

Newsletter

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At the meeting on the 8th April, Ron Fenton will issue the Appointments for the first half of the 2009 season. It is very difficult for him at present as he only has just enough Standing Umpires to cover Premier and County One matches. As it is there will be some match days where some fixtures will only have one Umpire standing. We urge all CACO members who have not committed to standing this year to reconsider and help out if at all possible.

Our colleague Keith Morgan sadly passed away on 24th February aged 52. He joined the panel in 1998 and became regarded as one of the most respected umpires on the circuit. He organized the umpires for the Cornwall Youth Festival at Penryn for a number of years and last year became a member of St Gluvias Cricket Club. He will be missed by both players and Umpires alike. Our condolences go to his family.



Website

All appointments will be available on the Umpires Website at - www.cornwall-umpires.org together with copies of any forms required and links to the Laws of the game. If you have any items you wish to have published, contact the secretary or Email "webmaster@cornwall-umpires.org"

We still require pictures of standing umpires for use on the website – please Email the secretary or bring them to the meeting.

Match Fees

A reminder to members that at the last meeting it was agreed that members would keep the £2.50 remittance which had previously been returned to pay for the mileage allowance. A lower allowance will now be paid for journeys in excess of 35 miles. Match fees remain at the same rate as 2008.

Next Meeting is on the 8th April at Truro CC

7.30 Start.

Agenda

1. Welcome by Vice Chairman
2. Minutes Silence
3. Apologies for absence
4. Minutes of the General meeting 11th February
5. Matters Arising –
 - a) Minor Counties
 - b) County One Playing conditions VH & JM
 - c) Boundary Assessors
 - d) Website and photographs
6. Correspondence RF
7. Match Fees
8. Clothing & Merchandise RF
9. Treasurers Report RF
10. Training
 - a) Report JM
 - b) Talk / Video "The Umpires Assistant" JM
 - c) The law concerning "Adverse Weather Conditions" VH
11. Ground Assessment VH
12. Date of next meeting Wednesday 9th September
13. AOB
14. Distribution of
 - a) Appointments for 1st Half
 - b) Overs Cards
 - c) Penalty Runs Cards
 - d) Bowling restrictions etc.

Enjoy the season

Have you paid your Subscriptions?

After the dreadful summer of 2008, the April meeting will include a talk on "Suspension of Play due to adverse weather conditions"

SECTION 1 – THE LAW

LAW 3, SECTIONS 8,9

SECTION 8 – THE UMPIRES SHALL BE THE FINAL JUDGES OF THE FITNESS OF THE GROUND, WEATHER AND LIGHT FOR PLAY.



On the 6th April, Ron Fenton, Rodney Fine and Bert Bennett will be travelling to Bristol to attend a Training Course for Level 2 Assessors.

Please note the following rule changes passed at the League AGM

Division One **Hours and Conditions of Play -**

All matches played up to and including 14 August to start at 2.00pm and thereafter at 1.30pm. Each match will consist of 100 overs maximum.

Duration of Innings

Each side shall bat for no more than 50 overs. Should the side batting first be dismissed in less than 50 overs the side batting second shall be entitled to bat for 50 overs maximum.

No bowler shall bowl more than 20% of the available overs in any innings

Training.

Provisional results suggest that on the 25th March all six candidates who sat the Level One examination achieved a mark of 80% or above. Congratulations to both them and the Instructors Vic and John.

The ACO are still anxious to get Scorer representation on their Area Committees throughout the country. If you are aware of any scorers who are interested in joining the ACO / CACO please invite them to get in touch with any of the existing committee members.