



Groundsmen Association

With the proposed introduction of the pitch marking system PQS (performance quality standards) for the Premier League Clubs and the Groundsmen Association coming under the direct control of the CCB there is a need to establish a data base for all **League Clubs** concerning their grounds and groundsmen.

Therefore will **every league club** please provide the name of their groundsmen, his contact details, e-mail address and what groundsmen qualifications he holds. All replies to keith.goldsmith@homecall.co.uk **by 15 January 2011** at the latest please.

The meeting to formally merge the Groundsmen's Association and the League Grounds Committee had to be postponed on 1 December due to the bad weather. It has been rescheduled for **Wednesday 5 January 2011 at the Cricket Centre, Truro at 7.30pm**. All clubs are invited to send interested representatives to form this new body which will have benefits for every club. The revised constitution is available to view on the website.

Club Welfare Officers

The ECB are now moving forward with regard to the old Time to Listen course which is now named "**The Safe Hands Workshop for Club Welfare Officers**". Both qualifications are valid for 3 years.

We know that there are clubs who have not got a qualified CWO, we also know that there are clubs whose CWO need, or are about to need, requalification. Despite our records it is difficult to determine our overall need, so to enable us to make the necessary arrangements for courses we urgently need to know:

- 1) Who is your club's CWO?
- 2) Does your CWO need to attend a Safe Hands Workshop?
- 3) Does your CWO need to requalify?

This information is required with some urgency so can you please send your response to the CCB Welfare Officer **by 15 January 2011** at the latest: Clive Polkinghorne, 42 Hayle Terrace, Hayle, TR27 4BT Tel: 01736 753020 m: 07723 005571. email: clive.polkinghorne@btinternet.com

A reminder it is a League Rule that every club must appoint a qualified Welfare Officer.

AGM Agenda

As usual the package will be distributed, all being well, by email to clubs around 3 January for the meeting on 26 January 2011 to allow plenty of time to decide your club's voting intentions.

Fixtures

Since the confirmation of divisions last month considerable work has been completed on preparing the complex index numbers for the fixture schedules. Assuming there are no problems cropping up the lists for each division will be prepared over the Christmas period and will hopefully be published in early January.

AGM - LMC Elections

There are four League Management Committee vacancies and only one nomination to date plus a vacancy for President. If anyone wishes to join the closing date for nominations by clubs is **30th December 2010** to the League Secretary.

Cricket Balls

An order form will be distributed with the AGM correspondence in early January. **Advance Warning** – Full payment **MUST** be made with orders **by 7 February 2011** without exception. Clubs will have to deal with any late orders themselves independently and won't qualify for the concessionary prices that have been negotiated by the League.

Player Transfers

A reminder the League Secretary will only sign off a player transfer form **after the transfer has been completed** on your play-cricket site.

Yearbook Directory Forms

Forms are available to download online. Return to either M Evans or M Weeks no later than mid February please. Also contact M Evans **immediately** in the close season with any change of Club Secretary or official email contact.

Yearbook Information

Please send photos articles, obituaries, information etc. to the Editor Michael Weeks (e-mail preferred) as soon as possible please. Photos as jpegs with names. As always Advertisers are also required. Please contact mweeks@cornwallcricket.freemove.co.uk for further details. All contributions are appreciated – any interesting stories etc from any club.

Diary Dates

30 December 2010	Closing date for League Management Committee and League Officer nominations.
5 January 2011	Groundsmen Association Annual General Meeting at the Cricket Centre 7.30pm
15 January 2011	Closing date for the mandatory return of Club Groundsmen information.
15 January 2011	Closing date for the mandatory return of Club Welfare Officer information.
26 January 2011	League AGM at County Hall, Truro at 7.30pm