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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF
THE SHRUBBERY HOTEL - SOMERSET CRICKET LEAGUE
WILL BE HELD AT THE SHRUBBERY HOTEL, ILMINSTER
ON MONDAY 11 DECEMBER 2017, STARTING AT 7.30pm.**

All clubs are expected to attend and failure to do so will incur a fine of £40 as per rule.

Agenda

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting, 5 December 2016 (Copy attached).
3. Matters arising.
4. Chairman's Remarks.
5. Honorary Secretary's Report. (Copy attached).
6. Honorary Treasurer's Report. (Copy attached).
7. Presentation of the Awards 2017
The AVCO Trust Trophy for the 'Young Player of the Year' – Matt Kingdom - Taunton Deane CC
The Glastonbury Mowers Trophy for the 'All Rounder of the Year' - Reece Croker of Frome CC
The Don Crouch Trophy for Sportsmanship – Wedmore 1st XI.
8. Election of Officers: -
 - a) Committee Members Namely Amanda Counsell, Martin King and Matt Lunn have agreed to stand for re-election and the Management Committee has proposed that they be re-elected
 - b) Honorary Auditor. Andy Stephens Winscombe CC.
9. The Club Welfare Officers – Amanda Counsell (SCL Welfare Officer).

10. 'The recreational game in Somerset' – Somerset Cricket Board
11. play-cricket.com – an explanation of the system.
12. 2017 Law changes – Tom Packman
13. The results of the ballots for Rule Changes of the Somerset Cricket League. (The voting on proposals will have been made by individual clubs between the Rules Meeting – November 13 and the AGM – December 11). The club representatives will have returned the voting slips, which have been issued with this agenda, to the ballot boxes at the AGM. Ballot papers must be delivered to the appropriate ballot box between 6.45 pm. and 7.30 pm on December 11.
14. Any Other Business. *(It would be helpful if prior notice of any item could be given to the Hon. Sec. in advance, this would enable any research to take place).*

Ray Hancock.
Hon. Secretary
November 18, 2017

Proposals for Rule Change.

The proposals outlined below were discussed at the 'Rules Meeting' on November 13 and some were refined and some failed to get a seconder so have been removed from list of proposals. Now that the Rules Meeting has taken place, clubs must discuss the proposals, if not done already, vote on the ballot sheets that are attached to the AGM notice. The ballot sheets must be deposited in the SCL Ballot Boxes at the Shrubbery Hotel between 6.45 and 7.30 pm on Monday December 11 2017

Proposal 1 – Burnham on Sea CC

Proposed by Burnham on Sea CC
Seconded by Winscombe CC

7. PLAYERS

(d) Overseas Players

i) Only one 'Overseas Player' * shall be permitted to play for each club per season in the Somerset Cricket League. This player must be registered with the Hon. Secretary 7 days before his first game and no later than 31st May.

If proposal 1 is lost, then proposal 2 goes to meeting.

Proposal 2 – Winscombe CC

Proposed by Winscombe CC
Seconded by Burnham on Sea CC

7. PLAYERS

(d) Overseas Players

i) Only one 'Overseas Player' * shall be permitted to play for each club per season in the Premier Division and Division 2 in the Somerset Cricket League. This player must be registered with the Hon. Secretary 7 days before his first game and no later than 31st May.

The voting on this this proposition will be open to representatives of the Premier division and division 2 clubs only.

Proposal 3 – Horrington CC

Proposed by Horrington CC

Seconded by Churchill CC

1. MATCHES

(c) Rules for Match Play

vi) In Divisions 6, 7, 8 a game will consist of a maximum of 40 overs per side for matches except as provided for in (d)(i)(ii), (e) and (f) hereinafter.

vii) **No bowler shall bowl more than 9 overs in any one innings.** Should a match be restricted in overs prior to the start, the maximum overs to be bowled by any one bowler shall be one **fifth** of the permitted overs rounded up to a complete over.

Rationale “To change the allocation of bowlers’ overs from 8 to 9 in 40 overs matches. This will effectively mean that a fifth (or more) bowler would have to bowl the remaining 4 overs of the innings”.

Proposal 4 – Wembdon CC

New Rule

Proposed by Wembdon CC

Seconded by South Petherton CC

5. MATCHES

(e) **Four cancellations.** Should a side concede 4 fixtures in any one season they are withdrawn from the league with immediate effect.

Notes.

Rationale

Sides which are withdrawn can still play the scheduled fixture as a friendly should they be able to raise a side that week.

Wembdon CC.

Proposal 5 – Management Committee

New Rule

Proposed by the Management Committee

Seconded by

No. 3 ADMINISTRATION

(j) **Cancelled matches.**

If a match is cancelled for any reason and/or at any time during the 48 hours before the agreed start time, then this cancellation MUST ONLY BE made through a telephone conversation involving officials of both clubs. Cancellations by emails, texts, twitter and other social media are not permitted. Fines will be applied at the discretion of the Management Committee.

Proposal 6 – Peasedown St. John CC

New Rule

Proposed by Peasedown St. John CC

Seconded by Huntspill & District CC

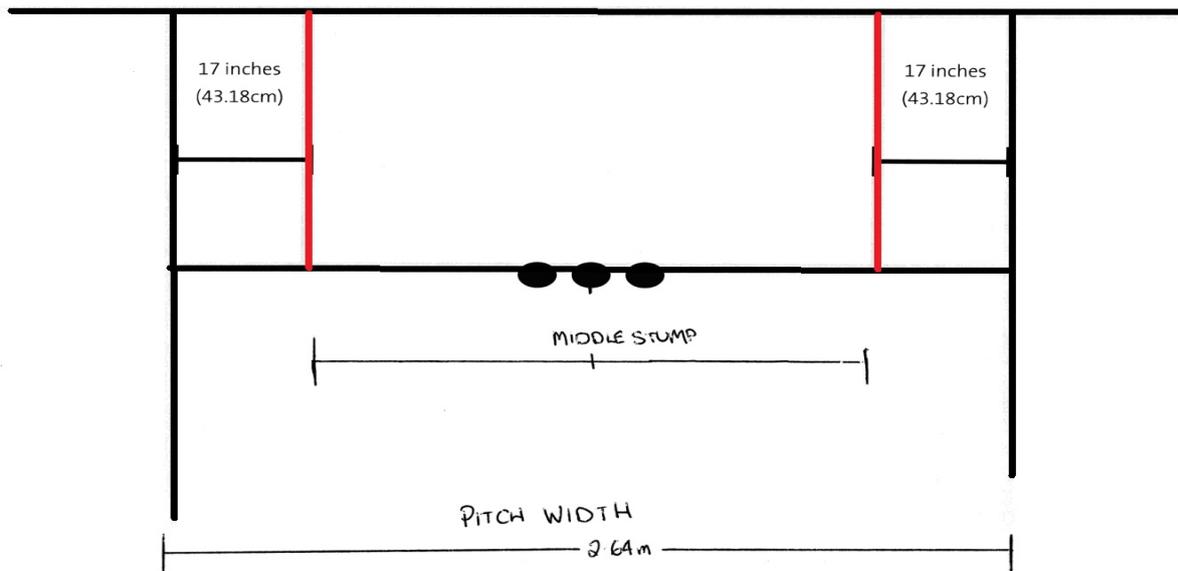
5.MATCHES

(0) Wides – Pitch Markings

Wide lines to be painted in blue or red 17 inches inside the edge of the crease lines. This is a guideline for wides and can be deemed not wide in an instance where the batsman moves enough to warrant the ball being called a legal delivery,

Rationale

This is to stop any arguments on what people consider wide and will help the game where bowlers get brought up on a wide ball that could be considered harsh, it will make it fair as there is a clear guideline in place. as per picture below. Peasedown St John CC



Proposal 7 – Churchill CC

New Rule

Proposed by Churchill CC

Seconded by Lympham & Belvedere CC

Rule 6 (c) – Umpires

Where a team wishes to provide its own non-playing umpire for a match, that umpire may only stand during the opposition's batting innings with the consent of the opposing Captain.

Rationale

Most matches in the mid to lower divisions are played with team players umpiring their own batting innings. Whilst this is not ideal, there is at least a balance between both sides. A small number of teams provide their own non-playing umpire and usually they are the only team in the match with such an umpire. If in these circumstances the non-playing umpire is automatically allowed to stand during both innings, 75 percent of the balls are umpired by one team, and 25 percent by the other.

Our view is that this scenario is inequitable and potentially disrupts the balance of trust between the two teams. Captains may be keen to take up the offer of support from an opposition umpire, for example where their team contains a high number of juniors, but they should not be obliged to accept such an inherently unbalanced situation.

Churchill CC.