

WHCC Colts Cricket Newsletter

Spring 2013

Dear All

Please find enclosed lots of important information related to the forthcoming summer cricket training. Please read carefully and make a note of all the dates/times.

We hope that those of you who have been attending have enjoyed the winter training sessions and we look forward to seeing everyone at the end of April for the start of the summer training.

Registration

IMPORTANT: we aren't planning on running a registration evening this year.

Thank you to all those people who have re-registered their child for this season.

You should all have received an e-mail (or two) from the membership secretary for your child's age-group in the last couple of months. The deadline for paying fees and returning your membership form is fast approaching (March 31st). Forms and fees returned by this date will confirm your child's place this season. After this date we can't guarantee a place to your child.

Please return your forms and payment ASAP to the following people:

Kathryn Seabrook (U8, U11,U12, U14) Kathryn will also be looking after membership for the U6s and a letter will come out for this group very soon. Contact mike.seabrook1@btinternet.com

Elaine Robinson (U7, U9, U10, U13, U15, U16/17)
Contact hatty312001@yahoo.co.uk

If you have any queries about membership/fees etc please contact either your age-group membership secretary or
Neil Cheetham (Colts Chair) ndcheetham@btinternet.com or
Carolyn Cheetham at carocheetham@btinternet.com

Important Dates in the Season

Cricket training will run from **Friday April 26th – Friday 19th July (no break for half-term). The last session will be fun activities/awards evening.**

Please note the times are different for the first couple of weeks due to daylight hours. Please also note the venue differs depending on the age-group your child is in:

Age-group	School years	Site	Time	Dates
U7, U8, U9, U10, U13	Year 2,3,4,5, 8	Brewery Road	6-7pm	April 26 th ; May 3rd
U11	Year 6	Hoebridge School	6.15-7.15pm	April 26 th ; May 3rd
U12	Year 7	St. Andrews School	6.15pm-7.15pm	April 26 th ; May 3rd
U14, U15, U16/17	Years 9, 10,11,12	Brewery Road	7-8pm	April 26 th ; May 3rd

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U11	Year 6	Hoebridge School	6.15-7.30pm	May 10 th onwards
U12	Year 7	St. Andrews School	6.15pm-7.30pm	May 10 th onwards
U14, U15, U16/U17	Years 9, 10, 11/12	Brewery Road	7.15-8.30pm	May 10 th onwards

Under 6s

As last year we will be running a group for U6s on a Thursday evening 6.15pm-7.15pm. The first session starts on May 9th. A letter will be sent out regarding this shortly to those on the list

Coaching

As last year, we intend to provide high quality coaching through the Friday evening sessions, so that our children improve their enjoyment of the game and also to see an improvement in their all round cricketing skills. There is always room for more coaches and if you wish to assist in this way, please speak with Neil Cheetham or email on ndcheetham@btinternet.com.

Age-groups/managers

U7s	Year 2	No manager
U8s	Yr 3	Dave Lane

U9s	Yr 4	David Rushton/Stephen Alford
U10s	Yr 5	Kevin Silverton
U11s	Yr 6	Mike Tiplady
U12	Yr 7	Paul Watkins
U13	Yr 8	Ian Kidson
U14	Yr 9	Chris Wavish/Jon Gale
U15	Yr10	David Barter/Neil Cheetham
U16/U17	Yr 11/12	Dick Dickson

Safety

Children who are in the U9s (year 4) or below will need to be signed out at the end of the session. They will meet at an agreed point with the manager/coaches.

Everyone should aim to start their training session promptly. A register is taken at the beginning of the session. At their discretion a manager could refuse to allow a colt to train if they are more than ten minutes late. It is very disruptive to the coaches/other colts when children consistently arrive late and the register has already been taken. If you know you will always be late please discuss this with the manager beforehand. As we are responsible for your children during their coaching session it is essential that we know who is present.

After the first session many children like to relax and play on the grass (ideally cricket and not with footballs!) whilst their parents enjoy a drink. This is fine but the children need to be protected from the older colts playing during the second session. As last year there will be a clear boundary over which the younger children **MUST NOT** cross whilst training takes place.

Finally please be aware that many glasses from the bar area get taken out and left around the ground. Make sure if your child is drinking a drink from a glass bottle that they don't take it onto the grass, likewise beer and wine glasses mustn't be left lying around. Many thanks for your help with this matter.

Friday Night Training

As you can appreciate, with such a large number of colts there are a few things which will help to keep the club running smoothly and us on good terms with the surrounding neighbours:

- **please park considerately.** It gets very busy at crossover time (6.45-7.15pm). There is plenty of parking along the road by LA fitness or the smaller surrounding roads and then it is a short walk to the club. Colts training up at St. Andrews are reminded that **NO-ONE** is to park on school premises.
- **Litter:** please make sure cans, litter, napkins etc are placed in the bins sited near the bar-b-que or by the club-house. Please be especially careful with

glasses being left on the field. Parents could you ensure your children use the bins. Thank you

- **Dogs:** no dogs are allowed on the site except guide-dogs
- **Water:** please make sure the children bring along water to training especially if it is very hot (and then take their named water bottle home again!)
- **Hats:** we strongly advise that children wear caps/hats for training as there is very little shade on the sites.
- **Bats:** each year there are lost bats. If you are bringing your own bat to training please put your name on it then we can return it to you.
- **Cricket studs** are not allowed in the club-house.

Scorers Evening/Umpiring Evening

Byfleet cricket club are running the following courses;

Introduction to Scoring on Tuesday 9th April 7-10pm cost £3 payable on the door. This course relates to 'normal' cricket not pairs cricket.

Introduction to Umpiring on Thursday 11th April 2013 7.30pm-10pm. Cost £3.

Both courses are aimed at candidates who have an interest in either of these disciplines and will provide them with the confidence to undertake these duties in match situations.

Please contact David Barter (WHCC) for more details dxbarter@aol.com

Alternatively we will be running a scorers evening on **Monday April 29th (7.45pm for 8pm)** at WHCC club-house. This evening is aimed at the parents/carers of colts who play pairs cricket i.e. U9s-U11s. Parents of younger colts may also wish to attend in preparation for future years ! The aim is to give confidence to 'new' scorers so they can help and support the team manager at matches. We hope to see a good turn-out.



Kit is available from Kit Matters teamwear@kit-matters.co.uk 01483 770163
www.kit-matters.co.uk

Hopefully, Carole from Kit Matters will be at the clubhouse on April 26th and 3rd May. She will be bringing samples of kit for people to look at and try on and take orders from anyone who wants to buy.

We would encourage colts playing in matches (U9s and above) to wear a

WHCC cricket shirt, cap and white trousers.

Colts can wear any suitable sportswear for training sessions although they must wear the required protective equipment (U10s and above). Most of this can be borrowed i.e. pads, helmets etc but abdominal guards (box) should be purchased. Please see the WHCC website for more details.

Web-site: www.whcc.org.uk contains various details about the club and there is a section entitled Colts Corner which is being frequently updated.

Volunteering

The 2013 season is almost upon us and as usual this means getting the club ready for another successful year of cricket for both adults and colts. As such the club will be holding the annual work weekend on **13 and 14 April** between **10:00am and 4:00pm** both days. We need as many people as possible to attend as there is lots of work to get done. Please contact Matt Allen (senior cricket committee) Matt.Allan@KONE.com if you can help.

The club can only run with the help of volunteers. Last year we lost our social representative on the committee and we are very keen to replace her. The social rep co-ordinated the volunteers for the bar and bar-b-que as well as opening up the bar. Please contact Neil or Carolyn for more details regarding what this role entails.

We also need a social representative for each age-group who can help with organising the family cricket day in June as well as ensuring there are enough volunteers to help out with the bar on the days allocated to a specific age-group. If you feel you could take on this role for your age-group please either speak to your manager or let me or Neil know.

Volunteers are also required for help at matches (helping with drinks, getting kit on, scoring, umpiring etc). Please try and support your manager with any help they need to help the teams run smoothly.

Sponsorship

We are pleased to announce that Global Travel Management are once again kindly sponsoring us this year. Badges for U9s and above will be distributed at the start of the season to be sewn onto cricket shirts.

Dates for your diary

Summer Cricket Camp : Once again, we are delighted to be able to host Twenty20 Cricket Camps at WHCC this year (two weeks this year – 29th July-2nd August and 5th-9th August).

Please check their web-site for details and early reservations: <http://www.twenty20cricketcompany.com/camp/all-regions/all-abilities/2012/07/>

Please e-mail haidee@twenty20cricketcompany.com for details of discounts for club members.

Quiz Night- April 20th

The first Woking and Horsell Cricket Club social event of 2013 (open to seniors and colts parents) will be the annual Quiz Night, which will be hosted once again by Peter Allan on Saturday 20th April. Doors will open at 7:30pm and the quiz will start at 8.00pm sharp.

The format of the evening will be a quiz of four rounds with a fish and chip supper available to order for the interval. Fish and chips will have to be ordered via Matt Lock over email at least a week in advance - matthew.lock@hotmail.co.uk . There will be prizes for the winners of each round as well as for the overall winners.

We try to limit team numbers to six but we don't like turning people away, so if you have a team of seven or eight then it's not a problem (just note that we buy prizes for teams of six!!). If you would like to enter a team then please let Matt know at the address above. We will need to know who is coming just in case we get close to selling the event out again (there is limited seating at the clubhouse).

If you don't have a team but would like to come anyway please let Matt know and we can help place you in a team in advance or on the evening.

The price of the ticket (which includes the fish and chips) is £8 each. For those not wishing to eat entry is £4. See you there!

Family Cricket Day

This year this will be held on **Sunday 16th June**. This will be open to the U7s-U12s. More details to follow.

And Finally! We would like to welcome all the new colts this season and look forward to seeing everyone at the start of the season.

Carolyn and Neil Cheetham