

1995 Presidents Message

The 1995 season finds the VDCA healthy, with 10 weekend league and 10 midweek league teams playing the game and the hope that we will attract some younger people to take up the game before the year is out.

At the representative level, we also look forward to hosting a Vancouver (Over 40) XI, a B.C.C.A. (Under 25) XI and an Australia Police XI which is due to visit this summer.

There are really only two changes to the weekend league format this year: firstly, bonus points for drawn games are amended slightly, and, secondly, bowlers in the 40-over Knockout Competition will now be limited to a maximum of 8 overs each, when in previous years there was no limit. Also this year, as a change, member clubs will be electing and supplying umpires for Association matches. We hope this will induce a greater number of players to stand, and with the formation of the Vancouver Island Society of Cricket Umpires & Scorers (VISCUS), more people will take up interest in attending seminars and examinations that this Society organizes, eventually leading to more qualified umpires.

I wish the Midweek League all success and a continuation of its annual improvement in skills and competitiveness.

I echo all our hopes, I'm sure, that we be blessed by beautiful weather for all our matches, that the League Competition remains closely contested to the end and that all games are played in the spirit of good sportsmanship and fair play.

I should also like to thank all those who have worked so hard and enthusiastically to organize this season and who will be participating actively in keeping it running.

Finally, I should like to extend a welcome to all cricketers, past, present, and future - and all cricket lovers and supporters - to the 1995 season.

Jan Aten, President