

CERN Cricket Club
2015 Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 24 November 2015 @ 18.30h No.1 Restaurant (NOVAE), CERN Meyrin

MINUTES

Present: J. Osborne, W. Salter, D. Allen, I. Ahmed, D. Ahmed, S. Ahmed, Irsalan Ahmed, S. Shaheen, C. Onions, M. Martin, D. Nawaz, S. Muzaffar, C. Carter, T. Goodyear.

1. Opening of the meeting/Adoption of the agenda/Apologies for absence

President Chris Onions opened the **50th AGM** of CERN CC at **18.42h**. The agenda was adopted. Apologies for absence were received from: Bryan Pattison, Pascal Badan, Claston D'Mello and Peter Crook.

2. Minutes of the 2014 AGM

The Minutes of the 2014 AGM were agreed and accepted.

These can be read at:

<http://cern.ch/cricket/2014/CERNCCAGMMinutes2014.pdf>

The AGM then heard reports on 2015 from Imtiaz Ahmed (Captain), Wayne Salter (Treasurer), John Osborne (Vice-President and Groundsman) and Imtiaz Ahmed (i/c kit, in the absence of Peter Crook). **All were well-received and applauded.**

3. Captain's Report for 2015

Imtiaz thanked Secretary Tim Goodyear for scheduling 25 games, of which 21 were actually played; Imtiaz captained CERN in 17 of these; CERN seems good at the 40-over game, winning all 5 League fixtures – but bad at the 20-over game, losing all 6 of the T20 Pickwick games; CERN featured in the League semi-final for the second year running, losing to Nomads at Prévessin; Richard Parker was best player of the season; Waqar Ahmed scored a lot of runs and Dawood Ahmed took a lot of wickets; Imtiaz won the Eifion Jones trophy; 40 players represented the Club during the season; We all hope that Matthew Martin is fit for the whole of the 2016 season.

Read Imtiaz's full report at:

<http://cern.ch/cricket/2015/CaptainsReport2015.pdf>

4. Treasurer's Report for 2015

Wayne told the Meeting that the reduced positive balance in the accounts (of under CHF 12,000 compared to CHF 31,100 in 2014) reflected the investment in Hut and Ground improvements of just under CHF 20,000. Kit expenditure was down, after relatively high outlays in 2014. Less than 20 player subscriptions had been received (against 27 in 2014). Non-payers who played a lot could be identified from the Club match statistics; it was suggested that a 1 June deadline be set for “pay if you want to play.” CHF 1,800 had been received from the Staff Association.

Wayne's 2015 financial statement is at:

<http://cern.ch/cricket/2015/AGM-Accounts-2015.pdf>

5. Groundsman's Report for 2015

After the massive work of 2014 it might be thought that John Osborne could have a rest in 2015. However, such was not the case. **Two things had been of particular concern – the need to take all personal bags out of the hut ASAP; the need to clean at the end of the season, particularly the 'fridges – which is the Vice-Captain's job to organise.**

Read John's full report at:

<http://cern.ch/cricket/2015/Groundmansreport2015AGM.pdf>

6. Kit Report for 2015

Imtiaz Ahmed presented a full kit inventory. He identified a need for 5 x pairs of R.H. batting gloves, 1 x pair of good-quality wicket-keeping gloves and 3 x elbow guards, by the start of the 2016 season. It was suggested that the 2016 Vice-Captain could obtain these items.

Imtiaz's 2015 kit inventory is at:

http://cern.ch/cricket/2015/Kit_2015.pdf

7. Election of Officers for 2016 Season

Secretary Tim Goodyear said that he had received two responses to his request for Committee nominations. Imtiaz Ahmed had said that he wished to continue as Club captain; Shahzad Muzaffar had proposed a “slate” of candidates consisting of President Chris Onions, Vice-President John Osborne, Secretary Tim Goodyear, Captain Matthew Martin, Vice-Captain Peter Crook, Treasurer Wayne Salter, Groundsman John Osborne, Club Coach – whoever is captain of CERN CC, Match-Manager Organiser – whoever is Vice-Captain of CERN CC., Selection Committee Captain, Vice-Captain and Chris Onions.

An election was held for the post of captain. Imtiaz Ahmed is the 2016 captain. Matthew Martin accepted to be coach. The match-manager organiser is the Club captain – Imtiaz. The selection committee is: captain, vice-captain, coach, i.e. Imtiaz, Peter and Matthew for 2016. **The selection committee must always contain a direct representative of CERN.** The other candidates on Shahzad's “slate” agreed to stay in post.

CERN C.C. still needs a new official Social Convenor – but the Meeting was very appreciative of the efforts of Chris and Margaret Onions on 5 September, organising a dinner and a celebratory match to mark CERN CC.'s 50th anniversary year!

8. Cricket Switzerland affairs and CERN fixtures for 2016

- ✦ **CERN CC. will participate** in the CS 40-over League.
- ✦ **CERN CC. will *not* participate** in the CS T20 Pickwick Cup.
- ✦ Thanks to **John Osborne**, one tour is already fixed for 2016- versus **Trafford Solicitors** at the idyllic grass strip and ground of Riverdale Hall Hotel at **Bellingham, Northumbria, U.K.**, during **July 2 and 3**. This tour is highly recommended – not least because it's **the only current chance that CERN CC. has to play on grass**.
- ✦ There is another highly recommended tour to **St.Vallier (south of France), June 11 and 12**. Several CERN players who were touring for the first time enjoyed this fixture in 2015.

Chris Onions said that the ICC is now talking to both “sides” in the long-running dispute over Swiss international cricket jurisdiction. A resolution could be achieved via the I.O.C.

Cricket Switzerland player registration is scheduled to go online in 2016. Further details will be available at the AGM/Council meetings on 27 February.

9. Any Other Business & Close of Meeting

- ✦ Under a.o.b., Shahzad stated that the 2016 selection committee should consider all the information on any particular player available to them including – critically – their current form, as recorded in the statistics.
- ✦ President Chris Onions closed the Meeting at 19.49h