

**THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NEYLAND CRICKET CLUB HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF THE ATHLETIC CLUB ON TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2008.**

**Present:** R Bellerby  
J P Edwards  
A Hansen  
A Miller  
M J Rees

**Apologies:** M C Jones, G Miller & P Miller

**Minutes**

The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2008 were read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

**Matters Arising**

1 The meeting had originally been scheduled to take place on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2008 but had been brought forward.

2 At the Athletic club meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> February 2008 it had been agreed that the cricket club be given 50% (£1400) towards the cost of a new roller, should the application submitted to the Welsh cricket board via the machinery grant scheme be successful. The roller in question was a 2yr old reconditioned roller and if successful the club would be required to pay 25% of £9.5k (with possibly vat on top) for a roller which cost £19.5k new.

3 The Secretary had responded to the correspondence which had been received from the County Club inviting entries to the various Senior Cup and Junior League & Cup competitions.

4 The letters to potential sponsors had been prepared and in some cases had been sent out.

5 The Club had enjoyed a successful start to the 2008 Indoor League season and currently boasted a 100% record of played four, won four.

**Financial Report**

Information relating to club finances will not be available online. Members with any queries relating to this section should contact the club treasurer directly.

Please see the Management Committee section of this website.

**Ground & Maintenance**

Three quarters of the field had been cut but future work would be influenced by the success or otherwise of the application for a roller. If unsuccessful the Club would have to continue to hire a roller on an “as and when needed” basis for the foreseeable future.

## **Athletic Club Development**

Nothing to report.

## **Correspondence**

- 1 Correspondence had been received from the Welsh Cricket Association in relation to the draw for the 2008 WCA Welsh Cricket Cup competition. Neyland had a bye in the first round and were due to entertain Gorseinon CC in the second round on 25th May 2008. If they progressed to Round three, Neyland would have another home tie against either Pontyberem CC, St Clears CC or Gowerton CC
2. Promotional Literature had been received from Mann Broadbent Limited in relation to personal accident insurance for amateur cricket clubs
- 3 Promotional Literature in the form of a catalogue had been received from Fearnley Cricket.
- 4 Promotional Literature had been received from Supreme Sports of Carmarthen advertising their closing down sale.
- 5 Promotional Literature had been received from Absolute Cricket of Swansea.
- 6 Correspondence had been received from the Cricket Development Officer for Sports Pembrokeshire accompanied by Regional recommendation forms to be completed in respect of those young players deemed suitable for consideration for the Pembrokeshire Junior Squads.
- 7 Correspondence together with a cheque for £1000 had been received from the Cricket Board of Wales in respect of the Junior Development grant following completion of the online Club Development Plan and entering of relevant details onto CBMS.
- 8 Correspondence together with a cheque for £300 had been received from the Cricket Board of Wales in respect of the square inspection and assessment scheme.
- 9 Correspondence together with a cheque for £100 had been received from Neyland Town Council.
- 10 A letter had been received from St Clears CC requesting the Club's support in that club's attempt at the forthcoming County AGM to rejoin the Pembroke County Cricket Club and at the same time rejoin the league.
- 11 Promotional Literature had been received from Carmarthen Town AFC in relation to their New Year Prize Draw.
- 12 Promotional Literature had been received from Physio Fit West Wales in relation to their new physiotherapy Practice in Milford Haven.
- 13 Correspondence had been received from the County Club to the effect that Antur Insurance were to be the new sponsors of the Pembroke County Cricket League.
- 14 Correspondence had been received from the County Club requesting that details of the junior teams and personnel for the coming season be completed on an accompanying pro-forma and be handed in on the evening of the County AGM.
- 15 The Secretary indicated that he had received an e-mail from Geoff Holmes of the ECB to the effect that the ECB had received a progress report from the Cricket Foundation yesterday to the effect that at that time there were only 4 clubs, Penarth, Pontarddulais, Girls project and Lisvane. listed as having completed the online school MoU's and he had therefore asked Cricket Development Officers to make contact with Clubs to see if they needed any help. When contacted Paul Miller had indicated that it was his impressions that the message could be related to an ECB "Chance to

Shine programme” but that if the Club were to take part in the scheme it would compromise the grant application made to the Lords Taverners. As a result the Secretary had emailed Geoff Holmes indicating that the Club would not be taking part in the Chance to Shine Scheme 2008 in that while we think that the scheme would afford us excellent opportunities, it would unfortunately prevent us from securing the funding that we require for the refurbishment of our nets which we hope will be taking place this year but that we will keenly consider partaking in the scheme next year (copy attached).

### **County AGM**

The agenda for the Annual General Meeting of the Pembroke County Club to be held at Haverfordwest Cricket Club on Wednesday 27th February 2008 was discussed, the Notices of Motion considered and the Club’s representative, Mr A Hansen, mandated as to how the Club’s votes should be cast.

### **Club Accreditation/ Club Development Plan**

Although he was not present Paul Miller had prepared a report on the progress of the Club’s efforts to obtain accreditation which was presented by the Hon Secretary.

In his January report Paul had mentioned that the development plan and Clubmark evidence file had been signed off and the club were awaiting a site visit due to take place in May or June in order to become fully accredited. That was no longer the case however and Neyland Cricket Club are now a fully ECB accredited club. While this is to a certain extent still dependant on the site visit, the status had, in reality, already been fully bestowed.

Regarding the accreditation it had previously been mentioned that the lead coaches require membership to the Association of Cricket Coaches and he requested that the Committee discuss the proposal that the club pay for these memberships and make a decision at this meeting. The membership was £25 with the main benefit of it being that coaches are insured. The relevant form is available on the cricket club website under documents and the lead coaches (as decided on 05/02/08) were;

Under 9’s	-	Paul Miller
Under 11’s	-	Martin Jones
Under 13’s	-	Sean Hannon

Paul suggested that instead of paying for these memberships, **all** coaches were to be given a contribution toward the cost of membership. i.e. some cost to be met by the club but all coaches pay a proportion of the costs and everyone to become a member.

This proposal was endorsed in principal subject to determination of the exact number of individuals to be registered.

Funding – Paul had brokered a deal with Kukri (the club kit manufacturers) for a sponsorship agreement of £250 per season for 3 years (see attached contract). This is in the form of a kit deal and kukri will as a result be the Club’s sole supplier for the duration. The contract originally sent was a template for a much larger club and Paul

had removed a number of points. Paul requested that the Committee discuss the contents and signal whether we are happy with it in its current form and/or highlight further sections we would like to see changed or removed.

It was agreed in principal that the Club should sign off the agreement – Andrew And Paul Miller to liaise with Club Officers in relation to the appropriate signatories to the agreement.

The club had now received the £1000 grant promised by the Cricket Board of Wales as a reward for achieving accredited status.

The club had applied to the CBW for a machinery grant. The club had applied for the heavy roller on offer. The roller costs approximately £10000, approximately £2500 of which would need to be found by the club.

Sponsorship and Donation - Martin and Yvonne Jones were driving this and had already collected a large list of companies to send letters to. Paul suggested that the Club take the three largest donations received (if any) and channel them toward the net re-development as the club can only sports-match 3 sponsorships per application.

Coaching / Junior Development - Ben Field was due to revert to Paul regarding funding for curriculum time coaching. Paul's proposal was that a team of Neyland coaches cover the Neyland, Milford Haven and St Francis Junior Schools. Funding still had to be confirmed but the coaches involved should expect be paid about £10 per hour for delivering these sessions, the end of May, beginning of June being the preferred time.

Machinery Grant - a condition of the machinery grant is that our grounds man goes on the next available grounds man course. This is scheduled to take place at Sophia gardens on the 18<sup>th</sup> March 2008. The minimum cost would be £102 and the selected person would be required to become a member of the institute of grounds men. The cost is £67.00 for the course and £37 for membership to the institute.

Robert Bellerby indicated that whilst he was prepared to attend he would prefer to attend the subsequent Autumn course first and then the next Spring course although if this proved to be detrimental to the Club's ambitions he would review his position.

Club Kit - All of the orders had been collected and Paul was in the process of collecting the money. He needed to order soon and would like to order by the end of the week. All of the money is to be paid into Neyland Cricket Club and he was therefore hoping to avoid having to receive any money what-so-ever by paying Kukri direct from the club funds. Paul anticipated the deposit (50%) to be in the region of £1200-£1600 and indicated that between what Mrs Yvonne Jones had collected from the Juniors and what he had collected a total of approximately £700 had been received. Paul indicated that he was prepared to personally guarantee the rest will be collected and financially guarantee the club will not lose out if any monies were not to be collected.

Paul also suggested a stock holding on the following basis;

Senior Stock

<b>Item Cost</b>	19.3875	21.7375	?	21.7375	18.2125	28.7875	
<b>Stock Proposal</b>	<u>Short</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>3/4 Sleeve</u>	<u>Trousers</u>	<u>Fleece</u>	<u>Drill</u>	
S	2	1		0	2	2	0
M	2	1		0	2	2	0
L	1	0		0	1	1	
XL	1	0		0	1	1	0
2XL	1	0		0	1		
<b>Total Cost</b>	135.7125	43.475		0	152.1625	109.275	0

<b>Proposed Senior Stock Cost</b>
440.625

### Junior Stock

<b>Item Cost</b>	16.5	14.5	16.5
<b>Stock Proposal</b>	<u>Short</u>	<u>Long</u>	<u>3 Quarter</u>
9-10	0	0	2
11-12	0	0	3
13-14	0	0	3
XXS	0	0	2
XS	0	0	2
S	0	0	0
<b>Total Cost</b>	0	0	198

<b>Junior Stock Cost</b>
198

The Total cost would be in the region of.£640 however the Club would receive £250 from Kukri this year alone and also stood to make small profits from the kit sales.

The values shown are the cost to the club and the saleable value is higher. The kit will also hopefully be pushed this season in order that the Club can collect further orders from them to be delivered start of 09 season. The idea is that Under 9's will be the ones ordering the bulk of the kit each year. The Club would then be in a position to met its minimum order requirements so that anyone can order each year.

During the ensuing discussion the Treasurer articulated concern at the level of stock it was proposed to retain and suggested that the amount in question should be trimmed. It was agreed that he would liaise with Paul and Andrew Miller on this point.

**AOB**

1 Cricket Nets - it was not clear whether any net sessions had been booked – Gregg Miller to be asked to clarify position.

2 Under 11 kit – consideration to be given to seeking funding from Lords Taverners

There being No Further Business the meeting was declared closed after confirming the date of the next meeting for Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2008.

**SIGNED:**.....

**DATED:**.....