



*Cambridgeshire Cricket
Umpires & Scorers Association*

INS & OUTS

Spring 2018



Groundsman's hut at the
Ranji Trophy Ground at Sankarnagar

The Cambridgeshire Branch of the ECB Association of Cricket Officials

www.the-ccusa.co.uk

LEAGUES & CUP MATCHES

East Anglian Premier League

£60 per match
£10 pitch inspection

East Anglian Premier League T20

£30 per match
£10 pitch inspection

Whiting League

£40 per match, or £50 if alone
£10 pitch inspection
Half if no play takes place
Full if still there at 3.00 pm (2.30 in September)
Scorers £40 if only one present

CCA Senior League & Invitation Cup

£30 per match or £40 if alone
£15 if no play takes place

CCA Junior League & Junior Cup

£27 per match or £35 if alone
£15 if no play takes place

Cambridge News Walker T20 Cup & CCA Lower Junior T20 Cup

£15 per match or £30 if alone

Smith Barry Senior & Junior Cups

£30 per match or £40 if alone
Half if no play takes place
Full if no play after 4 pm

National Village KO

National Club KO & Club T20 KO

£30 per match + 30p a mile - all rounds

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UNIVERSITY MATCHES

Cambridge MCCU

Chris Scott 07917 535860

*BUCS Premier A Cup £50 per match
Others £35 per match
All paid at the end of the season*

Cambridge University Blues CC Cambridge University Crusaders CC Cambridge University Women CC Cambridge University Colleges XI

Helen Hyde 07970 943713
£35 per match, paid at the end of the season

Anglia Ruskin University CC

Nadege Talva 07549 681868
£35 per match, paid by BACS

SCHOOLS MATCHES

The Perse School

Sean Park 07746 717326

The Leys School

Richard Kaufman 07932 984883

King's School, Ely

John Marshall 01353 664927

Wisbech Grammar School

Neil Taylor 07761 866572

£35 per match if the match starts before 1.00
£30 per match if the match starts 1.00 or later
£20 per match if T20
All paid at the end of the season

CCUSA MOBILE/TEXT CONTACT

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N.B. Do NOT email or leave a message as Keith as he is away a lot and does not read them very frequently. A text to Keith is usually best.

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£20 per match

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£20 per match

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£30 per match

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ECB Cup £30 per match + 30p a mile

ECB Champ £40 per day + 30p a mile

Others £30 per match.

ECB U17 & U15 one day cup matches are with white balls and black sightscreens so Umpires must wear dark clothing.

All payments are on the day bar ECB U17. This is a change to last season, as we no longer have to submit invoices to the County Board.

COUNTY GIRLS CONTACTS

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£25 per match

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£25 per match

U15 Girls Dan Tinkler 07743 692139
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U17 Girls Anthony Hyde 07768 922928
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£30 per match

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£30 per match

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£30 per match

LAW CHANGES

There are brief (and not so brief) explanations of the Law changes on the CCUSA website front page, plus summaries for Umpires, Scorers and Players. There is also a full online suite of law explanations on the MCC website www.lords.org, plus an excellent online training system explaining all the laws with animations and quizzes. This is free to anyone and is highly recommended as a refresher aid. Find it at <https://laws.lords.org/my/>.

REGULATIONS

Download all the regs directly from the links on the CCUSA website front page. Notice some regs are new, some unchanged, and some yet to be determined. Bushy is updating the regs as and when they appear, so keep checking back for the latest versions.

EAPL REG CHANGES

The team that finishes bottom of the league each season will go into the play offs with any winning team(s) from the feeder leagues who wish to be promoted and who meet the EAPL criteria. If a winning feeder League Club does not wish to take part in the play off or does not meet the relevant criteria the team that finishes second in their relevant feeder league and meets the criteria will be allowed to take part in the play off. In the event of all the winners or runners up not wishing to take part or meeting the criteria, the team that finishes in last place will remain in the League.

The penalty in a long game for a no ball shall be two runs.

CCA REG CHANGES

Whiting style fielding circles are in all CCA Senior divisions, the Invitation Cup and the Walker T20 and Lower Junior Cup finals days; but it's just four in the ring at all times, or else it's a no-ball but no free hit.

The new Law 42 disciplinary procedures will only be followed if there is an appointed qualified umpire standing, but see opposite.

WHITING REG CHANGES

The 2019 season will feature three divisions of ten teams. At the end of the 2018 season, three teams will be relegated from Division One and one promoted from Division Two; four teams from Division Two will be relegated to Division Three, and three teams will be invited from each of the top divisions of the feeder leagues into Division Three, provided they wish to participate and meet the entrance criteria. This means there will be some huge promotion and (especially) relegation battles come August.

It is now £60 if umpiring alone. It is expected that next season in Whiting Division Three this will be a common occurrence; but even this season, we are going to pack the crucial promotion and relegation battles come August and September, so some of the more senior umpires will be standing alone.

If there is no scorer, the offending team must pay the opposition scorer £40 directly. Umpires are *instructed* to make sure this happens. If there are two missing scorers, clubs get fined £40 each every time we report it (and please do !!).

There is a new offside wide line, 17 inches in from the return creases. Any ball that passes outside this line is to be called a wide, irrespective of the position of the striker. The leg-side wide remains as any ball outside the leg stump, again irrespective of the position of the striker, but also see the separate section on reverse and switch hits.

Bouncers are now one for the over – final warning – off; Beamers are now caution – first & final warning – off.

The Captains may agree to reduce the available overs in a match at any time before play commences; subject to a minimum of twenty overs and all the usual bowling and powerplay limits being adjusted as per Appendix B.

LAW 42 & DISCIPLINE

In all local cricket, the new Levels 1 & 2 will be issued, but anything more serious will be reported as a Level 2 and dealt with by the Disciplinary Committee using the established processes.

SCORERS

Unfortunately, during the transformation from the Cambs Cricket Board to Cricket East, Scoring seems to have been left out. Therefore there won't be a scoring course until the end of the season.

There is now, however, an ECB ACO online scoring course, plus courses in DLS. Linear Scoring and Electronic Scoring.

ECB have released their version of TCS scoring software, called "Play Cricket Scorer", which is bound to soon be known as "PCS". It sits on top of Play-Cricket, does live scores and instant uploads. It is available for a phone, ipad or laptop, you can find details and downloads at www.play-cricket.com/updates.

However - I cannot find out what you do if there is no internet connection !!

It is only fair to point out that TCS have released a new version of their own; but seeing as they went bust and it doesn't link to play-cricket, I am not sure who will use it. I don't know if CricHQ has similar problems; but I suspect so.

REVERSE & SWITCH HITS

These days, batsmen try all sorts of strange shots, from reverse sweeps to switch hits. Whilst not denying the batsman the ability to play any shot he likes, he is taking a risk when he either switches his hands or turns around and changes his stance. The latest ECB ACO guidance given in Stage III states:

If a batsman attempts a reverse shot of any kind, i.e. he switches his hands and/or stance, *for the purposes of wide balls only*, he loses the leg side protection and *both sides become his off side*, i.e. he has *two* off sides and *no* leg side.

So in the Whiting League, *both* 17 inch lines come into play. In games without those lines, the relevant off-side consideration of wides that you are playing on the day will apply to both sides of the wicket.

For the purposes of LBW, fielding restrictions and so on, his leg side is now the one he had at *the start of the bowler's run-up*, NOT the one he had at the point of delivery.

EDUCATION

We have successfully migrated to the new Stage I/II/III system away from Levels 1, 1A and 2. The levels roughly correspond, but we have eight people finishing off their "old" Level 1A this season as well as five who took Stage III and seven who took the new Stages I and II. These two stages will always go together, being roughly equivalent to Levels 1 and 1A combined.

The reason they can be done in two days not four is that there is the online MCC Laws course and exam which students have to complete first. For the first year, we didn't require proof of passing; but in subsequent years we will.

The tutor team are all trained in the new courses, and Steve & Ben are the only two tutors trained to present a Stage III course in the region, which they did at Lode for some sixteen candidates from five counties, including five CCUSA members. Your Tutor team is:

Bushy	Education Officer Lead Tutor Stage III
Ben Whyall	Co Tutor Stage III Lead Tutor Stages I and II
Chris Wilson	Lead Tutor Stages I and II
Alun Bedding	Co-Tutor Stages I and II Lead Tutor Intro Sessions
Helen Hyde	Scorers Officer Lead Tutor Scorers courses
Beryl Barratt	Co-Tutor Scorers courses

Although, to be honest, we all muck in and help each other out in all the courses bar Stage III where only Bushy and Ben are allowed. Bushy tends to be at all the courses, even if it's just making the tea. Keith usually turns up to chip in at some stage, especially if he knows there is some food about.

Bushy ran a Regional Tutor training workshop at Mildenhall for eight tutors from the region which Beryl attended and demonstrated her Scorer's kit to the group. I never knew Scorers carry as much junk around as Umpires do!!

CRICKET IN RWANDA

In April I received a message purporting to come from Steve Plumb – “Tell Dean to go somewhere else this year – I’ve read enough about India”. So, when the opportunity to umpire in a T20 tournament in Rwanda came along, off I went.

There were eight teams in two pools of four; top two in each group to play semi-finals and final, bottom two the same in a plate competition. Three teams were local (Uganda, Rwanda, and Kenya U19); four touring (Coutts Bank, Yorkshire Tea, Eton Ramblers, and the Grannies), and one scratch (it played in Surrey kit, but the only Surrey-related qualification seemed to be the ability to spell it; they had co-opted Sam Billings to play in the final, by which time they were called Christopher Shale’s XI).

The games were played under the new laws, overlaid with regulations which included thirteen names on the team sheets and rolling substitution. This precluded the existence of any new-fangled penalty time and the Etonians exploited the regs mercilessly; in their match against Coutts they opened the batting with two fifty-year-olds who biffed 80 between them and then retired to the shade, leaving all the fielding and bowling to the other eleven, predominantly recent Blues and MCCU players. The only effect the new laws had on my umpiring in the five matches for which I was appointed was that I found myself several times issuing FIRST and final warnings for beamers.

It was difficult to judge on the basis of 20/20 cricket, but Uganda struck me as about the standard of a Minor County, Rwanda would hold their own in Whiting I; Kenya U19 (who had recently qualified for the next U19 World Cup) were a leaderless shambles; the Coutts team would do quite well in Whiting I; the Grannies had an even better batting side but were weaker in bowling and conceded an indefensible number of extras, and Yorkshire Tea (all of which is grown in Rwanda) conceded 680 runs from the 50 overs they bowled in the pool matches.

The games were played on two grounds, one astro-turf at the HQ of Rwandan Cricket at the National Technology College. The other is the sumptuous new National Stadium at Gahanga, just outside Kigali, where the wicket and outfield remind me of Clare College.

The ground is 5000 feet above sea-level, and the ball DOES go further – several boundary fielders set themselves confidently for catches only to see the ball soar over their heads. This stadium was opened the day before the final by the President of Rwanda – he was supposed to join me and my colleague for the day, Emmanuel Byiringiro, to toss the coin for the captains of an exhibition match, but the heavens opened and we umpires waited in the middle in vain. National pride was at stake, and neither of us wished to be the first to make a dash for the pavilion; we got rather wet. The match was re-arranged for later in the day, but communications were not efficient, and neither I nor at least one member of the original elevens saw Ed Pearson (ex Perse and CUCC) become man-of-the-match with a fine 60+ against Gibbs’ mere 37. Ed, now teaching in Guilford, worked in Rwanda for several years for the charity Cricket Builds Hope, and was back for the tournament and Opening Ceremony.

A late change in the schedule led to the semi-finals being played on a day for which several Etonians had booked and paid for a meeting with local gorillas – at, I was told, in excess of \$1500 per (Etonian) head. The remaining Ramblers fluffed a run-out chance off the last ball of the game, thereby paving the way for the victors to co-opt Sam Billings into their side for the final against Uganda. Ed Pearson again starred, showing unexpected (by me at least) prowess when spearing in flat off-breaks and holding the innings together when he batted, albeit in a losing cause. Uganda had the quickest bowler I have ever umpired (one yorker left the bottom quarter of the leg-stump in the ground while the rest cart-wheeled) – he shook his head in disbelief after the final, when describing how Billings had ramped “two of my best off-side yorkers – right on the spot” for boundaries. However, for the Ugandan it was “third time lucky”, and Billings’ rapid 38 was not enough.

A week’s umpiring I will not forget in a hurry - the new pavilion is to double as a free drop-in HIV testing clinic – I don’t suppose I shall ever again change in an umpires’ room with more complimentary condoms than even a young umpire could contemplate finding a use for.

Christopher Dean

APPOINTMENTS

Keith did his usual astounding job with the appointments last season, around 1,000 all told.

He is particularly short of umpires on Saturday 5 May and Sunday 10 June, so if anyone extra can make themselves available, please contact him.

PERFORMANCE

Last season Bushy arranged around 30 observations and mentoring sessions. This season, there are some fourteen umpires who will need on average two observations each.

Your Performance team is:

Bushy & Keith
Stages II and III PD Assessors
Stages II & III Boundary & On-field Observers
Stages I, II & III Mentors

Bill Crumly
Stages II and III PD Assessor
Stages II & III Boundary Observer

Alun Bedding
Stages II & III Boundary Observer
Stages I and II Mentor

Pete Laughlin & Cliff Pennick (Budgie)
Stages II and III On-field Observers
Stages I and II Mentors

Steve Plumb & Ben Whyall
Stages I and II Mentors

CRICKET EAST

Cricket East was formed on 1st October 2017 to deliver the Participation & Growth activities of Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire and Huntingdonshire Cricket Boards.

It is based at Wyboston with three Club & Community Managers appointed to work with about 65 clubs throughout Cambridgeshire.

Each County Board is responsible for organising County Age Group Cricket and Performance Programmes. The Cambs Board is still operational with nine directors, who oversee the funding for Cricket East and administering all the affairs relating to cricket in Cambridgeshire.

AN INTERESTING IDEA ...

No schools cricket in India for me this year as Chennai Super Kings made all the appointments for the tournament; so back to league cricket (which I last umpired here four years ago). The local equivalent of Whiting has extended itself from 40 to 50 overs - 9.30 am to 1.00 pm, lunch, 1.45 pm to 5.15 pm.

I got two games, one washed out completely by unseasonable (*but locally very welcome*) rain, the other between a team which would not have been in danger of relegation from Whiting 1 against a team which would not have been in danger of promotion from Whiting 2.

An interesting piece of fieldcraft arose. My colleague refused to allow the first drinks break on the grounds that the over-rate had been appalling - 12 overs in the first hour. After two hours, 32 overs had magically been bowled so the second drinks break was taken, with 8 wickets down.

Christopher Dean

Maybe an idea we could develop? I'm up for it if you are - Bushy

FROM THE ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Quote from the Chairman:

“Bushy will be giving a presentation on the Law Changes at the next meeting, where the food will not be so good but the jokes will be a lot better”



Three Presidents and three Hon Life Members; three Chairmen and four Vice-Chairmen; three Hon Secretaries and three Hon Treasurers; three Education and two Member Services Officers; an Appointments, a Publicity, a Child Welfare and a Performance Officer...

... plus some comedian called Neil Bainton.

MEMBER SERVICES

DBS checks are now all online. You will still have to get your paperwork looked at, but there will be no posting off of forms and re-posting back of certificates as there is now. The turn-around time is now as low as a week. Rob Benson is running the show with Ben Whyall, but as you can see, there are now plenty of people who can sign you off:

DBS SIGNATORIES

Existing members:	Rob Benson Ben Whyall
New Members:	Steve Kent-Phillips Alun Bedding
Scorers:	Helen Hyde Linda Hobbs
Coaching Umpires:	Pete Laughlin

CCUSA SUMMER BARBEQUE

As last year, we will be at Sawston CC on Sunday 19th August from four pm onwards. There will be the end of the Junior Cup final for us to watch. If it rains, we'll be in the bar. Attendance is free, but buy your own burger. WAGs are very welcome.

DIARY 2018

Sunday 19 August
ANNUAL BARBEQUE
& CCA Junior Cup Final
Sawston CC from 4pm

Thursday 4 October
Post-Season Review

Friday 12 October tbc
ANNUAL DINNER
Meridian Golf Club tbc

Thursday 1 November
Welfare Guidance: Rob Benson
Cambs Cricket Board Welfare Officer

Thursday 6 December
AGM & Supper night

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Ian Reid	David Wedgwood

NICE CHANGING ROOMS !!



The sorts of pavilions they have in Rwanda ...