



2023 CERN CC Annual General Meeting

30 November 2023, 18h30 at CERN (Room C)

Minutes

In attendance: Chris Onions, John Osborne, Saud Ahmed, Irsalan Ahmed, Ian Coltart, Wayne Salter, Dawood Ahmed, Ibtisam Aslam, Drewdan Quimby, Andrew Quimby, Moaz Ahmad, Daniel Lewis.

Apologies for absence: Mathew Martin, Bryan Pattison, Ravi Kanitkar, Pardeep Kumar, Alex Brown

1. Opening of the meeting/adoption of the Agenda/ Apologies for absence

- a. Chris Onions welcomed everyone to the 58th AGM of CERN CC at 18h30. The agenda was adopted unanimously.

2. Minutes of 2022 AGM

- a. The Minutes of the 2022 AGM were adopted; they are available at: <https://cricket.web.cern.ch/cricket/2022/CERNCCAGMMinutes2022.pdf>
- b. The Minutes of the 2022 AGM were adopted unanimously.

3. Captain's Report 2023

- a. Paul was not able to present the report due to his absence. Thus, Saud Ahmed presented the report, which is available at: <https://cricket.web.cern.ch/cricket/2023/CaptainsReport2023.pdf>
- b. In CSPL, we unfortunately won only one match, while in T20 competition we won most of our games but couldn't reach the semi-finals.
- c. Top Performers of 2023 season:
 - i. Leo Joseph with the most runs of this season (570 runs)
 - ii. Bilal Kiani with the highest score of this season (106 runs)
 - iii. Irsalan Ahmed with the most wickets of this season (31 wickets)
 - iv. Saud Ahmed as the most valuable player (MVP) of this season with 25 wickets and 318 runs
- d. We should point out that our fielding was not top notch and thus it is necessary to work on our fielding next year in order to improve.
- e. We announce the team late. In the future, we should have our players' availability by Tuesday or Wednesday and then these players should come on Thursday for training.
- f. We accept the captain's report, noting however that Leo Joseph was not the highest scorer, it was Bilal Kiani with 106 runs in a CSPL match.

4. Treasurer report 2023

- a. Wayne presented his report.
 - i. It is available (with updated numbers to include debts settled at the meeting) at:
<https://cricket.web.cern.ch/cricket/2023/AGM-Accounts-2023.pdf>
 - ii. We have a slight profit this year, notably due to membership fees (especially in the last few days) and Healthy balance of almost 17812 CHF.
 - iii. In terms of Credit, we received an amount of 1100 CHF from CERN staff Association. In total, we have a credit of 3150 CHF.
 - iv. Regarding the debits, we had a total of 2982.90 CHF. Indeed, the club had to pay, as major amounts, 1300 CHF for the Cricket Switzerland subscription, 543 CHF worth of equipment and 305 CHF for the club kit.
 - v. Some players still haven't paid the 2023 Subscriptions and drinks.
 - vi. Chris thanked Wayne for his continued work for the club.

5. Groundsman report 2023

- a. John presented his report, which is available in full at:
<https://cricket.web.cern.ch/cricket/2023/GroundsmansReport2023AGM.pdf>
- b. The nets were destroyed by deer after the last net practice. We will put more substantial barriers around the net **before the start of the 2024 season**. Furthermore, we need to order nets. Tree branches are hanging across the ground, so John has informed the relevant authorities to remove them.
- c. Hut Cleaning: Thanks to Chris Onions, John Osborne, Ian Coltart, Saud Ahmed and Dawood Ahmed for their help.
- d. Chris Onions thanked John Osborne for his work for the club.

6. Kit report 2023

- a. We do not have a kit report unfortunately. However, we need a net for our club. We need at least 24 practice balls (most preferably white balls). We need red balls as well for away matches (in England). We only have one pair of wicket keeper pads; we therefore need one more. We need new league balls. But we will get them after the Cricket Switzerland's AGM. Dawood has 6 used league balls left in his possession. We need small cones for fielding drills. Do we need balls for friendly matches? Dawood Ahmed will look at the friendly balls and the cones.

7. Election of officers 2023

The incumbent committee consisted of: President (Chris Onions), Vice-President (John Osborne), Captain (Paul Partha), Vice-Captain (Pardeep Kumar), Secretary (Saud Ahmed), Treasurer (Wayne Salter), Groundsman (John Osborne), Webmaster (Chris Onions), Match-manager Coordinator (Dawood Ahmed), Social convenor (vacant).

Paul was not present and hadn't responded to emails asking if he was willing to stand again as captain, Dawood Ahmed was voted in as the new captain.

All other positions except vice-captain and match manager coordinator had only one candidate and were voted in as a slate, unanimously. Voters had to have paid their membership fee before

the AGM to be eligible to vote. There were two candidates for vice-captain: Bilal Kiani and Imtiaz Ahmed. Bilal Kiani was voted unanimously as Vice-Captain. There were two candidates for match manager coordinator: Dawood Ahmed and Imtiaz Ahmed. Dawood Ahmed was voted unanimously as our new match manager coordinator. Dawood, as captain, and Bilal, as vice-captain, are by default members of the selection committee. A third member of the selection committee was also needed. Ravi was elected unanimously.

The CERN CC committee for 2023-2024 stands as follow:

- a. President
 - i. Chris Onions
- b. Vice president
 - i. John Osborne
- c. Captain
 - i. Dawood Ahmed
- d. Vice-captain
 - i. Bilal Kiani
- e. Secretary
 - i. Saud Ahmed
- f. Treasurer
 - i. Wayne Salter
- g. Groundsman
 - i. John Osborne
- h. Webmaster
 - i. Chris Onions
- i. Match-manager Coordinator
 - i. Dawood Ahmed
- j. Coach
 - i. Ravi Kanitkar
- k. Social convenor
 - i. There were no volunteers, however Ravi Kanitkar offered to organize something at the beginning of 2024
- l. Selection committee members
 - i. Dawood Ahmed, Bilal Kiani, Ravi Kanitkar

8. Cricket Switzerland & CERN fixtures for 2024

- a. Proposal for a new structure: CSPL (9 Teams), CSNL (9 Teams) and third tier (regional) leagues
- b. For the T20 competition, they proposed to retain the same structure.
- c. Cricket Switzerland had problems regarding players' behaviour and the lack of reporting by umpires, lack of providing umpires, etc.
- d. Cricket Switzerland will adopt new courses for Umpires, the first three levels will be online.
- e. We had 13 T20, 9 40 over friendly matches and 8 CSPL. It would be nice to have more 40 overs friendly matches.
- f. We should contact the team from England again to convince them to play at CERN since there was a communication problem with the latter team.

- g. A fixture has been organised to the South of France (7-8 September 2024 → John is match manager). Please inform John whether you are available.

9. Any other Business

- a. It is unacceptable to see CERN's players shouting and sledging at other players, and contesting the Umpire's decisions, etc. Moreover, we saw players leaving the game before the match is finished which is unacceptable.
- b. A link to the 'Guidelines for Playing Cricket with the CERN Cricket Club' is sent to all new players when they register. It will be made more visible on our home page and will include a link to the Cricket Switzerland Code of Behaviour. Players should agree to these guidelines and, to achieve this objective, CERN Cricket Club should send the Code to each player and ask them to sign it and send it back electronically.

10. Close of the Meeting

- a. Meeting closed at 19:51.