

Minutes of ManCom (31) meeting held on Saturday October 20th at Galtres Centre

Meeting started 10.00am and was attended by the full committee except for Jill Newsome.

Chairman & Vice Chairman

Joseph Newsome (JoN) Rose Haynes

Secretary & (Caretaker) Treasurer

Roger Green

Membership Secretary

Jean Rhodes

Competition Secretary

Robert Mumford

Team Captains

Francis Boatman Arthur Jackson Pat Jones

1) Apologies for absence – Jill Newsome gave her apologies for not attending.

2) Minutes of last ManCom (May 22nd 2018)

It was agreed these were a full and accurate record and were therefore signed by the Chairman.

3) Matters arising from above

- The 4 new **jacks** purchased by JIN have been suitably marked and placed on our trolley. Old jacks retained by RG awaiting suitable disposal. **Action c/f**
- The NYSMBA **Facebook page** and associated posts had eventually been removed by Bronagh as requested.
- **County jackets and shirts** – see (7) below
- **Venues** – see (6) below
- After much consideration regarding the new **GDPR regulations**, the agreed **Privacy Statement** had been circulated to all clubs during the summer.
- RG had obtained a stock of 500 (min. order) county **stickers**. Each captain was given 40.

4) Finances (all figures rounded)

- Since the AGM there had been a net reduction in our balance from £8800 to £7700.
- JR passed the membership fees so far received (£2500) to RG with a breakdown.
- A change of mandate is not being sought until a new Treasurer is found. RG and AJ to sign all cheques with BS in reserve.
- Great Ouseburn had been provided with bank details so they can transfer their subs directly.

5) Membership

- The new club at Scarborough (North Bay SMBC) had recently registered with 10 members of which 3 were juniors.
- An application from Witherslack SMBC had also been received. Although they were outside our borders (in Cumbria) it was agreed to accept them into the NYSMBA as there is no Cumbria Association in existence. They are keen to become registered ESMBA members in order to take advantage of the insurance scheme but would take no part in our leagues or competitions.
- 13 clubs had still not registered (deadline October 31st)

6) County Competitions

- RG had sent entry forms to all clubs in August and also uploaded them to the website. The final entry date was today (Oct 20).
- RM reported that the number of entries were similar to last year.
- RM had spent much time enhancing the spreadsheets which were at the heart of running these competitions. The system now produces the scorecards, draw sheets and order of play

sheets automatically. He would need to take a printer to all competitions and had to buy a cable for this rather than use WiFi.

- RH confirmed that umpires had been recruited for all competitions.
- RM had obtained all the keepsakes and showed them to the meeting.
- RM would update the 3 “Notes” pages and send these to RG for uploading on the website along with the draw sheets. He would perform the draw for the first competition (Mixed Fours) at the YNL game next week.

Action RM

- PJ would once again organise all 5 raffles with a budget of £60 for each. **Action PJ**
- The Pairs/Triples would be held at the Y&DIBC due to the non-availability of the Swinton Leisure Centre. RG would obtain confirmation as to what the catering situation will be and whether “own” food would be allowed. **Action RG**
- AJ would organise the collection and transport of the required mats and ensure that enough volunteers would be present on the Friday evening to unload and lay them. **Action AJ**

7) County Teams

- RG provided the captains with an updated **availability list** of contact numbers for those in the pool. This now contained 95 players of which 10 had come forward on the Trials day in May.
- Several players had now been selected to play in both Premier and A team games and it was re-iterated that non starred players can play for any team until the 3 game limit was reached. Where fixture clashes occur it was hoped that players would choose to support the Premier team.
- **Team strip** - We only had 8 over-jackets in stock and 4 “proper” shirts. The remaining 18 shirts (from Foxes) were sub-standard and it had already been agreed to write these off (as they had cost us nothing). They were not to be sold and should only be used in emergencies.
- It was agreed that the order with ZapKam which had been deferred should now go ahead. All 3 captains to assess what was required and liaise with PJ who agreed to handle the ordering. An additional selection of sizes should be also obtained for new players and PJ should request that the “online shop” be set up for the future. RG passed all the documentation received from Bronagh to PJ with prices and sizes. **Action PJ**
- **Fixture cancellations** - Both the Premier and B teams had had their first fixtures cancelled due to the inability of the opposition (Cheshire Prem and West Yorkshire B) to raise a team. For the former RG had requested payment from Cheshire of £115.25 (hall hire charge) and also clarification from the ESMBA ICC Secretary of the rule regarding points allocation. No answers yet received. For the latter it was agreed to request a change to Rule 20 which was considered totally inadequate and unfair. **Action RG**
- **The future** – Discussion was held regarding the viability of continuing to field 3 teams, the continuing problem of fixture clashes and selection problems. It was requested that next year AJ give consideration to holding 2 home games on the same day and to prioritise county games over YNL days. Clashes between the latter and county dates need no longer be avoided at all costs.

8) WEBSITE

- **League tables** - All leagues have paid their fee apart from the Dales league which have set up their own site. Tables for the other 8 leagues are now being uploaded as PDFs so are displayed exactly as sent in by the compilers without any formatting.
- **Redevelopment** – RG had circulated ManCom with his concerns over the future. As had been expressed on several occasions over the last few years the site is dependent on obsolete and unsupported software and is 100% dependent on his sole involvement and the stability of his ageing laptop. It would not be possible for anyone to take over in an emergency. He had therefore recommended a complete re-design on a more up to date platform with the possibility of eventually involving others in its updating. To this end he had obtained quotations from 5 different developers. After discussion it was agreed to engage a local Easingwold

company to build the new site according to an agreed layout. RG would initially remain as the sole administrator and would be trained in using the content management system (CMS). He would then migrate data across from our old site to the new one taking the opportunity to drop off a lot of historical data and reword much of the rest. **Action RG**

9) Chairman's presentation

In his report to the 2018 AGM, JoN had stated his intent to put together a presentation explaining the function of the NYSMBA and the opportunities available to all members. With the aid of the Galtres overhead projector (ohp) he showed what he had created so far (using MS PowerPoint). He asked for comments with a view to fine tuning his efforts before deciding on how best to involve our clubs and their members. There were some suggestions for modification which he will take on board. The next step to be decided. **Action JoN**

10) NESMBA

AGM (June 10th) – Attended by FB and JoN. Minutes had been circulated when received in August. Greater Manchester had at last been given official recognition. Our proposal to replace references to “areas” with “counties” had failed but our proposal to ban practice during match day lunchtimes and to increase practice time were passed. Our subsequent proposal to modify last year's minutes before acceptance was not agreed to and this had led to RG resigning his position as Treasurer on a matter of principle. A replacement is still being sought.

Fixture cancellation - The cancellation of the B team game against West Yorkshire B meant that points would be awarded according to Rule 20. This rule made no mention of shots and the arbitrary figure of 10 points (out of 40) was considered unfair. It was agreed to put forward a proposal to change this rule. **Action RG**

11) ESMBA

- **AGM July 7th** – Attended by RH and RG. After much arguing about the validity of wording, several constitution changes were passed to restructure the committee and remove the position of Admin. Officer.
- JoN was re-elected as the Umpires Director and RG was elected as the Registration Secretary.
- Full accounts were not available due to the recent death of the Treasurer (Barbara Mills) so an EGM was necessary to ratify these. This was held on Sep 2nd and attended by RH and RG.
- 2019 is Rules Revision year and our once in 5 year opportunity to make proposals. RG reminded everyone that in 2014 we submitted 12 such proposals and 7 of these were successfully adopted. He felt we should re-submit some of those which failed and he will circulate these in due course for agreement. They have to be with the ESMBA by year end. **Action RG**

12) JUNIORS

- The venue for the Junior Championships will depend on the entries. If only the 2 from N Duffield enter then that will be the venue. If others, a neutral venue will be found. **Action JiN**
- There are 2 after school clubs in operation – one at Church Fenton and one at N Duffield. The former has also offered “taster sessions” for years 5&6.
- It was agreed that next year we would offer all juniors free NYSMBA membership and possibly free entry into our county competitions. **Action c/f**

No-one raised any other business so the Chairman called the meeting to a close at 1.00pm and thanked all for attending.

The date of the next meeting will be organised via email sometime in the New Year.

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