



Bassetlaw and District Umpires' Association

NEWSLETTER

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Umpires

Everyone of you knows that there is a continuing shortage of Umpires, in not just our league, but the whole of the country. I would ask all of you as you go around the grounds this summer to speak to Club Captains and Officials and urge them to encourage their members to take up umpiring. You know from your experience how rewarding it is. There is nothing better than playing but once you can no longer do that Umpiring isn't a bad substitute. There will be once again this winter, courses at both Hasland and Cuckney, organised by the Derbys ACO & Notts ACO. Anyone interested should contact myself and I will ensure they are enrolled on one of the courses. E.Devney.

Date of Winter meetings at Cuckney Cricket Club

The winter meetings will again take place at Cuckney Cricket Club at 2.30pm. The dates are as follows:

3rd October 2009, AGM.
7th November 2009,
5th December 2009,
9th January 2010,
6th February 2010,
6th March 2010,
10th April 2010.

Umpires' Facilities

If you find particularly poor facilities for Umpires at Bassetlaw clubs, please let the Secretary know. It would be nice to hear about good facilities and hospitality for umpires, too. If necessary, we will compile a report to the League.

POSTAGE

The Post Office have recently increased the cost of Postage; it has, therefore, been necessary for the Association to also increase its charge to members for sending out merchandise. First class letter post is now 39p and Second class 30p with the subsequent increase in all other postage.

STOCK UP FOR THE 2009 SEASON

All available from the Secretary: 30 x 60-over Match Cards £3-00 + 76p postage. Association Tie £10-00 + postage. 60 Year Jubilee Tie £12-50 + postage. Standard Bails £5-00 + postage. Umpire's Counter £8-50 + postage Bowler's marker £0.50 each + postage. 2003 edition of the 2000 Code: Laws of Cricket £2-50 + postage. Tom Smith £10-00 + postage.

Young Fast Bowler Regulations

The Regulations pertaining to Young Fast Bowlers in the League Handbook are incorrect. The need for young bowlers to have a maximum number of spells per day is no longer valid. All young fast bowlers can now bowl their overs in as few or as many spells as necessary, however the maximum overs in one spell remains the same. The interval between spells remains unchanged, he/she cannot bowl again from either end until the equivalent number of overs to the length of his/her spell have been bowled from the same end as they were bowling at.

Up to 13	8 overs per day with a maximum of 4 overs in one spell
U14,U15	10 overs per day with a maximum of 5 overs in one spell
U16,U17	18 overs per day*, with a maximum of 6 overs in one spell
U19	21 overs per day*, with a maximum of 7 overs in one spell

*These of course will be limited to the maximum allowed in the League Division or competition they are involved in.

Captains Umpires Assessments Championship & Division 1

The submitting of Captains Umpires Assessments for this season has been excellent so far. Could we ask that anyone umpiring Championship and Division One matches take the opportunity at the end of the game to remind Captains to submit their assessments.

We do not want a repeat of last year when several clubs were fined for not submitting assessments.

CRB CLEARANCE

Members renewing their CRB should inform the Secretary of their new CRB Certificate number and the issue date as a matter of course.

It is a legal requirement that the Association ensures that all officiating Umpires are CRB cleared, it is therefore very important that members comply with this request.

Leg side Wide Deliveries in the Championship

There is, or appears to be, still some umpires who do not award leg side wides consistently in the Championship. We are being criticized for not being consistent.

The League Rule is clear, if the ball passes BEHIND the batsman and OUTSIDE the markings which are one foot from the LEG stump then a WIDE BALL should be called and signalled. If every umpire does that then we will have consistency through out the Championship.

It is important to be consistent, if all umpires do the same thing then there will be no come back from the players.

Time Limit for the Bowling of overs.

Please ensure that time limits are strictly adhered to. Remind Captains on the hour, every hour, how many overs have been bowled. Going over the time limit will mean a points deduction for the offending team. To help in this, ensure that Batsmen are ready to receive the delivery and not chatting in the middle of the pitch! It beats me what they find to talk about at the end of every over!