

To the Chair, Secretary and Fixtures Secretary of OBL Clubs

OBL – Letter to Clubs – March 2022

Following our recent Committee meeting, we wish to advise you of the date of the AGM and also to request your help with some recurring issues to try to ensure that the remainder of the season runs smoothly. A letter from the OBL Chair will follow during March with Judy's comments on this season.

AGM:

- This will be held on Wednesday 18 May, 7.30pm. The expectation is that this will be held virtually (probably MS Teams), with the link and agenda following nearer the time. Please reserve the date.
- As usual (ref section 8 of the Constitution), if there are any proposed amendments to the League Constitution or to the Rules then these should be notified in writing to the OBL League Secretary one clear month before the AGM (i.e. by 18 April). A proposal must be supported by two clubs.
- If there are nominations for people wishing to stand for election to the Committee please notify these either in advance (to the OBL League Secretary) or at the AGM.
- If you have other specific items for the agenda, please notify the OBL League Secretary by 30 April.
- The minutes of last year's AGM are in the document library of the OBL website.
- Please remember that all clubs are required to send a representative to the AGM. Failure to do so will incur a charge of £10 payable with the entry fee for next season.

Social Event:

We have decided not to hold an event before the start of next season but hope to for the 2022/23 season.

Requests to help us run the League on your behalf:

- If you receive an email from the OBL League Fixtures Secretary that contains relevant information for your team captains, please ensure you pass the information on to them. They need to know!
- There are recurring issues with the recording, input and verification of results by club representatives. Please ensure that your team captains and those processing results in Azolve/Just Go refer to the OBL Rules, the Guidance on using Azolve and the reminder from the OBL Fixtures Secretary to Club Fixtures Secretaries. In particular, provide the full BE registered names for players (we do not wish to see "unknown player"!), both captains should sign the scoresheet, input results within 10 days of the match, home club to complete the input process by pressing both submit buttons, away club to verify results in a timely manner. If there are issues with playing matches inform the OBL League Fixtures Secretary. Players must be eligible to play before playing for a team. The season ends on 31 March so please comply with the Rule seeking prior authorisation for any players who haven't played for that team and you wish to play them in the last two matches.
- Sadly, contraventions of the Rules have already been identified (especially for player eligibility), with further reviews likely once all results are in, and unfortunately some scores will be amended.
- Although the legal restrictions relating to COVID have lapsed, out of courtesy to the host club (some do have venue imposed requirements), please be aware of their specific requirements.
- Please check the club details on the OBL website for your club and update them if details for any of the listed Club Officials have changed (e.g. people, email and 'phone contact details).

Good luck in the last few weeks of the season and we look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

Janet Atkins

OBL League Secretary on behalf of the OBL Committee

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