

Bronze CC AGM on Thursday 17th November 2022 at 7:30pm

Attendance (17):

Guv Bahia (GB), Tom Bennett (TB), Matt Coley (MC), Richard Croft (RC), Gerald Cunningham (GC), Tony Forrester (TF), Olly Freeman (OF), Derek Freeman (DF), Glenn Humphries (GH), Tom Jukes (TJ), Mo Kasujee (MK), Daniel Lamb (DL), Jon Macey (JM), Liz Macey (LM), Shivam Paw (SP), Arjun Shinh (AS), Craig Wood (CW).

Apologies:

Barry Macey, Duncan Coley, Steve Whittall.

Treasurers Report:

- JM presented the 2022 figures which included huge investment in facilities including electronic scoreboard, pitch camera, CCTV and new (second hand) square mower.
- Small deficit of approximately £xxx but spend dramatically improved facilities.
- JM answered questions and made observations on specific positives and negatives including a huge increase in bar takings, while insurance and electricity charges increased.
- The year ended with a bank balance of £xxx.
- JM proposed annual subscriptions & match fees remain as 2021. Membership approved.

Secretary's Report:

- The club year immediately had bad news when we lost a quantity of players who had historically played in the Saturday 2nd XI and Sunday team. Many went with our blessing, while others are still dearly missed. There ARE players who would be enthusiastically welcomed back, and I've told these people on MANY occasions about my thoughts on them coming back to the Bronze weekend teams. But the subsequent abusive Facebook post reiterated that the club is better off without most of those who left. Because of this it left 2nd XI struggling for players. Thanks to Shivam and Ikky for finding players to complete the season.
- We need to attract more adult players as it appears junior players are preferring to play Sunday cricket, but we can't keep going back to the "well of Ikky". REMEMBER. All playing members need to look back at where they started in cricket. Without a Sat 2nd XI the 1st XI would be getting ready to play in division 5 west next season.
- The 2nd XI were unfortunately relegated to the WCCL's lowest division. We need to strengthen the 2nd XI as I noted earlier. Shiv will detail more in his captain's report.
- 1st XI attained division 3 safety easily, excellently captained by Olly on one leg. I think Olly will explain how a settled side made the season comfortable.
- The Sunday team won division 3. Excellent cricket, excellent support by junior players selected by Shiv. I watched lots of games. Really enjoyable, and like I said it was good to see juniors taking a major role in the games. Special mention to Daniel Lamb. He would admit he's not the most gifted cricketer, but he's definitely the most enthusiastic. Even when not selected he came to support the team. Well done Daniel!
- I attended many junior games, not as many as I would have liked, but I was very impressed with the quality of the juniors coming through the system. Parent interaction was excellent and the night at Aldridge where the U15's won will be remembered for a long time. Huge thanks to all the coaches' parents and helpers.

- The club struggled with the weather, and Barry & Derek worked like Trojans to keep the pitch watered and as well as playing great, it looked great too. Huge thank you to both of you.
- Need to mention Shiv and Jon who worked together to get the electronic scoreboard installed. Then they sourced and organised the camera that we see on the sight screen at the field end. Huge thanks to them and it looks great.
- The Barry Wood day was a fantastic success again, and thanks to Liz's parents for stepping in at the last moment after the caterer let us down. I also believe Guv very kindly supplied vegetarian food at his own cost. Thanks to everyone for making the day such a success.
- If I missed someone to thank, I apologise, but our club only survives through the goodwill of volunteers, and thankfully there are many of them who keep the club going. So, again I apologise if I've missed someone who has played a critical role in keeping our club going.
- To summarise, I believe the 2022 season was one of the most harmonious seasons at Chapel Lane. Players and members alike mixed all season long, and the bar takings is proof of that.
- Lastly, I'd like to thank the club for allowing me to play on this wonderful ground, and for also granting me the honour of representing Bronze CC on the committee for about 30 years and 20 odd years as secretary.

Captain's Reports:

- 1st XI Olly Freeman: Excellent season, thanks to MC for stepping in during injury recuperation. Advised most fun season on and off the pitch. Big positive was addition of Corey Lamburn to bolster the bowling attack.
- 2nd XI Shivam Paw: Disappointing season culminating in relegation. Low squad depth at times made games tricky but there was good potential showed by juniors.
- Sunday XI Shivam Paw: Excellent season as won division 3 with a game to spare. Excellent junior involvement. Special mention to Will Ford and all the juniors who stepped up.

Election of Officers:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Proposer / Seconder</u>
• President	Richard Croft	TF / JM
• Chairman	Steve Whittall	LM / CW
• Treasurer + Youth	Jon Macey	OF / TF
• Secretary + Safeguarding	Shivam Paw	TB / RC
• Social	Liz Macey	CW / GH

Election of Captains:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Proposer / Seconder</u>
• 1 st XI captain	Olly Freeman	TJ / SP
• 2 nd XI captain	Glenn Humphries	OF / DL
• Sunday captain	Shivam Paw	GH / DF

Rule Changes:

SP proposed changes to the constitution to comply with ECB recommendations.

For Club mark we need to make some changes to the constitution:

* Replace section (1) with:

(1) Title & Affiliation

(a) The club shall be called BRONZE CRICKET CLUB and will hereafter be referred to as THE CLUB.

(b) The Club is affiliated to the England and Wales Cricket Board through Staffordshire Cricket Board.

(c) The Club and its members shall ensure that members, playing and non-playing, abide by the ECB Code of Conduct which incorporates the Spirit of Cricket and by the Laws of Cricket.

(d) The Club shall adopt and implement the ECB Safe Hands – Cricket’s Policy for Safeguarding Children and any future versions of the policy. The Club must also have a separate club safeguarding Policy Statement, as required by the ECB.

(e) The Club shall adopt and implement the ECB Anti-Discrimination Code of Conduct and any future versions of this policy.

Membership passed the rule changes.

Election of Management Committee:

- Barry Macey, Olly Freeman, Derek Freeman, Mo Kasujee, Tom Jukes, Craig Wood, Arjun Shinh.

LM presented a list of roles and expected duties. All committee members agreed that the requirements were acceptable, and all decided to stay with their application.

Any other business:

- AS asked how selection works? OF confirmed it’s decided between the 1st & 2nd XI captain based on merit and performances.
- SP confirmed winter nets will have a new location (Queen Mary’s) only 4-5 weeks and 1.5 hours duration per session.
- GB asked if end of season junior awards can be less “stats based”. JM confirmed the “coach’s award” covers none-statistical base. LM suggested a medal for all junior players.
- MK asked if a trophy cabinet can be sourced / created. Committee to confirm.

Meeting ended at 10:15pm