

BASU AGM 2013



Saturday 9thth February 2013
2.00pm – 5.00pm

Golden Cross
Slough

Agenda

Welcome – Umpire in chief

Apologies – James Rodgers, Marla Loughborough, Stephen Coyle, Lesley Morisetti, Tony Soterieu, Luis Arrevillagas, Glenn Tom, Harvey Pryor

Approval of Minutes from 2012 AGM

Executive Officer Reports – to be posted on BASU website

UIC
Treasurer
Training Officer

Additional Reports

Membership report – Peter Jones

Q & A on Officers Reports

Motions to AGM from the Committee – see notes for details of proposal

- 1) Should a non UK ISF fastpitch qualified umpire be nominated to cover a fastpitch tournament for BASU, thus avoiding paying a fine
- 2) Election of Officers

General Discussion Topics

- 1) Should we continue to pay £10 for BASU umpires 'filling in' games at tournaments, or should it revert to the full fee (£15)? Has this caused any issues with umpires not coming forward?
- 2) Procedure for organising assessments has slipped a little, resulting in difficulty in maintaining records and organising payment. They must be

arranged through the appointed officer and all paperwork must be submitted before payment can be made.

- 3) How can we encourage more people to umpire at A Grade on a long term basis?
- 4) Should BASU encourage leagues to hold their own 'league umpiring qualification' such as in Manchester and Bristol?

Issues raised at League Heads Forum (see notes)

- 1) Question asked about rumour on ASA distances - Mike says new rules on ISF comes out this year (every 4 years) and nothing has come on radar for ISF Rules Comm - so unlikely any ISF changes would be through in time for new Rulebook
- 2) Chris pointed out the new ASA stamp is out this year
- 3) Batting helmets for under 18's and proposals by the BSF to make the wearing of them mandatory.
- 4) Game management 'flyer' produced by BASU to help inexperienced umpires through their first games.

Fast pitch (see notes)

- 1) Who should pay the fine for not being able to supply the full complement of suitably qualified BASU umpires for European tournaments?
- 2) Should BASU continue to support fastpitch softball as none of the funding is generated from this sport?

AOB (see notes)

- 1) Ideas for suitable ways to use some of the income generated by BASU over the years.
- 2) Is there anything that can be done to encourage umpires to officiate at tournaments where there is a low uptake? Solent was a particular problem in 2012.
- 3) Are there any training courses for trainers planned?