



RAINHAM CRICKET CLUB

(Affiliated to the Essex County Cricket Board, the Club Cricket Conference, Essex Playing Fields Association)
Ground - Spring Farm Park, Lambs Lane, Rainham, Essex, RM13 9XF
www.rainhamcc.co.uk | 01708 523 508

June 2013 Newsletter

The History Boys

With all teams making a great start to the season a special mention must go to the under 15s who played Gidea Park and Romford on Sunday 16th June and made club history by winning our first ever Havering League match after our third year in the league at under 13 and under 15 level. Well done to Ronnie Jackson, Tyler Bunn, Tom Herbert, Daniel Butts, Bradley Manning, Callum Bennett, Abdul Altak, Joe Attfield, Nakul Patel, Umer Ellani and Connor Richards whom all contributed and played their part in this win.

Would you believe it!! The under 15s then went on to win their very next Havering League match with a 50 run victory against Harold Wood. Well done boys!!

More club ties were earned during the month of June unusually this time with 2 batsmen Sid Patel scoring 122 for the 3rd XI against Great Baddow and in very strange circumstances after a stewards enquiry and someone that has a problem counting to 100 (we won't mention any names Mr Fuller!), Ash Foster scored a 1st team league 100 against Boreham to lead the team to a tense 2 wicket victory. Both Ash and Sid deserve their club ties with the fantastic progress they are making with their batting.

On the batting front well done to Adrian Moon for his 18th club century with 101 not out playing for the 3rd XI against Old Chelmsfordians 4ths. I think it's been quite a gap between centuries 17 and 18, but a fantastic achievement anyway.

Great news regarding our planning application to build a new outdoor net facility. Our application was granted on 27th June (only 6 months waiting when we were promised 9 weeks!) and we will now be appointing Exclusive Leisure to proceed with the works. Hopefully they may be on site sometime in July or August to start work which should take about a week to complete and improve the practice facilities for seniors and youth players.

Last of all the club done itself proud hosting the Bruce Adams Memorial game ensuring that the game against Gidea Park and Romford was played in a great spirit with Gidea Park being more than impressed with our facilities and hosting skills, so well done to everyone who was involved in organising the day especially James Fuller, our President Barry Bumpstead, Suzanne Page for the lovely teas, Derek Sullivan and Gary Moon for umpiring and Jamie Adkins for scoring. It was also good to see ex players Steve Edwards and Jit Singh returning in Rainham colours.

One slight blip on the day was the BBQ man who seemed to have problems either under cooking or burning the burgers and sausages! Apart from that a great day in Bruce's memory was had by all with Gidea Park & Romford taking the honours in the match.



A Rainham XI take on Gidea Park & Romford XI during the Bruce Adams Memorial game

1st Team – End of month slip up for Fuller’s Fighters

A good month overall for the 1st team with 3 wins a no result and an unexpected loss against Rayleigh 2nds. The 1st team are still in the hunt for a promotion spot lying 3rd in the league behind Springfield 2nds and Hornchurch Athletic. The no result match against Springfield was interrupted due to the weather with Rainham in a very strong position of 114 for 1 after 18 overs and this match may prove a crucial point of the season. One outstanding performance during June was Ash Foster’s maiden century against Broomfield scoring exactly 100 before being run out. The other encouraging feature is the wicket keeping debut of 15 years old Tom Herbert against Galleywood and retention of his spot against Rayleigh 2nds.

The next league match is at home against fellow promotion contenders Eastwood, so let’s hope the 1st XI can put their promotion prospects back on track.

1st XI – notable performances during June 2013

Batting

Ash Foster 100 v Broomfield
Alex Sullivan 88 v Galleywood
Garnet Shallow 71 v Galleywood
Sid Patel 71no v Springfield 2nds

Bowling

James Fuller 4 for 29 v Broomfield
John Wratten 4 for 32 v Tillingham
Jon O’ Neil 3 for 16 v Tillingham
Alfie Hedges 3 for 45 v Broomfield

2nd Team – Still top of the league

Ian Gibbs kept the 2nd XI bandwagon rolling with 4 convincing victories against Rayleigh Fairview 3rds, Chignal 2nds, Rankins 3rds and Boreham and a defeat against Willow Herb 2nd. This leaves the 2nds 10 points clear of 2nd place Broomfield 2nds, who we play in our next league match, and 48 points clear of the 3rd place team. Let’s hope that complacency doesn’t set in and the good form continues in the 2nd half of the season. Gibbo has also encouraged playing youth team players with Tyler Bunn and Ronnie Jackson both making their 2nd XI debuts and retaining their place in the side with some good bowling performances from Tyler and good batting from Ronnie, when he gets the chance to get in, which a couple of 10 and 9 wicket victories have prevented. What a great month for club treasurer Joe Sarro with the bat with some excellent opening innings of which 3 were not out.

2nd XI – notable performances during June 2013

Batting

Joe Sarro 77no v Chignal 2nds
Joe Sarro 41no v Rankins 3rds
Hari Patel 40no v Rankins 3rds
Ronnie Jackson 28 v Willow Herb 2nds

Bowling

John Wratten 5 for 20 v Boreham 2nds
Tyler Bunn 4 for 24 v Rankins 3rds
Nikil Patel 3 for 15 v Rayleigh Fairview 3rds
Kenny Sims 3 for 30 v Chignal 2nds

3rd Team – More Centuries for 3rds

Captain Cooky continues to ensure the youth are the main priority in the 3rd team with just 3 senior players and 8 youth team players, although it’s a couple of senior players who took the individual honours with the bat with Sid Patel scoring 122 v Great Baddow 4ths and Adrian Moon being able to re-live the stories of his previous 17 club centuries with a 101 retired knackered against Old Chelmsfordians 4ths. The bowling honours were taken in the youth department with 10 years old Raj Hothi taking 3 for 18 in the abandoned match at Rankins 3rds and Tyler Bunn taking 3 for 18 in the 3rds only defeat to date against East Malling 2nd XI, which propelled him into the 2nd team. Two wins, a no result and a single defeat is another good return for the thriving 3rd XI.

3rd XI - notable performances during June 2013

Batting

Sid Patel 122 v Great Baddow 4ths
Adrian Moon 101no v Old Chelmsfordians 4ths
Hari Patel 36 v East Malling 2nds
George Gough 35 v Old Chelmsfordians 4ths

Bowling

Tyler Bunn 3 for 18 v East Malling 2nds
Raj Hothi 3 for 18 v Rankins 4ths
George Gough 2 for 15 v East Malling 2nds
Jamie Adkins 2 for 20 v Rankins 4ths

Sunday – Unbeaten June for Carousel Captains

Various Captains, Barry Bumpstead v Belhus, Danny Sadai v Eastonians and Biren Patel v Newington ensured the Sunday XI went through the month of June unbeaten with 3 wins and one cancelled match. The outstanding victory was against Eastonians whom we lost to twice last season with George Light deciding it was time for his batting to be recognised with a 35 not out. Sid Patel continued his great start to the season with more runs against Belhus and Eastonians and Jamie Adkins bowled himself back into form with a 3 for 13 v Eastonians. Last of all a good day for Tom Herbert on the last Sunday in June, who scored 30 not out in the morning playing for the under 15s win at Harold Wood and then followed up with another 42 in the afternoon in the Sunday side's win against Newington.

Sunday XI - notable performances during June 2013

Batting

Sid Patel 60no v Belhus

Hari Patel 50 v Newington

Tom Herbert 42 v Newington

George Light 35no v Eastonians

Bowling

Harry Light 5 for 18 v Newington

Jamie Adkins 3 for 13 v Eastonians

Steve Jackson 2 for 20 v Belhus

Hari Patel 2 for 22 v Eastonians

Under 15s – First Ever League Victories for Youth Team

A good return for the under 15s starting with a heavy defeat against Upminster 'A' and then a close 2nd round cup defeat against Hornchurch Athletic was then followed by a first ever Havering League win against Gidea Park and Romford by 7 wickets instantly followed by a second victory against Harold Wood by 50 runs. Some excellent individual batting performances from Ronnie Jackson, Tyler Bunn, Tom Herbert, Alex Nichol, Bradley Manning, Daniel Butts, Charlie Puncher and Callum Bennett has been backed up with improving fielding from Joe Attfield and Connor Richards and some promising bowling from Abdul Altak & Umer Ellani.

Under 15s - notable performances during June 2013

Batting

Ronnie Jackson 47 v Hornchurch Athletic

Tom Herbert 33no v Gidea Park

Tyler Bunn 32no v Hornchurch Athletic

Tyler Bunn 31no v Harold Wood

Bowling

Abdul Altak 3 for 13 v Harold Wood

Ronnie Jackson 3 for 22 v Gidea Park

Charlie Puncher 2 for 0 v Harold Wood

Ronnie Jackson 2 for 6 v Hornchurch Ath

Under 13s – Young Team Continue to Improve

The young under 13team continue to improve ensuring that in 2 of the 3 games played they batted out the full 20 overs, against Upminster 'B' and Goresbrook, with all 3 matches ending in defeat. Good batting application from Harry Spear, Brandon Honey, Raj Hothi, Jamie Eacott, James Clark, Toby Nichols and Gaigain Singh has ensured this goal was achieved. In the bowling department Brandon Honey, Alex Lavender, Raj Hothi, Daniel Courtney and Mason Magner have all been in the wickets. An excellent wicket keeping debut from Ben Brindley against Harold Wood who conceded just 4 byes in equivalent of 28 overs bowled.

Under 13s - notable performances during June 2013

Batting

Harry Spear 17 v Harold Wood

Raj Hothi 6 v Harold Wood

James Clark 6 v Harold Wood

Jamie Eacott 5 v Upminster 'B'

Bowling

Brandon Honey 2 for 9 v Harold Wood

Daniel Courtney 1 for 4 v Goresbrook

Alex Lavender 1 for 9 v Upminster 'B'

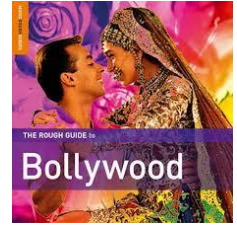
Mason Magner 1 for 9 v Goresbrook

Social Events

Bollywood Night – Saturday 20th July



The next social night will have a Bollywood theme with a variety of curries being on offer, some Bollywood style entertainment, royally provided by the Patel Clan and followed up by Cooky's Bollywood related quiz. This is something a little different so please try and make it and bring along family and friends for the curry alone as it should be a good night.



General News

New Outdoor Net Facility

We recently had some good news in that Havering Council have approved our planning application to build a new outdoor 2 lane net facility with suitable protection. We will be appointing Exclusive Leisure Ltd in the very near future and hope we can put the new facility to good use before this season ends.

Junior School Kwik Cricket Tournament

The kwik cricket tournament was a really enjoyable day and a great success thanks to all the Rainham CC volunteers who played their part. Well done and thank you to Adrian Moon, Jamie Adkins & Scott Dordoy for umpiring throughout the course of the day and a special mention to Sharon Adkins who ensured everyone was well looked after with an endless supply of teas, coffees and soft drinks.

Six local Rainham primary school teams took part Whybridge, Rainham Village, Brady, La Salette and two teams from Newtons. The format was round robin with all teams playing each other once and the team top of the league would win and it could not have ended up any better with the last game played was the 2 unbeaten teams Whybridge and Newtons 'A'. Whybridge looked favourites after posting the 2 biggest scores on the day, but Newtons sprung a shock and won by 34 runs. Two of the Newton's Team, Ben Brindley and Morgan Byrne are currently part of our youth set up as well as Toby Nichols, Mason Magner Aaron Szczygiel from La Salette and Gaigain Singh from Brady.



Winners Newtons parade the cup while Runners up Whybridge show their appreciation

Some of the feedback from the school's that took part is as follows.

Comments from Viv Allaway from Newtons School - "Thank you for everything. We thoroughly enjoyed the day and were thrilled to win! We would love some coaching next year, obviously before the tournament".

Comments from Vicky Woodhouse at La Salette - "Thank you so much for organising today. The children had a wonderful time and, as you saw at the end, wanted to continue playing against the sports leaders. I know the children who have already joined the club are enjoying it immensely and more parents who were there today have also shown an interest in their children joining.

Thank you to Rainham Cricket Club for hosting this event today and for their hospitality providing juice and biscuits for the children as well as tea and coffee for our supporters - I know they were very grateful and appreciative of your kindness.”

Our shirt sponsors London Riverside BID have agreed to sponsor this tournament by providing medals to the winners for the next 3 years and the Havering Sports Collective who also provided 9 volunteers from Coopers School were suitably impressed and have asked us to host the Havering Girls and Boys tournament in 2014.

Senior School Annual Cricket Tournament

Chafford retained the Rainham CC school tournament for the 4th consecutive year by beating Brittons in a tense match. Again a massive thank you to the Rainham CC volunteers of Sharon Adkins, Adrian Moon, Graham Thwaites and Jamie Adskins.

Brittons batted first and got off to a great start with Jackson and Lacy both scoring quickly before being dismissed for 14 and 20 respectively. Fine bowling from Alex Haver from Chafford stemmed the flow of runs by taking 3 Brittons wickets, before a cameo innings from James Mansfield kept the scoreboard ticking over with 16 runs. A good tight last over from Abdul Altak ensured that Brittons were pegged back to 74 for 5 in their 15 overs.

Chafford lost early wickets before a 4th wicket partnership between Debone and Pollard put Chafford back on track. Oliver Clayton then broke the partnership by dismissing Debone for 18 and taking 2 further Chafford wickets in the same over to leave the match in a tense situation with 10 runs required from the last 2 overs. Pollard lead Chaffords to victory in a tense finish to ensure that the Trophy remained in the Chafford hands for another 12 months. Debone picked up the best batsman award and Clayton from Brittons the bowler award.



The Chafford squad proudly display the trophy for the 4th consecutive year

Havering Council – Pitch Rent Increase

Club Chairman Graham Thwaites met with the some local Councillors on 19th June to discuss and contest the 60% increase in our pitch rental for this season. The meeting was positive and the Councillors agreed to review this increase this year and the revised pitch rent will soon be known and we obviously hope the increase will be significantly reduced in order for us to sustain our existing annual subscriptions and match fees, but we are not holding our breath on this one.

Annual Subscriptions

Please remember the due date to have paid annual subscriptions of 30th June has now passed. Anyone that has not paid anything may not be selected to play and if they do will have to pay a match fee of £15 per match.

Essex CCC t20 Match Tickets

The Essex CCC T20 ticket kindly donated by Danny Sadai were won by Sid Patel (batsman), Nikil Patel (Bowler) and Tyler Bunn (Youth player). Well done to all with all with Sid scoring over 600 runs to date. Nikil taking 22 wickets and Tyler Bunn taking over 20 wickets and scoring over 100 runs and holding down a place in the Saturday 2nd XI.

Graham Burr's Charity Bike Ride Message – UK, France and Jersey

A year at Leumi UK is not complete without a bike challenge, especially as the ones that have been done so far have been extremely successful in terms of how much money has been raised for charity, and the sense of achievement and enjoyment that participants have gained from taking part. We are therefore pleased to announce that this year's bike ride will take place from 7th - 11th July (to coincide with Bank Leumi Jersey's 20th anniversary celebrations on the 10th). This will be four days of cycling covering a distance of approx. 350km, returning on the fifth day from Jersey to LGW.

BLUK has chosen to support **The Hasler Company**, a unit dedicated to the specific and complex needs of seriously injured and ill Royal Marines. As a Naval Service asset, it also provides support to the Army and RAF, who require bespoke programmes to aid recovery of service men and women.

The funds we raise will go direct to **The Royal Marines Charitable Trust Fund** (referencing Royal Hasler Company).

Our Virgin Money Giving Page has now been set up.

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/TeamLeumi2013>

Any donations will be gratefully accepted, so please even if it is a £1 log on to the Just Giving website and donate and I will be extremely thankful.



Who will sponsor Graham Burr for his Charity Bike Ride? A fiver for starters?

Chairman's Notes

Well, well the season is half way through and I can only reiterate my congratulations to all concerned with regards on field activities, everybody enjoying their cricket and plenty of success at all levels, from superb junior performances to promotion targets, things are looking better than ever. Now is the time for even more focus and effort however, nothing is secured yet and as we push for glory and the pressure increases let's remember we are all friends and the enjoyment we get stems from each other's company, win or lose.



On a personal note I'm delighted with the 3s this year and it's prompted us to confirm that we will be applying for the Mid Essex next year with this squad of players. The mixture of youth & experience is working well and there is a great atmosphere within the team. Having said that it seems to be all over the club at the moment really can't wait for Saturdays right now.

It is always nice to receive praise, although regular readers of my column will testify just how embarrassed I get when it comes my way. However it's only fair occasionally I pass it on as I do realise I am an inspiration for many of you on the field and indeed in life. It's something I take very seriously.

- 1) After keeping at home to OCs a guy walking his dog (Pictured by Adam Savery's mum, and you thought he didn't exist) approached the grounds man and inquired how Rainham had managed to attract James Foster over to the club!!!! You can't teach natural flare and ability!!!



[All those stories were true!!!!]

2) Jas Hothi's sister has asked to meet me socially, quoting me as a mixture between Jason Statham and Amitabh Bachchan (Bollywood Heart throb).



Sorry Ms Hothi but I'm happily married and although I am flattered, but I am a full 10 years older than you and totally focused on my keeping!!

**See you in the slips!!
Cooky!!**

