

RULES

- 1) The Competition shall be called **The Maidenhead Julian Cup**.
- 2) For the purposes of finance and administration, the year shall end on the 31st. December in each year. Properly audited accounts, prepared at each year end, shall be presented to the Annual General Meeting which shall take place in April in each year.
- 3) Members shall be the competing Clubs or Teams. Each Club or Team shall be entitled to one vote on any issue to be decided upon at an Annual General Meeting. Each Club or Team shall nominate a representative at the Annual General Meeting for the forthcoming Competition.
- 4) The Competition shall be controlled by a Committee to be elected annually at the Annual General Meeting. The Committee shall consist of a Chairman/Secretary, Treasurer and three other members. The Chairman/ Secretary and Treasurer shall both retire annually but will be eligible for re-election. Of the three other members, one shall retire annually in rotation but will be eligible for re-election. The Committee has the power to co-opt as it thinks fit.
- 5) Acceptance of entries shall be at the discretion of the Committee and all teams must have their grounds in a 6 mile radius of the Maidenhead Clock Tower. All entries and fees for the Competition must reach the Secretary on or before the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- 6) The entrance fee shall normally be determined by the previous Annual General Meeting but may be altered at the current Annual General Meeting if circumstances dictate, in which case the additional sum must be paid within seven (7) days of the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- 7) The laws of cricket shall normally apply to the Competition except that:
 - a) Each match shall be decided on the basis of one innings per side.
 - b) Each innings shall be limited to a maximum of 20 x 6 ball overs.
 - c) Each bowler shall be limited to 4 overs in any innings.
 - d) A 30-yard restricted fielding circle shall operate throughout each innings in all rounds of the Competition. (see Rule 21 for details)
 - e) A wide will be given for any ball that passes behind the striker and passes the leg stump
 - f) Wides shall count as 2 runs with no extra ball in the first 19 overs but will count as 2 runs and an extra ball in the 20th over of each innings.
 - g) Should the batsman be "not out" after completion of 10 overs bowled whilst he is at the wicket, he shall retire from the crease OUT "RETIRED JULIAN RULE". Where a batsman commences his innings during an over already commenced, that over shall be considered a complete over.
 - h) In addition to their overall responsibility for the correct recording of runs scored by each Team, the Umpires shall be responsible for monitoring compliance with the numbers of overs to be bowled and the restrictions applied to batsmen and bowlers under Rules 7b to 7e. The Umpires may consult the Scorers when deemed necessary.
- 8) The Safety Guidelines, as published by the England & Wales Cricket Board, shall be applied to all participating players under 18 years of age. Any such player(s) who is/are at variance with the E.C.B Guidelines relating to the wearing of helmets shall be clearly identified on Team Lists submitted in compliance with Rule 10. In all such instances the respective Club shall confirm, in writing, to the Competition Secretary, that the Club is in possession of all the relevant Parental Consent Form(s) and/or provide a formal disclaimer of liability against the Competition and their appointed Umpires for any injury whatsoever sustained to those players whilst participating in the Competition. The declaration shall be signed by an appointed Club official.
- 9) A player may appear in the Competition for one Club or Team only in any one season and must be a bona fide member of that Club or Team.

Any player who plays Saturday league cricket cannot represent a different club from that which they play in the league in the Main Julian Cup Competition.

A player may, however, act as a substitute fieldsman if agreed by both Team Captains.

Overseas players must have been resident in England on the first day of January, in each particular year, to qualify as participants in the Competition.
- 10) Each Club or Team entering the Competition must submit to the Secretary, by 19th May, a list of players'

names from which their team will be chosen. Late additions, e.g. new members of a Club, will only be permitted if notified to the Secretary by the Sunday prior to the due date of each match, and then at the discretion of the Management Committee.

It is the responsibility of each Club or Team to ensure that the names of players submitted are not included on other Club or Team lists, except in the event of a player moving from one Club or Team to another, when the restrictions in Rule 9 will apply.

In all other instances where a player's name appears on more than one Team's list the Committee shall reserve the right to disqualify that player from taking part in the Competition for that season. Any Club or Team fielding an unregistered player will be disqualified from the Competition for that particular season.

In the event of a club having an A and B side in the competition, the club need to declare a playing squad of 15 for their A team. Any other eligible playing members can play in the B side. If a player from outside of the squad of 15 represents the A side in the competition, they are then only eligible to play for the A side in the competition. This includes players that have already played in the competition for the club's B side but are needed for the A side. That player then becomes tied to the A squad for the remainder of the competition.

- 11) Each competing team shall provide a Scorer per match. Umpires.- A panel umpire will be appointed for the Semi Finals and Final of both Main and Plate Competitions. During group matches each club is encouraged to supply an umpire. In the event of an umpire not being available, players can stand during their sides batting innings. A team list will be given to the umpire and confirmed names of late arrivals.
- 12) One ball shall be used for each match, including the semi-final and final, unless the Umpires agree otherwise. The ball shall be provided by the home team and shown to and accepted by the Umpires and the Captain of the visiting team prior to the toss being made.
- 13) MAIN COMPETITION - All matches shall be played on Tuesday evenings on dates determined by the Management Committee and shall commence at 6.00 p.m. but by 6.15pm with no exceptions.
PLATE COMPETITION - All matches shall be played on Wednesday evenings on dates determined by the Management Committee and shall commence at 6.00 p.m. but by 6.15pm with no exceptions.

There is an option to rearrange the matches before the next round of fixtures. This is only possible if the date proposed by the Home side is agreed by the opposition. If the opposition refuse this proposal the original date will stand, and if the Home side cannot raise a team on the original date they will have to forfeit this fixture. In the event of any dispute the management committee's decision is final.

The toss for the game will be at 5.45pm, failure to have a representative will forfeit the toss. If either side fail to represent then the home side gets the toss. No player can join the match after the completion of the 10th over of the first innings.
- 14) In the event of adverse weather and/or ground conditions precluding the start or completion of any match, the match shall be played/replayed in its entirety on the Thursday of that week as the first option, or on a mutually agreed date before the next scheduled group stage match. Thereafter, if necessary, by agreement with all parties concerned. The original toss will stand in matches already started. A decision to postpone a match, due to adverse ground and/or weather conditions, shall not be made before 6.00 p.m. on the day preceding the match.
- 15) Where a match is tied, a replay must take place. In such an event, the team playing away in the original tied match shall have choice of ground for the replay.
- 16) Any protest arising from an alleged infringement of the Rules, or for any other reason which can affect the result of a match, must be received in writing by the Competition Secretary within 72 hours of the alleged infringement taking place.
- 17) The Semi-Finals and Final shall take place on grounds determined by the Committee.
- 18) **It is the responsibility of the nominated representative of the winning side to inform the Secretary of the result and full match details by no later than 10.00 a.m. on the day following the match.**
- 19) The Committee reserve the right exclude any person from playing in the Competition.

20) RESTRICTED FIELDING CIRCLE.

a) Field Markings: The restricted fielding circle shall be formed by a 30 yard extension of the bowling crease on both sides, and at each end, of the pitch. The extended bowling crease(s) shall be joined by a half-circle of 30 yards radius behind each wicket. A straight line, parallel to each side of the pitch, shall join the half-circles at each end of the pitch. The restricted area, thus formed, shall be indicated with discs provided by the Management Committee.

b) i) Overs 1-6 - Field placing: - Nine fielders, including the wicket keeper and bowler, shall be within the marked area when the ball is delivered. Any infringement of the Rule shall be indicated by the Umpire at the striker's end who shall call "no ball" and Law 24 shall apply. The Umpire shall advise the bowler and/or the fielding Captain of the reason for his call before the bowler commences his run for the next delivery. If the Umpire fails to inform the bowler or fielding Captain and call "no ball" for the same offence from the next ball bowled in the same over, that ball shall be considered void and not recorded.

ii) Overs 7-20 - Field placing: - Six fielders, including the wicket keeper and bowler, shall be within the marked area when the ball is delivered. Any infringement of the Rule shall be indicated by the Umpire at the striker's end who shall call "no ball" and Law 24 shall apply. The Umpire shall advise the bowler and/or the fielding Captain of the reason for his call before the bowler commences his run for the next delivery. If the Umpire fails to inform the bowler or fielding Captain and call "no ball" for the same offence from the next ball bowled in the same over, that ball shall be considered void and not recorded.

21) POINTS & QUALIFICATION

2 teams from each of the 2 groups in both the Main and Plate Competitions will progress to the semi-final stage, with the winners of each group playing the runners up in the other group.

During the group stages of the competition teams will be awarded 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie and 0 points for a loss.

In the event of multiple teams being tied on points at the end of all the matches, a net run rate calculator will be used, and the team with the higher net run rate across the group stage will finish higher in the group.