

Minutes of 50th ManCom Meeting

August 20th, 2024

1. Attendees

Joseph Newsome(chair), Judith Fearn(ssecretary), Robert Mumford(competitions secretary), Roger Green(treasurer), Rod Dawson(vice chairman and team captain tornados), Pat Jones(terriers captain), Chris Prendergast(tigers captain)

2. Apologies

David Randon(membership secretary) , Jill Newsome (Safeguarding Officer)

3. Minutes of 49th ManCom Meeting were approved and signed by the Chair.

4. Matters arising from last meeting.

- a) County Format. No further work has been done on this over the summer. It was suggested a letter be constructed detailing possible new formats to members of the teams. ACTION CP JF
- b) Umpires. The committee was informed that there are currently 4 members in training.
- c) Complaint. After full reconsideration it was agreed that no further action was appropriate and this was to be communicated to the member with further suggestions should they wish to take it further ACTION JF JoN
- d) Memento for Division 2 Champions. This had been achieved and the recipients were all grateful.

5. Finance. RG reported that the bank balance was healthy but wished the committee to appreciate the significant increase in costs of hiring the Galtres Centre, up by £454 which is 12.5%.

Any juniors playing for the teams would have their fees waived for this year.

It was also noted that ESMBA fee has increased by 50p to £5

6. Membership. DR sent the following report: -

I am well in advance in the preparation of the membership documentation for distribution via email before the end of the month. The required fee will be given as £7 per member to include £5 ESMBA and £2 NYSMBA fees. The dual membership fee will remain at £2 where a member is paying the full fee elsewhere. It is assumed that the club fee will remain at £10, and juniors have free membership.

This was accepted by the committee and DR was thanked.

7. Competitions. a) 2024/2025 County Championship. All the entry forms are now complete, and a hard copy of each one will be sent to all clubs ACTION JF

b) Preparation of a motion to change the ESMBA qualification rules for National competitions. A proposal will be written for next meeting ACTION JoN JF

8. County teams. a) Update from team captains and county warm up.

RD has contacted the Tornadoes, and he thinks he will have approximately 26 players

PJ has written to her players informing them of the warmup

CP is doing a newsletter and has invited his bowlers and some new faces

The warmup will be £5 per person. It will start at 10am with registration from 9.45 am. JoN will give a welcome, and this will be followed by a session of bowling with teams mixing up out of the hat. Lunch will be at 12.30 pm for 30 minutes and the afternoon sessions will be run by each captain for their own team members. The captains will make the players aware of the format of the day and the cost.

9. Safeguarding. JiN sent the following report

Safeguarding Report to Management Committee Meeting - 20.8.24

First of all, apologies for not attending the meeting tonight.

In light of the mandatory requirement for all clubs to have a Safeguarding Officer in place by 2028, I do feel that we need to be doing some preparatory work.

There are no places left on BDA Safeguarding Officer courses so I have contacted them to find out when the next dates will be released and the chances of having a 'real' course presented in our area for all the county's clubs to attend. Awaiting response.

The cost of the course is €40 which doesn't encourage clubs to attend, so we might need to discuss whether we, as a county, can subsidise clubs who wish to attend as well as covering the cost of dbs clearance.

We have had one club member apply for dbs at Boroughbridge,

We must ensure that there is someone with DBS clearance at all county matches and county competitions. Its highly unlikely that there will be a time when someone with DBS is not attending but County Team captains please always ensure this and in your opening speech make sure everyone knows who the resident safeguarder is. This is not just for teams with under 18's, this is for all matches/competitions. I will make sure that all captains have a list of those

members with DBS clearance before the start of the season (county warm-up day)

The matter of kissing opposition was brought up at esmba short mat matters natter and was met with very mixed reactions. The attendees, all confident people, felt that all members are strong enough to stop such advances for themselves. The point is it shouldn't happen in the first place. An email has been sent to one of the Northern counties asking that members be reminded that this is not appropriate behaviour.

The Safeguarding bulletin has been circulated but I'm still not quite sure whether it gets to everyone that it should. But how can we make sure that secretaries don't sit on it?

10.2024/25 Diary. All in order for the imminent season. At the next meeting a diary subcommittee will be formed ACTION JF

11.NYSMBA AGM 26/4/24

Matters arising- black trousers. The secretary couldn't find any reference to black trousers in previous AGM minutes, so it was decided to go to NESMBA for clarification ACTION JoN

12.NESMBA AGM. JoN reported on this meeting.

£150 will be given to NYSMBA for a charitable donation in respect of the 'Battle of the Sexes' competition.

The motion regarding visiting the head in the fours competition was approved.

The division 2 shield engraving will be completed when the new shield is bought.

Rule 20 missing players. It was passed that if players were missing from a team in a Division 2 fixture, equal woods could be played with a deduction of one quarter of their points be

made in the fours of one third of their points be deducted in the triples.

The Stockport venue has changed to Etherow IBC, Market St Broadbottom Hyde SK14 6AX.

13. ESMBA AGM. RD reported that the meeting was very informative from a safeguarding point of view and the deadline of 2028 was discussed with training and new courses available. There are also grants and courses available for umpiring and coaching.

Finances are to be boosted by the 50p increase in fees. Some competitions are making a loss although the National competitions are profitable. Meeting costs are to be reduced using zoom if it is feasible.

The vice chair position is still vacant

14. Review of policies. There has been a varied amount of work done on this so the policies will be brought back to next meeting

ACTION JF

15. AOB a) A club contact has brought to the attention of both the secretary and the treasurer that when sending out group emails the BCC tab should be used to prevent anyone getting hold of contacts details. This was noted.

b) CP would like us to consider forward planning, so he is suggesting 2029 be put as an agenda item regularly to help prompt this. In the meantime, he is going to investigate various aspects of trying to get schools and other groups interested in trying our sport.

c) CP informed the meeting that the BSA Richard Lund competition will take place this season but on the date of the BSA High Fives as this is to be cancelled. This will avoid a clash on the original date of the Richard Lund.

d) RD brought the attention of the committee that we have 5 players entering the British open

e) JoN brought an example of some scorecards from a contact which are considerably cheaper than our current supplier (£7.50 for 500). It was agreed to use this supplier when more were required

16. Next meeting. To be held on Friday November 22nd at 6.30pm. PJ kindly agreed to host

