

WHITCHURCH HEATH CRICKET CLUB



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Natwest Cricket Force

On the 2nd of April, meeting from 9am through the morning. We need volunteers to get the ground ready for the new season. We'll be painting both sight screens and the pavilion at the hospital. We'll also be trying to clear the mess behind the pavilion. Plus general care and pre-season preparation for both grounds.

Senior Presentation Evening

Thank you all all those who attended and made the Senior Presentation evening a great night. Congratulations to the our esteemed 4th team captain Alun Jones for leading a rag tag bunch to glory in the quiz. Congratulations also to the winners;

1s Batting: Alun Jones & Bowling: Michael Richards.

2s Batting: Awais Choudhary & Bowling: Dave Reynolds (/Adam White)

3s Batting: Robert Moss! & Bowling: Aaron Maskill.

4s Batting: Tom Williams & Bowling: Cian Davies. Plus Performance Award to Cian Davies.

Sunday Honorary Tie: Alun Jones

Quiz Winners: Team 3 (Alun, Chris, Emily, Tom in part, Rob in part)

Senior Leagues

The Senior Glamorgan & Monmouthshire Cricket League (G&MCL) and Welsh Cricket Club Conference (WCCC) will be merging this year to form the South East Wales Cricket League (SEWCL). The format and league structure will not change. WCCC Divisions 1-8 will be renamed Divisions 4-12. As such the 3rds who were in Division 3 will stay in the same equivalent league - but it will be called Division 6. The 4s just finished in the relegation zone by 1 point in Division 6 last year - but with a couple of sides merging we're yet to see whether they will be in the new Division 9 or 10 in the coming season.

100 Club

Just a £1 per month per number for your chance to win £20 and support the club! More entries and the prize will go up. See the website for the standing order form, or just ask Gareth Lucey or Richard Hopcraft

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for more details.

Pre-Season Nets

The season is almost upon us, so a reminder that indoor training is fully underway;

Juniors: Running Friday evenings between 7 and 8.30pm at Whitchurch High School.

Seniors: Mondays 7-8pm at All Squares Sports, Penarth Road - between the Hyundai and Fiat garages.

New Helmet Guidelines

The ECB strongly recommends that all adult recreational cricketers should wear helmets for batting against all types of bowling; wicket-keepers standing up to the wicket (who may as an alternative wear face protectors) and fielders fielding closer than eight yards from the batsman's middle stump, except behind the wicket on the off side.

The position in relation to U18s currently remains unchanged, and is governed by the 'ECB Guidance on the Wearing of Cricket Helmets by Young Players' (www.ecb.co.uk/youngplayershelmetguidance).

In essence, batsmen and wicket-keepers standing up to the stumps must wear head protection when playing or practising. That Guidance should be referred to in full for the position in relation to u18s.

Website

This season all results will be uploaded to Play-cricket [whitchurch-heath.play-cricket.com/]. Due to the league merger - all player registrations will be though the site too. So expect a few membership forms to be recirculated to ensure all details are up to date so we can run through this administration exercise.

Don't forget for all latest news visit our pitchero site [www.whitchurch-heath.org] for a news feed, plus follow us on twitter @wh_cc, or like us on Facebook.

If anyone can help with the website maintenance please contact Richard Hopcraft.

Sponsorship

Thank you to the continued support from our sponsors Cardiff Metropolitan University and Greenwillow Funerals.

Any parent, member or friend of club interested in helping on the committee, helping on the ground, or in any other capacity please contact Secretary Richard Hopcraft on 07912944675 or through mail@whitchurch-heath.org.