



General Meeting 2024

The General Meeting of the League will be held on Thursday 28th November 2024

By zoom video conference, commencing at 7.30pm

Agenda

- Minutes of the 2023 AGM
- Chairman's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Confirmation of Officers and Management Committee. There being less candidates than available positions, an election is not required, and the committee is appointed as written in Appendix 1
- Proposed changes to the playing rules and or constitution (see Appendix 2)
- Election of clubs to the League (see Appendix 3)
- AOB if received and at the Chairman's discretion

Appendix 1

Committee Nominations for 2025

Candidate	Position	Nominating club	Seconding club
David Warner	Chairman	Freeland	Shipton u Wychwood
Lesley Pykett	Treasurer	Gt & Little Tew	Stokenchurch
Ian Murdoch	Secretary	Bledlow Ridge	Waddesdon
Neilson Hinks	Vice Chair	Bledlow Village	Ox & Bl Nondescripts
David Grashoff	Member	Brackley	Westbury
Tom Gubbins	Member	Kingston Bagpuize	Stonesfield
David Hall	Member	Didcot	Gt & Little Tew
Jim Howe	Member	Sandford St Martin	Oxford Downs
Owen Lewis	Member	Watlington	Chesterton
Simon Morse	Member	Chalgrove	Dorchester
Gary Murton	Member	Stokenchurch	Westcott
Ian Royle	Member	Steventon	Harwell International
Alex Westbury	Member	Charlbury	Bledlow Ridge

Appendix 2

There are two proposed changes to the General rules.

Proposal 1 regarding weeks 17 & 18 eligibility.

The committee proposes all reference to weeks 17 & 18 be removed from the Registration Rules and that clauses 5.6 – 5.8 inclusive be removed from the General Rules and replaced by the following.

5.6) Weeks 17 and 18 eligibility. In weeks 17 and 18 a player is not permitted to play in any division lower than that in which he has played the most games in weeks 1 to 16 inclusive, except that he will be eligible to play in such a lower division so long as he has played in that same division for 4 or more weeks in that time.

Clarifications

- i) Games which are abandoned without a ball being bowled, or forfeited before the start of play **are not counted as games played** and cannot be included in the calculation of 'most games' or as one of the required 4 appearances. For a player to be considered as having played in a game, their name must appear on a normally submitted scorecard.*
- ii) If a player has played an equal number of games in two divisions, the higher division will be deemed the most.*
- iii) A player who is eligible to drop down, can only drop one club XI from that in which he has played the most games.*

- iv) *If a player has transferred into the club from another CCL club during the season, games from his previous club will count. In determining eligibility, it is the level that the games were played at rather than the designation of the club XI that is relevant.*
- v) *For the purposes of this rule, any matches played in the HCPCL (for any club, including TVCL clubs), will be deemed to have been played in a division higher than CCL1.*

Note: The object of rule 5.6 is to prevent clubs in weeks 17 and 18 from using players from higher divisions to unduly influence promotion and relegation issues of lower divisions in which they would not normally play and to continue to promote The Spirit of Cricket.

It is recognised however that there may be occasions where exceptional circumstances (e.g. a significant absence through injury) may impact on a player's eligibility. In such cases, an exemption to the rule may be requested by application to the Registration Secretary, League Secretary or their nominated deputy, stating clearly why the club is requesting it. Any such request must be received by 12.30pm on the Thursday before the match and you must have confirmation from one of the aforementioned before the player can be deemed eligible. Exemptions will not be granted 'after the fact'. NB. Poor form is not considered an exceptional circumstance.

If a team is deemed to have played a player who is ineligible under the provisions of this rule for any reason, the match will be awarded to the opposition who will be awarded 25 points (26 where an umpire's point is available) and the offending team will receive 0 points.

Proposal 2 regarding payments for single umpires

The committee proposes that where a single umpire stands, he shall stand at both ends and receive a total payment of £70 (seventy pounds), which will be made up of £55 from the team that did not supply an umpire (or nominate one to the panel) and £15 from the team that did.

Appendix 3

Six clubs have applied to be elected to the Cherwell League for 2025. The League Management Committee has performed the due diligence of ground inspections, financial audits and examination of club constitutions and deems the applications to be competent to proceed. The clubs are nominated and seconded as follows and the committee is supportive of these applications.

Club	Proposed by	Seconded by
Aylesbury Town	Haddenham	Waddesdon
Bradenham	Bledlow Village	Thame Town
Frieth	Stokenchurch	East Oxford
Gawcott & Hillesden	Twyford	Buckingham
Ivinghoe & Pitstone	Waddesdon	Leighton Buzzard
Silverstone	Brackley	Marston St Lawrence