



Message from SCCA President
Update for 2021 Season - March 18, 2021

Dear SCCA Member,

- Trust that you and your family are doing well.
- Finally, after almost 8 months, the L.A. county risk level currently has shifted to **Red Tier** (Substantial) from the dreaded **Purple Tier** (Widespread).
- All of us have been hopeful and eagerly waiting for the light at the end of the tunnel, for life to return to some form of normalcy and that we can start playing the game of Cricket again, a game that we all love so much!
- Encouraged by the recent positive developments with regards to status of COVID-19 in Southern California, we have been in touch with the authorities concerned to obtain the permit for Woodley Cricket Grounds for the 2021 season.
- Dept. of Rec. and Parks has shared with us several forms and documents outlining the procedures and protocols to be followed, mandatory formalities to be completed and rules adhered to, before a contract can be signed, and a permit can be issued by them.
- SCCA board meeting was held on Sunday, March 14th and it was decided that our **in-person AGM (with elections)** shall be held on **Sunday, April 25th, 2021 @ 10:00 a.m.** All pertinent details of the meeting will be emailed to member clubs once the venue and other logistics are finalized.
- There are a lot of tasks that need to be completed prior to the start of the season, but I am **pleased** to inform you that my **current Executive team and the Directors of the Board have agreed to commit themselves**, to make the most of this lag time (days until the AGM), and **do the needful work to facilitate the start of Cricket season, as early as it may be feasible.**
- However, it also means that all **State, City and CDC guidelines** will have to be strictly followed, and that, the City of L.A., Rec & Parks officials are completely satisfied with the procedures in place before giving us the approval.
- Consequently, this makes it **exceedingly difficult to come up with a firm date for the start of the season.** I request you to **stay tuned for further announcements** as things shape up.
- Just to reiterate, SCCA is fully **committed to ensuring the health and safety** of our **members, their families and anyone else affiliated** with the SCCA games and **we will not do anything to jeopardize our valued and long-standing relations** with the authorities concerned.
- I urge each one of you to continue to **do your share by following the CDC guidelines, take proper and effective precautions, obey government ordinances and follow safe practices to protect yourself and your loved ones.**
- Appreciate your **cooperation, understanding and support** as we slowly but surely work our way out of this **unprecedented and challenging time of our lives!**

Sincerely,

Mihir Gandhi
President, SCCA