# **Drakes Huddersfield Cricket League**

#### THE MINUTES

### Management Meeting held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2011

In the Chair: Roger France

<u>Officials Present</u>: The President, Vice President Donald Earnshaw, 4 members of the Secretariat and 6 members of the Executive Committee

Apologies were received from Vice President Roy Kilner and Malcolm Westoby

#### The Minutes

The minutes of the Management Meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2011 were taken as read, approved as a true record and signed

#### **Finance Report**

The Finance Secretary gave details of his monthly report.

After discussions regarding the League Fees and the Umpires Fees in accordance with Rule L4(a) and Rule L10(c) the Executive Secretary is to re check the Retail Price Index and report back.

#### **The Dinner**

The Executive Secretary reported that if all monies due are paid then the League would have made a profit of £475, (this included the raffle money of £675 which is to be donated to the Lascelles Hall Fund).

At present £210 is still owed by some clubs for monies due for tickets cancelled after the deadline or vacant seats on the night. The Chairman said the raffle money was higher than usual and the Executive Secretary said people had given generously. It was agreed that Robert Croft was excellent, although it was felt the comedian could have toned down his content in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of his show. Norman Clee complemented the Chairman on his contribution. The downside was the presentation of prizes. This year as there were 12 more trophies to present and there has been for nearly 20 years now complaints regarding the late finish of the dinner, it was decided to adopt a new procedure with the prize presentation. It was agreed that the procedure did not work and fresh ideas are to be discussed for next year.

The collection of the ticket receipts on the night encountered a few problems. Although they were rectified it was found to be time consuming and therefore discussion regarding payment for future dinners will take place, looking into payment by clubs by cheque only.

#### Website

The new webmaster Les Harrison gave a talk about the proposed new website. He is being assisted by his son Jamie and they have arranged for the new website to be constructed which the League will have further details of at the Executive meeting in March. He distributed a print out of how he wished the site to be presented.

The website is to be called 'huddersfieldcricketleague.co.uk'

#### Micklehurst CC

The Executive Secretary has received a letter from Micklehurst CC, stating that in accordance with Rule L4(e), they wish to resign from the League after season 2011.

No response has been received from previous adverts placed in newspapers stating there was to be a vacancy in our League. If no other clubs joins the League there will have to be contingency plans for 2012.

The Chairman said he thought the following should apply but said the matter would be discussed further

- 1) Championship Division will have 8 clubs and the Conference Division will have 7.
- 2) In each division clubs will play each other twice
- 3) The Championship and the Conference will play each other once

The Chairman expressed concerns that clubs were joining the Halifax Sunday League with the result that clubs may not be able to be field a full strength team in our League on a Saturday since it could affect their eligibility for the Sunday League

## White Rose Competition

The Executive Secretary announced that this year there were four leagues playing in this competition.

The draw had been made and Huddersfield has been drawn at home against the Aire Wharedale League. If we were successful in that match we are drawn at home in the Final.

#### **Any Other Business**

The Executive are to visit all club grounds and facilities in May this year, as stated in the 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010 minutes. The Ground and Facilities Co Ordinator is to draft the criteria for the Executive in preparation for their visit