

BOND TIMBER CORNWALL CRICKET LEAGUE

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The **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Cornwall Cricket League will be held remotely on 'Zoom' on **WEDNESDAY 26th JANUARY 2022** at 7.30 pm (doors open from 7.10 pm)

A LIMIT OF ONE SCREEN PER CLUB WILL BE ADMITTED.

Registration before the meeting by Clubs / LMC Members will be required on Zoom – Max Attendance 99.
Clubs who **do not submit an online vote** by the deadline of **23:59 on Monday 24 January** will be fined £20.
Rule 3.4.1.9 - Fines for Non-attendance of the League AGM is again not applicable.

AGENDA

- 1 Apologies 2 Minutes 3 Matters Arising 4 Reports 5 Elections 6 Rules 7 CCO 8 Notices 9 AOB

A minute's silence will be held for all cricketing friends and colleagues who have passed away since the 2021 AGM

RIP – Former League President & Chairman (1969-2004) Col Ronnie Potts TD, JP, DL

Stuart Arthur	Barrigger CC	Bridget Kent	St Neot CC
Stan Bailey	Werrington CC	Gareth Jose	Truro CC
George Blake	Wendron CC	John Lennon	Liskeard CC
Barbara Calam	Tideford CC	Keith Martin	Wendron CC
Cyril Channon	Yuan CC	Andrew Munson	Penzance CC
Chris Cox	South Petherwin CC	David Osborne	Paul CC
Betty Floyd	Wendron CC	Jenny Parshall	Constantine CC
Melville Davies	Ludgvan CC	Eric Pascoe	Camborne CC
Nigel Dawes	Newquay CC	Keith Pearce	Boconnoc CC
Malcolm Dingle	Wadebridge CC	Ivan Peters	Redruth & Cornwall CCC
Keith Durnell	Wadebridge CC	Desmond (Dickie)	Rodda Camborne, Crofty/Hol & Cwll CCC
Ian Greening	Callington CC	Len Roberts	Luckett CC
David Griffiths	Constantine, Mawnan CCs	Bet Roberts	Luckett CC
Barry Heather	Penzance CC	Terry Selfe	Newquay CC
Mike Holman	Liskeard CC	Godfrey Stephens	Newquay CC
Ray Horton	Truro CC & Cornwall CCC	Jake Trerise	Stithians CC
Geoff Hills	Launceston CC	Roy Tremelling	Camborne CC
Dennis Horwell	Werrington CC	Burt Viner	Mount Ambrose CC
Eric Ireland	Barrigger CC	Cyril Warne	Luckett CC
Joe Ironmonger	Newquay CC	Jason Walters	Boconnoc CC
Peter (Dicky)	James Newquay CC	Mike Whitewood	Newquay CC
Jimmy Johns	Leedstown CC	Sharon Williams	Wendron CC
Roy Johns	Wendron CC		
Maureen Jolly	St Just CC		

WE REMEMBER THEM

1 Apologies The President, DG Eggins, Bugle CC

2 Minutes of the 2021 AGM (circulated)

3 Matters Arising **None**

4 Reports

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| (i) Secretary's Report | (circulated) |
| (ii) Treasurer's Report | (circulated) |
| (iii) Cornwall Cricket Groundkeepers | (circulated) |

5 Election of Officers for 2022 - (Nominations as per League Rule 1.3)

	<u>(2021 Officials)</u>	<u>2022 Nominations</u>
(a) President	(Clive Rosevear)	MV (Vic) Hassell (prop LMC) Ballot Result 66 Yes 1 Abstention
(b) Life Members	(as per Handbook)	-
(c) Vice Presidents	(as per Handbook)	-

CCL AGM 2022 Agenda

(d)	Chairman	(Mark Mitchell)	Seeking re-election
(e)	Vice Chairman	(Stuart Wilder)	Seeking re-election
(f)	Honorary Secretary	(Michael Weeks)	Seeking re-election
(g)	Honorary Treasurer	(Chris Marsh)	Seeking re-election
(h)	Registration Secretary	(Jonathan Lambert)	Seeking re-election
(i)	Compliance Secretary	(Robert Jobson)	Seeking re-election
(j)	Data Protection Officer	(Dave Eggins)	Seeking re-election
(k)	Results Secretary - Premier / County 1	(Michael Weeks)	Seeking re-election
(l)	Results Secretary - West	(Mike Kent)	Seeking re-election
(m)	Results Secretary - East	(Jonathan Lambert)	Seeking re-election
(n)	Independent Financial Examiner	(Ms Kim Jephart)	Seeking re-election
(o)	Honorary Legal Adviser	(Ross Pascoe)	Seeking re-election
(p)	Management Committee Members (max 10)		
	Seeking re-election : (8) Mathew Appleton, John Buddle, Nick George, Chris Leathley, David Lockett, Stephen Rowe, Andrew Wakeley, Kellie Williams.		

Not Seeking re-election: (2) Mathew Thomas, Rev. Mark Richards.

Vacancies: (2) Nominations : (1) Marilyn Richards (prop M Mitchell, sec M Weeks).
Ballot Result 64 Yes 3 Abstentions

Ex-officio LMC members:

Officials Association (CACO) Reps (2) – Alan Cox & Simon Hartley
 Groundkeepers Association (CCG) Rep (1) – vacant
 Safeguarding Officer (CCB Non Exec) – Adam Widdison

Women’s League (CCW) - The Association was dissolved on 29/11/21

6 Alterations and Amendments to Rules

Voting will be by e-ballot Opening on TUESDAY 4th JANUARY at 12:00 Closing MONDAY 24th JANUARY at 23:59.

Proposals have been formulated by the LMC as per Rule 1.4.3
 The number of votes cast per each proposal will be announced at the virtual AGM.
 Voting Rights per each club are detailed in the Appendix.
 A fine of £20 will be imposed for a non-return of an online ballot.

Rule 1.9.4: At the AGM, a simple majority of more than 50% of votes cast is required to pass any alteration, amendment, correction or change of League Rules and for the election of any officer or Committee member.

Proposals 1 & 2 PREMIER & COUNTY 1 2022 ONLY to vote (Premier & County 1) - 1 vote per team

1	<p>Premier A & B Proposal: FOR 9 AGAINST 13 DEFEATED 59% AGAINST</p> <p>Breakdown: Premier 7-3 were against</p> <p>County 1 6-6</p> <p>“In 2023, the Premier Division will be extended to two vertically-aligned Divisions, Premier A and Premier B, each comprising 8 clubs. Clubs in these divisions will play each other three times and be governed by the prevailing Premier Division Playing Conditions and entry criteria.</p> <p>At the end of the 2022 season, the top 8 teams in the Premier Division will qualify for Premier A in 2023. Teams placed 9th and 10th shall make up Premier B, along with the top six 1st XIs from County Division 1.</p> <p>The remaining County Division 1 teams will join the new Divisions 1 East and West, along with the bulk of the current Division 2 clubs and, as a minimum, the champions of Division 3.</p> <p>At the end of the 2023 season, promotions and relegations shall revert to the 2021 system, including two teams being relegated each season from Premier B. The highest-placed eligible team in 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in Divisions 1 East and West shall be promoted. One team will be promoted from Premier B into Premier A each season.”</p> <p><u>Footnote:</u> Rules 4 and 5 would be adjusted at the 2023 AGM to reflect these changes.</p>
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The effect in the lower divisions at the end of the 2022 season will be:

Number of teams moving from County Division 1 to new Division 1 East or 1 West.	Movement of Teams in lower divisions, that will each be renamed (2 East becomes 1 East etc).			2023
	Remaining	Relegated	plus Promoted	
2 Teams	8	4	2	= 12
3 Teams	7	5	2	= 12
4 Teams	7	5	1	= 12

Please refer to the documents already circulated by the LMC to Premier & County Division 1 clubs for full details. Premier & County 1 Clubs showed a preference for this at their autumn forum.

CLUBS FORUM

Voting Rule 1.9.5 Matters relating to a particular Tier shall be voted on by the **Clubs in that Tier only**, one Team – one Vote, two teams – two votes.

2 Rule 8.2 Professional Players **FOR 10 AGAINST 9 CARRIED 52.6% IN FAVOUR**

8.2.1, 8.2.2, 8.2.3 Delete All (ie. no restrictions on payments to players in the Premier & County Division 1).
Footnote: These Rules are unenforceable for the LMC, as it cannot control the actions of private individuals or non-cricket organisations.

CLUBS FORUM

Voting Rule 1.9.3

Any proposition affecting playing conditions, **professionals** and umpires, made by a club in the **Premier Division or County One**, shall be voted on by the clubs in those divisions – **'one club one vote'** – and such decision shall apply to the Premier Division or County One only.

Proposal 3 PREMIER 2022 ONLY to vote - 1 vote per team

3 Rule 18.3.1 Premier Division T20 Cup **FOR 7 AGAINST 3 CARRIED 70% IN FAVOUR**

Change start time to **12.00 noon** and move all timings 1 hour earlier.

Footnote: Clubs showed a preference for this at their autumn forum.

CLUBS FORUM

Voting Rule 1.9.3

Any proposition affecting **playing conditions**, professionals and umpires, made by a club in the **Premier Division or County One**, shall be voted on by the clubs in those divisions – **'one club one vote'** – and such decision shall apply to the Premier Division or County One only.

Proposals 4 & 5 COUNTY 1 2022 ONLY to vote - 1 vote per team

4 Rule 13 Playing Conditions **FOR 8 AGAINST 4 CARRIED 66.6% IN FAVOUR**

Replace, with the note: "All of Rule 12 to apply to both Premier and Division 1."

Footnote: Division 1 to match Premier Division Playing Conditions, ie. Align Points system (12.6) and add Duckworth Lewis (12.4); Powerplays (12.9); Bowling of Fast Short-pitched Deliveries (12.10). (Avoids renumbering all subsequent rules)

CLUBS FORUM	
5	<p>Rule 21.3 Youth Cricket FOR 12 AGAINST 0 CARRIED 100% IN FAVOUR</p> <p>Amend as follows:</p> <p>21.3.2 Any County Division 1 club that did not have an identifiable youth section, with at least two teams (U17 or below, boys or girls), playing inter-club competitive matches*, or one team and an All-Stars/Dynamos section (minimum 20 registered participants), in the previous season should be identified and an action plan put into place to correct this.</p> <p>21.3.5 No club will be promoted to County Division 1 if it does not have an identifiable youth section, with at least two teams (U17 or below, boys or girls), playing inter-club competitive matches* or one team and an All - Stars/Dynamos section (minimum 20 registered participants) in the season where it qualifies for promotion. <i>Footnote: This Rule has successfully ensured that clubs in the top two divisions pay proper attention to the future. We wish to extend it, by increasing the expectation in Division 1 and extending it to Division 2. However, clubs may count their All-Stars and/or Dynamos groups as equivalent to running a team.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEAGUE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</p>

Proposals 6 to 8 TIER 2 – 2022 ONLY to vote – (Divisions 2 & 3 ONLY) 1 vote per team (max 2 votes)

6	<p>Rule 14.5.1 Amend from 25% to 20% per bowler. FOR 27 AGAINST 20 CARRIED 57.4% IN FAVOUR 1 ABSTENSION</p> <p><i>Footnote Is it time for Divisions 2 & 3 to require a minimum of 5 bowlers? Defeated by 2 votes in 2019. LMC has no preference.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEAGUE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</p>
7	<p>Rule 14.9 Fielding Restrictions: Reword, to include Division 3. FOR 18 AGAINST 28 DEFEATED 61% AGAINST 2 ABSTENSIONS</p> <p><i>Footnote:: This was rejected by a single vote, three years ago.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEAGUE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</p>
8	<p>Rule 21.3 Youth Cricket FOR 26 AGAINST 18 CARRIED 59.1% IN FAVOUR 4 ABSTENSIONS</p> <p>Amend as follows:</p> <p>21.3.3 Any Division 2 club that did not have an identifiable youth section, with at least one team (U17 or below, boys or girls), playing inter-club competitive matches* or an All-Stars/Dynamos section (minimum 20 registered participants) in the previous season should be identified and an action plan put into place to correct this.</p> <p>21.3.6 No club will be promoted to Division 2 East or West if it does not have an identifiable youth section, with at least one team (U17 or below, boys or girls), playing inter-club competitive matches* or an All - Stars/Dynamos section (minimum 20 registered participants) or a community youth engagement programme (eg. by arrangement with a local school), fully documented on Play-Cricket, in the season where it qualifies for promotion. <i>Footnote: This Rule has successfully ensured that clubs in the top two divisions pay proper attention to the future. We wish to extend it, by increasing the expectation in Division 1 and extending it to Division 2. However, clubs may count their All-Stars and/or Dynamos groups as equivalent to running a team.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEAGUE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</p>

Proposals 9 to 11 TIERS 2 & 3 ONLY to vote (Divisions 2-6) - 1 vote per team (max 2 votes)

9	<p>Professional Players FOR 43 AGAINST 52 DEFEATED 54.7% AGAINST 15 ABSTENSIONS</p> <p>Rule 8.2.4 Delete (ie. no restrictions on payments to players below County Division 1). <i>Footnote: These Rules are unenforceable for the LMC, as it cannot control the actions of private individuals or non-cricket organisations. However, lower division clubs may wish to try to discourage payments in those divisions, therefore preferring not to delete the Rule.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLUBS FORUM</p>
10	<p>Loan Players FOR 75 AGAINST 35 CARRIED 68.2% IN FAVOUR</p> <p>Rule 9.4.1 Remove wording: "... except that a loan player may only play for the lowest team at a club." <i>Example: A club has teams in Divisions 2 & 5. The Div. 5 team is short, but cannot loan from a Div. 4 team. However, a Div. 4 player could now play in Div. 2, allowing another (eligible) player to drop down.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEAGUE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</p>
11	<p>Loan Players FOR 85 AGAINST 23 CARRIED 78.7% IN FAVOUR 2 ABSTENSIONS</p> <p>Rule 9.4.2 Rewrite as: "There is no restriction on the number of teams a player may be loaned to, but a maximum of FOUR loan and/or dual-registered players may be fielded by one team in a particular match. Of these, only a maximum of TWO may be loan players, ie. not dual-registered. No loan player should replace a home club player who is available and willing to play." <i>Footnote: This attempts to reduce unfair advantage being taken of this Rule and the effect of those loan players upon the game. It restricts to 4 the number of players in a team for whom it is not their primary club, and only 2 may have no association with the club at all.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEAGUE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</p>

Props	Votes			% Yes			67	of 67 Clubs Voted	100.0	%	Voting
	Max	Cast	Abs	Yes	No	Yes			Tier	% Cast	Rule
1	22	22	0	9	13	40.9	2023 Prem A	DEFEATED	P & 1	100.0	1.9.5
2	19	19	0	10	9	52.6	Pros No Rules	CARRIED	P & 1	100.0	1.9.3
3	10	10	0	7	3	70.0	T20 noon	CARRIED	Prem	100.0	1.9.3
4	12	12	0	8	4	66.7	P / 1 Rules	CARRIED	1	100.0	1.9.3
5	12	12	0	12	0	100.0	Youth	CARRIED	1	100.0	1.9.5
6	48	47	1	27	20	57.4	20% Overs	CARRIED	2	100.0	1.9.5
7	48	46	2	18	28	39.1	Div 3 Circles	DEFEATED	2	100.0	1.9.5
8	48	44	4	26	18	59.1	Youth	CARRIED	2	100.0	1.9.5
9	110	95	15	43	52	45.3	Pros No Rules	DEFEATED	3	100.0	1.9.5
10	110	110	0	75	35	68.2	Loans Not low	CARRIED	3	100.0	1.9.5
11	110	108	2	85	23	78.7	Loans max	CARRIED	3	100.0	1.9.5

SECTION 2

RULE NOTIFICATIONS / CLARIFICATIONS (FOR INFORMATION ONLY - NO AGM PROPOSALS REQUIRED)

Match Balls

Under League Rule 1.4.8 an e-postal ballot was conducted between Thursday 28 October and Saturday 20 November 2021.

Callington, Redruth and Werrington, who have County 1 second XIs, were awarded 2 votes.

The same ball will apply to the Premier and County Division 1.

Result:

Remain with Tiflex Windsor 11 Votes (5 Premier 6 County 1)

Trial for a season Dukes County International 11 Votes (5 Premier 6 County 1)
at £3.50 per ball extra

Therefore the Tiflex Windsor will continue for 2022.

A	AGM Fines 1.7.2 Add: This shall not apply to an 'online' meeting. Delete 1.7.2.1 3.4.1.9.1 Add: Failure to submit an online AGM ballot: £20 per Club.
B	2.3.3 Add: "No business shall be conducted by a sub-committee without a quorum of four members. All sub-committee decisions shall be referred to the Chairman, who shall either ratify, refer back to the sub-committee or refer on to the LMC."
C	2.4.1 Insert: "Vice-Chairman" 2.4.3 Increase Executive quorum from 4 to 6 members (of 10 maximum).
D	3.4.1.7 Add: "and away team Play-Cricket confirmation" <i>Fines will apply in 2022 if play-cricket scorecards are not verified by BOTH clubs as per Rule 11.8.2.</i>
E	4.1.6 Delete Rule and also amend <i>Rules 1.4.1; 1.5.1; 1.7.4; 1.9.1.4; 2.14; 4.1; 9.1.1.1; 11.2.1.3; 11.3.2. The Cornwall Women's Cricket Association was dissolved on 29/11/21 having been formed on 30/10/2001. All Women's & Girls cricket now come under the auspices of the Cornwall Cricket Board.</i>
F	5.1.9.2 Rewrite - Clubs that withdraw a team from a division (including a request to play in a lower division) <u>after the divisions have been confirmed (1 January)</u> will not be eligible for any promotions for that team (if applicable) or any of their lower teams for the current season. <i>Note: This is to clarify the operation of the existing rule that has been implemented since 2009.</i>
G	9.2 Rewrite: "9.2.1 A player may be transferred from one club to another at their request and with the agreement of his/her current club. 9.2.2 All-year transfer of players from one CCL club to another shall be completed online. The importing club should register the transfer on Play-Cricket, the exporting club 'agrees' the transfer, then the Registration Secretary approves (confirms)." Delete 9.2.2.1 <i>Note: There is an option on play-cricket for the exporting club to 'agree' to the transfer and this will replace the paper form. The new club will register the transfer on play-cricket, exporting club 'agrees' on play-cricket, Registration Secretary approves. No signatures required, no emails/blurred scans/illegible photos/scrawled signatures that could have been done by anyone.</i>
H	9.2.3 Amend last line to read:"75% or more of the games started by the now Premier / County 1 team in the current or preceding season, whether those games were played in Division 2, County 1 or the Premier Division." <i>Note: This is to clarify that matches played by current Division 1 teams in the previous season (even if in Division 2 at the time) do count.</i>
I	11.4.4 & 11.4.5 Add Note: "Not applicable to Under 16 (school Year 11 or below) players, who may play unreservedly."

J	<p>11.4.4.1 Add: “Note: Where a higher team’s match is cancelled on the day, a player who has been legitimately selected for a lower team shall not be made ineligible by that cancellation if evidence can be provided that he/she was already selected for the lower team.”</p> <p>11.4.4.2 Insert: “From 1st August ...”, replacing: “From the third Saturday in August ...”</p>
K	11.7.2.2 Replace “St James” ball with “Magna” for Divisions 5 & 6
L	<p>Batting Bonus Points for a winning side batting second in the Premier Division</p> <p>12.6.4.2 Replace with: “1 batting point shall be awarded to a winning side batting second for every 2 wickets <u>standing</u> at the end of the match, providing total batting points awarded do not exceed a maximum of 5.” <i>This replaces the existing wording, which has caused numerous errors since the change in 2012. The Premier & all other divisions, therefore, return to using the same formula to avoid any future confusion.</i> <i>Embarrassingly four months after our season ended the Cricket Archive website pointed out two errors they spotted in our tables where clubs had submitted incorrect bonus points on both play-cricket and official result sheets. One went back to May but thankfully neither had any impact on positions. Ironically both home clubs did themselves out of a point!</i></p>
M	<p><i>If proposal 4 (above) is defeated the following will apply to Tier 1. Part was accidentally omitted in the printing of the 2021 Rules but when realised was notified to County Division 1 clubs as still being applicable.</i></p> <p>13.1.1 All matches to start at 1.00 pm throughout the season, except on or after 15 August, matches to start at 12.30 pm.</p> <p>13.1.1.1 Clubs may, by mutual consent, agree to start earlier. The earliest start time shall be 11.00 am.</p> <p>13.1.2 Each match will consist of 100 overs maximum.</p> <p>13.1.3 If the start of the match is delayed or the match is interrupted during the first innings for any reason, the umpires shall determine the number of overs to be deducted.</p> <p>13.1.3.1 A match may, by mutual consent, start up to 30 minutes later than the regular start time for the division, with no reduction in overs. This shall apply to both mutually agreed later starts and those delayed by weather or ground conditions.</p> <p>13.1.3.2 Whatever the start time, a match may be played over a shorter duration than would normally apply, down to a minimum of 20 overs per side, by voluntary agreement between both Captains.</p> <p>13.1.3.3 The overs available to each side shall be reduced by one over for every six minutes of any delay or interruption to the first innings, provided that the number of overs available to each side does not fall below 20.</p>
N	<p>16 Match Playing Conditions – Women’s Tier. <i>Also see Section D.</i> Delete the entire section – <i>The Cornwall Women’s Cricket Association was dissolved on 29/11/21 having been formed on 30/10/2001.</i> <i>All Women’s & Girls cricket now come under the auspices of the Cornwall Cricket Board.</i> <i>Section 16 becomes ‘Not Applicable’ to avoid renumbering all subsequent rules.</i></p>
O	17.3.5 and 17.6.7 Insert, after “No regular Premier or County 1 player”: “or overseas professional”
P	<p><i>Rule 19 Mining Division Evening League – Note: change to no rescheduling of cancelled group games.</i></p> <p>19.1.2 Rewrite: A returnable (on fulfilment of all fixtures) deposit of £20.00 per team is payable by 31st January. A team that has not paid this will not be included in the League. Any club which is not already a member of CCL must also pay the Associate Membership fee of £10.00.</p> <p>19.2.2 Rewrite: “In the event of either club defaulting the points shall be awarded to the other. Group matches will not be rescheduled.”</p> <p>19.2.3 and 19.2.5 Delete</p> <p>19.3.5 Add: “or cancellation”</p>
Q	20.3.2 Add: “It is the responsibility of the host club to manage all matters of health and safety at their ground (apart from within the playing area during the match) at all matches, including those arranged by the CCL.”
R	21.3.4 Regardless of the existence of an action plan, any club which fails to comply with Rules 21.3.1, 21.3.2 or

21.3.3 (number of youth teams or alternatives stated above) for a second successive season shall result in that club being relegated with immediate effect.

Wording required if earlier amendments are passed.

7 Presentations

- (i) Cornwall Cricket Board Chief Cricket Officer
(ii) Cornwall Cricket Trust

Joe Skinner
Denise Gladwell

8 AGM Trophies

The 'Lenny Lobb Fair Play Award' for Premier clubs - Werrington CC.
The 'Ron Fenton Fair Play Trophy' for County Division 1 clubs – Gorran CC.
Penzance CC retain both the Premier League Bradley & Littlejohns Trophies

Season Average		2021	Premier League			Position	Season Average		2021	County 1			Position
Team		Captain					Team		Captain				
Club	Respect for Opponents	Respect for Umpires	Team Management	Cooperation with Umpires	Overall Average		Club	Respect for Opponents	Respect for Umpires	Team Management	Cooperation with Umpires	Overall Average	
Werrington	4.4	4.47	4.47	4.6	4.48	1	Gorran	4.75	4.75	4.69	4.75	4.73	1
Grampound Road	4.38	4.38	4.38	4.5	4.41	2	Beacon	4.58	4.74	4.63	4.68	4.66	2
Camborne	4.27	4.47	4.4	4.47	4.40	3	Lanhydrock	4.47	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.57	3=
Wadebridge	4.27	4.47	4.33	4.47	4.38	4	Werrington 2s	4.61	4.5	4.56	4.61	4.57	3=
Truro	4.29	4.29	4.35	4.47	4.35	5	Falmouth	4.5	4.5	4.55	4.6	4.54	5
Division Average	4.17	4.25	4.29	4.37	4.27			4.36	4.46	4.43	4.55	4.45	

BRADLEY TROPHY				LITTLEJOHNS TROPHY			
Highest Batting Avg				Lowest Bowling Avg			
	Wkts	Runs	Avg		Wkts	Runs	Avg
Penzance	86	2971	34.55	Penzance	142	2101	14.80
Truro	107	2403	22.46	Truro	144	2237	15.53
St Just	128	2791	21.80	Redruth	134	2542	18.97
St Austell	119	2483	20.87	St Just	143	2801	19.59
Wadebridge	135	2722	20.16	Callington	109	2151	19.73
Camborne	132	2576	19.52	St Austell	132	2682	20.32
Werrington	123	2365	19.23	Werrington	127	2693	21.20
Redruth	128	2390	18.67	Camborne	116	2530	21.81
Callington	130	2364	18.18	Wadebridge	114	2579	22.62
Grampound Road	146	1995	13.66	Grampound Road	73	2744	37.59

9 **Notices**

- 31 January** CCL Fixtures publication for 2022 due **by end of January**.
31 January Closing Date for **Cricket Ball Orders** - Order Form was distributed on **3 January**
20 February **ECBACO/CACO Umpire Education** Stage 1 course at the Cricket Centre
Again, **subsidised by the Cornwall Cricket League**.
Details: <https://cornwallcricket.co.uk/umpires-scorers/umpire-courses.html>
28 February Closing Date for **Cup Entries** to Mark Mitchell with deposits –
Competitions Form to be issued **late January**
1 March Closing Date for notification of any rescheduled **League fixtures**
6 March **ECBACO/CACO Umpire Education** Stage 2 at the Cricket Centre
25 March Closing Date for **Directory Club information** - clubs will be contacted in mid March

- (i) **Play-Cricket Registrations Annual Request** - To aid player communications the ECB have requested that Cornwall Cricket League members/players should individually **sign up** for membership of your club play-cricket site (top right of each homepage) and tick the box to allow communications from ECB. This process is opposed to the default 'Temporary Player Membership' awarded by clubs who register players themselves. Once a member/player has entered their details, and applied for membership, they can be approved by your Club Administrator and are eligible to be given web roles on your site. They will also be able to receive the weekly Cornwall Honours Boards email from ECB. The League will annually remove registrations of players who have not played in the **last two seasons**.
- (ii) Any mutually agreed **re-scheduled** fixtures **MUST** be notified to the League no later than **1st March**.

10 **Any Other Business**

Cornwall Cricket League Overseas Cricketers 2022

The Category 3 (Professional and non-resident) player registration forms for 2022 will be available to download from Tuesday 1st Feb. The CCL regulations will be unchanged.

The rules governing overseas players and eligibility, though, are by and large part of national migration law and are available for viewing on

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration>

<https://www.ecb.co.uk/governance/regulations/governing-body-endorsement>

Clubs are reminded the distinctions between amateur and professional overseas players are clear:

- Agents should not be used to engage amateur players
- Rules regarding professionalism and playing background are to be observed (to be found on the ECB page)
- Standard visa or non-visa nationals are not allowed to work at all nor receive any money.
- These players are not allowed to coach.

Clubs are responsible for vetting UK resident players (currently working or studying in the UK and have been for 210 days in the previous tax year and who may be registered as Category 1) properly and keeping appropriate records on those players. The CCL reserves the right to scrutinise all pertinent documents. The Home Office does view transgressions dimly and there are heavy penalties for non-compliance.

In a bigger picture, it is best practice to know who all your club members are and where they come from for Safeguarding. Overseas players are a part of that necessity.

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January 2022

BOND TIMBER CORNWALL CRICKET LEAGUE
SECRETARY'S ANNUAL REPORT 2021

I'll start this year's report with a reminder of one of last year's closing paragraphs. *'We now look forward to hopefully a better 2021. At the time of writing in mid-January, the second wave of COVID-19 is peaking but hopefully the most vulnerable will be inoculated by April with the vaccine being rolled out. If so the restrictions might be lifted to allow us to have something of a normal cricket season'*.

It turned out to be a close call but indeed the 2021 season was able to be played out as normally as possible, though COVID was to make its mark. The Delta variant, as it became known, dominated the early Spring. ECB updated leagues and clubs with weekly updates. The national lockdown regulations that were in force stated *'all indoor and outdoor privately owned cricket facilities will now need to close for all but elite cricket activity and disability cricket outdoors'*.

However, as part of a Five-step *'Roadmap out of Lockdown'*, a Government announcement signalled a return to cricket from 29 March, to justify our ongoing pre-season plans. The *'Organised Outdoor Recreational Cricket Guidance for England in 2021'* document, published by the ECB in early March, gave no less than 26 pages of detailed information. Numerous restrictions were still in place regarding social distancing, groups of six, bubbles, changing rooms and clubhouses remaining shut, bring your own food and drink, NHS Test & Trace etc. It was therefore a strange set-up that saw pre-season friendlies played under sunny skies on 10 April, with players having virtually no preparation. Spectators were not permitted in any indoor or outdoor sport facility at Step 1B, apart from carers for people with disabilities, or adults who needed to supervise under-18s in a safeguarding role.

Two days later (12 April) Step 2 came into being with the key changes being that spectators were allowed, socially distanced, to use outdoor hospitality just in time for the beginning of the League on 17 April. Step 3 on 17 May allowed changing rooms to open, where safe to do so. Indoor hospitality could open and teas could be served. Spectators were allowed up to groups of 30 socially distanced and car-sharing was permitted.

After being delayed for a month on 19 July Step 4 finally came into force with a major easing of restrictions, though caution was still advised. However, by now the Delta variant was having a significant effect on our cricket.

Pre-season ECB advised Leagues to have contingency plans in place in the event of Covid affecting the season. We duly published ours, in the hope that they wouldn't be needed of course. Sadly that was not the case as the season progressed and on 12 June we lost our first game to Covid.

In mid-June we issued this statement: *"The LMC met at very short notice early last evening and, in the first instance, established the principle that we very much want cricket to be played, wherever practical. We dismissed a suggestion that a whole division or matchday should be rescheduled or cancelled through Covid-19 concerns, on the grounds that it would probably solve nothing, and could just as easily pass the problem on to another point in the season. In any event, the great majority of potential concerns seemed to be from work or social activity in general, not from cricket.*

A very small number of clubs had alerted us to the fact that they had a player, or players, who had either contracted the virus or had been instructed that they were a 'close contact' and should be isolated from others, thereby precluding their involvement in cricket. We were satisfied that these clubs were handling the matter most responsibly, ensuring that close contacts within their club were established, and asking teammates of infected individuals to undertake a virus test. Provided that enough players in their team were still eligible to play cricket, they wanted to field a team.

The LMC, along with the CCO of the Cornwall Cricket Board, agreed with this course of action. We also clarified the position regarding requests for the cancellation or rescheduling of fixtures: if a club could provide evidence that a minimum of three players from a particular team had been notified of a Covid-19 infection or an instruction to be isolated, then their request to cancel a match would be granted and, under the League's Temporary Rules, average points awarded to both teams at the end of the season. There would be no rescheduling of fixtures, and any team which simply preferred not to play in a scheduled match would be regarded as having conceded that match".

In all 44 league games were to be cancelled during the season due to Covid. Seven on 10 July and eight, frustratingly, on the following Saturday of hot sunshine. Our peak though was Saturday 21 August when 10 games were Covid cancelled. By coincidence seven days after the *Boardmasters Festival* at Newquay.

Season Summary: Of the 1482 scheduled League games 1150 were completed, 72 Abandoned, 183 Cancelled due to weather, 44 Cancelled due to Covid and 33 Conceded, the fewest since 2009. A more encouraging reduced statistic as 75 were conceded in 2018 and 50 in the last normal season of 2019.

Sadly Delabole withdrew from the League in the last week of March after 43 seasons of participation. Troon followed in the first week of the season, having been League members since 1908. They were County Champions on four occasions, Vinter Cup winners seven times, Edwards Cup winners five times and of course, famously, National Village Champions three times. The good news is they have regrouped and returned to the League, at the lowest level, for 2022. Goldsithney were forced to

withdraw in July after 62 seasons in the League. Again it is good to report, under the wing of Penzance Thirds, league cricket is set to recommence at Tregurtha View in 2022. At the end of the year, on 31 December, Gorran announced their withdrawal from the League, having finished well adrift at the bottom of County Division One. Formed at the end of the 19th century Gorran joined the Cornwall Cricket League in 1932 and won three County titles, 12 Eastern titles, and 10 Hawkey Cups. They intend to continue playing youth and other cricket in the hope of a return to the League in the future.

It leaves 67 clubs to compete in 2022 with 144 teams in 13 divisions. Gorran is the only withdrawal since the end of the season but on the plus side there is a welcome net gain of four teams after the admissions of Hayle 3 (at Leedstown), Lanhydrock 3 (at Bodmin College), Penzance 3 (at Goldsithney), Perranporth 3 (at St Newlyn East) and Troon. Division 6 East has 10 teams and Division 6 West and Central eight teams each playing each other three times.

The weather was kind in the Spring of 2021 and the League season began on 17 April under blue skies, albeit on the chilly side. The pitches were firm thanks to a very dry spell. Matches across the county paused at 3pm to mark the national minute's silence ahead of HRH The Duke of Edinburgh's funeral at Windsor. The weather broke on May Day with games affected in South East Cornwall. The following week there was a rare complete washout with a 24 hour period of rain seeing all 73 games cancelled. This followed virtually two months without significant rainfall. May continued unsettled with 16 and 13 games called off respectively on the following two Saturdays. The 29 May was dry but 5 June was frustrating with teams travelling, at the end of half-term on a particularly busy day on the roads, only for the weather to quickly prevent play. Of the 68 games, only 10 were completed, mostly in the north and east of the county. There was only one in the west, at Mawnan, and two towards the south coast at Grampound Road and Boconnoc. A total of 34 games were abandoned, the majority after just a few overs. Another 22 games were cancelled without a ball bowled.

With the eyes of the world on St Ives Bay for the G7 summit, there were welcome blue skies on 12 June and the following two Saturdays were also mostly dry. The five Saturdays in July all had sun and showers bar one with 13 abandonments and 19 cancellations in all. The exception was 17 July which was to be the hottest day of the season, with temperatures in the mid-twenties. Morning rain on 7 August saw 33 games cancelled and 16 games were abandoned on 21 August as a band of rain swept across the county. Just as it began the end of the season finished with three dry and sunny Saturdays.

The Premier season started again with the *Tribute T20 Kernow Crash* played over the first four weekends. Finals Day was held at Grampound Road on Bank Holiday Monday 31 May. In the morning semi-final, Callington beat Wadebridge by six wickets followed by a 20 run win for Penzance over Redruth. The final saw Penzance restricted to 104-9 with Rob Mutch and Harry Sawyers taking four wickets each. Callington went on to win by six wickets with 25 balls to spare.

The Premier League was dominated and retained by Penzance, who by halfway had opened up a 43 point gap over Truro having won all eight games with one cancelled. With only one win Grampound Road were 41 points adrift at the bottom. In early August Penzance won a top of the table clash at Truro in a rain-reduced game of 25 overs. It meant their lead was 56 points with five games to play. The title was decided on 28 August with two games to spare. Penzance's win at Wadebridge was not enough in itself but Truro dropped three bonus points in their win over St Just. Penzance received the trophy the following week in their final home game, against St Just. It was their 24th County title with Camborne having won 17 and Truro 13. Exactly 100 years earlier, in 1921, they had claimed their second title. Penzance ended the season with a fifteenth win at Camborne, to win the title by 74 points. Unbeaten seasons are not rare in the 20-year history of the Premier League. Truro did it in the inaugural season of 2001 and 2002. St Just followed in 2005 with a record winning margin of 83 points. They repeated it in the wet season of 2008 when a third of their matches were cancelled. The last unbeaten season was in 2012 when Werrington won their first title.

Truro were runners up with 11 wins followed by St Just, Redruth and St Austell. Camborne, on their return to the top flight, finished sixth just ahead of Wadebridge. Werrington, hampered with the loss of key players, recovered from a poor start to win six games and overtake Callington. Grampound Road were relegated after winning only two games and ended 72 points adrift. Three Premier League games were cancelled due to Covid.

It was a much closer title race in County Division 1 where only 20 points covered Hayle, Helston, Falmouth, Paul and Beacon at halfway. Hayle and Helston emerged to fight out the title. They both won 17 games but after their meeting at the Towans was cancelled effectively Hayle's low scoring victory at Helston in mid-July was the difference. Needing 15 points on the final day Hayle made no mistake at home to Newquay to claim the title by six points. Helston were left to rue a shock defeat at promoted St Erme in mid-June after a second innings batting collapse. Beacon were a comfortable third followed by Paul, Falmouth and St Erme. There was a 51 point gap to Lanhydrock in seventh with Werrington seconds, Redruth seconds and Newquay all within 13 points. The relegation issue was decided early with St Austell seconds 60 points from safety having only one victory. Despite winning three games Gorran were 169 points adrift having suffered deductions of 85 points. They conceded three games. Five County Division One games were 'Covid cancelled'.

In the West Section, Mullion won Division 2 finishing 56 points ahead of Perranporth. Ludgvan were relegated after ending 25 points behind St Gluvias. The Division 3 race was well contested but a strong finish by Camborne seconds saw them end well clear of Barripper, Veryan and Gulval. Due to the vacancies caused by Troon and Goldsithney Wendron were relieved

relegation. Hayle, as a club, enjoyed a great season with their seconds winning Division Four by 44 points from Mullion seconds. Stithians seconds comfortably saw off the challenge of Praze to win Division 5 and were unbeaten with 17 wins and 3 cancelled. St Just fourths ended 30 points ahead of St Day in Division 6 West. Division 6 Central was won by a youthful Perranporth seconds with Camborne thirds 27 points behind.

In the East Section Callington seconds won Division 2 by a 17 point margin from Wadebridge seconds with Bude a point behind in third. Launceston and St Minver were relegated with Tideford receiving a late reprieve after Gorran's withdrawal. Following the merger with Saltash Town Callington thirds took over the Landulph Cross ground, successfully both on and off the field. They won Division 3 by 13 points and are set to create a first in 2022 with the club having a team in each of the top three divisions. Bude seconds finished bottom and although finishing ninth Launceston seconds were automatically relegated thanks to their firsts being demoted to the division. Newquay seconds benefited as did St Austell thirds when Gorran disappeared. Luckett won Division 4 by 61 points from Lanhydrock seconds and were unbeaten with 17 wins and three cancellations. Duloe were relegated. Another unbeaten team were Liskeard in Division 5 with 11 wins but they suffered with the weather with 4 abandoned and 2 cancelled. Pencarrow are promoted as runners-up and were only six points off the title in the final reckoning. Division 6 East only had six teams playing each other four times. Holsworthy seconds romped to the title by 76 points from Boconnoc seconds, having suffered only two defeats.

The East v West County Finals completed the season on Saturday 18 September, with the weather playing its part. In the division two final only eight overs were possible between Callington seconds and Mullion at Lanhydrock before the match was abandoned due to rain, with the trophy shared. The division three final at Veryan was reduced from 45 to 38 overs: Camborne II 150-6 Callington III 116. A full game was played at St Gluvias in the division four final where Hayle seconds reached 213-8 against Luckett who were 154 all out in the 39th over.

The division five final at St Stephen was postponed for 24 hours due to a wet ground. It resulted in understrength teams competing. Stithians made 179 before a third-wicket stand of 110 set up Liskeard's six-wicket win with seven overs to spare. At Pencarrow persistent light rain forced two interruptions in the division six final between Holsworthy seconds and Perranporth seconds. Over an hour was lost resulting in a 28 over match. Perranporth made 125-5 and Holsworthy responded with 64-9. In a year when the provision of teas was voted at the AGM as an option, rather than a mandatory requirement, the League were most grateful to the excellent hospitality provided by all the host clubs. In doing so it provided a fitting 'occasion' for all involved.

The Bradley's Vinter Cup Final at Camborne saw Penzance win the trophy for a fourth successive occasion, beating Helston by 92 runs. Penzance hit the third-highest ever final score of 181 for 4 with Christian Purchase the Player of the Match for his 83, which included 6 sixes off 44 balls. Helston were all out for 89. Wadebridge won the Clive Rosevear Hawkey Cup for the fifth time when they beat St Austell at St Austell by five wickets. St Austell made 138-9 before Player of the Match James Turpin hit 75 not out to win the game by five wickets with an over to spare. It ended a 54-year wait for Wadebridge who last won in 1967. In the WT Edwards Cup Final, also at St Austell, Penzance claimed the trophy for the fourth successive time. Penzance made 170-6 with Wadebridge all out for 71 in a match reduced by one over due to a very heavy shower.

In the Vitality Club Twenty/20 Area Finals Day Penzance travelled to Port Talbot. They dismissed Bradninch (Devon) in the semi-final for just 70. Remarkably Penzance then found themselves in danger of going out of the competition at 53-7 before squeezing home by one wicket. In the final against WEPL T20 champions Potterne Penzance made 120-9 with Potterne bowled out for 107. The Southern Regional Finals day, for the first time, had semi-finals and a final. It was held at Basingstoke & North Hants CC on 15 August. In the semi-final Penzance made a creditable 134-9 against Essex Champions Brentwood who made short work of the task, winning by eight wickets with 27 balls to spare. They, in turn, were beaten by Tunbridge Wells who went on to beat Barnard Castle in the National Final at Northampton.

In the Royal London Club Championship, after a postponement Redruth conceded to Callington and Grampound Road lost a high scoring rescheduled game at Paignton. In Round 2 Callington defeated Paignton by just one run. The Round 3 game against Bridgwater was twice postponed with Bridgwater progressing on the toss of a coin.

The Clive Rosevear Cup Finals Day was played at Lanhydrock on a glorious Sunday in July. In the semi-finals, St Neot (119-7) beat St Blazey (93) by 26 runs and Grampound Road lost to Callington (115-1) by nine wickets. In the final Callington (144-7) beat St Neot (110-7) by 34 runs to take the title for a first time. Having said that former Saltash Town players were no strangers to the presentation ceremony.

The Division 2 T20 Cup, sponsored by Eden Motorhomes, was again played on August Bank Holiday Sunday at Redruth. In the semi-finals, Perranporth beat Mullion by three wickets with a six off the final ball chasing 174. Wadebridge seconds beat Stithians by five wickets. Wadebridge made 113-9 in the final to lose to Perranporth by eight wickets to claim the '*Raymond Reseigh Trophy*' with over ten overs to spare.

Mullion seconds won the Dawe Insurance Andrew Cup for the first time. As usual the final was played at Mount Ambrose on what ended as a damp and gloomy early August evening. For reasons, including Covid, the final had been put back a couple of weeks. Mullion were bowled out for 108 with Hayle seconds ending on 101-9 in fading light.

The previous evening Mount Hawke & Porthtowan won the Mining Division Evening League, for the eighth time, after defeating Mullion in a well contested final at Helston. Mullion made 97-7 and Mount Hawke & Porthtowan reached the target for the loss of seven wickets, with only three balls to spare to clinch the 'Michael Evans Trophy'. We ran out of light to arrange the Annual Challenge match against the WPEL champions, St Just.

Penzance won the Trewoone Holiday Cornwall Women's Premier League finishing 21 points ahead of Grampound Road. On 29 November 2021, it was agreed to dissolve the *Cornwall Women's Cricket Association* which was formed over twenty years earlier on 30 October 2001. All administration of women and girls' cricket in Cornwall, including club cricket, has been passed to the Cornwall Cricket Board.

Also in November, the death was announced of former League Chairman and President Col Ronnie Potts TD, JP, DL at the age of 93. He was formerly club secretary and a player for Pencarrow CC. He joined the Eastern Sectional Committee in 1967 and in February 1969 became the League Chairman at a difficult time when the leading Western clubs threatened a breakaway. Ronnie continued as Chairman before being elected League President in 1987, following the death of Jack Littlejohns. During the summer of 2004 he felt his position was untenable, after becoming involved in a long-running player/club/county dispute and, 'with much regret', the LMC accepted his resignation. He also served the County Club as Chairman & President and was Chairman of the Cornwall Cricket Board for its first ten years.

Earlier in the year, Luckett CC lost its Secretary of all but sixty years with the passing of Len Roberts. He had been club groundsman for even longer. That left another stalwart, Wendron's Tim Wearne as the longest-serving club secretary before he retired at the end of the year, having been in post since 1977.

The League AGM will see the retirement of Clive Rosevear as our President. It will be ten years to the day that he took on the role. In recent times he has not been in the best of health. His company, *Clive Rosevear Insurance*, has sponsored the 20 over Hawkey Cup competition continuously since 1993. He rang me just before I completed this report with the news he was able to get out and about again and thanked the League "for a wonderful ten years".

His nominated replacement is Vic Hassell who served as League Chairman between 2008 and 2016. We are delighted that he has agreed to become the League's figurehead and I'm sure we will be referring to his wise counsel. He is still very much active within the League, as a CACO umpire. If proof was needed I enjoyed his company at the Division 6 County Final at Pencarrow last September, where he officiated.

There were certainly no discipline problems there but our Compliance Secretary Robert Jobson did have some work during the year and has provided the following 2021 season report:

"Sixteen players, one umpire, one groundsman and one spectator were reported to the League for misconduct during the 2021 season. Their subsequent bans ranged from one to eight games, with some of those bans enforced with immediate effect and others suspended for 12 months.

The most serious case, which involved alleged violence on the field and led to a game being abandoned, was reported to the Devon and Cornwall Police in May. The outcome of that investigation, and whether court proceedings are to ensue, is awaited by the League.

As well as offending individuals, two club captains were taken to task by the League for failing to control their players and two clubs were warned as to their future conduct, with one of those reported to the League more than once and made the subject of a severe suspended penalty.

Twelve of the misconduct allegations involved players verbally abusing umpires. These offences occurred in all three tiers of the League, with club and player umpires in the lower divisions on the receiving end just as much as their CACO counterparts higher up.

Cornwall Cricket's warnings about posting offensive comments on social media appears to be getting through to players and spectators. There were just two minor complaints in 2021, involving one club, compared to four cases in 2020 and seven in 2019-all of a more serious nature".

The League's compliance team was again grateful to club officers and their members for readily assisting with inquiries into alleged misconduct, resolving such matters internally where possible with League approval, and attending disciplinary hearings 'on screen' when required".

The League continues to move with the times regarding technology. Last year's AGM, with no option, was the first to be held electronically and 72 Zoom screens were in operation successfully. The online rules ballot, prior to the event, proved a great success. The use of *Google Forms* is efficient, secure, anonymous and 100% accurate with an email audit trail for transparency. The memory of League Officers frantically counting a hundred or so hands at County Hall seems antiquated in comparison.

CCL AGM 2022 Agenda

With Covid still an issue this year's AGM will do the same. The necessity of persons travelling from as far as Bude and St Just to Truro on a January night, for as few as three proposals for some clubs to vote on, has been reviewed by the LMC. The consensus was that local face to face pre-season meetings with officials and captains might be far more beneficial moving forward.

Likewise, the LMC has been looking at the way it operates and has agreed their meetings should be a mix of 'live' and 'electronic' in future.

On the field, electronic scoring continues on the up, either by laptops or tablets/phones. A typical Saturday now sees 15-20 games being live scored across the divisions. Of 1445 League & Cup games played in 2021 almost 43% were electronically scored, 12% more than the last normal season of 2019.

In our top Tier live streaming has also been on the increase and on Saturday 31 July 2021 no fewer than four Premier League games were simultaneously live-streamed on *YouTube*. The streaming hosts were Camborne at home to Callington, Penzance at home to Redruth, Wadebridge at home to St Austell and Truro at Werrington.

Continuing on the electronic theme there is an administrative change with immediate effect for club officials. The long-standing player-transfers requisite for paperwork to be signed by the player, the importing and exporting clubs has been abandoned in favour of just an electronic approval by the exporting club.

Our annual ECB Play-Cricket Registration cull took place on 29 September to only retain players who have played in the last two years. It left 3184 Players Registered of which 1222 (38%) were full play-cricket members and 1960 Temporary members. It's good to report clubs have increased the number of full members (as requested by ECB) from around 15% at the beginning of 2021. A total of 10,683 Players have now been deactivated since we started using play-cricket registrations in 2007.

The LMC's Grounds and Facilities Committee were active during the year and where necessary recommendations have been made to clubs to meet the published standards.

At the time of writing, in mid-January, the highly transmissible Omicron Covid variant, that emerged at the end of November, seems to have peaked and restrictions are being reduced. The hope, therefore, is we can have as normal a 2022 season as possible. Time will tell.

Finally, the usual thanks to the local press and to *BBC Radio Cornwall* for their coverage. Also thanks to Bond Timber, St Austell Brewery, Clive Rosevear Insurance, Bradleys Estate Agents, Dawe Insurance, Eden Motorhomes and Tiflex for their valued sponsorships. Thanks also to clubs who provided facilities for finals, club officials for their assistance during the year, Umpires, Scorers, Groundsmen and club volunteers.

Michael Weeks
Hon. Secretary

January 2022

Cornwall Cricket League – Treasurer's Report for the year ended 31st October 2021

In the financial year 2020-21, Cornwall Cricket League had an income of £29156 and expenditure of £26319 with a net profit of £2837. The total bank balance across all accounts on 31st October 2021 was £48778.96.

The League is extremely grateful for the continuing sponsorship of Cornish League cricket received from WH Bond Timber Ltd and Tiflex Ltd. Bond Timber funded the trophies and plaques for the Division Finals. St Austell Brewery sponsored Premier T20 Kernow Crash. The Vinter Cup competition was sponsored by Bradleys Estate Agents, the Andrew Cup competition by LP Dawe Insurance and the Division 2 T20 Competition by Eden Motorhomes. The plaques for the Hawkey Cup and Rosevear Cup competitions were funded by Clive Rosevear Insurance. Thank you to all our sponsors and supporters.

Due to the revision of the ECB funding model for 2021 season, Cornwall Cricket League received a fixed fee payment of £12090 in July, and later received an additional Performance Related Fee Payment of £3625 for 2021 season in December (this will be included in 2021-22 accounting period).

Honorariums totalling £7900 were paid to: Hon Secretary & Media Officer, Chair (expenses), Registration Secretary, Results Secretaries, Compliance Secretary, Hon Treasurer, and Officer responsible for Special Projects. A laptop was purchased for use by Hon Treasurer; this has been added to the register of capital assets. Almost all League Management Committee meetings have been held via Zoom since March 2020, as a consequence there has been an annual reduction of almost £2000 on travel expense compared with 2018/19.

Affiliation fees paid to Cornwall Cricket League for Covid-affected 2020 season, were credited to clubs on collection of 2021 season fees. Some clubs were reimbursed for the fees incurred by delegates attending Safe Hands training and Umpire Education courses in 2020. Fees were retrospectively collected from clubs participating in the Bond Timber Trophy which replaced the League fixture programme in 2020. As a result, the net total of fees due from individual clubs for 2021 season was minimal; some were in credit and received a refund payment.

A similar process has been followed with the collection of affiliation fees from clubs for 2022 season. Some clubs will have received credit for 2021 season Reality League Rewards – a total of £4400 was distributed to clubs. Teams that entered cup competitions in 2021 paid £20 deposit – teams that fulfilled all scheduled fixtures had £20 deposit returned plus an additional £40 participation bonus. Participation bonuses totalling £3400 were credited to clubs.

Clubs in net credit will receive a refund payment in January via cheque unless they have requested BACS payment option.

As part of an ongoing strategy to return League funds to clubs, the cup competition participation bonus scheme will be continued in 2022 season. The League will also contribute £2 towards the cost of every Magna ball ordered by clubs in January for 2022 season, reducing the cost from £10 to £8. It is estimated that this subsidy could return about £4000 to clubs in 2022.

Finally, thank you to Kim Jephart for her support and for again undertaking the independent verification of the accounts.

Chris Marsh
Hon. Treasurer

January 2022

Cornwall Association of Cricket Groundskeepers/Annual Report 2021

Faced with the twin threats of Covid and climate change, the resilience of Cornwall's volunteer groundsmen was again put to the test in 2021.

As well as being duty bound to comply with ever-changing health and safety requirements, they found themselves dealing on a regular basis with saturation Saturdays.

Having done their utmost to safeguard fixtures with precautionary covering, many awoke on match days to see pitches at risk from torrents of rain.

Inevitably this capricious weather led to bowler friendly surfaces and low scores, leaving some curators to incur the wrath of a precocious modern day breed of indoor reared batsmen whose technique and temperament in more challenging conditions outdoors was alas found wanting.

League umpires, on the other hand, were favourably disposed. Their pitch marks for Premier and County One clubs averaged 77%, ranging from 90% at Penzance down to a couple of clubs in the mid-60's. The CACG received no official complaints about pitches in 2021.

However, the onslaught from above continued deep into September, to the dismay of those clubs attempting to host end of season finals, and through to the end of that month.

For many this put a temporary kibosh on the all-important autumn renovation of squares but thankfully there was to be a happy ending.

Warm and mild conditions prevailed in October to give groundsmen ample opportunity to complete the scarifying, seeding and loaming of their hallowed turf.

The CACG was grateful to its in-house agronomist and committee member Chris Gesto, of BHGS Hayle, for having given clubs an advance warning in mid-summer to submit their end of season orders for seed and loam without delay, ahead of a steep global hike in prices.

Most of our cricket clubs in Cornwall did exactly that, with special plaudits going to Mullion and Callington for spending big on both materials and contractors to upgrade their grounds, in Callington's case at Landulph, their newly acquired second ground.

We applaud, too, Foxhole's volunteers for working so hard to revive cricket on their ground and Lanhydrock for doing likewise at Bodmin College, in readiness for their 3rd XI in 2022.

Following the demise of CACG equipment trailers, we have also been heartened by a rising number of contractors able to carry out key work for our clubs at affordable prices.

Regrettably, Covid meant that, for the second year running, we could not plan any spring or autumn training courses on preparing pitches and improving outfielders.

However, for aspiring candidates seeking qualifications, there is no shortage in this social media age of expert advice 'online', in the form of tutorials, demonstrations and discussion groups.

Cornwall Cricket's end of season player and member survey in 2021 revealed an encouraging number expressing interest in learning more about ground work and preparing pitches.

Covid permitting, we look forward to making contact and pursuing this. For those clubs perhaps over-reliant on old crusties not known for their patience and diplomacy, and on other helpers with short fuses, succession planning is more vital than ever.

Robert Jobson (CACG Hon Sec).



General update from 2021

Thank you for your clubs continued efforts in making cricket a safe and enjoyable place to be.

Headline successes from our clubs

Junior

- 824 All Stars players
- 644 Dynamos Cricket players
- 1491 U11s playing the game from 33 venues

Safehands

- 30 compliant clubs with Safehands Management System

Women's and Girls

- 20 women's club sections, 44 women's teams
- 9 girls teams
- 339 U11s
- U16's but there were clubs with upwards of 40 training weekly

Absolute need for clubs to provide opportunities for children, girls & women



Equity Diversity and Inclusion Cornwall

- CCB working hard with partners including CCL, CCCC and Clubs to develop our plan
- This is the right thing to do for Cricket in Cornwall
- Great opportunity to encourage participation from all communities
- Opportunity to diversify the game,
 - more volunteers
 - women and girls
 - people with disabilities
- Remove barriers to participation at each level of the game
 - People from low socioeconomic backgrounds
 - Develop facilities to make sure people want to choose cricket
- Need to make the game accessible across, financially and geographically



What does this mean for your Club?

- Constructively challenge what you currently do to develop equity, diversity and inclusion.
- Expectation to adopt and conform to the ECB Anti-Discrimination Policy.
 - ECB Standardised procedure for investigating and reporting (end Feb)
 - Training for Club Officials, umpires and coaches provided by ECB (40,000)
- Clubs appoint an EDI Champion to support people from all backgrounds, and manage their Anti-Discrimination Policy
- Clubs to ask the question how they can become more accessible, develop a strategy policy
 - Cost, access to kit, deliver programmes, women's and girls activity
 - Develop links in your community - e.g. foodbank, people registered with geta free/subsidised place
- Be part of a CCB kit exchange programme to support people from Low socioeconomic backgrounds



Safehands Management System - Phase 3

- SHMS is an ECB club management tool, aim to support safeguarding and DBS verification for volunteers
- Purpose to safeguard the game and to make it more welcoming by being safe
- Cornwall has had 30 clubs in the past year and a half become compliant with SHMS
- 644 volunteers registered
- 635 compliant volunteers (DBS verified)
- Current clubs are those with the ECB Clubmark status
- Phase three rollout will be to all clubs with Junior activity
 - Process of identification of who - Please notify me if you were not involved in SHMS but have junior coaching and you will be enrolled
 - We will provide training and support you in DBS verification
- Current clubs will be expected to manage their SHMS as per last year
 - New Volunteers / add roles and get volunteers DBS checked



ECB Play-Cricket

- ECB communications & evidence of what is played to ECB
- Allows us to understanding the demographics of Cornwall player base better
- Supports the management of online scoring in adult and junior cricket
- Call to Action for ALL Clubs
 - Please encourage your members to become full members of the ECB Play-Cricket
- Current CCL fully registered Players = 1222 (38%)
- Current CCY fully registered players = 90 (32%)



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