

The Best Western Shrubbery Hotel Somerset Cricket League

Honorary Treasurer's Report 2016

The twelve months ending 30th September 2016 produced a small deficit of £69.99p which decreased the League's value £16436.50p.

The main items of Income remain the Club's Annual Subscriptions, Sponsorship from the Shrubbery Hotel (Annual Dinner) and Lords International (Cricket Balls) and Fines which by their nature are variable and therefore cannot be budgeted as a reliable source of income.

The main items of Expenditure are as usual Administration (£5957.64) the League's Cricket Ball (£14040) and the Handbook (£1700.00) Members may remember that at last year's AGM it was proposed and authorised to subsidise the cost of umpires in 2016 by £5 per umpire. The background to this was that the cost of umpires from the SCL panel in 2015 had been £24 but this would increase to £35 in 2016 for umpires appointed by the Somerset Association of Cricket Officials (SACO). Therefore for 2016 only, our clubs paid £30 and the League £5 for each appointed umpire. The total cost to the League being £1410.00 for the season. Any club receiving appointed umpires in 2017 will be charged £35 by SACO. Other non-regular expenditure this year included presentations to long serving umpires and a donation to the Peter Trego benefit fund.

The stability of the League's finances mean that with 2017 Annual Subscriptions already collected these can continue unchanged for 2018 at £50 for each SCL first team and £25 for each additional team.

We are currently in discussion with Lords International regarding the cost of the League Cricket Ball in 2017. You will aware that various issues have recently affected the value of sterling against some other currencies most importantly the US dollar with some imported goods becoming more expensive. We have an offer from Lords but at the time of writing your League Management Committee have not had the opportunity to discuss this or the matter of whether the whole of any increase will be passed on to the clubs. I would expect that the cost of the 2017 League Cricket Ball will be able to be announced at the AGM

The League's accounts for the year ending the 30th September 2016 have just been passed to our auditor Andy Stephens. The League is grateful to Andy for his time commitment in reviewing and checking the League's finances.

Tom Packman
13th November 2016