

Leicestershire & Rutland Cricket League sponsored by Everards

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Minutes for Exec Meeting, 9th July 2020, 7pm via Zoom

Nigel Kinch (NK)	Brad Peake (BP)	Colin Green (CG)	Ged McDougall (GM)	Mark Barber (MB)	Andy Hibberd (AH)
Richard French (RF)	Sam Rowe (SR)	Mark Ward (MW)	Pratap Odedra (PO)	Graham Pickering (GP)	Russell Spiers (RuS)
Roger Stead (RoS)	Robin Whait (RW)	Chris Pople (CP)	Paul Whiteman (PW)	Jonny Lawrance-Owen	

- Apologies Dan Pedley and Keith Towers, Graham Pickering representing ACO
- Approval of previous minutes (25/6/20) BP has paid for the balls and the Dukes balls have arrived at Grace Road.
- 2020 Season

Attended:

- o ECB Guidelines
- Risk assessments (see ECB Return to Cricket Plan for Step 4 July 2020):
- Clubs are responsible for their own risk assessment.
- New risk assessments need to be produced for COVID-19.
- There are some concerns that some clubs may not produce risk assessments.
- Communication between clubs will be key. Clubs will need to communicate with each other before each fixture so that players are fully aware of risk assessments in place.
- The decision is made that clubs need to send their risk assessments to the AH and MB who will collate them. Playing in the League competition will be subject to them completing and sending a risk assessment.
- Clubhouses and facilities (see ECB Getting Your Clubhouse Ready for Step 4 July 2020)
- These guidelines have been issued from the ECB which have to be implemented by clubs before cricket can take place.
- League Competition (the COVID Cup):
- Clubs have been contacted for initial feedback about how many teams they would like to put out for matches this season.
 Some teams have requested to only play away matches.
- There are several issues with clubs not being able to access their grounds or grounds not being ready to play on.
- Creating fixtures may be difficult with these limitations and things like extra travel may be involved.
- The League competition fixtures will aim to start on 1st August, assuming Government guidelines allow it. If Leicester lockdown is
 extended, then the plan for the League competition may change or be cancelled altogether.
- The League will contact clubs with:
- a proposed format (40 over games and cup rules),
- a start date of August 1st,
- And requesting to be sent:
- A valid risk assessment.
- \circ $\;$ Confirmation that they can follow the ECB facilities guidelines.
- $\circ~$ A yes or no answer as to whether they can comply with the regulations and want to play.
- Deadline for reply is Sunday evening.
- GM will draft the form to send to clubs.
- Fixtures can be played on Sundays if agreed by both teams.
- The prizes for winners will be trophies this could be a virtual cup in keeping with the times.
- MW to generate the leagues and fixtures which are to be sent to clubs.
- Player registration:
- The rules around registration to be loosened the priority is to get games played.
- A team sheet will have to be submitted with a track and trace document.
- Balls
- Most clubs will have enough balls already to last the rest of this season.
- The ball used for the League competition does not need to be an official league ball.
- \circ ~ It is decided not to run any Sunday cups this season.
- o Grounds / Facilities (CG) Club feedback indicates that most grounds can be made ready to play on.
- \circ **Premier League (RuS)** LCCC professionals will not be playing in the League competition.
- Officials (GP) There are about 40 umpires available to officiate. Umpires fee is £35, paying online is encouraged to avoid cash.
- The ACO are running a Zoom meeting next week to explain COVID guidance and discuss whether they would rather officiate alone or with another. Clubs can opt to not have an umpire if they would rather avoid paying the Umpires fee.
- AOB A sub-committee will finalise the details of the League competition once details are back from clubs.
- Date & time of next meeting Next Meeting TBC Meeting Closes 20:00