Basic L.B.W. Decisions

- If a ball is missing the stumps after striking the pad it is **NOT OUT**. <u>Note</u>; the ball still has a distance to travel after hitting the batsman & can move too much & miss down leg side, miss off-stump or importantly bounce over top of the stumps. (diagram 1).
- If a batsman makes any contact on the ball with his bat or hand holding the bat before it strikes the pad, it is **NOT OUT**.
- If a batsman is struck on the pad outside the line of off stump having made an attempt to hit the ball, it is **NOT OUT**. (diagram 2)
- If the ball pitches outside the line of leg stump, regardless of whether or not the ball would of gone on to hit the stumps it is **NOT OUT.** (diagram 3)
- <u>Remember</u>; If there is an L.B.W. appeal, take enough time to think about the circumstances above & if you are unsure about any of the factors , the decision should go in favour of the batsman.

WHEN IN DOUBT.....NOT OUT

