

Dodgers Committee Meeting

Thursday 9 September 2004, Great Minster House

Attendees:

John Adey (JA)
John Carr (JC)
Neil Benn (NB)
Kim Matthews (KM)
Tawhid Qureshi (TQ)
John Cooper (JC2)

1. Apologies

None reported, all present.

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes from the previous committee meeting were agreed without comment.

3. Role of Secretary

After being approached by JC2, TQ agreed to takeover as the new Club Secretary from JC2.

4. Finance

- AC handed over all papers relating to the club's finances, to JC2 who had agreed to take over as the new Club Treasurer. AC reported that the Club had made an overall profit of approximately £4 over the season, and that payment for sports day had not yet been made. AC stated that the Club's accounts were roughly £300 in credit.
- It was agreed that the Club's annual social usually required about £80, and that the 2005 pre-season nets, to be paid for in advance, would cost about £220. **ACTION:** JC2 agreed to organise similar net sessions as 2004 at the Oval, and volunteered to pay for the net bookings. JC2 will provide preliminary dates avoiding the period immediately before and after the Easter holiday, and liaise with the Superstars in order to ensure their net sessions do not coincide with those of the Club. Sessions comprising of 4 single nets and two double nets were suggested.
- It was generally agreed that Club income needed to be boosted by about £100 in order to keep the accounts in credit. JC and NB offered to make interest free loans to the Club when necessary, and the possibility of raising match fees was discussed.
- It was agreed that with AC leaving the committee and with two signatures required for each cheque, JC, JC2, TQ and JA should all have the authority to sign cheques on behalf of the Club. **ACTION:** JC2 to notify all proposed cheque signers of the ID required to gain cheque signing authority.

5. Recruitment

JC2 reported that he knew of one new potential recruit. It was agreed that posters and intranet adverts should appear around February time. **ACTION:** JC2 to email JA, and Sian Priest at DEFRA with recruitment posters.

6. Kit

Everyone agreed that too much kit had accumulated to be contained in two kit bags.

ACTION: KM and JC2 to look closely at the existing kit and decide which items are beyond economical repair. KM was also happy to store the majority of the kit in his garage over the winter. JC2 will handover the remainder of the kit to JA, who will bring it to the first 2005 net session.

7. Website

JC2 informed everyone that the rollout of the new website design will take place shortly, and that the Club owes Matt Leach £20 for purchasing new web space. All match reports and scorecards from the 2004 season are virtually complete and on the website.

8. AGM and Social 2004

- Attendees indicated that a date around late October and early November for the AGM and Social was preferred. As the Civil Service Recreation Centre at Chadwick Street had begun charging for use of its function rooms and bar staff, an alternative venue was sought for this year. Various venues capable of holding a maximum of thirty people, around the Westminster area were discussed. **ACTION:** JA agreed to find a suitable venue and date for the AGM and Social.
- All awards and trophies needed retrieving and engraving with this year's award winners. **ACTION:** KM to research prices for engraving trophies.

9. AOB

KM agreed to start booking next season's fixtures as soon as possible, with the same number of games as last year.

10. Dates of next meetings

JA to finalise a date for the next committee meeting.

Tawhid Qureshi
Secretary