

# Prague Barbarians Cricket Club

## Committee Minutes

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Date: 13/03/2014

Location: Cyril's Pub, Andel

Meeting scheduled to start at: 19:00

Meeting started at: 19:10

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Present: Navoneil Bhattacharrya, Nick Taylor, Gary Pettman and Terry O'Connor.

Apologies: Francis Costeloe and Ben Petter

Absent: no one.

Approval of minutes: Previous minutes approved

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### Agenda

#### **1. Finance Report**

Gary presented an update on the financial situation, the Current balance is 16,801.

#### **2. Summer Friendlies**

The dates that we have provisionally booked at Vinor have been circulated on Social media. Terry has contacted 5 German Clubs directly about the possibility of them coming to Prague. No contact with Polish or UK clubs as yet. Czech clubs to be contacted regarding games in April.

Action: Terry to contact Czech clubs for friendlies on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of April. Nick to book Vinor for the 27<sup>th</sup>.

#### **3. Nets**

We will have nets on Thursdays this year. Due to the fine weather it was proposed to begin Nets next week.

Action: Terry to request Francis announces the start of Nets.

#### **4. Kit**

25 Slazenger shirts have been bought and have arrived from the UK. They now need to be embroidered with the club logo, prior to the start of the Summer league, so as to be sold to members. Sale price to be established once a quote from the embroiderers is obtained.

Action: Nick to contact embroiderers regarding requirements and price.

#### **5. Sub committees**

Club relations: All attention is on friendlies for the summer.

Sponsorship: Some contacts have been made towards possible partnership, Gary and Francis following up.

Social media: Twitter – We passed 100 followers on the 1<sup>st</sup> of March. There has been an increase in the number of our tweets that have been re-tweeted and favoured, including one by Middlesex Cricket.

Web site - February saw 176 unique visitors to the site, the highest for that month since 2010. The colour scheme will be changed to red, black and white prior to the Summer League. And a headline news feature will be added to the home page.

## **6. CMKS AGM**

Due to the possibility of Navoneil being unable to attend, Terry will be the back-up nominee. As per previous discussion the Club shall be voting yes to the proposed Membership subscription.

## **7. WL Visigoths-PCC Knights Forfeit ramifications issue**

PBCC and several others received an email from Dan Casey following the Visigoths win by forfeit over PCC Knights on 08-March. The content and tone of the email, along with a FaceBook thread on the issue were discussed. The committee expressed concern at allegations made against both the club and individual members of the club.

It was decided that the club will respond in the following manner:

1. Reply all to the email with the intention of refuting specifics but in a manner such that the issue does not get escalated further
2. Lodge an official complaint with the CMKS

The committee also agreed that this is not an inter-club issue and should not be treated as such. Further, PBCC, both as a club and as individual members, will not seek to escalate the issue further beyond the above actions.

Action: Navoneil to finalise an email response based on committee feedback on a draft circulated within the committee earlier, Ben to send it. Nick to send official complaint to relevant CMKS office bearers.

Meeting adjourned at: 20:40