



GRADING AND ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

SEASON 2009/2010

The end of another season. For once the weather gods were kind, but the standard of some grounds and wickets made for hard going at times for umpires and players alike.

Umpiring standards were up a notch on previous seasons, but there is still room for improvement. You should at this time (if you haven't already done so) be reflecting objectively on how your season went, and thinking on what you need/can improve on and how you are going to do it. Captains' Reports, and field sightings indicated "consistency" as one area that needs to be lifted. It also appears that some umpires are pushing the bounds of familiarity too far. Umpires are there to adjudicate – players play the game.

To all who stood during the season, please accept the Committee's thanks for your work. Availability was outstanding.

I wish to thank all members of the Committee. They went diligently about their job.

Congratulations to those who gained higher honours – well deserved. Congratulations also to the Umpire Award Winners and those whose names have gone forward to NZC.

Yours in cricket

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Convener

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