustus or Ross County will host the west T20 games.</p> <p>Development League – Forres will host the central games (round robin), Huntly will host the east games (round robin), Highland will host the north games. There are 4 teams in this stage, therefore a draw was made to decide the games. Ross County v Fort Augustus and Skye v Highland</p>	
6	<p>Coaching Course</p> <p>Carolyn wondered if NoSCA could underwrite a coaching course, then ask clubs to put forward nominees. Tony confirmed this was possible. It would be a 10-hour course, usual cost is £150 per person, with the possibility of this being cheaper if a club hosted the course. 1 coach could take a maximum of 6 people. As Treasurer, Munro was in agreement in principle, however he explained that he would be slightly nervous of open-ended commitments. There was no dissent to the proposal, although it must be confirmed that all nominees are bona fide members of clubs. A proposal will be put together.</p>	CB/ MR/ TM
7	<p>Playing Conditions & Handbook</p> <p>The senior playing conditions have been updated to incorporate the revised fielding restrictions and completion of league matches details. Also updated to remove reference to the Reserve League and 2022.</p> <p>The development league playing conditions have been updated to reflect the name change and some other details. Both playing conditions will be uploaded to the website.</p> <p>Following the update to the playing conditions, the handbook is now ready to be produced.</p>	NG CB
8	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <p>Munro thanked teams for letting him know their ball requirements.</p> <p>A grant application from Forres St Lawrence CC for £500 towards a bowling machine had been received and circulated.</p> <p>Munro was happy to recommend the grant and it was agreed. A couple of points were made about bowling machines: don't put normal balls through it and don't use an extension lead to power it (use battery pack or generator)</p>	
9	<p>MCC Match 1st May</p> <p>Reminded that this game will be at 11.30am on Monday 1st May and is always a good competitive fixture. All encouraged to attend.</p>	
10	<p>AOCB</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. It was confirmed that James Lean is the 2023 Senior Fixture Secretary b. Buckie CC stated that, following their first nets session and the circulation of development league guidance, they will be conceding their 2 games against 	

	<p>Forres St Lawrence CC this season.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. Munro informed the group that there had been a number of law changes which had been circulated to him via CSMOA. He will forward details to all. d. Tony will be at the MCC game on 1st May and will have balls for any teams playing in the Challenge Cup. e. Allan asked if there was any update on payment of the CSOMA umpires. Chris has not had a response and will contact them by phone. f. James asked about a NoSCA Disciplinary Committee to decide what level an offence is before it is forwarded to Cricket Scotland. Chris and James will discuss further as Chris wasn't sure this was still necessary. g. It was confirmed that most games have 2 CSMOA umpires this weekend. Their website (csmoa.org.uk) shows the upcoming appointed umpires. 	<p>MR</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB / James</p>
11	<p>Date and time of the next meeting:</p> <p>Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 7.00pm.</p>	