

County Officiating Lead AGM Report June 2023

Umpiring is finally getting back to normal now after a very slow start compared to other areas in the East Region. Our uptake for courses was really slow and IOA courses are being snatched up and filled as they are being released. Concerns that there are no IOA courses until end of September and EN said that they were hoping to convert some of the C courses that haven't been filled to IOA courses. These will be offered to those who have filled out an "Expression of Interest" form. C Courses are a bit slower to fill and I am presuming this is now because there is not expiry date on the IOA so umpires don't feel the need to take their C Award.

ASSESSMENTS

Congratulations to the following umpires on passing their assessments:-

IOA Assessment - Jazz Taylor, Rachel Savage, Fliss von Christian, Amy Smith, Vicky Ayers, Caron Bliss, Charlotte Gurney, Beverly Calver. Paula Halls, Natalie Sharman, Sophie Hansell, Chloe Lincoln, Jasmine Collings.

C Award Assessment - Kandi Taylor, Faye Middleton, Karla Snowling, Laura Washington

B Award Assessment – Deb Sutton

B THEORY

Congratulations to Sammy Harewood on passing her B paper with an A pass.

IOA PRACTICAL SESSIONS

These sessions are greatly appreciated by those learners who have attended the online sessions. We held one in January 2023 with 10 attending and one in April 2023 with 14 attending. We plan another one for either end of July or beginning of September.

UPDATE ON EAST REGION LEAGUE

Sue & I will be inviting all umpires from our County to attend a meeting prior to the season starting to ensure that they understand the commitment needed from them once the league starts. These umpire will also be invited to attend a meeting with the Regional Lead Mentor and Umpire Co-ordinator too.

COUNTY PLAY OFFS FOR REGIONAL LEAGUE

These took place on 15th April at UEA from 12.00-2.00pm. The following umpires were allocated: - Carla Wilkins, Anne Harper, Karen Last with Shelley James as reserve.

REGIONAL LEAGUE PLAY OFFS

This will take place 14th May we were asked to provide umpires B or above and 4 have accepted to umpire so other umpires will be asked from other areas (6 needed in total).

NATIONAL SCHOOLS – OUNDLE

Caroline Billings and Carla Wilkins were invited to attend as they are on the pathway to the A.

NEW ASSESSORS COURSE

We had 2 umpires put forward to do this course, Deb Sutton & Anna Bright. Deb has completed her course now and completed her two observations, waiting for EN to see if she can be signed as competent. Anna is on the next course.

REFRESHERS COURSE

These took place in:-

- Lowestoft 17 attended
- South Norfolk 7 attended
- North Norfolk 13 attended
- Norwich 20 attended
- West - 8 attended

IOA & C AWARD ONLINE COURSES FOR MENTORS & ASSESSORS

We are planning on delivering these for Mentors & Assessors so that they are fully aware of what the competencies and expectations are for umpires at these levels.

29 April 2023 (for AGM June 2023)