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Editorial



Dear Member,

It has been a while since I have connected with you. Trust each one of you has had some progress in life in the last few months.

I believe by the time this newsletter is delivered to your doorsteps a new season of cricket would have begun. There's always a certain amount of excitement and anxiety with fresh beginnings, and I experience the same at the start of every cricket season. I hope all members experience the same feeling as I do. Every season is a new journey and there are so many new experiences and new learnings every single day.

During my interaction with one of the Australian cricket legends I worked with recently, I picked up a very interesting sentence; 'Try to be better than you were yesterday'. That one sentence influenced me in a big way and I have taken to it. It is human tendency to settle into a comfort zone and let things be the way they are - especially if things are looking bright. It requires motivation and hard work to get better every day; I call on members to give that philosophy a deep thought - being better than previously can only result in good things. In the context of umpiring, it means you analyse your performance at the end of a given day, figure out areas that you could be better at, and take measures that could enhance your performance.

In these last few months, I have learnt a few things relevant to Umpiring. In a few matches I worked on (international and domestic cricket matches), I observed that commonsense prevailed over the letter of the law; the on-field Umpires, and in one instance one of the teams, did things which were not as laid down in the book - they put 'Spirit of the Game' over and above the Laws of the game. While I do not suggest that this should be a norm, it is important that Umpires are brave and not afraid to take unorthodox decisions - especially when the decision can have a big impact on proceedings.

While this is the cricket season - which is an important element in most of our lives, there are other important things happening in the coming months. It is also the season of elections. The General Elections are scheduled to be held in the months of April and May. It is our right and responsibility to cast our votes and select leaders who can take our country in the right direction and make our lives better. Similarly, in the

coming quarter, the ACUK will also be holding its Annual General Meeting, and there could be elections to install a new Working Committee. I call on all members to participate in both the elections in big numbers and exercise their franchise.

While on the subject of ACUK, the association is doing its bit for the members, but I'd like to learn from members if there is more it can do. Is there anything that can be introduced in the objectives to meet the requirements of the current day scenario with regards to Umpiring? The idea of the above question is to ignite a healthy conversation among members at the forthcoming AGM, eventually leading to the benefit of the entire fraternity.

If as is being contemplated, the AGM is held in the coming quarter, this could be the last time I connect with you through this newsletter. I hope you have been able to get something of value from the newsletter in the last couple of years. On behalf of the editorial team, I'd like to convey our best wishes to you all for the forthcoming season.

Regards
Arun Kumar G.

Secretary's Column

It is an honor to stand before you, to share ACUK news letter containing details of events that happened during January to March of 2019!



Due to your constant and consistent support to present Working Committee in particular and me in general by each and every member. In order to meet ambitions and aspirations of umpires fraternity, certain initiatives were taken by the present editorial Committee from the perspective of improvising ACUK News Letter, considering various aspects like pattern, content, context and colour since past four years.

I feel happy to inform that many members have expressed their appreciation on the present ACUK News Letter and conveyed that it is coming up very well and has a great impact on the upcoming and aspiring umpires.

I feel our prime objective of bringing out newer and updated version of ACUK News Letter with useful information to members thus achieved with your cooperation.

I am confident that the initiatives taken by us would be continued by the future Working Committee and scale up from

this stage to go further high and bring many more laurels to ACUK !

To name few initiatives, which have been taken during last four years, like a. Hall of Fame, b. Soft Skills and c. Quiz on Cricket. I am pleased to say, this has refreshed nostalgic memories amongst members and helped many young members also shaping up themselves well and became umpires of high caliber.

This reminds me a saying "Good is not good enough, when better is expected and the BEST is possible"

It is heartening to note both Karnataka Mens and Womens Cricket teams entered BCCI conducted Padmashri Syed Mustaq Ali T20 Cricket tournament Finals in Indore, Madhya Pradesh. Karnataka also became victorious by beating Maharashtra convincingly under the leadership of Mr. Manish Pandey.

On behalf of Working Committee as well as whole of umpires fraternity, I congratulate Karnataka Team on their excellent achievement. Feel, this could also be due to KSCA conducting KPL T20 year after year successfully.

Finally, I thank entire team of working committee for their commitment & support from all our members. I appeal to all the members to continue same support and encouragement to the future Working Committee also.

Regards,
B. K. Kumar

Achievements

In addition to **Mr. Nandan and Mr. K Srinath** it gives me immense pleasure to say that BCCI has inducted **Mr. B. K. Ravi** into IPL panel recently from Karnataka & ACUK. Do hope that this number may increase by Our Karnataka Umpires getting more exposure & opportunities in the coming days in IPL panel.

Hall of Fame



**Professor
R. Sathyanarayana**

Professor R. Sathyanarayana, one of the life members of ACUK

since 1994. Started his career in umpiring in 1992 & qualified to state panel in 1994. He officiated KSCA tournaments, school matches, KSCA league & state juniors. Highlight being officiated in India Juniors match in 1997 @Bangalore. After retiring from Umpiring in 2014, continued actively as Match Observer for KSCA conducted tournaments till date. Professor. R. Sathyanarayana served as Committee member of ACUK for two terms 2011-14. He was Chairman of ACUK News letter Editorial Team from 2015-2017

Born in February 1950, Prof. Sathyanarayana, after completing B.Com from Bangalore University, obtained a post graduate degree in political science and Masters in Business Administration (MBA) from Mysore University. Sponsored by Cycle Pure Agarbathi, Mysore, attended Management Development Programme in XLRI, Jamshedpur in 1992.

He Joined M/s ITC in 1969 - became Captain of ITC cricket team & was Secretary of ITC Sports Club. He resigned ITC in 1986, worked in VIP Group, Live-In Jeans and Mother Recipe. His last assignment was - Prosperity Marketing Services Pvt. Limited, Mysore, (NRR Group) Cycle Agarbathi.

From 2000 onwards joined JSSATE, Bangalore as Professor - MBA Department. He was instrumental in developing a cricket ground in association with KSCA. At present actively involved with Koshys Institute of Management Studies as Academic Auditor. He is member of several academic associations. He is also life member of National Institute of Personnel Management.

Happily married to Vijayalakshmi, have two sons - both of them are qualified state panel of umpires of KSCA. His Elder son Ajith Kumar represented KSCA State under 22 tournaments, happily married settled in Canada. Second son Bharath Kashyap represented KSCA league tournaments, and represented Under-19 Inter Club tournament. Both are members of ACUK—who are well settled in their life.

ACUK wishes a happy, healthy & harmonious life to Professor R. Sathyanarayana & family.



K. L. Subramanya

K. L. Subramanya, one of life members of ACUK in 1993 from Shivamogga Zone , K. L. Subramanya, though, started his career in umpiring in 1985 & qualified to state panel in 1993. Officiated in KSCA tournaments, school matches including KSCA league & South Zone inter university matches in Gulbarga. state juniors. Highlight being officiated in All India inter university tournament in 1995 @ Gulbarga respectively. Post retirement from active umpiring in 2014, involved with the game as Liaison for Umpires during India A Vs West Indies A & Ranji Trophy @ Shivamogga respectively from 2014 to Till date.

Born in March 1954, K. L. Subramanya, obtained a post graduate degree in statistics - M.Sc in Statistics 1975 from Mysore University. Represented Karnataka State Civil Service Cricket Team - consecutively in 1985 & 1986. Joined Directorate of Economics & statistics - Government of Karnataka - retired as Chief Planning Officer - Zilla Panchayat - Uttara Kannada - 2014. Honoured **Sarvothama Nagarika** seva prashasti from Government of Karnataka in 2013 Also Honoured by City Municipal Commission - Shivamogga for the services rendered for promotion of Cricket & Cricket umpiring in 2013. Post retirement, served as OMBUDSMAN for NAREGA scheme - In Chikmagalur District from 2015 to 2019.

Happily married to N S Bhargavi, have one son & one daughter—who are married & well settled in their life.

ACUK wishes a happy, healthy & harmonious life to K L Subramanya & family



Sydney Frank

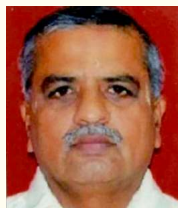
Sydney Frank, one of life members of ACUK since 1995 from Bangalore, Sydney Frank, though, started his career in umpiring in 1985 & qualified to state panel in 1996. Officiated in KSCA tournaments, school matches including KSCA league Highlight being officiated Under -19

Zonal finals in 2004@ Bangalore Post retirement from umpiring in 2013. Associated with the game as Match Observer for all matches conducted by KSCA & Match referee for KSCA conducted tournaments like KPL T20 & Dr. K Thimmappaiah respectively. Privileged family of Karnataka – where three successive generations represented Karnataka in Karnataka,

Born in March 1953, Sydney Frank obtained a post graduate degree in MA Sociology - in 1990 from Mysore University. Joined M/s ITI Limited in 1976 as a Cricketer - represented Karnataka U- 22 & State Juniors from 1976 to 1980 respectively. Selected for Karnataka Ranji Probable's in 1977, tragic accident deprived Sydney Frank to go further in representative Cricket. Led ITI team as successful captain for winning State A division League, State Industries tournament & ALL INDIA public sector tournament respectively & retired as Senior PRO – ITI Limited in 2011. Also represented Karnataka in Shuttle Badminton in late 70's

Happily married to Stella Frank – professional teacher have two sons – who are well educated & well settled in their life.

ACUK wishes a happy, healthy & harmonious life to Sydney Frank & family.



S. K. Nagaraj

S. K. Nagaraj, one of members of ACUK since 1980 Bangalore, S. K. Nagaraj, though, started his career in umpiring in 1980 & qualified to state panel in 1985. Officiated in KSCA tournaments, school matches including KSCA league & state juniors. Highlight being officiated in All India inter university tournament in mid 90's. Post retirement from active umpiring in 2002, involved with the game as scorer and qualified to BCCI panel in 2004 - officiated BCCI games close to 300 in number - officiated India Vs England a test match held at Bangalore - rare incident recorded Bharat Ratna Sachin Tendulkar was declared Out Stumped on only one occasion in his entire glorious Test career. Officiated as scorer for Australia and Pakistan both being test matches played at Bangalore

against India. Translated “Laws of Cricket “to our state language – Kannada - same was submitted to ICC through BCCI in 2015. Involved further translating latest edition of Laws of Cricket. Post retirement from scoring in 2017 – involved with the game through KSCA - serving as sub-committee member in KSCA scorers committee.,

Born in December 1958, S K Nagaraj obtained a graduate degree in science - B.Sc- in 1977 from Bangalore University. Joined M/s Erstwhile Karnataka Electricity Board in 1980 & retired as Senior Assistant in 2018.

Happily married to Seetha, have two sons –who are married & well settled in their life.

ACUK wishes a happy, healthy & harmonious life to S K Nagaraj & family.



M. R. Suresh

M. R. Suresh, one of life members of ACUK since 1989 Bangalore, M R Suresh, though, started his career in umpiring in 1987 & qualified to state panel in 1988. Officiated in KSCA tournaments, school matches including KSCA league & state juniors. Highlight being officiated in All India Dr. K Thimmappaiah & All India inter university tournament in mid 90's. Apart, involved with the game as Manager of Mysuru Warriors in KSCA KPL - T20 tournaments. Also manages four Cricket clubs in Karnataka. Involved with the administration of the game - member of KSCA zonal committee - Mysuru. M R Suresh also represented ACUK from Mysuru zone in various capacities including being President of ACUK Mysuru Zone till date. Also member of ECB - ACO (Association of Cricket Officials) - similar to ACUK where it is limited to Karnataka Umpires where as ACO is a global association of cricket officials.

Born in November 1967, M R Suresh studied in IPE Mysuru & obtained a engineering graduate degree in IPE from Mysore University in 1989 & General Management from IIM - Ahmedabad- Presently Chief Operating Officer – COO in Cycle pure agarbathis from 1992 to till date.

Happily married to Jyothi, have two daughters - both are pursuing their education in their

ACUK wishes a happy, healthy & harmonious life to M R Suresh & family.

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
- Questions are based on the latest , i.e., MCC Laws of Cricket 2017 Code
- Decision of the ACUK Editorial Committee shall be final and binding on all aspects.

Answers for the previous edition of the News Letter:

1. 92+80 = after 172 overs have been bowled
2. Yes over started shall be completed.
3. Ans: 10 overs (other calculation yields 9, so greater of two)
4. Ans: Tie
5. Still a 4 day match – 150 runs minimum
6. 5 runs scored of the last ball , so team batting 2nd wins by no. of wkts remaining.
7. Incorrect (cant be out hit wicket of a no ball)
8. 1 ball
9. Non striker is out
10. Notout, cant be out hit wicket as he is trying to avoid being stumped

Long Shot Tall Handle

1. A captain decides to enforce follow-on, during lunch on day 2 of a 3 day match. During lunch he reads the weather forecast and decides that he doesn't want to enforce follow on and informs one of the Umpires about the same. What should the Umpires do in this case?
2. The umpire on seeing that the batsman has deliberately run short for the first time in the innings, follows the procedure of the law but without any warning awards 5 penalty runs to the fielding side. Is the Umpire right in his actions?
3. Whilst taking a catch, a fielder at the edge of the boundary rope has caught the ball but is about to lose balance when another fielder who is also within the field of play holds him. The original fielder finally manages to complete the catch inside the field of play. Is it a fair catch?
4. The striker plays a shot into the ground and the ball after bouncing lodges straight into the helmet of the short leg fielder. The batsman start running as the short leg fielder is unable to retrieve the ball stuck in his helmet immediately. When he finally removes the ball lodged in his helmet the batsman have completed 1 run. Is the run allowed?
5. The last wicket of the batting sides' innings has fallen under unusual circumstances and both batsmen at the wicket have left the field of play. After deliberation the fielding captain decides to withdraw the appeal and talks to the Umpires about the same when the Umpires are just about beginning to walk back into the pavilion but are still within the field of play. Can the appeal be withdrawn?
6. A batsman has made his ground good. When receiving the throw, the bowler's foot accidentally touches his grounded bat and as a result the bat and the batsman is now outside the ground. At the same time the ball hits the wickets directly. Is the batsman out?
7. A bowler gets injured during an over which is completed by another bowler. During the same over the batting side is all out and the captain enforces follow on. Can the injured bowler bowl the first over of the new innings?
8. The batsman while running have crossed each other thrice and every time they have run short as the area near the crease was very rough and the bat got stuck there each time. The ball finally goes to the boundary. How many runs are scored?
9. A ball bowled by the bowler pitches on the adjoining pitch and ferociously swings in to get the striker out bowled. Is the striker out, give reasons.
10. A full toss above the strikers head runs away to the boundary. The Umpire signals no ball followed by bye and boundary 4. How are the runs scored?

Congratulations to Karnataka Lads



Dates to Remember

- **April**
6th : Chandramana Ugadi
17th : Mahaveer Jayanthi
19th : Good Friday
- **May**
1st : May Day
7th : Basava Jayanthi
- **June**
5th : Ramzan

Monthly Meeting

April : 12th ■ May 10th ■ June 19th

General Election to the
Parliament April 18th and 23rd

With Best Compliments From
SRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO
Founder Member and
Former Test Umpire

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