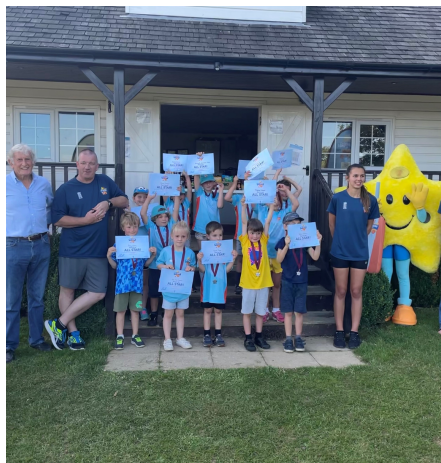


BOLNEY CRICKET CLUB NEWSLETTER

WELCOME

After a summer of generally wet and inclement weather, the sun is finally out and shining on the Vicarage Ground - which must mean only one thing - the season is drawing to a close. The league team finished their season with a flourish while the Sunday team have battled the elements to serve up some quality village cricket of their own.



COLTS DONE FOR 2021

Bolney Colts have finished their first season having been reformed for the 2021 Season. Both the All Stars and Dynamos groups were a massive success and exciting plans are already being drawn up for 2022. We hope to be able to run some winter training, both programs again next year as well as a summer camp. It was great to have our President John Snow handing out the awards to the kids at their awards BBQ. The feedback we received was very encouraging. A massive thanks again to Dean for organising the colts this year and doing such a great job of it. Thanks to Emma, Sarah and John F for all your selfless help and time given up to help coach, organise and serve chilled beverages in your respective roles.



SUNDAY TEAM

The Sunday team has put together some great performances against some often much stronger opposition. Since July, James Elliot has led the way with the bat - scoring 376 runs in six games with a highest of 116 against Ardingly. The closest finish came at Cuckfield where Bolney came up 12 runs short chasing a whopping 248 for victory with runs for Justin Hall (65) and Steve Bowles (74). Steve, Brian and John Dennis Moore have been leading the way with the wickets. Bolney play at Ardingly before hosting Brunswick Village in the final fixture of the season.



WENDY LAMBOURNE TROPHY

Our friends at Nuthurst hosted Bolney in the annual all day game on the August Bank holiday to play for the Wendy Lambourne Trophy. Chaff won the toss and decided to bat first. Bolney progressed serenely to 259/4 in 59 overs led by 115 from Luke, 57* from Kingsley, 22 from Clive Bunce on his annual appearance and 42 from the sundries column. Bolney made continuous inroads into the Nuthurst batsman who were eventually dismissed for 237. Two stumpings from Bunce and three wickets apiece for Paul Meader and Andy Jones did the majority of the donkey work to ensure the trophy stays in Bolney for another winter. Thank you to Nuthurst for hosting and to Chaff for keeping his speech to less than ten minutes.

BOLNEY FINISH LEAGUE IN 3RD PLACE

Bolney finished the season where they spent most of it in the table. A just reward for a fine effort from everyone involved. A big thank you to Chaff for steering the ship to our ten victories and reminding everyone that cricket can and should be played in the right spirit which can still win you games! The run in saw a close defeat to high fliers Felbridge, wins over 2nd placed Palmers, Streat (pictured right), Copthorne, Cowden and a remarkable win over a raucous Forest Row. Four wickets for Chaff and two for Tom Flower kept Forest Row to 210 from their 40 overs. At 116-4 and 165-6 the game looked done and dusted, but Bolney had a Kingsley Morris shaped trick up their sleeve. What he lacks in physical mobility he makes up for in technical quality, concentration and a hunger to absolutely fill his boots with runs. He carried his bat for 94* and with help from Andy Jones saw Bolney over the line with three balls to spare for a famous Bolney victory. Chaff ended the season 8th in the league standings with 23 wickets. Kingsley ended in 2nd with 831 runs at an average of 75. Bang on.



SCOREBOARD COMPLETE

Steve Bowles and his helping hands have completed the building which is home to our brand new scoreboard. A big thank you to Steve for all of the love and time you've spent on it. It looks great and is another great asset for the club. There are rumours Barry has even mastered the controls. Well done to Luke Martin for christening it with it's first hundred against Palmers in the league.

A BIG THANKS TO GRAHAM

Our groundsman Paul condemned our 83 year old Sarrel roller earlier in the season given its poor condition. Despite looking more suitable as a medieval torture devise, he spoke to the Sunday team's very own Jonty Rhodes - Graham Sandwich - about the possibility of getting any more use out of it. Given his efforts in the field each Sunday afternoon it may come as some surprise to many that Graham has the strength to do anything else in the week. However, Graham lovingly disassembled, restored and reassembled the roller in all its original glory and back into full working order. A massive thank you to Graham for your selfless time and effort. A great demonstration of what our cricket club is all about.

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PLAYER OF THE MONTH BIO - HIMAL JAYARATHNE

Behind the smile and quiet demeanour, Himal (pictured 2nd from left) has provided a lot of quality, skill and steely determination in Bolney's middle order for a number of years now.

Place of Birth - Colombo, Sri Lanka

Years of Service - 2003 - present

Roles: Wristy middle order batsman, medium paced seamer and useful keeper

Games - 149

Runs / Wickets - 3878 @ 36 & 66 @ 23

100s / 50s - 3 / 27

Highest score - 118 vs Pedagogos 2020

Best Bowling - 5-18 vs vs Twineham 2008

Occupation - Telecoms Engineer

Favourite Ground - Lords

Favourite Film - The Green Mile

Favourite Meal - Lamb Curry, plain rice and green chilli

Cricketing Idol - Mahela Jayawardene (sorry Suraj)

