

Mill Hill Village



founded 1868
cricket section

2023

fixture handbook

There is always an underlying feeling of pride in belonging to a long-established organisation with a proud and successful history.

It is with this very much in mind, that we warmly commend this Fixture Card to all past and present members and friends of Mill Hill Village Cricket Club, which has now been in existence for over 150 years.

It is a club with tradition and one which has played no small part in the social life and community of Mill Hill Village, a fact that should give quiet satisfaction to all who have ever been connected with it.

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Routes to the Ground

The ground is situated at the end of Burtonhole Lane just past Finchley Nurseries Garden Centre. Burtonhole Lane is a turn opposite "The Adam & Eve" pub along The Ridgeway.
From Golders Green, Edgware or Mill Hill East Underground Stations, take a 240 bus and alight at the Barratts Development then walk down the lane and follow the signs

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Use the following web address for the Saracens Hertfordshire Cricket League. Fixtures, Results, Registration, League news and Match rules can all be found here.

Details of all opposition club grounds addresses and directions can also be found.

<http://www.hertsleague.co.uk/>

A brief history of Mill Hill Village Cricket Club

Although Mill Hill Village cricket began officially in 1868, records of the existence of a cricket club in the area are contained in the accounts kept by the incumbent of St Paul's Church in 1852. There is also reference to a team representing the village against a Mill Hill School XI three years later.

The first report of a game in the locality in the Hendon Times was in 1876, when the working men of Mill Hill played the Hendon Institute of Working Men. In those early years Mill Hill Village were always on the move. Their first home ground was a field opposite the Adam and Eve Public House.

By 1887, the Jubilee Year, the fixture between the President's XI and the club was played at Arran Dene the private ground of the then president, Mr J A Johnson. Further moves followed to the "Donkey Field" near Wills Grove, then Hammers Lane, where St Paul's Vicarage now stands: on to the foot of Holcombe Hill – at the rear of Bentley's House, opposite The Forge.

During 1908 and 1910 a rift in the club caused a parting of the ways and the formation of two Mill Hill clubs. The Village remained at Holcombe Hill until 1914, whilst Mill Hill CC made their headquarters at Bunns Lane where they remained, until falling out of existence in the early part of this century.

Officially renamed Mill Hill Village Cricket Club in 1922, a new ground was found for the club at picturesque Nan Clarke Lane. Here began an era of fine cricket from a great side until the ground was commandeered for military purposes in 1940.

During the war years, the Village became a wandering side again before a final move to what has become our permanent home, Burtonhole Lane. There was also another change of name, to Mill Hill Village Cricket and Athletic Club to incorporate the winter activities, football and hockey.

In 1968, under the new banner Mill Hill Village Sports Club, came the Centenary celebrations.

The Village is a club that has grown up in an area that still retains the rustic beauty of yesteryear. Within it is a family tradition that has seen successive generations of fathers, sons, cousins and nephews all playing, and volunteers helping with teas, etc. Perhaps the never changing environment of nature has helped to produce this tranquillity and peace.



Key Dates for your Diaries

Saturday 6th May - Start of the League Season

Friday 7th July - Junior Section Presentation Evening

Wednesday 19th July – Old Minchendenians 2pm

Thursday 20th July – Chairman’s XI T20 5.30pm

Friday 21st July - Annual T20 vs Paddington 5.30pm

Sunday 27th August - Presidents Day 11.00am

Saturday 9th September - MHV 6 a Side 11.00am

**SUBSCRIPTIONS AND MATCH
FEES**

Full Member:

Annual subscriptions – 2 payment options

£280 one off payment (covers all subs and all match fees for all Saturday & Sunday matches but excludes any midweek or evening matches)

or

£150 annual subs and then £10 match fees per game played

Juniors

Annual Subscriptions (covers all junior games) **£150.00**

Non match playing Juniors/Siblings: **£100.00**

Junior Match Fees:

(in adult games) **£5.00**

All subscriptions (£280 or £150) are to be paid by the 31st May

Please note that players having paid an annual sub will have priority of selection by the Captains

If you are only able to play a very limited number of games, please speak to your Captain about the match fees payable

FIXTURES 2023

Home Fixtures in bold type				
Day	Date	Team	Opposition	Time
Saturday	15 th April	Friendly	Chenies & Latimer CC	12.30pm
Sunday	16 th April	Friendly	Old Minchendenians CC	12.30pm
Saturday	22 nd April	Friendly	Old Camdenians	1.00pm
	22 nd April	Friendly	Old Camdenians	1.00pm
Saturday	29 th April	Friendly	Brondesbury	12.30pm
	29 th April	Friendly	Royal Herts CC	1.00pm
Sunday	30 th April	Dvlp	Inter Mill Hill	1.00pm
Saturday	6 th May	1 st XI	Harpenden III	12.00pm
		2nd XI	Aldenham	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Old Elizabethans III	1.00pm
		4th XI	Old Camdenians III	1.00pm
Sunday	7 th May		No game	

Saturday	13 th May	1 st XI	Stevenage II	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Harpden Dolphins	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Holtwhites Trinibis III	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Holtwhites Trinibis IV	1.00pm
Sunday	14 th May		No game	
Saturday	20 th May	1 st XI	Shenley Village II	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Old Minchendenians	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Hatfield & Crusaders III	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Edgware	1.00pm
Sunday	21 st May	T20 Cup	Old Haberdashers	1.00pm
Saturday	27 th May	1 st XI	Northampton Exiles	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Allenburys & County Hall II	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Potters Bar IV	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Southgate Adelaide III	1.00pm
Sunday	28 th May	Dvlp	Strongroom CC	1.00pm

Saturday	3 rd June	1 st XI	Radlett III	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Watford Town III	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Hatfield Hyde III	1.00pm
		4 th XI	No game	
Sunday	4 th June	T20 Cup	Old Haberdashers	1.00pm
Saturday	10 th June	1 st XI	Redbourn II	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Northchurch II	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Broxbourne IV	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Old Minchendenians III	1.00pm
Sunday	11 th June	T20 Cup	Southgate Compton	4.00pm
Saturday	17 th June	1 st XI	Holtwhites Trinibis II	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Northampton Exiles II	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Botany Bay II	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Old Minchendenians II	1.00pm
Sunday	18 th June	Dvlp	Old Merchant Taylors	1.00pm

Saturday	24 th June	1 st XI	Bayford & Hertford	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Shenley Village III	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Old Camdenians II	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Northampton Exiles III	1.00pm
Sunday	25 th June		No game	
Saturday	1 st July	1 st XI	Broxbourne II	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Luton Town & Indians III	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Southgate Compton II	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Cheshunt Rosedale III	1.00pm
Sunday	2 nd July	Dvlp	Mayfield CC	1.00pm
Thursday	6 th July	T20 Cup	Southgate Compton	6.00pm
Saturday	8 th July	1 st XI	Harpenden III	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Aldenham	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Old Elizabethans III	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Old Camdenians III	1.00pm
Sunday	9 th July		No game	

Saturday	15 th July	1 st XI	Stevenage II	12.00pm
		2nd XI	Harpenden Dolphins	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Holtwhites Trinibis III	1.00pm
		4th XI	Holtwhites Trinibis IV	1.00pm
Sunday	16 th July	T20	Chenies and Latimer T20 XI	TBC
Wednesday	19 th July	Friendly	Old Minchendenians	1.00pm
Thursday	20 th July	T20	Chairman's XI	5.30pm
Friday	21 st July	T20	Paddington	5.30pm
Saturday	22 nd July	1 st XI	Shenley Village II	12.00pm
		2nd XI	Old Minchendenians	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Hatfield & Crusaders III	1.00pm
		4th XI	Edgware	1.00pm
Sunday	23 rd July	Dvlp	Battersea Bandits	1.30pm

Saturday	29 th July	1st XI	Northampton Exiles	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Allenburys & County Hall II	1.00pm
		3rd XI	Potters Bar IV	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Southgate Adelaide III	1.00pm
Sunday	30 th July		No game	
Saturday	5 th Aug	1st XI	Radlett III	12.00pm
		2nd XI	Watford Town III	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Hatfield Hyde III	1.00pm
		4 th XI	No game	
Sunday	6 th Aug	Dvlp	North Two	1.00pm
Saturday	12 th Aug	1st XI	Redbourn II	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Northchurch II	1.00pm
		3rd XI	Broxbourne IV	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Old Minchendenians III	1.00pm
Sunday	13 th Aug		No game	

Saturday	19 th Aug	1 st XI	Holtwhites Trinibis II	12.00pm
		2nd XI	Northampton Exiles II	1.00pm
		3 rd XI	Botany Bay II	1.00pm
		4th XI	Old Minchendenians II	1.00pm
Sunday	20 th Aug	Dvlp	TBC	TBC
Saturday	26 th Aug	1st XI	Bayford & Hertford	12.00pm
		2 nd XI	Shenley Village III	1.00pm
		3rd XI	Old Camdenians II	1.00pm
		4 th XI	Northampton Exiles III	1.00pm
Sunday	27 th Aug	Pres	Presidents Day	11.00am
Saturday	2 nd Sept	1 st XI	Broxbourne II	11.30am
		2nd XI	Luton Town & Indians III	12.30pm
		3 rd XI	Southgate Compton II	12.30pm
		4th XI	Cheshunt Rosedale III	12.30pm
Sunday	3 rd Sept	Dvlp	Saints	1.00pm
Saturday	9 th Sept	MHV	Six a side competition	11.00am
Sunday	10 th Sept	Dvlp	Old Minchendenians CC	12.30pm

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2022 saw some fantastic sporting highlights. Rachael Blackmore became the first ever female jockey to win the gold cup, Ben Stokes led the mighty England to win the T20 world cup in Australia and Messi finally achieved the Coupe Du Monde. However, even more special than all of these combined, Mill Hill Village won 2 league titles in the summer of 22, a year we will remember fondly at the club for a long time.

Both the 1XI and the 2XI came out of last season triumphant in their respective leagues, an achievement I have not witnessed before across all the sports, countries and leagues I have participated in. A truly great feat and testament to the hard work of everyone who was involved. The 3rd and 4th teams were no slouches either, seeing strong results throughout the season and what a joy it is to see MHV cricket being played front and back every Saturday of the summer, long may it continue.

There are certainly some challenges that lay ahead. Stronger opposition as a result of jumping up through the Hertfordshire ranks, the ageing of many of our stalwarts who should have hung up their boots years ago and the realisation that once again we may have to bring our own teas. These, however, pale to a mere insignificance as we stride on to another cricket season at Burtonhole Lane full of runs, wickets, maybe even some catches, T20s, President's days, 6 a-sides, plenty of refreshments and even the possibility of a tour. See you all there

SAM SMITH

MHV 1st ELEVEN 2022 SEASON REPORT

My closing line last year described the 2022 season as “an opportunity to right some wrongs and build some momentum up the leagues”. I wasn’t wrong!

As has become custom in recent years, the league would kick off with an unappetising trip to Baldock on what was destined to be a grey, miserable day. As the team gathered in Baldock’s local park wondering why they were spending their Saturday standing in the rain, I focused on the all-important toss. A pitch that looked like it had been neglected all winter and had just been doused in rain didn’t make for a batting paradise. The positive mood in the campaign didn’t improve when a rare catching drill split the webbing in Rahul Raman’s hand, leaving us with an injury concern before the first ball had even been bowled.

A crucial win of the toss made the game plan straight forward – put them in, skittle them and then stutter over the line with the bat. Dutifully, that’s exactly how it played out. Ali Javed and Obaid Ur Rehman caused the Baldock batsmen all sorts of problems and were ably backed up by the rest of the bowling contingent. Surprisingly we took our catches too, amusingly with the first catch going to Rahul who managed to hold on despite a bloody hand. We also had a debut for Amit Chadha, who had impressed in the pre-season friendlies. It was the first look at his leg spin bowling for most of the team though, and he didn’t disappoint with some flat, turning leg breaks that were far too good for the Baldock tail. Set a meagre total of 93 to win, we knew this game was still in the balance. However, some steady top order batting settled any nerves, and we ended up romping home with an eight-wicket win. Never a fun place to go, it always felt doubly rewarding to bring back 30 points from Baldock.

In true Village style, this early promise would swiftly be followed up by a poor performance the next week. Hosting Sawbridgeworth, the visitors managed to battle to 254/9 from their 50 overs. Some quality batting by their captain, who soaked up the early pressure from Andy Potter and Marcus Cara built the base for some lower order slogging. Facing such a daunting total, we folded like a pack of cards, a familiar failing when pressured to score big runs.

This up and down start would prove to be the story for the first half of the season. There were some notable highs, including wins against Potten End and Boxmoor, however there were too many lows, as we struggled to find any consistency in selection and performance. The win against Potten End was particularly sweet as the ‘chat’ from the opposition was incessant. Facing a constant barrage of trash talk, Rahil Sharma had laid the groundwork with an unbeaten 70 for a relatively comfortable chase of 172, however the innings had begun to run out of steam, with wickets slowing up the run rate. We were left needing five from the final four balls and with a new batsman at the crease in the form of Amit, who is not a big guy, no one was sure where these runs were coming from, until with the penultimate ball of the match, Amit launched their bowler into the cow field to seal 30 points in the most dramatic of finishes. Rahil was left exhausted, but undefeated. The Village produced another quality bowling performance against Baldock, limiting their batsmen to just 132. However, this match sticks in the memory, not because of the great bowling performance, but the fact that we chased the total with consummate ease, recording a 10-wicket victory for the first time in a very long time. I was ably supported by a terrific knock by James Samarasinghe, which left poor Dinesh Johnson watching with his pads on for the entire innings.

During May and June, we battled with poor availability resulting in a revolving door of selection and a lack of consistency. This was most evident on 4 June when Andy Potter had decided to have his wedding day leaving the first team and wider Club, very short. Despite a valiant effort by a makeshift XI, the Village weren't able to register the victory and the first team fell into the lower half of the table.

Little did we know, but a victory in the first return fixture of the season, against Baldock at home, would kick start a stunning turnaround in fortunes. By this point, title ambitions or even hopes of promotion had almost entirely faded. We ploughed on regardless and started building some momentum, with comfortable victories against Sawbridgeworth and Ickleford. In between, we faced a challenging trip to Potten End who had dominated the top of the table since we had beaten them earlier in the season. I wasn't available and so had to make-do with WhatsApp updates but was put at ease when news of Ali and Alam demolishing their batting line up sharing 9 wickets reached me. A nerve-jangling run chase ensued but we managed to claw ourselves over the line. A further notable victory was against Old Albanians who had inflicted such a painful loss on us earlier in the season. Some fortunate 'hitting' led them to a more than competitive total of 174. Despite a relatively weak bowling attack we then found ourselves in a spot of bother as wickets began to tumble leaving us 53-6. JT was furious and for once it was Marcus Cara acting as the calming influence in the middle, as they steadily accumulated a 100-run partnership. Just as we thought we were on course for victory, Marcus lost his wicket, and it was left to JT to steer us home. Amit once again walked out to bat with a match hanging in the balance, but it was left to JT to seal the victory with a magnificent unbeaten 68.

The victory march continued unabated taking the Village into title contention. All this despite some ridiculous penalties for administration errors, costing us 15 valuable points in what was a congested league table. Entering the final two fixtures of the season, we knew that two wins would put us top, save for any further administration blunders. And so, the last two games both followed similar patterns: a crucial win of the toss, opposition batsmen skittled out for meagre totals and then a tense run chase. We were up to the task though and chased down 95 and 93 with only a few scares. The league title was sealed with a trademark cross-batted swipe by Obaid, and the 1st team were able to celebrate a stunning turnaround.

It was an enormous achievement to win what was a very competitive league. This should serve to reinforce to the team that it's capable of playing at a far higher level and we very much look forward to testing ourselves in league 4B next year. It was a true squad effort with everyone contributing at some stage. Marcus rediscovered some solid form with the bat, while the likes of Rahul Raman, Sunny Raval and Naz Asif each contributed at different stages. As always, our bowling attack was formidable with particularly good seasons for Ali and Obaid.

Finally, I want to extend my thanks to those at the Club who do so much and make cricket at Burtonhole Lane possible. A special mention for JT and Phil Smith who keep MHV going with countless hours of hard work. And also for Pete Jaffe who toiled away relentlessly to make the Village such a special place to play cricket. Last but not least, Richard Downes who gave up most of his summer to travel around Hertfordshire with us and continues to act as the first team's no.1 cheerleader, so a huge thank you to him. Now we're moving up the leagues, let's not stop at division 4!

DANIEL POTTER

Division 5B - Saracens Herts League 2022

Team	P	W	D	T	L	NR	Bat	Bwl	Pen	Total
Mill Hill Village	18	13	0	0	5	0	10	45	-15	430
Potten End	18	12	0	0	6	0	20	46	--	426
Clifton	18	12	0	0	5	1	9	32	--	411
Flamstead	18	11	0	0	7	0	22	44	-5	391
Old Albanian II	18	10	0	0	8	0	17	57	-15	359
Baldock	18	9	0	0	9	0	48	58	-20	356
Boxmoor	18	8	0	0	9	1	32	56	-10	328
Sawbridgeworth II	18	7	0	0	11	0	36	75	-5	316
Ickleford II	18	4	0	0	14	0	43	103	--	266
Hertingfordbury	18	3	0	0	15	0	37	81	-50	158



**MHV 1st XI LEAGUE AVERAGES -
2022 SEASON**

MHV FIRST XI LEAGUE								
Qualification = 5 Innings/50 runs								
Name	Inns	Not outs	Runs	High Score	100s	50s	Average	
Batting								
Daniel Potter	13	1	505	85*	0	5	42.08	
Marcus Cara	9	2	229	61*	0	1	32.71	
James Thompson	9	4	162	68*	0	1	32.40	
Prasham Garg	5	2	66	35*	0	0	22.00	
Naz Asif	10	0	183	56	0	1	18.30	
Obaid Ur Rehman	9	3	107	51	0	1	17.83	
James Samarasinghe	9	2	110	37*	0	0	15.71	
Will Wyatt	6	1	78	38	0	0	15.60	
Rahul Raman	6	1	73	27*	0	0	14.60	
Majid Asif	8	1	88	35	0	0	12.57	
Andrew Potter	9	0	75	18	0	0	8.33	
Qualification = 5 wickets/20 overs								
Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Econ	SR	Avge
Bowling								
Danny Potter	41.2	4	160	20	4 for 9	3.87	12.40	8.00
Ali Javed	90.4	27	261	24	5 for 36	2.88	22.67	10.88
Prasham Garg	31.0	2	137	11	4 for 20	4.42	16.91	12.45
Obaid Ur Rehman	100.3	22	356	24	4 for 16	3.54	25.13	14.83
Andrew Potter	53.0	8	199	13	4 for 27	3.75	24.46	15.31
Marcus Cara	62.0	11	209	13	4 for 20	3.37	28.62	16.08
Amit Chadha	72.0	10	313	19	4 for 30	4.35	22.74	16.47
Alam Khan	95.5	19	319	16	4 for 24	3.33	35.94	19.94
Qualification = 4 catches								
Name	C	RO	ST					
James Thompson	23	0	1					
Daniel Potter	12	1	0					
Obaid Ur Rehman	7	0	0					
James Samarasinghe	6	0	0					
Marcus Cara	5	1	0					
Amit Chadha	4	0	0					
Andrew Potter	4	0	0					

MHV 2nd ELEVEN 2022 SEASON REPORT

Well, where do we start. 2022 truly was a remarkable year for the club and especially the 2nd team! After just avoiding relegation on the final day of the previous season, the change in fortunes to become league winners with a game to spare was something none of us expected. In the off season before the summer of 22, our previous captain Kudzai Makopa had relinquished his position as skipper and entrusted the team to me with the hope of breathing new impetus into the squad. With that in mind I began planning a new ideal for the team and quickly installed a new vice-captain to help me bring about an effective change. Shibani Sayed accepted the post; and was integral in supporting me as captain while also excelling on the pitch, eventually being voted our player of the season and leading wicket taker! During winter nets we assessed new talent and spoke about what tactics could be implemented, simple ideas that would be the core to a winning year.

The campaign began with a home match to Langleybury who kindly conceded and got us off to a winning start. Our first actual match was away to Kings Langley. We won the toss and put them into bat. Our plan was simple, using pace from both ends we wanted to squeeze the opposition, and make runs as hard to come by as possible. Alam Khan and Inthi Mazeez were our opening bowlers and started things off brilliantly. I had become aware Inthi was a very useful bowler having been used previously as only a batsman. This change would prove integral for our success throughout the year as Inthi would become one of our standout performers with the ball. We were also fortunate to have a new player in our side Sheron Vanarkadi, he was a very sharp bowler with a “slingy” action akin to his countrymen Malinga. We bowled tight and fielded amazingly. Keeping the pressure up and eventually leading to Shibani Sayed cleaning up the tail, bowling out the opposition for a modest 127.

In the past the Village may have made hard work of chasing such a total, but with the pressure off and a new optimism in the team we knocked off the runs for the loss of only 2 wickets. Dinesh Johnson scoring a fantastic 71 not out setting the standards (he would go on to be our leading run scorer for the 2nd successive year with 387 runs at an average of 43). He was ably assisted by Shahme Farook our Mr. Dependable in the middle order. I remember telling the lads, this was the best performance I had seen from a 2nd XI team while I’d been at the club. It was a level we matched on numerous occasions from then on.

Our next game was away to our old “local” rivals Totteridge Millhillians. On a very tricky wicket we amassed a reasonable score of 169 with extras this time proving our highest contributor at 34. However we made short work of their batsmen with myself taking 3-7 & Sheron taking 3-13 skittling them for a mere 57. This victory left us sitting at the top of the league where we remained virtually all season.

There were a couple of hiccups in the summer losing tight games to Bentley Heath & Old

Albanians, but for the majority of matches we proved simply too strong for the opposition. Culminating in a league triumph having played 18, won 14, lost 3 with 1 being called off.

Every member of the squad contributed through the campaign and I'm thankful to all of them in helping us to achieve our goals. Some of the standout performances with the bat included:

- A blistering 154 not out by Dinesh Johnson against Dunstable
- A superb knock of 111 from Sunny Raval against Bentley Heath
- A hard fought 73 from myself vs Old Albanians
- A technically great 69 from Aryan Thaker vs Langleybury (A great talent coming through from the youth system at the club)
- A great innings of 47 not out by Shiban Sayed vs Boxmoor
- A hugely important knock from Tommy Smith against Harpenden (he had a great season)
- And great innings of 43 by Mushtaq Ahmed vs Totteridge
- A top hit of 43 by Mo Salahudeen against Harpenden

On the flip side all our bowlers, performed admirably with Shiban's 5-18 against Harpenden on the final day being the standout figures.

So once again I would like to thank every member of the squad and wish us well for the new challenge of 2023!

JAMES O'SULLIVAN

Division 8B - Saracens Herts League 2022

Team	P	W	D	T	L	NR	Bat	Bwl	Pen	Total
Mill Hill Village II	18	15	0	0	3	0	24	20	-5	489
Redbourn III	18	12	0	0	6	0	39	40	--	439
Bentley Heath II	18	11	0	0	7	0	43	47	--	420
Kings Langley II	18	11	0	0	7	0	44	38	-10	402
Harpenden IV	18	10	0	0	8	0	41	60	--	401
Old Albanian III	18	8	0	0	10	0	47	71	-5	353
Boxmoor II	18	8	0	0	9	1	33	62	--	345
Dunstable III	18	7	0	0	11	0	64	57	--	331
Totteridge Millhillians III	18	6	0	0	11	1	69	71	-5	325
Langleybury III	18	1	0	0	17	0	68	86	-30	154



**MHV 2nd XI LEAGUE AVERAGES -
2022 SEASON**

MHV SECOND XI LEAGUE								
Qualification = 5 Innings/50 runs								
Name	Inns	Not outs	Runs	High Score	100s	50s	Average	
Batting								
Sheron Vanarkadi	5	4	85	27*	0	0	85.00	
Sunny Raval	6	1	251	111	1	1	50.20	
Dinesh Johnson	11	2	387	154*	1	1	43.00	
Thomas Smith	6	2	154	48	0	0	38.50	
Shahme Farook	13	4	253	44	0	0	28.11	
Shiban Sayed	10	2	188	47*	0	0	23.50	
Aryan Thaker	9	0	181	69	0	1	20.11	
James O'Sullivan	6	0	114	73	0	1	19.00	
Farzan Dulker Nain	9	0	114	33	0	0	12.67	
Mohamed Salahudeen	11	1	109	43	0	0	10.90	
Inthikhab Mazeez	10	2	78	25	0	0	9.75	
Qualification = 5 wickets/20 overs								
Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Econ	SR	Avg
Bowling								
Shiban Sayed	58.3	6	202	28	5 for 18	3.45	12.54	7.21
Inthikhab Mazeez	104.1	20	306	25	3 for 13	2.94	25.00	12.24
Ronit Anand	23.0	1	102	8	3 for 28	4.43	17.25	12.75
James O'Sullivan	59.1	10	179	14	3 for 7	3.03	25.36	12.79
Hamdard Jan Temori	39.0	5	130	9	3 for 16	3.33	26.00	14.44
Sheron Vanarkadi	48.0	9	176	9	3 for 13	3.67	32.00	19.56
Darshan Raval	38.5	3	178	8	4 for 23	4.58	29.13	22.25
Thomas Smith	37.0	2	142	6	2 for 20	3.84	37.00	23.67
Neeraj Negi	23.0	5	94	5	3 for 26	4.09	27.60	18.80
Qualification = 4 catches								
Name	C	RO	ST					
Fielding								
Dinesh Johnson	15	1	2					
Farzan Dulker Nain	12	0	0					
James O'Sullivan	5	3	0					
Mohamed Salahudeen	5	0	0					
Shahme Farook	4	0	0					
Inthikhab Mazeez	4	0	0					
Shiban Sayed	4	0	0					

MHV 3rd ELEVEN 2022 SEASON REPORT

The 3rd XI enjoyed another winning season, finishing 3rd behind North Enfield IIs and Old Haberdashers 2nd XI without ever really threatening promotion. Having beaten Old Habs IIs both home and away and only losing to North Enfield on the last ball of the match, things could and possibly should have been a bit tighter for the run in. But after a very slow start, losing the first three games of the season, it was always going to be an uphill battle to get back in the promotion race. Defeats to lower league opposition, Botany Bay II, in Week 2, Potters Bar IV in Week 3, to Letchmore & then Parkfield both home and away, 7 defeats in total, was just too many. 11 wins was a good return though and it was very pleasing not to suffer any rain offs, or cancellations for other reasons across the season.

There were a couple of memorable games with last ball finishes. The victory at home to Letchmore was a real nail biter in front of quite a crowd, with all other teams having finished early and enjoying a pint in the sunshine. The Village were defending 216 and the opposition were always in the box seat chasing, particularly when set at 168-4 with 9 overs remaining. Every run counted and every catch, stop or misfield greeted with cheers or groans. For the 40th and final over, the skipper threw the ball to leg spinner Raj Bajaj for his first bowl for the match. The visitors needed 5 to tie and 6 to win. Raj bowled an unbelievably good over and went for only 3 runs from his first 5 balls. All results remained possible on the last ball of the match. Fielders were dispatched liberally to the boundary. Raj held his nerve and the win was secured. The match away against champions elect, North Enfield went the other way. Defending a slightly below par 192, wickets were picked up at crucial times to keep the Village in the frame. Nerves got the better of one or two of the home team as the overs ticked away. But in the end, North Enfield got over the line with a scrambled single off the last ball of their innings. Disappointment in the moment of course but there was plenty to be proud of in that performance and it was a thrilling game to look back on with fondness.

A total of 53 players were used across the 18 games, which seems surprisingly high. Although 30 of the 53, played either 1 or 2 league games only for the 3rd XI. Cameo appearances from old club stalwarts, Graham Burton and Andrew Brazill provided echoes of a bygone era in an away win at Potters Bar. There was a good mix of youth and experience across the team most weeks. Skipper Phil Smith led the way in terms of appearances and runs scored. 484 runs in 16 matches at an average of 30.25, with four 50s and a top score of 78, which was the highest individual contribution all year. There were higher averages out there though, in particular Mushtaq Ahmad. Mushy's 266 in just 6 knocks, at an average of 44, saw him attract the interest of the 2nd XI Captain and he played much of the season for the triumphant 2s. Alexander Subramaniam, Neeraj Negi, Hamdard Jan Temori and Bakhtiar Sahil also had their strong 3rd XI season figures curtailed by regular 'call ups' to higher sides. The evergreen Peter Jaffe, proved to be a solid opening partner for the skipper and contributed 289 runs in 12 matches. Bakhtiar Sahil's 224 runs in 8 games, came with a strike rate of 131. Always an entertaining watch, the team's focus is definitely on the middle and often the meadow beyond the boundary, when he is at the crease.

On the bowling front, wickets were shared around pretty liberally. Only 5 bowlers sent down more than 30 overs across the whole season. Andrew Godfrey picked up more wickets than anyone else, with 12, at an average of 22.83 and excellent economy rate of 3.4. Anand Verma took 10 wickets in half the number of overs (38.4). His strike rate of a wicket every 23.2 balls was impressive, as was his average of 14.3. Joe Sheridan was the only other bowler to reach double figure wickets. Hamdard Jan may have been the pick of the bowlers across the season. His tight opening spells brought pressure to bear, that paid dividends for other bowlers later in matches. Neeraj Negi was also solid and accurate. Both picked up 7 wickets at a very healthy economy rate. Club Juniors Jay Raja, also with 7 wickets at an average of 15.4 and strike rate of 18.7, Aryan Thaker, James Cater and Alexander Subramaniam all bowled very effectively when called upon, often at pressure times in games. The Captain was delighted to be able to rely on them on such occasions. They also brought much needed energy to the fielding unit. One boundary catch by Alex was on a par with anything seen in the IPL, as momentum forced him to step out, he coolly threw the ball back in field and then jumped back in to secure the catch again, before it bounced. Top work!

Zafar was his usual reliable self behind the sticks, standing up to most bowlers, whatever the pace. There may be some truth to the rumours that he can't see far enough to stand back any more. He and Pete Jaffe, who was invariably camped at first slip, led the catching stats with 6 apiece.

My thanks to all the players who contributed to a really enjoyable season in 2022 and particularly those who help out with all the many jobs that need doing to run a lower league side successfully, scoring, umpiring, pitch set up etc.

Special thanks are reserved for Pete Jaffe and his tireless efforts to keep the Club ship shape. The long hours he spends rolling the wickets go unappreciated by many but not by this grateful skipper.

For the 2023 season, the 3s have been moved across from Division 10 South to Division 10 East. At least half of last year's sides appear to have been moved too, so we will see some new and some familiar sides next year.

We look forward to another successful and most importantly enjoyable season for all!

PHIL SMITH

Division 10 South - Saracens Herts League 2022

Team	P	W	D	T	L	NR	Bat	Bwl	Pen	Total	Average
North Enfield II	18	15	0	0	3	0	18	15	--	483	26.8333
Old Haberdashers II	18	14	0	1	3	0	12	22	--	474	26.3333
Mill Hill Village III	18	11	0	0	7	0	39	40	--	409	22.7222
Old Elizabethans III	18	9	0	0	9	0	55	64	--	389	21.6111
Parkfield & Headstone II	18	10	0	0	8	0	44	49	-15	378	21
Botany Bay II	18	8	0	1	9	0	50	48	--	358	19.8889
Letchmore	18	7	0	0	11	0	62	42	--	314	17.4444
Holtwhites Trinibis III	17	5	0	0	12	0	70	75	--	295	17.3529
Potters Bar IV	18	7	0	0	11	0	46	45	--	301	16.7222
Southgate Adelaide III	18	2	0	0	16	0	62	104	-5	221	12.2778



MHV 3rd XI LEAGUE AVERAGES - 2022 SEASON

MHV THIRD XI LEAGUE								
Qualification = 5 Innings/50 runs								
Name	Inns	Not outs	Runs	High Score	100s	50s	Average	
Batting								
Mushtaq Ahmad	6	0	266	64	0	3	44.33	
Bakhtiar Sahil	8	1	224	64	0	0	32.00	
Philip Smith	16	0	484	78	0	4	30.25	
Peter Jaffe	12	0	289	72	0	2	24.08	
Neeraj Negi	7	1	99	32	0	0	16.50	
Zafar Basit	12	2	143	37	0	0	14.30	
David Flavell	5	0	58	22	0	0	11.60	
Jay Raja	7	0	74	23	0	0	10.57	
Anand Verma	7	1	55	18	0	0	9.17	
Joe Sheridan	13	2	72	13	0	0	6.55	
Qualification = 5 wickets/20 overs								
Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Econ	SR	Avge
Bowling								
Anand Verma	38.4	2	143	10	3 for 17	3.70	23.20	14.30
Jay Raja	21.5	2	108	7	4 for 28	4.95	18.71	15.43
Sharjeel Suleman	26.3	3	111	6	2 for 27	4.19	26.50	18.50
Neeraj Negi	39.0	2	146	7	3 for 33	3.74	33.43	20.86
Andrew Godfrey	80.3	9	274	12	2 for 24	3.40	40.25	22.83
James Cater	29.0	3	150	6	2 for 34	5.17	29.00	25.00
Hamdard Jan Temori	63.0	6	229	7	2 for 24	3.63	54.00	32.71
Joe Sheridan	88.4	4	356	10	3 for 26	4.02	53.20	35.60
Qualification = 3 catches								
Fielding								
Name	C	RO	ST					
Zafar Basit	6	0	1					
Peter Jaffe	6	0	0					
Bakhtiar Sahil	5	0	0					
Phil Smith	4	0	0					
Alexander Subramaniam	4	1	0					
Mushtaq Ahmad	3	1	0					
Ronit Anand	3	0	0					

MHV 4th ELEVEN 2022 SEASON REPORT

2022 will always be remembered as a glorious cricketing summer because of the weather and the number of games that were able to be played on beautiful, flat, wickets. Glance at the Division 12 East league table for the MHVCC 4th team, you would be forgiven for thinking that there has been no improvement from the 2021 season. The 4th team ended in 5th place, like in 2021; with 206 points (after 20 points deducted for concession) compared to 210 points in 2021. Look deeper, and there is an obvious improvement and strength and depth, thanks in no small part to the new members who have become permanent fixtures in the batting line-up. Usman, Ken, Faraz and Zaheer joined the club in May, and immediately brought aggression, big hitting, lots of runs and lots of entertainment to the side. Another new player to the club, Agha Shahmir, caused tremendous excitement and joy on his bowling debut with pace and hostility towards the end of the season, helping the side with some important wins, and included an astonishing bowling performance of 7-2-5-5 in one match.

With Piers, David Hickey, Denis and other club regulars also in the mix, and Denis especially showing his potential as an opening batsman for the long term, the batting side of the 4th team looks promising. The 2021 report highlighted our regular inability to score big runs and bat out 40 overs – that changed in 2022. In 2021, the 4th team managed only 4 scores over 150, and batted 40 overs twice; in 2022, there were 10 scores over 150, and we batted all 40 overs 8 times! Unfortunately, we were not able to call on the bowling resources available to us in 2021 to the same extent (with Aryan, deservedly, making an impact in the 2nd XI). If we can get the balance right, combine our attacking batting resources with the right bowling combinations, and if I can learn to be more ‘defensive’ as a captain in the field, the 4th team can look for promotion in 2023.

Ken Shakoor topped the batting charts, and Agha blew away the opposition batsmen, and the stumps, on a few occasions to become top wicket-taker in only 4 matches(!), but Faraz Ahmad deservedly walked away with the player of the season award. With 285 runs (only 7 behind Ken), a bowling average of 14 and important catches to his name,

The league has re-organised the lower divisions, and the 4th team now find themselves in Division 11 E, with 9 teams. This means a shorter, 16 game season, but does also mean fewer trips into Essex. There are still some familiar faces, but also some new teams against which to test our progress.

I have to give a special mention to a few people. Once again, Phil Smith has taken so much time out during the season to support the 4th team, helping to find players so we can put out a side; Pete Jaffe will always have our warmest thanks and respect, from everybody, for producing pitches of such good quality despite the scorching weather making it very challenging to keep the wickets intact and stopping the slimmer players from falling through a crack into the Earth’s mantle; Vamsi took over the reins of captaincy on days when I was away; and the parents of the youth players deserve our thanks and respect for supporting the 4th team with their time, transportation when needed, especially on the longer trips, scoring, and creating a wonderful and friendly gameday experience.

PRYANK PATEL

Division 12 East - Saracens Herts League 2022

Team	P	W	D	T	L	NR	Bat	Bwl	Pen	Total	Average
Southgate Compton II	14	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	--	420	30
North Mymms III	13	8	0	0	4	1	15	23	-5	283	21.7692
Holtwhite Trinibis IV	15	5	0	0	9	1	47	76	--	283	18.8667
Cheshunt Rosedale IV	11	4	0	0	7	0	33	33	-5	181	16.4545
Old Minchendenians III	14	5	0	0	8	1	34	29	-5	218	15.5714
Mill Hill Village IV	14	5	0	0	9	0	42	34	-20	206	14.7143
St Margaretsbury IV	14	3	0	0	11	0	47	25	-40	122	8.7143
Hatfield Hyde IV	14	3	0	0	10	1	24	31	-55	100	7.1429
Broxbourne V	14	2	0	0	12	0	2	12	-100	-26	-1.8571



MHV 4th XI LEAGUE AVERAGES - 2022 SEASON

MHV FOURTH XI LEAGUE								
Qualification = 3 Innings/35 runs								
Name	Inns	Not outs	Runs	High Score	100s	50s	Average	
Batting								
David Tyrrell	3	2	55	40*	0	0	55.00	
Ken Shakoor	9	1	292	57	0	1	36.50	
David Hickey	3	0	94	48	0	0	31.33	
Faraz Ahmad	10	0	285	69	0	3	28.50	
Piers Jenkins	4	0	86	41	0	0	21.50	
Pryank Patel	10	3	139	38*	0	0	19.86	
Usman Humayun	7	0	127	60	0	1	18.14	
Denis Babnic	8	0	135	39	0	0	16.88	
Zaheer Hanif	9	1	108	43	0	0	13.50	
Vamsi Sukhavasi	7	1	68	27	0	0	11.33	
Qualification = 3 wickets/12 overs								
Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Econ	SR	Avg
Bowling								
Agha Shahmir	28.0	3	86	13	5 for 5	3.07	12.92	6.62
Faraz Ahmad	34.3	0	140	10	3 for 23	4.06	20.70	14.00
Ahmad Afzal	19.0	1	75	5	4 for 29	3.95	22.80	15.00
Kaneel Mathurata	30.4	0	121	7	5 for 35	3.95	26.29	17.29
Pryank Patel	54.1	2	217	12	3 for 7	4.01	27.08	18.08
James Cater	14.4	1	61	3	2 for 40	4.16	29.33	20.33
Vamsi Sukhavasi	51.0	4	240	8	3 for 31	4.71	38.25	30.00
Dave Knight	37.1	0	185	5	2 for 33	4.98	44.60	37.00
Qualification = 2 catches								
Fielding								
Name	C	RO	ST					
Faraz Ahmad	5	1	0					
Zaheer Hanif	5	0	0					
Nick Demarco	4	0	1					
Dave Knight	4	0	0					
Pryank Patel	3	0	0					
David Hickey	2	0	0					
Ken Shakoor	2	0	0					
Michael Subramaniam	2	0	1					

MHV Players of the Season, Top Run Scorers & Wicket Takers, and Top Catchers

1st XI

Player of the Season – Daniel Potter

Top Run Scorer - Daniel Potter - 505 Runs

Top Wicket Taker – Ali Javed & Obaid Ur Rehman - 24 Wickets

Top Catcher – James Thompson – 23 catches

2nd XI

Player of the Season – Shibban Sayed

Top Run Scorer – Dinesh Johnson - 387 Runs

Top Wicket Taker – Shibban Sayed - 28 Wickets

Top Catcher – Dinesh Johnson – 15 catches

3rd XI

Player of the Season – Philip Smith

Top Run Scorer – Philip Smith - 484 Runs

Top Wicket Taker – Andrew Godfrey - 12 Wickets

Top Catcher – Zafar Basit & Peter Jaffe – 6 catches

4th XI

Player of the Season – Faraz Ahmad

Top Run Scorer - Ken Shakoor - 292 Runs

Top Wicket Taker – Agha Shahmir - 13 Wickets

Top Catcher – Faraz Ahmad & Zaheer Hanif – 5 catches

The Board 2022

Dropped Catches

Name	Drops	Name	Drops
Z. Basit	7	M. Salahudeen	2
A. Godfrey	6	A. Subramaniam	2
D. Potter	6	A. Thaker	2
S. Farook	5	O. Ur-Rehman	2
P. Garg	4	F. Ahmad	1
D. Hickey	4	Mo. Ahmed	1
P. Jaffe	4	Z. Ali	1
D. Johnson	4	J Anand	1
P. Patel	4	H. Ather	1
S. Shah	4	L. Bird	1
P. Smith	4	A. Brazill	1
J. Thompson	4	M. Cara	1
R. Anand	3	A. Chadha	1
N. Asif	3	Z. Demetriades	1
F. Dulker Nain	3	A. Herskon	1
Z. Hanif	3	U. Humayun	1
A. Javed	3	A. Khan	1
I. Mazeez	3	K. Mathurata	1
J. Rajput	3	N. Negi	1
R. Raman	3	D. Overton	1
B. Sahil	3	D. Raval	1
T. Smith	3	D. Ray	1
Vamsi Sukhavasi	3	S. Sayed	1
M. Ahmed	2	S. Seem	1
M. Asif	2	F. Singh	1
H. Jan Temori	2	M. Subramaniam	1
D. Knight	2	D. Tyrrell	1
J. O'Sullivan	2	A. Verma	1
S. Patel	2	W. Wyatt	1
A. Potter	2		
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Catches

Name	Catches	Name	Catches
J. Thompson	23	S. Raval	3
D. Johnson	18	M. Asif	2
F. Dulker Nain	12	A. Godfrey	2
D. Potter	12	A. Herskon	2
B. Sahil	7	D. Hickey	2
A. Subramaniam	7	H. Jan Temori	2
O. Ur-Rehman	7	P. Jenkins	2
Z. Basit	6	J. Raja	2
P. Jaffe	6	J. Sheridan	2
J. Samarasinghe	6	K. Shakoor	2
F. Ahmad	5	M. Subramaniam	2
R. Anand	5	A. Thaker	2
M. Cara	5	S. Vanarkadi	2
D. Flavell	5	W. Wyatt	2
Z. Hanif	5	Mo. Ahmad	1
J. O'Sullivan	5	N. Asif	1
M. Salahudeen	5	R. Bajaj	1
A. Chadha	4	G. Burton	1
N. Demarco	4	J. Cater	1
S. Farook	4	A. Dullah	1
A. Khan	4	M. Hawkes	1
D. Knight	4	U. Humayun	1
I. Mazeez	4	A. Javed	1
N. Negi	4	T. Mahmood	1
P. Patel	4	H. Mistry	1
A. Potter	4	D. Raval	1
J. Rajput	4	S. Seem	1
S. Sayed	4	A. Shahmir	1
P. Smith	4	Vam Sukhavasi	1
T. Smith	4	Van Sukhavasi	1
Mushtaq Ahmad	3	D. Tyrrell	1
P. Garg	3	C. Venkataramani	1
R. Raman	3		
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Run Outs & Stumpings

Run Outs

Name	Run Outs	Name	Run Outs
J. O'Sullivan	3	D. Jain	1
A. Verma	3	D. Johnson	1
M. Ahmed	2	N. Negi	1
S. Vanarkadi	2	D. Potter	1
F. Ahmad	1	J. Raja	1
H. Ather	1	R. Raman	1
G. Bhatia	1	B. Sahil	1
A. Brazill	1	T. Smith	1
G. Burton	1	A. Subramaniam	1
M. Cara	1	V. Sukhavasi	1
P. Garg	1		
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Stumpings

Name	Stumpings
D. Johnson	2
Z. Basit	1
N. Demarco	1
M. Subramaniam	1
J. Thompson	1
	6

5 Wickets, 100's & 100 Partnership's

5 Wickets

Name	5 Wickets
A. Shahmir	5 for 5
S. Sayed	5 for 18
K. Mathurata	5 for 35
A. Javed	5 for 36
	4

100's

Name	100's
D. Johnson	154*
S. Raval	111
	2

100 Partnerships

Names	Partnership
D. Johnson & S. Farook	191*
D. Potter & J. Samarasinghe	136*
K. Shakoor & F. Ahmad	130
P. Jenkins & U. Humayun	125
S. Raval & P. Jenkins	123
T. Smith & S. Raval	123
D. Potter & R. Raman	111
L. Bird & B. Sahil	102
B. Sahil & Z. Basit	101
M. Cara & J. Thompson	100
	10

50's

Name	50's
D. Potter	85*, 55, 81, 76, 51
P. Smith	78, 69, 73, 50
F. Ahmad	64, 68, 69
M. Ahmed	56, 64, 52
P. Jaffe	55, 72
B. Sahil	51, 64
S. Raval	75*
J. O'Sullivan	73
M. Hawkes	71*
D. Johnson	71*
R. Sharma	70*
A. Thaker	69
J. Thompson	68*
M. Cara	61*
U. Humayun	60
S. Shah	59*
K. Shakoor	57
N. Asif	56
D. Flavell	53*
O. Ur-Rehman	51
F. Singh	50
	34

Ducks

Name	Ducks	Name	Ducks
F. Dulker Nain	3	D. Flavell	1
B. Sahil	3	Z. Hanif	1
S. Suleman	3	M. Jan	1
F. Ahmad	2	L. Jackson	1
A. Chadha	2	P. Jenkins	1
U. Humayan	2	D. Johnson	1
P. Jaffe	2	A. Khan	1
K. Mathurata	2	K. Makopa	1
N. Negi	2	J. O'Sullivan	1
J. Rajput	2	D. Overton	1
T. Smith	2	D. Patel	1
A. Subramaniam	2	A. Potter	1
A. Thaker	2	D. Potter	1
O. Ur-Rehman	2	S. Pandey	1
R. Verma	2	R. Raman	1
M. Asif	1	S. Raval	1
N. Asif	1	M. Salahudeen	1
H. Ather	1	J. Samarasinghe	1
Z. Basit	1	R. Sharma	1
J. Cater	1	J. Sheridan	1
J. Cooper	1	V. Sukhavasi	1
N. Demarco	1	A. Verma	1
S. Farook	1	W. Wyatt	1
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(ECB Level 1)

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Juniors Fixtures 2023

Home Fixtures in **bold** type

Under 10s – Cup Only

May

Wednesday 24th **Southgate Adelaide** **6.00pm**

Under 11s A - Division 1

April

Wednesday 26th Winchmore Hill A 6.00pm

May

Thursday 4th **Totteridge Millhillians** **6.00pm**

Thursday 11th **Holtwhites Trinibis A** **6.00pm**

Monday 22nd Potters Bar (Cup) 6.00pm

Thursday 25th Old Elizabethans 6.00pm

Tuesday 30th **Winchmore Hill A **6.00pm****

June

Thursday 8th Totteridge Millhillians 6.00pm

Monday 12th Holtwhites Trinibis A 6.00pm

Tuesday 27th **Old Elizabethans **6.00pm****

Under 11s B - Division 2

April

Tuesday 25th Botany Bay 6.00pm

May

Tuesday 2nd Southgate Adelaide 6.00pm

Wednesday 10th Southgate Compton 6.00pm

Wednesday 17th Potters Bar 6.00pm

Sunday 28th Winchmore Hill B 10.00am

June

Sunday 4th Botany Bay 10.00am

Tuesday 6th Southgate Adelaide 6.00pm

Sunday 18th Southgate Compton 10.00am

Thursday 22nd Potters Bar 6.00pm

Monday 26th Winchmore Hill B 6.00pm

Under 13s - Division 1

April

Thursday 27th Totteridge Millhillians 6.00pm

May

Tuesday 2nd Old Elizabethans A 6.00pm

Tuesday 9th Winchmore Hill A 6.00pm

Wednesday 17th Holtwhites Trinibis 6.00pm

Tuesday 30th London Maccabi Vale 6.00pm

June

Thursday 1st Totteridge Millhillians 6.00pm

Sunday 11th Old Elizabethans A 10.00am

Sunday 18th Winchmore Hill A 10.00am

Wednesday 21st Holtwhites Trinibis 6.00pm

Thursday 29th London Maccabi Vale 6.00pm

Under 15s - Division 2

April

Wednesday 26th Old Elizabethans 6.00pm

May

Thursday 4th Southgate Compton 6.00pm

Sunday 21st Southgate 10.00am

Tuesday 23rd Potters Bar 6.00pm

Monday 29th Old Elizabethans 6.00pm

June

Friday 9th Southgate Compton 6.00pm

Friday 23rd Southgate 6.00pm

Monday 26th Potters Bar 6.00pm

Under 17s

April

Thursday 20th Enfield 6.00pm

Wednesday 26th Totteridge Millhillians 6.00pm

Friday 28th Winchmore Hill 6.00pm

June

Wednesday 21st Southgate 6.00pm

Friday 23rd Holtwhites Trinibis 6.00pm

Tuesday 27th Cockfosters 6.00pm

Friday 30th Potters Bar 6.00pm

MILL HILL VILLAGE JUNIORS REPORT FOR 2022

The 2022 season was another excellent one for Junior Cricket at Mill Hill Village CC. Much progress has been made in recent years to grow and improve the section. Two new teams were added to the fold, with an Under 11s B team making a very welcome first ever appearance and the Under 17s being restored after a many year absence.

The U17s re-introduction came about as a result of the excellent crop of youngsters who have progressed through the Club's Junior age group ranks in recent years and was driven and subsequently managed by Andrew Subramaniam, whose assistance has been absolutely invaluable this year. The lads made a very impressive impact on the league, finishing in second place with four wins and two losses. The defeats were both close games, which in truth they could and possibly should have won. The U17s also entered the Middlesex Youth Cup and played a couple of games against Hornsey CC and Highgate CC, sides from outside of the usual MJCA North Area region, which was a good experience. Unfortunately, the boys lost the Area Cup final to Winchmore Hill CC in a close fought contest, so it was a case of what might have been this year. Jay Raja excelled with the bat, 245 runs at an average of 35, and won the Player of the Season trophy. Hamish Mistry was the leading wicket taker with 11 at an average of 10.82.

NORTH AREA U17 DIV A - 2022.

Middlesex Junior Cricket Association

SHARE  

POS	TEAM	P	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	BP	Pen	Pts
1	Old Elmsbethans CC, Herts - Under 17	6	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102
2	Mill Hill Village CC - Under 17	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	90
3	Winchmore Hill CC, Middlesex - Under 17	6	3	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	84
4	Southgate CC - Under 17	6	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	74
5	Holford Heath Trinitians CC - Under 17	6	1	4	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	52
6	Tottenham Mill Hillians CC - Under 17	6	2	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	45
7	Potters Bar CC - Under 17	6	0	3	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	15

p - Played, w - Won (7), l - Lost (2), c - Cancelled (8), a - Abandoned (8), lcn - Team Conceded (0), wcn - Opposition Conceded (7), t - Tied (10), BP - Bonus Points, Pen - Penalty Points, Pts - Points

The Under 15s, also well managed by Andrew Subramaniam, competed in Division 2 of 3 but suffered the agony of missing out on promotion to the top flight by a single bonus point, despite losing only one league game all season. It just shows the importance of bonus points and fighting for every run and every wicket, even when the contests are seemingly over on the day. Aryan Thaker dominated with the bat, 272 runs at 45.55 average and contributed significantly with the ball too, so deservedly picked up the U15s Player of the Season award. He is making excellent progress in Adult cricket too, having been elevated to the 2nd XI and already becoming a consistent performer at this level. It won't be long before he starts attracting the 1st XI skipper's attention. Vansh Choubey took most wickets with a best of 3 for 12.

NORTH AREA U15 DIV 2 - 2022.

Middlesex Junior Cricket Association

SHARE  

POS	TEAM	P	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	BP	Pen	Pts
1	London Maccabi Vale CC - Under 15	8	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	7	0	125
2	Mill Hill Village CC - Under 15	8	5	1	0	2	0	0	0	6	0	124
3	Southgate CC - Under 15	7	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	14	0	76
4	Southgate Adelaide CC - Under 15	7	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	72
5	Southgate Compton CC - Under 15	8	1	5	1	1	0	0	0	23	0	69

p - Played, w - Won (20), l - Lost (2), c - Cancelled (5), a - Abandoned (6), lcn - Team Conceded (0), wcn - Opposition Conceded (20), t - Tied (10), BP - Bonus Points, Pen - Penalty Points, Pts - Points

The Under 13s are already in Division 1 and were therefore playing against the A teams of all the top Clubs in the area. They finished a very creditable 3rd, behind Totteridge Millhillians CC and Winchmore Hill CC. They also reached the Area Cup final but lost out to Winchmore Hill's U13s A team in this one. Hasan Ather has developed into a fine young cricketer and put in some really strong performances with both bat and ball, to pick up the U13s Player of the Season award. We hope and expect that he will continue to develop into an even more consistent performer in the years to come. Vamsi came in as Coach to the U13s squad and did a splendid job. We look forward to his continued talent nurturing with the U15s in 2023.

NORTH AREA U13 DIV 1 - 2022.

Middlesex Junior Cricket Association

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POS	TEAM	P	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	Pen	Pts
1	Totteridge Millhillians CC - Under 13	8	6	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	56
2	Winchmore Hill CC, Middlesex - Under 13	8	6	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	56
3	Mill Hill Village CC - Under 13	8	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	44
4	Old Eliza Bathans CC, Herts - Under 13	8	2	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	34
5	Holtwicks-Totnis CC - Under 13	8	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	24

p - Played, w - Won (10), l - Lost (7), c - Cancelled (4), a - Abandoned (4), lcn - Team Conceded (0), wcn - Opposition Conceded (10), t - Tied (5), Pen - Penalty Points, Pts - Points

As a result of the excellent numbers at the base of the Junior pyramid, we were able to field two teams at Under 11 level for the first time ever. The contrast in results between the two teams could not be more stark. The A team competed in Division 1 but found life very tough and didn't manage to win any games, despite competing well in many of them. The majority of the A team are actually Under 10s, so many of the same players will have the chance to bounce back next season, when they are competing at their peak in this age group. The B team on the other hand lost only one game in 12, as they cruised to the

Division 3 title. Congratulations to the youngsters, both boys and girls, for performing superbly throughout the season. The U11s Player of the season award went to Isaac Bell. Among a really strong crop of U11s and some excellent individual performances from many, Isaac's batting and wicket keeping stood out. He turned around a couple of matches single-handedly in the early part of the year.

NORTH AREA U11 DIV 1 - 2022.

Middlesex Junior Cricket Association

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POS	TEAM	P	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	Pen	Pts
1	Witchmore Hill CC, Middlesex - Under 11A	8	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	72
2	Holtwellhoe-Trinobis CC - Under 11A	8	5	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	64
3	Old Elizabethans CC, Herts - Under 11	8	4	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	46
4	Totteridge Mill-Hillians CC - Under 11A	8	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
5	Mill Hill Village CC - Under 11	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	16

p - Played, w - Won (10), l - Lost (2), c - Cancelled (4), a - Abandoned (4), lcn - Team Conceded (0), wcn - Opposition Conceded (10), t - Tied (5), Pen - Penalty Points, Pts - Points

The U11 A's will compete in Division 1 in 2023 and the U11Bs will compete in Division 2, so it will be an even bigger challenge this season.

NORTH AREA U11 DIV 3 - 2022.

Middlesex Junior Cricket Association

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POS	TEAM	P	w	l	c	a	lcn	wcn	t	Pen	Pts
1	Mill Hill Village CC - Under 11 B	12	9	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	106
2	Witchmore Hill CC, Middlesex - Under 11 C	12	8	3	0	1	0	3	0	0	90
3	London Maccabi Vale CC - Under 11	12	5	5	1	1	0	1	0	0	50
4	Holtwellhoe-Trinobis CC - Under 11 B	12	5	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	50
5	Southgate Adelalids CC - Under 11 B	12	4	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	44
6	Enfield CC, Middlesex - Under 11	12	2	6	2	1	1	2	0	0	34
7	Southgate CC - Under 11	12	1	7	1	1	2	3	0	0	32

p - Played, w - Won (10), l - Lost (2), c - Cancelled (4), a - Abandoned (4), lcn - Team Conceded (0), wcn - Opposition Conceded (10), t - Tied (5), Pen - Penalty Points, Pts - Points

The Under 10s are only able to enter a Cup competition but they were successful in this and progressed to the regional Stages of the Gubby Allen trophy, eventually losing out to a very strong Richmond U10s side. Not a surprise or disgrace, given that Richmond are one of the biggest Clubs in the country, fielding three or more teams at every age group

Our Girls team, which was fielded in partnership with Old Elizabethans CC U13s Girls have also done superbly, winning the majority of their games. A delight to see!

The Phil Smith award was won by Isa Khan for demonstrating consistently excellent sportsmanship in every match he played. It is the sort of behaviour we wish to encourage among our Juniors.

My heartfelt thanks go to all the coaches, coaching assistants and parental support that I receive throughout the season, on match days and particularly at the Friday evening training sessions.

The success and growth of the Juniors is great but means that more and more support is needed with coaching, scoring, umpiring, match day assistance, bartending, administration etc.

There are many ways to help, so please do volunteer your services. We will find a suitable outlet for your skills and services and you may even have some fun along the way.

My wife, Mel is deserving of the highest praise of all of course. Her duties include Junior membership, enrolment, registration, payment, clothing coordinator, bartender, refreshments, the list is endless.

Her kindness, patience and forbearance are beyond measure. Feel free to offer her a helping hand whenever you get a chance.

We look forward with optimism, to another successful but more importantly fun season of Junior Cricket at MHVCC

Phil Smith

Outdoor juniors training sessions runs from 6.30pm to 8.30pm (light permitting) on Friday evenings, commencing on April 20th and concluding on July 7th.

If it is wet the training is likely to be cancelled so please check with the coaches as early as possible. Arrangements should be made for your child to travel to and from training sessions and matches. We would appreciate it if children can arrive promptly and are collected promptly at the end of the session, if they are not making their own way home. If you are going to be late picking up your child, please contact Richard Downes on 07736052012 or Philip Smith on 07976 297721 and let them know.

Please complete and hand back the Junior Membership form and read this and your introductory letter carefully, as they spell out our commitment to the development of young cricketers and your role and responsibilities in ensuring that this can happen successfully.



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NOTICE TO PLAYERS

Selection of teams takes place early in the week during the cricket season.
It is up to all players to make their availability known to the Team Captains.

If you have not heard about your game but wish to play, ring a Captain and ask, don't wait for the Club to call you.

Selected players wishing to drop out of a side, must do so before 9.00pm on Thursday and should contact their Captain as early as possible.

Players should arrive at the ground **at least 30 minutes** before the scheduled start of play.

It is each player's responsibility to ascertain whether or not a game is cancelled due to bad weather. Please phone the Team Captain. You must never assume that a match is called off

Disciplinary action, in accordance with the Cricket Committee's Terms of Reference, may be taken in such circumstances.

All players please note that the usual meeting place for away matches will be outside the Adam and Eve Public House unless otherwise advised. Please be at the meet on time for all away matches.

CAN YOU HELP?

Any parent or players who can assist with coaching our many Colts cricketers on a Friday evening, or who would be happy to help transport the teams to away matches, please contact the appropriate team coach. It would be very much appreciated.

There are recognised coaching courses available to suit all levels from helpers through to senior coaches – if you are interested in attending a course please contact Phil or Richard for details.



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