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EDITORIAL BOARD

Nandan Chairman Vivekanand Kini Convenor P. Chandrashekar & Gopal Nuggehalli

Members

Dear Editorial Board,

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Hereunder, expressed are my views/ opinions regarding 'Referral System, Another View Point'

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Another View Point'

The second paragraph in the referred article, a statement has been made - The referral system being tried out is to

bring in absolute Fairness to the players by rectifying the genuine mistakes of the Umpires—. It is debatable. The opinion given by an Individual umpire would be the view of one person. The NEWSLETTER being the official organ of ACUK, can this be taken as official

opinion of ACUK?

I take this as an explosive statement. TO BRING IN ABSOLUTE FAIRNESS. If that be the case, what was happening all these years?

Players were being denied ABSOLUTE FAIRNESS. Is that the official stand of ACUK? I beg to disagree. Referral system is a consequence of players' attitude to umpires, umpiring and such other check and control mechanisms.

Umpires don't give out their decisions unless appealed to on a point of fact by the opposing players. When opinion is given by the umpire in response to such an APPEAL, then it is challenged for a referral because the umpire's reply is contested by some one on the field of play. The refusal of the players to submit themselves to a universally accepted arbitration method.

The referral is challenging an opinion. What happens if the result of the referral is also not accepted? Answering a query by any one or by any body of people would necessarily be a subjective opinion and cannot ensure ABSOLUTE FAIRNESS.

The contentious point here above is ABSOLUTE FAIRNESS to the players.

Over the years therefore the players were being subjected to unfairness or not so absolute fairness. In which case, all the umpires the world over have been not performing with absolute fairness. This seems to me to be a sweeping statement.

I suppose the real thing is that all of us umpires, scorers, cricket statisticians, cricket journalists, reporters, broadcasters, commentators, sports body legislators technologists, sports gear makers - exist only for one thing,: the players, providing level play field fairly for the players. We get absorbed in commentary, technology, comments, uncomprosing wrath of seemingly affected individuals. We forget all these have only one reason for existance, Cricket.

Not all the umpiring can be perfect. It never will or can be. There would be flaws and failures. But at least the umpires' aims remain the same. In the process of umpiring, umpire goes on learning. One also learns that zeal could lead to complacency as surely as indifference. Disaster could be reached by many routes. Therefore it is of very high importance that we fight complacency.

- K.C. Shekar

Study as if you were to live forever; Live as if you were to die tomorrow.

With this June issue the present Editorial Board is demitting office as the new working committee of ACUK is nominating the new Editorial Board for the Year 2009-2011. The working committee has placed on record their appreciation of the out going Editorial Board.

SECRETARY'S DESK

I would first like to congratulate all the successful candidates in the recently conducted state panel umpires examination for Bangalore candidates. On behalf of the working committee, I wish them all the very best and successful umpiring career. ACUK has taken active participation in the educators programme/training classes/refresher courses and the state panel examination conducted by KSCA recently. Refresher classes on the KSCA playing conditions are being conducted regularly. Hence I request more umpires to attend the monthly meetings(2nd Wednesday of every month) regularly and exchange your views on the playing conditions through technical discussions.

During the period, ACUK Mysore Zonal Forum held its 3rd AGM on 7th June 2009 at The Cauvery School, Mysore. The entire transactions went on smoothly. Classes were conducted for the benefit of Mysore umpires on various laws and playing conditions. The sessions were handled by senior BCCI umpires Shri V.N. Kulkarni and Shri Ravi Subramanyam.

The last and major even of the quarter, the 35th AGM of ACUK, was held on 14th June 2009 at the Chinnaswamy Stadium premises. A total of 137 umpires from across the state attended the AGM. Elections were held for the working committee for the period 2009-2011. The newly elected committee is as follows:

1.	President	Shri Ravi Subramanyam
2.	Vice President	Shri S Muralidhara
3.	Honorary Secretary	Shri M Srinivasmurthy
4.	Honorary Joint Secretary	Shri Vivekananda kini
5.	Honorary Treasurer	Shri N.R.S. Prabhu
6.	Members	i) Shri Boralinga
		ii) Shri P. Chandrashekar

iii) Shri Pradhan Kumar Urs iv) Shri B.S.Ragotham

The AGM was preceded by the Annual Dinner on 13th June 2009 at the KSCA Premises. Large number of members alongh with their family members attended the event. Cultural activities were held on the occasion. Many of our members and their family members entertained the gathering. Ten children of our members were honoured for their academic achievements in 10th standard and 2nd PUC examinations. The children honoured were:

D/O P. Muralidhara	10th Std.(CBSC) 96.4%
Master Yadunanda. V.Kin S/O Vivekananda Kini	The second properties
3. Master Krishna Koti K.S S/O H.K.Srinivasmurthy	10th Std.(SSLC) 92.96%
4. Master R.H Suhas S/O Belur Harish	10th Std.(SSLC) 92.68%
5. Ms. Sanjana Satish D/O N.S Satish	10th Std.(SSLC) 92.64%
6. Master Mrinal M Jois S/O Manmohan	10th Std.(SSLC) 89.44%
7. Ms. M.T. Srividya D/O M.T Srisailam	10th Std.(SSLC) 88.64%
8. Master S. Harsha S/O Y. Shankarananda	10th Std.(SSLC) 81.4%
9. Master Ashraya. R S/O M.R Ravindra	2nd PUC (Sci) 86.6%
10. Master Arjun Simha S/O S.K Nagaraj	2 nd PUC (Com) 86%
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1. Ms Surabbi Muralidhara

ACUK Congratulates all these children and their parents for their achievement.

The Crowd enjoyed a game of housie followed by a tasty dinner. The working committee of ACUK thanks all the members who worked hard towards the success of the events and also thanks the members who voluntarily donated towards the events. ACUK thanks the parent body KSCA for all the support received towards successful conduction of all its activities.

We are in the middle of another busy cricket season. I wish all our members happy and enjoyable umpiring.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

The monthly meetings have been more meanigfull now a days. Technical issues have taken the precedence over day to day issues in umpiring. Senior umpires like Shriyuths V.N. Kulkarni, Shahvir K. Tarapore and Ravi Subramanyam have taken initiatives in organizing power point seminars for explaining 2009 KSCA Playing conditions. They have also distributed formats for calculations of overs and penalties. ACUK has conducted such wonderful classes in the monthly meetings. Henceforth, the monthly meetings will be held on 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of every month. We request all the members to make use of this opportunity. The Committee of ACUK along with its members thank all those umpires who have made this programme a success.

Shri Shahvir K. Tarapore shared his experience of IPL T20 in South Africa in the June monthly meeting

ACHIEVEMENTS

Shri Shahvir K. Taropore, ICC panel umpire officiated in the recently concluded IPL in South Africa. This was his first overseas assignment. This is a pride to all of us. ACUK congratulates and wishes him many more such assignments.

K.C Shekar our senior member was felicitated with the A.T Padmanabharao award by Kalagangothri for his achievements in the filed of Drama. ACUK congratulates him and wishes hem many more such felicitations.

Shri B.V. Venkatesh has been elected as President of Income tax officers association (Karnataka and Goa) for a period of two years. ACUK congrajulates and wishes him good luck in his new role.

ACUK- MYSORE FORUM

ACUK Mysore forum held its Third Annual General Body Meeting on 07.06.2009 at Cauvery Educational Institutions Mysore. In all 41 members participated in the AGM. Members from Bangalore & Shivamogga forum also took part.

Umpires workshop on certain Laws of Cricket was also held at the above mentioned venue on 06.06.2009 & 07.06.2009. BCCI Panel umpires Mr. Vinayak Kulkarni

(presently BCCI Umpires coach) & Mr.Ravi Subramanyam (ACUK President) conducted classes for the benefit of umpires of Mysore. An audio visual presentation was given by the tutors, which was very much useful & easily understood. Templates were provided to the participants for arriving at number of overs to be played in a one day rain curtailed game, which was highly appreciated by the participants.

The working committee of ACUK Mysore Forum whole heartedly thank the management of the Cauvery Educational Institutions for providing the premises to conduct the event successfully.

The forum thanks Shri. Keshav Prakash proprietor of M/s Encorn Industries for sponsoring the mementos to all the participants of AGM 2009.

Finally, the forum thanks Mr.VinayakKulkarni & Mr.Ravi Subramanyam for conducting the classes.

DATES TO REMEMBER

July - 8th & 15th

August - 12th & 19th

September - 9th & 16th



Newly Elected Board



Mysore Forum AGM





Housie under progress



Mysore Forum AGM



Members son being felicitated



National Anthem of Mysore Forum AGM

With Best Compliments from

SHRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO

(Founder Member and Former Test Umpire)

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