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### Dairy Dates ... Representative Match -

**Sunday 13 August 2006  
Aldborough**

**Awards Dinner -  
Friday 13 October 2006  
City Suite, Ramada  
Jarvis Hotel**

**AGM -  
Friday  
24 November 2006  
Venue to be confirmed**

### Annual General Meeting Review

**Fifty-three Clubs were represented at the 34th Annual General Meeting of the NCL on 25 November. Chairman Keir Hounsome and all members of the existing Executive Committee were re-elected.**

The existing points scheme (a straight 20 points for a win) was introduced in the 2000 season and following a number of attempts to introduce a different system, the Executive Committee proposed a change. This was amended during the meeting and the following system was agreed by a large majority:

The winning team will gain 16 points. Bonus points will be awarded for every 40 runs (up to a maximum of 5) and for every 2 wickets. In tied matches, each team will earn 8 points plus any bonuses.

If the match is called off (other than for weather), the defaulting team will have 16 points deducted. The other team will earn either 21 points or its current average (rounded up) whichever is the higher.

The other change agreed at the meeting was that results must be phoned in before 10pm (not 10.30) on the Saturday of each match, and that this also applies to the Away team notification of the 'Spirit of Cricket' score for the home team.

The AGM heard that although there had been rumours of withdrawals, all teams that had completed

In a break from recent tradition, the 2005 AGM was held at the Holiday Inn because the Norfolk Dumpling is no longer available.

In 2006, the Executive Committee will be looking for an alternative venue, and will announce the details as soon as they are confirmed.

In the meantime, please note the date of the AGM - Friday 24th November. **Please keep this date clear in your diaries.**

2005 were still intending to play in 2006. In addition, new applications from Blundeston Colts, Hardingham A and Lowestoft B were all approved by the meeting. This brought NCL strength up to 99 teams for 2006, with 10 in each division, except for Division 10.

The Executive Committee have been informed that Kirkley and Lowestoft Railway have merged to form Kirkley & Lowestoft Rail CC. K&LR A will take Lowestoft Rail's place in Div 3 (playing at Gunton Park) and K&LR B will place at Walmer Road in Div 5.

### All Mod Cons

It is very useful to be able to send out short-notice information to all our member Clubs and we have done this a few times to the 48 Clubs for which we have e-mail details. In an attempt to fill in the gaps, we would be pleased to hear from anyone who is prepared to receive KNCL messages on behalf of any of the following 'missing' clubs: Aldborough, Brisley, CEYMS, Frettenham, Hemsby, Horsford, Loddon, Martham, North Elmham, Rollesby, Shipdham, Tacolneston, Vauxhall Mallards and Watton. Please e-mail [norfolkcricket@aol.com](mailto:norfolkcricket@aol.com).



### Eaton and Old Catton Join Forces

A merger of a different kind will take place in September as Gerald Cooke (Eaton) and Jon Cooke (Old Catton) set off on a charity trek to Peru. The father and son team are hoping to raise funds in aid of SSAFA Forces Help, a charity for ex-servicemen and women and their families.

To learn more about the venture, please get in touch with Jon Cooke on 07885 958768 or via e-mail to [photo\\_create@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:photo_create@yahoo.co.uk). Donations can be made directly at [www.justgiving.com/cooke](http://www.justgiving.com/cooke).

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## Sponsor Awards

After a successful first year, Knights Sporting Limited, sponsors of Norfolk Cricket League, have confirmed that their additional offer of over 50 days of cricket watching will be renewed in 2006. Tim Knight said that he had enjoyed his 'first innings': "Our link with the Norfolk Cricket League is really special," he said. "We want to continue to support the League over the coming years."

'Player of the Month' and divisional batting and bowling award winners will each receive 2 tickets to watch either a first-class or a one-day match in the Members' Pavilion at the Trent Bridge test venue in Nottingham. The prizes can be used either this season or in 2007.

The Under 19 Batsman and Bowler of the season will each win 2 tickets to watch a One Day International at Trent Bridge in 2007, whilst the President's Batsman and Bowler award winners will have the chance to visit next season's Test Match at Trent Bridge.

The KNCL Committee and Tim Knight are also delighted to announce that two additional annual awards will be presented at our end-of-season Dinner – to be held on Friday, 13 October at the Jarvis Hotel. From 2006, there will be an award for Wicket keeper and All-Rounder of the Year. Further details will be sent to all Clubs later in the season.

In the meantime, please remember to submit nominations for each of the 4 monthly 'Player' awards. These should be sent – via post or e-mail – to Alan Harris, 18 Pristow Green Lane, – to arrive by the Tuesday after the last match of each month.

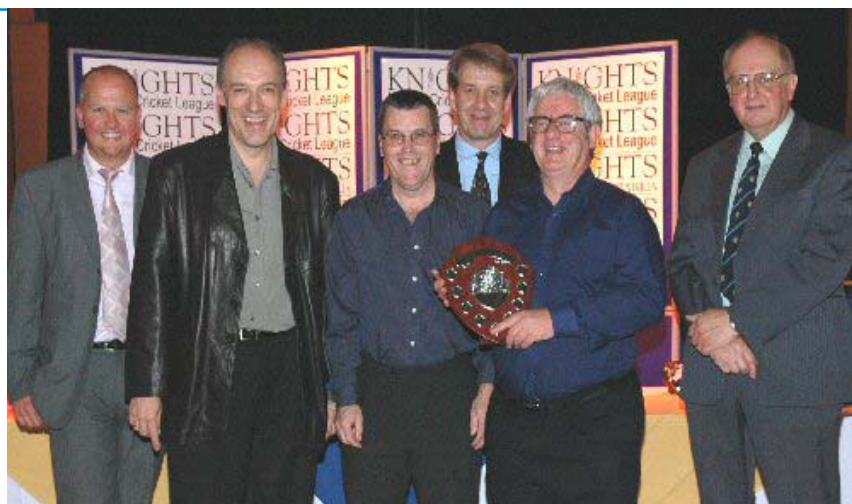
There are still some 2005 Award winners – listed right – who have not yet taken up their prize tickets. Please contact Tim Knight on 01263 768488 or via e-mail to [tim@knights.co.uk](mailto:tim@knights.co.uk).

## Contact

Many thanks to all those Clubs who have returned the requested contact details for inclusion in this year's handbook. However, there were a number who did not. Next time, these will be named and shamed.

We are planning to have the handbooks and balls ready for collection in early April. The KNCL and Mid Norfolk Sunday League will be co-hosting the event, to be held at Anglian Windows, Horsford from 7-9pm on Sunday, 9 April.

If any Club is unable to attend, please make arrangements for a neighbouring club to collect books 'n' balls on your behalf.



Representatives of Winterton (Div 1) and Eaton (Div 6) join sponsor Tim Knight (centre), and EC members James Kay (left) and Chris Free (right) after becoming joint winners of the 'Spirit of Cricket' Award for 2005. In addition to the shield, each Club received a cash prize of £100.

## 2005 Award Winners

	Batsman	Bowler
<i>President's</i>	Sam McGavin (Gt Witch'ham A)	Charlie Webster (Overstrand)
<i>Div 1</i>	Nathan Perry-Warnes (Horsford A)	David Cook (Rollesby)
<i>Div 2</i>	Sam McGavin (Gt Witch'ham A)	Sam McGavin (Gt Witch'ham A)
<i>Div 3</i>	David Rymarz (Rackheath)	Gerry Jackson (Belton)
<i>Div 4</i>	John Halstein (Kirkley Sports)	James Kerrison (Caister)
<i>Div 5</i>	Matt Beckett (Martham)	Steve Fowler (East Harling A)
<i>Div 6</i>	Neil Yarham (Overstrand)	Charlie Webster (Overstrand)
<i>Div 7</i>	Colin Feltham (Brooke A)	Leo de Salis (Gt Melton B)
<i>Div 8</i>	Keith Hodds (Halvergate A)	Nick Prentice (Vaux Mallards B)
<i>Div 9</i>	Nick Borrett (Hethersett & TVA)	Gary Eastoll (Old Catton B)
<i>Div 10</i>	Julian Dismore (Norwich Union B)	Alex Lincoln (Horsford C)
<i>Under 19</i>	Nick Borrett (Hethersett & TVA)	Danny Carter (Halvergate)

## 'Safe Hands'

The ECB 'Safe Hands' policy was proposed in 2004 and at our AGM that year, the KNCL agreed that all clubs would implement the policy through an appointed Welfare Officer. Last season was generally seen as a period of grace, but all clubs should be aware that the Norfolk Cricket Board (NCB) is actively checking that clubs now have a Welfare Officer.

The League Welfare Officer, Malcolm Kauffman (details overleaf) has also heard that the ECB are now

20 Feb	Turner Rd, Norwich	6.30-9.30pm
27 Feb	King Edward VII Sports College, KL	6.30-9.30pm
6 March	North Walsham HS	6.30-9.30pm
13 March	Wayland Community HS, Watton	6.30-9.30pm

stating that Club Welfare Officers must have attended the following training courses:

- "Good Practice/Child Protection"
- "Time to Listen"

Each course is 3 hours in duration with the major difference between them being that the former deals with various forms of child abuse, whilst the latter (an NSPCC course) details the procedures that clubs need to have put in place.

Scheduled dates for the 'Time to Listen' course are:

## Representative Match

Anyone who is interested in playing for the Chairman's Eleven in a representative match against a Sponsor's XI at Aldborough on Sunday, 13 August is invited to contact the League Chairman (Keir Hounscome) or Secretary (Alan Harris.)