

I apologies for not being able to attend the Eastern Counties AGM.

It has been a difficult year for umpires with then changes in formats for competitions with umpires having their work cut out by sometimes having to organize and umpire competitions and some players challenging their authority and making complaints. We do need more umpires in the region to help umpiring duties within the E.P.A, I am willing to set an exam for candidates who would like to become umpires and if and when they pass my exam I will forward their names to the National Umpire to take the E.P.A umpires exam.

At Brean Sands it was hard work for the umpires involved but was enjoyable meeting old friends, also I hope that new teams who qualified for the event benefited from the experience of playing there.

I would like to wish all the players good luck for next season and if nominated I would like to carry on as Regional Umpire and I will try to attend competitions within the region work permitting.

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