## **2024 PRE-SEASON MEETING**



Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Venue: York Cricket Club Registration: 19.00 Start: 19.30



HERE TO GET you there



# Agenda



- Chairman's welcome
- Premier Division Two competition for a name
- Cricket Balls
- 2024 Contacts
- 2024 Promotion & Relegation
- Rule Changes
- Discipline
- Cup Competitions
- Scoring
- Safeguarding
- Equality, Diversity and Inclusion [EDI], plus Anti-Discrimination



Premier Division Two



- The league is currently running a competition to a find a name for the new ECB Premier Division Two, that commences in 2025.
- The person who enters the selected name will win £100 worth of cricket vouchers to spend.
- Please refer to your email from Rob Richtering for more information (sent Tue 19<sup>th</sup> March)



## Cricket Balls

## & Team Cards



- Clubs previously voted by a large margin to use Dukes cricket balls for 2024. If you have not ordered yours, you were sent an email on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 by Rob Richtering. Dukes deliver to your selected address.
- Team Cards for the top three divisions are available for collection here. Cards for the other divisions will be posted to the club Secretaries address.



## Club Contacts



- There are still a number of clubs who do not have their play-cricket contacts up to date.
- The minimum requirement is:
  - 1. Chairperson
  - 2. Secretary
  - 3. Treasurer
  - 4. Club Safeguarding Officer
  - 5. Team Captains each team!

The League use the details on play-cricket to contact clubs.



# 2024 Promotion & Relegation



Two teams will be relegated from the ECB Premier Division, to Premier two.

The top team in each Championship division will be promoted to the Premier division.

Five teams (2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>) will be promoted out of each Championship division to make ECB Premier Division Two.

Six teams will be promoted out of each division one, to fill the Championship divisions back up, and so forth.

There is no other relegation, barring two teams from the Premier division.

Promoted teams must meet G&F standards, or fail to be promoted.



## 2024 League Rule Changes 3.8



3.8

All clubs must keep fully up to date on an ongoing basis the contact details of all Officers, Captains, and general club details on their Play-Cricket site. Clubs who are not displaying full details of Chairman, Secretary and Club Welfare Officer at all times will be liable to a £50 penalty per offence per week that the details are missing. At the time that the first match is played each season the up to date captains full details must be displayed on play-cricket and kept up to date throughout the season. Failure to adhere will result in a £50 penalty per offence per week that the details are missing, or not kept fully up to date throughout the entire cricket season.



# 2024 League Rule Changes

#### 8.1.1

The league will operate a second division to the ECB Premier Division positioned between the ECB Premier Division and The Two Championship Divisions. This new division will operate to the exact same rules and criteria as the ECB Premier Division with the exception of umpire payments.





8.1.1



### 2024 League Rule Changes 11.5 & 13.4



#### 11.5

All member clubs must be fully complaint on the ECB Safe Hands Management System, prior to 24<sup>th</sup> March each year.

13.4

Disciplinary, EDI or Safeguarding decisions involving player bans or suspensions issued from within other International Cricket Council member countries will be recognised, and applied.



#### 15.5

## 2024 League Rule Changes 15.5

The Management Board may call on any club to produce their DBS Register, Minute Book, Cash Book or Score Book, Photocard Government ID, or other items to prove the bona-fides of any player against whom a protest has been made.







#### 1.5

## 2024 League Rule Changes 1.5

HUNTERS

Throughout the match, the fielding team will have, at the instant of delivery, six fielders (including the bowler and wicket keeper) inside a designated area, which is defined by two semi circles, each with a radius of 30 yards, with their centres being the middle stumps. The ends of each semi-circle will be joined to the other by a straight line drawn on the field on the same side of the pitch.



## 2024 League Rule Changes <sup>2.3</sup>



2.3

Category 3 players are not eligible to play below the first two Levels of the divisional structure without special permission from the Registration Secretary. This special permission will only be granted for players who fail to meet the Category 1 criteria because they have only recently moved to this country for genuine reasons involving work or study. Clubs must provide written evidence of this when making the application for special permission. Note: first two levels are the Two ECB Premier Divisions and The Championship.



### **2024 League Rule Changes** 10.7.2 & 10.7.7



#### 10.7.2

Where overs are reduced after the start of the match, the result can be determined by DLS if both captains agree before the toss.

10.7.7

Where DLS is decided to be used on the day, the League will not accept appeals for challenged results, owing to the incorrect target score being calculated. Captains on the day must ensure, and agree the correct target score is applied.



### 2024 League Rule Changes 1.6.1 & 10.6.2

1.6.1

A maximum of two short balls per over, is now extended to all divisions.

10.6.2

All time lost after the start of the match will be aggregated. The first 30 minutes lost will be ignored.





# Discipline

HUNTERS

2023 penalties apply in the 2024 Schedule.

However a persistent offender will receive extra, as per the national GCR table below:

Unless the Disciplinary Chair or Disciplinary Panel stipulate otherwise, bans shall apply to all cricket, be effective immediately and remain on the Participant's record for 24 calendar months from the date of the breach.

Level of On- field breach	First On-Field breach	Second On- Field Breach (within 24 months)	Third On-Field Breach (within 24 months)
Level 1	1 match ban	2 match ban	3 match ban
Level 2	2 match ban	4 match ban	6 match ban
Level 3	6 match ban	8 match ban	10 match ban
Level 4	10 match ban	12 match ban	18 match ban



# Cup Competitions

Dates issued by Steve Berry for each round, is the **play by** date, not the play on date.

If you try to organise prior to the date, rather than on it, you'll make your lives a little easier!





# Scoring



ECB no longer offer DBS certification to scorers. A lot of leagues and clubs are not happy as a consequence.

In divisions Premier to Two, you must score in a separate area, away from the public, as per the League Rules. Scoring on tables outside, on the veranda, or tearoom is not acceptable for this level of cricket facilitated, unless you have special dispensation from the league because of a disability preventing you normal access to scorebox stairs for example.

Remember - Some top division clubs have their scorebox interfaces bolted to the desk and behind glass, like Scarborough, Stamford Bridge.. where you cannot score outside and operate the board effectively.

As such, if you provide a junior scorer in these divisions, you as a club must make sure the child is accompanied by an adult into the scorebox.



## Safeguarding & the YCCC/YCB



<u>Full time staff</u> at YCCC have taken over safeguarding, and as such have a dedicated team. The YCB have sent out circulars on this matter to all clubs.

If you have concerns or reports to make to the new team, please copy in League Secretary & CSO Philip Robshaw. <u>The league must be made aware.</u>

If the league is aware of an offender who becomes placed on a suspension, it can prevent the player from moving in and out of clubs across the geography of our league.

Please let us know, and we can help safeguard other member clubs, and their players.



### Safeguarding & the YCCC/YCB



#### **ECB Safehands Management System**

It is mandatory that all clubs must be signed onto the ECB Safe Hands Management system.

It is mandatory because the ECB say so!

At the time of writing this document, we only a small handful of clubs not on the system, so the league is well on the way to achieving 100% compliance in this regard.

The SHMS helps the league to see the level of DBS compliance across our clubs, and is certainly something we endorse.



## Safeguarding & The League

Mandatory for 2024



Please ensure your recruitment policy is up to date offenders will find the weak clubs and expose the ones who don't check.

Checking government photo ID, such as a passport or driving licence, will prevent an offender giving you a false registration name.

Again please report safeguarding incidents, they don't go away. Your league officials are dealing with historic allegations, they never go away!

# If we do not know, we cannot help, or safeguard other clubs.



# Lastly...



Thankyou for listening, and have a great 2024 Season.

Rob Richtering General Manager Philip Robshaw League Secretary

We now move onto EDI with Anthony Andrews



#### **EDI** within YOUR CLUB & the League

Over to Anthony Andrews, and his team...

