



## **International & Regional update Dec 20**

I should probably start by introducing myself as I'm sure there are many of you that don't know me. I have the honour of being appointed, by the CSMOA Project Team, to the position of International & Regional Umpires Manager. This maintains my involvement with the International & Regional Umpires Panel, following on from chairing the CS Committee responsible for appointing umpires to CS and ICC matches and panels. I previously chaired ESCOA from its inception until two years ago when I was humbled to be awarded Honorary Life Membership. I'm still an active umpire but umpiring, mainly, in England.

As you are very well aware, we didn't get much cricket in 2020, very little at Regional level and nothing at all in the International arena so, there's nothing to report on the 2020 season.

Looking forward to next year, the Regional Panel will comprise:

Andy Baird  
Alex Dowdalls  
Ronnie Gilliland  
Allan Haggio  
Ian Marland  
Iain McDonald  
David McLean  
Ryan Milne  
Gary Nichol  
Peter Redhead  
Eric Young

From the above, Alex Dowdalls, Allan Haggio and David McLean will be the CS recommendations for the 2021 ICC International Panel of Development Umpires, meaning no change from this year.

Ryan Milne has been selected to be on stand-by for ICC cricket next year.

Neil Davidson, Billy McPate and Steve Scott successfully completed assessor training early this year and they have all been retained on the Regional Assessors Panel for next year.

However, all three will undergo further training in quarter one of next year as the first step towards becoming Match Referees.

The aim is to have all Regional matches covered by a Playing Control Team comprising three umpires and a Match Referee, with the primary function of the Match Referee being to assess the three umpires.



I would like to take this opportunity to, publicly, thank Gordon Drummond, David Jukes and Bob McFarlane, my colleagues on the CS Committee, for their invaluable input over the past couple of years.

Here's hoping for a full and competitive International and Regional season next year.

In the meantime, take care, stay safe and all the best to each of you for the Festive Season.



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