

ISLIP CRICKET CLUB



2020 dates for your diary

With torrential storms leaving Islip playing fields rather more than well-watered, it seems absurd that we are spending time worrying about how best to install a water supply to the cricket square, but that is exactly what we are doing as we prepare for the season ahead. Thanks go to Neil Brock for leading on this. Meanwhile work on the changing room floor is expected to start on March 30th, thanks to Laura Swanston (Village Hall Committee) and all of those who supported our fundraising. It is not exactly cricketing weather at present but hopefully we don't have too long to wait. The AGM and Club Dinner (thanks Pete Desmond) are at the Red Lion from 7.00 p.m. on Friday March 27th - not so very far away. The season proper starts in mid-April with a home game against Bletchington on April 19th, the week after Easter.

Preparing for the season

Rob Eason of University College has again done winter work on the pitch and it looks to be in good shape, if in need of a trim (rotary mower needed – can anyone help?) when the weather permits. The outfield that serves as a football pitch has suffered a bit over the last few weeks but should recover, perhaps not by April 19th though, so we will have to make do.

Weather permitting; we'll aim to do some early work on the pitch in April, with ground work days on Saturdays in April, provisionally set to start at 11.00 am on April 4th and the 18th. We have again separated the annual dinner from the grounds days, so for once hangovers will not be an allowable excuse for non-attendance. Please mark both dates in your diary; a few hours work will make a big difference.

As well as work on the pitch and in the groundsman's shed, there are other things to tackle. Pete Desmond and Rick Henshaw will again renew their commitment to painting the sightscreens (as they seem to do every year). We need to do some work on the nets; the nets themselves need reattaching (cable ties needed), and they also need a sweep and a roll. The pitch mower is being overhauled at some expense (thanks Kevin for organising this). We need to check the other equipment and fuel supplies as well. The pitch covers need to be reassembled, and, finally, the furniture needs to be put back in the changing rooms following the refurb. We probably need new waste-bins and a replacement for the old metal drawers.

Islip CC members tend to make their own individual preparation for the start of the season, and we are not running any Islip nets this year. There seems to be interest in going to Bletchington's nets and Garry Adamson has emailed to say that we are all welcome to go (see <https://www.pitchero.com/clubs/oxfordandbletchingtonnondescripts/news/winter-indoor-nets--dates-for-2020-2382123.html> for details).

Team Communication

For the first time this year we shall use the Pitchero website to get the team out every week. There are two Pitchero apps, one for team members and another for managers. They are available for download on Apple and Android phones. Pitchero will also send out emails, (but not SMS messages) so please look out for the emails and make sure that they don't get lost in your junk mail folder. If we make sure that the team recorded in Pitchero is accurate, it should make it easier to keep the electronic scorebook records up to date. You should all receive a request to update your details in the next couple of weeks in any case. Meanwhile, if you can mark weeks when you are not available, that will help a lot (<http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/islipcricketclub>). And please help by replying promptly to invitations to play.

The Teamer website has also been loaded up with this year's fixtures and we will have it as a fall back if we have problems with the Pitchero system, so it is worth making sure that your details (mobile no and email) are up to date. Please login to <http://teamer.net> to do that and make sure that your details are up to date.

To include the Islip CC calendar in your electronic diary, add <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/ical/islipcricketclub%40gmail.com/private-2ecf2b8e82de8611c8906bb11125b8bf/basic.ics> as an internet calendar to your phone, tablet or laptop.

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Junior Coaching

We are continuing to support Bletchington in promoting a coaching scheme for juniors in Under 15, Under 13 and Under 11. There will be indoor cricket nets for girls and boys at Marlborough School, Woodstock, followed by summer outdoor sessions. Please note that the school has cancelled the first session and the training will therefore begin on March 1st.

Oxford & Bletchington Nondescripts Cricket Club
supported by Islip CC

Junior Cricketers wanted
to join the U11, U13 and U15 teams at this well established friendly club. Training and coaching provided. All abilities welcome.

- Qualified Coaches.
- Great Facilities.
- Safe Environment.
- Family Orientated.

Pre Season Training
Come along to our Sunday net sessions at The Marlborough C of E School, Woodstock starting on Sunday 23rd February for girls and boys (4pm-5.30pm)

Girls and Boys Welcome

Contact: Howard Dellar T: 07540 704056
E: Howard.Dellar@icloud.com
www.obncc.co.uk
Or Rick Henshaw (rick.henshaw@btinternet.com) at Islip CC
Oxford Road – Bletchington – OX5 3BU

We expect to host some junior games in Islip. If you might be able to help or just offer support, please get in touch and we'll pass on your details.

Clubman of the Year

This year we felt we should ring the changes and introduce a new system for choosing the Clubman of the Year, and have come up with this:

1. Candidates must be nominated by a proposer and a seconder at or before the AGM.
2. No one can propose more than one candidate
3. A maximum of five candidates will be chosen to go forward from the AGM to the Dinner.
4. The proposer (or seconder) for each candidate will be invited give a short address (max 2 minutes) to the assembled dinner guests on the merits of their candidate.
5. All those present at the Dinner (rather than just the players) will then vote for their Clubman of the Year.
6. The previous year's winner is barred from standing.

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The fixture list

Once again, our games are all on Sundays with 12 home games and 11 away, except for July 23rd when we have a Thursday night T20 against Rick Green's Thame Irregulars. We have new opponents in Bicester & North Oxford and Stonesfield and some old favourites. There is plenty to look forward to.

Islip Cricket – 2020 season

<i>Friday</i>	<i>27 Mar</i>	<i>AGM/Dinner - Red Lion</i>	<i>7.00 pm</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>4 Apr</i>	<i>Grounds Day</i>	<i>11:00 am</i>
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>18 Apr</i>	<i>Grounds Day</i>	<i>11:00 am</i>

Islip Cricket - Match Days – 2020

Sunday	19 Apr	Bletchington	Home (1:30 p.m.)
Sunday	26 Apr	Isis	Away (1:30 p.m.)
Sunday	3 May	Iffley Village	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	10 May	Enstone	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	17 May	Salix TR	Home (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	24 May	Amney Crucis Nomads	Home (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	31 May	Astons	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	7 June	Horspath	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	14 June	Middleton Stoney	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	21 June	Appleton	Home (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	28 June	RUASCC	Home (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	5 July	Cumnor	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	12 July	Bicester & North Oxford	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	19 July	Blenheim	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Thursday	23 July	Thame Irregulars	Home (6:00 p.m.)
Sunday	26 July	Stonesfield	Home (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	2 August	Isis	Home (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	09 August	OCCSCC	Home (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	16 August	Kempsford	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	23 August	FFTMCC	Away (2:00 p.m.)
Sunday	30 August	Brock's All Stars	Home (1:30 p.m.)
Sunday	6 September	Kempsford	Home (1:30 p.m.)
Sunday	13 September	Wolvercote	Home (1:00 p.m.)
Sunday	20 September	Holton	Home (1:00 p.m.)

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Club meeting – March 27th 2020 at 7.00 pm

Red Lion Islip

Agenda

- 1. Captain's report**
- 2. The Last Ever Sports Association Report**
- 3. Club report**
 - i. Fixtures**
 - ii. Tea arrangements**
 - iii. Work on ground**
 - iv. Equipment**
- 4. Treasurer's report**
- 5. Election of officers**
 - i. Captain**
 - ii. Vice-captains**
 - iii. Secretary**
 - iv. Treasurer**
- 6. Nominations for Clubman of the Year**
- 7. AOB**