

“I have met with Stuart Allbut (SACO Sec) this evening to look at three points that SACO wishes to pass on to the SCL.

**a) - Encourage SCL Div. Two and Div. 3 teams to have a qualified umpire embedded in their Club.**

SACO wishes to see more candidates come forward to take the formal courses and these are on offer at SCB in late February/early March 2019...

Stuart now knows that the SCL MC has agreed to subsidise successful attendees at educational courses that are run by SCB as long as clubs make themselves known to us and show us the qualifications gained.

What SACO proposes is that the sides mentioned above, where a club based qualified umpire is present and available, will receive preference from SACO when only one of their members is available for appointment.

**b) - Follow the WEPL model for collecting Umpire Fees...**

The SCL would revert to collecting such fees based on SACO advising who has had what and when; payment is made to SACO's Treasurer as and when required by the SCL and the SCL collects from its members using its own process. There have been issues with fee collection in some cases in 2018 with some Clubs not reacting to comms as they should have - indeed Purnells CC are still owing SACO (which I was aware of from memory).

**c) Umpires' Courses.** You may already have received the attached information from Neil Holloway, but I would be grateful if you could circulate the attached document to the clubs in the Somerset Cricket League.

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