

Durham Colleges Staff Cricket Club

Minutes of the A.G.M. held on Tuesday, March 3rd 1987
Room CM103, Science Site

Present: B. Lander (Chair), P. Collins, D. Parker, K. Richardson,
R. Shingal and J. White.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from M. Smith, C. Warbrick and B. Wetton.

2. Minutes of Last Meeting

The Minutes of the 1986 A.G.M. were approved.

3. Matters Arising

Dr. Barber had been away on sabbatical leave for part of last year and had not, therefore, been approached about the club presidency. It was agreed that the Chairman would now ask him if he would take the post.

4. Election of Officers

The following officers were re-elected unopposed:-

Chairman	Brian Lander
Captain	David Parker
Vice-Captain	Martin Bryce
Secretary	John White
Treasurer	Peter Collins
Auditor	Brian Lander

5. Chairman's Report

The Chairman tabled details of last year's results. Of the normal fixtures 4 were won, 4 lost and 1 abandoned. There were notable victories over Castle J.C.R. and Bede Old Boys. In the Inter-University festival in Newcastle all five games were lost.

6. Captain's Report

The Captain stressed that all who had taken part in the Inter-University tournament in 1986 had enjoyed the games and catering despite the results. It was agreed that in view of the difficulty Durham had had in fielding teams in Newcastle it would be impossible to consider entering again in 1987 when the venue was to be Sheffield.

7. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the audited accounts which showed a balance in hand at 26/2/87 of £78.44. Income and expenditure in 1986 had been almost equal and it was agreed to maintain match fees at £1 per game. The Treasurer also presented the equipment list. The Treasurer proposed, and the A.G.M. agreed, that it seemed sensible to spend some of the balance on equipment rather than having cash at bank.

8. Secretary's Report

A provisional fixture list for 1987 was tabled. It was agreed to suggest a date as early as possible in July if the City Councillors reequested a fixture in aid on the Mayor's appeal. The Captain was unable to attend the meeting on 4/3/87 at Maiden Castle when pitches would be allocated and the Secretary was to attend. A few responses from prospective new players had been received by the Captain following a note about Staff Cricket in 'Password'.

9. Any Other Business

Concern was expressed about the indoor net at Maiden Castle. The lighting was bad, the carpet was now very old and worn and the side netting near the adjoining indoor soccer goal needed 'weighting'. The Chairman thought it best not to make any direct criticism of the facility but he would try to raise it with student representatives to see if their views were the same.

In response to a suggestion that the batting order should be changed regularly the Captain confirmed that it had always been club policy which he endorsed to ensure that every team member was involved in a game. This usually meant that bowlers batted lower down the order, but if the staff side batted second it may be that on some occasions not everyone would bat.

It was agreed that it was club policy that members of the staff cricket club be encouraged to pay the membership subscription for the University Sports Centre but the decision was up to individual members.