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FROM THE DESK OF EDITORIAL BOARD

Association is spending money to bring over this News letter and also striving to improve the contents quality. But to the dismay of the editorial board, the response from the members/readers is neither good nor bad but indifferent. Never the less we are making one more attempt to enthuse you to respond. In this issue we are giving you a food for thought. We beseech you to respond. We hope?

Query was prompted by a decision during a test match. An umpire gave the batsmen out LBW. An observer noticed that the batsman bat was behind the pad that was struck by the ball, the ball could not have gone on to hit the wicket as required by the law, it would have hit the bat instead. Does this mean the batsman should not been given out or should the law be reworded?

The author says that law adequately covers the situation??

The article continues further but we have deliberately stopped at this stage for readers to come out with their logical conclusion in writing to the editorial at gopal.nuggehalli@gmail.com.

Are you sure you are right, or are you just being stubborn

Secretary Speaks

The local cricket season is going on in full swing. Lot of cricket is being played and hence most of our members are busy officiating various matches. Obviously there must be a lot of experience gained. But it is very painful to note that umpires are not forthcoming in sharing their experiences. For this very purpose ACUK is traditionally having its monthly meeting on 2nd Wednesday of every month for more than 30 years. We should understand that this strong tradition of ACUK has made the Karnataka umpires to stand tall at both national and international levels. Take examples of umpires from our members Sri B.Satyaji Rao (Retd. Test umpire and ACUK founder member) to Sri Shahvir K Tarapore (Current ICC panel umpire) and many more stars between them. All of them built ACUK and grew along with ACUK. However knowledgeable we are, if it is not shared with our community members, in all probability it goes waste. Now it is high time, we meet in large numbers, discuss more problems, share our wonderful experiences and grow together.

The committee has taken a decision to print Law related incidents in a match starting from this issue. We request the umpires involved in such incidents to give us in writing.

Joys and Experiences of the T20 World Cup 2010 in the Carribbean

- *Shahvir K. Tarapore*

Joy knew no bounds when the news of my appointment for the world cup T20 was received by me and all the more as it was to be held in the Caribbean, the land of greats in the game of cricket, love for the game and the great knowledge possessed by the public.

I left Indian shores on 23 April 2010 all geared up, excited and well prepared for the great opportunity given to me to umpire in such a high voltage tournament along with umpires from different countries and also from the elite panel of the ICC.

Barbados, was my first stop for the pre tournament meeting of umpires and other officials, which threw a lot of light on many aspects of the upcoming matches, travel etc. the hotel was situated on the beach and even my room offered a superb view.

St.lucia was my next venue where I got down to the serious end of things, i.e. the main draw of the matches. I officiated in 2 warm up matches and then on field (mens) Pakistan vs. Australia, TV umpire Pakistan vs. Bangladesh, South Africa vs. India.

The experience on field was a learning curve and also as TV umpire, in regard to the operating methods of the equipment in the TV umpires room.

I traveled from St.lucia via Antigua to St.kitts for the womens section of the world cup. the flight from Antigua to St.kitts was only about 25 minutes but on arriving at kitts. I could not find my bags, they finally arrived about 8 hours later. The general opinion in the Caribbean is that to have a complete taste of airlines in the Caribbean, luggage has to be misplaced at least once. (this of course is mentioned in a lighter vein).

The women matches were played in a very competitive manner and hard fought. The

standard of play took me by surprise as I had done womens world cup many years back, in comparison this surpassed all expectations, the fielding was outstanding. The most exciting match was the one between England vs. Australia, the main match ended in a tie and the one over per side eliminator (OOPSE) was resorted to. This OOPSE also ended in a tie. probably history was created and it was nice to be a part of this history, as on field umpire.

Comparing the pitches in the 3 places where I umpired, Barbados reminded me of typically West Indies pitches of years gone by, where the pitches had shine, bounce, pace and carry, in the other 2 places the pitches were not that lively and tended to play on docile patterns.

A mention must be made of a gentleman who was in charge of changing the advertisement on the sight screen. I was 4th. umpire and sitting next to the Sight Screen and realised that after exactly 5 balls of the over this gentleman would be up on his feet ready to make the relevant change on the Sight Screen, this caught my interest and I paid more attention to see if he would miss count at least once, to my amazement this did not happen at all, kudos to him and his counting the ball without the help of a counter.

I learnt a lot about umpiring and life in general by having the opportunity to mingle with persons from different countries and backgrounds. I am sure this experience will help me in future in umpiring and life too.

All our members who have not been issued with ACUK ID cards are required to send two stamp size photos with details as below-

Name, Fathers name, address, Blood group and mobile number. The above may kindly be sent by ordinary post only to ACUK Joint Secretary positively before 31st August 2010, so that the cards can be ready by the Umpires Day in November.

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Monthly meetings

Meetings of the March and April months could not be conducted as scheduled due to non availability of Meeting place at KSCA owing to IPL matches. How ever the April meeting was convened on 28th. In the absence of the President, Sri S Muralidhara Vice President chaired the meeting. The Secretary informed about the AGM to be held during the last week of June. This year being a non election year he also informed that the meeting will be held out side Bangalore. Sri V.N. Kulkarni distributed sweets to all members on his appointment to the National Umpires Academy.

Annual General Body Meeting

The 36th AGM of ACUK will be held on 27th June 2010 at Devarayana Durga. Games and sports are arranged as usual for the children and members. Kindly make it an eventful one. Come one come all. Register your names with the Secretary.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monthly Meetings

14th July 2010

11th August 2010

08th September 2010



August 15th Independence Day

August 20th Varamahalakshmi Vratam

September 10th Ramzan

September 11th Gowri /Ganesha

Want a face lift ? Wear a smile.

Achievements

Our Member Sri V.N. Kulkarni has been appointed as Umpires Coach at the National Umpires Academy of BCCI at Nagpur.

Sri. S. Prabhakar, (Mysore zonal forum member) presently working as Joint Supervisor in BEML Ltd, Mysore Complex, has been elected as Director of BEML House Building co-operative society, Mysore for the period 2010-2015.

ACUK wishes both of them success in their New Assignment.

M.S. Suresh (Member, Shivamogga Zonal Forum) took all the Ten wickets in an innings in the recently concluded KSCA league of Shivamogga division. ACUK wishes him many more success in his cricketing career.

With Best Compliments from

SHRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO

(Founder Member and Former Test Umpire)

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