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To all umpires participating in the Westminster Hockey Challenge

Dear Fellow Umpire

RE: WESTMINSTER HOCKEY CHALLENGE

As you know, all the games are played on the two Astroturf pitches at the Paddington Recreation Ground located off Carlton Vale in Maida Vale (Telephone 071-798 3642). The car park is located off Carlton Vale and spaces on the righthand side of the car park are reserved for umpires. If travelling by car, please remember that Saturday is the day of the National Westminster Bank Trophy Final at Lords Cricket Ground and there is likely to be much heavier traffic than usual in the area so please plan your journey accordingly.

The appointments have been made in advance and some watchings are also being organised but when you are not umpiring a game, you might find it helpful to watch one of the other games with one or two colleagues and, hopefully, some informal group watchings will be possible, in addition to the other watchings already planned.

Matches will all be timed centrally and apart from the final, no time will be added for stoppages of any kind. Please note that Matches 1 to 36 will be played eighteen minutes each way, with an interval of one minute between the halves. Matches 37 to 43 will be played twenty minutes each way, with an interval of two minutes between the halves. Match 44 (the Final) will be played twenty-five minutes each way, with an interval of five minutes between the halves. For those umpiring on Sunday, will they please note that initial classification matches (Nos 25 to 36) will require penalty corners and penalty strokes to be recorded as these will decide the winner in the event of there being a draw.

The umpires will also be asked to nominate a player of the Tournament and a Fair Play Award during the course of the weekend and I would appreciate your views on this as the matches progress.

If anyone has any queries regarding the appointments, will they please let me know. I look forward to seeing you all at the weekend.

Yours sincerely

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