

To All Club Members April 2014

## <u>Pavilion Extension/Refurbishment Project – Your Support Needed</u>

It is planned to start the extension project in Spring/Summer 2015 and we need to raise approx. £300,000. In order to achieve this we need the support of every Club member to make this a reality. It is hoped this sum will be made up of grants from various bodies (e.g. Woking BC, Sport England, ECB), sponsorship or donations from local companies, the efforts of Club members, whether individually or collectively, and any profit made on our day-to-day activities. We have set a target from our own efforts of £75,000 by Sept. 2015 and in the last 3 years the Club has raised just over £26,000 towards this total.

The extension and refurbishment of the current facility will ensure we have the best possible infrastructure to support the development of Colts and Senior cricket in Byfleet, provide a Community resource and a modern, comfortable social environment for the enjoyment of all.

A fund raising committee has been formed consisting of myself, Andy Savage, Lucy Collins, Corinne Mickley, Andrea Ling, Will Crabtree, and Iain and Linda Bowman. Each Committee member has taken on specific activities and a full list of initiatives and events for 2014 is attached – there are some very innovative ideas and a couple of "big" events planned!!! It is not the intention to raise funds solely from Club members, many events and initiatives will be targeted at the general public and external organisations.

So the purpose of this letter is to ask <u>ALL</u> Club members for your support in achieving our goals. Some of the events proposed will require 20-25 members to provide help on the day, others all we may ask is you make an effort to attend or be willing to give up 1-2 hours of your time and support your fellow Club members.

Some of you may have specific skills or contacts that we are not aware of which would be of tremendous benefit in our quest so please do not be shy of approaching one of the Fund Raising Committee if you think you can help in any way whatsoever.

One simple and easy example is to join the 100 Club monthly draw – all this requires is to sign a bank standing order mandate (available on Registration Evenings) for £5/month and the chance to win £50 every month, and the more members we have the larger the prizes will become. In 2013 we raised £800 from the 100 Club and are looking to double that.

We will communicate regularly on progress on the website and by other means as necessary and I urge you all to support us in achieving our aims for the benefit of you, your children and the Byfleet community as a whole.

Bernie Dodwell President, Byfleet Cricket Club