

Cricket at Cublington



Exciting news for all members, young and old.

Issue 2 - News from Cublington Cricket Club



The 2016 season is nearly upon us. Nets are in full swing, the mower blades are being sharpened, the worm-repressant has been sprayed and this second newsletter keeps you up-to-date with cricketing and social plans for the season at Cublington CC, read on...

Youth Cricket

Plans are well underway to ensure an exciting season for our Junior members. A recent survey of parents emphasised the importance of competitive cricket for our younger players. We have responded and can confirm that 54 Junior 20/20 fixtures have been finalised for our Under 9,10,11,12,13 and 15's and in addition there will be Cup competitions at Under 11, 13 and 15 and a 35 over Sunday League for U15's.

Full details will be available shortly on our web site. A full fixture list will also be circulated to all members in April.

Winter Nets continue at Cottesloe School on Sundays until 17th April (excl 27th March), 5.00-8.00pm. Outdoor training for new Juniors will be on Friday evenings starting 22nd April with Junior Squad Coaching on Sunday mornings from 24th April.

Meet our Junior Coaching team...



Gordon Sparke
U11 Coach
ECB level 2
Head of Youth Cricket



Alan Hardings
U12 Coach
ECB level 2



Stuart Bridgen
U15 Coach
ACB level 1
Head Coach



Charlie Perkin
U13 Coach
ECB level 1



Steve Bullock
U10's Coach
ECB level 1



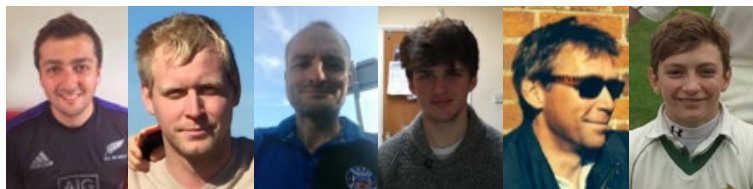
Martin Middleton
U9 Coach
ECB level 1



Catherine Rodnight
Manager of Girls and Womens cricket



Steve George
Ladies Coach
ECB level 3
Head of Cricket



Captains for 2016

Will Rodnight has stepped up to the plate as the club's 2016 1st XI skipper and together with his Vice Captain, **Sam George** they are looking forward to a competitive and enjoyable season.

Paul China will lead and manage the 2nd XI, an eclectic mix of seasoned veterans and promising youngsters. And we are delighted one of those youngsters, **Declan Carroll** having come through the Junior ranks will be Paul's Vice Captain.

On Sundays the dynamic duo of **Tom Gadsby** (Captain) and **Adam Farr** (Vice captain) will lead our troops against friendly opposition!

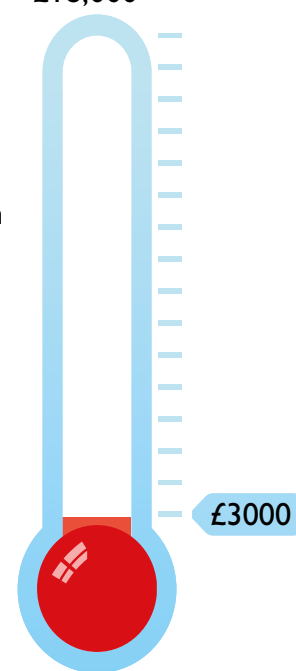
Tom Carter skippers the U15's.

New net – fundraising

£18000 for a new outdoor net (gulp!)

TARGET
£18,000

Yes that's how much it costs to create a great new facility. It won't have escaped the notice of existing club members that the two old nets are in an irreparable state, so we are going to demolish them to create a great spot for the square covers and build a new net next to the remaining net. The fund raising has already started as well as applications to all sorts of grant bodies who may be able to help. You can help by supporting the programme of social events we have planned this season ("see dates for your calendar") and we never want to dissuade donations being made which the club will always graciously accept towards this project.



Girls and Womens cricket... is happening near you!

The first recorded Women's cricket match was in 1745! Over 250 years later, Women's cricket has experienced unprecedented success, particularly during the last decade. The successful Women's England team has captured the imagination of a whole generation of girls. **Cublington CC is launching cricket for girls and women in 2016** so why not give it a try?

We are inviting girls aged 8-18 and Women of any age to come and join us. Regular Friday night 'beginners' training and coaching sessions start on 22 April (6.30pm) and run through till the end of July. You can bring a friend, your sister, your Mum, your Auntie or even your Granny!!

So, whether you are interested in being part of this initiative as a player or coach or supporter, please contact **Gordon** on 07968182020 g.sparke@btinternet.com, or **Catherine Rodnight** on 07941172118 or mrsrodders@yahoo.co.uk



Girls Cricket!

The 22nd of April is the start of Girls and Ladies cricket at Cublington! This is a really important development for the Club which we have advertised across the local media. As well as coaching and training for girls and ladies, we welcome all new junior members including those that come to CCC through the Chance 2 Shine initiative in local schools, on Friday evenings at 6.30pm. After the coaching we will light the BBQ each week. Existing members are encouraged to come along either to assist with the training or just to socialise. As the female cricket develops we will have lots of opportunities to play matches against other clubs that have girls and ladies sections.

CCC Golf Day

We are holding the first ever CCC golf day at AVGC on Bank Holiday Monday 30 May starting at 12.30. Places are limited so please apply as soon as possible to Tom Gadsby (01296 680452 or tom.gadsby@icloud.com). The cost is £24 for non members of AVGC (£4 for members), £10 for juniors (under 18) and £2 for junior members. We will retire to the Unicorn for prize-giving (senior longest drive and senior and junior nearest the pin competitions) and refreshments (at your expense).



Cublington Cricket Club



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Have a look at the NEW Club website!

The decision was made during the winter to migrate from our old website to the widely used PITCHERO format. It is still a work in progress, but the site (which can still be accessed through our address www.cublingtoncc.org) already looks great. You will need to log in to become a member, so this is what you do:

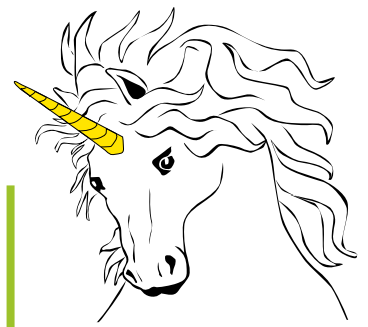
Go to cublingtoncc.org,
click green button on top bar,
'JOIN MY CLUB WEBSITE'
Sign up with email
Add name
Add password, add telephone
Click 'I'm not a robot'
Register

Next page is what are you?
tick member and player

Fill in other relevant info on Next page
Click Complete Registration

Then have a browse, you can see results, look at fixtures, pay your subs, post your availability and much more.

The first 3 Juniors to let me know what subscription rates I should pay, as a junior, if I pay on 30 March or 8th April, and how many runs Pip Webb scored for our 1st XI on July 18, 2015, will receive a free 30 Minute coaching session at a mutually convenient time. Answers to george.stephen@mac.com by April 9th



PROUD CCC SPONSOR

Race Night at the Unicorn, Friday 8th April

Become a racehorse owner for the night, sponsor a race, have a bet and cheer your horse home. All welcome to join in the fun and all in support of Cublington Cricket Club. The first race starts at 7.30pm.

July 22nd Marquee event at The Unicorn

A great night for families, juniors and seniors! Fancy Kangaroo Boxing? Just one of the fun events happening at this fancy dress, Empire-themed celebration in honour of the Queen's birthday!



Hello to Michelle Nicholas

Michelle has kindly agreed taken on the important position of Child Welfare Officer for the Club. Michelle has experience in this role, holding the same position for a Junior Football Club in Leighton Buzzard. As a very supportive parent of one of our UIs, Michelle will bring great expertise to this crucial safeguarding role.



Orchard Ground 100 Club, teas and Community

Orchard ground is the home of Cublington Cricket and we use The Biggs Pavilion for our changing rooms, refreshments and of course the scoreboard. Keeping the pavilion in good condition is largely down to members during the season and we do our best to cherish this great facility. However there is always maintenance work to do and costs associated with any building. This is why, some years ago, we decided to make an additional contribution through the Orchard Ground 100 Club. Each individual or family membership contributes £12 (part of your annual subscription) to the 100 Club and all members are included in 10, monthly draws. Last year 13 Club members won a total of £440 with prizes between £20 and £50. Whilst it's always nice to win a cash prize, we and the whole community wins, through helping to finance this great asset. Talking of community, DID YOU KNOW that we pay the ladies, who kindly give up their time to serve our HOME teas at weekends. They in turn donate this money to The Friends of St Nicholas Church. A win-win for all involved. If you know anyone who would be prepared to take a turn on the tea-rota please let Gina Reilly know on 01296 681328.

Silly Point column

- Do you have any keys to the pavilion or shed? If so please email George.stephen@mac.com with details of which keys you have so we can carry out an inventory
- Do you have any Senior or Junior scorebooks from previous seasons. We are trying to create an archive, so please pop them into The Unicorn marked for Attn. of Steve George
- We have been awarded an EWCT grant of £1000 towards a new Waterhog and covers for the bowlers run-ups!
- The AGM will be held at The Biggs Pavilion on Saturday 9th April after the senior players meeting which starts at 9am and before the Groundforce day, which starts at 10am...bacon rolls and tea will be provided! Please let our Chairman, Michael Reilly know if you CANNOT attend at mtcreilly@aol.com

Dates for your calendar

Below you will see we have listened to feedback from Junior and Senior members and in particular the desire to have more social activity in the club. Put the dates in your diaries!

3 April 4-hour 'Get In The Game' for anyone interested in being involved in the Club in any capacity. Course delivered by the County Cricket Board (9-1pm). Contact Steve George to register for this FREE session.

Fri 8 April Pre-season Social and Race Night for all members at The Unicorn

Sat 9 April Senior Players meeting at 9am all juniors who will be playing for senior teams are invited...followed by.....

Sat 9 April Groundforce day...
Rallying call to all members to spare an hour or two to spruce up the facilities (10-1pm)

Feb/Mar/Apr Senior nets at Cottesloe on Wednesdays, 8.30-10pm – finishes 13 April

Feb/Mar/Apr Junior nets at Cottesloe on Sundays (exc 27/3) 5-8pm – finishes 17 April

Tues 19 April First Senior outdoor training 6.30 and thereafter throughout the season

Fri 22 April First girls, women and new junior members outdoor training evening (6.30pm) with BBQ...and every Friday throughout season

Sun 24 April First Junior squad training sessions (10am)

Mon 30 May Cublington CC Golf Day at AVGC (tee-off approx. 12.30) on Bank Holiday Monday

Sat 2 July Charity Bollywood Ball at The Old Stables (part-proceeds to CCC)

Sun 17 Jul VP lunch and VP XI vs Coaches XI

Fri 22 July CCC Summer party - Fancy dress, Empire theme in a marquee at The Unicorn including Junior presentation evening

Mon 29 Aug Double wicket competition (mixed junior and senior pairs) on Bank Holiday Monday

Sat 1 Oct Annual Awards Dinner



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