

## The Cricket Paper National Girls U18 100 Ball Cup

### Rules and Regulations

The competition shall forthwith be known as 'The Cricket Paper National Girls U18 100 Ball Cup'.

The competition Organisers are **Andy Barnard (Shrewsbury School)** and **Gwen Davies (HMC Cricket Committee & Shrewsbury School)**.

**The competition will run from April to July but the final may need to be played in September at the discretion of the organisers.**

The competition is open to bona-fide full-time students of the school/college concerned aged 17 and under on August 31 in the year preceding the event and 18 and under on August 31 in the year of the event. Players must have been full time students in the Autumn and Spring terms preceding the summer term competition. In the event of finalists, players must have been full time students in the Autumn, Spring and Summer terms preceding the September final. The breaking of either regulation, inadvertently or deliberately, will result in disqualification from the competition at the discretion of the organisers.

The closing date for entries will be **January 24<sup>th</sup> 2020**, after which a draw, with dates for all rounds, will be sent to all competing schools/colleges.

**An entry fee of £50 to cover administrative costs must be received before March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.**

Failure to do so will mean your place being offered to a school on a reserve list. In the event of withdrawal, the fee will only be refundable if notice is given before **February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020** and a replacement team can be found.

The home team will be responsible for organising individual rounds in conjunction and agreement with the away team. There is nothing to stop away team managers being pro-active in contacting opponents however.

**Matches can be played on any day of the week and should be arranged as far in advance of the final date for organising the round to allow for postponements due to weather etc.**

Extensions will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances at the **discretion of the organisers**. Where the home team is unable to provide a suitable venue for the match, the fixture must be reversed and played at the away team venue to ensure the match is completed by the due date. If a match is not played by the due date, the organisers will progress one team to the next round based either on a voluntary walkover given to one team over the other, on one team's inability to play the game or toss of the coin.

**THE MATCH-The Laws of Cricket will apply except where specified below.**

Matches shall consist of one innings per team of 100 balls (20 overs – 5 ball overs), or less if the start is delayed or if there are rain delays, as mutually agreed. If the team batting first is bowled out in less than the allocated overs, unused overs will not be available to the team batting last.

A bowler will bowl 5 legal deliveries in one over, that same bowler can bowl 10 consecutive legal deliveries if they chose to. There will be a change of ends after ten balls (two overs), regardless of whether one or two bowlers have bowled those 10 balls.

No bowler will bowl more than FOUR overs (20 balls). In the event of an innings being reduced, overs will be restricted on a pro-rata basis. The fielding side is expected to bowl their 100 balls within an hour, at a rate of 5 overs per 15 minutes.

In the event of a bowler being unable to complete an over, the remaining balls will be bowled by another bowler. Such parts of overs will be counted as full overs in both bowler's allocations.

**FREE HITS – free hits will be awarded for waist high and foot fault NO BALLS.**

The **MINIMUM OVERS PERMITTED** at the start of play shall be 5 OVERS per side (25 balls) (fielding restrictions will be reduced on a pro-rata basis with those set out later).

In the event of an interruption, rain or otherwise, the full allocation of overs may still be played despite an interruption, by mutual consent, if sufficient time is thought to be available. An interruption during the first innings of a match may lead to an agreed reduction in the total allocation, equivalent to one over of each innings for each eight minutes of play lost. An interruption during the second innings may lead to a reduction in the allocation of the team batting second, equivalent to one over for each four minutes of play lost.

If the team batting second has their allocation of overs reduced after the completion of the first innings, their target score will be calculated by multiplying the revised number of overs (including any already bowled) by the average run rate of the team batting first (based on their total allocation of overs, even if they were bowled out without using them all). Fractions will be rounded to the nearest whole number in all calculations. For an interrupted match to be completed the team batting second must receive a minimum of 5 overs.

If the scores finish level in the knock out rounds, then the team losing the fewer wickets shall be the winner. If scores and wickets are level, then a super over is to be played. If the scores finish level in the final stage of the competition, a super over is to be played.

#### **Fielding Restrictions – Power Plays**

A 25 yard (23m) fielding circle is required and should be clearly marked. Two fielders only shall be allowed outside the 25-yard circle during the powerplay (Overs 1-5, 25 balls). Thereafter, four players shall be allowed outside the 25-yard circle until the 20 overs (100 balls) are bowled.

#### **Match Balls & Kit**

In all matches leading up to the final a new 5oz pink ball must be used for each innings, the home team are responsible for providing the match balls.

**The organisers would like you to use the OFFICIAL BALL- NEWBERY 5OZ PINK BALL as advertised in the flyer. The ball comes highly recommended and the use by all competing schools will not only add a level of consistent quality to matches but ensure a certain amount of comparability/equality.**

**The official Newbery 5oz Pink ball will be used in the final.**

It is preferred that schools wear coloured clothing for this competition, however due to the ball being pink, whites are acceptable. Black sight screens are not required.

### **Play by Dates**

Round 1 – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May

Round 2 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Quarter Finals – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June

Semi Finals – Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June

**Final – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June**

The winning team will be responsible for notifying the result of the match as soon after completion as possible by emailing [asb@shrewsbury.org.uk](mailto:asb@shrewsbury.org.uk) with details of any significant performances (individual scores over 50, three wickets or more, century partnerships, hat-tricks etc). Both first and surname should be included. Reports and results will be circulated to all teams taking part and 'The Cricket Paper'