Thank you all for your Team Sheet submission last weekend. We've hopefully sorted out most of the gremlins and if you make any updates your Team Contacts, and let me know the details, this will ensure it is sent to the right people. The current e-mail are coming from, mail@clubbuzz.co.uk, please add to your contacts to avoid going into Junk/Spam. Hopefully not too many weeks until we can start fully using GMS. Remember unless a Team has an active Team Contact (Team Admin), you won't be able to create and save Team Sheets each week and **we can't communicate with you**.

After a number of questions on submitting the online Match Sheets and GMS scores, I thought I'd provide this guidance. Some of this will be reviewed when we start completing on GMS.

# **Home Sheet**

All fields should be completed. If they players didn't have a shirt number, you should still complete the field with a number.

# **Away Sheet**

All fields should be completed. If they players didn't have a shirt number, you should still complete the field with a number. If the umpires are supplied by the Home Team, you can enter, 'Home Umpire 1' and `Home Umpire 2'

# **Postponed/Abandoned Fixtures**

If a fixture is to be re-arranged Team Sheet must still to be submitted for both teams unless it is the lowest team. This is to ensure players are not playing for and potentially strengthening lower teams. No result need to recorded in GMS, but a new date agreed as soon as possible and ALDS will update GMS. Your first step in reaching a decision is to contact your ALDS.

### Failure to honour a fixture

This is when a team is unable to support a fixture and is described as failure to honour, forfeit and walkover in the current Regulation. If a fixture is forfeit, the Team receiving the forfeit must still submit a Team Sheet, unless it is the lowest team. This is to ensure players are not playing for and potentially strengthening lower teams. Clubs should also be reminded that if a team forfeits a fixture and it is not the lowest team in the club then any lower teams will not receive for points for games played on that day.

The result should be recorded as a Walkover to the receiving team.

Your first step in reaching a decision is always to contact your ALDS first.

### Also be aware of Regulation 4.3

4.3 Walkovers

4.3.1 A team that fails to honour more than the number of matches during the season as detailed below will be withdrawn from the League and all previous results will be void. The ALMC will consider the circumstances before implementing the sanction.

Grade 2 - 1Grade 3 - 3Grade 4 - 4. Grade 5 - 4 but at discretion of ALMC

### **Blank Fixtures**

If you have a blank fixture, i.e., a BYE, do not report as a Walkover just leave it blank and ignore any reminders from GMS.