MINUTES OF DUNFERMLINE & CARNEGIE CRICKET CLUB MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2023 AT THE CRICKET CLUBHOUSE McKANE PARK.

PRESENT: Dejesh Deenadayalan, Nancy Gibson, Steve Rowley, Gareth Coles, James Spreng and Alan Leitch.

APOLOGIES: Vasu Reddy, George Olney, Richard Cox, David Miller, Simon Forster, Alistair White, James Pike and Usman Saleem.

### **GROUND REPORT:**

Gareth awaiting better weather coming along – can't do loads at the moment. The square has been scarified, cut, rolled and weeded. Needs raked next week and fertiliser applied.

New tools have arrived for the ground and will enable the outfield to be spiked. The machine will help the grass to grow in healthier.

Gareth looking to get a tow bar fitted to the ride-on mower to enable the spiker to be towed round the outfield.

Rugby Club Over 35s Tournament 8<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Looking to have a Bouncy Castle and mini Highland Games along towards the nets. Need Jimmy and Frank to mark out the areas they can use.

Alan Leitch says there is a bounce match on 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> April.

DJ asked who will be going to manage the ground at Broomhall? Alan Leitch says it will be cut by Broomhall each week and we'll take the flags and stumps with us to the ground.

ESCA been dealing with Phil at Broomhall ref the Strathmore Union fixtures for their team.

#### LOCKS BEING CHANGED AT THE PAVILION

Definitely need this to be done and is in hand. Only certain personnel with be allowed a key for access. DJ advised that the Club will be having Membership Cards for the coming season. Nancy mentioned that the Sports Club are to be issuing Cards for all members.

# **INDOOR NETS**

Steve advised that 14 attended the first week at Cluny Clays and 12 on the second Sunday. £5pp. Cluny Clays charge £28 per hour. Steve has a note of who has paid cash and who has paid by Card to the Club Bank Account. Cluny Clays supply the bowling machine. One of the colts dad (Callum) is a good player and enjoying the nets.

Colts Coaching at Woodmill 13 - 16 each week. Cost £5pp which covers the cost of the facility. DJ mentioned Joshua and Finn are really good prospects for the future as they bowled really well.

James Spreng asked whether there was an U-16 team. Steve said we have struggled with that age group and more colts at U-12.

Trying to push the older colts for the 3<sup>rd</sup> XI for the new season. Steve looking to have George give some coaching on wicket-keeping.

Alan says still waiting as to what happened at the Fife meeting ref fixtures.

Steve said outdoor nets should start week commencing 3rd April. However, it is the school holidays the first fortnight and need to establish who will be coming along before offering nets. Steve to find out on availability from seniors and colts.

It was mentioned that we should have a Score Book for the  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$  and 3rd XI as well as using the Tablet for scoring. Alan advises there is a  $2^{nd}$  XI Scorebook. DJ asked whether the score can be put through to ESCA by mobile phone. Need to look at this.

Steve has ordered 6 cricket balls for the colts which were on sale and has receipts.

DJ mentioned that Steve has been asked to send David Miller a weekly report of how much money has been collected during the indoor/outdoor nets for adults and kids.

# **DISCIPLINARY COMPLAINTS**

The last we heard from Cricket Scotland on Martin's complaint was that they had a Committee formed and they will be investigating Martin's case and this should be completed by the end of March.

Level 1s and Level 2 should also be completed by ESCA before the end of March. Nancy and Usman were at the ESCA AGM and were advised we would hear in 48-72 hours but this never happened in that timescale.

Alistair and David have worked really hard on all the complaints. DJ said everyone is worried about Martin coming back. There are also internal complaints to be looked at. DJ explained what is happening.

Steve asked if there is an Official Complaints Form which can be filled in at the end of match if there are any incidents. The Captains have Forms to complete at the end of the matches and it will be up to them to handle this.

#### **SPONSORSHIP**

Need a separate meeting on this. David reported that Just Eats had paid but Russell Skip Hire were still to settle their Invoice.

# **FUNDRAISING**

Alan Leitch is launching the monthly Bonus Ball. Limited take up so far. Ideally if we have 50 members to start with that would be a bonus to the Club. The Club gets 50% and the winner 50%. Alan explained the set-up. Nancy said it may take off once people are coming around the Club and also the Colts parents.

James Spreng said he would be happy to help with the Bonus Ball being promoted.

Banners – 3 main Sponsors so far. Need a banner for Purvis Group and also Russell Skip Hire. Just Eats are already being promoted on the Club shirts. Need more banners sold.

Match Balls – these are being sold at £35 each. Just awaiting fixtures from ESCA to start offering sales of match balls. Steve asked whether people taking match balls would be mentioned in the Dunfermline Press?

Steve asked whether the Club were going to buy Frogbox. DJ explained that Frogbox is "nice to have" equipment and not a 'must have' one. Once the team reaches the Championship the Club will think about buying one. Steve mentioned improper behaviour can be monitored and DJ advised that it is the Captains' responsibility to manage players and Frogbox wouldn't stop it. As a Committee we had decided we wouldn't go for it this season. Steve mentioned that Frogbox would pick up on Sponsors Banners round the ground which is extra exposure for the sponsors.

### **CONSTITUTION**

DJ advised that the changes to the Constitution were to clarify regards members/subs. DJ went over it and read out the changes which would be taking place on the existing Constitution. When ready the Constitution will be forwarded to the Committee and then an EGM will be organised two weeks in advance to have the changes passed.

#### **PUBLICITY**

Nancy advised that the Kingsgate Shopping Centre had offered us the 1<sup>st</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> April to have a space to promote the Club for Ladies, Seniors and Colts. It was decided to go for Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April from 10am to 4pm. Will need Club Members to come along for 1 – 2 hours to help out at the stand to promote the Club. Will also need Pop Up Banners.

#### DAFC

DAFC had asked to use the ground to train this coming Sunday morning as they have a match at home on Tuesday against Falkirk. However, they decided to use their Gym instead. (Actually the weather is not to be too good this coming Sunday) DJ asked regarding monies the Trustees were to pay over for DAFC training and Nancy said the £300 would be coming over. It was suggested that this would help to pay for the match balls for the coming season which had been ordered.

#### AOB

DJ advised that Arav had been selected for the U-15 Eastern Scottish trials and also attended the U-15 trials for the National Squad. DJ said some of the kids had not had proper coaching on fielding and catching and he was pleased that Steve had spent a lot of time with the colts to give them the proper coaching on these techniques.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - to be confirmed.