

South Metropolitan Cricket Association

Minutes of General Meeting held at Leeming Clubrooms
Monday 4th May 2015

Meeting commenced at 7pm



PRESENT Clubs as per attendance register and Executive Members

ABSENT Cannington Tigers, CBC, Champion Lakes, Perth Tamil, South Bertram

MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Introduction of Fielding restrictions for One Day games

Add By-Law 28 c

c. Fielding Restrictions (**First Grade Only**)

At the instant of delivery there may be no more than **five** fieldsmen outside the Fielding Restriction Area and no more than five fieldsmen on the leg (on) side. The ground shall be marked with a single Fielding Restriction Area as follows: (i) Two semi-circles are drawn on the field of play, with their semi-circles centred on the middle stump of each end of the pitch; (ii) The radius of each of the semi-circles is 27.43 metres (30 yards); (iii) The ends of each semi-circle are joined to the other end on the same side of the pitch by a straight line drawn on the field.

Clubs generally agreed with this recommendation.

2. One Short Pitched Ball per Over in One Day Games

Recommendation Replace By-Law 28a with the following

(a) Bowling of Short Pitched Balls i A bowler shall be limited to one fast short-pitched delivery per over.

ii. A fast short-pitched delivery is defined as a ball, which after pitching, passes or would have passed above the shoulder height of the striker standing upright at the crease.

, The umpire at the bowlers end shall advise the bowler and the batsman on strike when each fast short pitched delivery has been bowled.

iv. In addition, for the purpose of this clause and subject to clause (v) below, a ball that passes above head height of the batsman, that prevents him from being able to hit it with his bat by means of a normal cricket stroke shall be called a Wide.

v. For the avoidance of doubt any fast short pitched delivery that is called a Wide under this playing condition shall also count as one of the allowable short pitched deliveries in that over.

vi. In the event of a bowler bowling more than one fast short-pitched delivery in an over as defined in clause (ii) above, the umpire at the bowler's end shall call and signal No ball on each occasion. A differential signal shall be used to signify a fast short pitched delivery. The umpire shall call and signal No ball and then tap the head with the other hand.

Clubs generally agreed with this recommendation.

3. **Addition of a By-Law to Address Covering of Wickets**

Clubs agreed that the By Laws be amended to include in by-law 20:

No covering of pitches allowed

No artificial lighting be permitted.

4. **Weather Affected Two Day Games Where First Day is Washed Out**

Delete By Law 19 (iii)

It is considered this rule is inappropriate in that clubs select players for two day games and could be inconvenienced by then having to play under different rules on the second day. The game should be played under two day rules but shortened in the same circumstances as if there was some play on the first day (reduction of overs)

Clubs generally agreed with this recommendation.

5. 60. Payment for umpires

Add/amend By Law 60 with the following:

This rule shall apply in all fixtured games and semi finals but the Association shall pay all umpires costs in One Day Finals and end of season Grand Finals.

b. Clubs are required to pay umpires **by** tea time for every match.

Clubs generally agreed with this recommendation.

6. 11 c. Split player option:

ADD:

c4. This rule shall apply to all two day qualifying matches, **including finals.**

Clubs generally agreed with this recommendation.

7. **ADD:**

57 b. INJURED BATSMAN

Runner

The SMCA allows for the use of a runner.

- A runner can only be used if the batsman becomes injured or ill during the match.
- The Runner must be a member of the batting side, but not the twelfth man.
- He must also already have batted in the innings, if possible.
- The runner must wear all the external protective equipment worn by the batsman and must carry a bat.
- If either the injured batsman or his runner is out of his ground, the batsman is liable

Clubs generally agreed with this recommendation.

OTHER MATTERS:

1. **35 overs for lower one day matches** – AGREED to maintain status quo in relation to this provision.
2. **Online scoring** – AGREED the Association will fund appropriate devices for nominated scorers from clubs, primarily for 1st/2nd grades. Ceiling on costs to be determined by Executive. Use of online scoring would also require mandated nomination of teams to My Cricket prior to match.
3. **Double Header fixture** – possibility of two one day games to be considered.
4. **T20 comp** – discussion as to merits of incorporating a T20 competition to our regular fixtures to be tabled at a future date.
5. East Fremantle advised they will returning to Preston Point as their main ground for the coming season

CLOSE The meeting closed at 8.30pm