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Week 1 of the season has passed – not without event unfortunately – although I hope that the majority of your teams were able to enjoy a trouble free and enjoyable weekend. There were many positives from week 1 which included 98 fixtures being played, with a qualified, appointed referee officiating at 96% of those games. However we did see one game being abandoned following alleged misconduct between players and perhaps more disturbingly spectators; this matter has promptly been reported to the relevant County Football Association for the appropriate disciplinary sanctions to be administered. Hopefully this will be an isolated incident and I would urge that all clubs take full responsibility for ensuring that their players, officials and spectators behave appropriately at all times.

FULL-TIME UPDATE

As some of you will be aware, we had some system issues which impacted the inputting and updating of results and team information. Tony has worked hard during the week to try and resolve these and hopefully we are in a position to see all administration completed in a timely manner. Any clubs who still experience issues are asked to contact Tony asap.

As agreed, no fines were issued last week for late completion and this will indeed be the case this coming weekend. However Tony will still contact those teams who have failed to submit fully by the 9pm Tuesday cut off. As per standard process, Tony will contact those teams who have not completed fully via email on Wednesday morning. We would urge all teams to use this amnesty to ensure that they get their 'houses in order' ready for 4th October.

COUNTY CUP FIXTURES

This week sees the start of County Cup fixtures for some teams. Teams are reminded that as well as reporting their results to the relevant County Association, they are required to report their results and submit their team sheets to us in accordance with league rules. For those teams competing outside of Bedfordshire, we would ask that you ensure you notify us as soon as you are aware of the dates of any forthcoming County Cup fixtures as we do not always get notified.

CLUB AGREEMENT FORM

You will find attached with this email, an attachment containing the CYFL Club Agreement Form. This needs to be completed, signed and returned to me by **Friday 9th October**. I am happy to accept either scanned copies or hardcopies via the post – whichever format is more convenient for you

CYFL WEBSITE

Finally for this week, I am pleased to announce that our new league website – www.chilternyouthfootballleague.co.uk is now live and fully operational. We are still in the process of updating some information on there, but there is plenty to read and view already. We would like to invite all clubs to contact us with any articles, news items, tournaments or information that they would like us to post; we can even add links from the CYFL website to your club websites. We would also welcome any feedback that you may have. Thanks go to Pamela Johnson for her hard work in getting the new website up and running. It is our intention to keep the site fully updated with information each week and this will be a vital communication tool for us.

Have a great footballing weekend!