



Bassetlaw and District Umpires' Association

# NEWSLETTER

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## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**THE AGM OF THE ASSOCIATION WAS HELD AT CUCKNEY CRICKET CLUB ON OCTOBER 1ST 2011 THE FOLLOWING OFFICIALS WERE ELECTED;**

**PRESIDENT - MJ SMEDLEY**  
**CHAIRMAN - B RIVINGTON**  
**APPOINTMENTS SECRETARY - JJ LEANING**  
**SECRETARY/TREASURER - E DEVNEY**  
**MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - DICK ARTHUR, MICK BONSALL, MARTIN CANNON, BRIAN CARTWRIGHT, RUSSELL DODD, GERRY GRANEY, DAVID HODGKIN, BRIAN LENIHAN, IAN RICH AND JOHN SINGLETON .**

**51 MEMBERS ATTENDED THE MEETING WERE THE SECRETARY PRESENTED THE ACCOUNTS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE YEAR AND REPORTED ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE. HE THANKED IN PARTICULAR PETER MCKENZIE WHO WAS RETIRING FROM THE COMMITTEE FOR ALL HIS EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THE ASSOCIATION DURING HIS TIME AS SECRETARY AND COMMITTEE MEMBER. HE ALSO THANKED CUCKNEY CC FOR THE USE OF THEIR FACILITIES AND PAUL BARKER FOR ARRANGING SPEAKERS FOR THE WINTER MEETINGS. MOST OF ALL HE THANKED THE MEMBERS FOR THEIR CONTINUED EFFORTS IN PROVIDING A CONSISTENTLY HIGH STANDARD OF UMPIRING THROUGH OUT THE BASSETLAW LEAGUE.**

### SUBSCRIPTIONS 2011/12

Members Subscriptions are now due for season 2012. The 50% discount of £7 ended on November 5th 2011 therefore Subs are now £10.50 until January 7th 2012 and thereafter the full £14. So please pay early for a considerable saving.

### OVER'S PER BOWLER

Number of Over's to be bowled by individual bowler when Over's are carried forward from 1st Innings to 2nd Innings.

**ONLY WHEN A TEAM DECLARES** it's first innings does the number of overs per bowler increase in the second innings when that team bowls. Refer to table in handbook for increase. It does not increase if the team batting first is bowled out with over's to be carried forward; it remains at 15 (50 + c/fwd overs) or 13 (46 + c/fwd overs).

None of this affects the number of over's a young fast bowler may bowl, they remain governed by the limits of the ECB Directive.

## CRB

The BDUA Secretary, Ervin Devney, has now taken over the maintenance of CRB records for the Association from Peter McKenzie. Because of the change in how TMG issue renewal notices there will no longer be specific signing evenings. It will therefore be the responsibility of individual members to complete, have verified, and return their CRB Applications to TMG. It will also be their responsibility to inform The BDUA Secretary of their new CRB Certificate Number and its issue date. Remember without CRB certification and without informing the Association Secretary you cannot umpire.

### League AGM

The League AGM took place at Cuckney on 19th November 2011. The AGM saw the announcement that John Leaning (Hon Appointments Secretary) would be President of the League in 2012, this followed a successful year as President for another one of our members John Heaman. John will take over as President at the League Dinner in March 2012.

**The following rule amendments with specific interest to Umpires were;**

#### **Rule 3.8 Ball:**

3.8(i) to read: All balls will be stamped as a BDCL ball and must be purchased through League arrangements as communicated. Each club shall provide its own ball for use when fielding. In the Championship Division, the match ball shall be new. In all other Divisions the match ball may not be new, but in all Divisions, the spare ball must not be new.

In the Championship Division, the match ball must be: *Reader Sovereign*. In all other Divisions, the match ball must be any of the following: *Reader Sovereign – Reader County Match – Reader League Special*.

#### **Rule 6.2 Umpires – Match Appointments:**

6.2(vi) to read: If no umpire (or substitute) is available Captains take full responsibility.....then play should not take place. Captains are encouraged to report incidents where the actions of players in terms of their behaviour, language and/or conduct is such, that it is felt that the relevant players should be reported to the League Management Committee under its Disciplinary processes.

#### **Rule 6.5 Assessment of Umpires**

6.5(i) to read: Umpires in the Championship and Division One, shall be confidentially assessed.....

A sanction of a 1 point reduction from any team's Divisional total in the relevant season, shall be imposed for each match in which there is non-compliance with this rule.

#### **Rule 7.4 Discipline**

2. Procedure; 2.1 to read: Any alleged breach of Paragraph 1, may be dealt with by the umpires in one of the following ways:

2.1(a) to read: The breach is deemed of a minor nature. Verbal advice/caution should be given to the player and/or the Captain in the appropriate way. (No written report is required).

2.1 (b) to read: Where the breach is more serious, a written report containing the facts and documenting the incident, should be produced (only on the League Disciplinary Report Form) and be sent to the Secretary of the League within a time limit of 7 days from the date of the alleged incident and copied to the Secretary of the BDUA. Both the player and the Captain should be informed of this process.

2.1 (c) to read: Any complaint so initiated or report received by the League Secretary, must be referred to the Chairman of the Disciplinary Sub-Committee, who will consider the complaint and the evidence as soon as practicable and make a decision on one of the following three options:

No further action will be taken.

From the evidence contained within the report, the matter is suitable to be dealt with via the league's Accumulated Offence process. Therefore, notification to a player and the club, of three Accumulated Offences within the same current season, will result in a ban from all forms of cricket for three weeks. (A week is Saturday to Friday inclusive). Accumulated Offences gained or reported, during the last two league games in any one season which cannot count as one of the three in the same current season, will be carried into the following season as active sanctions or breaches.

The Accumulated Offence process will be given due consideration in the following circumstances:

Pointing, gesturing or any disparaging remarks at a batsman in an inappropriate manner by a bowler or other member of the fielding team, upon the batsman's dismissal

Inappropriate sledging or disparaging remarks towards a play which is personal, offensive or disrespectful.

Displaying inappropriate dissent towards an umpire by words, actions or conduct on or off the field of play.

Unruly behaviour or any unfair play, likely to bring the game into disrepute.

**Accumulated Offences will not be considered, where the victim of the incident is a person who, due to age, is a player who is competing under 'YOUNG PLAYER REGULATIONS' and the relevant safeguarding regulations.**

From the evidence contained within the report, the matter is more serious and warrants a full Disciplinary Hearing of the League Disciplinary Sub-Committee, which shall be convened and arranged by the League Secretary on behalf of the Chairman.

The decision of the Chairman of the League Disciplinary Sub-Committee to proceed as to which of the above three options will be implemented, shall be final and binding.

There were several more, mostly administrative, rule changes which will obviously be in the new handbook, which of course you will all read when you receive it with your first half rota! Seriously gentlemen please read your handbooks when you get them, it will save you lots of problems.

Finally may I wish all of you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. However gloomy the outlook for the economy remember England are number one in the Test rankings and we have the West Indians and the South Africans to look forward to next year, so enjoy whilst we still can. Ervin.