

**THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NEYLAND CRICKET CLUB HELD IN THE RED ROOM OF THE ATHLETIC CLUB ON THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2009.**

**Present:** J P Edwards  
R Bellerby  
P Hannon  
M C Jones  
A Miller  
I Milsom  
B Phelan  
A L Smith  
G Virgo  
M J Rees

**Apologies:** P Miller

The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2009 were read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

**Matters Arising**

1 The Junior Organiser advised that the Junior Coaching/Management Contacts for 2009 were to be:

Under 9 – P Miller & L Rees

Under 11 & under 13 – M C Jones & S Hannon

Under 15 – S John & P Hannon

He also gave a brief report on the meeting held at Haverfordwest Cricket Club on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2009 to discuss all aspects of junior cricket and indicated that there was to be an amendment to the format of the leagues in that it was likely to be three leagues comprising 8 or 6 teams per league.

Mr Jones also indicated that this was likely to be the last year that the arrangement with Johnston Cricket Club to field combined sides would exist.

**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**

Due to the freezing conditions it had not proved possible to carry out any meaningful work to the square or surrounds. Additional fertiliser and worm suppressant to be applied to square if deemed necessary.

**Correspondence**

- 1 Correspondence had been received from the County Club regarding the acquisition of cricket balls – it was agreed that Robert Bellerby, Andrew Miller and Martin Jones should liaise in relation thereto and place whatever order was deemed appropriate.
- 2 Correspondence had been received from the Pembrokeshire Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers promoting the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Pre Season Lunch of that body which was to be held at the Nant-Y-Ffin Hotel, Llandissillio on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2009.
- 3 Correspondence had been received to the effect that the Annual Dragon Cricket Coaching Awards for 2008 were to be presented at Haverfordwest Cricket Club on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2009.
- 4 Correspondence had been received from the Welsh Cricket Association in relation to the draw for the 2009 WCA Welsh Cricket Cup competition. In the first round, on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2009 Neyland were due to entertain Narberth CC and if they progressed to Round two would have another home tie against Llanelli on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2009.
- 5 Correspondence had been received from the Cricket Board of Wales inviting the Club as an Accredited Club to apply for tickets to the Ashes Test Match to be staged at the Swalec Stadium during 2009. The e-mail in question had been forwarded to Paul Miller and an application made. It was envisaged that the tickets might be used as a means to attract additional sponsorship to the Club..
- 6 Correspondence had been received from the Cricket Board of Wales concerning the Machinery Grant Fund – this had been forwarded to Paul Miller and Andrew Miller for their attention..
- 7 Correspondence had been received from the Cricket Board of Wales inviting entries to the MCC Spirit of Cricket National 20/Twenty competition for Under 13 and Under 15 Age Groups – Martin Jones confirmed that the Club had entered the former.
- 8 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.
- 9 Promotional Literature in the form of a catalogue had been received from 3 D Sports.

### **Athletic Club Development**

It appeared that the Club's proposal voiced by Paul Miller that the design of the new building be amended to reflect the construction of a balcony had not been received enthusiastically by representatives of the other sporting bodies. It had been argued that the plans had been distributed some time ago and all the relevant organisations had enjoyed ample opportunity to consider the same. The Club's proposals went beyond merely tweaking existing proposals. Fears were also expressed that given Paul Miller's appointment as Project Manager a potential Conflict of interest also existed. The Project Group had met with Mark Lewis of Pembrokeshire County Council on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2009, to ostensibly at least discuss the development. During the meeting it had become apparent that the Club redevelopment was as far as the Local Authority is concerned part of a larger project which includes the development of Neyland School. In this regard proposals to allow the school automatic access to Athletic Club facilities had been firmly rejected. It was clear however that a number of issues connected to the project remained to be resolved.

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

Although he was not present Paul Miller had briefed Andrew Miller on some recent developments in relation to the Net Facility project:

1 It was believed that in response to the planning consultation Neyland Town Council may have asked for a hedge to be placed at the side of the nets.

2 An application for grant funding had been made to the Communities First Trust Fund - decision pending.

Application to ECB for an interest free loan had been submitted – decision pending

3 Other sources of potential funding were being actively sought.

4 Construction on the nets was due to commence on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2009 – it was suggested that a working party should be organised beforehand to demolish the existing shed and salvage the score board

## **Club Child Welfare Officer's Report**

Martin Jones gave members a brief update on the current position.

## **County AGM**

The agenda for the Annual General Meeting of the Pembroke County Club to be held at Haverfordwest Cricket Club on Wednesday 25th February 2009 was discussed, the Notices of Motion considered and the Club's representative, Mr A L Smith, mandated as to how the Club's votes should be cast.

## **AOB**

1 Acquisition/purchase of cricket caps – it was agreed that the Club should purchase 50 caps, these items to be of a one size fits all basis

2 Club Ties – it was agreed that enquiries should be made with a view of acquiring a fresh stock of ties, if possible incorporating the Club's current logo.

3 Groundsmans Courses – details passed to Robert Bellerby

4 Machinery Grant – It was agreed that Robert Bellerby and Andrew Miller should liaise with a view to which item of machinery the Club should target in the current round of funding.

There being No Further Business the meeting was declared closed after confirming the date of the next meeting for Thursday 12th March 2009.