

Twickenham Ladies' Report 2020

It was amazing that when the season did finally get underway, so many renewed their membership and the issue that had been prevalent at the end of the 2019 season had disappeared. Folks were eager to play.

Overall we played 7 matches; the four qualifying Slam matches against Ashford, Shepperton, Walton and Chertsey saw some good performances and as such were all won. The result was that we qualified for the q/f of the competition and after a closely fought match lost to Ashford in the final over. Two friendly matches were played against Richmond and Ashford and were both lost, although the highlight of the Ashford game was to see Rose score a century 109*. Lesley was named Player of the Season at the club's presentation evening thanks to her amazing bowling figures and her good batting average.

Over 20 players were involved with matches. We are very much hoping that with our return to league cricket, along with the new T20 competition and continuing to play Slam cricket, everyone will be just as keen to be back with us and look forward to another new season.

Sarai has to be commended for her commitment in her first year as captain not only with matches but with the net evenings with so many new players on board, some experienced but many beginners trying the game for the first time. It is Claire we thank for an excellent recruitment drive. It was very brave of Sarai to take on the captaincy after only one season with us and I know she is looking forward to the 2021 season and receiving the support you kindly gave her last season being carried over to this summer.

The season wouldn't be possible without the generous time given by those who kindly give their day to umpire or score. We thank Brian, Ann and Carol. Thanks also to Nigel who prepares the pitches and to Eugene who kindly fired up the BBQ at our last net for us to enjoy an evening social.

When cricket wasn't possible, players joined in the 3k run, the Friday night quiz and the Heather Knight's question and answer session.

With several folks already wishing us well for the 2021 season, all we can hope for is that the months ahead will return to normal and we can all enjoy our cricket and a full season at TCC.

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Hon Secretary
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