

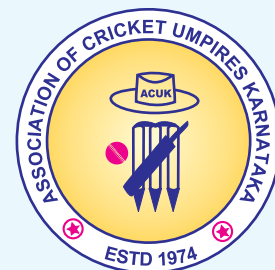
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Editorial



Dear Reader,
As you are aware, the Annual General Meeting of the ACUK was held recently, and in the elections held during the course of the AGM 2017, members bestowed the responsibility of managing the affairs of the Association in the hands of a new committee.

The renowned author Douglas Pagels had once said, "Each new day is a blank page in the diary of your life. The secret of success is in turning that diary into the best story you possibly can." In the annals of the ACUK, we have flipped the page over. We have begun a new chapter. The elected individuals have a blank page, a blank canvas, and it is now for them to make sure that they fill it in and make it a best-seller, the best painting ever. It is for the elected individuals to ensure that the ACUK remains relevant and that the Association continues to grow. Congratulations to all those who were declared successful in the elections and best wishes for your term in office.

The newly elected Working Committee have bestowed me with the responsibility of being Chairman of the ACUK's Newsletter Committee. I am honoured to be given the opportunity to compile and edit the Newsletter.

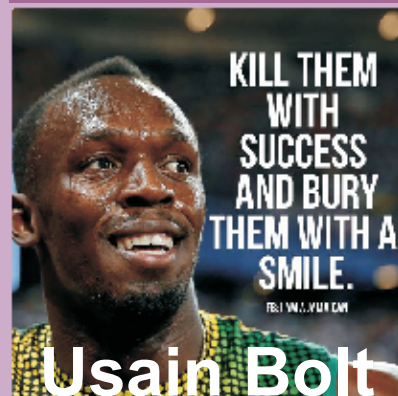
Before I begin, I should thank the earlier Newsletter committee, led by its Chairman, Prof. R Sathyana-rayana, for their efforts in publishing the Newsletter over the last two years. As I begin this journey as Chairman of the Editorial Committee, my vision

is for the ACUK Newsletter to become the voice of the Umpires from Karnataka, as well as serve as a medium of information and learning for everyone associated with Umpiring. While the Newsletter is printed matter, my intention is for interaction between members of the fraternity. The Newsletter will regularly feature topics of interest, topics which are relevant to Umpiring and to the game of cricket. Members are requested to share their thoughts on the topics by writing to editorial.acuk@gmail.com. Mails received from members on the various topics will be moderated and chosen ones will be posted on the ACUK's website from time to time.

I would like to consider giving the ACUK Newsletter an identity, and it is in this direction that I am considering giving the Newsletter a name. I invite members to suggest possible names for the Newsletter; members may send suggestions to editorial.acuk@gmail.com.

I would like to touch upon four major subjects to begin with. First, I would like to express delight that the ICC had appointed four Women Umpires to officiate in the Women's World Cup 2017. While it doesn't have anything to do with the ACUK directly, it is a great initiative by the ICC to involve Women Umpires at the highest level of the game. Seen in the larger context, I am sure the four female Umpires will inspire a generation of Women Umpires, which will eventually result in the growth of the fraternity of Umpires. I call upon members, where possible, to encourage women cricketers (as well as all women interested in cricket) to take up Umpiring.

Legend's Corner



The ICC recently confirmed Afghanistan and Ireland as Full Members. Congratulations to the Afghanistan Cricket Board and Cricket Ireland for their newly-acquired status and good luck to them as they seek to take baby steps in Test cricket. What this elevation also means is that it will give Umpires in both nations a chance to officiate in higher level games. I am pleased for that opportunity being available to them.

The other important development was pertaining to the ICC Cricket Committee's recommendation that teams seeking DRS should not be penalized a 'Review' in case technology returned 'Umpire's Call'. On several occasions in the past, when technology has returned Umpire's Call, there have been opinions – from cricketers, commentators, journalists, and the ardent cricket fan – that Umpire's Call was introduced to safeguard the Umpires. If technology is reliable – to the extent that it is used as an official tool to assist decision making in sport – should it not be used to the fullest extent, without 'conditions apply'?

Should the ICC persist with 'Umpire's Call' anymore? I would request my fellow Umpires to share their thoughts on this subject; look forward to your responses at editorial.acuk@gmail.com. A few replies shall be reproduced in the next quarter's Newsletter.

My fourth topic for this edition of the Newsletter has to do with events that occurred in a T20 match in Edgbaston on July 8. The Nottingham Outlaws fast bowler Luke Fletcher, in his follow through, copped a fierce blow

on his head from a straight drive. Play was suspended immediately and the physio and on-ground paramedics attended to the player immediately. It was good to see the Match Officials take a humane approach to the situation; given how shaken the players were, they decided to suspend the match and allowed them time to gather their thoughts, and resumed the match about 30 minutes later. Though the player is now recovering, it has once again put under the spotlight if enough is being done to protect the players (particularly the

batsmen, the bowler and the close-in fielders) and the Umpires. What protective measures can Umpires take to avoid such injuries? What measures can be introduced to reduce such injuries to players and Umpires?

I hope you enjoy pondering about and discussing these topics with your colleagues. Look forward to hearing your thoughts on the same.

Best Wishes.
Arun Kumar G

Secretary's Column



Dear Member,

I am glad to connect with you through this newsletter.

AGM 2017

The Annual General Meeting of the ACUK was held at the 'J' Corporate Hall in the KSCA premises on 26 June 2017. The AGM was an unprecedented success, with 210 members in attendance.

President Sri Vinayak Kulkarni chaired the AGM and proceedings commenced at 10:00 a.m. The members actively participated in the AGM; a few members sought clarifications to information provided in the AGM notice, a few others made suggestions for the betterment of the organisation.

The AGM proceeded as per the agenda printed in the AGM notice and members expressed their confidence by giving their approval to several items that needed the member's approval.

Item number 10 in the Agenda was 'Elections to the

Working Committee for the term 2017 – 2019'. For this, the President sought the approval and the House consented to appoint Sri KL Subramanya as Returning Officer. A 5-member team consisting of Kishore G De Silva, EV Sanjay Kumar, BK Keshavaram, N Krishnamurthy and K G Manmohan was to assist him in conducting the elections.

Members had the opportunity to cast their vote after the Returning Officer



read out a list of 'Do's and Don'ts' to be followed by Voters during the election. A total of 167 members cast their vote. The Returning Officer and his team counted and tabulated the votes polled over the course of two hours. Sri KL Subramanya, the Returning Officer, announced the results and declared the following candidates were elected to the corresponding posts:



Members Elected to the ACUK Working Committee For The Period 2017–2019

Sriyuths Vivekanand Kini
President

B. S. Raghotham
Vice President

B. K. Kumar
Hon. Secretary

R. V. Pradhan Kumar Urs
Hon. Joint Secretary

P. Muralidhara
Hon. Treasurer

M. Jayaprakash
K. Murugasundaram
J. Nagaraja
Raghavendra Prabhu
Working Committee Members (4 Nos.)



I would like to thank Sri KL Subramanya and his team for conducting the elections in a smooth, fair and transparent manner. While I would like to congratulate those successful in the elections, I would also like to place on record my appreciation for all members who were not successful in the elections, yet were extremely sportive and took the result in their strides. This shows the unity in our fraternity, and it only affirms that everyone has the interests of the association at heart, rather than wanting to occupy a position or settle scores against a colleague.

I would like to thank the outgoing President Sri Vinayak Kulkarni for his contribution and leadership over the last two years, and look forward to his guidance as he joins the Working Committee in the capacity of Immediate Past President. I would also like to thank the outgoing Vice-President Sri Arun Kumar G for volunteer-ing to taking up the responsibility two years ago. My best wishes to both of you.

I would like to thank members from all over Karnataka in record numbers who attended the AGM and participated in the affairs of the Association. I would like to congratulate the members for ensuring the AGM was conducted smoothly and in an extremely professional manner. The Working Committee is in the process of compiling the minutes of the AGM, and members will be notified once the minutes are uploaded to the website.

Pre-AGM Dinner

It has been the practice of the ACUK to hold a get together for members and their families before every Election year. The election-eve get together was held at the KSCA premises on 25 June 2017. It was heartening to see members –



both from Bangalore and mofussil centres - attend the dinner in large numbers.

The entertainment programmes at the dinner were subdued as a mark of respect towards the members who had passed away in the preceding year. Members were kept entertained by light music; the services of an artist was engaged, and some of our members also joined in the orchestra.

Honouring Meritorious Students

Over the years, the ACUK has had the habit of recognizing excellence and honouring wards of members who have secured 85% or more in SSLC or PUC examinations. At the pre-AGM dinner, ACUK honoured eight individuals – sons and daughters of members – who had scored in excess of 85% in the SSLC or PUC examinations for the 2016-17 academic year. The following individuals were each presented a memento (a watch sponsored by M/s. Cycle Pure Agarbathies) and a cash prize of Rupees One Thousand.



Ms. Nikitha Loraine was awarded the Rolling Shield-which is sponsored by Sri Shahvir Tarapore-for her achievement of scoring 399 out of a total of 400 marks in her core subjects (PCMB) in the PUC examinations.



The ACUK congratulates all the students on their outstanding results and encourages them to chase their dreams.

KSCA Support

Finally, I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the Office Bearers, MC Members and Staff of Karnataka State Cricket Association for the support they have extended for the conduct of the AGM 2017.

Wish you all prosperity and good health.

B. K. Kumar,
Hon. Secretary.

<i>Meritorious Students Honoured During AGM 2017</i>			
<i>Sl.</i>	<i>Student's Name</i>	<i>Parent's Name</i>	<i>Class</i>
1.	Sukanya Ananth	D/o TK Ananth	SSLC
2.	Shravanthi Jayapal	D/o P Jayapal	SSLC
3.	Sharanya BK Ravi	D/o BK Ravi	Class 10
4.	Srikanth RS	S/o BS Raghotham	SSLC
5.	Simrita D	D/o SR Deepu	PUC
6.	Kiran RS	S/o BS Raghotham	PUC
7.	Chandana N Swamy	D/o B Nanjunda Swamy	PUC
8.	Nikitha Loraine	D/o Peter Alen	PUC

Dates to remember

Monthly Meeting:

July 12th

August 9th

September 14th



7th August
Raksha Bandhan



15th August
Independence Day



25th August
Ganesh Chaturthi



2nd September
Eid-al-Adha



3rd September
Onam



19th September
Mahalaya Amavasya



29th September
Ayudha Pooja



30th September
Vijaya Dashami

Record Breakers

Indian cricketers have scaled many peaks in international cricket. Here's a brief look at some of the major records broken by Indian cricketers in the last few months.



- Jhulan Goswami became the highest wicket-taker in Women's ODIs. When she took 3-20 against South Africa in an ODI at Potchefstroom in May, Jhulan surpassed Australia's Cathryn Fitzpatrick to become the highest wicket-taker in Women's ODIs.



- When Virat Kohli scored 111 not out in an ODI against the West Indies recently, he broke Sachin Tendulkar's record for the most centuries in ODI run-chases; Tendulkar had scored 17 hundreds in ODI run-chases, Kohli now has 18 hundreds in chases.



- When the Indian Women's cricket team captain Mithali Raj scored 69 in a World Cup match against Australia, she became the highest run-getter in Women's ODIs; in the same match, Mithali Raj also became the first batter to score 6000 runs in Women's ODIs.

The ACUK congratulates the cricketers for their record-breaking accomplishments and wishes them plenty more success in the future.

With Best Compliments From

SRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO

Founder Member and Former Test Umpire

Obituary

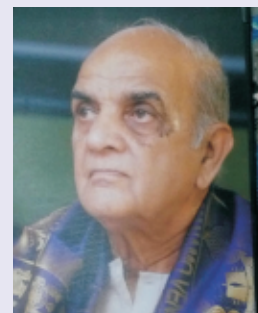
ACUK mourns the death of, and offers its condolences to the families of the following Members and former Umpires:



Sri Ravi Subramanyam
(BCCI Panel Umpire and
ACUK President)



Sri S. R. Ramachandra Rao
(Test Umpire
from Karnataka)



Sri C. K. Gururaja Rao
(KSCA Panel Umpire and
ACUK Member)

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