

Byfleet CC Newsletter - October 2014

Rymans Surrey Championship Div 5 CHAMPIONS 2014

Surrey Development League Shield WINNERS 2014

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With the season at an end this will be the last newsletter until the New Year. If the Club has anything urgent or specific to communicate to Members it will be done by email and via the website.

Team Review:

1st XI: A stunning end to the season. With the title in the balance, the win over Old Paulines coupled with Stoke d'Abernon's victory over Dorking meant Byfleet became Champions and finished with <u>nine</u> victories on the trot, winning all our limited overs games. With Brian having returned to South Africa, up stepped batsman Ashley Rannie, the returning Tim Buzaglo and Brent Kay to secure 1st place.

The bowling unit of veteran Roly Hockin supported by Matt Rannie, Brent Kay, Sam Crabtree and Brian each took 20+ league wickets and we had the top 3 (and 4 of the top 5) regular bowlers in terms of economy. Ashley was the leading wicketkeeper in Div 5, broke the Div 5 wicketkeeping record and was 3rd in the whole Championship **and** an impressive 58 average with the bat. Brian finished with the top average of 99.11 – had he been around for the last 2 games he would have undoubtedly been the top run scorer as well.

Of the 157 wickets taken, our 5 core bowlers accounted for 124 (79%), there were 12 run-outs and 21 wickets shared between Ben Tyler (10), Andy Savage (7), Mo Zeeshan (3) and Jamie Austin (1).

Some startling league team stats for the 18 game season:

	Runs	Wickets	Overs			Times
	Scored	lost	rec'd	runs/over	runs/wkt	bowled out
Byfleet	2863	89	578.5	4.95	32.16	3
Opposition	2328	157	742.3	3.13	14.83	14

We can look forward to next year to lock horns with the likes of Woking & Horsell, our friends at Cobham Avorians, and old foes Farncombe, Old Hamptonians and Staines & Laleham.

Our commiserations to Stoke d'Abernon – having led the League for much of the season they achieved their third 3rd place finish in the last four years. It would have only been fitting that they should also have gained promotion. Their tally of 160 points would have been enough to win 4 of the 6 divisional titles.

Also the great news is that Brent will be staying for at least another season. His contribution this year has been significant and crucial. He strengthened the side and, as well as his bowling and fielding prowess, ended the season with 2 match-winning performances with the bat and again been a popular member of the Club, particularly for one certain individual....!!!!

Development Team

The Development League team led by Ben Tyler capped their season by beating Esher CC at Normandy in the Shield Final by 46 runs. The young team augmented by Sam Crabtree and Roly Hockin, posted 171 and dismissed Esher for 125. The team was Ben and Sam Tyler, Sam Crabtree, Tim Richards, Ashley Rannie, David Abernethy, George Mickley, Sam Coyne, Dan Bowman, Lewis Deven and Alfie Mickley, who substituted for Roly Hockin when he was injured (again!) batting.

Solid performances with the bat came from Ben, Ashley, Dan and Roly and the bowling of Sam Crabtree (4-6), Ben, Dan and Sam Coyne secured victory over the more fancied Esher.

Notable Achievements/Statistics

Career landmarks reached in September:

Brent Kay scored his first 100 (retired) for the Club v. Norwood

Sport Woking Awards 2014

The 1st XI has been nominated for Team of the Year, Malcolm for Outstanding Services and Shaky for Coach/Volunteer of the Year. The winners will be announced on **Wednesday 8th October** at the H G Wells Centre. The event is non-ticketed so anyone wishing to attend just turn up by 7pm.

Ben Tyler

Ben is now in South Africa with Brian's club Alberton for their summer. It will be a great experience and we wish him a successful and enjoyable visit – we are sure he will learn much and return an even better player.

Survey Monkey Results

Earlier this year we ran a SurveyMonkey seeking feedback from Club members on various issues/activities. 46 Club members responded and thanks to everyone who participated. A summary of the results are available on the website.

The survey is still open and we would encourage those of you who have not completed it to do so. This information is a crucial part of our grant applications and is also used by the Committee to make forward decisions and helps us to address and meet the concerns of Members. The Survey is simple to complete and can be found at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NGHMMYL

Byfleet Rec Pitch Renovation/Kings Head lane

No update as yet from Woking BC on the re-instatement of the Recreation wicket but we are now discussing with Woking BC and Byfleet Boys FC the possibility of them using our ground for a 5-a-side pitch thus freeing up space for a small square on the KHL ground for 3rd XI and Colts' matches. This would be our preferred option.

Land Purchase/Extension/Renovation

Darren West has sprung to life and a little progress has been made towards finalising the land purchase. However, we've had false dawns before so are keeping our fingers crossed.

Following a meeting with the UK Power networks contractors to discuss timings etc. for burying the motorway overhead cables, work is planned to start November and be completed by the 2015 season. This

will include extending the car park on both sides up to the entrance gate and a path round the back to the Byfleet Boys FC football field at no cost to the Club. This will add 20+ car parking spaces and tidy up the car park entrance.

Fund Raising

The fund should reach approx. £45,000 by the end of the year when the accounts are finalised and various transfers made. We are waiting on the results of our grant applications and will inform members as soon as we have news.

Buy-a-Brick

For Club members, a "Red" brick will cost £25 and a "Golden Brick" £50 and we are offering the opportunity to local businesses along with other sponsorship options. Names will be permanently displayed in the new Clubhouse on a graphical "Wall of Bricks".

To purchase a "brick", simply complete the form which will be uploaded to the website during October www.byfleetcc.co.uk

Honours Boards

It is hoped to have the new boards completed in October and the Club has also commissioned a Club Honours Board to record all Byfleet CC's league and cup honours since the inception of League cricket.

End of Season Dinner Awards

The 2014 awards were presented at the dinner at the Comodor on Saturday 27th. Over 60 attended. The award winners were:

1st XI Batting:Ashley Rannie1st XI Bowling:Roly Hockin1st XI Fielding:Ashley Rannie

Champagne Moment: Brent Kay/Ashley Rannie, 100* Partnership in 11 overs v. Maori Oxshott

2nd XI Batting:Matt Hockin2nd XI Bowling:Daniel Bowman2nd XI Fielding:Darren Thorne

Champagne Moment: Sam Tyler 5-13 v Hampton Hill

3rd XI Batting: **Darren Thorne** 3rd XI Bowling: **Rob Deven** 3rd XI Fielding: **David Jones** 2nd XI Clubman: **Neal Jones** Sixes Cup: **Brian Barnard** Young Player: **Daniel Bowman** President's Salver: **Shelagh Denham** Carafino Cup: **Iain Bowman**

October/November Events:

- Wednesday 8th October: Sport Woking Awards, HG Wells Centre, 7pm. Entry free.
- Saturday 1st November: Halloween Party, the Clubhouse, 5.30pm-10pm. Tickets available from Lucy Collins/Corinne Mickley, cost £5 per adult & £3 per child or Family Ticket £13. Hot Food will be served on the evening at cost of £3 per head.
- Friday 7th November: Fullers League Dinner & Awards, Sandown Park, 7pm. Tickets available from Andy Savage, cost £30.
- Thursday 27th November: AGM, the Clubhouse, 7.30pm.