



News Letter

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FROM THE DESK OF THE EDITORIAL BOARD

The present Newsletter contains certain new features like additional columns, pictures, more live news coverage etc. It is a matter of concern that our members are still not forthcoming in airing their views to us in spite of our openly soliciting for the same.

A recent article in Deccan Herald though not connected with our activity is worth sharing. The article mentions the common "don'ts" in our everyday life like: Jumping traffic signals, driving on footpath and one ways, talking loudly in public places, and on mobile phones. The list is endless. Examining in our context, we: don't confirm our postings on time, starting late from home, not contacting our partners, not updating ourselves with the playing conditions, using mobiles on field of play, not checking markings, incomplete score sheets and handing over the same late to authorities, going without nomination forms, the list again goes endless.

Dear friends there is a saying "Let us complain less and give more" which aptly suits all of us, just

by taking some corrective measures we would be a better citizen and let us not forget that there are lot of people who look up to us. Here may be we should be taking pride by doing "the right things at the right time".

SECRETARY SPEAKS

Dear Members

A year in office as Hon. Secretary of our association is nearing an end. We have moved a few steps forward, but more lay ahead. The KSCA has been supporting all our activities and of late has done a lot for umpires including conducting workshops and clinics at various Mofussil Centres. The KSCA league is above to commence and a lot depends on umpires for its successful completion. As such we need to put our best foot forward and I am sure our members will not lag behind. Our AGM 2012 has been slated for the 20th or 27th of May 2012. The details of the same will be mailed to all members shortly. Nothing much to communicate as of now. Rest in my report of the AGM notice. Hope to meet you all during the AGM.

TRIBUTE TO RAHUL DRAVID

Attitude and Discipline are two words in English which adds up to 100(century) considering the letter 'a' as 1 and 'z' as 26. Rahul had the right attitude and discipline to possibly achieve what all he wanted and set for himself in cricket. He had a never say die attitude in batting and was as solid as a rock and hence rightly earned the name "The Wall". I cannot think of anybody else more disciplined and meticulous in executing skills while batting than Rahul. He, unlike most batsmen had the same approach both in the nets as well as in a match. I have always seen him bat in the nets like how he would play in a match. More often than not we see batsmen hitting every ball in the nets and not do the same in a match leading to their downfall. He was different right from his early days.

Drizzle or no drizzle, he would always be there at HAL grounds at 7.30 in the morning. Believe me, he was such an influence on all of us that our bowlers would bowl long spells and he would enjoy every moment of it in our bouncy matting wicket.

Rahul has a boy next door image in spite of his huge success. He, as you know has always a smile on his face and easy going. But believe me, he has a steely resolve and is never distracted until he achieves the goal that he sets for himself.

HAL was lucky to have him in their ranks as a guest player for a couple of seasons in the early nineties. He contributed immensely in almost all the matches that he played and won a few games on his own. He was undoubtedly a multi-dimensional cricketer. He could bat any position, could keep wickets and you won't believe he could bowl off breaks quite effectively. He had done that on many occasions in limited overs matches while playing for HAL. Truly a captain's delight.

-NANDAN

EXCERPTS KSCA PRESIDENT ANIL KUMBLE'S SPEECH ON 1ST OF APRIL 2012

Some of the initiatives that we have taken up with regard to umpires' has been the remuneration has been increased and its been standardized across the state. Umpiring educators' programme is done to update and educate the umpires of the changes of the rules and regulations governing cricket. Umpires educators' programme has been conducted at all moffusil zonal headquarters during 2011, and this year similar educators' programme have been conducted in mangalore and shimoga.

In Bangalore, umpires educators' programme is done fortnightly basis under the guidance of a panel of 10 senior and BCCI umpires. These classes will commence again this year after the IPL matches. There are a total of 127 qualified umpires in Bangalore and around 300 across the state. The scorers' remuneration has also been increased. Scorers seminar and exams were conducted at all the zonal headquarters, as on date we have 155 qualified scorers across the state.

The loyalty programme that I mentioned, I urge and request all the members, the cricketers, the umpires, the scorers and all the cricketing fraternity who are a part of this wonderful association, I urge them to please sign up and share your profile because communication is the key, and at KSCA the challenges we face is with regard to communication and if we get all your players who are participating in leagues across Karnataka registered with KSCA, we would like to give you a unique identification number which will help us and will help you also, and in turn KSCA will be able to roll out Royalty facilities to all of you.

FROM OUR ZONAL FORUMS

The 20th Annual General Body Meeting of Shimogga Forum was held on February 12, 2012 at The Country Club, Shimogga. Since it was an election year, election to the working committee 2012-2014 was held. Sri M.S.Suresh was appointed as the returning officer. As most of the nominations received for various posts were withdrawn, leaving one valid nomination for each of the posts, the following members were declared elected unopposed:

Sri N.S.Raghuprasad	: President
Sri N.Krishnamurthy	: Vice-President
Sri M.K.Ravishankar	: Hon. Secretary
Sri H.Ravindranath	: Hon Joint Secretary
Sri M.V.Deepak	: Hon Joint Secretary
Sri S.Dinesh	: Hon. Treasurer

EC Members

Sri L.Anandaraman	
Sri R.S.Harish	
Sri Raghavendra	
Sri Sadiqulla Beig.H	
Sri E.V.Sanjay Kumar	
Sri H.K.Srinivasa Murthy	
Sri K.L.Subramanya	: Immediate Past President

ACCOLADES

- Members of ACUK family salute Rahul Dravid for his contribution to Karnataka and Indian cricket and wishes the legend all the best in his future endeavours.
- Our Members Sriyuths Ravishankar Byrappagowd and Deepak Katte have been elevated to ICC panel from West Indies Cricket Board and USA respectively. ACUK congratulates both of them all the success in their new endeavor.

- Shahvir Tarapore was honored by KSCA for representing India as a Test Umpire.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

JANUARY 2012

Lengthy deliberation on communication was the highlight of the meeting. Communications amongst Umpires, between Players and Umpires, and Ground staff and Umpires are some of them. A good communication will end up in a smooth conduct of the match and thereby cutting off any ambiguities. Today it is so much important because we are being seen on TV and how obvious it becomes when there is any gap in communication during a match. May be answering to a query by the bowler or a batsman, even for that matter signaling to the fellow umpire. These were the few points deliberated.

Seniors shared a lot of their experience and allowed the house to also share their experience. This definitely will go a long way in improving our standards of communication and moving closer to perfection.

A question to be answered in the next monthly meeting was posed to the members.

A player who has come back after a surgery requests before the start of the match seeking a substitute after his spell to go in for strapping of his knee? Is this allowed? **HOW CAN IT BE IMPLEMENTED?**

FEBRUARY 2012

The president opened this meeting stating the sorry state of affairs about the umpires who keep cribbing about their postings. He also insisted that henceforth any posting related matter may be taken up with the posting committee and no emails shall be sent to KSCA directly.

Sriyuths N Arun, C.V Srinivas, Yadukula Prakash, and Yoga Narasimha were welcomed as they had been inducted as members.

Regarding the question asked in the previous meeting members had different opinions about allowing a substitute to the player and finally after every body had spoken Mr Ravi S stated the facts. The Player being honest had asked the permission along with his captain before the start of the match. Taking into consideration this fact he shall be allowed to go out for a specific duration and the same shall be considered as he not being on the ground for serving penalty.

MARCH 2012

The house did not conduct its usual business, but met to condole the sad demise of our Member Sri S. Ramesh. Members were given opportunity to speak a few words about the deceased.

DATES TO REMEMBER MONTHLY MEETINGS

11th April

9th May

13th June

MAY 20/27- AGM

GREETINGS

1st MAY-May Day

4th May - Mahaveera Jayanthi

6th May - Good Friday

AGM 2012

The 38th Annual General Body Meeting of our Association will be held on the 20th or 27th of May 2012. Notice of the same will be posted in due course. The Working Committee expects and requests members to attend in large numbers, contribute their mite and make the AGM a success.

CONDOLENCE

ACUK condoles the sad and untimely death of our Member Sri S.Ramesh on 10th of March 2012. He became a qualified umpire of KSCA in the year 2002 and had been regularly officiating matches. We pray God to give his bereaved family the strength to bear his loss.

With Best Compliments From

SHRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO

Founder Member and Former Test Umpire

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