

SUSSEX Competitions Meeting

St Francis Sports and Social Club
4 April 2017

State of Sussex Clubs

- EH Prem: East Grinstead 6/10 Safe
- E H Conf East: Brighton 8/10 safe (play-offs?)
- E H Conf West: Chichester 7/10 safe
- South Prem 1: Horsham 9/19 safe
- South Prem 2: Lewes 12/12 Relegated
- Kent/Sussex 1: Eastbourne 5/12 Safe; Worthing 9/12?
Crawley 1 11/12 possibly relegated - 2 games to play (8/9 Apr).
- Kent/Sussex 2: Brighton TOP Promoted; Saxons 5/12 safe;
relegation zone:-
 - Horsham 2
 - Crowborough
 - Mid-Sussex;

Kent Sussex Division 2

8	Gillingham Anchorians 1	21	6	4	11	39	60	-21	22	25
9	Crowborough 1	21	6	3	12	40	70	-30	21	24
10	Horsham 2	20	5	5	10	41	55	-14	20	POSS 26
11	Mid-Sussex 1	21	5	3	13	37	69	-32	18	21
12	New Beccehamians 1	20	3	3	14	40	74	-34	12	18

Sussex Division 1

		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	Pts	Poss
1	Southwick 1	22	13	6	3	89	39	50	45	45
2	Brighton & Hove	22	14	3	5	79	38	41	45	45
3	Hailsham 1	22	14	2	6	81	37	44	44	44
4	Penguin 1	22	13	1	8	101	54	47	40	40
5	East Grinstead 3	21	12	2	7	63	50	13	38	41
6	Middleton 1	22	11	3	8	65	51	14	36	36
7	Horsham 3	22	9	2	11	58	65	-7	29	29
8	Eastbourne 2	22	8	4	10	61	64	-3	28	28
9	Mid-Sussex 2	22	8	2	12	47	62	-15	26	26
10	Lewes 2	21	7	2	12	36	61	-25	23	26
11	St Francis 1	22	7	0	15	37	90	-53	21	21
12	Crowborough 2	22	1	1	20	24	130	-106	4	4

Scorers 2017 - 2018

1	Dave Mathews		Penguin 1	28
2	George Mutschin		East Grinstead 3	25
3	Steven Lockwood		Penguin 1	23
4	James Kifford		Southwick 1	22
5	Taff Mapawanda		Southwick 1	20
6	George Cyster		Hailsham 1	20
7	Edward Bending		Brighton & Hove 3	16
	Jamie Bird		Southwick 1	16
	Joachim Birrel-Gray		Horsham 3	16
8	Sam Conry		Penguin 1	15
	Tristan Pengilley		Hailsham 1	15
9	Dan Credland		Crowborough 2	13
	Rupert Ireland		Penguin 1	13
10	Alex Smith		Hailsham 1	12
	Tim Upchurch		St Francis 1	12

		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts
1	<u>Brighton and Hove Rocks</u>	22	17	4	1	85	34	51	55
2	<u>South Saxons Mens 2nd XI</u>	22	16	2	4	96	39	57	50
3	<u>Worthing Men's 2s</u>	22	15	4	3	81	45	36	49
4	<u>Brighton and Hove Men's 4s</u>	22	12	3	7	54	44	10	39
5	<u>Crawley Men's 2s</u>	22	11	1	10	65	61	4	34
6	<u>Horsham Men's 4</u>	22	9	5	8	44	54	-10	32
7	<u>Worthing Men's 3s</u>	22	8	4	10	60	69	-9	28
8	<u>Eastbourne Men's 3s</u>	22	6	5	11	57	68	-11	23
9	<u>Lewes Men's 3s</u>	22	6	4	12	42	50	-8	22
10	<u>Southwick Mens 2's</u>	22	6	2	14	41	66	-25	20
11	<u>Crawley Mens 3's</u>	22	5	1	16	56	92	-36	16
12	<u>Littlehampton Mens 1st XI</u>	22	3	1	18	33	92	-59	10

		P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pts	Poss
1	<u>Chichester Chipmunks</u>	25	20	2	3	113	36	77	62	65
2	<u>Lewes Men's 4s</u>	26	20	1	5	105	44	61	61	
3	<u>Hailsham Mens 2's</u>	26	19	3	4	109	35	74	60	
4	<u>South Saxons Mens 3's</u>	26	16	2	8	76	45	31	50	
5	<u>East Grinstead Mens 4th</u>	26	13	4	9	82	65	17	43	
6	<u>Eastbourne Mens 4's</u>	25	12	3	10	106	87	19	39	42
7	<u>Worthing Men's 4s</u>	26	11	3	12	65	78	-13	36	
8	<u>Middleton Mens 2's</u>	26	9	5	12	53	91	-38	32	
9	<u>Mid Sussex Mens 3's</u>	26	9	3	14	65	86	-21	30	
10	<u>Brighton and Hove</u>	25	7	7	11	60	70	-10	28	31
11	<u>Penguin 2nd XI</u>	25	7	3	15	79	127	-48	24	27
12	<u>St. Francis Mens 2's</u>	26	6	4	16	36	66	-30	22	
13	<u>Crowborough Mens 3's</u>	24	6	1	17	59	93	-34	19	25
14	<u>Horsham Men's 5s</u>	26	2	3	21	36	121	-85	9	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	+/-	Pt	Poss
1 <u>East Grinstead Saints</u>	21	20	1	0	118	14	104	61	67
2 <u>South Saxons Mens 4's</u>	24	16	3	5	89	44	45	51	51
3 <u>Lewes Mens 5's</u>	23	16	2	5	61	31	30	50	53
4 <u>Brighton and Hove Men's 6s</u>	24	15	4	5	61	43	18	49	49
5 <u>St. Francis 3s</u>	24	13	2	9	75	53	22	41	41
6 <u>Chichester Mens 5's</u>	24	10	5	9	54	45	9	35	35
7 <u>Southwick Mens 3's</u>	24	9	3	12	50	66	-16	30	30
8 <u>Crawley Mens 4's</u>	24	9	1	14	71	60	11	28	28
9 <u>Brighton and Hove Men's 7s</u>	23	8	2	13	35	43	-8	26	29
10 <u>Worthing Men's 5s</u>	24	6	4	14	40	58	-18	22	22
11 <u>Crowborough Men's 4</u>	23	7	1	15	36	88	-52	22	25
12 <u>Eastbourne Men's 5's</u>	22	6	3	13	27	75	-48	21	27
13 <u>Southwick Mens 4's</u>	22	0	1	21	11	108	-97	0	6

Season 2017 - 2018 Thoughts

- Depends on Kent/Sussex Div 2 and Div 1 Play-offs
- Options make-up of Division 1

Scenarios for Division 1 2017 - 2018

Present	Worst Case	Next Worst Case	Best Case?	Intermediate.
East Grinstead 3	Horsham 2	Mid Sussex 2	Mid Sussex 2	Horsham 2
Crowborough 2	Mid sussex 1	Mid sussex 1	Mid sussex 1	Mid sussex 1
Brighton 3	Crowborough 1	Crowborough 1	Crowborough 1	Crowborough 1
St Francis 1	Brighton Rocks	Brighton Rocks	Brighton Rocks	Brighton Rocks
Mid Sussex 2	Saxon 2	Saxon 2	Saxon 2	Saxon 3
Eastbourne 2	Brighton 3	Brighton 3	Lewes 2	Mid sussex 2
Penguin 1	E G 3	E G 3	E G 3	E G 3
Southwick 1	Southwick 1	Southwick	Southwick	Southwick
Hailsham 1	Hailsham 1	Hailsham	Hailsham	Hailsham
Horsham 3	Horsham 3	Horsham 3	Horsham 3	Horsham 3
Middleton 1	Middleton 1	Middleton	Middleton	Middleton
Lewes 2	Eastbourne 2	Eastbourne 2	Eastbourne 2	Eastbourne 2
	Crowborough 2	Crowborough 2	Crowborough 2	Crowborough 2
	St Francis 1	St Francis 1	St Francis 1	St Francis 1
	Mid Sussex 2	Lewes 2		Lewes 2
	Lewes 2			

Season 2017 - 2018 Thoughts

- Crowborough 4s have withdrawn from League
- 50 to 52 teams at present.
- $2 * 12$ and $2 * 14$ (or $1 * 14$ and $1 * 13$) divisions. = 52 or 51
- $2 * 12$, $1 * 12$ and $1 * 14$ = 50
- does any one want 10 team divisions or 8 or 6 team divisions?
- Limited room for new teams?
- between 2 and 4 teams could be relegated from all divisions
- 2 teams to be promoted from Divisions 2 and 3
- Except Lewes 4!
- Team re-numbering e.g. Brighton others (EG/Chichester?)
- Clubs to advise Secretary of withdrawals/additions or “requirements” by 1 May

Season 2017 - 2018 Options

week	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33			
Sat Date	16/9	23/9	30/9	7/10	14/10	21/10	28/10	4/11	11/11	18/11	25/11	2/12	9/12	16/12	23/12	30/12	6/1	13/1	20/1	27/1	3/2	10/2	17/2	24/2	3/3	10/3	17/3	24/3	31/3	7/4	14/4			
South Mens			Magenta												Black			Magenta												Slip Date				
Option?		Magenta							Magenta							Black			Magenta							Slip Date								
Sussex Div 1/2			Red												Black			Red												Slip Date	Play-offs?			
EHL Mens		Cyan												Black						Cyan											East weekend	Slip Date		
East mens		Green												Black			Green							Green						Slip Date		Slip Date		
South/Sussex Ladies	Orange		Orange						Orange							Black			Orange							Orange							Slip Date	
Sussex Div 3/3		Blue													Black			Blue																
Sussex Div 3/4 Option	Blue													Black			Blue							Blue									Slip Date	

MRS Fines - First Half

Missing and/or Problem Sheets 2016-17															
	24-Sep-16	1-Oct-16	8-Oct-16	15-Oct-16	22-Oct-16	29-Oct-16	5-Nov-16	12-Nov-16	19-Nov-16	26-Nov-16	3-Dec-16	10-Dec-16	17-Dec-16	Total £	Points
Division 1			Middleton 1 Late £5					Middleton 1 Missing £10						£15.00	
						Eastbourne 2 Late £5					Eastbourne 2 Missing £10			£15.00	
						Hailsham 1 Late £5						Hailsham 1 Incomplete £10		£15.00	
												Penguins 1 Mailed within 10 days		0	
Division 2		Eastbourne 3 Late £5												£5.00	
						Crawley 2 Late £5								£5.00	
Division 3	Eastbourne 4 Late £5				Eastbourne 4 Within 10 days	Eastbourne 4 Within 10 days		Eastbourne 4 Late £10						£15.00	
	Chi Chipmunks Late £5		Chi Chipmunks Within 10 days					Chi Chipmunks late £10						£15.00	
	St Francis 2 Late £5		St Francis 2 Late £10							St Francis 2 Late £10				£25.00	
		Middleton 2 Late £ 5	Middleton 2 Late £10				Middleton 2 Incomplete £10				Middleton 2 Missing £10			£25.00	
													Penguin 2 Missing £5	£5.00	
													Mid Sussex 3 Missing £5	£5.00	
Division 4			Chichester 5 Late £5											£5.00	
					Crawley 4 Late £5			Crawley 4 Missing £10		Crawley 4 Missing £10 1 point				£25.00	-1
						Southwick 3 Missing £5		Southwick 3 Missing £10						£15.00	-1
											Brighton 6 Late £5			£5.00	
													E G Saints Missing £5	£5.00	
		First Late													
		Second Late												200	
		First Missing													
		Second Missing													

MRS Fines - Second Half (Interim)

	14-Jan-17	28-Jan-17	4-Feb-17	11-Feb-17	18-Feb-17	25-Feb-17	4-Mar-17	11-Mar-17	18-Mar-17	25-Mar-17	£
Division 1					Middleton Late £5						5
					Hailsham Late £5						5
	Penguins Late £5						Penguins 1 Missing £10				15
Division 2			Eastbourn Missing £5	Eastbourne 3 Missing £10 1 pt							15
		Southwick 2 Late £5									5
				Worthing 2 Missing £5							5
Division 3			St Francis 2 Late £5								5
		Middleton 2 Late £5				Middleton 2 Missing £10					15
Division 4						Southwick 4 Missing £5					5
											75

Non-Availability of Umpires Second Half Season (Weeks)

Club	Non Availability
Brighton	2
Crowborough	10
East Grinstead	2
Eastbourne	3
Hailsham	2
Horsham	2
Lewes	8
Mid Sussex	8
Middleton	11
Penguin	7
Southwick	1
St Francis	0

Division One Umpires

- **The Rule**

- a) **Each club represented in Division One will nominate to the League pool by 01 September at least one umpire for each participating team who holds as a minimum, the club umpire assessed (level 1) umpiring qualification and who has been approved by the Appointments Officer as having the appropriate experience and expertise. The nominated umpire(s) must, between them, be able to cover the whole season's league matches. Any club failing to provide the required umpire(s) for 6 matches, in a season, (regardless of whether or not the games take place) will be fined.**

Proposed Actions

- **Fine proposed at £10 per game without an available umpire.**
- **First half of season to get process into system.**
- **Make clubs/teams aware of issues**
- **Decision on application of fine**
- **decision on operation of rule in 2017 - 2018**

Issues on operation of the new rule - Discuss

Division 1 Umpires (2)

- **Proposed**
- Apply the fine for the second half of the season
- Apply the Fine fully to those Clubs who made **NO EFFORT** to comply
- Apply the fine at 50% for clubs who made an effort.
- Apply the rule through 2017 - 2018
- Endeavour to increase number of new “pool” umpires
- Allow clubs to off-set the cost of umpire course for new pool umpires against any fine applied.

Analysis of SoL Umpires

Date	Division 2	Division 2	Division 3	Division 3
14 Jan	HUA	HUA	HUA	1Unass
	1Ass	HUA	HUA	No record
	HUA	HUA	1Unass	1Ass
	1Ass	HUA	HUA	HUA
21 January	HUA	HUA	No record	HUA
	1Ass	HUA	1Ass	1Ass
	1Ass	1Unass	1Ass	1Ass
	HUA	HUA	HUA	HUA
28 January			HUA	1Ass
	HUA	HUA	1Ass	Level 3
	1Ass	1Ass	1Ass	No record
	1Ass	No record	1Ass	HUA
	1Ass	HUA	1Unass	HUA
	1Unass	HUA	1Ass	1Ass
	1Ass	1Ass	1Ass	1Ass
4 February	1Ass	1Ass	No record	HUA
	HUA	No record	HUA	1Cand
	1Ass	HUA	1Ass	HUA
	HUA	1Ass	1Ass	No record
			1Ass	No record
			Level 2	No record
			L1 Ass	L1 Ass
11 February	1Ass	No record	1Ass	1Ass
	1Ass	HUA	No record	1Ass
	1Ass	1Ass	1Ass	1Ass
			No record	1Ass
18 February			1Ass	1Ass
			HUA	1Cand
	HUA	1Unass		
	L1?	HUA	Level 2	HUA
	HUA	1Ass	HUA	
	no record	Level 2	HUA	HUA
25 February	1Ass	1Ass	L1	HUA
	Level 2	HUA	1Ass	no record
			1Ass	L1 ass
	1Ass	1Ass	No record	
	HUA	No Record	L1	HUA
	HUA	1Ass	L1 Ass	L1 unass
				No record

Division Two and Three Umpires

- A limited analysis of umpires in division 2 and 3 at the end of the first half of the season suggested a number of inappropriately qualified umpires were being used.
- Anecdotally a number of issues were linked to some their games.
- An analysis of umpires in division 2 and 3 has been initiated for the second half of the season.
- Eleven% of reported games had queries on the umpire.
- The majority when checked had some form of qualification or appropriate experience.
- Major pain for league to chase up the potential defaulters.
- Propose require umpires to be used in Divisions 1 and 2 to be at least associate members of the Sussex umpires association. Modify league rules accordingly.
 - 1) Divisions 2 – 5; Clubs with teams in these divisions are responsible for providing umpires for all their League matches. Minimum qualifications are as follows;
 - i. Divisions 2: Club umpire Assessed (Level 1). **All umpires to be, at least, associate members of the Umpires association.**
 - ii. Divisions 3: Club umpire Unassessed (Level 1) or Level 1 candidate. **All umpires to be, at least, associate members of the Umpires association.**
- Promote change to clubs at end of this season and during off-season so they have time to place any probable league umpire into the Association.

Rule Issues/Changes

- What to do when a team forfeits?
 - South v Sussex rules - Horsham 2 example.
- What to do when a team is withdrawn from league
 - Expunge or not and if so from what eroding a season.
- When is a League not a league
 - b. No person shall play on the same day in more than one outdoor league match in any league at any level anywhere
 - London League is a league! Tulse Hill
 - In past veterans and development league “ignored” in this wording. Should this still be the case? Discuss. London League Veterans?
- minor changes to tidy up past issues
 - Clubs to supply umpires if Umpires Association cannot. If only 1 appointed home club to supply other.
 - wording change to confirm use of League Spare dates for postponed games and also priority league on these dates.
 - to require teams to advise of postponement and abandonment as any other result.
- What stops a safe 1st XI turning out with 8 player allowing lower team to play for “unsafe” 2nd XI.

General Discussion

- Player Eligibility
 - Players returning from University or for a holiday? Player registration?
 - Bench player - is there such a thing?
 - 1st XI has game cancelled through no fault of own, of the 13 selected they take 2 and place them into 2nd XI - is this fair?
- Player Transfers - It is already a requirement to advise the Sussex League Secretary - failure to do so could make the player ineligible South - no requirement - West London allegations example - should notification be an absolute requirement?
- Pitch Floodlighting - are our pitches safe?
- Responsibility for player behaviour (on and off the pitch)- importance of captains and Club Discipline/Welfare Officers.
- League Websites
 - England Hockey changes
 - South League to review requirements
 - What extra do players want from the league websites? Player registration.

Any Other Business

General Umpiring

- Technical red card
- Slide tackles - application to keepers
- Stick taken above players head - is it ever blown.
- Dribbling with ball bouncing on end of a stick - when, if ever, is it dangerous?
- Pitch Lighting - Are our pitches safe - do we need a list of “safe” grounds to assist club umpires/fixture secretaries?
- Umpire consistency - Club Umpire developers