

The Scorers Committee of the ACT Umpires & Scorers Council are seeking an increase in the level of scorers expenses for the 2009/10 season.

Justification

Reasons for an increase in the rate of expenses for scorers are:

- Scorers expenses have not risen for the past 10 seasons (since the ACT was a part of the Mercantile Mutual Cup).
- The level of scorers expenses are now at most 60% of what other state and territory jurisdictions are.
- In 2008/09, scorers were paid more for a day's scoring at the Australian Women's Under 17 Championships than those scorers who were doing a day's scoring at the Cricket Australia Cup being played at the same time.
- The level of scorer expenses in the ACT are causing several scorers to look at scoring matches in New South Wales as they have a level of scorer expenses which is at the Cricket Australia level.
- Scorers in the ACT are now accredited and undergo training and evaluation.
- Several scorers are looking at undertaking the advanced scorers exam which allows scorers the possibility to score at a Test level interstate.
- Last season's rates for Women's One Day Internationals and the Women's World Cup saw the marked inequality between standard rates and what are paid by Cricket ACT.
- An possible increased workload for scorers in 2009/10 (WNCL T20, 1 additional CA/Under 23 Cup match, Defence Championships, Australian Under 19 Championships) plus the usual level of grade and representative matches will put a heavy workload on scorers and scorers may not be available due to the amount of days of cricket as well as the current level of expenses.
- If rates were indexed at 4% per annum from the time of the last increase in expense payments for scorers (1998/99), expense payments would be \$88.06 for CA Cup matches which would still be below the Cricket Australia rate of \$100. The indexed rate for the PM's XI would be \$176.11, slightly above the standard rate for that type of match. This is Table 2 in the document.
- The total cost of bringing the scorer expenses in line with Cricket Australia standard rates for scorers would have been \$1,120 based on matches in 2008/09 and \$2,100 for season 2007/08. This is Table 3 in the document.

Table 1 - Scorer Expenses Comparison

	CA Standard	ACT	NSW	NT	Qld	SA	Tas	Vic	WA
Youth Championship	?	\$60	\$80	N/A	?	?	?	?	?
Women's CA Cup	?	\$40	\$80	N/A	?	?	?	?	?
WNCL	\$100	N/A	\$100	N/A	\$100	\$100	N/A	\$100	\$100
CA Cup/Institute Chal	\$100	\$55	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$150	\$100
2nd XI Matches (2-inn)	\$100	\$55	\$100	N/A	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$150	\$100
2nd XI Matches (OD)	\$100	\$60	\$100	N/A	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$150	\$100
Ford Ranger	\$180	N/A	\$160	N/A	\$180	\$180	\$160	\$200	\$180
OD Tour	\$180	\$110	\$160	\$150	\$180	\$180	?	\$200	\$180
FC Tour	\$180	\$110	\$160	\$150	\$180	\$180	\$130	\$200	\$180
Sheffield Shield	\$180	N/A	\$160	N/A	\$180	\$180	\$130	\$200	\$180
ODI	\$180	\$110	\$180	\$150	\$180	\$180	?	\$200	\$180
Test	\$180	N/A	\$180	\$150	\$180	\$180	?	\$200	\$180

Notes

- Scorers in Hobart are paid \$40 per day for grade cricket.
- SACA provide \$35 per day per club for scorer expenses. Some clubs supplement this.
- Northern Territory pay scorers \$150 per day for the Imparja Cup plus accommodation, local travel and flights
- Northern Territory pay scorers \$50 per match for local Twenty20 competition for matches that don't involve their club
- Scorers in Perth grade cricket are paid between \$50 and \$100.

At a time when other jurisdictions are paying scorers expenses for scorers to score at a grade level, scorers in the ACT are struggling to get the standard rate for CA Cup matches and high level matches.

2009/10 Scorer Expense Claim

The Scorers Committee are looking at the following level of expenses for the 2009/10 season:

Australian Under 19 Championships - \$80 per day (one day and two day matches); \$60 per Twenty20 match.

Cricket Australia Cup - \$100 per day

Prime Minister's XI - \$160 per day

WNCL Matches - \$100 per day

Other 2nd XI equivalent matches - \$100 per day

All other matches – paid at the Cricket Australia standard rate

In future years, it would be a desirable for grade clubs to be paid an amount for scorers by Cricket ACT which could act as an incentive payment to attract scorers at a club level. In 2009/10, there will still be two clubs who do not have a men's first grade scorer.

Table 2 - Expense rates Indexed at 4% per annum

	CA Cup	PM's XI
1998/99	\$ 55.00	\$ 110.00
1999/00	\$ 57.20	\$114.40
2000/01	\$ 59.49	\$118.98
2001/02	\$ 61.87	\$123.74
2001/02	\$ 64.34	\$128.68
2002/03	\$ 66.92	\$133.83
2003/04	\$ 69.59	\$139.19
2004/05	\$ 72.38	\$144.75
2005/06	\$ 75.27	\$150.54
2006/07	\$ 78.28	\$156.56
2007/08	\$ 81.41	\$162.83
2008/09	\$ 84.67	\$169.34
2009/10	\$ 88.06	\$176.11

Table 3 – Additional Cost for Scorer Expense Payments based on Previous Seasons

2008/09 Additional Cost per day	Scorer Days	Total Additional Cost	Match Type
\$45	8	\$360	CA Cup
\$20	3	\$60	OD Tour (Defence, CA Masters)
\$50	2	\$100	PM's XI
\$20	30	\$600	Women's Under 17s
		\$1,120	Total Additional Cost
2007/08 Additional Cost per day	Scorer Days	Total Additional Cost	Match Type
\$45	8	\$360	CA Cup
\$50	6	\$300	India Tour Match
\$70	2	\$140	ODI
\$50	2	\$100	PM's XI
\$40	24	\$960	Women's CA Cup
\$40	6	\$240	3 x OD v Tas 2nd
		\$2,100	Total Additional Cost

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