

**Chertsey Cricket Club  
Annual General Meeting  
Friday 04<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

**Attendance**

Deni Perks-Dan Perks-Neil Latham-Claire Wright-Ricky Redmond-Trudie Wakefield-Geoff Wakefield-Jim Denyer-Jack Ogle-Chris Smith-Mark Nuti-John Russell-Murray Sanger-Mick Wells-Tim Lloyd-Martin Bloomfield-Phil Boast-Cade Skelton-Bill Normington-Richard Dodd-Stuart Chenery-Jake Taylor.

**Apologies**

Andy Powesland-Bob Hanger-Tim Hallett-Angie Bell-Mick Shepherd-Martin Allen-Tim Beer-Steve Anthony-Steve Bussey-Ron Beecroft-Cade Skelton-Angela Boast-Jack Lloyd-Jane Nuti-Harrison Nuti-Greg Burton.

**Minutes 2013**

Proposed: Rik Redmond  
Seconded: Denis Perks

Minutes unanimously accepted.

**Rule Changes**

There were no rule changes.

**Treasurers Report (given via email in Tim's absence)**

**SUMMARY**

As a club we continue to grow and we've had another good year in terms of bar sales, up an impressive to 80k and 4% increase year on year.

Bar margin has dipped slightly however to a 38% margin (2014 40%)

Other income is up 22% and expenditure is up 12% leaving a small profit for the year £2,293 (2014 loss £15,279 due to refurb).

**INCOME**

**Bar Income**

As I said bar sales are now up to £80k (£77k in 2014) which is a 4% increase year on year. This is due to many successful events at the club including Fireworks night, another great Presidents day and many other busy nights on a Thursday, Friday, Saturday and even Sunday lunchtimes. I'm not unduly worried at the slight dip in bar margin as this represents only £2k of lost sales and can easily be explained away from recording errors in the bar book.

We moved from Daly to Fullers in 2015 to get a better and cheaper service on beer purchases and I think that has worked out well.

Cost of sales were £53k which relate to purchases from Fullers and Bookers (2014 £50k).

**Bar Margin history**

2005 – 44% 2006 – 42% 2007 – 42% 2008 – 41% 2009 – 42% 2010 – 30% 2011 – 40% 2012 – 36%  
2013 – 31% 2014 – 40% 2015 – 39% Average 39%

**Other Income**

Members Subscriptions: Up 30% year on year to £12.8k (2014 £10k). More members this year and very good payment record across the board. Excellent work from Steve Anthony.

Match Fees: Up 10% to £10.6k (2014 9.6k). Another good return and collection ratio although not without its problems especially the mid-week league.

Social Event, Raffles, Ground Hire: Up 134% to £4585 (2014 2k) due to CTVHC club hire and numerous other small hires.

Advertising & Sponsorships: 10% increase to 2.7k (2014 2.4k). Excellent support from PNC Global Logistics, Gemini Cars and St Peters Lodge. We also had amazing support from Crest Nicolson which I'm sure the Secretary or Chairman have spoken about.

Miscellaneous Income: Down to 2.2k (2014 2.9k) relating mainly from generous donations from our VP and LVP's.

Charity & Local Authority Donations: We generously received 4.8K from the Trustee this year and 9.4k from the Community Foundation for Surrey (which was received in 2014 but recorded in 2015 Accounts) to help fund the refurbishment of the artificial wicket and outdoor nets which cost in the regional of 19.5k

Total Income was therefore 78k

## EXPENDITURE

Pavilion Expenses: Up 37 to 8.9k (2014 6.5k) mainly due to the increased clubhouse cleaning bill and general maintenance costs.

Insurance: down slightly to 3.4k due to a change of broker. We also now have flood cover back for the clubhouse.

Rates: We made a small saving in Rates due to a cheque received from RBC relating to a flood grant.

Heat & Light & Water: Energy bills have gone through the roof again and were 4.4k this year. (2014 2.7k). The clubhouse was closed over 3 months last year and this year has been used a lot more.

Telephone / Internet: A small increase to £644

Wages & Taxes: relating to bar staff. A small decrease to 5k (2014 5.6k)

Post, Printing & Stationery: Up to £1312 due to increased printing costs.

Ground Expenses: Up 11% to 9.2k (2014 8.3k) but in line with Murrays budget and tight control of ground expenditure.

Ground Hire: Relating to cricket ground hire around the borough. Down to 5k this year (2014 5.6k). I can't explain the decrease as I believe more games we played. Maybe RBC have got it wrong in previous years?

League Registration Fees: Slight increase to £932

Cricket Equipment & trophies: Up 14% to 6k (2014 4.3k). This cost fluctuates year on year with the needs of Junior equipment, the seniors also have a professional coach for the first time on Tuesday evenings.

Miscellaneous: Flat at 6.1k (2014 6k) and mainly relates to the cost of the overseas players flights and accommodation and agents fee.

Exceptional costs: The club invested 24k this summer, the main cost being 19k for the artificial wicket and outdoor nets. We also invested in anew dishwasher, patio work, a new rubbish storage area, the mobile net and clubhouse tables & chairs.

Overall total Expenditure was therefore 76k

## SURPLUS

Overall then we made a small surplus of 2.3k which is very acceptable given the investment in the club. The club is not here to make a profit but to plough any funds it goes make straight back into the club as an on-going investment.

## BALANCE SHEET

The Balance Sheet represents the wealth of the club at a point in time (i.e. 31-Oct-15)

CURRENT ASSETS – 47k (2014 56k)

Made up of

Cash

We have 40k in cash as at 31Oct14 (2014 51k)

Debtors & Prepayments:

Prepayments: 2.7k (2013 2k) being Insurance invoices that are pre-paid Bar Stock 4.2k (2014 3.3k)

CURRENT LIABILITIES 32k (2014 26k)

Trade Creditors: 15k (2013 17k) Being supplier costs accounted for in this financial year but paid in Nov 2014 the largest ones being:

Fullers Brewery -3k RBC - 5kSJK - 2k

Overall then our reserves are slightly down to a still very healthy 32k.

The accounts were audited by Martin Allen (comments via email in his absence)

*As usual I have undertaken the Audit of the club's accounts. This is not a full Audit – and never has been – but from the information supplied by Tim and his answers to my numerous questions, I am satisfied that the Year-End accounts represent an accurate statement of the club's financial situation. As always, Tim should be very warmly congratulated on the quality of his accounts and the book-keeping that supports them. They're immaculate...*

*Martin Allen*

## Secretary's Report

We hit the season up and running this year, everything in place , new nets , new covers , new mobile nets and a newly laid wicket. The season started with a well supported and fun works day where we got a remarkable amount of work done, thanks to all those that attended, I will expect even more bodies next year.

The weather was changeable this year although there weren't many games cancelled but of course typically in Chertsey Presidents Day was looming as were the storms. I think its fair to say that most clubs would have called the day off , there was no way we could play cricket and to have an outside band playing all night was frankly ludicrous. Not Chertsey cricket club the president said sod it we can do it and Boasty as we know will play cricket in any conditions so, in the torrential rain we tied the marquees down (after they had blown away) and prepared for the very unique game of adult quick cricket that very quickly took on a very competitive vibe. We needn't have worried, the Chertsey Cricket Club membership turned out in force to watch the spectacle (and it was a spectacle) – by the time the band started playing there were literally hundreds of people enjoying the evening sun and showers at regular intervals. Testament to our fantastic President and Chertsey Cricket Club its this sort of thing that sets us apart from the normal! Well done everyone.

One sad note to end this year was the passing of Bob Stillwell, Geoff Stillwell's father. A true supporter of the club over many years as an umpire and later in life as a spectator.

## Ground

We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for the wonderful ground we have and by god does it take some looking after and preparation with our heavily congested fixture list. The wickets played as well as they ever have, testament to Murray and his team's hard work and considerable time. Thanks to Bob Hanger who looks after the outfield Rik who helps Murray with the wicket preparation, Ron who helps

with the wicket rolling and anything Murray can get him to do and Tim for the work on the surrounding grounds. You may well have heard our president bought a chain saw this year – it was put to good use thanks Wellsy. A real team effort – well done Murray.

### **Social – bar and pavilion**

I'm not sure anyone thought we could get busier at the bar but as the figures show bar takings nearly hit the £80k mark quite incredible!

A huge thank you to Phil for managing the colossal task of keeping the bar going. Thanks to Claire for her staffing organisation and the hugely enjoyable if not freezing cold Beach Party! Thanks to Niki and Dawn for their efforts over the season it really does make a difference to be able to rely on you all.

### **Membership**

At the last AGM we changed the membership slightly to encourage parents of the junior section to join the club in their own right, although this gave Steve an even bigger headache than usual I'm pleased to report that this was adopted very positively. Not only did the social membership increase vastly but I think it shows in the accounts that more and more people used 'their' club this year at every opportunity. Thanks to Steve for his ever officious / organised system, there was a rumour that he was thinking of standing down from the role, I sincerely hope not, I would miss the constant moaning I mean constructive criticism that he gives me at our every meeting.

### **Fixtures**

The fixture list increases every year, not just the adults but the juniors are quite frankly mind boggling – thank you Stuart for all your unseen hard work. There were a few occasions last year when we had to cancel Sunday fixtures for ambiguous reasons and this is going to be addressed for the coming season, its very difficult to get the majority of Sunday games at home and doesn't help Stuart when we cancel them hours before were meant to play.

### **Playing**

The captains reports will follow later, but just to say that we had another very successful season on the field just missing promotion in the 1's – 2's and 3's and the 4<sup>th</sup> XI coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Fullers 3<sup>rd</sup> XI league. I would much rather be moaning about missing promotion than just missing relegation! Next season the committee have pledged to help the senior playing side of the club – Greg will expand later – but if we continue the form of last season and add a bit of luck who knows.

Thanks again to Richard Luff who organises the highly acclaimed Social League. Fantastic fun for those that play and those that watch, there were some remarkable games this year, all played in good humour and getting ever more competitive! Thanks to all the teams that kept true to their word and made sure that Thursday nights were very busy over the bar.

### **Sponsorship**

We have been very fortunate over the last few years with sponsorship mainly thanks to Mick Wells who has a unique way of making companies part with their money. It is not easy to go cap in hand to these companies and we really need to thank Mick for his hard work in securing ongoing relationships with these companies. Thanks also goes to Jim Denyer who raises the money for the fixture cards with the smaller adds – no mean feat in the current financial climate.

### **The President**

I just want to give a special thank you to our outgoing President Mr Mick Wells. Mick took the role of president on 3 years ago with the energy and vitality that he brings to everything he does.

The presidents days have been a wonderful success and Mick's support to all the playing sides over these last few years has been inspirational, but there are many other things Mick has done behind the scenes to improve the club. The tractor shed that was falling down has been renovated and I am reliably informed will last another 50 years, the orange container is now a lovely shade of Green. The mobile net was down to Mick (with help from Martin Bloomfield and a friend of Micks) and the old sight screen has been renovated rather than thrown away. Its hard to evaluate the impact Mick has had on the club over his reign but I believe it to be huge.

It has truly been a fantastic tenure as President, one that won't be forgotten – thank you Mr President!

## **Summary**

So as another year comes to a close we reflect on another positive season moving ever forwards, thanks to all the committee for their hard work and endless hours of having to listen to me and Smithy.

## **Chris Smith – Chairman**

A big well done to the committee this year again seeing the club remain on a sound financial footing. We have invested in the playing side of the club this year with new covers and sight screens (gratefully provided by Crest Nicholson).

The club is growing – membership is steadily on the up and the playing side is moving forward with dedicated coaches so lets hope playing success follows.

The junior section is healthy but needs support and will again, next year, need new coaches and help. Thanks to Richard Luff ,Mick Wells and Sean Gould who have done a fantastic job of running the social cricket on a Thursday evening.

Thanks to all the committee, main and junior and all the volunteers that help with the juniors registration every Friday. Thanks to Phil and his team of bar staff for their continued support and help.

Next year we want to move forward with Sunday cricket and the women's team. We will need to invest in the electrics of the pavilion which in turn will aid the ability to privately let the club.

## **Captains**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Team Report – Greg Burton (cut and paste from email)**

Played 18

Won 9

Lost 8

Drew 2

Just want to start by thanking Murray and his team for the wicket and ground, Jane for teas, Jim Denyer for going to meetings and Martin Allen for umpire at the end of the season.

Overall a very good season considering we lost a number of senior players, Dan Shep, Jon Dodd, Will Cooper, Karthik Menon from the previous season. We finished a very respectable 4<sup>th</sup>, 1 point away from 3<sup>rd</sup> place. We had a reputation for beating the teams above us but losing to those who were struggling at the bottom of the table.

Stand out performers for the year with the bat where

Steve Knight 679 runs @ 42.

Jack Ogle 354 runs @ 27

Greg Burton 319 runs @ 25

Ben Hanger 309 runs @ 28

Wickets

Steve Knight 33 wickets

Jack Ogle 27 wickets

Zeeshan, Luke and Cracker 20 wickets.

The stand out performance was Ben Hangers maiden first team 101\* vs Weybridge Vandals a huge congratulations Ben and expect more next season.

Looking to next season I would like to think we can mount a very serious promotion campaign. If JR, Snake, Ben, Cracker and Jack can all kick on again we will have a fantastic team.

Moving on to the club as a whole we are looking to increase the coaching available, we are planning on having 2 coaches on a Tuesday night to run a 2 hour session for all and then 1 coach on Thursday nights to concentrate on individuals.

Overseas, we have signed a young South African spinner who is highly thought off back home and is expected to play international cricket one day. He will be staying with Paul Erasmus as he knows the family back in SA.

In summary the club as a whole performed very well last year with all sides finishing in the top half of the leagues or better. I would like to think we can all kick on next season and bring home some silverware.

## **2<sup>nd</sup> Team Report – Phil Boast**

Started well winning the first game off the last ball. It wasn't always easy getting teams out with low availability and an unusually high injury rate. Having said that we won 11 of the 18 games and challenged all year finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> having lost to the two teams above us.

Steve Bussey made a big difference with the bat ably supported by other more mature players! The youngsters are gradually coming through from the 3's and 4's thanks to Craig and Neil. Harrison Nuti , Dan Perks, David Sloane , Jack Harris and Jamie Anthony all played a part. Players such as Tommy Duffy, Luke Robinson and Ryan Boast all made appearances over the season.

Thanks to Alan for umpiring , Jane for the teas , Murray and the gang for the wickets and ground and the selection committee for being supportive.

## **3rd Team Report – Craig Skelton (cut and pasted from email)**

Firstly a thanks to all the players who played in the 3s, especially Bruce Raeside who has been a rock in the bowling department and a constant source of good advise and humour. Some of the younger players made great developments with their games which will stand us in good stead for next season (providing they are not taken by the 2s!)

Certainly a season of 2 halves for the 3rd XI! After losing the first game of the season to eventual champions Ashford, in a game we could, and should, have won, the 3s went on an 8 game winning run - unfortunately a couple of those games were friendliest due the league giving us back to back free weekends in May and having Farnham concede against us. We then had a dreadful run of form that lasted from mid July to the penultimate game of the season where we just couldn't buy a win - not helped by some poor availability when other sides seemed to have good availability.

Performances of note :

What must be a record score for the 3s away at Kempton when we scored 308-7 declared winning by over 125 runs including a fine century for Luke Robertson.

Bowling performance were led by Bruce Raeside, 2nd highest wicket taker in the league with 30 wickets at an average of 16.2, followed by Jack Lloyd with 15 wickets at 19.8 and Hugh Aish-Lyons at 22.4

Unlike the bowling, the batting was a much tighter affair with BJ leading the way with 209 runs at an average of 23.2, Myself with 168 at an average of 21 and Josh Loverage with 159 at an average of 14.5.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> Team Report – Neil Latham (cut and paste from email)**

Firstly, thanks to Jane for sorting teas & delivering them in a timely manner, Murray for allowing us an opportunity at the end of the season to play a couple of games here and finally the other senior players who have supported me both as drivers & players to enable us to fulfil ALL our fixtures – Chris Drage, Tim Hallett, Denis Perks, Martin Allen, Mark Pulling, Sam Salt plus the parents who have supported from the boundary.

What a difference 12 months makes when the colts (to coin the phrase “our own timber”) are getting bigger and stronger.

2014 – our first season of league cricket produced including friendlies – 6 wins, including a concession, 1 losing draw, 9 losses, 1 abandoned and finished 10<sup>th</sup> out of 15 in the league.

2015 - We ended with 12 wins & 6 losses, we finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the league to Weybridge Vandals, who we beat in both games, by 3 points – thanks to Camberley’s win against us in the first league game followed by a concession to us and 2 concessions to Weybridge Vandals.

Notable batting:

Dan Perks & Luke Robertson – both U17 – getting maiden century’s v West End Esher  
Tommy Duffy – U15 – 3 half century’s including 91 against Weybridge Vandals (inc in top 10 run scorers in the league)  
Tom Bolger – U15 – 84 against Staines & Laleham (inc in top 10 run scorers in the league)  
Jack Perks – U14 – maiden 50 against Thorpe

I should point out that Sam Salt, Gordon Whiley, Denis Perks, Bruce Raeside & Martin Allen also scored half century’s

Notable bowling:

Ben Parkes – U15 – 5 wickets, all bowled, for 8 runs against Thorpe  
Tommy Duffy – U15 – 6 wickets against Byfleet  
Tom Drage – U15 – 4 five wicket hauls including 5 for 14 v Shepperton & 7 for 29 v Chiswick and Latymer – he was also the leading league wicket taker with 24

Finally, I received 2 texts after the final league games:

Whiteley Village were playing Weybridge Vandals – I’m sorry mate we really wanted to beat them, we declared to stop them getting extra points but they won by Duckworth Lewis.

Weybridge Vandals – Well done in the games against us.

#### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Team Report**

There was no Sunday report.

#### **Junior Section – Denis Perks**

Thanks to all the coaches. Finlay Lloyd , Jack Perks , Harrison Barnard all helped this year which was great to see.

Thanks to all who helped on Friday evening registering the kids in and out, we couldn’t do it without you.

We fielded 8 teams this year and although we didn’t win anything we made good accounts of ourselves. Hopefully next year we will have 9 elevens.

We need more coaches and more help as always, it's a big organization and takes a lot of organizing. A big thank you to all the parents.

### **The President**

I have had a fantastic 3 years as the club's president in which time I have achieved all I set out to. It is now time for me to move on and let someone else take the reins. I would like to thank everyone who has helped make these last 3 years not only enjoyable for me and the club but also profitable.

Your next President will put their own spin on things and I think the committee have the right person in mind to do the job. John Russell was secretary at the club for many years as well as being an accomplished opening batsman for the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI over many seasons. I hope you give him as much support as you have given me.

Thank you.

### **Election Of Officers**

President	John Russell	
Chairman	Chris Smith	
Hon.Secretary	Mark Nuti	
Fixture Secretary	Stuart Bailey	
Membership Secretary	To be confirmed	
Bar/Pavillion Manager	Phil Boast	
Sponsorship/Fundraising	Jim Denyer	
Club Development/ Junior Section Rep	Denis Perks	
Ground Manager	Murray Sanger	
Child Welfare Officer	Trudie Wakefield	
Communications	Matt Wiggins	
Without Portfolio	Tim Lloyd Ricky Redmond Geoff Wakefield	Claire Wright Mick Wells
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Captain	Greg Burton	
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI Captain*	Phil Boast	
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI Captain*	Craig Skelton	
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> XI Captain*	Neil Latham	
Sun 1st XI Captain*	To be confirmed	

\* these are non committee positions

All the above positions were not contested and were voted on unanimously.

The AGM ratified the committee's proposal to ask Tim Beer to remain as Hon.Treasurer. He accepted the position prior to the meeting subject to ratification.



There was one new Vice President proposed:

Stuart Chenery

Voted in unanimously as were the existing Vice presidents.

Chris thanked Mick Wells for 3 very successful years on behalf of all the club.

**Meeting closed at 10pm**

**Minutes taken by**

**Mark G Nuti  
Hon.Secretary**