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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 10 DECEMBER 2018, 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, 11 December 2017
(Copy sent previously – 18/12/2017).
3. Chairman's Remarks.
4. Honorary Secretary's Report. (Copy attached).
5. Honorary Treasurer's Report. (Copy attached).
6. Presentation of the Awards 2018
The AVCO Trust Trophy for the 'Young Player of the Year' – Oliver Beale (Wellington) and Dan Parsons (Taunton Deane)
The Glastonbury Mowers Trophy for the 'All Rounder of the Year' – Damian Price Ilton CC
The Don Crouch Trophy for Sportsmanship – Middlezoy 2nd XI.
7. Election of Officers: -
 - a) Committee Members Namely Malcolm Fox, David Derrick, Tom Packman and Derek Hicks have agreed to stand for re-election and the Management Committee has proposed that they be re-elected
 - b) Also proposed - Andy Barrett by Trull CC and Simon Glover by Ilminster CC. The Management Committee is pleased to second these nominations.
 - c) Honorary Auditor. Andy Stephens Winscombe CC.

8. Club Welfare Officers and Registration of Players – Amanda Counsell (SCL Welfare Officer).
9. Completion of match report forms - Edward Martin
10. The results of the ballots for Rule Changes of the Somerset Cricket League. (The voting on proposals will have been made by individual clubs). 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 10.
11. 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 20, 2018

Proposals for Rule Change.

The proposals below must be discussed at club level and clubs should vote on the ballot sheets that are attached to this AGM notice. The changes are highlighted yellow. 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 10 2018

Proposed Rule Changes for 2019.

Proposal 1 – Ilton CC

Proposed by Ilton CC

5. MATCHES

(b) Championship Points

iv) If a game is cancelled for reasons other than the weather, the non-offending side shall be awarded thirty-five points and the match will count as a win for the non-offending team. The offending side will receive no points.

v) When a game is cancelled for any reason other than the weather, the defaulting team shall be awarded 0 points, provided the match is cancelled by 9 pm on the preceding Friday, but will lose 8 points if the cancellation is any later.

To ensure that this is recorded then the result must be entered on play-cricket before the 9.00 pm deadline and can then be checked by the relevant admin/ committee member.

Rationale by PROPOSER ILTON

We feel as a club that it is becoming increasingly hard for small clubs and even some bigger ones to consistently get a team out every week. The fact that the team/club is then punished by losing 30 points as well as a fine decreases players motivation to play. We think it would be highly unlikely that teams who do cancel games and receive 0 points, will have any realistic chance of being promoted etc so cannot see that being an issue.

Proposal 2 – Management Committee

Proposed by Management Committee

Proposed changes - rewrite

Attached is the rewrite of the rules and changes (highlighted in yellow) around results entry, team captains' reports and umpire reports

5. MATCHES

(j) Results Sheets

i) Each team is responsible for putting the names of all players, with ages if under 19 at the previous August 31st, on the Team Card that was supplied at the start of the season and hand it to the umpire, or in his absence, the opposing captain prior to the match commencing. Those players under 18 must adhere to the SCL Helmet Rule and those players under 19 must adhere to the ECB Fast Bowling Directive.

ii) The Reporting of Results Electronically - to be done on SCL Website. Both sides are responsible for entering the result of the match and the full scorecard on the SCL website using the prescribed procedure before midnight on the day following the match (ie Sunday midnight for Saturday games). This result and scorecard must be confirmed by both teams by Midnight Sunday (or Monday for Sunday matches) following the match played on Saturday using the prescribed procedure. Any team that fails to input/verify the result by the due time will be fined the sum of £10.00 on each occasion and three points will be deducted.

iii). Problems with inputting and verifying. If club representatives have a problem either inputting or verifying a result through a computer problem or other similar problem then they MUST contact

the monitor immediately, by telephone, who is responsible for their division. Failure to contact the monitor in this way will result in a fine of £10 and 3 points being levied. Each monitor will also be responsible for the processing and issuing of fines related to the failure of a club to input or confirm results on time. Club submissions/appeals should be made to the divisional monitor. If the details displayed by one of the teams are incorrect, then the opposition must enter the system and correct.

(k) Performance Report on Umpire(s) Following a match in Divisions 1 & 2, both captains must submit a performance report on the umpire(s). The reports must be submitted through the SACO website. Teams are responsible for ensuring that the captain/other nominated individual submits the report by the Wednesday following the match. Any team that fails to submit a report by the due time will be fined on each occasion and three points will be deducted.

(l) Team Captain Reports. Both the home and away clubs must record a mark out of 10 when inputting/confirming the result on the League's website. This will also enable the Committee to monitor that the criteria for 'sportsmanship' is being upheld and this information could also be used in cases of disciplinary complaints. Any team failing to score the mark will be fined 3 points failure.

Rationale by PROPOSER Management Committee

Changes of timings, responsibility for confirmation by both teams, less points deducted for failures, submission of reports.

Proposal 3 – North Petherton CC

Proposed by North Petherton CC

5. MATCHES

(b) Championship Points

iv) If a game is cancelled for reasons other than the weather, the non-offending side shall be awarded thirty-five points and the match will count as a win for the non-offending team. The offending side will receive no points.

v) When a game is cancelled for any reason other than the weather, **the defaulting team shall be deducted 10 points.**

Rationale by PROPOSER North Petherton CC *Teams who cancel due to anything apart from weather, should be deducted less points than present ie 10. As -30 is far too much in this present climate of teams struggling to raise sides. The non-offending team still get 35 points.*

Proposal 4 – North Petherton CC

Proposed by North Petherton CC

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 25% of the 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 quarter of the permitted overs rounded up to a complete over.

vii) In the event of a match being affected by weather conditions and overs are lost a side bowling second is restricted in overs. In this situation, the maximum number of overs that can be bowled by any one bowler shall be one quarter of the permitted overs, rounded up to a complete over. Once the second innings has started, the maximum number of overs, calculated and agreed, may be bowled by any bowler irrespective of any further loss of overs due to weather conditions.

Rationale by PROPOSER North Petherton CC In the lower leagues the maximum overs per bowler goes up to 10 per bowler out of the 40. Teams in the lower leagues are struggling quite often to fulfil the overs especially as younger bowlers have restricted spells etc. At present you have to have at least 5 bowlers but in reality, you need 6 or 7.

Proposal 5 – North Petherton CC

Proposed by North Petherton CC

(c) Rules for Match Play

i) All Matches start at 12.00 noon

Rationale by PROPOSER North Petherton CC

Start time of all matches move to midday. After the earlier start for the World Cup earlier this season it seemed to work well, players seem to have so many things on a Saturday night nowadays with other commitments and family. That an early start would free that time up and hopefully make it easier to fulfil sides.

Proposal 6 – Management Committee

Proposed by Management Committee

(c) Rules for Match Play

i) All Matches start at 1.30 pm. Except that by agreement between both teams, any match may start at any earlier time in the day.

Rationale by PROPOSER Management Committee. This enables both teams to agree an earlier start time. This proved popular at the time of the soccer world cup and gives scope to teams to play earlier and finish earlier. BOTH TEAMS MUST AGREE THOUGH.

Proposal 7 – Management Committee

Proposed by Management Committee

5. MATCHES

(m) Premier to Division 5 Matches Only. At the instant of delivery, a minimum of four fielders plus bowler and wicket keeper must be inside an area bounded by two semi circles centred on each middle stump within a radius of thirty yards and joined by parallel lines on each side of the pitch.

This fielding circle shall be marked with painted white dots at five-yard intervals – each dot can be covered by a white plastic or rubber disc or in white marking measuring seven inches in diameter. Should this requirement not be met then the square leg umpire shall call and signal no ball and the delivery must be redelivered; this condition must be met regardless of the total number of fielder's present (e.g. if a side has less than eleven players present).

Additional divisions shown in yellow highlights.

***Rationale** This condition has been successfully used in the Premier Division and Division 1 for the last two years. It helps prevent negative cricket and the Committee feel that it should be extended to three further divisions ie divisions 3, 4, & 5*

Only clubs with teams in Divisions 1 to 5 may vote on this proposal

Proposal 8 – Management Committee

Proposed by the Management Committee

5. MATCHES

(e) Declarations and Early Dismissals

- i) If the side batting first is dismissed, or if the innings is declared closed before the end of its allotted overs, the side batting second shall have 45 overs.
- ii) **In 40 Over Matches. If the side batting first is dismissed, or if the innings is declared closed before the end of its allotted overs, the side batting second shall have 40 overs.**
- iii) **Any team which declares its innings closed will result in the fielding side receiving maximum bowling points.**

Additional clause shown in yellow highlights.