

Colts Newsletter: Summer 2013

Dear All,

Well we are now in the second half of our season and a flurry of matches for the older colts. The better weather and lighter evenings hopefully mean that you feel able to come down and spend some time watching your children train or just having a drink in the club-house!

Please read this newsletter carefully as it gives details of TWO key events as well as information about summer cricket camps, recruitment opportunities and winter training.

Volunteers and Recruitment

Behind every successful organisation is a whole host of people carrying out tasks for the membership to help the club run as smoothly as possible. We would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to everyone who has volunteered to help this season whether it has been with making drinks at matches, scoring, umpiring, age-group reps, helping behind the bar (especially Jo Fowden and John Moseley) or on the bar-b-que as well as those who undertake the bigger more labour intensive roles such as arranging the fixtures, welfare (thank you David Barter) and membership (Kathryn and Elaine you have both been amazing).

A special thank you must go to all our managers who work so hard each week and at matches. Finally we would like to say thank you to our new fixture secretary Andrew Grace who picked up the role at short notice.

There is just one area where we still really need some help and that is filling the role of **social secretary**. We need someone/two people to take on this role and sit on the committee and help us move social activities along. We have struggled this season to get the bar and bar-b-que organised and it is really only because a couple of people have come forward to help out where they can that we have managed to run these. We would like to expand and maybe offer a wider range on the bar-b-que e.g Halal and vegetarian (but at present we are unable to do this).

This would be a great role for two friends to take on and help guide us through so that we can make WHCC as social and inclusive as possible.

One of the key aspects of the role is overseeing the organisation (via the social reps) of manning the bar and bar-b-que but it would also require being available and able to run the bar on a fairly regular basis so that age-group volunteers are 'trained' and know what they are doing. This does not mean you have to run the bar all night but you would need to be around for the first half an hour at least to make sure everything is running smoothly. If you think that this is something you could do to help YOUR club then please let us know carocheetham@btinternet.com or ndcheetham@btinternet.com as we would love you to come along after Christmas to a committee meeting to make sure we are organised before the start of the next season.

We are also looking for more people to become DBS cleared (previously known as CRB) so that they can help with coaching etc. Your age-group manager would love some more support at both training and matches especially if you have played cricket in the past. The process is very simple and David Barter can check your documents on a Friday evening. Please contact me on carocheetham@btinternet.com and I will pass your details on to him to get you signed up for next year..

Awards Evening and Fun activities (Friday July 19th)

This will take place on our last Friday session of the season **Friday JULY 19th. All age-groups will be at Brewery Road.**

The format of the evening will be as follows:

U7s/U8s groups: 6-7pm. The two age-groups will combine and have a series of fun activities such as distance throwing, bowling etc. This will be in the usual training area of the cricket ground. These activities will then be followed by an awards ceremony where end of season awards are given.

U9s/U10s/U11s/U12s: 6-7.15pm These groups will combine and have a series of fun activities to rotate through at the far side of the ground. Awards will be given out at 7.30pm for these age-groups.

U13s/U14s/U15s: 7.15pm-8.15pm These groups will have an incrediball game over the far side of the ground followed by their awards at around 8.15pm. **U14s will have their awards on a date decided by the manager as there is a match on that evening.**

U13s PLEASE NOTE LATER START TIME

U16s/U17s: Manager will e-mail arrangements

Extra Sessions for U8s-U15s;

Ever thought that you are just getting into your stride with your cricket (and forgetting all about football!) and the season ends. Well this year we are running some extra sessions (inter-club matches) so that you can just come along and play. These will not be coaching sessions but we will run some friendly matches between different age-groups with those who turn up. The sessions will all be based at WHCC ground and are FREE.

Please note that there are different age-groups allocated different nights (this is for safety reasons) so only come on the nights allocated to your age-group.

26th July: U8s and U9s (leader David Rushton/Dave Lane) Time : 6pm-7.30pm

26th July: U10s/U11s/U12s (leader Mike Tiplady) Time: 6pm-7.30pm (approx.)

2nd August: U13s/U14s/U15s (leader Jon Gale) Time: 6-8pm (approx)

9th August: U8s and U9s (leaders Dave Lane/David Rushton) Time: 6-7.30pm

9th August: U10s/U11s/U12s (Leader Paul Watkins) Time: 6pm-7.30pm (approx.)

16th August: U13s/U14s/U15s (Leader Ian Kidson) Time: 6-8pm (approx.)

Winter Training

For those new to the club just to let you know that for all children who are in year 3 and above we run some winter indoor training sessions. These start in February and run through to April (not each week but on a rotational basis). More details regarding this will follow near Christmas time.

Summer Cricket Camps

There are two cricket camps that you may be interested to know about for the summer holidays.

Once again, we are delighted to be able to host **Twenty20 Cricket Camps** at WHCC this year.

You may already be aware that Twenty20 Cricket Company is again running its popular and successful cricket camps at Woking & Horsell CC during the summer holidays (29 July - 2 August and 5-9 August). The standard day is 10am to 4pm, with extended days of 8.30am to 5.30pm. Costs are £30 for a standard day, £36 for an extended day.

All W&HCC Colts get a 10% discount on the Capel cricket camps by using the code WOKING13 when booking.

As well as the member discount there is a 20% sibling discount and a free day for those booking a full week. Each child booking on the camps helps raise funds for the club as the venue hire income for W&HCC increases the more children attend the camp.

Each camp day is filled with competitions, skills, games, as well as there being a daily match, and is run by professional and experienced Twenty20 camps coaches.

There are brochures in the pavilion or you can see more information and book at www.twenty20cricketcompany.com/cricket-courses/ (don't forget the discount code WOKING13). Alternatively, please call 08455 20 20 29 or email info@twenty20cricketcompany.com if you have any questions.

Woking Borough Council Cricket Camp

This is also being held at WHCC (but is run by the council). Details will be in the Fun Attack booklets or found at Woking Leisure Centre

Tuesday 20th August until Friday 23rd August between 10:00 and 12:00.

Suitable for boys and girls, covering all aspects of cricket such as batting, bowling, fielding and wicket keeping. All equipment is provided.
Woking and Horsell Cricket Club GU21 4NA

£40 for 4 days or £10 per individual day standard
£20 for 4 days or £5 per individual day key concession

WHCC web-site: www.whcc.org.uk

Please remember to look at the web-site for more information about the club.

Finally we would like to wish you all a 'restful' summer holiday

Neil and Carolyn Cheetham