

Good Afternoon All,

Well we're here!

Let me start by saying that the League's primary concern throughout has been to get as much cricket played as possible by as many people as possible. Everything else is a secondary goal, but nevertheless we have a competitive fixture list for you to play League cricket with this weekend.

I understand that you are probably sick of mails coming in from me at this point, so I will make this one as short as possible but hopefully complete enough to answer any questions you have.

Fixtures.

We have had to make a few adjustments for a number of reasons, particularly in Tiers 5 and 6. Please check the website for the latest information. We now have 11 teams in 6 so there will be a fallow week for some teams. If however we can fill that we will.

Balls.

Will be with your nominated distributor today or tomorrow. Please make arrangements to pick them up if you have not already.

Playing Rules.

New playing rules are attached and one document fits all. Please distribute widely in your club and in particular encourage captains to read them (it's a novel notion but it might catch on).

Registrations

All players need to be registered and anyone who was registered last year still is unless you took them off. You can continue to register players until noon on Saturday and there will be no fees due for anyone registered at that point. Registrations done after Saturday will be subject to the £6 in-season registration fee.

Umpires

We will appoint umpires who wish to be appointed. If you can't nominate an umpire, please try to provide a club umpire. If you don't have one of those, then players can umpire. Just get the game played! No club will be deducted points for failing to nominate an umpire. Please also note the disciplinary letter sent previously.

IMPORTANT POINT.

Some clubs and umpires may prefer not to handle cash and if this is the case, we would ask that you respect this, take bank details and make an electronic transfer within 3 days.

Scorers

Two in a scorebox is unlikely to meet social distancing regulations so one scorer is fine. If you don't have one of those, the batting side can score the game. Just get the game played! No club will be deducted points for failing to provide a scorer.

Results Reporting

Usual rules and yes we might deduct points if you are late. Home team's responsibility please.

It has been put to me recently that we should not consider ourselves lucky to have missed half a season, but let's take the glass half full approach! Enjoy your cricket, embrace (from 2m distant) the opportunity to play against players and teams you might not otherwise have and above all, try to keep the spirit of cricket at the forefront of your mind rather than the letter of the law.

Have a great weekend!