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FROM THE DESK OF EDITORIAL BOARD

Think beyond

Slowly and surely umpiring is on the threshold of embracing technology in toto, taking cricket to a mundane and matter of fact game, losing the old charm of "Glorious Uncertainties".

Onus therefore, is now on we umpires, to accept and gear up to face the inevitable. How do we go about it?

We at the "Board", feel overwhelmed by the prompt response from some of our readers to the poser we had in the last issue. Their response along with the answer is printed in this issue.

This is definitely a hint for all our fellow umpires to follow suit.

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Hollers

Do carry the "MCC Law book" and KSCA playing conditions on Match days.

Do revisit the law book and particularly KSCA playing conditions as often as possible and definitely before a match.

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

Secretary Speaks

The festival season has set in, so does the busy ACUK calendar. On 15th August 2010, the ACUK Mysore zonal forum held its AGM. Members from across the state attended. The new working committee under the leadership of Sri M.R.Suresh took charge of the forum. The Mangalore ACUK forum will be holding its 1st AGM along with our annual cricket matches on 23rd and 24th of October 2010. (Postponed from 4th and 5th Sep 2010 due to U-19 and other age group matches held by KSCA at various venues). Our annual umpires day will be held either on 21st or 28th of November 2010. The last few years, umpires day has become a major attraction in our calendar of events. It has brought in stars like Sri Rahul Dravid, Sri Anil Kumble and many more to our forum. The state level inter school quiz is in the pipeline for the 4th successive year. All these events require lot of support from members. Through this column I request each member to make a mark / contribution in their own capacity. The AGM of Shivamogga forum is also round the corner. The details will be provided as soon as they are available.

As we are all aware, the MCC is making certain changes to the basic laws of the game. Since we are in the race, we shall keep abreast with these updates. In view of this, ACUK is planning to organize workshops at various centers to bring in awareness on the same. Here again, co-operation from all members is requested.

I sign-off by wishing all the members and their families a happy festival season.

Your Page

UMPIRES – DECISIONS & BODY LANGUAGE

– Prof. R. Sathyanarayana.

Umpires and umpiring decisions in cricket have always been put under scrutiny and analysis. Umpires just like players, have their own aspirations to be part of the game. At lower levels like club and domestic cricket, umpires are indispensable and TV viewer ship is minimum. If an umpire knows that he cannot qualify to be an international field umpire why will he even be interested in domestic and club level cricket? There are fears that field umpires may be left only to signal boundaries, no balls and wide and refer everything else to the third umpire. This would mean not only a loss of time but also make the field umpires feel they are unimportant and nothing much to contribute to the game. This would be an extremely unfortunate situation and we need to work out a system which can work both for umpires as well as players. Today umpiring is a career which is associated with intense pressure on the field and loneliness off the field. Efforts need to be made to make sure the gulf between players and umpires do not widen, otherwise the game itself would be under a major threat. Umpires are an integral part of the game and we need to ensure they get the support and respect they deserve.

The most effective way to uncover hidden desires, thoughts, or emotions is by reading and interpreting body language correctly. And guess what? Your own body language signals can also influence what other people may think or feel about you. If you do it right, you will be liked and trusted. But if you send the wrong signals (even if you're unaware of it) - your self-esteem may suffer.

"I can't" are sad words in any language

For example, if you have a habit of touching your nose, people could perceive that as a sign of deception. You might simply have that habit even if you're telling the truth, but people can't tell the difference. They are unconsciously interpreting your gesture as untrustworthy and judging you based on your actions. Why go through the trouble of being misinterpreted when you can avoid it? Understanding the meaning and uses of specific body gestures will allow you to change your approach and act only in ways that will result in maximum compliance.

A delivery from a 150 kph fast bowler takes only one third of a second to reach the batsman. So, umpires must be highly skilled to judge the length and line of the ball, to make a correct lbw decision. Experience and ability are invaluable here, but it can still be a difficult call, especially as the umpire sees no action replays.

High-tech decision aiding has only been available for around 15 years, and is improving all the time, so that pressure on traditional umpiring can only increase. It's a great debate for the cricket authorities and for cricket fans. What do you think?

—to be continued in the next issue.

Report on AGM 2010

36th AGM of ACUK was held on 27th June 2010 at the beautiful and historic Devarayana Durga hill station in Tumkur district of Karnataka. About 110 persons including 57 members took part in the event. Members from all the 3 zonal forums were present (Shivamogga, Mysore, Mangalore). Two buses were arranged from the M.Chinnaswamy stadium premises for the to and fro journey.

After reaching the venue, the team straight went to the historic Narasimha Swamy temple at the top of the hill, followed by breakfast. Then the business session was held. The AGM went on very well and

smoothly. Best part of the AGM was the presence of quite a few senior and founder members of ACUK. Many resolutions were passed and they are listed below. One of the resolutions, needing rising of fixed / term deposits disturbance from Rs. 15000/- to Rs. 25000/- will be separately posted to members for opinion shortly.

When the AGM was in progress, the families had a gala time in the nearby park, as many games and competitions were arranged for them. This was followed by a delightful and tasty lunch. The afternoon session was filled with games including housie. After evening snacks and tea, the return journey started. Overall, it was a wonderful outing for our members and their families.

Resolutions Adopted at 36th AGM

1. BYE – LAW 2 (a) ii) & iv) - LIFE MEMBERSHIP & LIFE ASSOCIATE :
The amount is increased from Rs. 1000/- to Rs 2000/-
2. BYE –LAW 5 – ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS :
The amount is increased from Rs. 100/- to Rs. 300/-
3. BYE—LAW 6 – ADMISSION OF MEMBERS :
The amount is increased from Rs.10/- to Rs. 50/-
4. BYE—LAW 15 (a) – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO BEREAVED FAMILIES OF MEMBERS : The amount is increased from Rs. 1500/- to Rs. 3000/-

Want a face lift ? Wear a smile.



← Shri Ravi Subramanyam, President
delivering his address



Secretary Shri Srinivasmurthy giving the report
for the year 2009-2010 →



← Shri N.R. Seetharam Prabhu, Treasurer,
presenting the Accounts



Shri Shahvir K. Tarapore →
sharing his S.A. experience



← Shri B. Satyajit Rao, Founder Member, addressing the gathering



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Children of our members
← having a good time during
the entertainment session.
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Our query your response

Jayakumar-Bangalore

The law worded by the MCC suffices for the above mentioned query in the newsletter. law 36 says if the ball first strikes the person of the batsman then it is eligible to appeal for an lbw (and rest conditions met which follow suit), no matter if the ball later strikes or would have struck if not played by the batsman , but for the interception in the opinion of the umpires the ball would have hit the wicket, hence the question asked does not uphold.

Anand D.P. from Shivamogga

Still it is Deliberate Padding, but as per observer - the ball is not going to hit the wicket.

I think the batsman should not be given out.

But...but... the position of the two different persons an 'observer' & the 'umpire' are different, on a legal delivery if the Umpire feels and confident that the ball is going to hit the stumps the batsman purposefully hides the bat behind the pad, the law should be awarded.

Jayaram

The umpire is right in giving the batsman out LBW, even though the bat is behind the leg. Interception is by the leg and hence law completely covers this case.

Accolades

Sri Raghavendra Prabhu and Shri M Raghavendra (Shivamogga forum) were invited by Ten Sports (Dish TV viewers) as Kannada commentators for the Tri Series between India, Sri Lanka and New Zealand held in Sri Lanka recently. ACUK congratulates them and wishes them many more such assignments.

Shri Ganesh Yaji member of Karnataka Natak Academy was invited to present a short play at 6th World Kannada Conference organized by Akhila Kannada Koota of America at New Jersey in September 2010. ACUK wishes him more such laurels.

Our Answer to the Poser printed in the last issue LBW or Not?

It is not the first time this type of question has arisen; it is a bit of an old chestnut. In our view law 36.2(b) adequately covers the situation. It says that in assessing whether the ball would have gone on to hit the wicket, the umpire is to assume that the path of the ball before interception would have continued after interception. There is no requirement for the umpire to consider whether it might possibly have subsequently struck the bat or some other part of the striker's person, his other leg for example. The only consideration is whether the trajectory of the ball shows it to be heading towards the wicket.

The law is petty simple let us keep it so.

FORUM Page

ACUK Mysore Forum conducted its AGM on 15th August 2010 at Cauvery School, which was well represented by members of all the Forums. The meeting started with a condolence to late Sri Venkatsubbiah, President of Mysore forum. Shri M.R Suresh the President in his speech congratulated all the team members for doing a good job through the year and especially the tournament conducted by the forum which had earned a good name in the city. He expressed his vision for the forth coming year like conducting debate programmes and painting competitions. He requested all the senior members to be patient in answering to the youngsters queries however small or big it might be. He stressed upon umpires going prepared for all the matches.

Elections for the year 2010 did not take place since the following members were unanimously elected. Shri M.R Suresh-President, Shri R Ananth-Vice president,

Shri Rajagopal- Secretary, Shri B. Prabhu-Assistant Secretary, Shri Shantharaju M-Treasurer, Shri Bhakthavathsala S and Shri Srikanta Sharma as committee members.

Question Page

July-2010

Q. In playing condition no 1 serial no 7.1 result of in Knock out stage clause © should the fall of wickets be considered when the run rate is equal in an abandoned match?

ANS. The ruling was very simple as the clause© is very clear that in such conditions the result should be resolved only by the spin of coin.

Q. An innings in a match was declared after a "no ball" was bowled in the very first ball of the over. Should the over be considered as a full completed over or to be ignored?

Ans. The ruling was that the over is to be treated as a full over even though only one ball is bowled which is a no ball for all purpose of calculation

Q. A bowler before entering the delivery stride throws the ball at the strikers' wicket after seeing the striker is standing outside the popping crease. The Wicket keeper gathers and breaks the wicket. Is the striker out or not out on appeal?

Ans. The ruling was the striker is not out because wicket keeper cannot affect run out of a no ball called by either umpire. On the other hand if the ball directly had broken the strikers' wicket the striker is out run out.



Greetings

October 2 nd	Gandhi Jayanthi
October 17 th	Vijaya Dashami
November 1 st	Rajyothsava
5 th & 7 th	Deepavali
December 25 th	Christmas

September-2010

President dwelled on the changes in MCC Laws and informed that while there is no radical changes the ambiguity in some of the laws has been removed and recasted in simple sentences.

The working committee impressed on the members that ACUK will hold the workshop on the new version.

The pleasing information was that the umpires panel for KPL II has been broadened by including a few more umpires from the state panel along with Shri M Srinivasa Murthy and Shri S Muralidhara who were the only two state panel umpires to officiate in the KPL I.

The below mentioned State panel umpires are officiating in the KPL II alongside the Board panel umpires.

Shri M. Muralidhara, Shri M. Sreenivasa Murthy, Shri Vishwas M. Kale, Shri B.K Kumar, Shri Chandrashekar, Shri P. Vimal Kumar, Shri B.S. Jaykumar, Shri S.R. Deepu, Shri Sujith Kumar, Shri Kishore-De-Silva, Guru Prasad T.R., B. Prabhu, Rajgopal, M.V. Deepak, R. Harish, Yeshwanth K. Nayaka, Ravishankar. ACUK congratulates and wishes them.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monthly Meetings

20th October 2010

10th November 2010

08th December 2010

UMPIRES DAY

21 or 28 November 2010

Reminder

In spite of carrying this message for the last two issues we are yet to receive response from our umpires. This is the third time we are publishing the news. Kindly respond and act positively.

All our members who have not been issued ACUK ID card 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 30th April 2010 so that the cards can ready by the AGM in June to:

Vivekanand Kini, # 83/5A, Kinatukara Buildings, 4th Main, 14th Cross Malleswaram Bangalore-560 003 positively

With Best Compliments from

SHRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO

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