



Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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Senior Section committee

28th Meeting – Thursday 14 SEPTEMBER 2023 – 7.00pm
Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club

Notes of Meeting

Present: David Ward (chair), Melvyn Bond, Richard Fidler, Richard North, Lindsay Pepper, Linzey Scothern, Matt Summerhill, Graham Swallow (secretary), Nelson Windle

Apologies: Bryan Lowe

1. **Equity & Diversity** – Nothing to report, meeting in a couple of weeks.
2. **Safeguarding** – Course booked at Elsecar on 11/10/2023, 6-9pm. LP reported that the YCB are now wanting to hold one course annually at Headingley and DW has told them this will not work. LP reported an ongoing complaint from Higham regarding a member of Barnsley Woolley CC.
3. **Committee positions 2024** – all members agreed to continue.
4. **Play Cricket** – MB stated that 3500+ players were registered and that adding Rule 47 had been helpful. Overall, the reporting of results had been better but there were still issues with one or two clubs.
5. **Conceded games 2023** – MS confirmed that Dearne had conceded (1), Brookhouse (1), Fishlake (1), Whiston Forge (1), Green Moor (2), Mexborough (3) and Silkstone (4).
6. **Rule 13** – DW to send the amendment to members for consideration.
7. **Other Rule Changes** – as above
8. **Clubs for Re-Election** - None
9. **Promotion & Relegation 2023** – MS reported that several issues were still to be resolved due to the outstanding fixtures.
10. **Readers Cricket Balls** – LS reported that the League Special ball was not up to standard, as there had been several problems during the season. He said last Saturday the ball used at Wath spilt after 10 overs. DW confirmed that the current contract with Readers expired in 2024.

11. **AOB**

- DW said there was a disciplinary hearing pending regarding incidents in the recent Higham v Handsworth Juniors fixture. DW to arrange to meet members of Handsworth Juniors in due course.
- MB enquired about the current position with the Wentworth ground. NW had been told it would be ready for April 2024, but he very much doubted it.
- RF queried why Sheffield United had added 5 runs to their score in a recent fixture v Rotherham Town on 2/9/2023. He confirmed that neither scorer had scored electronically and the score had been changed from 223 to 228. DW reminded members that SU had suspended points pending and said that he would write for an explanation.
- MS referred to the recent Billy Oates Cup Final at Oughtibridge and said he was disappointed with the attendance. He thought we should consider paying more to the lower Clubs who host finals, especially where there are other Finals on the same day.

Meeting ended at 8.45pm