

HAMPSHIRE UMPIRES' CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT 2024

2024 has, especially towards the end of the season, been a busy year for the Hampshire Umpires. The main County events have been at Banister Park in Southampton and I have been able to cover all of these events with either Hampshire Umpires or those volunteers from adjoining Counties who are willing to assist when required.

Although a couple of Umpires have ceased to operate, we have recently gained three newly qualified ones. Unfortunately, they are all in the south-west of the County, and we are short of Umpires in the north and east, especially in the Portsmouth area. I am therefore looking for more people to come forward to train to become umpires in those parts of the County.

The first stage to become an umpire is to attend an EBUA Marker's course, which I am now able to run, so if anyone wishes to attend such a course they should contact me and I will make the necessary arrangements.

I would like to thank all the Hampshire Umpires for their hard work during the past year, enabling the game we all love to run smoothly.

Tony Prince