



Rowledge Cricket Club Newsletter

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Welcome to the 2009 Season

A Note from Chairman, Bill Nichols

A very warm welcome to members old and new for Season 2009. You will, I hope, find us in great shape for the new season which will be a record in terms of the amount of cricket we play. Up to 15 XIs, including our new Girls XI, will be taking to the field. Good luck to them all and special thanks to all those (coaches, committee, volunteers) who make this possible. If (big if I know), the weather continues its promise of the last three weeks we are in for an excellent summer and I very much look forward to meeting you during the season – either on a Friday night or during one of the many games at The Rec.

Perfect Start to the Season by Chris Yates Snr

The first XI started the season brightly after a good pre-season preparation. With 2 or 3 new signings, the strength of depth in the squad looks good for a strong campaign in Southern Premier League Div 2 and an opportunity to have a good run in the Sunday National Village Cup. Our Club has a special relationship with after reaching a Lords final in 1985.

Rowledge first X1 secured an excellent win by 137 runs in the first game against Hartley Witney on Saturday at the Rec. On a sunny, warm day there was a great turnout of spectators and the Ground looked a picture bathed in sunshine. Many thanks to Tony Field our grounds man and Waverley Council for the work they have done on the ground as a whole. Please come up and watch the games every Saturday - either First or Second will be at home and will always welcome you.

From Saturday 9th May we will be having 4 senior teams playing in League matches all over the counties of Surrey and Hampshire, so please do support them. If you want a game please contact any of the club officials which are named on our web site www.rowledgecricketclub.com.

On Sunday 17th May, Rowledge CC have been drawn against our local rivals Frensham in the National Village Knockout trophy which is sure to have an extra edge to the game. Start is at 2 pm at Frensham Recreation Ground. Please come and support the lads on the quest to reach a Lords final again.

Results

Rowledge first X1 vs Hartley Witney at home.
Rowledge won the toss and batted, scoring 279 for 5 - Gary Clapham 95, Chris Yates Jnr 62, David Lloyd 46 and Ricky Yates 35. Hartley Witney 142 All Out. Tim Wheatley 3 for 33, Chris Yates Snr 2 for 34.

A comfortable win for **Rowledge fourth X1 vs Frensham third X1** in the I'anson Cup Div 4. The team is a mixture of senior and youth and gained promotion from Div 5 last year. Rob Blythe has really got the players motivated and enjoying their Cricket so don't be afraid to go and watch the 3rd and 4th XIs playing at Binsted every Saturday afternoon.

Rowledge Ladies secured their first win of the season with an amazing match at Guildford. Guildford put on 211 but in response Katy Robinson scored 90 and Emily Mortimer was 58 not out. The game went right to the wire - Rowledge needed 4 off the last 3, and Katie Forward hit a 4 with 2 balls to spare. The Ladies are next playing on 23 May away to Brighton, followed by a home match against Radlett on 30 May.



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Under 13s Update from David Gill

Rowledge C team lost to Kingsclere A team by 5 wickets on Thursday evening. Their batsmen were older and a bit too big and strong for us but everyone did well. Max Taylor was man of the match for his all round performance and for the way he encouraged everyone else.

Rowledge B team beat Hook B team by 9 runs on Friday night. After we were in control for much of the match, the last overs became a bit tense but we came through. There was some great cricket played and Edward was man of the match for 'carrying his bat'. Well done to everyone involved.

Rowledge C team lost to Yateley C team on Tuesday night. We batted first, scored 78 runs and our no 11 batsman, Ben Stephens, was the top scorer. He deservedly won man of the match - Well done, Ben! Despite the loss, everyone did well including those who don't often bowl such as Harry England, Alex Weekes, Josh Clark and Ben Hand. Marcus Brain and Josh Peet both bowled more than they normally do and did well. Josh must surely be the most willing and enthusiastic bowler in Surrey!

The Rowledge B team will next be in action on Saturday for a Div 2 match at Binsted. Please come along to any local matches to support the youth teams and you can even have a practice in the nets to improve your game!

Requests for Help: Accounts and Dinner Dance

Is there an accountant or someone with financial management experience amongst the members prepared to be the honorary auditor? The role involves reviewing and checking the accounts for the whole club that the Treasurer is responsible for preparing? We envisage that it will require 4 to 5 hours at the end of the year Dec/Jan, mostly at times to suit themselves.

We will soon start making plans for the next Dinner Dance on October 17. Wyatt Ramsdale would like to hear from anyone who has particular views on what would make the event a success, and from anyone who would like to join the team organising the event. Please email wytatrams@aol.com or tel 01252 793783 for information about the auditor post or the Dinner Dance.

Dates for the Diary

Friday 4 September

Junior Presentation Night

Saturday 5 September

Senior Presentation Night

Saturday 17 October

Club Dinner Dance

Bar Promotions

Watch out for special promotions at the Club Bar every Friday. On Friday 8 May there will be special prices on house wines. Neil Metcalfe, the Club's Bar Steward has all the details.

Special Plea for Umpires & Scorers

The Club is in urgent need for both of these important jobs, so even if you can do only 2 or 3 games in the year please come forward and volunteer. Contact Chris Yates Senior on the Club website if you would like to join in the fun on Saturdays.

Carlos' Result

Carlo Bruno (Skipper 3rd X1, webmaster, U11's manager) completed the London marathon in 5:27:49 and raised an outstanding £4,000 for Surrey Headway. Thank you to everyone who sponsored and supported him. You can still sponsor him at: www.justgiving.com/carlobruno



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