

# CHORLEYWOOD CRICKET CLUB



*Established circa 1851*

**To: All Members of Chorleywood Cricket Club - 20-Mar-12**

Dear Senior & Junior Players, Honorary and Social Members, Parents and Friends of the Club,

Welcome to the start of another cricket season, that comes to life with a Seniors practice game on Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup>. Winter training and net practice for Juniors and Seniors is currently going very well. Outside training starts on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April for Seniors and Sunday/Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> April for Colts. Our full fixture list will be available soon on the website and in the Fixture Booklet to be issued next month.

Over the Easter Holiday weekend the club will have the traditional 'paint in'. We need as many people as possible to spruce up our pavilion and its surrounds, ready for the new season. Details will be provided to members in the usual way by email and on the website [www.cwcricket.org](http://www.cwcricket.org). All players and parents are asked to give just a little time to make our Clubhouse surrounds presentable.

**The Club has kept annual subscriptions the same as last year – in fact we have not had an increase for over two years.** With our finances stretched in this difficult economic environment, we ask members to please pay your 2012 subs as soon as possible. Additionally, we would encourage those who are not already signed up to our 50-Club to join up. For the price of a cup of coffee (just £2.50 per month) it will give you a chance to win four cash prizes every month. Application Forms are on the website under the ABOUT tab. Alternatively, ask Brian Mulholland for details.

During the close season we started a three year programme to replace our cricket square. We ask players to bear with us over this period, as we have scheduled most of our Friendly matches away because of the reduced size of the square.

At the November AGM, I set out four challenges for our Club this year. These were:-

1. To continue to improve the bridging process for the transfer of Colts to senior cricket – the Club Management Team and our qualified coaches are working to achieve this in 2012
2. To recruit and develop more Officials and Coaches - we are delighted that John Chadwick has taken on the role of Umpire recruitment and coordination. We wish him the best in this challenging role. Brian continues, with help from Helen, in the role of Scorers Coordinator and is running a course for potential new scorers. We encourage colts parents to take up this opportunity. We also continue to work with the Herts Cricket Board to ensure that sufficient courses are available for those who have expressed interest.
3. To have more parents involved - we hope more will be volunteering this year. We have a new Hon. Club Secretary and Welfare Officer, both Colts parents. There are plenty of opportunities – both big and small – for parents to help in running the club, so please come forward.
4. Plan for our new Pavilion - various meetings with our local authorities have been held and there a number of proposals being developed as part of this on-going process. We hope to replace our 50 year old Clubhouse with a new more modern pavilion in keeping with it's surrounding by 2015. Our fund raising efforts will play a crucial role in achieving this ambition.

Finally I should like to comment on our Juniors Section. Our Colts go from strength to strength under Patrick Ryan's leadership. They now represent the largest group of Club members and it is good to see several coming through into senior cricket. In fact, our 2012 Club and 1<sup>st</sup> XI Captain Tom Smithson, has come up from the Colts. This progression demonstrates the value of our progressive Colts set up. I hope this process will continue as it will surely assure a bright future for CWCC. This years Colts Captain is Fraser Pegler. We wish both Tom and Fraser well for the coming season. It just remains for me to wish you a happy 2012 season with lots of exciting competitive cricket giving much fun for all both on and off the cricket field. Enjoy.

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