

From the Secretary's Desk 1st Feb 21

Good Morning All,

I appreciate that email traffic from me has been a bit heavy since the turn of the year, but I hope you also appreciate that with the League amalgamation, we have a lot to do and the sooner it is done the better for all concerned. Going forward, it is my intention to try and limit communication to two mails a month, (or one if we can get away with it). In addition to sending to the designated secretary for each club, I will post these missives on the website in the same place as you can see the minutes of committee meetings www.cherwellcricketleague.com/minutes, so please advise your captains that this would be a good place to catch up on the latest news.

In truth, the heaviest burden of email comes from the need to send reminders out for information or action already requested, so it would be very much appreciated if you could make sure that your nominated email address is regularly monitored and responded to promptly.

I will generally split these mails into three sections as follows:

UPDATES

We are collating the responses we received on interest in cup competitions. There has been sufficient interest to suggest that the cups will run and we will confirm entries and details in a few weeks. No need for any further information for now and if you have not yet expressed an interest but would like to enter, hold off until the next message on this when we will take all entries.

REMINDERS

Balls

The deadline for ball orders is this Friday (5th Feb) and at time of writing, 30 clubs are still outstanding. I am acknowledging every order individually, so if you don't have an acknowledgement, I don't have your order (apologies if you have sent it and I have missed it). If we do not get your order by Friday, we will automatically order you 18 Buckingham balls per team, but even if this is your order anyway, it would be useful to receive your response as this will confirm that our communication channel is correct. You will be able to download an invoice for your order in due course and this will include the nominal £1 subscription fee to the League.

Just to clarify a point that has come up from a few clubs. The home team supplies both balls for each League fixture.

Player Registrations

Clubs that were playing in the CCL last year do not need to take any action unless you want to add a new player or take someone off the list. Please do so in the normal way.

Clubs that were playing in the OCA last year will need to list all players on the attached spreadsheet (yes, we do need dob for each player) and from there we will bulk load them. They can be entered one at a time manually, but that will be your job to do, not ours if you choose to go that route.

All players registered before the end of April will be FOC. Players registered from 1st May onwards will attract a £2 per player fee to be paid by Paypal (the link is on the website and will appear as you register).

NEW STUFF

If you would like a photo of your club on your profile on the website, please forward to this address and we will upload for you. When the new website is launched, you will be able to do this yourselves.

That's it for now, fingers crossed for a pandemic free (or at least minimally disturbed) start to the season.

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Cherwell Cricket League