

BOLNEY CRICKET CLUB NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

And just like that - spring is upon us! Lawnmowers are starting, seeds are being sown, bulbs are protruding and barbeques are being prematurely wheeled out. The cricket season grows ever closer, and with it - a sense that things are getting back to normal again. That being said - it's been a busy winter at Bolney CC.



AGM

The Bolney AGM was not immune to the technological necessities of the past year, and was cordially held via Zoom on February 18th. Thank you to everyone who attended and to everyone who engaged in the voting and decision making. Among the changes to the Bolney CC cast are as follows:

Saturday Captain - David Chaffey
Saturday VC - Kingsley Morris
Sunday Captain - David Bridge
Sunday VC - James Elliott
Colts Activator - Dean Hamilton

Thank you to everyone who either stood for a role or was happy to be nominated.



BOLNEY AWARDS

Well done to all of our winners of the 2020 Awards. Himal cleaning up like Titanic at the 1998 Oscars. Thank you to everyone who took the time to vote. Trophies will be distributed once the engravers opens again!

Saturday Batsman - Himal Jayarathne
Saturday Bowler - Keith Greenwood
Saturday Fielder - Himal Jayarathne
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Sunday Bowler - David Chaffey
Sunday Fielder - Brian Clemenson
Dan Earp Cup - David Bridge
Mick Phillpot Trophy - David Chaffey & Keith Greenwood (joint winners)
Warburton Trophy - Himal Jayarathne



BOLNEY COLTS

Bolney will be running their Colts section this summer in conjunction with the ECB's All Stars and Dynamos schemes. Sessions will run from 17.30 - 19.00 on Fridays. The start date has yet to be confirmed, so watch this space. The sessions will be lead by Dean Hamilton with assistance from Sarah Harvey and a host of parents and players. We look forward to these being great fun for the kids and also a good social experience for parents alike. Like everyone else we hope a relaxation of restrictions will allow everyone to enjoy these occasions come May / June. Please feel free to contact bolneycccolts@gmail.com for any queries or to register interest. There will be a limited number of places available.

NEW HONORARY LIFE MEMBERS



It was announced at the AGM that the committee had unanimously decided to award Fred and Jenny Harrison both Honorary Life Memberships of the Cricket Club. The decision to bestow this upon two very worthy members was greeted warmly by all of the members present at the AGM. Fred joined the club in the late 90's and went on to captain the Saturday 1st XI and latterly the Sunday XI (including against the Sussex CCC XI we hosted in 2004) before hanging up his boots in 2008. He then became groundsman for the club as well as umpiring on Saturdays and Sundays for a number of years. As I'm sure both past and present players would agree - Fred was an incredibly fair (at times too fair) umpire. Fred's other great gifts to the club were his son Paul, who was a great character in the 2nd team at the turn of the century and of course Jenny - who as well as being found riding mowers and rollers on a number of occasions, could usually be found hiding in the scorebox (as pictured above), carefully scoring every single home and away game on Saturdays and Sundays. Jenny's immaculate scorebooks in the pavilion are a testament to her incredible devotion to the club. On behalf of everyone at the club - thank you.



SCOREBOX DEMOLITION

History is full of rapid falls and collapses. Richard Nixon in 1974. France in 1940. England's cricket team in Ahmedabad last week. But none capitulated quicker than our old scorebox in the hands of David Bridge last month, ahead of our new storage area and electronic scoreboard. Thanks to David for giving up his time to do it and we look forward to the next stage of the rebuild.

RECRUITMENT SEASON UNDERWAY

Nick and Sarah made the first pre-season transfer of the year with the addition of baby Thomas Ridgway on 25th February, weighing 7lb 14oz (or 22 cricket balls if that helps). Our best wishes from everyone at the club as you all settle in to your new family life together. Well done Sarah!



PLAYER OF THE MONTH BIO - DAVID BRIDGE

Feared by bowlers (quite literally at Outwood) and scoreboxes alike - meet our new Sunday Captain.

Place of Birth - Redhill, Surrey
Years of Service - 2009 - present
Roles: Incredibly aggressive batsman and multi tasking fielder
Highest score - 102* vs Outwood 2011
Occupation - Driving Instructor
Favourite sandwich - Coronation Chicken
Favourite instrument - Saxophone
Favourite holiday destination - Fiji
Favourite Boy Band - Take That
Favourite cocktail - Bloody Mary
Childhood hero - His dad

