



## Morrant Chilterns Cricket League

### Annual General Meeting

Held via ZOOM Monday 15/03/2021 – 20:00

Minutes of Meeting:

- I. Welcome by Ron Hedley**
  - a. Respects paid to Brian Robinson who passed away last summer – good friend & former player within our league
- II. Apologies for Absence**
  - a. None
- III. Adoption of 2019/20 AGM Minutes**
  - a. Agreed with no further actions
- IV. Chairman's Report**

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Chairman's Report 2020

The 2020 season proved to be the most difficult season in the history of the Chilterns Cricket League, I said the same in 2019, but 2020 was a season we would not want to endure ever again. Sport pales into insignificance against the Covid 19 Pandemic. Having said sport pales it was sport which helped to bring some normality to life during the latter part of the summer. Unfortunately this was to be short lived as the Pandemic has hit even harder over the winter.

The early months of the cancelled part of the season saw your Executive Committee in constant Zoom meetings in an attempt to make the most of any cricket we would be allowed to play. If Lockdown was lifted at any time we needed to be ready to move forward. The decision was made early on that we would only run a season if at least 50% of matches could be played. If this was not possible we were advising Clubs to use The League fixture list to arrange friendlies. The reduced season would be played using the original fixture list but there would be no Promotion or Relegation, it would be all about playing cricket rather than being competitive in terms of League positions. It was decided that we could not run the Mid-Week Knock Out Competition. The Chairman was in constant touch through Zoom and telephone calls with the ECB and relevant authorities as to how and when we might be able to play cricket and kept in touch with the Executive and Clubs as the weeks passed by. A Thursday evening meeting, in July I think, with the ECB informed us that we would not be able to play cricket for some weeks and The Executive had no alternative but to cancel the 2020 season. On Friday afternoon the Prime Minister announced we could play cricket the following week and we reversed our decision and instigated a 9 match season to commence in two weeks and go into September. The Executive did receive abuse for cancelling the season and then reversing the decision but as Chairman I am confident we made the correct decisions based on the information given by higher authorities. I still stand by the decisions of The Executive to this day.

Talking of the Executive I must thank them all for all the hard work and time given to getting cricket played in 2020. We spent more time during the early season with "NO" cricket than we would in a normal season. Kevin, Mike and Patrick gave me full support and gave everything to make sure we could play cricket if allowed. As always our President, Chris Hardy, gave his full support to the Executive Committee and was involved in the decision making. A special mention should go to Patrick, as Treasurer, as he had the job of ordering and liaising with Marrant Cricket to acquire our order for balls when cricket commenced. Due to the Pandemic, Marrant (Dukes) had supply problems and we received our order in dribs and drabs. It gave Patrick a lot more work to do in making sure Clubs received their order during the season. On every ones behalf I thank him.

As agreed the season did not count in the League Records but the most important thing is that we played cricket. For this I thank all Clubs for their understanding in difficult times and when we could play making every effort to enjoy the shortened season. Take the case of Phoenix Old Boys who discovered that Barn Meadow would not be available for cricket in 2020. With Ed working overtime and other Clubs helping they got to play some cricket, if not every week. We should also thank all grounds men who did not know if cricket would be played but had to have a square prepared in case.

Due to the continued Pandemic The Executive have been monitoring the possibilities for 2021 and to this end our AGM has been delayed hoping by now we would have a clearer picture as to the 2021 season. As agreed by the Clubs the Officers were re-elected en bloc to work on your behalf in 2021 and we thank Clubs for their understanding throughout last summer and this winter. At this time we are still not 100% sure how our cricket will be able to commence but at the moment we are planning for a "normal" season. If there are changes between now and the end of April, which is very likely, The Executive will react to any changes that are made and relay the changes to our Clubs for discussion. I was informed, yesterday, that the ECB are working on a document based on Government advice and we wait to receive that and will react accordingly.

We continue to work closely with The Berkshire League and the Mid Bucks League in running The Championship Division and The Premiership. There are one or two things to iron out, especially regarding The Premiership, and we are working closely with the MBL to make The Premiership work well into the future.

Ron Hedley

Chairman

Marrant Chilterns Cricket League

12<sup>th</sup> March 2021

## **V. Secretary's Report**

Very quiet year for myself, no disciplinary instances reported via me.

## **VI. Fixture Secretary Report**

Fixture Secretary's Report 2021.

The 2020 season was one of the strangest we have experienced and I am sure we were all glad to get some cricket in.

For 2021 we are anticipating playing a full season as per the published fixture list.

Can all clubs make sure their player database on play cricket is up to date before the season starts

and remember to make sure any player who takes part in a match is listed on play cricket.

It is important that all clubs know their log in details for play cricket in advance of the season, so please make sure this is all sorted out before the season starts.

If any club has any problems accessing or play cricket, please ask for help.

Last season we did not enforce penalties for late reporting etc. but they will be brought back in this season for persistent offenders. Please note that these will be points penalties, not monetary fines.

Mike Walton

Fixtures and Results Secretary

Morrant Chilterns Cricket League.

Matters arising from the report – Ensure every club's play-cricket is up to date. The Play-Cricket DLS will be used for Win/Lose matches. Any club requiring team cards can email Mike with a delivery address will be served on a first come/first served basis

## **VII. Treasurer Report**

Main points:

Exec decided to refund subs & 50% of ball orders to help clubs during the pandemic.

No sponsorship was collected from Morrants due to the unknowns on whether cricket would be played or not last season.

There are no outstanding fines (including write-offs or historic).

Thanks paid to all clubs for prompt payment & their patience on ball delivery.

Many thanks to Audrey Hardy for her auditing of the League accounts.

Overall deficit for year of £5293, League will start season with ~£4900 on bank.

Invoices for 2021 subs & ball orders have been distributed 15/3/21 – prompt payment appreciated

MORRANT CHILTERN CRICKET LEAGUE FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

For year ending 8th September 202

**Income and Expenditure  
As at 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020**

		<b>2020</b>		<b>2019</b>
<b>Income</b>				
Balls sold to clubs <sup>(1)</sup>	£	8,514.00	£	8,055.00
Morrant Sponsorship <sup>(2)</sup>	£		£	750.00
Club Subscriptions <sup>(3)</sup>	£	725.00	£	775.00
Fines for				
Bank Interest	£	9.18	£	6.94
Extra Trophies	£		£	39.00
Credit Note Cancelled			£	40.00
		<b>£ 9,248.18</b>	<b>£ 10,275.94</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>				
Balls purchased from Morrant <sup>(1)</sup>	£	9,580.80	£	8,928.60
Administration <sup>(5)</sup>	£	40.00	£	329.22
Trophies	£	307.38	£	413.99
Credit notes issued to clubs <sup>(4)</sup>	£	0.00	£	630.00
Fines Written Off <sup>(4)</sup>	£	0.00	£	50.00
Other Expenses <sup>(6)</sup>	£	210.00	£	
Covid-19 Refunds <sup>(7)</sup>	£	4,403.00		
		<b>£ 14,541.18</b>	<b>£ 10,351.81</b>	
Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year		<b>(£ 5,293.00)</b>	<b>(£ 75.87)</b>	

## Notes to Income & Expenditure Statement

- (1) Cricket balls:
- £8,280.00 received from clubs for balls
  - £9,166.80 paid to Marrant for red balls
  - £395.64 paid to Marrant for Orange T20 balls for knock out cup (not held this season, so balls will be used next season)
- (2) Marrant Sponsorship
- No sponsorship charged to Marrant for 2020 due to uncertainty about number of games that would be played due to Covid-19
- (3) Subscriptions
- Continue to be reduced by 50% for all existing member clubs/teams
  - 29 MCCL teams in 2020 compared to 31 in 2019
    - Pinner – 2 teams moved to Herts league
    - Harpsden – 1 team moved to TVL
    - Phoenix OB + 1 team from MBL
- (4) Fines
- No fines/credit notes for conceded matches were issued in 2020
  - No historic fines were written off in 2020 (and none remain open)
- (5) Administration
- Admin costs reduced due to switching to use ECB PlayCricket site for all fixtures/results instead of using our own software
- (6) Other Expenses
- Set of shirts for the League Representative XI in charity game at Pinner August 2019
- (7) Covid-19 refunds
- Due to financial uncertainties at some clubs at the start of the 2020 season, the Exec decided to refund cash to clubs based on the subs they had paid and half of the money they had paid for balls. Total amounts refunded per club were:
- |                     |         |
|---------------------|---------|
| Braywood            | £455.00 |
| Chalfont St. Giles  | £142.00 |
| Coleshill           | £142.00 |
| Denham              | £278.00 |
| Emmbrook & Bearwood | £128.00 |
| Harpsden            | £181.00 |
| Holyport            | £278.00 |
| Hurley              | £350.00 |
| Knotty Green        | £362.00 |
| Ley Hill            | £223.00 |
| Little Marlow       | £383.00 |
| Littlewick Green    | £422.00 |
| Penn & Tylers Green | £ 89.00 |
| Phoenix Old Boys    | £142.00 |
| Pinkneys Green      | £377.00 |
| Ruislip Victoria    | £103.00 |
| The Lee             | £284.00 |
| Winchmore Hill      | £ 64.00 |

**VIII. Audrey Hardy was re-appointed as our auditor unanimously.**

**IX. Annual Subs for 2021**

- 50% discount per team continues for 2021
- Will be reviewed at 2021/22 AGM

**X. Applications to join league**

- None received

**XI. Officers for 2021**

- Agreed for current Executive to continue for 2021

**XII. Disciplinary Sub-Committee**

- a. Nobody put themselves forward to be our league Disiplinary Secretary so working on format of co-opting names as required to perform the duties. Decided to continue with this for 2021
- b. Names of those who willing to be co-opted from meeting : Steve, Kevin

### XIII. Rule Changes

- a. See your proposal documents on AGM invite.
- b. Below is table of voting per proposal.
  - i. Note Proposal 1 was discarded after discussion as it hadn't accounted for the 20 minute break so used proposal 7 instead (please read note after table)

Club	Attendee	Attended		No Tea	Fielding Circle	W/L Max 20% Ovr	K/O 20% Ovr	Promotion must be taken	Tea free of charge home	Bring your own tea
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Braywood	Steve	x		No vote	f	f	f	f	a	f
Chalfont St. Giles	Cedric	x		Refer to	f	f	a	f	f	a
Coleshill	Dominic	x		6 & 7	f	a	a	f	a	f
Denham	Danny	x			f	f	f	f	a	f
Emmbrook & Bearwood	Jack	x			f	f	f	f	a	f
Harpsden	Will/Rod	x			f	f	f	f	a	f
Holyport	Omar	x			f	a	a	a	f	a
Hurley	Mike	x			f	f	a	f	f	a
Ley Hill	Craig	x			f	f	f	f	f	a
Littlewick Green	Adrian	x			f	f	f	f	a	f
Knotty Green	Nicholas	x			f	a	a	f	f	a
Little Marlow	Steve	x			f	a	a	a	a	f
Penn & Tylers	Nick B	x			f	a	a	f	a	f
Phoenix Old Boys	Scott	x			f	a	a	f	f	a
Pinkneys Green	Nigel	x			f	f	f	f	a	f
Ruislip Victoria	Mick	x			a	f	f	f	f	a
The Lee	Patrick	x			a	f	a	f	a	f
Winchmore Hill (Penn)	Paul	x			f	f	f	f	a	f
	Others									
Chairman	Ron H	x	<b>For</b>		89%	67%	50%	89%	39%	61%
President	Chris H	x	<b>Against</b>		11%	33%	50%	11%	61%	39%
Secretary	Kevin S	x	<b>Pass/Fail</b>		Passed	Passed	Fail	Passed	Fail	Fail

*Note: On Proposals 6 & 7 the League Executive acknowledge that we are awaiting further ECB guidance on the provision of teas and use of pavilions in general. As a consequence with the vote for bring your own teams being very close it has been suggested that Clubs who voted "for" bring your own teas when playing each other may agree to use that format during their matches but it must be agreed beforehand from both teams otherwise the default provision of tea overrules.*

### XIV. Any Other Business

- a. None submitted
- b. Reminder of Knock-out Cup – draw carried forward from 2019/20 AGM
- c. Prelim's end of May, 1<sup>st</sup> Round June 8<sup>th</sup>

### XV. Close of meeting

- a. Chairman wished everyone a fruitful season and good cricket

Close of meeting 20:55