

## WORCESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CRICKET OFFICIALS

44<sup>TH</sup>/1<sup>ST</sup> Annual General Meeting held at The Graeme Hick Pavilion,  
County Ground, New Road, Worcester on the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 8.00pm

### Minutes

- 1 Chairman's Welcome
- 2 In Memoriam – The Chairman reported the sad loss of former Chairman, John Collins, as well as Ian Bell and David Patten all of whom had made a significant contribution to cricket in Worcestershire
- 3 Apologies – no apologies recorded
- 4 Minutes of the 2014 Annual General Meeting - It was proposed by H Burley and seconded by I Bevers that the minutes, having been circulated, be signed as a true record. All were in favour.
- 5 Matters Arising – no matters arising
- 6 Chairman's Report - The Chairman spoke to his report that had been previously circulated. There were no questions.
- 7 Secretary's Report – The Acting Secretary, Geoff Gilbert, confirmed he could not add to the report presented to the meeting by outgoing Secretary, Derek Smith. There were no questions.
- 8 Treasurer's Report - The Hon. Treasurer stated that he had nothing to add to his report and invited questions. There were no questions.
- 9 Appointments Officer's Report – The Appointment's Officer spoke to his report and there were no questions
- 10 Scorers Officer's Report – The Scorer's Officer spoke to his report and there were no questions
- 11 Education Officer's Report – The Education Officer spoke to his report adding that there would be a Level 1 Course starting in November with currently 6 candidates
- 12 Performance Officer's Report – The performance Officer spoke to his report and added that ECB ACO and Worcestershire Grades would be made available by end of November 2015

It was proposed by David Williams and seconded by Howard Burley that these Officers' reports should be accepted en bloc. The Meeting duly accepted them.

- 13 Ryan Bowler Award – Chairman confirmed that the recipient this year is Mike Greenfield for ‘services to the Association’ and he would be presented with the award at the Annual Dinner in October.
- 14 Tim Granger Award – (for candidate who achieved highest marks in the Level 1 examination for umpires or scorers) Recipient for 2015 is Alexander Sly. The award to be presented at the Annual Dinner.
- 15 Election of Officers

All of the current committee with the exception of Derek Smith as Secretary had agreed to be put forward for re-election. It was proposed by the Committee that the Acting Secretary, Geoff Gilbert should stand as Secretary for 2015/16.

As there were no other nominations it was proposed by Howard Burley and seconded by Mike Neal that all those standing for re-election or election should be voted in en bloc

Meeting duly voted the following as officers of Worcestershire ACO for 2015/16 with no dissenters

President – Bill Smith  
Chairman – David Gower  
Secretary – Geoff Gilbert  
Treasurer – Rod Lane  
Appointments Officer – Chris Bryant  
Performance Officer – Rob Murphy  
Education Officer – Dennis Pyke  
Scorers’ Officer – Phil Mellish  
Welfare Officer – Howard Burley

Life Members – it was proposed by Chairman and seconded by President that the meeting confirm the acceptance of the invitation to be Life Members of the Association by Mike Neal and Tom Gray.

Vice-Presidents – all current Vice Presidents whom the Association understood to be still ‘standing’ were proposed for re-election as is the traditional protocol. In addition Chairman and President asked the meeting for confirm the invitation accepted by Nigel Cowley, Chris Kelly and Richard Illingworth to be Vice-Presidents of the Association.

Meeting confirmed these proposals without any dissenters.

16 Any Other Business

- 16.1 Thank you from Worcestershire Cricket Board by Gary Robeson to all Umpires and Scorers for their efforts during the season; for the Association for its education and training work to improve the quality of umpiring in Worcestershire; and for the work of the Association in paying Match expenses for umpires
- 16.2 It was confirmed that the WACO Annual Dinner would be taking place on October 12<sup>th</sup> at Ombersley Golf Club with tickets at subsidised rate of £12.00 to all who attend
- 16.3 There would be an opportunity for members to attend the ECB ACO Regional Conference in Nottingham on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2015. The Secretary would circulate details for booking.
- 16.4 Should there be a WACO Social Experience or Not? Not only would we need to provide a 'star attraction' but members would need to show an interest and attend! The Committee would work to providing this opportunity.

Meeting closed at 20.50pm

**Signed as a true record:** .....

**Dated:** ...