

DURHAM UNIVERSITY STAFF CRICKET CLUB

The 24th Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday, 15th March, 1973 at 5.00 p.m. in the Senior Common Room at Grey College (by kind permission of the Master). Those present were: Professor H.S. Offler (in the Chair), Dr. P. Collins, Mr. G. Ellis, Dr. D.M. Hirst, Dr. S. Holgate, Dr. J.G. Holland, Mr. K. Hunter, Mr. R. Pallister, Mr. D. Ratcliffe, Mr. S.G.C. Stoker, Dr. D.L.H. Williams, Mr. B.E. Wetton.

174. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Professor L. Brooks, Mr. L. Barnes, Mr. A. Bisson, Mr. R. Lane, Mr. B.R. Lander.

175. Minutes

The minutes of the 23rd Annual General Meeting held on 9th March, 1972, were accepted.

176. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

177. Election of Officers for 1973

The officers for 1973 were elected as follows:

President	:	Sir Derman Christopherson
Vice-Presidents	:	Professor J.L. Brooks Professor J.L. Burchnall Mr. B. Cooke Dr. K.L. Ellis Rev. J.C. Fenton Ald. H. Ferens Professor W.B. Fisher Mr. A. Henderson Professor H.S. Offler Mrs. W.A. Prowse Col. L. Slater Dr. M. Weston Dr. T. Whitworth
Chairman	:	Professor H.S. Offler
Captain	:	Mr. R. Pallister
Vice-Captain	:	Dr. L. Williams
Hon. Secretary	:	Mr. B. Wetton
Hon. Treasurer) Equipment Manager)	:	Dr. J.G. Holland
Hon. Auditor	:	Mr. B. Cooke

178. The Treasurer's Report was received. It was agreed to accept the recommendation of the Hon. Treasurer to retain the 50p match fee for the coming season. The question of Mr. Jarvis (Head groundsman) retirement was discussed and it was unanimously decided to open a subscription list for donations towards a gift for Mrs. Jarvis in recognition of her valuable services in preparing teas for matches. It was further agreed that at a suitable time in the Season a presentation would be made to Mrs. Jarvis on behalf of the Club.

179. The Secretary reported on the activities of the 1972 season which had been fairly successful from the results point of view although the cancellation of matches owing to a shortage of players had caused some concern. Dr. D.M. Hirst also reported on the Inter-University Staff Festival at Sheffield to which the Club had sent a joint side with Newcastle. With the obvious strength of the side, it was disappointing to learn that the team had not been too successful. The next Inter-Staff Festival to be held at Leeds was discussed and it was thought possible that on this occasion the Club might be able to field a full side. The Secretary was to seek further details about the Festival and a decision as to whether or not to send a side would be made at the beginning of the season based on the availability of players.

180. Fixtures 1973

Details of provisional fixtures were circulated. In view of the uncertainty of being able to field a full side at all times, it was decided not to increase the number of fixtures for the coming season.

181. Any Other Business

- (i) It was agreed to start indoor nets at Maiden Castle on Tuesdays at 5.15. The Secretary would also arrange with Mr. Jarvis for outdoor nets to be available after Easter.
- (ii) Some concern was expressed by members about the poor lighting in the net area in Maiden Castle. The Secretary was instructed to write to the Board of Management of the Playing Fields suggesting that extra lighting might be installed to improve the situation and also to ask about the possibility of a white backcloth being provided behind the bowlers' arm.

182. The meeting closed at 6.00 p.m.

B.E. Wetton
Secretary