



## MEETING MINUTES

MEETING NAME	<b>Midlands Regional Young Umpiring Action Group – Management Committee</b>	Held at	Groby Community College, Ratby
		DATE	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2011
LEAD	John Litchfield	NOTE TAKER	Margaret McLoughlin
Present	JDL, MM, Marc Abraham, Pat College, Ed Westbrook, Saul Shohet		
Apologies	Steve Tabb and Kevin Freeman		

	TOPIC	ACTION
2	<p><b>Minutes arising from 11 October 2010 (not covered by Agenda items).</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- No update from England Hockey re raising umpiring priority within JDC/JAC activity.</li> <li>- Still no news on finding welfare officer</li> <li>- Remove issue re a course for umpires on cards from agenda</li> </ul>	<b>SD EL</b>
3	<p><b>Finance Update.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There had been little activity since the last meeting.</li> <li>• W/Mids academy had offered payment for coaches services and where to be invited to send a donation if they wished (umpires to be paid by the counties). [ST had sent the following - I had proposed asking Sport Structures submit an Award for All application on our behalf, but we never reached a conclusion about whether I should proceed with that or not. To be deferred for further discussion].</li> <li>• Further clarification on birthday enhancement for the website proved that it was not what we needed to add 'value' to our options.</li> </ul>	<b>JDL</b>
4	<p><b>Mentors Panel</b></p> <p>Ed presented his draft paper on guidance for the mentor's panel which had been circulated and had comment made. After a couple of minor alterations the document was agreed. Copy to be placed on website and sent to all current mentors panel.</p>	<b>MM/ EW</b>
5	<p><b>CRB checks</b></p> <p>List reviewed. Linda Hamilton, Emily Bower and James Barnes still to be targeted. Will and Georgina Hessey hopefully been progressed via Shropshire. Elaina Leithead current details to be sought as are Helen Russell's. SS to check with Tex Solutions to remove people no longer in the country.</p>	<b>JDL</b>
6	<p><b>Review of Membership of MRYUAG Executive Group</b></p> <p>Midland Women's umpiring has approached Jo Brocksopp as Pat's replacement and this nomination was accepted by the group. She is to be invited (and added to the circulation) in readiness for the next meeting. Work continues to identify other representatives.</p>	<b>JDL</b>
7	<p><b>Membership progress report</b></p> <p><u>FUTURE EVENTS</u></p> <p>The JAC round robin games have now started. It looks likely that we can continue to support events with coaches</p> <p>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March - U15/16/17 – we are work with Nottinghamshire</p> <p>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> March - U13/14 phase 2 – so far we are working with Leicestershire</p> <p>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April Club Mini finals at Cannock – awaiting finalised details from the organisers but looking to be very short of umpires.</p> <p>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May U16/17, 5 venues (Final Tournaments).</p> <p>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May U13/14/15, 4 venues (Final Tournaments).</p> <p>MA reported on the success in using some of the Rugby school games and it was shown that these games will provide another great avenue to bring young umpires through, away from the formal league structure. It needs both a school and a coach commitment as well as young umpire's to make this work.</p> <p>BUC's games next year still offer coaching opportunities.</p>	<b>MA MM</b>

	<p>The number of umpires for the Midland Mini U12 clubs was discussed. Full update not available from KF and it looks as if we would be short. JDL to make an early approach to BCHUA to see if any volunteers may offer assistance. MM to progress as much as she could. JDL to assign coaches from availability.</p> <p>Any new young umpires are not to be added as members as yet, but selected approaches made after Mini's.</p> <p>An offer had been made via Jeanne Freeman to cover some if not all of our costs. SS to be asked to provide previous years totals and to be passed on.</p>	<p><b>JDL</b></p> <p><b>MM</b></p> <p><b>SS/MM</b></p>
8	<p><b>Development of County YUAG's</b></p> <p>A change of tactics this year saw the group making an offer to all the counties. If they could find a small group of young people wanting to umpire, that we would supply the coach free of charge. Three counties, Derbyshire, Leicestershire and West Midlands, took up the challenge. Each coach reported that a pleasing degree of talent and enthusiasm was found amongst the youngsters, but when the question came to use them again, we hit a barrier that most were also current squad members within several of the age groups thus making them unavailable for appointment.</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p>
9	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>National Mini Hockey Finals 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at Cannock H.C.</p> <p>Just after this meeting agenda was circulated the information regarding the above had been circulated. Only 3 YU's one of whom must be a girl. They would umpire the schools U13 on the Friday have a development day in the Saturday and do the club U12's on the Sunday. Because there is no sponsor this year each candidate will be charged £40. We discussed where this funding would come from (it covered 2 nights at the hotel B+B and evening meal and lunch at the club).</p> <p>MM, JDL and MA to meet 6/4/11 to make final decisions.</p>	
10	<p><b>Date and venue of Next Main Committee Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2011 at venue to be confirmed</p>	<p><b>Venue booking to be conf.</b></p>