



Wolverton Town Cricket Club

Newsletter



25,000 UP...



And still going...

Now, we are obviously talking about runs here, and as many of you probably know, Colin recently hit his 25,000th run for Wolverton Town Cricket Club, in a Sunday League match for the 2XI against Shenley Church End.

The match itself was a very closely fought contest, with Shenley claiming victory by a mere 2 runs.

Colin must be commended for his loyal service to the club, and especially the coaching that he has done with the youth and adults alike at the club down the years. A real credit to have at the club for all the work that he has done both off, and on, the field.

We all look forward to reading about 26,000 in a few years time!

Want anything included? Personal fundraiser coming up? Something going on at the club you think we should know about? Youth cricket news?

Then email darranwatfordfc@hotmail.co.uk and let us know!



WTCC NEWS

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FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Who'd be a Captain?



Well, it seems that several people think they'd like to do a bit of it but not many actually want to take on the responsibility of doing it.

The Captains are democratically elected at the AGM to select and lead our teams. While others may have their views on particular team selections, it's the Selection Committee's decision as to who plays in which team. Our player code of conduct also states that players should play in the team for which they have been selected. Captains should captain their respective sides and players should play for them.

For several years now, our 1st XI squad has been fairly small and there has been little competition for places. But things have changed and this season sees us with our strongest squad for a long time. There are probably about 17 players with realistic hopes of a regular 1st XI place and it's impossible for the Selection Committee to get them all into the 1st XI every week. Of course, not all of these players are available every week so that sometimes makes selection that bit easier. But when most of them are available, the Selection Committee has to pick what it considers to be the best team it can.

In deciding who should be picked, you have my assurance that the Selection Committee is trying its level best to be fair with everyone and has decided that good performances should be recognised and rewarded with a place in the team. I would like to think that anyone else in the same position would come to the same conclusion. If you simply pick someone because they might decide to leave if you don't, then you end up being accused of favouritism and this leads to complaints from other players.

The 1st XI has got off to a great start this season and I hope the rest of the season goes the same way. But this is only going to happen if our players keep on performing and if we can call on others to fill the gaps when there are shortages. With that in mind, I'd like to think that every player would take every opportunity to prove to the Selection Committee that he should be picked. Some people seem to think that playing for the 2nd XI is beneath them and think that they can just make themselves unavailable until the 1st XI needs them again. I would prefer it if they thought more positively and treated it as an opportunity to put in a match-winning performance (we could do with a few of these in the 2nds after our dismal start to the season!) and so get themselves back into contention for a 1st XI place. In the longer term, we'd be looking to get our 2nd XI promoted so that they are playing a higher standard as well. But we can't do this if everyone goes and sulks in the corner when they're not selected. This not only affects club morale, it also denies our 2nd and 3rd XIs the chance to put out their best possible teams.

As a club, we are only going to improve by recruiting and developing good players to ensure that we always have a strong 1st XI. We have enough good players for us to succeed at all levels. I'm sorry we can't please everyone all of the time. After years of player shortages this is a new kind of problem for us and I ask all players to pull together on to move our club forward by supporting the Selection Committee and playing where selected.

Glenn Dickinson

WTCC Chairman

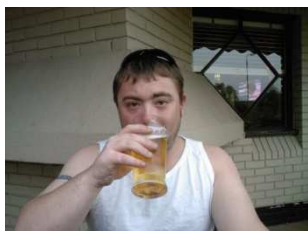




CLUB NEWS



COULD YOU BE WTCC'S NEXT SECRETARY?



Current secretary Stuart Grant (pictured above) has indicated that he will not be standing for re-election at the next AGM, and so we are currently looking for someone who would be willing to fill this important position within the club for the 2012 season. Anyone interested should speak to any member of the committee.

FAMILY DAY 2011



As you are all well aware, our annual fun day was supposed to happen on Sunday 29th May. However, a decision was made by the committee to postpone the event until later in the year, mainly due to the unfortunate illness suffered by Jackie Maw (pictured above).

The family day will be being rescheduled for later in the year, and we must thank everyone who was willing to give up time, and who donated to the tombola and raffle.

All of us at Wolverton would also like to wish Jackie a speedy recovery.

GAM SAYS...

Your weekly fix of Phil Gammage...



Just got back from Luton played at Crawley Green Nomads they scored 281 for 5 Ahad Khan and Ashad Masrour took 2 wickets each and comeback king Howard Lloyd took the other wicket in reply we was all out 168 Tony Baker top scored with 44 and Ash Rauf 30 Darren Gillions 17, Howard Gillions 14 n,o, and myself making 7 runs which included a four they won by 113 runs

Cheers Gam,
we look forward to reading about next week's trials and tribulations of a local legend.



RESULTS



1st XI

Vs. Tiddington, Sat 28th May. Lost by 6 Wickets – WTCC 174-9, Tiddington 175-4 (45.3ov)

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	R
Kieran Lampard +	ct M Johnston	S Hollingshead	5
Jamil Raja *	Hit Wicket	Nathan Brooks	11
Sean Potter	ct Sammy Thomson	S Hollingshead	30
Aky Hussain	ct Will Cooper	S Hollingshead	75
Atif Akhlaq	ct	Ian Pykett	34
Kabir Arif	RUN OUT		7
Tony Baker	ct Nathan brooks	S Hollingshead	4
Hakim Khan	ct	S Hollingshead	5
Zaheer khan	Bowled	S Hollingshead	0
Andrew Gosling	Not Out		1
Wasim Fayyaz	Did Not Bat		
Extras			3
Total		(9 wickets, 53 overs)	174

Bowling

	O	M	R	W	Nb	Wd
Andrew Gosling	11	1	38	1	0	0
Zaheer Khan	7	2	25	0	0	0
Wasim Fayyaz	9	1	39	0	0	0
Hakim Khan	12	2	35	3	0	0
Atif Akhlaq	6.3	0	31	0	0	0

2nd XI

We currently have no scorecards to display, however the 2XI have recently played and lost to Bletchley Town 2XI, their next fixture is at home to Oxon & North Bletchingdon on Saturday 4th June.

3rd XI

Vs. Stony Stratford 4XI, Sat 28th May. Lost by 8 Wickets. WTCC 142-9, SS 143-2 (32.5ov).

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	R	B	4s	6s
Neil Day	LBW	Craig Jolley	0	7	0	0
Darran Gillions+	Bowled	Glyn Lewis	33	?	5	0
Alex Rose	Run Out		23	?	3	0
Ash Rauf	ct Rory Newman	Connor Furness	16	?	3	0
Asad Masoor	LBW	Connor Furness	6	?	?	0
Kevin Pichowski*	Not Out		10	66	0	0
Howard Gillions	Bowled	Ben Arnold	6	?	1	0
Abbas Riaz	ct Ben Arnold	Ben Arnold	6	?	?	0
Jay	Bowled	Ben Arnold	1	?	0	0
Joshua Davey	ct Ben Arnold	Joshua Whitehead	12	?	3	0
Jake Dickson	Not Out		3	?	0	0
Extras		(3b 4lb 18w 1nb)	26			
Total		(9 wickets, 44 overs)	142			

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Neil Day	8.5	1	37	1
Howard Gillions	5	0	27	0
Asad Masoor	5	1	14	0
Joshua Davey	10	3	28	1
Jake Dickson	3	0	25	0
Jay	1	0	7	0



SUNDAYS



1st XI vs. New Bradwell, Sunday 22nd May. NBCC Won by 5 runs.

New Bradwell CC - Sunday 1st XI

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	R	B	4s	6s
R Lall *	ct Jamil Raja	Atif Akhlaq	0	0	0	0
Andy Overton	ct Sean Potter	Jamil Raja	52	0	0	0
Aky Hussain	ct Charlie Maw	Wasim Fayyaz	36	0	0	0
Nomi Shahzad + LBW		Jamil Raja	11	0	0	0
Asif Benny	Not Out		83	0	0	0
John Mulholland	Bowled	Andrew Settle	56	0	0	0
Asif Mehmood	Not Out		20	0	0	0
Zaheer Khan I	Did Not Bat					
Gareth Bell	Did Not Bat					
David Little	Did Not Bat					

Extras () **16**
Total (5 wickets, 40 overs) **274**

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
Atif Akhlaq	10	2	16	1
Sean Potter	10	0	74	0
Wasim Fayyaz	10	0	67	1
Jamil Raja	8	0	78	2
Andrew Settle	2	0	30	1

Wolverton Town 1st XI Sun

Batsman	How Out	Bowler	R	B	4s	6s
Assim Hussain	ct Nomi Shahzad	John Mulholland	24	0	0	0
Andrew settle	ct John Mulholland	Zaheer Khan I	0	0	0	0
Ross Butler	Bowled	John Mulholland	9	0	0	0
Charlie Maw	Bowled	Zaheer Khan I	2	0	0	0
Zac Wade +	st Nomi Shahzad	David Little	51	0	0	0
Ash Rauf	st Nomi Shahzad	Asif Mehmood	44	0	0	0
Atif Akhlaq	RO Asif Benny		23	0	0	0
Jamil Raja	RO Andy Overton		53	0	0	0
Chris Wade	RO Asif Benny		0	0	0	0
Sean Potter	Not Out		45	0	0	0
Wasim Fayyaz *	Not Out		1	0	0	0

Extras () **17**
Total (9 wickets, 40 overs) **269**

Bowling

	O	M	R	W
John Mulholland	10	1	86	2
Zaheer Khan I	10	0	54	2
Asif Mehmood	10	0	58	1
David Little	10	1	60	1

UPCOMING FIXTURES

1st XI - @ Long Marston, Sat 4th Jul

(H) Castlethorpe, Sun 5th Jul

2nd XI - (H) Oxon & North Bletchington, Sat 4th Jul

@ Biddenham, Sun 5th Jul

USEFUL CONTACTS

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 Howard Gillions (Fixtures/3XI Sun. Capt./U14) – MK 550 726
 Kevin Pichowski (Youth/3XI Capt./U14) – 07778 535 009
 Roger Garrini (V. Chairman/Development) – 07801 716 672
 Wasim Fayyaz (Ground officer) – 07969 433 405
 Trevor Dawson (Under 10) – MK 318 816
 Steve King (Under 12) – 07910 213 885
 Dave Sabin (Under 13) – 07778 535 009
 Richard Yeates (Under 16) – 07984 635 315

CLUB KIT



WTCC 1st XI wearing the new kit, sponsored by Snappy Snaps. To get your speak to Jamil (a big thanks for organising it all as well!), or for youth team speak to Howard or Kevin.