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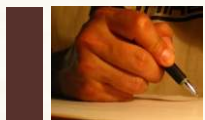
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Editorial

Dear Friends,

The game of cricket is adopting new versions. The approach, pace, duration, timings, colors and the game itself have changed and it is time for accepting the changes across. We had for the first-time pink ball day-night test being played at Kolkata quite successfully against Bangladesh. Unlike earlier days, where we had five/six days test match, there is a debate to reduce it to four days considering frequent early conclusions.

Indian team is quite phenomenal in all formats and are the front runners. Our players are quite regulars in the top 10 performers. Karnataka team is also not lagging in terms of achieving glories. Having emerged winners in the Vijay Hazare tourney, they went on to annex Mushtaq Ali trophy as well. Hearty congratulations to them. The Ranji Trophy season of 2019-20 has kicked off and most of our BCCI panel umpires are going to officiate matches across length & breadth of the country. ACUK wishes them good luck for their annual journey.

The new managing committee of KSCA has envisaged many plans for overall development and sustenance of the good results of Karnataka teams in all formats and spreading its reach to the remote areas. Many matches are played at mofussil places and maintenance of infrastructures in the same high standards is remarkable. The foresightedness in grooming from across is laudable.

The annual ACUK mega event of Umpires Day was quite successfully held on 17th November 2019, drawing a good crowd of umpires from all over the state and is an indication of oneness displayed by umpiring fraternity of ours. The Chief Guest while thanking umpires for their unstinted support in conducting matches, assured of all the help and to take care of umpires interests.

The Guest Speaker of the day and former ICC Panel Umpire Sri. Shahvir Tarapore called upon the umpires to possess two Ps, Passion and Patience which shall reward any individual and quoted himself as an example. Quite

remarkable indeed. The Guest of Honor Sri. Sathyaji Rao was nostalgic while sharing his earlier days of umpiring. It was nice to hear the experience directly of the yesteryears when the game had limited reach.

ACUK continued its gesture of felicitating seniors who have put in 25 plus years of umpiring, this time as well. Four such members were felicitated and it was a happy feeling for all of us. The restructured website of ACUK was relaunched, which carries previous editions of News Letters, playing conditions, Members Directory and a good lot of photographs of our events, etc. I urge our fellow members to visit the site and pass a glance on them to get to know about the achievements of our founding fathers which was persisted further by many stalwarts later on.

I wish you all a very happy and prosperous New Year 2020.

Regards
P. Muralidhara

Secretary's Column

Dear Friends. At the outset, I thank one and all for the successful conduct of our Umpires' Day 2019. The function went on as planned and to the satisfaction of the masses. The attendance was to expectations. On the whole, we had a glorious and memorable day. My committee is on the thought process of reviving the ACUK cricket match. We are planning to have the same during March 2020. But we are still taking baby steps towards this. Suggestions on the go about for the same are welcome. Four of our umpires, Sriyuthas Manu Pasha, Rishiraj Jha, D.L.Deepak and Soshan Soma having qualified to the BCCI, have started their career, are moving about all over the country and performing well. I wish them success in their future assignments.

Our next major activity is undoubtedly the AGM 2020. My committee has already started working on this. You are all aware that it is an outing year along with families. As such, the venue carries a lot of importance. It is on this aspect, I require support and inputs from members.

Suggestions in this regard, if any, may be mailed to me at the earliest, so that we can expedite the same.

Time and again, I have touched upon the issue of members failing to remit subscriptions on time. It should be understood that an association can function to the optimum, only with timely and sufficient funds. A large number of members will be due on

subscription to the extent of 03 years as on 31.3.2020. Without giving any prejudice to whatever action can be taken against such members, I humbly request them to pay the dues at the earliest. Also, members who are in touch with any member who is in arrears may put in a word to them, so that they continue to figure in our members' list. Removal of members

for non-payment of subscription will be the last thing on my committee's agenda. Nonetheless, though it hurts a lot, my committee will not hesitate to take action as per the procedure laid down in our bye-laws.

This is all for now. Rest in next.

Regards,
N. R. S. Prabhu

Umpires Day 2019

The 28th Umpires Day of ACUK was celebrated on 17/11/2019 at P2 Hall, KSCA, Bangalore. The function was graced by about 130 members of the fraternity from Bangalore, from different forums and from across the state.

Sri. Satish N S was the master of ceremony (MC). He started by greeting all of those who had assembled on the occasion.

ACUK President, Hon. Secretary, and Vice President accompanied the Chief Guest Sri. Abhiram J -Vice President KSCA, Guest of Honour Sri. Sathyaji Rao B and Sri. Shahvir K Tarapore, Guest Speaker of the day on to the dais. A minute of silence was observed to pay respect to the departed souls of fraternity members who passed away in the recent time. The lighting of divine lamp was done by the dignitaries to mark the beginning of the function. Smt. Sumangala Ranganath W/o Sri. Ranganath S B rendered the invocation.

ACUK Vice President Sri. Pradhan Kumar Urs welcomed the dignitaries and all those who had assembled for the 28th Umpires Day. MC briefed everyone on the insight of the association and the history of the Annual Umpires Day. He then called upon the Chief guest Sri. Abhiram to address the gathering and before that he listed his achievements as a cricketer right from his early age, went on to represent Karnataka,

played regularly for more than 10 years along with legends of Karnataka cricket and was part of the Ranji Trophy winning squad. His contribution as administrator earlier and now being an elected Vice President of KSCA was also mentioned.

Sri. Abhiram greeted the umpiring fraternity and thanked them for the wonderful job being done by them. Recollecting his playing days, he lauded the calm & composed stature exhibited by the umpires those days. Appreciated the umpires for handling tough situations while conducting the matches. His experience as club & institution cricketer who went on to play first-class cricket for quite a long duration was shared by him. Remembered his good association with players who have now donned umpiring attire. He assured the umpires, all help from KSCA at any time.

Sri. Satish gave a briefing on the Guest Speaker of the Day, Sri. Shahvir Tarapore, who is a Life Member of our association and involved in the growth of ACUK as office bearer and as President. Mr. Shahvir was congratulated for having been recently elected as Hon. Joint secretary of KSCA and for being appointed as Educator for umpires in the Maldives..

Mr. Shahvir Tarapore thanked the founders of ACUK, and went on to name a few of them and greeted all the umpires on Umpires Day. He felt proud to be a ACUK member and thanked the working committee for

choosing him to deliver a speech during the celebration. He advised umpires to be disciplined in life and umpiring, which will fetch the result on its own. Shared concern on decline in discipline in recent times and stressed them to overcome this. He hinted upcoming umpires to follow 2 Ps. Passion & Patience. Urged all umpires to keep reading laws & playing conditions to face tough situations. He emphasized the importance of working as a unit among PCT to conduct matches smoothly.

Sri. Abhiram, Sri. Sathyaji Rao and Sri. Shahvir Tarapore were felicitated. Also Mr. Vijay of Nitros Events, sponsor for mementos was felicitated. As per the tradition of ACUK, Sriyuthas Satish Ravindra, Vinod Kumar V J, Ranganath S B and Raghotham B S were felicitated for completing 25 years of umpiring. Hon. Secretary Sri. Prabhu read out a brief about the felicitated umpires.

Sri. Rao remembering his early days of umpiring, recollected that one had to go to the YMCA library for reference as there were no law books for immediate reference. Recounted the inspiration of Capt. Vijaya sarathy, to take up umpiring for passion which carried him to the level of what he is today. He urged members to start self-introspection. He said accepting mistakes can avoid mistakes. Practice and rigorous practice makes a person perfect which was followed by him to achieve whatever he has to date. He recalled his first test match as an

umpire and informed that it was, in fact, the first test match he viewed in his lifetime. He enjoyed his teaching skills and imparting the knack of the trade to the next generation. He thanked ACUK for the felicitation and wished it's members the best.

ACUK President Sri. Vivekanand Kini addressed the members by advising the umpires to carry large hearts to accept criticism and grow with them to connect to the future. He also stressed to develop passion and patience. Urged ACUK members to love the game and carry on, results will compliment every act for sure.

Sri. Santosh Menon, Hon. Secretary of KSCA graced the function and wished the umpires on the occasion. Sri. Abhiram and Sri. Shahvir Tarapore jointly re-launched the restructured ACUK website. ACUK members were urged to visit the site and get updated on the latest law amendments, playing conditions, members directory and a whole lot

of newsletters which have been posted.

A speech on Varicose veins was arranged for the benefit of members. Dr. Bhaskar who spoke on the risk of standing for long durations, raised concern of cricket umpires being prone to this. Preventive measures are always the best to escape from being attacked. He suggested umpires to move and relax at every given opportunity, avoid standing still for a long time and to get hydrated frequently.

As a part of the celebration, a quiz among the members was conducted. 5 teams of three umpires each was formed with pre-registered members. Questions on MCC laws, playing conditions and general aptitude on cricketing terms were posed which saw active participation from one and all who had gathered.

In the end, Team consisting of Mr. Gowtham.S, Mr. Nagendra, and Mr. Sudheendra Joshi, romped home deserving Winners and Team of Mr.

R. Bharath, Mr. Shashank.P and Mr. H. R. Narasimha Raju were the runners.

After the eventful programmes, the function drew to an end with vote of thanks by the Joint Secretary Sri. Anand A, who thanked everyone, including the Chief Guest, Guest of Honour, Guest Speaker of the Day, Dr. Bhaskar and all ACUK members & in particular, the outstation ones, who were in attendance.

He thanked the sponsors for wholeheartedly sponsoring the mementos for the occasion. Also thanked Rotary Bangalore South Parade along with The Bangalore Hospital Team for providing free health checkup. Special thanks were extended to KSCA for sparing the hall, providing accommodation and hosting lunch. He thanked all those who have contributed to the successful conduct of the Umpires Day.

The celebration ended on reciting of the National Anthem.

Glimpses of Umpires Day



The incumbent Working Committee



Registration in Progress.



President accompanying Chief Guest.



Hon. Secretary accompanying Guest of Honor.



Vice President accompanying Guest Speaker 03



Invocation by Mrs. Sumangala Ranganath



The Chief Guest lighting the lamp.



Condolence to the departed souls.



A glimpse of the audience.



Relaunching of ACUK website.



Sri. Satish Ravindra being felicitated.



Sri. V. J. Vinod Kumar being felicitated.



Sri. S. B. Ranganath being felicitated.



Sri. B. S. Raghotham being felicitated.



Guest of Honor Sri. B. Satyaji Rao being felicitated.



Memento to the Chief Guest Sri. J. Abhiram.



Memento to the Guest Speaker Sri. Shahvir Tarapore.



Sri. Nandan felicitating our sponsor Sri. Vijay of Nitros.



President felicitating members of Rotary Club South.



Dr. Bhaskar speaking on Varicose Veins.



Bouquet being presented to the Guest of Honor.



Sri. B. R. Keshavamurthy with Rotary Club members.



In-house Quiz in progress by quiz master Gopal & team.



One of the quiz teams.



In-house Quiz winners.



Working Committee with the dignitaries.



Cross-section of Lunch.



Hon. Jt. Secretary proposing vote of thanks



Chi. S. P. Suraj winner of Newsletter Quiz - June 2019
being given the prize during Monthly Meeting



Chi. Suhas M. S. winner of Newsletter Quiz - September 2019
being given the prize during Monthly Meeting

Colonnade of ACUK



Sri. S Muralidhara is a senior member of ACUK and an umpire as well. Born on 4th October 1961, he finished basic graduation and

joined Syndicate Bank as a Cricketer. He represented his bank for 28 years and enjoyed the company of many of the yesteryear cricketers. He represented the state Ranji Team, Buchi Babu, Wills Trophy and Subbaiah Pillai trophy in 1983-84.

He started umpiring from 1988 and continues to enjoy doing it till date. He was enrolled as an associate member of ACUK in 1988 and as life member in 1991. Sri. Muralidhara has officiated one-day Womens' match between India and Australia at Mysore in the year 2004, World Cup for the Blind at Cape Town, South Africa in 2014 when Indian team became champions and under 25 Junior match and Inter-university matches at Manipal, Dharwad, and Gulbarga.

He served ACUK in various capacities, starting as a working committee member in 1993 and went on to occupy it's chair as President in 2011. He was the first non-BCCI umpire to occupy such a high position. Also, he has been recognized and awarded by SWAB for his efficient services as Media Manager.

ACUK wishes him a very happy and peaceful life.

Know me



Sri S B Ranganath, our member was born on 01st November 1961 and is a science graduate. He worked in a German Company, Heidelberg as

supervisor and continued to work for a few other companies as well. He played college cricket and was very passionate about this game. He took up umpiring on the advice of Sri Swamy Kumar during his playing days and started officiating in Shimoga and Bhadravathi. He qualified to the KSCA panel in the year 2002 and has officiated many tournaments in Bangalore and is still doing so alongside working for a private concern.

He is married to Smt. Sumangala and is blessed with a daughter Gagansri who is happily married and well settled. ACUK wishes him a very happy, successful and long life.

Zonal Forum

The 28th Annual General Body meeting of Shivamogga forum was conducted in a grand manner on the 3rd of November 2019 at KSCA stadium, Shivamogga. 38 members from the forum along with 18-20 members from other forums including the parent body attended. The highlight of the AGM was the felicitation of Sri Ashwath who retired from umpiring and had served the KSCA for nearly 25 years. Kudos to the gentleman. ACUK wishes to place on records the service rendered by him and wishes him a healthy and happy life in the years to come.

President, Sri Vivekanand Kini, in his address expressed that hitherto Shimoga forum was a vibrant forum compared to other Mofussil fora. He urged them to work as a team without any egos. Meeting more often would bring different ideas on taking the forum to further heights and constructive criticism is needed. Though he appreciated the attendance he intended that more members could have turned up. He promised that any help from the parental body for the betterment of the forum would always be there. He appreciated the involvement of the members present in the AGM

and urged them to keep up the same tempo in the upcoming days with more members attending.

The Election for the term 2019-2021, was a smooth one since all the posts were unopposed. The office bearers for the term 2019-2021 are :

President: Sri K G S Bhargava

Vice-President: Sri. Ravindranath

Hon. Secretary: Sri S Dinesh

Hon. Joint Secretary: E V Sanjay Kumar

Hon. Treasurer: Sri R E Anil

E C Members:

1. Sri. P K Raghunandan
Shivamogga
2. Sri. Girish Pandith
Shivamogga
3. Sri J S Desai
Shivamogga
4. Sri Sri Ganesh Prasanna
Bhadravathi
5. Sri Nagendra Kumta
Sagar
6. Sri Narashima Raju
Hassan

The parent body expresses it's wholehearted wishes for the excellent arrangements made for the AGM.



Sri M. Y. Ashwath being felicitated during Shivamogga AGM

Achievements

ACUK congratulates Sri M.R Sridhar Gupta on being selected for the Badminton state team in the 60+ category. ACUK wishes him all the best.

Cricket Law Quiz

Rules:

- The quiz is only open to members of ACUK
- Answers to be emailed in the order of questions mentioned to umpseetharam@gmail.com OR achiru88@gmail.com
- Entries to be received on or before 29th February 2020.
- First to send the correct answers will be eligible for the reward provided he/she is present at the monthly meeting where the reward will be distributed. If the person is not present at the monthly meeting the reward shall be passed on to the next person sending in the correct answer before the cutoff date
- ACUK working committee members, BCCI Umpires (present and retired) and non-members welcome to participate but shall not be eligible for the reward
- Questions are based on the latest MCC Laws of Cricket 2017 Code & KSCA Playing Conditions with subsequent amendments.
- Decision of the ACUK Editorial Committee shall be final and binding on all aspects.

Questions as per KSCA Playing Conditions

1. In playing condition 2, team A is all out at 01 p.m in 43.3 overs. How many runs penalty will the team bowling first attract?
2. In Playing condition 1, the start of lunch interval is extended by 30 minutes as 09 wickets are down. While the play is in progress, the captain of the fielding side approaches the umpire for an extension of 15 more minutes expecting a definite result. What should be umpire's decision?

3. In playing condition 2, team A scores 290 runs for 8 wickets in 50 overs at 12.30 p. m. There is a rain interruption from 02.30 p. m for 34 minutes. At that time, team B has scored 67/2 in 14 overs. Calculate the remaining overs and show the rescheduled timings.
4. In playing condition 01, what are the conditions for the last hour of the match to start?
- 5) What are the time limits for a player's unserved penalty time for playing conditions 1 to 4?

As per MCC laws

- 1) The striker after playing a no ball, along with his partner completes three runs and the non-striker having made good his ground, catches the ball thrown from the outfield and gives it to the bowler. An appeal is made. The umpire also warns the batsmen a second time for running on the pitch.
 - a. Is any batsman out? if so, who is out?
 - b. How many runs are allowed / scored?
- 2) A no ball lawfully struck twice is going towards third man. A fielder picks the ball and throws it back and the batsmen start running and complete one run. Meanwhile, the overthrown ball reaches the boundary. What are your actions?
- 3) What happens if time is reached and a mistake is found in the scores?
- 4) An appeal is not made prior to the call of over. Can it be made later? If so, when?
- 5) Are there any reasons in a multi-day game, except on the final day, that time for close of play on any day be extended? If so, mention them.

Note: Answers should reach the Hon. Secretary or Hon. Jt. Secretary by e-mail on or before 29th of February 2020. Any other mode of answers or to any other mail i.d will NOT be considered.

Answers and winner will be announced during the monthly meeting of March 2020.

Monthly Meetings Q&A

01. In a multi-day game, 90 overs to be bowled for the day. In case, if not completed by scheduled or rescheduled cessation time for close of the play, what is the action?

Ans. Play shall continue on that day until the completion of 90 overs or upto 30 mins beyond the scheduled or rescheduled cessation time (permitted over time).
02. When 9 wickets are down, a batsman is injured and is receiving medical attention. How long should the umpires wait?

Ans. Whether 9 or any number of wickets are down, application remains the same. The umpires shall wait for a reasonable time and decide as per existing situation.
03. On a turf ground, there are some wet patches near one end of the square. What could be done to start the match on time?

Ans. Mats, dry cut grass, sponges, etc. can be used to bring the wet areas to playable conditions.

Answers for Quiz of Volume 192

As per playing conditions

1. He can bowl after serving 40 minutes on the field of play on that day if play continues and/or on a subsequent day.

2. Hours of play: 10.12 a.m to 12 noon -1st session 12 noon to 12.40 p.m-Lunch 12.40 p.m to 3.10 p.m-2nd session. 03.30 p.m to 05.12 p.m-3rd session.

3. No re-scheduling, hours of play remain the same.

4. Having lunch in the interruption time of 45 mins and 10mins for change of innings, we get 49 overs for each side.

Timings : 09.30 a.m to 12.40 p.m – Team batting first. Revised Timings: 12.40p.m to 01.25 p.m - Interruption(lunch) 01.25 p.m to 01.41 p.m -Team batting first (continuation) 01.41p.m to

01.51 p.m-Change of innings 01.51p.m to 05.17 p.m-Team batting second.

5. No.

As per MCC Laws:

1. Run is allowed as the ball is in play.

2. Neither overs is lost nor play is extended.

3. The striker is not out.

4. The match was actually concluded when the players left the field for the interruption and no further play was possible.

5. Yes.

Dates to Remember

January 2020

01st : New Year

14th : Lohri

15th : Sankranthi

26th : 71st Republic Day

February 2020

21st : Maha Shivaratri

March 2020

10th : Holi

25th : Ugadi

April 2020

2nd : Sri Ramanavami

6th : Mahavir Jayanthi

Monthly Meeting

February - 12th March - 11th

Change in ACUK monthly meeting day.

The working committee at its meeting has decided to revert to ACUK's old tradition of having its monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of every month starting January 2020. Members are requested to note the change and attend accordingly. Co-operation from all will be highly solicited.

With Best Compliments From

SRI. B. SATHYAJI RAO

Founder Member and
Former Test Umpire

BCCI Felicitation



The BCCI honored some of its umpires who retired from umpiring

in the previous board season with the hands of former India's skipper Sri G. R. Vishwanath. ACUK is proud that Sri NRS Prabhu was one of them. The brief and well-organized function was held on 24th October 2019 during the finals of the Vijay Hazare match between Karnataka and Tamilnadu at Chinnaswamy Stadium. All those who were a witness to this glittering function were lucky ones. ACUK congratulates Sri. Prabhu and wishes him a fruitful life in the years to come.

OBITUARY

ACUK lost the following members during the quarter October - December 2019.

We pray the Almighty to rest their souls in peace.



Sri Deena Dayalu
expired on 4th December 2019
due to a brief illness.



R Lakshmana Swamy
Born on 11.08.1944
Expired on 21.10.2019



M G Venkatesh Murthy
Born on 18.07.1930
Expired on 15.10.2019

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