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Book Post



Editorial

Dear Reader.

The new working committee has taken over the reins of ACUK for the next two-year term, while congratulating them, I welcome them and wish ACUK will leap further high in terms of spreading the awareness and to keep updated on the changes and modifications in the MCC New code of Laws among the umpiring fraternity through regular meetings and interactions.

The much awaited cricket carnival 'Cricket World Cup' has just concluded and the hosts England have emerged Champions in a nail biting finish which concluded in the super over where the fulcrum was tilting either way and it was any body's game throughout.

Really the game of cricket was at it's best throughout the tournament. Team India were the front runners till they lost to New Zealand in the semifinals.

Though it is a mega event attracting all sections it is not without controversies like debatable DRS decisions, Heavy leaded bails not dislodging, over appealing, missing power play restrictions etc.

As the tournament has ended, lot more is desired for ICC to look into all these issues to ensure to limit controversies in the coming days.

On the local front, kudos to KSCA for meticulous scheduling and completing the first three divisions, pecking the local talent for grooming. The SAS and Thimmappaiah tournament is also underway, thus lot of opportunity to our promising and energetic umpiring talents in higher level games.

This year during Annual Prize distribution function KSCA has honoured our six state panel umpires who have turned 60 years of age and have served KSCA as state panel umpires. Also on this occasion N R S Prabhu was honoured as he is retiring as BCCI Umpire. Very nice gesture on the part of KSCA to honour Match Officials for their contributions along with Players and Teams for their commitments.

The BCCI level II examination was also held and seven of our upcoming young umpires have qualified for the next stage to be held at Bangalore and awaiting the result. I wish all of them

the best and good luck to come out in flying colors to add some more numbers to BCCI panel from our state.

I wish to thank the New Working Committee of ACUK for putting trust on me to work with them as Chairman of Editorial Board, ACUK News Letter.

I request our members to come forward and share their experiences and contribute for the betterment of our fellow umpires, our Association and fraternity in particular.

I urge and call upon my fellow members to get educated themselves of the changes made time and again on the different playing conditions applicable to the different tournaments by regularly going through the material provided by our patron body, KSCA and to be ready whenever opportunity presents.

I call upon our members to share any of their experiences they may want to share through this forum of Newsletter by writing to editorial.acuk@gmail.com

The Committee will look into them and publish them in the coming editions to the best of members' interest.

We profoundly thank all the members of the outgoing Editorial Committee and expect them to join hands with the New Committee.

Best Wishes P. Muralidhara

Secretary's Column

Dear Members,

I have immense pleasure in re-occupying the chair, as Hon. Secretary of our Association. I thank each one of you for reinstating me. By not contesting against me itself, is an ample proof that you all have voted for me. I will do my best to hold the ACUK reigns tight and will spare no efforts in taking it to greater heights. The immediate past working committee had implemented various new plans for the development of ACUK and my committee will try and walk in those footsteps. In fact, our immediate past Secretary, Sri. B. K. Kumar deserves applause for his contribution to ACUK in the past two terms. I would say that we will try and go an extra mile. Arrears of subscriptions from members and functioning of Zonal Forums are two issues which need immediate attention.

It is only a matter of time that my committee will go after these, in a manner that suits the majority.

Also, it is needless to say that, educational programmes for umpires in the mofussil areas are also in the offing. This activity will be meticulously planned and put in place. Here, I do not mean that umpires from Bangalore will be ignored. None the less, it is too early to make any promises. It will take some time for me to get back into the groove as I was out of ACUK administration for the last four years - reasons better forgotten. But this will not be an excuse for my failures, if any. I am sure, with the support of members, my committee will deliver. The support we are receiving from K.S.C.A. is priceless and unmatchable. With continuance of the same, ACUK producing quality umpires for the future is a writing on the wall. My dream is that ACUK should scale a few peaks.

Good bye for now. Rest in next.

Regards, N. R. Seetharam Prabhu



Hall of Fame



Ravi Subramanyam, popularly known as S. Ravi, was a wellknown personality in the umpiring circles of Karnataka, or for that

matter, even India. Born on, one fine Friday, the 06th August 1965, a Varamahalakshmi Day, to a Test Umpire – Shri.M.G.Subramanyam, Ravi went on to scale many peaks in his umpiring career. His father, being an ISRO employee was deputed to the U.S, somewhere in 1970 and returned with family to India in 1975.

Ravi finished his schooling in 1980 and accomplished his Engineering Degree from the R.V College – Bangalore, in 1985. Having played some club cricket, he took to umpiring in the year 1984, at the tender age of 19. As the saying goes, "A lion always gives birth to a Lion", Ravi went on to match all the skills and fame of his father. He qualified to the KSCA Panel of umpires in 1986, to the BCCI Panel in 1991 and to the BCCI All 02

India Panel in 1996. He started officiating in First Class matches in 1991 and continued to do so till 2017 and officiated in 98 such matches and of course, the total number of BCCI matches officiated by Ravi, need no mention here. It would, undoubtedly be 400+. Also, he officiated as a "Fourth Umpire" in few IPL seasons and exhibited his skills to the satisfaction of all.

He was a very prudent, dedicated and commanding umpire, not only in our state, but in our nation as well. While he was dreaming to scale higher peaks, destiny had different ideas. It snatched Ravi from us on Saturday, the 03rd of July 2017. When the news of his demise was conveyed to the BCCI circle, the entire cricketing fraternity, shed tears. He left behind, his mother, wife Mangala and a daughter Bhargavi.

Ravi Subramanyam has held the reigns of ACUK as Hon. Secretary, Vice President and President. ACUK flourished to the maximum in his time. Ravi Subramanyam should be an inspiration to all.

Know me



One of our Life Member of ACUK (Mysore Forum) Guruprasad T. R. is working in BEML Mysore, coming under Ministry of Defence

since 29 years. Umpiring front - became KSCA panel umpire in 2002. Unsuccessful in Board panel exam in 2006. Officiated in KSCA conducted premier tournaments like MRF trophy Capt. K. Thimmappaiah trophy and various inter zonal matches.

Also All India Inter Zonal women's cricket tournament and visiting Australia Cricket Academy vs NCA. Cricket Front, represented KSCA under-15 during early eighties and also as Vice Captain of the side. Representing BEML cricket team since 29 years. Created record by scoring 202 not out in the Vivekkumar memorial inter school cricket tournament in 1984 which is still

not broken. Grateful to his employer BEML and Mr. M.R.Suresh who was instrumental in making him an Umpire.



Cricket Law Quiz

Rules:

- The quiz is only open to members of the ACUK
- Answers to be emailed in the order of questions mentioned. Email address umpiresacuk@gmail.com
- Entries to be received before cutoff date
- First to send the correct answers will be eligible for the reward provided he/she is present at the Monthly meeting where the reward will be distributed. If the person is not present at the monthly meeting, the reward shall be passed on to the next person sending in the correct answer before the cutoff date
- ACUK managing committee members, BCCI Umpires (present and retired) and non-members welcome to participate but shall not be eligible for the reward
- Decision of the ACUK Editorial Committee shall be final and binding on all aspects.

Long Shot Tall Handle

As per MCC laws of cricket 2017 code with subsequent amendments.

- 1. The tea interval is from 2.40 p.m. to 3 p.m. 9 wickets are down and at 2.15 p.m. there is a sharp shower when players leave the field. The showers stopped after 10 minutes. When should the game be resumed? Give reasons.
- 2. The last ball of an over is played by the striker and is going towards the boundary, meanwhile the batsmen have crossed for the fifth run when the ball crosses the boundary. How many runs are scored? Who takes the strike for the next over?
- 3. A batsman feels tired. Can he retire and resume his innings?
- 4. Last hour of play is from 3.15 p.m. to 4.15 p.m. An over in progress before the start of last hour finishes at 3.18 p.m. Now at 4.15 p.m.

- required overs have been bowled. Should Umpires call time or not?
- 5. How do you ensure the bowling creases and the wickets are parallel to each other? Mention only the appropriate measurements for a) Turf pitch b) non turf pitch. (matting)

As per KSCA Playing conditions.

- 6. Can the captains agree to forgo the tea interval? Also, can they agree to forgo drinks intervals in one day matches?
- 7. Does playing time include official drinks break for the purpose of fielder's absence (penalty time)?

- 8. In a one-day match of playing condition 2, except for school tournaments, one team is present well in time whereas the other team arrives at 9.25 a.m. for 9.30 a.m. start. What actions will you take?
- 9. In a two-day match of playing condition 1, on the first day there is loss of playing time and loss of overs as well. Will you make up both on the next day/ subsequent days?
- 10. In your pre match duties, you find that on the matting pitch, the mat is laid between the popping creases and there is no spare mat available. What will you do?

Answers for the previous edition of the News Letter:

- 1. Decision once made cannot be changed, hence Umpires shall ask him stay with the decision to enforce follow on.
- 2. Yes, he is right.
- 3. Yes, fair catch as no fielder has left the field of play.
- 4. Yes, as ball still in play.
- 5. Yes, as Umpires have not yet left the field.
- 6. Yes, out.
- 7. Yes, he can.
- 8. Boundary 4.
- 9. Not out, No ball.
- 10. 1 No ball extra and 4 byes.



Meritorious Students during 45th AGM SI No. Name of Student **Member Name** X / PUC **Marks Scored** Percentage 1. Shravanthi Jayapal Jayapal P. II PUC 594 99% 2.. Sharanya B. Ravi B. K. Ravi II PUC 96.66% 580 3. K. B. Mahantesh Bhavani Shankar K. R. Class X 941 94.10% 4. Gurudath B. M. Mahabalagiri B. R. 559 92.16% 5. Anagha Annet Peter Alen Class X 542 90.33% 6. Bhaktavatsala S. Class X 438 87.60% Sumanth Bhaktavatsala Iyer





Obituary

With Profound Grief, we wish to inform that our Life Associate Member of ACUK **Sri H. R.Venkatesh**

passed away on Wednesday, 12th June 2019 in Bengaluru. Your memory is an eternal flame, which glows at the mention of your name in ACUK. May your soul rest in peace.

Felicitation to Meritorious Students



Shravanthi Jayapal D/o. Jayapal P.



Sharanya B. Ravi D/o. B. K. Ravi

Photo Gallery



Sumanth Bhaktavatsala Iyer S/o. Bhaktavatsala S.









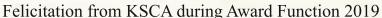


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Quiz prize winner K. Gowtham











Badrinarayan K S

Manjunath B S

Mohammed Rafi B S

Prabhu N R S







Shankaranand Y

Sridhar Gupta J

Qureshi M R A

With Best Compliments From

SRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO

Founder Member and Former Test Umpire

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