



Annual General Meeting of Burwash Cricket Club

7pm, 6th February 2016 at the Bear Inn, Burwash

Minutes		
In Attendance	Dan Smith (DS), Charlie Jones (CJ), Liam Reilly (LR), Allan Parker-Read (APR), Tony Hagger (TH), Rupert Harbour (RH), Mike Severn (MS), Gavin Fisher (GF), Paul Morgan-Jones (PMJ), Michael Knox-Watson (MKW), Boysie (Boysie), Olly Blaydon (OB) & Gary Pickles (GP)	
Item	Details	Actions
1. Welcome	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and congratulated the team on a successful year.	
2. Apologies for Absence	Teskey, James Mavor, Alex Christie & Cameron Christie	
3. Secretary's Report	<p>The Secretary thanked all those who had worked hard to make 2015 a successful year and noted in particular the success of the juniors coaching programme.</p> <p>It was noted that all but three fixtures were now arranged for the season ahead and those final three are expected to be filled by the start of the season.</p> <p>It was noted also that the Club was represented at the Crowhurst Park v Lashings event and he gave thanks to APR and all involved in the successful Club Day.</p> <p>The Secretary highlighted that the 2015 schedule included 13 home matches and five away and expressed how important it is for members to support away matches. He also highlighted the importance of all team members to use Pitchero to indicate their availability in order to assist the Match-day Captain.</p> <p>The Secretary thanked the Club for marking Peter Burrows' final match and showing appreciation of his efforts..</p> <p>The Secretary expressed his thanks to Boysie for all of his efforts in maintaining the pitch and preparing a strip for all home games.</p> <p>The Secretary's report concluded with the announcement that Eximius have agreed to sponsor the Club again for £1,000 and MKW proposed a letter of thanks go to James Mavor (2nd by APR). It was agreed that this should extend to the Bear Inn and Freeman & Forman.</p>	<p>All to use Pitchero & support away matches</p> <p>Secretary to issue letters of thanks</p>
4. Treasurers Report	<p>The Club's opening balance at the beginning of the 2015 season was £1,032 and the closing balance was £2,964.</p> <p>Expenditure totalled £4,648 including £1,596 in Club expenses (including £415 on a new pitch mower) and £329 in event expenses (Club Day).</p> <p>Income totalled £6,312 including £760 from the Club Day, £876 from match fees, £225 from subscriptions and £1,325 in sponsorship.</p> <p>It was highlighted that the match fees made a profit of £771 thanks to the support of the Bear Inn.</p> <p>The Treasurer noted that the Club Day made a profit of £431 and the Race Night made £369.</p> <p>It was noted that the Club also has a savings account containing £517, which accrued interest of 25p over the year.</p> <p>The Treasurer was thanked and the Accounts accepted (Prop. MKW & 2nd RH).</p>	
5. Captain's Report	The Captain congratulated the team on a successful season and thanked everyone at the Club for their efforts including those involved in the Club Day, Race Night and Junior Coaching.	

	<p>The Chairman thanked the Captain for his efforts during the year.</p>
6. Captain's Vision	<p>The Captain highlighted Juniors Coaching, including the festivals run in schools and the Nursery, as his highlights of the past year and explained how he wished to grow this programme in order to nurture the next generation of Burwash cricketers.</p> <p>The Captain explained how he would like to see one game per month played with a mixed juniors team against other local sides with an aim of eventually joining the Sussex Development League, which includes a mix of adult and junior players.</p>
7. Election of Officers	<p>APR was the only candidate to stand for the position of Club Captain and was duly elected (Prop. OB & 2nd LR).</p> <p>Three candidates stood for the role of Match Captain: MS, RH & DS. All were elected and will be given a third of the season each (Prop. APR & 2nd PMJ).</p> <p>PMJ was the only candidate to stand for the role of Secretary and he was duly elected (Prop. APR & 2nd LR).</p> <p>Liz Blaydon was the only candidate to stand for the position of Treasurer and she was duly elected (Prop. MKW & 2nd MS).</p> <p>MS was the only candidate to stand for the position of Tour Manager and he was duly elected (Prop. RH & 2nd APR).</p> <p>Three candidates stood for the role of Media Manager: LR, TH & RH. All were duly elected to share the role provided that a clear division of responsibilities could be worked out (Prop. OB & 2nd PMJ).</p> <p>PMJ was the only candidate to stand for the position of Chairman and he was duly elected (Prop. RH & 2nd APR).</p> <p>It was agreed that MKW should be offered the position of Life President, which he accepted (Prop. APR & 2nd LR). The new Chairman gave his thanks on behalf of the Club for all MKW's efforts during his tenure.</p>
8. Tour	<p>There will be a four day tour leaving on Friday 15th July and returning on Monday 18th July to Pocklington in Yorkshire and staying at the Feathers Inn at a total cost of £160.</p> <p>The cost is low given the distance thanks to Clayton Berry, who has kindly agreed to drive team members to the venue in his taxi.</p> <p>The Sunday match will be against Yapping Bishops and the Saturday night will be a curry night.</p> <p>It was agreed that the journey shall include a stop for go-carting part way up to break-up the journey.</p> <p>Deposits of £25 are required by 1st March for those wishing to go on the tour. A further instalment option will be available to those who wish to break up the payments.</p> <p>The Chairman offered his thanks to MS for all his efforts in organising the tour.</p>
9. Grounds & Pre-season Preparation / Equipment	<p>Boysie expressed his concern over playing 17 home matches on the square in a season and stated that it would also be his last season as groundsman.</p> <p>It was requested that Boysie alerts others as to when he is preparing the strip so that others can join him and be trained on the subject in readiness for the 2017 season.</p> <p>Extending the square was discussed and it was agreed that this would have be to the north (down hill) of the current square rather than south, if this were to happen.</p> <p>OB explained that the Club's new mower will require servicing prior to use and that James Kirtley was arranging for the Sussex Head Groundsman to visit and provide advice.</p> <p>The Chairman gave his thanks to Boysie for his continued efforts in maintaining the square.</p>

10. Teas, Match Fees & Subscriptions	<p>The Chairman gave his thanks to the Bear Inn. It was explained that in future there would be no supplementary food provided at tea, which is intended to be a light tea followed by a hot meal at the Bear afterwards.</p> <p>TH proposed that match fees should rise by £1 to £8 to assist in funding indoor nets. This was agreed and it was also agreed that subscriptions would remain the same (Prop. APR & 2nd LR).</p>	
11. AOB	<p>RH suggested that we invite local interested parties to become "Vice Presidents" for which they will receive a mention in the fixture card at a cost of £25. It was agreed that GF, MKW & APR will take this forward.</p> <p>RH suggested setting up a fantasy league system, which he will run. It was agreed that RH will set up a fantasy league to raise funds for the Club.</p> <p>GF stated that there was advertising space available in the 2016 fixture card. He will produce a rate card and circulate it.</p> <p>GF stated that the pre-season Golf Day is booked for the 17th April at Horam Manor Golf Club at a cost of £15 per head including coffee and bacon rolls on arrival and nine holes of golf. Those wishing to take part should contact GF.</p>	<p>GF, MKW & APR</p> <p>RH</p> <p>GF</p>
12. Close	The Chairman thanked everyone for their time and declared the meeting closed at 8.20pm.	