



HUDDERSFIELD CENTRAL CRICKET LEAGUE UMPIRES & SCORERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Arrow Huddersfield Central Cricket League Umpires & Scorers Association Meeting held in Flockton Green Working Men's Club on Wednesday 17th June 2015

Present: President, Hon Secretary/Treasurer & 11 Members

Apologies were received from : Michael Drury and Ian Livesey

Harry Marsden acted as Minutes Secretary

1. Mr Tock welcomed everyone to the meeting
2. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on the 20th May 2015 which had been circulated were read and were accepted as a true record. Moved Tony Barnes ,
Seconded Graham Foster.
3. Matters arising from those Minutes
 - Trevor Healey referred to the covered accommodation at Mount and stated that they do have covered accommodation but this is rarely used.
 - The matter of a team using non-English language on the field of play was again raised. The chairman stated that the League wishes members of opposing teams to communicate to the other side and the umpires in English, not the whole game in English, **however**, if an umpire had reasonable belief through body language, gesture or attitude that non-English language is being used to intimidate or abuse opposing player(s), the umpire will ask the captain of the side in question to either ensure all such communicate cease forthwith or it is only in English.
4. Graham Foster gave his report on the Umpires position. Due to the small number of games, there had been two Umpires at every game so far this season, although he was having problems staffing some games as Umpires were reluctant to go to some grounds due to travel problems. He reported that on some weeks he had spare Umpires and apologised to members if they did not get a game some weeks. **For information of Umpires his mobile Number is 07587 047388 and not the one in the League Handbook.**
5. The Management Board Minutes of Tuesday 2nd June 2015 were read to the meeting. Notice was given of a representative game to be played against the South Yorkshire League. (It was reported that this game had been abandoned and will be replayed on the 28th June at Green Moor).
Another item discussed was whether or not Age Group or Dates of Birth should be shown on the team sheet handed to the Umpires before the game starts. Umpires were reminded at their meeting with the Captains prior to the game the team sheet

should reflect player's who were classed as Junior players resulting in restricted overs. Following a good discussion the Umpires were of the opinion that the Date of Birth is critical for monitoring purposes not only for players who were restricted for bowling but for players who could cease wearing helmets at 18 years of age. A number of Umpires were of the opinion that a good few Captains were of the opinion that once a player is 19 he is no longer restricted. An umpire who also umpires in the South Yorkshire League and the Barnsley Sunday League agreed with the comments and stated that these two Leagues were now using Dates of Birth on their Team Sheets

6. Correspondence.

The only correspondence received was the monthly Bank Statement.

7. For information the League Secretary had circulated all clubs to advise them that correspondence had been received from the ECB encouraging all cricket clubs and cricketers to review their existing head protector equipment . A British Standard BS7928:2013 is the standard required. (Umpires who wish for a full copy of the recommendation should contact their Club or Association Secretary)

She had also drawn attention to the 2015 National Cricket Playing Survey, and asked that everyone complete the Survey.

8. Gary Rank, Training Officer, then spoke to the meeting giving one of his comprehensive and informative talks

This meeting the subject was Scorers and the way Umpires should communicate with them. It was always good to speak with the Scorers prior to the game as this gave the Umpires an insight into their competency and therefore the level of liaison during a game.

He continued by saying that during a game we communicate with the scorers by using hand signals, SIMPLE CLEAR HAND SIGNALS.

There are four instances when signals are made, when the ball is still in play

No Ball (with a call) by extending one arm horizontally

Wide Ball (with a call) by extending both arms horizontally

Dead Ball - By crossing and re-crossing the wrists below the waist

OUT by raising an index finger above the head (If Not Out - say Not out don't ignore the appeal)

When the Ball becomes dead, the bowlers end Umpire shall repeat the signals to the scorers (with the exception of out)

There are other signals to be made but only when the ball becomes dead.

Boundary 4 by waving an arm side to side finishing with the arm across the chest

Boundary 6 by raising both arms above the head

Bye by raising one arm above the head with palm open

Leg Bye by raising a knee and touching with the hand

Short Run by bending one arm and touching the shoulder

Penalty Runs for the batting side - by tapping one hand on the opposite shoulder

Penalty Runs for the bowling side - by placing one hand on the opposite shoulder

Revoke the last signal - touching both shoulders with the opposite hand

There are also signals for commencing the last hour and new ball but these do not apply in our league.

All the signals except short run are made by the bowler's end umpire and will need to be acknowledged by the scorers

Further information on the above can be found on pages 18 and 19 of Tom Smith's Garry was thanked for the Session

9. Mr Tock thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9-20pm.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th July 2015 in Flockton Green Working Men's Club at 730pm.