

Dear All

Another glorious Summer's day. Hopefully it was warm enough for everybody - players, umpires and spectators. I was overdressed for a midday game and a 1630 game. Just a short note tonight as to tired to think, type, drink wine and watch Strictly! I am missing 1 result at 8pm

Worthing Men's 4s vs Eastbourne Mens 4's Saturday, October 14, 2017 16:15 Sussex Div 3

If anyone knows this result please let me know soonest. Ian - please apply the usual fine for late results (£5) I am also missing the Division 1 scorers for most teams, who scored.

- Eastbourne 2
- Saxons 1
- Horsham 3
- Mid Sussex 2
- Middleton 1
- Crowborough 3

Also Missing Mid Sussex 2 from last week, which is a shame as I specifically reminded the acting skipper on the day.

Please get these scorers to me as soon as possible - we are so close to a full listing - really would be good to get 100% this season.

Shame that today Crawley 4s were unable to fulfil their fixture as a league fixture due to lack of players. However, I believe a game was played to ensure those players who were available got a game and the pitch etc was used. - so thanks for that.

Also this week Southwick 4s confirmed that they are unable to fulfil fixtures even as friendlies and so they have been officially removed from the league. However, I believe they will still try and fulfil the odd fixture and will contact their potential opposition in those weeks. After a couple of difficult weeks for the team, it was good to see Penguin 2s out in force and taking part in a great looking division 3 game this afternoon.

I hope that clubs continue to look hard at the potential umpires within their club and are getting all who can into courses, where possible, and into the ladies and/or mens pool for appointments. It will be no surprise to know that the overworked and ever committed appointments secretaries are having to work overtime to find sufficient umpires to cover the league games in Sussex. Without more support from the clubs then the weekend will arrive when teams will not get umpire appointments.

Anyway with the moralising I will close for this Saturday.

Hopefully everyone is having a great evening and will have a relaxed weekend of hockey and fun.

I am going to cool down after an excellent Strictly, particularly that fine quickstep by Susan at the end - pleasure to see her delight at getting a couple of 8s (means something to those who have nothing much to do on Saturday nights).

Please let me know if there are any issues out there around the grounds I should know about.

I am pleased to hear and share news items - good and bad, if it helps Sussex League Hockey.

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