



2018 AGM

Minutes

Present:

Members: Richard Boote, David Proctor, Guy Wilson, Jon Gower, David Siddal, Jimmy Hall, Grant Dixon, Vinay Venkateshan, Indrajit Ravi, David Gower

Non-members: Ayon Waliuazzaman

Apologies:

Members: Will Davies, Hem Patel, Mike Gabbay, James Schneider

Non-members: Rich Woolhouse, Fahim Ahmed, John Rajeeve

Minutes: David Gower

(1) Chairman's Welcome

Richard Boote delighted that SCC is still alive and that we seemed to have had a mostly enjoyable and successful season. Thanks especially to Jon, Vinay and Jimmy for organising fixtures and teams.

(2) Club constitution

Richard read out the brief constitution after Jon suggested it bears repeating that we aim to play non-league, friendly matches against like-minded teams. Jon to circulate/post the constitution?

(3) Captain's reports for 2018 season

Nepal: Won 1, lost 6. Our first overseas win at our 20th attempt! An extremely enjoyable tour. Lots of tough but fun cricket against some good to very good, but delightful teams. Really enjoyed having Rwandan Clinton join the tour squad, plus Kiwi tourist Daniel Gush stepping in for last couple of days. Lovely to have both Moore brothers with us (they cycled from Kathmandu to Pokhara) and Harbetonian Ian Hutchcroft on his second SCC overseas tour. Jon handed over to Richard a memento for SCC from Pokhara CC.

Domestic: Won 11, lost 4, tied 1, 9 cancelled (weather plus difficulties getting teams together, especially mid-summer). A very enjoyable and mostly successful season. Dave P missed much of the meat of the season with a bust finger. Top performances from Mohmed Godi, Grant, Vinay. Great to see some batting and fielding magic from Guy. Happy to have

brought in some new players, including Ayon and Indrajit. See summary of season on the Strongroom website.

(4) Treasurer's report

DP reported that the SCC account has approx. £300 in it. Situation okay, but need to keep an eye on cash requirements soon coming up, including paying for nets in advance and paying for recently much increased Highgate ground hire. Opposition match fees need to stay at £10 per person for 2019 - we need the funds and it is not disproportionate (we pay the same for some away fixtures).

(5) Fixtures

Agreed to stick with similar number of fixtures for 2019. Thoroughly enjoyed first match against CTCC. Enjoyed Lankians though some concerns about whether they were too weak – decided to keep them for 2019 and see how it goes. Getting teams in August continues to be difficult, but also difficult to predict. It is not a total disaster to cancel matches as long as it is done by midweek to allow opposition teams to find alternative fixtures. More of a problem to cancel home games because we need to maintain an active presence at Highgate.

(6) Subs

Agreed to keep this at £75 per member per year. Members please pay asap so we know where we are and so that winter nets can be booked. See recent JG and DP emails.

(7) Kit

Guy has 6 stumps that he can contribute. We need a new set of keeper inners (DP to buy from SCC funds?). The SCC online shop is still up and running – perhaps re-advertise to email list?

(8) Squad and recruitment

The need remains to recruit additional players. Members please keep a lookout and encourage people to play. Guy suggested every player should be tasked with introducing one new player to the club in 2019.

(9) Officers

DP (captain), GD (T20 captain), JG (fixtures), DS (fielding), JH (twitter) were happy to continue in their roles and nobody else offered themselves for service in these roles.

(10) Winter nets

Lords, as usual. DP to book. Will aim for Tuesdays from mid-Jan for 1hr at 7 or 8pm. Likely to cost in the region of £8-10 per person per session.

(11) Match organising

JG thanked JH and VV for substantial help with this during 2018. Will continue the same in 2019. Think before replying to all to cut down on unnecessary email bothering.

(12) Match reports

Bit poor in 2018. Let's try to get one per year out of everyone. Might try to get someone to agree at end of each game...

(13) Website

JG had nothing to report/discuss.

(14) Devon tour

Likely to be same weekend (early June) or one weekend earlier in 2019. Finding a decent Saturday fixture remains tricky.

(15) Overseas tour

JG reported that Rwanda is a possibility for an autumn 2019 or spring 2020 visit.

(16) Tim Moore

Move to Australia. Has played his last regular SCC game for the foreseeable. Will be much missed and we wish him the best. Techno-Granny!

(17) AOB

Highgate: Guy plans to bring a comfortable chair.

Player of 2018: Dave P's choice was Vinay for vital wickets as well as runs in a remarkable post-knee op comeback.

Sponsorship: £250 each from Strongroom, Define and AKA Design.

Minutes recorded and written up by David Gower.
