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Reputation

Life is non-linear. Not everything follows logic.

Reputation is to character, like timing is to technique. If you have the latter, you are most likely to have the former. The key words here are 'most likely'. That is because; life's circumstances do not always follow the laws of logic or reason. There will always be instances when well-timed strokes come to a batsman by a streak of luck, or reputation arrives to a player due to crowd hypnotism. To make the matter even more complicated, there is this word 'perception', which can add an entirely new dimension and mischief. Like a cracking track encouraging a spinning ball to misbehave off the pitch! The other thing about reputation is its interplay with time and consistency. A willow can be quickly seasoned through artificial means, but will it ever match the wood, which has matured naturally?

Life is indeterminate. Give it the anchor of Trust.

All human beings have reputations.

The big question is how many types of reputations are there for the person? How true is it over time? Is it large enough to influence others positively? ...affect results fairly? Well, you must be wondering whether I am raising more questions than answering any! These subjects are indeed touchy, and I believe that trust in the system can be the only saviour.

It is better to lose a match... if the game is going to win

Reputations of individuals can, unfortunately, influence the outcome of a game. The game of Cricket is also subject to this phenomenon. For ex: there are batsmen who are known as walkers, and bowlers for genuine appealing. We have the opposite kinds as well. These reputations create perceptions in the air, and hang around the decision points, creating confusions and dilemmas in the minds of Umpires. If only the players with such reputation seek to support the game first before rooting for their teams! Ideally, and hopefully, they ought to trigger a 'role model' influence on the game, which goes beyond the mere win or loss of the game. They need to create more sportsmen and sportsmanship, than kick up ruckus debate.

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The Happiest People do not necessarily have the best of all. They simply appreciate what they find on their way.

Secretary's DESK

Let me wish all the readers "HAPPY UGADI". The new season has just begun with new set of playing conditions. Let me also wish all our members a good and a successful season on the field. As we are all aware, in the last few months the game has grown to new heights in our country, more tournaments are being conducted, more opportunities for both players and umpires. This also brings along more people, more challenges and more responsibilities. ACUK is planning few activities towards preparing the local umpires for the challenges. It is also planned to invite a speaker for every monthly meeting, from among members, to speak on the MCC laws as well as the playing conditions. Few of our members have already enrolled for this. I

request more members to come forward. The annual ACUK workshop will be held during May- June 2008. Our AGM, as usual will be held during June 2008. Details of these activities will be mailed shortly.

The Mysore forum of ACUK is having its AGM during May 2008. As part of this AGM, it is proposed to revive our annual cricket match. The Mysore forum is likely to arrange for the picturesque Gangothri Glades Ground at Mysore for this event. It is golden opportunity for all of us along with our families to get together.

Looking forward from all members to participate in large numbers in all of our activities.

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Life can be funny. We need to often laugh at it!

What if a highly reputed bowler appeals for a catch against a supremely reputed walker, supported by an enormously respected wicket-keeper? Huh! All of them may be right, from their own perspectives. What if the Umpire is young, and yet to generate a reputation for himself? And the game is a cliff-hanger, and the moment is a turning point! The cricketing system, consisting of everyone including the players, the crowd, the commentators and the scribes, should have tolerance to let the Umpire be human, and accept his decision in a gentlemanly fashion and get going. Only then can cricket survive. Else, it becomes a slave of analytics and clinical efficiency, devoid of fun and excitement.

To accept what you deserve and to be happy is brilliant.

To accept what you don't deserve, and yet be happy is divine!

That is cricket!

Greetings

April- 07-04-08- Ugadi

April 14-04-08- Sri Rama Navami

ACUK Shimoga Forum

ACUK Shimoga Forum donated a sum of Rs. 2000.00 [Rs. Two Thousand Only] to the Diamond Jubilee Cricket Tournament Conducted by Durgigudi Cricket Association Shimoga.

Shimoga forum is grateful to those members who have donated Rs. 100 [Rs. Hundred only] each towards P. Madan Mohan Memorial Cricket Tournament

ACUK Mysore Forum

Mysore forum is conducting a triangular cricket tournament at Gangothri Glades Grounds Mysore on 17th May 2008. The Participating teams are Mysore Forum, Shimoga forum and Bangalore.

The Mysore Forum AGM will be held on 18th May 2008 at same Venue. ACUK Mysore Forum requests all ACUK members to attend both the events and make it a grand success.

Condolence

ACUK condoles the sad demise of the mothers of our Members Sri B.K. Ravi, Sri B.K. Kumar & Sri K. Amarnath. Our heart felt condolences to the bereaved family.

It's better to try and fail than never to have tried at all.

Monthly Meetings

The meeting was held on 09-01-08 and was presided by our President. He congratulated our Member Sri Chakravarthy on being elected as EC Member of KSCA club House. Tea and sweets were hosted by Sri Chakravarthy. President cautioned us to be more serious in our umpiring since KSCA were improving the facilities of Umpires and expected a better job from all of us. He also announced that an Inter forum cricket matches will be held during April 2008 at Mysore. Sri Sathyaji Rao attended this meeting and addressed all of us. A jist of his speech-

He wished all our fraternity a very happy New Year. He quoted Frank Chester, who according to him was a great Umpire. He expressed that Umpires mistakes were categorized in two ways 1.Point of Fact 2.Point of Principle. Here he stressed upon umpires not making mistakes on Point of principle where as mistakes on Point of facts could be pardoned. He thrust upon umpires to be thorough in Laws and playing conditions and that they should go through it before any match day. He also narrated some of the incidents during his Umpiring days.

Secretary expressed his happiness about the

attendance and also wished for improving the same in the coming days.

Meeting held on 13-02-08 Presided by our President. Tea and sweets were sponsored by Sri S Raghu as he was promoted and Y.S Shivaram as his daughter got married. President congratulated both of them and wished for much more good news in the days to come.

The President opened the meeting by quoting an incident that occurred in the 4th division match, which did not go to the full distance due to bad behavior of the players. He strictly asked all the umpires to see that the match continues and on no account it shall be stopped. He asked all the umpires to pull up their socks and do a better job.

Meeting held on 12-03-08 Presided by our President. A Two Minutes silence was observed to condole the demise of our members Mother, Shri B K Kumar and Shri B.K Ravi. The President asked the Umpires to volunteer themselves to address the gathering in the forth coming meetings on Playing conditions or any one of the Laws. A representative of Shriram Group was allowed to address the gathering on the benefits of Insurance.

Questions and Answers

1. On the second day of the match in the morning the pitch is rolled for 3 minutes. Thereafter it rains. When the game starts again, how much time should the rolling take?
place?
Full 7 minutes.
2. Later on when the game is decided to start at a certain time can the batting captain have the choice of not rolling.
Yes his decision can be upheld.
3. One side of the wicket is bad while the other side is playable. Can the match be played on one side only after the captains agree?
Its always better not to play the game on one side since the Laws doesn't permit.
4. One team comes late to the ground by 10 AM but according to the Umpires the ground is not fit for play to start on time.

But since one team is on time can the match be awarded to the team on time. Since the ground conditions are bad, and it is impossible to start the game on time the umpires should wait till the ground becomes fit for play and then only can take further action.

5. A bowler, in his follow through, runs on the Protected Area and damages it. His foot lands outside the the Protected Area and marks are created due to his spiked Shoes. The Umpire at the bowler's end walks towards the Protected Area and taps his foot to rectify the marks caused by the bowler. Observing this the Captain of the Fielding team questions the Umpire "Why he is doing this"?
 - a) Is the Umpire correct in removing the debris?
 - b) Should the Umpires do this when ever they see debris on the Protected Area?

Ans: a) Yes b) The Umpires are allowed to do this any time.

Be thankful for what you have, not sad about what you don't have.

Achievements

Sri S.Muralidhara our Vice President was appointed as Media Manager for the recently conducted Test Match in Bangalore, between Pakistan and India in the month of January 2008. He attended a workshop/Seminar for Media managers at Mumbai as KSCA representative conducted by BCCI in the month of February. ACUK heartily congratulates him.

Shri A.L Narasimhan former Test Umpire and B.K Sadashiva former ODI Umpire

were appointed as Umpire's coaches by BCCI for 2007-2008 season. They are associated with the game and sharing their rich experience and Umpiring Knowledge with the present generation of Umpires. ACUK congratulates both of them and wishes them a continued career with BCCI.

ACUK congratulates Sri Boralinga for having conducted his Daughter's wedding in the Month of Novemeber, Shri Gopal Nuggehalli for moving into his new house.

Mr. Y.K. NAYAK, Secretary ACUK, Shimoga Forum successfully completed 'Diploma in Sports Management' by securing 1st class.



Dates to Remember

April	09-04-08	Monthly Meeting
May	14-05-08	Monthly Meeting
May	17-05-08	Triangular cricket tournament
May	18-05-08	Mysore Forum AGM at Mysore
June	01-06-08	ACUK - Annual Workshop at Bangalore
June	08-06-08	AGM 2008
June	11-06-08	Monthly Meeting

With Best Compliments from



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The best way to tackle today is one step at a time.