

Minutes of Canterbury District Junior League

Wednesday 1st of Feb 2023

1. Clubs represented at meeting

Faversham, Walmer, Whitstable, Chestfield, Canterbury, SLHC, Nonington, Broadstairs

Apologies from Folkestone

2. 2022 Review from Chair

Committee created constitution, updated rules, changed format of u11 and u13

Changed u15 but this was altered during the season

Thanks to Whitstable and Canterbury for hosting the finals

Welcome to new clubs Walmer and Folkestone a year trial, no negative comments about the inclusion received by Chair

Started u19 League, there were a few issues re who played for which club.

3. Representatives asked if every club satisfied with the League Management Committee, with the Chair continuing etc. – All happy for the committee to continue in same roles.

4. Complaints from Parents 2022

More complaints from parents about their own club, how they are run and cricketing decisions.

Chair has stated that this is not a league issue it is a club issue

Going forward to prevent these complaints in 2023 - Every Club should have a Constitution.

Parents and members need to have a process for complaint.

Adam Hodder commented – if club is club marked they do need a Constitution, Rules and Codes of Conduct.

5. Lack of volunteers for finals venues and umpires. Can this be improved on in 2023- more needed.

6. Parents at matches are still causing issues, with comments about players and umpires decisions. Club managers need to maintain behaviour of parents. Any issues regarding matches, parents need to go to their own managers and not approach other teams, players and umpires direct. Chair asked for any issues re above - all agreed.

7. Treasurer – change of accounts to one account to stop paying unnecessary interest.

Treasurer will be looking into this

Accounts are in credit

a. Suggestion that clubs order your own balls from the same supplier.

Representatives are happy with that suggestion.

- b Discussion on the fairness of league costs to clubs with 1 team
Decision: £15 per team in all age groups for every team entered

- 8. Representatives asked if clubs happy with Walmer and Folkestone in the league.
Chestfield u13 /u15 commented that they found it difficult to get to these Clubs on time for away games a few clubs on outskirts of league areas also thought there may be similar issues
Decision: Walmer and Folkestone to continue in league if they were prepared for away fixtures

Walmer will be returning to club to decide whether to continue

- 9. Cup and League format discussed
Decision: League and cup format to be the same i.e. 8 aside in League then 8 aside in cup
Decision: Cup should be the top 4 of the League in each division –all agreed
Decision: League Start week beginning 1st of May
Decision: No rain days
Decision: U11 & u13 cup finals day should be fixed dates
Decision: u15 cup will be fixed to first Wed after the League finishes for semi-final and the next Wed for final, no deviation

- 10. U19, discussion

Decision: to follow the Kent Cricket u19 Club T20 rules

- Clubs with limited u19 players can merge with, or invite players from, no more than 2 clubs. Clubs merging in this way must seek approval from Executive Committee.

-All overseas players are ineligible

-Cricketer eligible to play if 19 or under at midnight on 31st of August 2023

Decision: Start Monday 19th of June, end mid Aug

- 11 Clubs must submit teams to cjlfixtures@gmail.com by 26th March 2023. This is to allow clubs as much time as possible. Fixtures should be finalised 2-3 weeks after that date. Clubs need to be prepared for fixtures starting on 3rd and 7th of May respectively

12. ADDITION AFTER MEETING. Minster has asked to join u19 league – they have secured Kent college Canterbury as a home venue. If anyone has an issue with this please contact CF by March 5th 2023 otherwise they will be allowed to join the league – If there are any issues it will be sent out to a vote.

