



HUDDERSFIELD CENTRAL CRICKET LEAGUE UMPIRES & SCORERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the meeting held in Flockton Green Working Men's Club On Wednesday 18th September 2013.

PRESENT: President, Chairman/Secretary and 10 members

APOLOGIES: Stuart Hawden, Mel Kelly and G.Evans

Minute Taker: Harry Marsden.

1. **The Minutes of the last meeting** held on the 14th August 2013 at Flockton Green W.M.Club were read to the meeting and accepted as a true record. Moved David Watson and seconded Mick Drury
2. **Any Matters Arising**
 - The attendances at meeting was again discussed, but no solution found, also raised was the ways copies of Minutes were sent out to members who didn't attend, ideally email is the ideal scenario, but everyone hasn't got access to the internet.
 - All reported disciplines have been finalised.
 - Gary Rank clarified the previous Minutes when he said "it is OK for the Square Leg Umpire to call No Ball if he felt there had been an Unfair Delivery" - this was bowler throwing, three men behind square and wicket keeper encroaching" but not high pitched balls. He did however accept that certain umpires work as a team in that respect and sometimes do make a signal to assist their colleague.
3. **Correspondence**
 - a. Management Board Minutes of the 27th August 2013 were read to the meeting there were no special items concerning Umpires
 - b. A letter was received from the HSBC Bank in Penistone with regards to the usage of our Current Account Bank Account. Mr Tock had sent a suitable reply.
4. **Proposed Rule Changes**

A good discussion followed proposed Rule Changes that we as an Association would like put before the Leagues AGM.

Firstly there were a number of items in the rule book that needed amending to bring them up to date or to stop confusion

At the foot of page 37 (Rule 5Z) reads 'if they both agree the ground it unfit the home club will notify the Umpires' added overleaf on page 38 is Appointments Secretary' - the fact that this is overleaf has caused a number of misunderstandings - ideally the Umpires Appointments Secretary should be all on one page.

Page 51 paragraph H - delete no longer applicable

Page 72 - Penalty Runs - the Rules in the handbook need updating to represent the current rules

Page 39 Rule 6 Umpires Paragraph B after addresses add .. telephone number and email address

Page 52 Rule 17O add at the end of the paragraph ... Clubs must provide adequate covered accommodation for the scorers

Page 52 Rule 17Q add at the end of the paragraph ... Where there is an Umpires Room, Clubs must maintain acceptable conditions of accommodation for the Umpires.

A long discussion followed on Slow Over Rate Bowling by Clubs. A number of areas were discussed

1. When the overs are not bowled in the allowed time scale a fine for each over be made.
2. When the overs are not bowled in the allowed time scale then points be deducted as well as the fine

However the following Rule change was proposed.

Page 37 Rule 5 U after..and subsequent offences £10.00. On the fourth and subsequent occasion the club will also be deducted 2 points.

5. **Any other Business.** A number of cases were discussed with the Training Officer Gary Rank and the meeting in general .

- Trevor Heeley referred to a recent game at Holmbridge when the game was nearly abandoned due to the amount of midgets at the ground, which caused considerable problems for Umpires/Players and Spectators. Would an abandonment of the game have been in order.

Games can be called off for Ground Conditions, weather, light and in case exceptional circumstances

- Harry Marsden referred to two items on this week's team sheets which he would be taking to the next Management Meeting
 - a. An Umpire reported awarding 5 penalty runs for players running on the wicket .. but as he did not clarify the position as to who was running on the wicket a batter or bowler the matter could not be addressed. Gary referred to the law on running on the wicket and the appropriate action to be taken by the Umpires
 - b. A club had reported that their opponents had completed the team sheet before the game, but had only 9 players and had only put 9 players names on the sheet. The game started and several players arrived at the ground from their first team game which had been called off. It is 'alleged' that the Umpire allowed two players to be added to the sheet.
The rules state that players can only be added onto the team sheet with the consent of the other teams Captain.
- Ian Livesey reported details of the next meeting of the ACO/YCB Huddersfield Halifax Branch to be held on TUESDAY 1 OCTOBER, AT 7.30pm AT BLACKLEY CC.
The guest speaker is former Test Umpire JOHN HOLDER and everyone is invited
Ian has agreed to collate numbers for the members who wish to have Pie & Peas.

6. There was no other business and the meeting closed at 9.35pm. The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 16th October 2013. Commencing 7:30pm. at Flockton Green W.M.C. This is the AGM and PIE & PEA SUPPER and members are asked to bring a prize for the Raffle