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EDITORIAL

UMPIRING – Who said its tough? Not at all !

Umpiring like any other aspect of cricket is as important if not more. A crucial decision made during a critical portion of the game could become the topic of discussion in most coffee shops, Offices, Bus stands and Railway platforms across the nation.

Further that decision could swing the game one side or the other. This is the pressure that the Umpire needs to handle throughout the match.

No wonder this is called a thankless job and it attracts very few into its fraternity. Let me try to give a new dimension to the very thought that it is a difficult job.

Not at all – Who said its tough? Lets get down to the unit level of concentration that the Umpire must have. It is a fact that during every delivery, 2 or 3 seconds are the most

critical time that the umpire must really concentrate to make crucial decisions. Assuming that he stands for 50 overs at the bowlers end on a given day,

$(2 \text{ Secs} \times 6 \text{ deliveries} \times 50 \text{ Overs} = 600 \text{ Secs} / 60 \text{ Secs} = 10 \text{ Minutes})$

$(3 \text{ Secs} \times 6 \text{ deliveries} \times 50 \text{ Overs} = 900 \text{ Secs} / 60 \text{ Secs} = 15 \text{ Minutes})$

it is a matter of 10 to 15 Minutes that he needs to be in top gear to make the crucial decisions. See for yourself how nice it is to feel before a days' play of 400 Minutes, that it is a matter of 10 to 15 Minutes that one needs to be in top gear of concentration to make decisions. This is really a feel good factor that drives umpires to love the job which most think is strenuous.

Attitude is a big word with tremendous impact on any individual in whatever profession and Umpiring is no exception. The right Attitude developed by an umpire in his formative years of umpiring should

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keep him in good stead. The process of decision making, good communication skills, Man and Match management and the art of accepting wrong decision made and moving ahead with a positive frame of mind are some of the key elements of good Umpiring. These elements are the ones on which one has control and therefore can be improved upon.

The fear of failure and the negative comments that people make after a decision are few road blocks which can hamper umpiring. By following the concept that one should not worry on things that he cannot control, the job of umpiring suddenly becomes easy.

The involvement level also plays a crucial part in Umpiring. Umpiring becomes playful when one is totally involved with the activity. Passion is another big word as for as umpiring is concerned. Passion with the Right Attitude is a heady mix and the job of umpiring would become enjoyable so much so that one wouldn't feel the exhaustion or strain at the end of the day.

I for one can't believe that umpiring is tough if its enjoyable and let us make a beginning and enjoy Umpiring and take it to a new level.

Proud Moments

ACUK is proud to have 3 of its members Sri A.V. Jayaprakash, Sri B.K. Ravi and Sri T.B. Prashanth in the newly elected Managing Committee of the KSCA.

Greetings

ACUK wishes all its members happy Dasara, Deepavali, Kannada Rajyotsava, Bakrid and Christmas.

Secretary's DESK

As you are aware the New Working committee has started with various new ideas. As a first step, we are planning to bring out membership photo ID cards. The response has been very good. It is proposed to bring out this ID card by our annual Umpires Day. This year's Umpires Day is slated for 25th November 2007 (Sunday). The working committee is striving very hard to celebrate this year's Umpires Day on a very grand scale. Many activities are being planned during this event for the benefit of all our members as well as ACUK. All these dreams can be realised only through the support of our members. Many members have already come forward to help us make this event a memorable one. We wish many more would follow suit. Separate communication will follow soon on the Umpires Day.

The attendance for the last few monthly meetings has been encouraging. I wish this trend continues and monthly meetings become beneficial to more umpires. The T20 World Cup in South Africa has taken cricket to different level throwing new challenges at the umpires. The T20 is going to stay in the days to come and it is likely to come down to the local cricket. Let us all gear up to face new challenges.

ACUK has accepted 10 new members. They are Sri. C Prasad, Sri. M Shashidhar, Sri. V V S Narayana, Sri Vasantha Raj Prakash, Sri Mehaboob, Sri B P Anand, Sri A C Anoop Sri Skanda Vallishayee, Sri. Sadiqulla Baig and Dr. Kiran. I wish them all the very best in their new innings.

The KSCA Managing Committee elections have just concluded. The new committee under the Presidentship of Sri Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wodeyar has taken charge. ACUK congratulates the new committee and wishes them all the best. ACUK wishes to extend its full support to the new committee.

Monthly Meetings

11th July, the meeting was presided by President Sri Ravi Subramanyam, discussed on the incidents occurred in I Division matches. Secretary Mr. M S Murthy announced the issue of ID Cards to the members.

8th Aug, the meeting was presided by Sri Ravi Subramanyam. Secretary announced that all the Test Umpires who are members of ACUK would be honoured on Umpires' Day.

12th Sep, the meeting was chaired by President Sri Ravi Subramanyam, he explained the rules of the 20-20 tournament. Secretary announced the date for umpire's day i.e., on 25th Nov 2007. Sri Mahaboob and Sri Shashidhar sponsored tea for becoming members of ACUK.

Questions and Answers

1. Can the Umpire at the Square Leg call Dead Ball
 - A. On seeing the bails falling at the Strikers end after the striker receives the ball which is a front foot No-Ball?
 - B. On seeing the bails falling at the Striker's end before the striker receives the ball which is a front foot No-Ball?

Answer:

- A. No. The No-Ball Stands.
All decisions with the No - Ball Stand.
- B. Yes. The Dead Ball Stands.

2. In a Two/Three days game, 1st day's play is washed out. Is mowing compulsory on the second day?

Answer:

If the toss takes place on the 1st day, there will be compulsory mowing on the remaining days. If the toss has not taken place on the first day, there is no question of mowing on the second day as the game has not started.

Achievements

1. Sri P Jayapal makes his debut as BCCI Umpire at Vizac in the U-22 south zone Tourney (Col. C K Nayudu Trophy).
2. Sri Vijayendra of Shimoga Forum was elected as Secretary of VISL Officers Association, Bhadravati.
3. Sri K G Satish Chandra Bhargava has been awarded Second best farmer for PALM cultivation in Davanagere Dist.

Mysore Forum

ACUK Mysore Forum successfully conducted Cricket Tourney for schools participating from Mysore, Mandya and Nanjangud.

Shimoga Forum

Shimoga Forum AGM for 2007 will be conducted in the month of October on 7th at Honnali. Those members desirous of attending this AGM may kindly intimate Sri Y K Nayak , Secretary Shimoga Forum.

Heights of Arrogance

Robinson pitched a ball of a lifetime which pitched on the leg stump and removed the off bail with the delicacy of a lover's kiss, a kiss of farewell. As the departing guest passed the architect of his misfortune, he said in sporting congratulations "By Jove, that was a beauty." "Not at all" replied Rob "that were wasted on thee."

Condolence

ACUK condoles sad demise of its member Sri S Tukaram. Our heart felt condolences to the bereaved family.

Dates to Remember

1. AGM of Shimoga forum on 7th Oct. at Honnali.
2. 10th Oct. Monthly meeting.
3. 8th Nov. Monthly meeting.
4. 25th Nov. Umpires Day.
5. 12th Dec. Monthly meeting.

With Best Compliments from



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