

## POULTON CRICKET CLUB – Trustee's Annual Report 2020/21

Despite the relegation of the 2nd XI from the County League, this has still been the most phenomenal season in many respects but the club still has considerable work to do in order to capitalise on it. We have plenty to develop and improve for the 2022 season and beyond in order to fulfil our potential but as membership continues to grow in all sections we feel that we can tackle the challenges lie ahead but also continue to provide cost effective cricket and coaching for local families and members.

As a club our heads drop when senior team results don't go our way on the field but that just means we can't see what we actually still have regardless of league positions. Thanks to the efforts of those who have gone before us, we play and practice at one of the best pavilion and ground combinations in the county and no matter the league level played on the square, that will always be the case. Results will improve and leagues can be climbed but it is far harder to establish the quality of facilities that we are lucky enough to use.

Revenue and Expenditure have been dominated this season by the replacement of our storm damaged nets. We doubt there are too many clubs in Gloucestershire that could have suffered this sort of loss and then recovered from it not just in the same financial year but ahead of the vast majority of the new season. This was done to budget, with the support of 1) an excellent charitable organisation called Enovert who granted us £18.9k and 2) a benefactor who wishes to remain anonymous but donated £5k. Without the support of these people, we could not have raised the required funds and would not have had practice nets. The Trustees would like each player to step back and realise for a moment how lucky we have been to put in place a £30k project without material negative impact on the cash flow of the club.

In fact the accounts will end the year stronger than they started it. Much of that is due to the record financial and attendance performance that Charlie Tuke-Hastings and his Activators achieved in the Allstars/Dynamos while Liam Smith also ran incredibly successful camps.

On top of this, we fulfilled every league fixture refusing to let COVID-19 get in the way of that despite isolations/infection from non-Poulton CC events. To do that in the first season we operated three senior league sides was frankly incredible and our Club-Captain Jody needs a massive pat on the back for this achievement even if certain results did not go our way. For 2022 we can all help him by making ourselves more available for more games, leaving him to do less when raising 33 players every Saturday.

The junior section had an up and down season in terms of results, but it seems like the great majority enjoyed the season which is fantastic. The Under 9s were a revelation under the management of Rob and Lucy Ireland, with help from Gaby Reeves and Matt Harman. All feedback from parents was positive and the children looked like they were having the time of their lives whenever I was at the games or training. Likewise the Under 11s had a fantastic season. Expertly guided by Dave Dunn, they won the Gloucestershire Youth League winning every game along the way. The talent pool in this age group is enormous, We have huge hopes for them and we must maintain these players as they head into adult cricket. The Under 13s is a small age group in terms of numbers and was often supplemented by Under 11s coming up which naturally had an effect on results, but the atmosphere was fantastic and they have some real talented players of their own. Big thanks to Neil Cheesewright and Mark Robbins for their help over the course of the season. The Under 15s had a tough season in terms of results in their age group, but the vast majority of them played senior cricket during the season and that is the real bonus of having a 3rd XI. They all improved over the season and that will only enhance our senior section as they move up. A big thank

you to all parents who helped with umpiring/scoring, it really does make the difference to us coaches. Our general atmosphere among our parents is fantastic and long may that continue.

Following trials, amongst our youth Florence Miller (u11s), Bethan Manning (u15s), Emilia Powell & Gaby Reeves (u18s) have all made the Winter County Girls Squads and in the boys zonal winter squads Harry Johnson (u10s), Etienne Malherbe & Joshua Price (u12s) have been selected. Others are being considered but this is a great start. Amidst fierce competition Gaby Reeves was also selected to the ECB's Coach Development Scholarship and deserves huge congratulations for this.

Although Sport England has ceased its Club Mark Accreditation scheme, the England and Wales Cricket board has chosen to enhance its version and we fell down on just the one assessed point of 34 related to a course we could not attend. The club will have resolved this point by early 2022 and we will gain the accreditation status as a result. Next Season brings all sorts of things to look forward to alongside accreditation. All our youth players will be a year older, ready to assume new levels of cricketing challenges. The season will hopefully bring the return of the cricket tea and the opportunity to restart socials at the club and bring in new ones. We'll have a new website, aimed at bringing the clubs various squads together more and make it easier to work out what is going on where & when and be able to use our pavilion again and invest in our new leased one at Ampney as well as the ground there. The club's development plan sets us on a steep upward curve which will require the buy in of every club member to achieve over the next five years.

What we would like every senior player to do is step back now and consider what they can contribute to the club next season. Ideally the more of us who can do coaching courses and then coach, the better but there are also socials to organise and club roles and jobs of all sizes that need doing. The turning up and pulling on of the shirt does not keep clubs going let alone developing.

<b>Balance Sheet as at 30/09/2021</b>				
	<b><u>2019/20</u></b>		<b><u>2020/21</u></b>	
	£14,572	Retained Surplus at Start Of Year	£13,588	
	-£985	Surplus (Deficit) for the Year	£4,186	
	<b>£13,588</b>		<b>£17,774</b>	
		Represented by		
	£1,453	Nat West No.1 Account	£653	
	£12,135	Nat West Gift Aid Account	£17,121	
	<b>£13,588</b>		<b>£17,774</b>	
<b><u>Income &amp; Expenditure Account - for year ending 30/09/2021</u></b>				
	<b><u>Income</u></b>		<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>	
	<b><u>2019/20</u></b>	<b><u>2020/21</u></b>	<b><u>2020/21</u></b>	<b><u>2019/20</u></b>
	£1,883	<b>£2,927</b>	SENIOR Members Donations	-
	£2,050	<b>£3,140</b>	JUNIOR Donations	-
	£240	<b>£540</b>	LADIES Donations	-
	£0	<b>£2,360</b>	ALLSTARS Donations	<b>£1,158</b>
	£300	<b>£5,000</b>	VP Donations	-
	£1,309	<b>£0</b>	HMRC Gift Aid	-
	£0	<b>£28,099</b>	NEW NETS 2021	<b>£29,683</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Fund Raising	<b>£20</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Shirt Sponsorship	-
	£1,000	<b>£0</b>	Ladies Team Sponsorship	
	£450	<b>£950</b>	Ground Advertising Hoardings	<b>£204</b>
	£500	<b>£0</b>	Ground Hire	-
	£0	<b>£0</b>	GCB "Chance To Shine"	<b>£0</b>
	£3,000	<b>£1,500</b>	Other Grants/Donations	-
	£452	<b>£0</b>	Playing Kit (Shirts/Shorts/Caps)	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£1,010</b>	Match Fees / Teas	<b>£429</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Cricket Nets - SENIOR	<b>£0</b>
	£678	<b>£0</b>	Cricket Nets - JUNIOR	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Cricket Nets - LADIES	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Rob Watson - Ladies Coaching	<b>£720</b>
	£0	<b>£405</b>	Ground Maintenance	<b>£1,791</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Fixture Cards	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Training Courses	<b>£225</b>
	£995	<b>£1,650</b>	Annual Dinner/Presentation Event	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	White Party	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Beer Festival	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Captain's Dinner	<b>£0</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Christmas Dinner	<b>£0</b>
	£555	<b>£2,445</b>	Liam Smith Cricket Camps	<b>£1,163</b>
	-	-	Liam Smith Coaching	<b>£5,417</b>
	-	-	Playing Equipment	<b>£1,409</b>
	-	-	League Affiliation Fees	<b>£1,157</b>
	-	-	Stripe/Pitchero Payment Processing Fees	<b>£566</b>
	-	-	Sports Committee	<b>£1,200</b>
	-	-	Pavilion	<b>£0</b>
	-	-	Trophies & Engraving	<b>£30</b>
	-	-	Website	<b>£60</b>
	-	-	League Fines	<b>£0</b>
	-	-	Insurance	<b>£252</b>
	£0	<b>£0</b>	Sundries	<b>£358</b>
	<b>£13,411</b>	<b>£50,026</b>	<b>Total Income / Expenditure</b>	<b>£45,840</b>
	<b>-£985</b>	<b>£4,186</b>	<b>Surplus (Deficit) on operations</b>	
I confirm that the accounts have been prepared in accordance with the books, records and information that have been maintained and provided to me to review.				
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#### AUDITOR'S DECLARATION

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