

Minutes of YAG Meeting

5.30pm Tuesday 12 April 2011

Present: Mike Johnston, Paul O'Brien (CCA), Richard Hayward (CCA), Steve Wakefield, Dave Grocott (late apologies), Bruce Day (for Richard McCracken), Mike Fisher (CCA-Chair)

Apologies: Warren Lidstone (overseas), Richard McCracken, Matt Parr

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: moved - MJ; seconded - POB

Matters Arising:

1. Canterbury Under 20 had great success in Premier Men's One Day Competition by winning it. A number had been selected for higher honours including The Wizards.
2. Gillette Cup: CBHS 1st XI distinguished themselves by finishing runner-up. CBHS Year 9 team won the NZ Community Trust competition with SBHS finishing runner-up.
3. Pitches: ongoing discussion between Canterbury cricket and NZC Turf Manager (Ian McKendry); Forum to be held in May; hoping to involve club and school grounds staff.
4. **Playing dates for Term 4 confirmed:**
8 October - 1st XI grades
15 October - 2nd, 3rd grades; Year 10.1; Year 9.1
29 October - all other grade
5. Canterbury Cricket to liaise with schools and clubs regarding schoolboys playing for clubs; Action: Lee Germon.
6. South West Cricket is up and running with good representation in a number of grades.
7. Lincoln T20: took place in late January and was highly successful.
8. Batting pods: POB to develop a policy in the winter.
9. Prize Giving: The general feeling was that it was the best for a number of years due to time of day and better promotion.
10. Contacts: MF has compiled a list of cell phone contacts of the 1st XI coaches; to send out.

Agenda

1. **1st XI Grade**
Following the cessation of the competition from 22 February earthquake, there are now 11 playing days left with the need to accommodate 17 days. As well, the Gillette Cup must be kept going. MF gave a view of the current situation and he provided a summary of the Minutes of the TBHS club's recent meeting. General discussion ensued with YAG unanimously favouring playing catch-up matches in the October holidays. MF was to find out the status of TBHS asap, and then circulate a programme to the members of YAG. (This has been done with the Rector of TBHS favouring his team remaining in the Christchurch competition; this had the support of most parents but doubts were expressed by their committee.)
2. **Grounds:** MF gave an update on the state of cricket grounds in Christchurch, and stressed that there will be a need to share our grounds with possible games on "neutral" grounds if some school grounds were unavailable.
3. **Round the Table:**
POB spoke on his winter programme which included looking at an umpire's pathway for Youth players; the possibility of Year 10 grade replicating Year 9; batting pods policy.

MJ was encouraged that the CCUSA's Education Officer would be visiting more schools.

Meeting ended: 6.45pm