

Newsletter

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Chairman's Letter

I write this in my new role as your chairman and wish to thank those present at the AGM for their support.

With regard to the AGM, it was disappointing to see so few of you there, although I do appreciate that it was held at very short notice and that we all have many things that call on our time these days. However the discussion after the formal business was extremely interesting and will prove very useful to the committee in deciding ways forward.

Ideas to improve attendance included:-

- Earlier notification
- Different venue
- Different day avoiding summer league nights.
- Remind members nearer the date via Email.

These suggestions have already been discussed by your committee and will be implemented.

Discussion took place regarding an open meeting at the beginning of the season. We are hoping to invite both a player coach and a player as guest speakers so that we as umpires might be more able to understand their point of view. The date has been provisionally booked for 21st September, venue yet to be decided – why not put this in your diary now, I feel sure there will be plenty of thoughtful discussion that could benefit us all. It is also hoped that newly qualified level 1 umpires will be presented with their certificates,

thus giving us a chance to welcome them into the umpiring family.

You will find a new section in this newsletter entitled “Tips & Tricks”, useful snippets that may help with your umpiring. This was another suggestion that came out from the AGM, to continue this section we need your ideas so please let us know of any little tips that you might have that could help others.

The Association hopes in future to hold a selection of pealess whistles, so if you are in need of new whistles please contact any member of the committee who will be willing to help.

At its first meeting since the AGM your committee decided, should that proverbial bus come along, to appoint a vice chairman, I am glad to say that Gill Prophet agreed to take on this role.

Should you have any ideas or comments regarding any item discussed at the AGM, or indeed anything that might help your committee to continue promoting umpiring please do not hesitate to contact either myself or any member of the committee.

Enjoy your summer and come back refreshed.

Peter



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MEMBERSHIP

Annual membership is now overdue and a membership renewal form is enclosed with this Newsletter if you have not yet renewed. The membership fee this year is £10.

For this you will receive:

- Insurance, which will cover you against public liability whilst umpiring, something that is becoming increasingly necessary in these days of litigation.
- Regular Newsletters.
- A current rulebook. (NB Latest information from Hockey England suggests that the rulebook will not be reprinted for the coming season, an addendum will be issued, so please keep hold of your 2005 edition)
- Coaching if required.
- Plenty of information and advice.



Tips & Tricks

One umpire suggested that a most effective way to mark the score is with pencils obtained free from Ikea. (*Not to bulky*)

A good way to record the score and cards is to put some paper tape on the back of one of your cards, one less thing to carry onto the pitch.



Whilst most umpiring equipment can be obtained through England Hockey it is normally expensive so here are just a few ideas to help:

Jumpers & Polo shirts, can be obtained from most good sport shops but a less expensive way may be to visit local charity shops. It might be possible in future to put you in touch with an umpire from another county, who has been able to find a supplier who is willing to supply yellow shirts and sweatshirts with motifs at a very reasonable price – more details in future newsletters.

Yellow waterproofs can be obtained from Millets and Centre Court Sports in Bristol are normally able to take orders.

Should you have any tips you wish to pass on Email peter.lovell4@btinternet.com



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Should you have any queries or require information please contact any member of the committee, however it would be helpful if in the first instance if you contacted the person responsible. Please also remember common courtesy i.e. no phone calls after 10pm and, if avoidable, no phone calls on Sundays



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Dear Marge



Dear Marge,
At the end of a game, just as a Penalty Corner was getting ready to be pushed out my colleague blew for time.

At this point the team taking the corner stood back and started trying to get their colleagues attention to join them on the circle and to change their plan for the corner. In view of the time this was taking I decided the team were time wasting and blew time.

Fortunately the score was such that this decision was not contentious. Was it the right decision or should we allow teams as much time as they want once time has been blown?
Yours Befuddled

Dear Befuddled,

Short answer – it was not the right decision!

Once time has been blown, in this case by your colleague then players cannot time-waste, as there is no time to waste! They are able to call up their colleagues and to change their tactics in such circumstances.

The only instance where I could see that giving the team unlimited time would be a problem, is if you are holding up another game because you are late finishing but then only deliver a verbal “hurry it up ladies please”!

Please see below a message from Liz Powell:-

I would like to thank everyone who wrote or sent messages of sympathy and support when Richard died. They were all, however small, very much appreciated.

We have raised over £1700 for leukaemia research in Richard’s memory, a great percentage of which was donated by “The hockey family”.

Thank you.

Liz

OPEN MEETING

A provisional Open Meeting has been set for **21st September 2005**, venue yet to be announced.

It is hoped that a player coach and a player will be invited so that there can be more frank and open discussion about all aspects of umpiring.

Please put the date in your diaries now, further details to follow.



6 Match Cards

Anyone who has not yet returned their five match card have until:

31st August 2005



Anyone failing to do so will not be included on the Level 1 active list for next season.

Any problems contact Peter Lovell

Summer League



The following games have yet to be played in our summer league at Coombe Dingle, should you wish to umpire please contact Justine Nicklin justine18@blueyonder.co.uk

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Match</u>
Mon 13 th June	7.15pm 8.30pm	REDLAND 1 v BAC Old Bristolians v Redland 2
Thurs 16 th June	7.15pm 8.30pm	Somerset Gryphons v Clifton 2 YATE v BATH
Mon 20 th June	7.15pm 8.30pm	REDLAND 1 v CLIFTON 1 Firebrands 2 v Old Bristolians
Thurs 23rd June	7.15pm 8.30pm	Winscombe v Redland 2 JASPERS v BAC
Mon 27th June	7.15pm 8.30pm	CLIFTON 1 v FIREBRANDS 1 Westberries v Firebrands 2
Thurs 30 th June	7.15pm 8.30pm	Old Bristolians v Somerset Gryphons REDLAND 1 v BATH
Mon 4th July	7.15pm 8.30pm	BAC v YATE Redland 2 v Clifton 2
Thurs 7th July	7.15pm 8.30pm	Firebrands 2 v Winscombe CLIFTON 1 v JASPERS
Mon 11th July	7.15pm 8.30pm	BATH v FIREBRANDS 1 Westberries v Somerset Gryphons
Thurs 14th July	7.15pm 8.30pm	Clifton 2 v Old Bristolians YATE v REDLAND 1
Mon 18th July	7.15pm 8.30pm	BAC v CLIFTON 1 Redland 2 v Firebrands 2
Thurs 21st July	7.15pm 8.30pm	Somerset Gryphons v Winscombe BATH v JASPERS
Mon 25th July	7.15pm 8.30pm	FIREBRANDS 1 v YATE Redland 2 v Westberries



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Following a request at the AGM please see below list of clubs and their umpires, should you notice any errors or omissions please contact peter.lovell4@btinternet.com

Avonmouth	LORRAINE GAYNOR	North Somerset	EILEEN OWENS
	JANET WILSON		RICHARD GARDNER
Axa Ladies	JOHN BURR		MARK TANNER
BAC	PETER LOVELL		FRASER BLACK
	SIMON CROUCHER	Norton Down	JULIA WILLIAMS
	JAYNE MILLS		HAYLEY YOUNG
	JO SHEPHERD	Old Bristolians	MARTIN BATES
	CARYN GRIFFITHS		DERIC BURNS
	GILLIAN WHEADON		JAN BOWEN
Badminton	DEIDRE THORNTON		TERRY EDDOLLS
	ANTHONY THORNTON		ROBERT PEARCE
Bath Buccaneers	SHAUN CARTER	Old Georgians	SHARON GIBSON
	DAVID CLARKE		ALEXANDRA GABB
	NICK OLIVER		JANET STREET
	REBECCA WESTALL		LIZ JENKINS
Bath University	SIMON FAIRCLOUGH		GISELLE ROBINSON
	HAYDEN ARROWSMITH	Pucklechurch	JOSEPHINE DEE
Bristol	CATHERINE STARR		JUSTINE NICKLIN
	LINDA PROSSER		CAROLYN BRITTON
	JAN SHARP		ANN WEATHERHEAD
Cheddar	BRIDGET READ	Redland	SARAH PATTENDEN
	SAMANTHA PERCIVAL		LINDA SMITH
	JENNY KIRKUP		SARAH JOHNSON
	CAROL HOPPER		SIMON FRY
City Of Bath	PATRICK HOLMES		HEIDI BRAY
	SHELLEY PIKE		JEANETTE BOKACZ
Cleeve	MARY REGAN	Somerset Gryphons	CHRIS BOWN
	CAROL HOLMES	Taunton Vale	STEVEN SHAW
Clevedon	ED JONES	Thornbury	WILLIAM CRAWFORD
Clifton	MARK DANE		DAVID PARRY-JONES
	PAUL SMITH		LESLEY HELLEN
	VALERIE HARDING	Unattached	JOHN JAMES
	IAN TURNBULL		LESLEY BAYNE
Firebrands	JIM MARTIN		LYNDA WATTS
	LESLEY BATES		JOHN WRIGHT
	BRIAN ROBINSON	UWE	MAXINE WOODLEY
	LISA VYNER	Westberries	JENNIFER WILKINSON
	JAMES SELF		RACHEL TRENCH
Frys	JANET WYATT-SUGG		JULIA BRUM
	CAROL AUGER		NICHOLAS POPE
	LYNN THACKER		STEPHEN ALGER
	CHARLENE FLECK		JOYCE ALGER
	ROSEMARY SIDE		GILL PROPHET
Hanham	JANE BENNETT		SARAH GRIFFITHS
	MANDY POWELL	Weston Super Mare	LESLEY PATTENDEN
Jaspers	SUE NASH	Wick	GILLIAN ROGERS
	SARAH BENNETT		SUZANNE GRIGGS
	AUDREY BENNETT		CHRIS MAYO
	DIANNE GARRY		JENNY MAYO
	VICTORIA LIECHTI	Winscombe	ANGELA TINNIION
	BRIDGET PRICE		REBECCA GEORGE
Knowle	ALAN GILES		VICTORIA HEWISH
	MALCOLM KINGSHOTT		TRUDIE LYNHAM
	FRANCES SOUTHWAY		NICKY MILLS
	JANE COLES		TRACY GORTON
	STEVE COLES		RAY ROBBETTS
	ROBERT CALLICOTT		VICKY HOLLIER
Lodway	STEVEN MOSELEY		JOANNA PRUNIER
Mendip	CARLA PASSINGHAM		KATHERINE WILSON
	JOSEPHINE WOOD		MARGARET HOLLOW
	RICHARD SHAW	Yate	JEANETTE SEAVILL
	TERESA DAVIES		SANDY MASTERS
	MAUREEN MITCHELL		JAYNE HARKER
	KARL BIRK		DEBBIE HAMLIN
	STEPHEN WOOD		KATH GREENMAN
Nailsea	PATRICK WEBSTER		FIONA BULL
	RICHARD LANCASTER		ESME BEZER
	TONY BROWN		ELIZABETH POWELL
	PENNY MANNINGS		KATY BROWN
			TIMOTHY SMITH

