



Rainham (Essex) Cricket Club

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London Riverside BID Sponsor Rainham CC

The London Riverside BID, a Business Improvement District which encourages more business into Rainham, has agreed to sponsor the cricket club for £300 and will also supply some signs for Spring Farm Park and a Thames RFC in South Ockendon, if this is used as our second ground. The club is grateful for this sponsorship and will probably use the money to buy a set of shirts for the Saturday 1st team squad with the club and London Riverside BID logos prominent on the shirts. If any further sponsorship is granted then this will be used for a set of 2nd XI shirts with logos. Below are photos of a couple of sample shirts.



Club Chairman Graham Thwaites stated “We really welcome this investment in our club and grassroots sport in the area. London Riverside BID has been very enthusiastic about a partnership with local youth cricket and would like thank them and encourage a long term relationship moving forward. Rainham CC is an exciting place to be right now and our youth section is growing successfully each year”.

Terry Lee a spokesman from the London Riverside BID quoted “London Riverside BID is keen to support the Rainham community where ever possible. The support shown to Rainham Cricket Club is part of that commitment”. Terry will also be looking for the 3rd XI game against Belhus at Thames RFC on 11th May to be sponsored by the London Riverside BID.

Playing Update

Indoor Cricket

6th January 2013 'C' Team v Havering-atte-Bower – **'First defeat for 'C' team'**

The 'C' team came into 2013 with 4 wins out of 4 and faced T-Rippon rivals Havering –atte-Bower who won the toss and decided to bat. Havering got off to a storming start against a young Rainham 'C' team of Jamie Adkins, George Light, debutant Tom Herbert, Harry Light, Ash Foster and Captain James Fuller. Thirty runs were added in the first 3 overs with one of the Havering openers going particularly well, but a wicket apiece from Jamie and George stemmed the run tide. George added another wicket and a run out could not prevent the Havering opener retiring and coming back to be the 5th Havering wicket, again

bowled by George, before making 57 damaging runs. The next best Havering batsman made 4 not out as they ended their innings on 87 for 5. George lead the wickets with 3 for 23 but brother Harry and James both bowled well for few runs in their 3 overs each.

Openers James Fuller and Harry Light added 15 runs for the first wicket before James was bowled in the 4th over. Harry was the next to go in a run out mix up with Tom also going for 6 runs. The best partnership of the innings between Ash Foster and Tom took the score to 39 before Tom was also run out. George added a swift 8 runs and Jamie went first ball which left Ash to try and score another 40 runs for victory, but he fell in the 10th over to an LBW with the score on 53 and a disappointing 34 run defeat. Let's hope that it will not be unlucky 2013 for Rainham CC.

13th January 2013 'D' Team v Hornchurch 'B' – **'Moon can't prevent another defeat'**

The new year was hoping to see a change of fortunes for the 'D' team after 3 successive defeats. Hornchurch won the toss and put Rainham into bat and openers Reynolds and Moon getting off to great start with 36 runs after 4 over and Adrian also retiring with a quick fire 25. Kieran Howard was next in and scored a couple and soon after followed by Reynolds for 10. William Emsden played a few nice shots before being bowled. Late replacement Ian Havard hit a few hefty blows and Bradley Manning was run out backing up to a quick run. Ian Havard was then bowled which left Adrian to see out the innings and add another 5 runs to finish on 30 before being bizarrely run out to what would have been the last ball of the innings if it hadn't been a no ball. The final total was again a season's best of 66.

Hornchurch sent in a couple of young openers who handled the bowling of Ian Havard competently keeping the scoreboard ticking over. William Emsden and Kieran Howard both bowled tidily before Bradley Manning got his first indoor wicket clean bowling one of the Hornchurch openers. Hornchurch carried on in competent fashion to wrap the match up with 3 overs to spare and a well deserved victory.

13th January 2013 'B' Team v Romford Post – **'There's life in the old Collis dog yet'**

Rainham batted first and were keen to get the first indoor victory of the season under their belts. Veteran opener Paul Collis turned the clock back stroking the ball to all parts of the sports hall for a swift 25 to get Rainham off to a great start. Notable contributions with the bat from Dan Skipper, Joe Sarro and Jono kept the score moving, but all lost their wickets. Paul Collis came back in to add another 19 runs to his score ending on 44 not out and a healthy team score for Romford Post to chase.

Ian Havard again opened with Jono and both bowled well with Ian looking the pick of the Rainham bowlers taking 2 wickets. Joe Sarro also added to his indoor wicket tally with another and keeper Paul Collis finished his day in style to run the last Romford Post batsman out for a 20 run victory. Was Cook missed for this game?

20th January 2013 'A' Team v Upminster 'A' – **'Indoor match snowed off!'**

Another year and another indoor game snowed off. The 'A' Team match has been rearranged for Sunday 31st March

27th January 2013 'C' Team v St. Andrews 'A' – **'C Team back on the march for promotion'**

Ash Foster will now be taking charge of the 'C' team and he started off with another game against St Andrews 'A'. The regulars of George and Harry Light, Dan Skipper and James Fuller kept the heart of the squad together and last minute replacement Peter Reynolds substituted injured Jamie Adkins, which strengthened the keeping of the side but weakened the bowling attack. Rainham bowled first and George Light stated with a tidy over maiden over and this was followed up by James Fuller with another tidy over. St. Andrews were not losing wickets, but were kept quiet by further bowling from Harry Light. Dan Skipper struck with the first wicket with Harry Light taking a good catch at point. Further wickets did not tumble until the last couple of balls when Dan Skipper bagged a run out and then James Fuller bowled the St. Andrews number 4 to leave them with a modest 46 for 3 after their 12 overs.

Harry Light and Ash Foster opened and added 20 before James Fuller stated 'I think these two could see us home' and one ball later Harry was caught and a further 2 balls later Ash Foster also lost his wicket with both batsmen mistiming balls from the Saints slow bowler. Dan Skipper and James Fuller took the score to 32 before James Fuller was run out. With a potential wobble on the cards and the instruction from Captain

Foster to 'take your time as we have plenty of overs in hand' Peter Reynolds than struck a couple of sixes for a 5th win for the 'C' team.

Fixtures for 2013

Danny Sadai has done us proud again, with a little help from Graham 'one fixture' Burr (could be another Bumper Award nominee), as nearly all of our fixtures have been finalised with just one Sunday fixture to fill, eleven 3rd team games arranged with one more to fulfil and just a couple of pre-season friendlies to arrange for the 1st and 2nd XIs now that the tour has been cancelled. We all wish to thank Danny and Graham for the great work done during the winter to arrange these fixtures.

Youth Team Fixtures for 2013

The Havering League Youth fixtures meeting took place on 29th January at Hornchurch CC and the following fixtures have been arranged for the under 13s and under 15s.

| Under 13s | Opponents | Home/Away | Start | Type |
|--------------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Sunday 19 May 2013 | Havering-atte-Bower | Away | 09:30 | League |
| Sunday 26 May 2013 | Harold Wood | Away | 09:30 | League |
| Sunday 02 June 2013 | Gidea Park & Romford | Away | 09:30 | League |
| Wednesday 05 June 2013 | Goresbrook | Away | 17:30 | League |
| Sunday 23 June 2013 | Upminster B | Away (Gaynes) | 09:30 | League |
| Sunday 04 August 2013 | Hornchurch Athletic | Home | 09:30 | League |
| Wednesday 07 August 2013 | Hornchurch | Away | 17:30 | League |
| Sunday 18 August 2013 | Upminster A | Home | 09:30 | League |
| Sunday 01 September 2013 | Havering-atte-Bower | Home | 09:30 | Friendly |

| Under 15s | Opponents | Home/Away | Start | Type |
|------------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|
| Wednesday 15 May 2013 | Goresbrook | Away | 17:30 | League |
| Wednesday 22 May 2013 | Harold Wood | Home | 17:30 | Cup |
| Sunday 09 June 2013 | Upminster A | Home | 09:30 | League |
| Sunday 16 June 2013 | Gidea Park & Romford | Home | 09:30 | League |
| Sunday 30 June 2013 | Harold Wood | Away | 09:30 | League |
| Wednesday 10 July 2013 | Hornchurch Athletic | Away | 17:30 | League |
| Wednesday 17 July 2013 | Hornchurch | Away | 17:30 | League |

Youth Coaches Meeting

The youth coaches meeting was held on 23rd January and Adrian Moon and Steve Jackson will be coaching the under 13s and Peter Reynolds will be coaching the under 15s. Training will continue on Monday nights from 6.30 to 7.45pm commencing 8th April. James Fuller will be running an intermediates coaching nights, mainly for under 16s on Wednesday nights. It is important that we try to recruit more youngsters into the club so that the youth section can continue to grow and ensure the club thrives in years to come, so if anyone knows anyone who lives in the Rainham area and would like to join the colts section then please invite them along.

Winter Nets

Please come along and keep your eye in during the off season. The nets have been fairly well attended and will continue to take place every Thursday from 7 to 8pm at Campion School right up to 4th April.

Social Events

Dinner and Dance

Some further photos from the dinner and dance in November.



Graham Burr –
Bumper award for
his lack of vice
Captaincy
contribution



Garnet Shallow –
well deserved
winner of 1st team
players player
award



Harry Light – is this
the Sunday players
player or young
player award?



Jamie Adkins –
receives his
Sunday Captain's
award from Jas



Luke Burr –
tinkling the
Ivories

Tour to Brittany

It is with regret that the tour will not go ahead this year for 2 reasons. First of all Des Ormes contacted us to let us know that one of their players would be getting married on the weekend of the planned fixtures and it would be unlikely they would raise a team. The second reason was that we were unlikely to raise a team ourselves as only 7 cricketers were willing to tour. Hopefully a tour will be planned and take place in 2014.

Funding

Lord's Taverners – Non Turf Pitch Fund

An application has gone in to the Lord's Taverners Non Turf Pitch Funds to bolster our funds for the new outdoor net facility. We could possibly obtain another £2000. This will ensure that we will have enough money in the kitty for all the works to be carried out and all the rubble to be safely and compliantly disposed off.

General News

New Outdoor Net Facility

Havering Council have acknowledged our planning application and have requested that we resubmit some site plan drawings. Ex member Jason Jarvis has kindly agreed to draw up the site plans so that the application can get back on track.

We already have a quote from Exclusive leisure for the outdoor nets and we will be seeking further quotes from Club Turf and HCUK. Hopefully the new net facility will be ready to use at the beginning of the season.

NatWest Cricket Force Day



This year's NatWest Cricket Force day will take place on Saturday 6th April and as usual we will need as many volunteers as possible to ensure the club and its playing facilities are ready for the start of the season. The regular jobs will need doing like cleaning the changing room, corridors, club house, clearing the weeds from the back and just having a general tidy up. Some pitch maintenance may be done on the day

and we are looking to replace the front double doors with patio style doors to ensure the club has a lighter feel when cricket is being played. Please ensure that you do your bit for the club on the day as any little contribution will be most welcome.

Junior School Links

Further developments have been made with links into Junior Schools with Rainham Village confirming that we can have a slot in their school assembly on Monday 25th February. Parsonage, Newtons, La Sallette and Brady would also like us to do the same. Each of these invites will come with the club's offer to carry out a few coaching sessions within the school. Hopefully by the time the next newsletter is published we will have these dates firmed up.

Chairman's Notes

Only a matter of weeks now and the new season is upon us. Nat West day in March to prepare the clubhouse, please, please, please come forward and give us some time on that day, it really is needed.



Exciting news that we have 3 Saturday teams for the first time in 20 plus years. Great work from Danny (where's the offside) Sadai as fixtures Secretary, he has arranged all fixtures plus Sunday.

The indoor league is still full on & all 4 teams are doing well. It's not too late to come forward if you fancy a game.

We had to cancel the tour as you read earlier, combination of reasons, and I'm sorry that many players who expressed interest in the summer disappeared when it counted.

Lots of exciting things happening this coming season, 2 home pitches, more financial investment & lots of social events being planned.

Enjoy the last few cold weeks, summer is coming !!!

See you in the winter slips!!

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