

WINCHCOMBE  
CRICKET CLUB



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**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting  
Monday 28 January 2019 7.30 p.m  
At the Working Mens' Club,  
Winchcombe (upstairs)**

Present: Dipak Basu, Peter Bartlett, Matthew Casey, Daniel Clayton, Jackie Cull, Adam Drysdale, William Howe, Kevin Keylock (Chairman) Jonathan Lewis, William Major, Ben Mickle, Jess Orzel, Paul Orzel, Luke O'Sullivan, Darren Peck, Dick Prior, Dot Sharp, Nigel Sharp, Robin Shaw, Robbie von Seckendorf, Ann Willemstein (Secretary), Vincent Willemstein, Malcolm Wright, Daniel Yeates

**1. Welcome and Apologies**

1.1 Apologies had been received, and were accepted, from Jon Belfield, Phil Hillyard, Eddie Huggett, Brian Morris, Patricia Morris and Chris Yeates.

**2. Minutes of last meeting of 22 January 2018**

2.1 The minutes of the AGM of 22 January 2018 had been sent electronically to all members in advance of the meeting and were available in hard copy on the night. It was proposed by the Chair that the minutes of the AGM of 22 January 2018 be agreed as a unanimous record, this was seconded by Adam Drysdale and agreed by all of those present.

**3. Captains' reports**

3.1 1<sup>st</sup> XI (Ben Meikle)

Very much a season of two halves for the first team – I knew it was going to be very challenging before the season started with a few key players missing and very strong sides entering the league replacing weaker teams; we didn't disappoint by only winning 1 out of the first 8 games leaving us bottom of the league at which point we lost our top run scorer over the past two seasons to injury. However with new players we then built a really strong squad and won 6 out of the last 9, including against the top two sides. I think if we had applied the same focus and intensity in the first half as we did in the second, we could have been in the mix for promotion but I was really proud how we managed to turn our season around. Some classic Winchcombe performances whereby we managed to lose from positions it was far easier to win.

Noticeable performances included Dan Clayton, top wicket-taker for the first team second year in a row, Mario Jardim, exceptional wicket keeper taking over from the injured Clive, Denish Patedia who was second top run scorer and second top wicket taker and deserved player of the season (could perhaps do with a bit of catching practice), Freddie Drysdale, one of our most talented young players with huge potential and didn't look out of his depth when he played in the first team

We finished 6<sup>th</sup> with 7 wins from 17 games played, matching our best tally since our return to the 1st division 4 seasons ago. With the squad we now have in place and returning players we are now in a very strong position to aim for a top 4 finish or better but most importantly, to progress as a club we need to see greater unity and structured process to ensure we retain and develop the best young players that we have.

### **3.2 2<sup>nd</sup> XI (Paul Orzel)**

The second XI played 18 matches, won 10, lost 6 and had 2 abandoned. Came 3<sup>rd</sup> in the league but could and should have won. Several new players came to us from the local football club. Adam Andrews won the league bowling trophy.

### **3.3 JUNIOR REPORT (Adam Drysdale)**

All Stars cricket was run very successfully by Jon Lewis and Liz Moore with in excess of 12 youngsters attending sessions on Friday evenings regularly.

U11 - Although several players and new members started the season a lack of players able to commit to Sunday morning matches combined with no new coaching interest from parents led to no team being fielded.

U13 -Led by Tim and Graham the U13's played 6 matches in the A League winning 1, losing 4 and drawing 1. It is worth noting that they played extremely well to beat Dumbleton in a July fixture after losing by just 1 run to them in Junes first match. In the Cup competition they beat Gloucester before falling to Charlton Kings in the semi-finals. Most pleasing is that Tim feels the squad will remain together for the 2019 season at U15 level.

U15 - The U15's played in the Development league and had a good season playing at times with only 8 players. Despite this the squad finished 4th in a league of 10. 7 matches were played with 4 matches won and 3 lost with the highlight beating league winners Tewkesbury by 48 runs in July!

U19; Only 1 match was played versus Corse with the squad losing by 32 runs in a competitive match.

For 2019 the Club hope to offer All Stars again along with informal U9/10's. We are currently unsure of U13's but the U15's will be playing in the development league and we will enter an U16 T20 squad.

#### 4. Secretary's report (Ann Willemstein)

- 4.1 The Club was broken into twice in 2018 and some damage caused, in fact there were a series of break-ins at local cricket clubs during the year and compared to some we came off quite lightly. I would like to thank all of those who came up to deal with the police, to work to make the pavilion secure and who worked on looking into insurance claims and so forth. Thanks go to Saskia Willemstein, who set up a Just Giving page towards raising funds for a new alarm and to fund repairs, this generated over £600 in donations and we also received substantial amounts from the Winchcombe Together Association and the Evans Adlards Trust for which we are extremely grateful.

The monies have already been put towards a new alarm system which we thank Robbie von Seckendorf for organising and the remainder will be put towards reinvigorating the site which is looking very tired and tatty. Thanks also go to Will Howe who has volunteered to make good most of the repairs. I would also like to thank Dan Yeates who has offered two hand dryers to the toilets which he will fit.

In response to our break ins and the financial impact, the Sports Hall were generous in offering a substantial discount on winter hall hire for the Juniors. This community response has been hugely appreciated by all involved at the Club. The Club also appreciated the tenacious response from the Police who thoroughly investigated the two burglaries, unfortunately without success.

- 4.2 The Committee has discussed membership and recommends that all membership costs be frozen for 2019 as follows, with the only alteration being the cost for each additional junior be £20.00

Player	£70.00
Family (2 adults in the same household and 2 juniors <b>UNDER 18</b> )	£60.00
Each additional junior	£20.00
Full time students/unemployed	£30.00
Social	£20.00

Match fee to remain the same at £8.00 per adult player and £5.00 per junior taking part in a senior match. Junior match fee of £1.00 per player per match paid on the day.

- 4.2 Winter practice/training has been booked for adult players from 6.30-8.30pm starting 15th February until 12th April (excluding Race Week Friday). We have also engaged Gecko cricket (Ryan Higgins) to supply an hour a week coaching from 7.00 p.m. for this group. We will be charging £4.00 a player to cover costs.

Junior Winter nets have been reserved via the Sports Hall on Sundays from 2.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. 17 February – 14 April 2019. Unfortunately we have no junior coach volunteers to run these sessions and so it remains in the balance. Since we have also not been flooded with enquiries from junior parents we have not engaged a coach.

- 4.4 CHL Annual General Meeting is Tuesday 26th February 2018 at Kineton CC at 8.00 p.m. and will need to be attended by at least one person from the Club. Ideally both captains would go as we have two votes.

- 4.5 Our Clubmark is due for renewal this year and Ben Meikle has offered to help me with this process for which I am very grateful. I have registered onto a workshop with the GCB to be held at Gloucester Cricket Club on 13 February 2019. Whilst we cannot access grants due to not having tenure on the ground Clubmark is a quality mark and also a useful tool in helping in the running of a cricket club which nowadays involves a great deal of administration such as DBS checking etc. We also receive advice and support when needed via the Gloucestershire Cricket Board, and whilst the process is a lot of work I would recommend that we go through it.
- 4.6 NatWest Cricket Force is 5 – 7 April 2019.
- 4.7 A new website has been designed using our existing template, I would very much appreciate a volunteer to take on managing of this, and our other social media accounts. It appears simple to update and is far more interactive than our old site, now the fixtures and results will automatically update from Playcricket.

## **5. Treasurer's report (Pat Morris)**

Regrettably, I am not able to attend tonight's AGM for health reasons. 2018 has once again set new challenges for a number of reasons. We experienced another two 'Break ins', which thankfully did not deter the cricket but brought about support for the club from various guises by way of 'Fund raising' from dedicated members of the committee as well as your President. Additionally, we invited an initiative via the 'Crowd Funding', 'Fun Run', 'The Waitrose Bag Collection' and local support from our community from within Budgens.

All these methods which are now instantly available to us, either using the Web and local initiatives, surprisingly has brought about a considerable sum to the tune of £2035.56 plus £1761, which includes substantial individual donations from members. We are extremely grateful to all those individuals who responded to the initiative to overcome our financial difficulties, either being creative such as Fiona & Saskia through social media and to those who got involved and gave so generously, as well as our now tireless 'Fund raisers' on the Committee, Dipak Basu, Jackie Cull, Jessica Orzel and those who were co-opted members acting on behalf of the club – Tim Young and Maria Lambert.

They give of their time and support for the Club without condition at Bingo nights, BBQ's and we are extremely grateful to those who come along and share the load by stepping up to do some badly needed maintenance work after the despicable acts had been discovered. Going forward, this support will inevitably be needed to maintain continuity and bring the Clubhouse back to its former presentation.

As intimated last year, I intend to stand down as your treasurer and wish my successor and the club every success for the future and I'm satisfied that I leave the club in a better state of health this year for the reasons mentioned earlier. I hope the club will continue to thrive with the same enthusiasm from the younger generation and thank those of you who have given me your support over the many years of my association and dedication to this club.

## **6. Chairman's report**

- 6.1 This was a difficult year with a lack of new volunteers in the junior section of the Club as well as small numbers in most of the groups. The All Stars is an encouraging new venture which we hope will breathe new life into the junior part of the Club which is essential for the future. There have been availability issues on the adult side and the U19's were abandoned after just one match.
- 6.2 We had some enjoyable social events at the Club with the police coming for a match against Exhall, a memorial match for a local company and the Bayshills all contributing to fund raising this season.
- 6.3 In light of this difficult year it is however very encouraging that of the objectives from 2018 we did manage to achieve three out of the five – the 1<sup>st</sup> XI did finish in the same league, Dan Clayton and Will Howe have become involved in ground help and there has been some focus on fundraising – the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI only narrowly failed to achieve promotion.

I would like to thank Dipak and Margaret Basu and Pat and Brian Morris, who are stepping down from official roles at the Club, for all their hard work and dedication over many years, but who I hope will continue to come up to the ground over the coming years.

### **6.4 Objectives for 2019**

- Complete repairs to the infrastructure of the club, especially to the fence
- Increase team participation in Club events.
- Increase junior numbers

## **7. Resolutions**

The Chair, seconded by the Secretary, proposes that the following resolutions are accepted.

Resolution A 'to pursue the club objectives set out in the Chairman's report.'

Resolution B 'to accept the proposed membership scheme and pricing policy for membership and subscriptions for 2019'

Resolution C 'to accept the proposed changes to the Club Constitution as proposed'

The above was unanimously agreed.

## 8. Election of officers

All unanimously agreed.

Post	Nominee	Proposer	Seconded
President	Kevin Keylock	Dipak Basu	Jon Lewis
Chairman*	Jon Lewis	Dipak Basu	Paul Orzel
Vice Chairman (up to 2 in post)*	Adam Drysdale	Jon Lewis	Matt Casey
Junior Chairman*	Adam Drysdale	Matt Casey	Jon Lewis
Treasurer*	Jackie Cull	Ann Willemstein	Will Major
Secretary*	Ann Willemstein	Dipak Basu	Darren Peck
Club Welfare Officer (2 in post)*	Ann Willemstein	Dan Yeates	Adam Drysdale
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Fixture Secretary*	Ben Meikle	Matthew Casey	Jon Lewis
Membership Secretary*	Jessica Orzel	Ann Willemstein	Darren Peck
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Captain*	Matt Casey	Dan Clayton	Will Major
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Vice Captain	Eddie Huggett	Matt Casey	Darren Peck
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI Captain*	Paul Orzel	Jon Lewis	Will Major
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI Vice Captain	Jon Lewis	Will Major	Dipak Basu
Website & Social Media manager	TBA		
U15 manager	Tim Young	Ben Meikle	Adam Drysdale
U13 manager			
U11 manager			
General committee member *	Robin Shaw	Ben Meikle	Matt Casey
General committee member*	Luke O'Sullivan	Will Major	Jon Lewis
General committee member *	Dan Clayton	Ann Willemstein	Dipak Basu
General committee member*	Darren Peck	Dan Yeates	Darren Peck
General committee member *	Will Howe	Robin Shaw	Dan Clayton
General committee member*	Saskia Willemstein	Dan Clayton	Robin Shaw
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## 9. Dates for future committee meetings

First date to be Monday 4 February 2019 – 7.30 pm at the Working Mens. Further dates TBA

## 10. Cricket Force Date

Official NATWEST date is 5 – 7 April 2019.

## 11. 2020 AGM date

Monday 2 December 2019 – subject to possible alteration once information received from Treasurer

**12. AOB**

- 12.1 Paul Orzel offered thanks to Dipak Basu for all he has done for the Club over the years.
- 12.2 Will Howe asked when plans were for doing up the Club. This will be decided at the first committee meeting next week. In the meantime Robbie von Seckendorf has given Will his keys so that he can get in and fix the window.
- 12.3 Ann Willemstein advised that our handbook supplier is no longer in a position to offer the printing for free. This is quite a substantial charge and it was agreed that most people have no need of a paper copy however perhaps some sort of hard copy could be created for those who did want one.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

