

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022**

### **MATCH SECRETARY REPORT**

Mr President, Ladies and Gentlemen may I first give our congratulations to Bill Hobart our Team Manager and his senior squad for getting to the Quarter-finals in the Middleton Cup. As you know we won this in 2018. We should give our congratulations to Bill and his senior squad for winning The Midland Counties Francis Burton Trophy 2022.

This year the County had 12 Friendly Matches. This year has been hard work trying to for fill 24 players for each match; we are down by 38% compare to 2021. We used 288 players of those nominated. On average we had 19-23 players available for each game, lower than last year. I am still using the email for notification of selection for players which is working very well and all the players agreed with this way. The results this year are not very good, as we have lost more than won. All the games, as ever continue to be played in right spirit and thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Presidential Matches. Again very low on players we would like to see more name's from more clubs please. The games are popular with some of the Club Secretaries, Match Secretaries and Delegates. I would like to thank all the players that subscribed this year, out of 83 clubs in the County we had 17 clubs come forward to play. Next year we have 9 games, so if any club has a 40,50, 60,70,80,or 90 year to celebrate please ring or email me to see if we can help you.

I would like to thank all Club Secretaries, Match Secretaries for the help and assistance in arranging fixtures and all the players for their support which I greatly appreciated and to all the players that stepped in at the last minute to play thank you, just because you don't have a game this year Please put your name forward for next year. Thank You.

Alan Bray

Hon Match Secretary.

B.L. Men's Section

23/9/2019