



West Surrey Association of Cricket Umpires and Scorers

Secretary's Report to Members
at the 2011 AGM
on 07 February 2012

This is my third report to Members and this will be the second AGM at Guildford CC since our return from Wonerh CC. Changes continue and, in the past year our host, Steve Page, has moved on with his business to pastures new where we wish him well. Our new host is David Squires who takes care of our admin, catering and watering needs on our meeting evenings. My thanks to both Steve and Dave for their help and patience and, of course, our continuing thanks to Guildford CC whose pavilion is our home.

Our membership has been revised down on last year. In our record breaking figures that year, we were, perhaps, a shade more tolerant than we now are with regard to up-to-date, paid subscriptions. That said, our membership list contains 107 names which vary from Life members through the 2012 student intake.

We continue to notice, however, a continuing trend that roughly half of our Level 1 students do not continue on to Level 1a and do not attend our winter meetings. We remain pro-active in our efforts to reverse this trend and are still the only local association in the county which has monthly meetings throughout the closed season. This year sees the most outstanding guest list, certainly in my time on the Executive Committee and is further supported by the ODI and Test Match ticket prizes, based on meeting attendance. Numbers have increased but there is still room for further improvement. I encourage all members to attend what are truly fabulous evenings.

I regret to report that, as previously, it has not been possible to produce the Association's Newsletter this year. It is a problem which I believe may be shortly resolved. However, our new Website, our Facebook page and our presence on Twitter, provide regular updates so that members can access up to the minute information and add comments or participate in discussion topics.

Three Executive Committee meetings have taken place since the last AGM and minutes of these are, as always, available to members on request. At the last of these meetings, in January, it was agreed that, commencing this AGM, meeting Minutes, both AGM and ExCom, will be placed on our Website; this move is in support of our policy of openness and transparency. Our next meeting is in April, so should there be any issues which you would wish considered, please do let me know.

Finally, for those of you who may be interested; statistics, this and last year's letters and emails sent:

2011-2012

47 letters
191 emails

2010-2011

56 letters
182 emails

and by comparison, received,

3 letters
161 emails

2 letters
147 emails

Once again, no secretarial expenses have been claimed.

Original Signed
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08 February 2011