**Minutes of the Norfolk Seniors Executive Committee Meeting**

**held at 19:30 Thursday 6 October 2023**

**by Zoom hosted by Andy Gregory**

*Ian Parkin attended by invitation of the Chair*

*Apologies* were received from MM. JNP reported he had written to MM expressing condolences for ill health and assuring him of the strong support from the Full Committee and members.

*Minutes* The minutes of the 26 July meeting had been circulated and placed on the Club website at <http://www.norfolk50ccc.co.uk/2023.html>.

*Financial Report*

MB reported that we have c.£6300 in the bank, several uncashed cheques and no outstanding payments to be made. We are owed £135 by seven players for match fees. Our projected 100 club income from 84 members will bring in c. £1250 profit which more than covers insurance costs of £404 and entry fees & affiliations of £580. Our income for season 2023 from match fees was £8775.

Our expenses were: grounds, £1800; umpires, £2822; scorers, £1440; and balls, £880. This leaves a surplus of £1832.50 (equivalent to £35 per game or £3 per player). Next season ground hire will increase by £300; hopefully umpires and scorers will remain the same.

MB reported that the big variable is teas; he would all oppositions to indicate if they are charging £55 for teas away, so we can recuperate on return.

To summarise, MB’s recommendation for the AGM was to keep Match fees at £15. This will provide a small surplus if teas not included, but these could be absorbed for one year by eating into our surplus. If this is adopted we should have an estimated £5K in bank at end of season 2024.

*Membership report including projected numbers in each team for 2024*

JP reported that the membership was stable and similar to that at the start of season 2023. The possibility of a joint Suffolk/Norfolk O70s 2nd XI was discussed, as proposed by Ken Jones of Suffolk. However, Norfolk simply do not have enough O70 players to make this a viable proposition. AG agreed to inform KJ.

**Action: AG**

*2023 AGM*

The 2023 AGM will take place on Monday 20 November at Sprowston CC. JP agreed to confirm this with Carl Yallop and to thank him on behalf of the Club. There will be no proposals from the Committee for a change in the Constitution. GS proposed and it was agreed that Committee meeting dates for 2024 should be set in advance; JP agreed to set a schedule to present to the AGM. Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer will all stand again. Regarding the National AGM, the Committee agreed to support the Essex proposal of 14 matches per season followed by a semi-final and final.

**Actions: JP**

*Captains for 2024*

The following will be nominated by the Executive Committee, subject to their agreement to serve:

O50s 1st XI Ian Slegg

O50s 2nd XI Tim Porter

O60s 1st XI Graham Taylor

O60s 2nd XI Andy King

O70s Randolph Lofthouse

Nomads Friendly XI Mike Banham

If agreed, these players will be presented as Captains for 2024 to members at the AGM.

*Role of Fixture Secretary / fixture coordination / ground hire*

IP reported that the Club has verbal promises of 27 ground/fixtures for 2024, so we require only three more. AG offered Diss for these three. The grounds available include Saham Toney, Mundford, Castle Rising, Old Buckenham, Mellis and Diss. MB asked that these grounds be spread around the six teams. It was agreed by the Executive Committee to ask IP to put his name forward for Fixture Secretary next year, the post to include pre-season coordination with ground hire.

*Sponsorship*

AG agreed to write to John Potter of Potters in Hopton.

**Action: AG**

*Any other Business*

GS reported that the lunch for O70s and Exec committee would be held at the Gamekeepers, Old Buckenham, on a Wednesday, either on 8 or 22 November.

JP agreed to write to the President, congratulating and thanking him for all he has done for the Club again this year.

**Action: JP**

JP agreed to send reminder that track suit tops and trousers are still available.

**Action: JP**

The next meeting will be held during the second week in November – possibly after the O70s lunch.

It was confirmed that nets for O60s and O70s will again be held at Langley School, Taverham on 7 January, 4 February and 3 March 2024.

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 21:01.