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**To:**

**Club Secretaries and officials**

**From the MiL&DCC Management Committee**

**Sunday December 15th 2013**

# Annual General Meeting 2014

**In accordance with the Constitution of the L&DCC Item 7, notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will take place on:**

**Tuesday 14th January 2014 at Bootle Cricket Club at 7.30pm.**

**If you, as recipient of this e-mail, are not the club secretary, please ensure that these papers are passed on to the appropriate person / persons.**

**L&DCC AGM 2014: Outline Agenda**

The ordinary business of this AGM will consist of:

1. **Welcome and Roll-Call of Member Clubs;**

2. **Obituaries;** - attached.

3. **Minutes:**

­AGM Jan 2013/Pre Season SGM April 2013/End of Season SGM Oct 2013/End of Season

3rd XI SGM 2013

see **<http://www.lpoolcomp.co.uk/admin_docs.php?id=14>**

4. **Matters Arising;**

5. **Presentation of the Annual Reports by the Chairman;** - attached

6. **Election of Officers and Committee Members for the ensuing year;** - attached

7. **Appointment of Honorary Auditor and Honorary Legal Advisor;**

8. **Proposals in respect of Vice Presidents of the MiL&DCC**

9. **Hon Treasurer’s Report and Annual Financial Report;** - available at AGM

10. **Determination of the subscription for the ensuing year 2014; -**attached

11. **Business of which due notice has been given; -** attached

12. **ECB/LCB/L&DCC Memorandum of Understanding 1st Oct 2013 - 30th Sept 2017**

13. **“Opening Up”**

A presentation from Mark Boyns (Sefton Park CC) on the work they are continuing with CALM (Campaign against Living Miserably) raising awareness of the high suicide rate among young men.

14**. M.C.U.A.**

15. **Notices**

16. **Closure of meeting**

Chris Weston

Hon Sec Mi L&DCC

**MI L&DCC AGM 2014: Detailed Agenda**

**Agenda Item 1**

Welcome and Roll-Call of Member Clubs;

**AGM** Date: **January 14th 2014** Venue: **Bootle Cricket Club**

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|  | **CLUB** | Present  / absent |
| **1** | **AINSDALE** |  |
| **2** | **ALDER** |  |
| **3** | **BOOTLE** |  |
| **4** | **BIRKENHEAD PARK** |  |
| **5** | **BIRKENHEAD ST MARYS** |  |
| **6** | **BURSCOUGH** |  |
| **7** | **CALDY** |  |
| **8** | **COLWYN BAY** |  |
| **9** | **FLEETWOOD HESKETH** |  |
| **10** | **FORMBY** |  |
| **11** | **HIGHFIELD** |  |
| **12** | **HIGHTOWN** |  |
| **13** | **LEIGH** |  |
| **14** | **LIVERPOOL** |  |
| **15** | **LYTHAM** |  |
| **16** | **MAGHULL** |  |
| **17** | **NEW BRIGHTON** |  |
| **18** | **NEWTON le WILLOWS** |  |
| **19** | **NORTHERN** |  |
| **20** | **NORTHOP HALL** |  |
| **21** | **OLD XAVERIANS** |  |
| **22** | **ORMSKIRK** |  |
| **23** | **ORRELL RED TRIANGLE** |  |
| **24** | **PARKFIELD LISCARD** |  |
| **25** | **PRESTATYN** |  |
| **26** | **RAINFORD** |  |
| **27** | **RAINHILL** |  |
| **28** | **ST. HELENS TOWN** |  |
| **29** | **SEFTON PARK** |  |
| **30** | **SKELMERSDALE** |  |
| **31** | **SOUTHPORT AND BIRKDALE** |  |
| **32** | **SPRING VIEW** |  |
| **33** | **SUTTON** |  |
| **34** | **WALLASEY** |  |
| **35** | **WAVERTREE** |  |
| **36** | **WIGAN** |  |
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| ***1*** | ***BIRCHFIELD PARK*** |  |
| ***2*** | ***GOODLASS*** |  |
| ***3*** | ***MERSEYSIDE CULTURAL AND CRICKET*** |  |
| ***4*** | ***MOSSLEY HILL*** |  |
| ***5*** | ***NORLEY HALL*** |  |

**Agenda Item 2**

**L&DCC Obituaries Season 2013**

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| Broughton Lawrie | Southport & Birkdale CC |
| Chisnall Dave | St. Helens Town CC (formerly Recs)  Barrow RLC; Leigh RLC; Saints RLC; Swinton RLC; Warrington RLC |
| Collins Brian John | St Helens CC; St. Helens Town CC (formerly Recs) |
| Davies Andrew Russell | Northern CC Bootle CC |
| Martin Harold Leo | Sefton Park CC |
| McGenity Stephen | Birkenhead St Mary's CC; Oxton CC |
| Parker Barry Stephen | St Helens CC, St Helens Town CC, (formerly Recs)  former L&DCC Representative Game Scorer |
| McEvoy Peter | Liverpool CC |
| Sansbury Kenneth George | Aigburth and Odyssey CC, Cheshire Lines CC; Liverpool CC;  Merseyside Cricket Umpires Association; Lancashire League Cricket Umpires Association;  North West League Hockey Umpires Association ;  Liverpool CC Bowls Section; |
| Spencer Tony W | Colwyn Bay CC former Captain and Chairman |
| Smith Eric F | Birkenhead Park CC former President Treasurer and club Trustee. |
| Stanfield Anthony Leonard (Tony) | Old Xaverians CC |
| Taylor Michael Ernest | Delph and Dobcross CC; Prescot CC; St. Helens Town (formerly Recs) CC  Merseyside Cricket Umpires Association |
| Traveloni John F | Southport and Birkdale CC |
| Walker Reg | Caldy CC |
| Weston Edward | Ormskirk CC  Merseyside Cricket Umpires Association |
| Young Tony | Prestatyn CC |

*It is requested that any names of those omitted be notified to the Hon Sec for inclusion.*

*It is most important that no one be forgotten.*

**Agenda Item 3**

**Minutes: See attached**

1. **Minutes of the AGM Jan 2013;**
2. **Minutes of the pre season SGM April 2013;**
3. **Minutes of the End of Season SGM Oct 2013;**
4. **Minutes of the 3rd XI end of season SGM Nov 2013.**

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**Agenda Item 4.**

**Matters Arising;**

**Agenda Item 5.**

**Presentation of the Annual Reports by the Chairman;**

**5.1 CHAIRMAN’S REPORT 2013 AGM 2014**

Reflecting on the Liverpool and District Cricket Competition in Season 2013 I am reminded of the words used in last year’s report: *“Looking after a league with 41 clubs with 133 teams and over 1400 players in 11 divisions every weekend is bound to throw up a few problems and issues and I would like to think that we have handled them all in a responsible and competent way. As an ECB accredited and funded Premier League we have additional duties and responsibilities, over and above those of other leagues, and this in turn brings a range of challenges as well as significant benefits”*

Only the numbers have been updated. This is the largest cricket league in Lancashire and we are fortunate that there are a small group of individuals prepared to give up a considerable amount of time and effort to ensure its smooth running and organisation. I make no apology therefore at the outset of this report for thanking the members of the Management Committee for everything they do. In 2013 they have been supported by a particularly excellent Cricket Committee with membership from the Highfield, Leigh, Formby, Ainsdale, Sutton and Wavertree Clubs and we look forward to an equally active contribution from the six new clubs who, on rotation, will form the Cricket Committee this year. On behalf of all that have worked for the Comp this year I thank the clubs, officials and players for their continued support.

Just before the season started Med Imaging Ltd came on board as our new sponsor having agreed the Competition’s largest ever sponsorship deal over three years and I thank them, not just for their financial support but for backing the Competition at a particularly difficult time.

Now to the cricket and it is appropriate to recognise the achievements of two of our Premier Division sides for their performances on the Regional and National Stage. Ormskirk reached the final stages of the ECB National Club t20 before losing out in a bowl out in the final to Wimbledon. Northern had another stellar year lifting the Lancashire KO Trophy at Old Trafford after success against Bamford Fieldhouse, again in a bowl out, to top off their 2013 Premier Division title and the win over Ormskirk in the final of the Ray Digman Trophy. New Brighton were the beaten finalists in the Cheshire KO Cup. Highlights from the League programme saw Birkenhead Park and Rainhill reach the Premier Division and Sefton Park and Wavertree promoted to Division 1. Congratulations to the 2nd X1’s at Bootle, Birkenhead Park and St Helens Town on winning their Divisions and also to Sefton Park 3rds, Merseyside Sports and Cultural Club, Southport and Birkdale 4ths, Lytham 3rds and Northop Hall 3rds on their League successes. New Brighton won the Chester Cup and Sefton Park claimed the new format Embee Trophy.

The Junior and Colts cricket programme continues to expand and in January 32 boys benefitted from 10 weeks coaching through the Player Development Programme. In 2014 36 youngsters from 27 clubs are set to embark on the programme. The representative match programme also continues to grow with 11 games played at U12, U14 and U17 level, including a highly successful three match series against the Isle of Man Colts. Thank you to Wallasey, Liverpool and Alder for hosting the matches and to Andy Barlow for coaching the team. Sadly the U21 game against the MCC was rained off but it remains in the calendar. Expenditure on Junior/Colts cricket continues to rise and is one of the largest areas of spending by the Committee as can be seen in the accounts. Senior Representative Cricket returns to the Competition in 2014 with our successful application to join the Readers Lancashire Inter-League KO.

The Competition is littered with individual achievements and I pick out just a few. Congratulations to Simon Kerrigan on his England Test Debut and his recent inclusion in the England Lions squad to tour Sri Lanka. There were five Outstanding Service to Cricket Award (OSCA) winners from our league this year (5 out of the 9 County Awards) and well done to Dave Jones (MCUA), Jonny Firth, Andy Barlow, Allan Green and Chris Weston. We currently have four girls in the England Women’s Development Programme, Rachel Dickinson, Ellie Threlkeld, Erin and Lucy Staunton Turner and Jimmy Dixon continues to represent the England Deaf Team. Over 40 boys and girls from the Competition earned County honours with NE Wales, Cheshire and Lancashire in 2013 with the Lancashire U15, U16, U17 AND U19 captains, James Seward, John Dotters, Matt Critchley and Matthew McKiernan all coming from our League.

We have players to be proud of. We have clubs to be proud of. We have a League to be proud of.

Sadly not everyone sees it that way. In 2011 my report said that Mr Philip Lovgreen “*uses his website to denigrate the committee at every turn, often uses offensive language and publishes false and/or inaccurate information in relation to clubs and players causing distress to all concerned*”.

Regretfully, two years on, nothing has changed. Mr Lovgreen continues to regularly verbally abuse players, clubs and the Management Committee, most notably in recent times in relation to awards made at the Annual Dinner. A recent posting made libellous remarks about the Management Committee and was only removed following legal action. Enough is enough. The position of Vice President of the Liverpool and District Cricket Competition is an honour awarded to those whose service and continued support is recognised for the good of the Competition. The 2014 AGM papers include a motion to withdraw this honour from a person who constantly maligns the Competition, actively campaigns against it and is no longer a fit person to hold that position.

I look forward to an equally competitive 2014 season in which, under the ECB’s Memorandum of Understanding we will continue to work closely with the Lancashire Cricket Board developing and implementing strategy to achieve the Board’s service outcomes. They sum up our own philosophy of providing quality and enjoyable cricket; maintaining a vibrant club network; giving opportunity to all that want it; and identifying and developing young talent

*John Williams Chair MiL&DCC Dec 2013*

**5.3 HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT AGM 2014**

Most of the issues that would normally be covered in the Hon. Secretary’s report continue to be reported to clubs on a monthly basis in the ‘summary of minutes’ sent via e-mail and it is not proposed to duplicate them here ad nauseam.

I again thank the many people who continue to be so helpful to me; we underestimate the importance of goodwill and a positive attitude at our peril and I very much value the quality of the leadership provided by our Chairman John Williams and the comradeship and attitude shown by my colleagues on the rest of the Management Committee.

Three issues stand out to me as being key initiatives and inherent within the work of the committee in 2013, they continue to command our respect and attention:

* *The Quality of our Cricket:* We the L&DCC are held up as demonstrating many aspects of good practice by the ECB and the LCB. There is clear determination on the part of the Mi L&DCC Management Committee to maintain the L&DCC at the pinnacle of recreational cricket. The success in 2013 of our clubs and representative sides at all levels in ECB and LCB competitions, does credit to us all.
* *Our Premier League Status:* The continued confirmation of the status of the L&DCC as a Premier League will always be an ongoing challenge but it is one that is being met. It is a challenge to which other local leagues have been unable to rise.
* *The ECB Memorandum of Understanding;* In 2014 we will all need to work hard fully to implement the recent ECB/Sport

England Memorandum of Understanding in partnership with the LCB and which is having such impact on Recreational Cricket at all levels countrywide until 2017.

When first in post I was rather naively 'taken aback' by the sheer volume of work that was necessary from your committee in order to keep our Mi L&DCC ship sailing and I am still deeply impressed by the hard work and commitment shown by so many people on behalf of the MiL&DCC.

*Chris Weston Hon Sec Mi L&DCC Dec 2013*

**5.4 CLUB AND GROUND CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2013 AGM 2014**

The MiL&DCC has no current C&G Chair; one is desperately needed, this is a very important post on Management Committee and one at the heart of the high standards maintained by the MiL&DCC.

All PQS inspections have now been completed.

At the start of season 2013 L&DCC inspections were prioritised in terms of "previous inspection date order" as 3 blocks of 12. The first block was been completed in 2013; the sequence will roll on into 2014/2015.

*Chris Weston Hon Sec Mi L&DCC Dec 2013*

**5.5 DISCIPLINARY CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2013 AGM 2014**

After the encouraging trends of the last four years season 2013 - coincidentally an Ashes season - has seen a regression in onfield behaviour. There has been a hundred percent increase in reported incidents and appeals. And this trend is not unique to the L&DCC - it is county and country wide.

The commonest offences are abuse towards opponents and abuse and or dissent towards umpires. But the most worrying element is that several of these cases, particularly towards umpires, have been perpetrated by Captains.

It would appear that virtually no player, and very few captains and indeed some coaches, have read, understood or bothered to implement The Preamble to the Laws of Cricket particularly in relation to the Responsibility of Captains.

This will change in 2014.However disgraceful an example may have been set in the Brisbane Test, it will not happen in our Competition. Clubs coaches and captains must be aware that the Conduct Code has been amended to include a specific offence of Captains failing to ensure the good conduct of their players.

This is not new or rocket-science. It simply reflects our determination to ensure the game is played in the Intended Spirit, and thus is a pleasure for Players Officials and Spectators alike.

*Richard McCullagh Disciplinary Chair Mi L&DCC Dec 2013*

**Agenda Item 6**

**Proposals for Officers of the Liverpool and District Cricket Competition Management Committee**

**Main Committee**

**1. President:**

**Mr E Hadfield** *who has declared his willingness to serve* and commencing the third year of a three year term

*Under the terms of the Constitution 4.1.3 this post is already filled and shall not be subject to a vote until AGM 2015*

**2. Chairman:**

**Mr J Williams** *who has declared his willingness to serve* L&DCC Management Committee Nomination.

*Under the terms of the Constitution 4.1.4 this is a two year term of office*

**3. Post of Cricket Chairman:**

**Mr J Rotheram**, *who has declared his willingness to serve*. L&DCC Management Committee Nomination.

**4. Hon Secretary:**

**Mr R.C.Weston**, *who has declared his willingness to serve*. L&DCC Management Committee Nomination.

**5. Hon Treasurer:**

**Mr A.J Bristow**, *who has declared his willingness to serve*. L&DCC Management Committee Nomination.

**6. Club and Ground Facilities Chairman**

*Position vacant*

**7. Publicity and Sponsorship Chairman**

*Position vacant*

**8. First and Second XI Fixtures Secretary**;

**Mr R. Durand** *who has declared his willingness to serve* *L&DCC Management Committee Nomination*

**Sub-Committees**

**9.** **Discipline Sub-Committee Chairman**

**Judge R. McCullagh**, *who has declared his willingness to serve* *L&DCC Management Committee Nomination*

**10**. **Third XIs Coordinator;**

*Position vacant*

**11. L&DCC Chief Junior Coach**

**Mr A. Barlow** *who has declared his willingness to serve* *L&DCC Management Committee Nomination*

**12. L&DCC Representative Team Manager** *L&DCC Management Committee Nomination*

**Mr J Williams** *who has declared his willingness to serve*

**Agenda Item 7:**

**Appointment of Auditor;**

Messrs **Chaytor-Steele** of Ormskirk *L&DCC Management Committee Nomination*

**Appointment of Honorary Legal Advisor;**

**Mr T.D.N. Kenward,** *who has declared his willingness to serve* *L&DCC Management Committee Nomination*

**Agenda Item 8;**

**Proposal in respect of a current Vice President of the MiL&DCC**

This proposal is exceptional and is brought to the AGM by the Management Committee for all full member clubs to consider. The proposal arises under the terms of the MiL&DCC Constitution Sections **4.3** and **7.6.3** and the Code of Conduct **1.4**

**8.1** That **Philip Lovgreen** is removed as a Vice President of the MI L&DCC for breaching the MiL&DCC Code of Conduct Section 1.4 by bringing the name of the MiL&DCC into disrepute.

*1.4 "An official or volunteer must not in their official capacity, or any other circumstance, conduct themselves in a manner which could reasonably be regarded as bringing their office or authority into disrepute."*

Under the terms of the Constitution **7.6.3** a *simple majority vote* of full member clubs is required for this proposal to succeed.

**Associate Member Clubs are not eligible to vote for/against this proposal.**

**Agenda Item 9**

**Financial Statement and Report of the Hon. Treasurer**

**FINANCIAL REPORT YEAR TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2013.**

Attached to this report is the signed as fully audited Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2013; the audited Income and Expenditure Account and the other financial papers relating to the 12 months to 30 September 2013 will be available at the AGM.

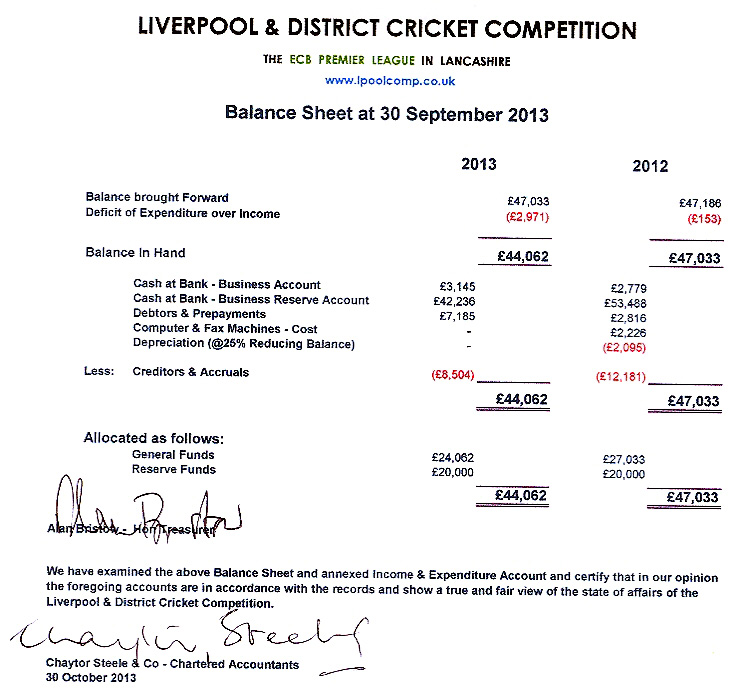
From the **Balance Sheet** you will see that the total assets of the League stand at £44062. The creditors/ accruals and debtors/ prepayments are primarily a reflection of the costs and income associated with the League Dinner which, though held outside the time scale to which these accounts refer, have been included as the event is an integral part of the League’s activities during the year to 30 September 2013.

From the **Income and Expenditure account** you will see that we made a reported loss of £2971 in the year but, because it took the bank 4 months to make the necessary adjustments to the signatures on the account following the change in Treasurer in October 2012, administrative expenses of £810 incurred in 2012 were not paid until February 2013. Thus the actual loss for 2012/13 is £2171 and not £2971 as shown.

Compared with 2011/12, the costs for junior cricket increased by over £1200, for senior cup competitions by nearly £1200 and umpires grants by over £600. However, we did save nearly £1000 by not entering a senior representative side in the President’s Cup.

The Club subscriptions for 2013/14 will not be increased whilst the contribution that clubs make to the production of the handbook will be reduced in 2013/14.

*Alan Bristow Treasurer MiL&DCC December 2013*.



**Agenda Item 10**

**Determination of the subscription for the ensuing year;**

Balance Sheet: see above

Profit/Loss Account: seehard copy

**L&DCC Subscription Fees 2013:**

**The proposal before the meeting is that subscriptions should remain unchanged in 2014 as follows:**

**Figures in parenthesis = 2013.**

**Subscription                 L&DCC Handbooks Fee**

**Full Member Clubs:                            £              120    (120)                       75     (100)**

**Associate Member Clubs:                  £                60      ( 60)                       35       (50)**

**Agenda Item 11**

***Business of which due notice has been given;***

**Proposals** **to AGM 2014:**

**With the exception of proposal 1, these are listed in Handbook 2013 running order:**

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| **Proposal Number** | **Introduction** | **Proposal** |
| **Proposal 1 affects Playing Regulations and as such each vote taken therein will require a 2/3 majority of those clubs voting.** | | |
| **1** | **KO Cups, Bank Holidays and Player Eligibility**  This is a club proposal and does not emanate from the Management Committee  It is placed first and en bloc as it impacts across several of the Playing Regulations | **KO Cup Regulations P20**  **Club proposals re KO Cups, Bank Holidays and Player Eligibility**  **Proposal 1.1:**  That the group stages of the 1st and 2nd XI KO competitions be discarded in 2014 and the competitions become simple knock-outs drawn in an FA Cup style format. The first round to be played as the first game of the season and further rounds to be played on ‘Play-by’ dates.  **Proposal 1.2:**  That no league matches are scheduled for either the Spring or Autumn Bank Holidays in 2014.    **Proposal 1.3:**  Category 2 players and Overseas players in Category 3a (Not Exempt), shall be eligible to play in the Ray Digman KO from Round 1.  *SUPPORTING STATEMENT FROM THE TWO CLUBS*  *Two league games would be played when the 2nd and 3rd round robin Saturday games have been played in previous seasons.*  *The spare Saturday would be used for the first round of the KOs (eight clubs would have to play in a Prelim round that day).  Clubs could use the Bank Holidays for T20/Echo matches, social events, fitting in other Cup matches etc.)*  Proposed by Ormskirk CC  Seconded by Northern CC  **Associate Member Clubs are not eligible to vote for/against these proposals.** |

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| **PROPOSALS WITHIN THE CONSTITUTION**  **2/3 or more of all full member clubs must vote in favour of these three proposals for them to succeed = 24 or more clubs as set out in the MiL&DCC Constitution 7.6.2** | | |
| **2** | **Payment of Subs Deadline:**  This proposal brings the cut off date one month earlier and is aimed at easing cash flow problems when the block LCB subscription falls due | **Constitution P3**  3.9 Each member club is responsible for the payment of an annual subscription which is automatically due by the 1st May; Member Clubs may supply an advertisement for inclusion in the annual handbook which will be inserted subject to the availability of space. Non payment by **1st June** will incur an immediate penalty of £50.00 for each month or part thereof, that the subscription remains outstanding.  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote**  **for/against this proposal as it could directly affect them** |
| **3** | **Reporting under the Laws of Cricket:**  This proposal formalises the procedures to be followed when reports are made by umpires under the Laws of Cricket to the Governing Body.  It refers to many such matters e.g. "illegal use of the arm", "repeated damage to the pitch", "returning to the field of play without permission" etc  It reflects current practice and is designed to make the process involved more transparent | **Constitution P7**  **11 Complaints & Reports**  **11.5** Where the MCC Laws of Cricket (latest edition) mandate umpires to make reports to the Governing Body this shall be to the Management Committee via the L&DCC Disciplinary Secretary. Final decisions on penalties will be taken by the Management Committee following consideration and/or investigation by the Cricket Committee including consultation with the umpires.  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote for/against this proposal as it could directly affect them.** |

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| **PROPOSALS WITHIN THE PLAYING REGULATIONS**  **2/3 or more of clubs actually voting must vote in favour of these nine proposals for them to succeed = 24 or more clubs as set out in 7.6.4** | | |
| **4/9** | **Timing of tea and drinks intervals, over rate calculations:**  This proposal links with proposal 9 and seeks to address the issue of the number of overs bowled in non weather affected drawn games. This should be close to 110 overs. In the premier division in 2013 the average number of overs bowled in this situation was 103  3 hours and 15 minutes approximates to the time taken to bowl 55 overs and puts tea closer to half way in a league game in 1st XI matches. 2nd and 3rd XI matches remain unchanged  The proposals listed are designed cumulatively to speed up games and to minimise time lost.  The proposals follow discussions within a Premier Division Captains Over Rates Consultation Group set up for the purpose in October 2013  The deleted clause in 4.1.8.3 will be reinserted as a general statement in Section 11 of the Constitution following any report to the L&DCC as ‘Governing Body’ for the match. | ***Playing Regulations P 10&11***  **1st XI matches**  4.1.4.2 The tea interval will be of 30 minutes duration and will normally be taken between innings, but in any event no later than 3 hours and **15** minutes after the scheduled start of play (i.e. 12:30 pm, 1:00 pm or 12:00 noon) irrespective of the state of the match.  4.1.4.3 In the event of the first innings being completed prior to 3 hours and **15** minutes playing time and tea not being able to be taken, play will continue, following 10 minutes between innings, until 3 hours and **15** minutes is reached when the tea interval will be taken.  4.1.5 Drinks  4.1.5.1 Drinks will be taken 1 hour and **30** minutes after the start of play in each innings and no later than 15 minutes prior to the commencement time of the ‘last hour’, (i.e. at 5.30 pm for a 12 noon start, at 6:00 pm for a 12:30 pm start or 6:30 pm for a 1:00 pm start). Umpires may arrange for drinks to be taken at an earlier time after the tea interval if agreed by both captains. Either or both drinks’ interval(s) may be cancelled ~~or additional drinks intervals arranged,~~ if both captains agree.  4.1.8.2 For over rate calculations, the following allowances will be made: 2 minutes per fall of wicket (unless a wicket falls to the last ball of the innings), 3 minutes per drinks break, and any time lost for rain, bad light or other major delays ~~incidents~~, eg ~~lost ball~~ injury to a player or umpire. Calculations will be finally rounded to one place of decimals. Umpires are responsible for ALL recorded times in connection with over rate calculations and their decisions are final. Over rate penalties will only be imposed if a minimum of 2 hours playing time has elapsed during the innings, ie. the total time between the various calls of ‘Play’ and ‘Time’.  4.1.8.3 Incidents of lost time, e.g. intervals, stoppages, injury, ~~lost ball,~~ other unforeseen circumstances, will be reported on the Match Result Form by the umpires. Deliberate time wasting by either the batting or the bowling team will be penalised and reported by the umpires as required by Laws 42.9 and 42.10 (see also Clause 11.5 of the Constitution). ~~Final decisions on penalties will be taken by the Management Committee following consideration and/or investigation by the Cricket Committee including consultation with the umpires.~~  **Associate Member Clubs are not eligible to vote for/against this proposal.** |

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| **5** | **Paying for 3rd XI Teas:**  This proposal was made originally by a club to the 2013 3rd XI Forum and follows discussion and voting on a similar proposal at AGM 2012 where this proposal was accepted for 1st and 2nd XIs but rejected for 3rd XIs.  The number of games played by teams in the various 3rd XI divisions is equal. | **Playing Regulations P11**  4.2.6 Teas  4.2.6.1 **In 2nd and 3rd XI league matches**, teas will be provided and paid for by the home team.  4.2.6.2 The tea interval will be of 30 minutes etc …..  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote for/against this proposal as it directly affect s them.** |
| **6** | **Cup KO competition:**  **Cry off penalties.**  This proposal reflects the positions consistently adopted following detailed discussions by both Cricket and Management Committees | **Playing Regulations P12**  6.1.6 **In a knockout fixture** - a club failing to raise a team and subsequently unable to fulfil a fixture, will **be fined £50** and may not be entered in the following season’s competition at the discretion of the Management Committee. In the event of exceptional circumstances the decision of the Management Committee will be final.  **With cross ref in KO Regs 2.5 P21**  2.5 A club failing to raise a team and subsequently unable to fulfil the fixture, will **be fined £50.00 and may** not be entered in the following season’s competition **at the discretion of the Management Committee**. ~~will not be entered in the following season’s competition and will lose one third of any agreed sponsorship monies.~~ In the event of exceptional circumstances the decision of the Management Committee will be final.  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote for/against this proposal as it could directly affect them.** |
| **7/10** | **3rd XIs Eligibility**  This proposal reflects the position adopted following detailed discussions on the 2013 3rd XI Forum and complements the successful changes made at AGM 2013.  The changes are a compromise between increasing the number of players available for selection so that fixtures are fulfilled and protecting the essential nature of 3rd XI competitions and are based on experience gained in 2013.  Proposal 7.6.4 reflects and enshrines in the regulations the actions taken by Cr Co. | **Playing Regulations P14**  7.6 In 3rd XI league matches played on Sundays **or Bank Holiday Mondays;**  7.6.1 no more than three players who have played on **either or** **both** of the previous **two days** for a 1st or 2nd XI will be eligible to play and then only if they have played 50% or more of their matches for a 3rd XI in their previous eleven consecutive matches (this rolling period of time may include part of the previous season):  7.6.2 Players under the age of **19**, on 1st September the previous year, are able to play on **each** day. However, such players from a club’s1st XI are subject to the following restriction:  if they batted or were scheduled to bat in the top 5 of a1st XI match they shall not bat higher than number 6 in the 3rd XI match. The Cricket Committee will monitor their usage to ensure that Spirit of Cricket is not abused;  7.6.3 **Any player, irrespective of age, who has bowled 5 or more overs for a 1st XI on the preceding Saturday, is not allowed to bowl; and**  7.6.4 **Any player in contravention of these regulations will be treated as ineligible and the matter dealt with under the terms of 6.2.**  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote**  **for/against this proposal as it directly affects them** |
| **8** | **Scorers in the Premier Division**  This proposal is reproduced verbatim from current ECB Premier League Criteria.  The proposal says "should" not "must" and is therefore aspirational. It isnot making the holding of ECB ACO Level 1 qualification for scorers in the premier or any other division compulsory. | ***Playing Regulations P17***  ***9. Scorers and Match Result Forms***  *9.1.****1***  *Each club will appoint a competent scorer for each match.* ***In the Premier Division the scorer should be accredited to at least ECB ACO Level 1.***  *9.1.2 Failure to provide competent scorers for both 1st and 2nd XI matches will result in a fine of £20.00 being imposed in respect of each failed appointment.*  **Associate Member Clubs are not eligible to vote for/against this proposal.** |
| **9/4** | **Scorers completing MRF in 1st XI matches**  These two proposals, 9 and 4, interlink and seek to address the issue of the number of overs bowled in non weather affected drawn games. | **Playing Regulations P17**  **9.3.4 The number of overs bowled in the 2nd innings at the start of the ‘last hour’ (1st XI matches only)**  **Renumber existing 9.3.4 and 9.3.5**  **Associate Member Clubs are not eligible to vote for/against this proposal.** |
| **10/7** | **Eligibility of Players in the Embee 3rd XI KO Cup**  This proposal also reflects the position adopted following detailed discussions on the 2013 3rd XI Forum.  It simplifies the existing regulation and protects the essential nature of 3rd XI competition.  It is based on direct Cr Co and M/C experiences in 2013. | **KO Cup Regulations P 21**  **3.5 3rd XI KO:**  **Any player, irrespective of age, playing in a 1st X1 game on the Saturday preceding the day or evening in which the cup game takes place, shall not be eligible to play in the 3rd X1 cup game.**  **Any *player,* irrespective of age, *who has played more*** ~~1st and/or~~ ***2nd XI than 3rd XI league and knockout matches for his club* in the current season** ~~2013~~*~~in his previous eleven consecutive matches up to any round~~* ***will not be eligible to play****. ~~This rolling period of time may include part of the previous season. Players under the age of 18, on 1st September the previous year, are able to play. However, such players from a club’s 1~~~~st~~ ~~XI are subject to the following restriction:~~*  *~~if they batted or were scheduled to bat in the top 5 of any 1~~~~st~~ ~~XI match they shall not bat higher than number 6 in the 3~~~~rd~~ ~~XI match. The Cricket Committee will monitor their usage to ensure that Spirit of Cricket is not abused.~~*  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote**  **for/against this proposal as it directly affects them** |

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| **11** | **Scorers in Cup Finals and Semi Finals**  This proposal strengthens and clarifies the existing Playing Regulations and is based on difficulties experienced in 2013. | **KO Cup Regulations P 22**  **Insert new 6.2 and renumber existing 6.2 and 6.3**  **6.2 Clubs must provide a competent scorer and a 12th man in all KO Semi Finals and Finals. In the event of there being no scorer provided, a player or the 12th man will be nominated as scorer to the umpires and will fulfill this role for the duration of the game. The club concerned will be fined £20.**  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote**  **for/against this proposal as it directly affects them** |
| **12** | **Procedures for Bowl-Out**  This proposal follows confusions during bowl outs conducted by ECB and LCB in 2013 and sets out in full the exact procedures to be followed in L&DCC matches unlucky enough to need bowl outs. | **KO Cup Regulations P 25**  8.3 **Bowl-out**  If a match cannot be completed, either as noted in 2.1 above or 9.2.4 below, then a bowl out may be used (or ordered) to determine the winning team using the following procedure.  8.3.1 Five players from each team, **in the order nominated** **to the umpires,** will **each** bowl two **fair** over-arm deliveries  ~~each~~ at a wicket and from a wicket (both conforming to Law 8, e.g. **including bails**) pitched at a distance of 22 yards with, if practicable, bowling, popping and return creases (conforming to Law 9).  8.3.1.1 The captains will toss a coin and the winner will decide which team bowls first.  8.3.1.2 The first bowler from Team A will bowl two deliveries, then the first bowler from Team B will bowl two deliveries, then the second bowler from Team A will bowl two deliveries, etc.  8.3.1.3 The team which bowls down the wicket (as defined in Law 28.1) most times shall be the winner.  8.3.2 If the scores are equal, the ~~same~~ **other** players **from each team** will bowl, **in the order nominated to the umpires,** one ball each alternately to achieve a result on a ‘sudden death’ basis ~~(the order in which the bowlers bowl in the sudden death may differ from the first stage of the bowl out).~~  8.3.3 If circumstances make the bowl out impossible, the match shall be decided by the toss of a coin.  8.3.4 The following shall also apply in respect of ‘bowl-outs’:  **8.3.4.1 One umpire will stand at the bowlers end to adjudge ‘no balls’, the other will stand square to the target wicket to remake the wicket and check the position of a wicket-keeper**.  8.3.4.**2** The same suitably acceptable ball (not a new one) will be used by both teams. If this ball becomes wet, it may be changed subject to the Umpires’ approval.  8.3.4.**3** If a bowler bowls a ‘no ball’ it will count as one of his two deliveries but will not count towards the score of the team. **A fair delivery must pitch before reaching the wicket and only bounce once.**  8.3.4.**4** If the original match has started, the five cricketers to take part in the ‘bowl-out’ must be selected from the 11 players named on the team sheet. **If there has been no play in the original match (ie the toss has not taken place), the five cricketers may be selected from any of the players in the squad as registered on Play-Cricket.**  8.3.4.5 Each team will appoint a wicket-keeper to stand behind the wicket but out of reach of the stumps.  **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote**  **for/against this proposal as it could directly affect them** |

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| **13** | **Increased use of pink balls in Embee and t20**  This proposal is to some extent self explanatory.  Pink balls are cheaper than red ones (£13 c.f. £16-20) and feedback suggests that players at all levels enjoy using them as they are something a little different.  Their increased use might also assist L&DCC clubs in the ECB rounds of that t20 competition.  M/C intends to bulk buy the pink balls to a collated order from the clubs so as to minimise their price to the clubs. | **ECB National Club t20 2014 Competition Rules P 33**  **ECB National t20 L&DCC rounds**  **Insert new 7.3**  **7 Balls**  **7.1 For each match from the Area Finals onwards ECB will supply pink Tiflex Oxbridge Magna balls to the host club.**  **7.2 The use of the pink Tiflex Oxbridge Magna ball is mandatory in the semi Finals and Final of the L&DCC t20 Competition rounds. The balls will be provided by L&DCC.**  **7. 3 The use of the pink Tiflex Oxbridge Magna ball is also permitted in the earlier L&DCC local t20 Competition rounds subject always to both teams using them. Each club will provide their own ball. Should a pink ball be lost during a match and there is no suitable pink spare available, a red ball of appropriate quality may be substituted.**  **Embee Trophy P39**  **Amend Clause 1 as follows:**   1. **The Embee Trophy KO competition:**    1. **is also subject to the general rules for 1st and 2nd XI KO competitions in respect of draws, player eligibility etc, provided elsewhere in this Handbook;**    2. **The use of the pink Tiflex Oxbridge Magna ball is mandatory in the semi Finals and Final. The balls will be provided by L&DCC; and**    3. **The use of the pink Tiflex Oxbridge Magna ball is also permitted in the earlier Embee Cup rounds subject always to both teams using them. Each club will provide their own ball. Should a pink ball be lost during a match and there is no suitable pink spare available, a red ball of appropriate quality may be substituted.**   **With the permission of the meeting Associate Member Clubs ARE eligible to vote**  **for/against this proposal as it directly affects them** |
| **NOTIFICATION** | **L&DCC position on 2013 updates to Laws of Cricket**  **Redraft of the Laws of Cricket 2000 code (5th edition 2013)**  **The MI L&DCC is a fully accredited ECB Premier League and as such must implement the current Laws of Cricket in full.** | **Playing Regulations P8**  **1. Competitions**  1.1.1 The Management Committee will organise league and knockout competitions for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd XIs.All matches will be played under the MCC Laws of Cricket (latest edition) except where these Regulations provide otherwise. Matches will be decided on one innings of each team.  **To include all changes to Laws including :**  **2.8 / 5.4 / 17 various / 18 various / 19.3 / 23.1 / 24.6 / 25.8 / 30.1 / 32 various / 33 various / 34 various / 37 various / 38 various / 39 various / 41.3 / Appendix D** |
| **NOTIFICATION** | **MCUA Fees notification**  **This notification is required under regulation 8.1.2 and follows careful consultations between MCUA Cr Co and M/C.** | **Playing Regulations P15**  8.1.2 Each umpire will receive travelling expenses, payable BEFORE the start of the match, of an amount as from time to time agreed by the Management Committee in consultation with the MCUA and notified to clubs at the start of the season, the cost being shared equally by the participating clubs. In the event of these not being provided before the start of the match, the umpires are obliged to record the fact on their match report card and an automatic fine of £25.00 will be imposed  **£40 fee for league/cup games,**  **£20 fee for t20 games,**  **£20 fee for cup games rearranged as t20s and approved as such only in exceptional circumstances by the Management Committee.** |

**Agenda Item 12**

**ECB/LCB/L&DCC Memorandum of Understanding 1st Oct 2013 - 30th Sept 2017**

All Premier Leagues and their County Boards countrywide are now required to follow similar procedures arising out of the ECB/Sport England "MoU". To this end:

(i) The jointly agreed L&DCC/LCB papers are to be signed off by ECB early in the New Year

A number arising from these papers and in 2014 the L&DCC will

(ii) Be making a clear participation offer to all players and clubs:

It also intends to consult clubs over:

(iii) The possible provision of more L&DCC Indoor Winter League Cricket

(iv) The possible establishment of an L&DCC "Over 40s" midweek league t20 competition in the future

**Agenda Item 13:**

**“Opening Up”** - A presentation from Mark Boyns (Sefton Park CC) on the work they are continuing with CALM (Campaign against Living Miserably) raising awareness of the high suicide rate among young men.

**Agenda Item 14:**

**MCUA Report**

**Agenda Item 15:**

**Notices**

**15.1 Cricket Committee members 2014**

Fleetwood Hesketh CC representing the Premier Division

Lytham CC representing the Premier Division

Liverpool CC representing the First Division

Newton le Willows CC representing the First Division

Alder CC representing the Second Division

Birkenhead St Marys CC representing the Second Division

**15.2 League structure for 2014 of the Mi L&DCC - an ECB Premier League**

**1st XI**

**Premier Division (12) First Division (12) Second Division (12)**

Birkenhead Park Ainsdale Alder

Bootle Colwyn Bay Birkenhead St Mary’s

Fleetwood Hesketh Highfield Burscough

Leigh Hightown Caldy

Lytham Liverpool Formby

Maghull Newton le Willows Old Xaverians

New Brighton Northop Hall Parkfield Liscard

Northern Orrell Red Triangle Prestatyn

Ormskirk Rainford St. Helens Town

Rainhill Sefton Park Skelmersdale

Southport and Birkdale Wavertree Springview

Wallasey Wigan Sutton (St Helens)

**2nd XI**

**Premier Division (12) First Division (12) Second Division (12)**

Birkenhead Park Ainsdale Alder

Bootle Fleetwood Hesketh Birkenhead St Mary’s

Colwyn Bay Highfield Burscough

Formby Leigh Caldy

Liverpool Lytham Hightown

Maghull Northop Hall Newton le Willows

New Brighton Orrell Red Triangle Old Xaverians

Northern Rainford Parkfield Liscard

Ormskirk Rainhill Prestatyn

Sefton Park St. Helens Town Skelmersdale

Southport and Birkdale Wavertree Springview

Wallasey Wigan Sutton (St Helens)

**3rd XI - Saturday Competition**

**Premier Division (12) 1st Division (13/14)**

**Birchfield Park 1** Alder 3

**Birkenhead Park 3 Birchfield Park 2**

Bootle 3 **Birkenhead Park 4**

**Liverpool 3** **Caldy 3**

**Maghull 3****Caldy 4 Denotes**

**Merseyside Sports & Cultural 1** **Goodlass 1** **Ground share**

**New Brighton (AMcW)** **Liverpool 4**

**Northern 3** **Maghull 4**

**Northern 4** **New Brighton (DC)**

Ormskirk 3Northern 5

**Sefton Park 3****Sefton Park 4**

**Wallasey 3**Sefton Park 5

**Wavertree 3**

**3rd XI - Sunday Competition**

**Premier Division (10) 1st Div (North East) (11/12) 1st Div (South West) (10)**

Bootle 4 Ainsdale 3 Alder 4

**Formby 3** Fleetwood Hesketh 3 Birkenhead St Mary’s 3

**Highfield 3** **Highfield 4** Colwyn Bay 3

Lytham 3 Leigh 3 **Formby 4**

Northop Hall 3 Maghull 5 Hightown 3

**Orrell Red Triangle 3** Newton le W 3 Mossley Hill 3

Rainford 3 Norley Hall 3 Old Xaverians 3

Rainhill 3 **Orrell Red Triangle 4** Parkfield Liscard 3

St Helens Town 3 Skelmersdale 3 Prestatyn 3

Southport & Birkdale 3 Springview 3 Sefton Park Sunday XI

Wigan 3

**15.3 MI L&DCC meetings 2014/2015**

**Dates of next meetings**

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| **Meeting** | **Date** | **Venue** | **Time** | **Meeting** | **Date** | **Venue** | **Time** |
| **AGM 2014** | **Tues Jan 14th** | **Bootle** CC | **7.30pm** | **Cr Co** | **Tues August 19th** | **Bootle** CC | **7.00pm** |
| **M/C** | **Tues Jan 28th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** | **M/C** | **Tues August 26th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** |
| **Cr Co** | **Tues Feb 18th** | **Bootle CC** | **7.00pm** | **Cr Co** | **Tues Sept 23rd** | **Rainhill CC** | **7.00pm** |
| **M/C** | **Tues Feb 25th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** | **M/C** | **Tues Sept 30th** | **Parkfield Liscard** CC | **6.00pm** |
| **Cr Co** | **Tues March 18th** | **Rainhill CC** | **7.00pm** | **EoS**  **SGM** | **Tues Oct 7th** | **SP CC** | **7.30pm** |
| **LCB & L&DCC** | **Thur**  **March 20th** | **Old Trafford** | **2-4pm** | **Annual**  **Dinner** | **Fri Oct 10th** | **Bootle CC** | **7.30pm** |
| **M/C** | **Tues March 25th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** | **Cr Co** | **Tues Oct 21st** | **Bootle** CC | **7.00pm** |
| **Captains Conference / TCS Live Update** | **Sun March 23rd** | **Bootle** CC | **10.00 am** | **M/C** | **Tues October 28th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** |
| **Pre Season SGM** | **Tues April 8th** | **Sefton Park** CC | **7.30 pm** | **3rd XI**  **EoS SGM** | **Tues Nov 11th** | **SP CC** | **7.30pm** |
| **Cr Co** | **Tues April 22nd** | **Bootle** CC | **7.00pm** | **Cr Co** | **Tues Nov 18th** | **Rainhill CC** | **7.00pm** |
| **M/C** | **Tues April 29th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** | **M/C** | **Tues Nov 25th** | **Parkfield Liscard CC** | **6.00pm** |
| **Cr Co** | **Tues May 20th** | **Rainhill CC** | **7.00pm** | **~~Cr Co~~** | **~~Tues Dec 23rd~~** | **~~Rainhill CC~~** |  |
| **M/C** | **Tues May 27th** | **Parkfield Liscard** CC | **6.00pm** | **M/C** | **Tues December 30th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** |
| **Cr Co** | **Tues June 17th** | **Bootle** CC | **7.00pm** | **AGM**  **2015** | **Tues Jan 13th 2015** | **Bootle** CC | **7.30pm** |
| **M/C** | **Tues June 24th** | **Bootle** CC | **6.00pm** | **M/C** | **Tues January 27th** | **Parkfield Liscard CC** | **6.00pm** |
| **Cr Co** | **Tues July 22nd** | **Rainhill CC** | **7.00pm** |  |  |  |  |
| **M/C** | **Tues July 29th** | **Parkfield Liscard** CC | **6.00pm** |  |  |  |  |

**Agenda Item 16:**

**Closure of meeting**