

BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB

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Details

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE:1.THE PROMOTION OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION BY THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR THE PLAYING OF CRICKET; AND2.THE PROMOTION OF THE AMATEUR SPORT OF CRICKET BY PROVIDING COACHING AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE SPORT FOR ALL WITHIN THE COMMUNITY.

Activities: Village Cricket Club

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services
- **What:** The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Amateur Sport, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Worcestershire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-09-30	£69,286	£51,689	-	-
2023-09-30	£63,580	£50,896	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Giles Malcolm Welcome Guthrie		2022-04-21
Richard Charles Bartram		2022-02-01
Robert John Hawk		2022-09-30
Sir Malcolm Guthrie Bt		2022-04-22

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Belbroughton Cricket Club

2024 Annual Report & Statement of Accounts





Chairman's Report

This is my final report as Chairman as I will be stepping down and taking up the position of Vice Chairman should Members approve the change at the AGM.

It has been another successful season for the club on and off the field as you will see from reading the following reports. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the committee members, volunteers and players who have done much to make BCC the wonderful club it is. A special mention and thanks to Jill Turner and Tony Boardman who are standing down from the committee for all they have done for the club. Finally, I would like to thank Lady Guthrie, Sinops and all our sponsors for their continued support.

It has been an honour and a privilege to be Chairman of this great Club.

Brian Pardoe, Chairman



Secretary's Report

Thank you to all who have assisted in the Club's progression, below is a brief outline of the works the Management Committee have undertaken.

This year the Club has been able to complete the construction of the bottom site screen and the wooden gazebo. The purchase of a Frog Box and the introduction of Live Streaming of Senior home games has proved popular. I have received favourable comments from all over the world!! Thanks to Simon and Teresa Flowers for steering this initiative.

The Classic Car Rally held in June, is growing in popularity, establishing itself on their circuit. Thanks to Andy Hickinbottom for heading up this venture. The inaugural Belbroughton Cricket Club Beer Festival proved to be highly successful both financially and socially. Thanks to all those volunteers who gave up a considerable amount of their time, especially Tom, Richard, and Rachael Bartram

I would like to take this opportunity to wish the Club every success in the future as I intend to step down from my various roles at the club after the 2024 AGM.

Tony Boardman, Honorary Secretary



2024 cricket highlights

Men's: Seasons Highlights

Face to face meetings took place regularly throughout the year. During the cricket season these were less formal and held at the club house after training sessions.

Steering group consists of: Rob Hawk – Chair, Richard Dunn, Simon Flowers, and Connor Karvaski. Attendees have also included Senior and Strollers captains, representatives from ground and maintenance team, Richard Bartram, Rachael Bartram, and Maggie Hawk as minute secretary.

It should be remembered that the groups terms of reference are broadly speaking as follows:

- The group is not/should not be concerned with individual selection of persons.
- Identify roles and responsibilities as the group evolves to deliver agreed objective plans.
- Development of women's cricket
- Specific objectives contained in the 2024 club development plan, league cricket requirements, senior net arrangements, recruitment, Sunday fixtures, and the development of 16–21-year-olds to play in senior teams.

The group were unable to appoint a suitable candidate for the role of player coach, we substituted this with the coach's role being split between senior players on Thursday evenings. We would still like to appoint a player coach for the coming season if the right candidate can be found. James Dunston, our overseas player for the 2024 season, from Australia, fitted in very well, although he was injured, and out of action for 6 weeks. The club would like an overseas in 2025.

The captains appointed for the 2024 were as follows:

- 1st – Ryan Price, Vice-Captain Peter Hawk
- 2nd – Ben Hansford
- 3rd – Justin Gray, Vice-Captain Simon Flowers
- Sunday X1 – Conner Karvaski, Vice-Captain Ryan Price
- Strollers – Neil Meredith, Manager – Chris Chattaway

All the captains worked extremely hard, in what was another challenging year. 1st and 2nd X1 maintained their positions in their leagues and the 3rd X1 had a much more promising year. All captains included junior players in their teams, which improved their progression into senior cricket.

Selection Policies

- 1st X1 to pick strongest team from pool of players, followed by 2nd then 3rd X1s.
- Junior players, unless ready for 1st X1 cricket should be selected in 2nd/3rd X1s to develop their skills.
- Sunday cricket struggled with availability; we may have to restructure Sunday cricket going forward.

Spond Team App was used in 2024 for 90% of teams. It has proved to be a very useful tool.

Winter/preseason: winter nets will be at Hagley RC school in February and March and preseason will start at the ground from April.

Thanks must go to Pete Dickenson who was the 1st X1 scorer and proved to be an asset in the successful team and Nick Kates was appointed club umpire.

Investment

- To appoint an overseas
- To appoint a player coach or a senior non-playing coach
- To provide master classes for 14/15/16/year olds breaking into senior cricket
- To provide competitive matches for our 17+ players

2024 priorities met: 1st X1 retained their place in division 2, 2nd X1 remained stable, 3rd X1 had their best season for a few years and the 100 ball slam team reached the final, because of weather this is still to be played.

Ground: Wickets continued to improve, in what was a very challenging wet season. Verti-cutting is now paying dividends and new drainage to the outfield. JR and the team should be very pleased, with the wickets and outfield, one of the best prepared grounds in the county.

Rob Hawk, Senior Steering Group

Women's: Seasons Highlights

2024 Season was the start of Women's Soft at BCC and from a standing start we have 20+ members participating, almost all new members and had never played cricket before.

Belbroughton Belles enrolled in the Soft Ball festivals at WCC of which there were 12 and a Mega Fest at New Road. We managed to participate in 8 of the 12 after rain and holidays affected play.

The Belles gelled well creating a tight team who supported each other throughout the season. Every player improved greatly in skill and confidence. With the help of coaches, from WCC Development Team, Rob Hawk, John Raybould, Ben Hansford, James Dunston, Matt Evans, plus all the supporters who have followed us at the festivals, we thank them. We also would like to thank our sponsors, Bud Light, a player family sponsor, Hawk Cricket, and Belbroughton CC for all your help in funding and enabling us to have correct kit and coaching.

Rachael Bartram, Women's Steering Group

a message from our team captains

1st IX Captains Report: Following promotion to Division 2, finishing second the season before, this was a good opportunity to see where we were in relation to the other teams. Having not been in this division for 2 seasons.

Our Season started with a rain affected game vs Enville, we then travelled to a very strong Netherton side who ultimately came out with the win after bowling us out for 111. We also had a debut for our new overseas James Dunston, who noticed how cold England could be up on that hill. May brought some good times, in our next match we travelled to a strong Colwall side, scoring 107 on a very sticky and tricky wicket. We ended up not only defending this score but bowling out Colwall for 69. George Dean 9 overs 2 for 10, James Dunston 10 overs 2 for 16, Cam Harvey 8 overs 3 for 20. Through May we picked up 1 win, 1 loss and 1 cancelled.

The Main highlight of May was playing Barnards Green away, the team who won the league last season we knew how tough they are to play at home let alone away. Barnards Green won the toss and put us into bat thinking they could bowl us out cheaply however, we got a very good total on tough deck and scored 210, Noticeable performances from Pete Hawk scoring 102 off only 123 balls, and Tom Lawson 34. When it came to bowling everyone bowled fantastically well and we fielded very clean and with good energy and we bowled Barnards Green out for 176. Noticeable performance from George Dean 10 overs 3 for 38. A great win.

June was hopefully going to bring better weather, we first played Alvechurch at the Bowl, they batted first scoring 308 for a loss of only 5 wickets. We refused to lie down as a team and posted 234 in reply resulting in a draw, Tom Lawson 77, and Ryan Price 62*. We then played Astwood Bank, winning the toss, and elected to bowl resulting in Astwood Bank being 8 down for 149. A good bowling display from the team, with standout performances from Ryan Price 10 overs 3 for 34 and Connor Karvaski 13 overs 2 for 38. We then travelled to Bromsgrove, a side that we rarely beat, this was something we wanted to put right. We lost the toss and put into bat, which proved a good decision, we scored 262 for 9, Alex McGarry 61, Cameron Harvey 61 and Tom Lawson 61 helping us reach a very good total. Their top 3 proved to be very strong and got them off to a great start, however we managed to pull them back and they got 247 for 8 off 50 overs, Noticeable performances, George Flowers 13 overs 2 for 59, Conner Karvaski 15 overs 2 for 54 and Ryan Price 14 overs 3 for 61.

July, we played Enville away, again the weather wasn't our friend, reducing the game to 33 overs, scoring 149. Ben Spells 28 and Ryan Price 59 off 69 balls. We proceeded to get Enville out for 114 for 9. Great bowling from Dunston 9 overs 3 for 23, Connor Karvaski 8 overs 3 for 22. An all-round good display from everyone.

August and September were filled with highs and lows. But I'm proud of our team and we ended up finishing 8th out of 12 teams. Thank you to everyone who played first team cricket last year and thank you to all the behind-the-scenes people, John Raybould and Rich Bartram in particular. Let's go again next year!!

Ryan Price, 1st IX Captain

2nd IX Captains Report: Firstly, a huge thank you to the Division 6 Groundsman of the Year, John Raybould, and his team, without whom we wouldn't have enjoyed some of the wonderful games and run chases. Also personal thanks to Richard Dunn, for his support, sarcasm and advice as the season progressed, Andy McKeivitt for his insatiable appetite and impeccable attitude and of course to all the players, for continuing to promote the team spirit we all enjoy. It was once again a very tough season, full of ups and downs!

After losing our first game of the season to the weather, the season opened with a humbling defeat at home, to newly promoted Himley 3rd XI who were expected to push for successive promotions. Led kindly by Richard Dunn and missing a few regular second team players to the firsts including Jamie Mackenzie and captain Ben Hansford, the seconds were set a challenging 165 to win in a reduced 32 overs game. Mikeshe probably the

pick of the bowlers with 1-28 off his 7 overs. Sadly, Belbroughton collapsed to 39 all out, with only Chris Mackenzie reaching double figures, despite a well reported “fall” whilst bowling.

Hoping to bounce back immediately, the bowl hosted Colwall 2XI, again newly promoted and favourites for a promotion push. Defending 111 (C Mackenzie top score 23), George Flowers (2-24), Jamie Mackenzie (2-18) and the standout Mikesh (6-19) saw Belbroughton home, bowling Colwall out for 99 with a wonderful bowling and fielding display.

We took a very young team to Harvington away, with Yuvraj Singh-Man making his 2XI debut. Harvington posted 226-7 in a full 45 overs, George Flowers the pick of the bowlers with 4-35, Yuvraj picking up 1-20 in 5, and Max Deacy 2-33 in 9. Sadly, the reply fell way short, bowled out for 139 with Hansford (52) and Flowers (24) offering any meaningful resistance.

After a mixed start to the season, the seconds won their next two, posting 193 at home to Chaddesley (Deacy with a sparkling 51, McKevitt 32, Argent 27 and G Flowers 27) before bowling the local enemy out for 113 (J Mac 3-18, Deacy 2-21). This win was quickly followed by a convincing win away at Old Vigs, Belb posting 253 (S Thomas 80, J Mac 53, R Wrigley 40), before bowling out Old Vigs for 155 (Deacy 4-32, G Bartram 2-25). The Old Vigs game saw the most remarkable incident as Steve Thomas contrived to whack Chris Mackenzie in the head with his bat as they passed each other running a single, knocking Chris out and seeing him miss the subsequent games suspected concussion.

Belb then welcomed Bromsgrove 3XI to the bowl, who posted a challenging 258 to win (Deacy again the pick of the bowlers with 2-26 off 9 and T Flowers 2-26 off 6). At 159-3 the chase was well and truly on before sadly collapsing to 241 all out with only one of the last six batters to make double figures. (Hansford 58 and Malanaphy 46 topping the run scorers).

A trip to Claverly again saw us ship a large total to chase, this time 250 to win (with R Wrigley picking up 5-70 and Deacy 0-25 off his 9 overs, the only bowlers to escape with credit). The chase got off to the worst of starts seeing us 15-2 in the third over. Before Dunn and Hansford steadied the ship with a stand of over 120. Dunn the victim of an exhausted run out after a marvellous 58. Hansford continued, putting on 60 with Wrigley, before falling for a run a ball 103, Wrigley finishing off a wonderful chase with 41 not out to secure a fantastic away win against a shell shocked Claverly.

With rain claiming the home tie to Alveley, the first 10 games saw us third in the league with a record of W4 L4 and 2 abandoned to rain. Hopes of a promotion challenge were quietly being discussed in the bar (usually after too many beverages). Sadly, those discussions were short lived, as the seconds had to wait 2 months until their next win. After much soul searching, the ultimate reason being a run of poor availability in the first team that saw our better players called up to the firsts, this coincided with fixtures against each of the top 6 in the league.

Not wanting to dwell on that tough 2 months too much, which was the toughest run the seconds had ever been on, and saw us looking over our shoulders at relegation, I'll summarise that the first half of that run included humbling's by Himley, an all-round awful display away at Colwall before coming out the wrong side of a close chase of 214 at home to eventual champions Harvington (G Flowers picking up 2 for and a sparkling 48, supported by Hansford, 44 and Argent 40).

Those defeats saw us travel to fellow relegation contenders Chaddesley in a must win game. Again, we shipped over 200 in the field, being set 231 to win, despite four bowlers picking up a brace each, former Scottish International James Brinkley posted a classy 82 not out, making the difference for the hosts. Half centuries from Stanley (50) and Dunn (53) weren't enough to avoid defeat.

We hosted Claverly at the bowl, needing a win, our failure to build pressure in the field told and we found ourselves chasing 293 to win (Deacy 3-37 the pick of the bowlers). A fine opening stand of 81 between Thomas (39) and Stanley (67) got us off to a solid start before we stumbled to 119-2 off 23 and then 122-3 off 25.

The next 20 overs saw a remarkable display of hitting by Charlie Felton, who supported by Hansford put on a match winning stand of 161 in 20 overs, Felton ending with an outstanding 78 not out off 46 balls, and Hansford 47 not out off 39. Again, Claverly were left shell shocked having witnessed in one season, two of the best Belbroughton run chases ever, this time with 2 overs to spare!

We were soon brought back down to earth, at Alverley a weakened team posted 223, thanks in large to a classy 98 not out by Kates, supported by Felton (30) and Deacy (36 not out). Alverely chased down the target with 4 overs to spare, despite the best efforts of Felton (3-19) and C Mackenzie (2-43)

Needing to win 2 of the final 4 games to secure safety from relegation, or pick up good points hauls in defeat, we waited in the rain at home to Cutnall Green for a reduced overs game, fearful a T20 might suit them, but also aware a T20 would allow us to pick up good points. We were right on both counts. Cutnall Green posted 232 in their 20, we were fortunate to witness a remarkable display of hitting as Wasim Ali smashed 109 off 42 balls. Our chase didn't get anywhere near, but by making 119 in our 20 we walked away with 7 points. Leaving us to only need to win one of our final 3 games.

This win came away at Kidderminster, we posted 323-5, J Mac with a sparkling 95 off 48 balls, Kates with 46 and George Flowers with a much deserved 62 not out. Kidderminster falling 75 runs short thanks to Mack Argent (3-67), Chris Mac (3-62) and George Flowers (2-42). It should have been a more comprehensive win had we not shipped a staggering 50 extras. Eagle eyed watchers will have witnessed a quiet handshake between Hansford and Dunn at the fall of Kidderminster's 5th wicket, which had secured our division 6 status, win, or lose, although the 20-point winning haul more than secured our place in the league.

With the pressure off, we enjoyed a comprehensive win at already relegated Old Vigs, bowling them out for 122, R Wrigley destroying them with 7-7 off six overs and becoming a viral "village cricket" sensation after footage of his final wicket amassed 250,000 views online! Felton (39 no) and Dunn (21no) saw us comfortably home with 7 wickets to spare.

Ahead of the final game of the season, we were thankful we didn't need to win, as availability across the club was unusually atrocious and we struggled to field two sides. We fell to 114 all out away at Bromsgrove (Tom Pardoe top scoring with 20), Bromsgrove chasing the target down for 5 wickets, C Mackenzie claiming 3 of them for 21. Finally, thank you to the Committee and club for continuing to support us, rain, or shine.

Ben Hansford, 2nd IX Captain

3rd IX Captains Report: The third team had a season of weather disruptions where we began slowly but improved to finish fourth. We benefited from some excellent youth section bowlers and must give credit to all the coaches involved in developing young players. There were also some excellent batting contributions from senior players.

The weather caused 4 of our first 7 fixtures to be abandoned which caused frustration and left us trailing in the league behind clubs who had managed to play their games. When we did play our first match, our bowling and fielding were rusty, and we lost to a Hagley side thanks to the 48 wides/no-balls our senior bowlers sent down. Once the sun reappeared and pitches dried out, it was our young bowlers who led the way with really disciplined lines and lengths. At the beginning of August, an attack led by our young bowlers went through an innings without bowling a single no-ball or wide. With accuracy came wickets usually in 4s. Issac Harvey demolished Redditch's top order taking 4 for 7; in the return game Sam Lawton took 4 wickets; Mati Stendall matched Isaac's 4 for 7; Finlay Stephenson also took 4 this time against in-form Himley; not to be out done Harry Downes took 4 against Pedmore; Ben Gray returned from university to take 4 against Avoncroft.

The bowlers were better supported by the fielders than we usually see in the 3s. There were very few dropped catches and both Steve Harvey and Roy Maidment threw themselves around with exemplary commitment. Matt Evans shared the wicketkeeping with Toby Locke-Wheaton. Jake Moore took a stunning catch to win the game versus Avoncroft.

Our batting line-up changed each week which impacted on our ability to build partnerships and find consistency. Having said that there were some brilliant individual performances. Matt Evans tops the scoring; Neil Meredith averaged 82; Noah Ward 69; Andy MacKenzie, Andy Hickingbottom and Jake Moore chased down 204 for the loss of 2 wickets against Five Ways OE; both Phil and Mitchell Harrison both won games with their batting; Steve Harvey scored a career best.

We lost two important players to injury during the season. Our vice-captain, Simon Flowers, had to have surgery on his hand after getting in the way of a ferocious shot off his own bowling. Adam Burrows spent an hour lying across the wicket waiting for paramedics after he dislocated his knee while batting. Thankfully both have recovered. With such a strong young bowling attack, we look forward to next season with confidence.

Justin Gray, 3rd IX Captain

Belbroughton Belles Captains Report: We started with 8 winter net sessions learning the basic of Cricket ahead of our first Festival at Coombs Wood in May. At this festival we won 2 out of the 3 matches and it gave us a great boost of confidence. Kidderminster came next which was tough, high temperatures and up against some seriously good teams we managed to win 1 of the 3 matches. Oldswinford festival was a turning point for us, our regular, well attended weekly training sessions concentrating on improving our skills, fielding drills, bowling, batting, communication, and the teamwork was really paying off, we won 2 matches convincingly with one loss. Cookhill Festival reminded us of the importance of teamwork, we only had 4 players attending so had to join up with other team of spare players. Although a fun day it reminded us of the importance a tight team is for strategy and strength.

Some star individual performances to note was the incredible bowl and caught by Jo Lawton at the Worcester Nomads Game. Josie Adams with a 3-wicket haul in the season, in one game a precision throw to hit the wicket

resulting a loss of an important wicket for the opposition. Liz Townes batted some impressive 6's and in our last festival a flurry to win the game. All The Belles worked incredibly hard achieving personal and team goals across the season, they should all be very proud.

We are looking forward to the 2025 season when we hope to enter the WCC Development League, host a home Festival, increase our membership, and introduce more girls and women 14+ to Soft Ball Cricket for Belbroughton Cricket Club.

Rachael Bartram, Belbroughton Belles Captain

Sunday IX Captains Report: Sundays have been great over the last 12 months, on a personal aspect, but also for the club itself. We have hosted some great days, including our annual Dooley XI game and our new University of Birmingham Cricket Society (Cricsoc) game.

We have had some good wins and some tight losses this year on a Sunday, but the main things are that the youth and younger generation have got some cricket in and learnt from these experiences.

Starting off the season with a great day out against Cricsoc was enjoyable for all involved, I'd like to say a personal thank you to Tom Bartram for organising the fixture and Rachael Bartram for organising a high-quality afternoon tea! Todd Stevens having the highlight of taking a hat trick, the first Sunday hat trick since myself!

We ended the season with a great day against the Dooley XI, which once again, I'd like to thank David for all his hard work throughout the day and to the ladies again for a fantastic tea.

We had good wins against Hagley and Pedmore throughout the middle of the season, with all the youth contributing which was fantastic to see.

We also had our Sunday slam tournament, which we somehow found ourselves in the final with only playing 1 game! Unfortunately, the weather was the winner at New Road, this will be organised at the start of next year, where we will look to win the trophy, and defend it at the end of the year too.

To all the volunteers who helped on Sundays, including the belles, who had their own games, and to Rich, Graham, John, and all other volunteers, I would like to say a big thank you for all your help and support for the last 4 seasons while I have been Sunday captain, it doesn't go unnoticed.

My final thank you is to all the parents who have sacrificed their Sundays travelling with their kids to bring them to all the ground over the summer and sticking around watching me try to play cricket! I'd also like to say a big thanks to all the lads who stepped in when we were short in the tough times, including Pete Hawk, Spelsy and JD, as well as many more, it was and always will be appreciated.

Connor Karvaski, Sunday IX Captain

Strollers IX Captains Report: The season started well with a commanding victory over The Fossils with Alex McGary scoring a cavalier 50 not out. Phil Harrison was Man of the Match in the local derby against Pedmore with his 4 wickets and 27 runs and ably assisted at the crease by Tom Oliver and Steve Thomas both 25 not out. This secured a brace of victories in our first 2 games which was equal to the brace of games lost at this stage of the season due to the weather.

Next up was The Talbot youth team who gave us ageing strollers the run around although we saw some fine batting performances from Richard Dunn and Neil Meredith scoring 26 and 22 respectively. Astwood Bank proved to be very charitable by giving us 48 extras in our score of 171 for 1 with Tom Oliver 26, Bryn Thomas 28, Alan Rapley 25 and Neil Meredith 25 all not out. Our bowlers were more frugal with the extras and restricted the Bank to 114 for 9.

As the solstice approached the expectation of warm sultry evenings playing cricket became just a dream with frequent downpours and numerous Google searches for AccuWeather.

In one of our next games, we now found ourselves facing Alex McGarry who had defected to play for the Jonny Lee XI. Unfortunately, along with others Alex was yet again in fine form retiring on 27 with Jonny's team posting an imposing score of 192. We were no match to this although Bryn Thomas and Neil Meredith were both not out on 27.

We saw fine batting performances by Nick Kates 26 not out and Steve Thomas 25 not out against Worcester Ramblers but even with 25 extras we could only amass 108. This was knocked off with relative ease although Olly Meredith did put a spoke in the works with his 4 wickets.

The other local derby against Clent was a very close affair with the visitors winning by 2 runs and our skipper Neil Meredith top scoring with 26 not out. The notable bowling performance in this game was from our 2023 Player of the Season Dave Weston with his 4 wickets. Another 4 wickets for Westy in our next game proved to be too much for the Stu Wilmore XI and if this form continued for Westy it looked like the engravers could be carving his name out yet again at the end of the season. Alas it didn't. The Wilmore XI were restricted to 110 and this was surpassed with ease by Nick Kates and Neil Meredith both not out on 28 and 25 respectively.

Andy Farmer rolled back the years taking a couple of wickets and scoring 22 not out in a close game against a Tom Raybould XI where we chased down 151 to win. We were unable to secure the double over Pedmore although Nick Kates and Geoff Day made a valiant attempt with 25 and 26 respectively both not out.

Bryn Thomas and Alan Rapley were top scorers in our defeat against Feckenham, both scoring 25 not out. I have no recollection as to how our bowlers performed in that game and the scorebook could not assist either as our bowling analysis comprised of a single question mark!

Surely, we would get the double over those creaking Fossils and with Andy McKeivitt 38 not out, Gordon Harker 36 not out, Yuvraj 37 not out and Harry Mullins 26 we set them a target of 169 in 35 overs. This was not to be, and The Fossils staggered in with a couple of overs to spare.

The highlight of the season was Yuvraj's 90 not out against Himbleton in our only weekend fixture of the season. We amassed 216 in 40 overs and won the game by 47 runs. Tom Richardson was another notable scorer in that game with a fine innings of 29. The final game of the season against Worcester Police went against us with Nick Kates top scoring on 25 not out. It was great to have Nick back in the team after an

absence of a few years and I would just like to thank everyone who played for the strollers this season along with John and his ground staff team and Rachael and her team of helpers who did a lot of the catering for us this season. Many thanks. Chatters.

Chris Chattaway, Strollers IX Captain



youth development update

Junior & Youth Season Report: The Winter nets for our junior teams began in February. We had 24 boys and girls attend the Friday sessions which were run on a fully integrated basis which proved challenging because of the age ranges. For 2025 we plan to invite girls and boys in the U10-U13 age groups provided they are part of/wish to be part of a hard ball team. The Thursday sessions had much fewer participants due to several departures in the close season and Winter Sports and School commitments. Efforts will have to be made to have this session better supported in 2025 given the 7/8-week facility expenses and coaching costs to which the Club will be committed by combining the Senior Sessions with the U14s-15s squads on a weekday evening. The Junior Summer nets started from April, with good attendance at sessions on Mondays and Tuesdays.

On Friday evenings we held our All-Stars, Young Tons Boys and Girls, Y5 Boys and Under 10 and Under 11 girls practice sessions which were regularly attended by 100 plus throughout the summer.

Our All-Stars Programme in 2024 was also another success with 60 plus attendees and several Y3 boys and girls transitioning to our Young Tons Programme rather than the Dynamos programme.

All Stars/Young Tons Summary

- APRIL - MAY 2023 67 All Stars signed/ APRIL-MAY 2024 63 All Stars signed.
- % BOYS 2024-63%/ % GIRLS 2024-37%
- AVERAGE AGE-6 (Y3s and Y4s are generally encouraged to move to Young Tons)
- NEW ALL STARS 2024-32. RETURNING 2023 ALL STARS IN 2024-31
- 2023 All Stars moving to 2024 Young Tons-21 (33 YTs in total)
- 2023 All Stars that neither returned as an All Star or a Young Ton-15

Our coaching partners will, based on the Friday night managers'/coaches' feedback also be encouraged to lead the Young Tons and older group sessions in a more structured manner with periodic intervention to develop skills progressively in 2024. Y5 hard ball squads will train with the Y6 hard ball squad on Tuesdays to free up space for more small, sided games/drills.

The Friday sessions were again extended until the end of July which resulted in another significant number of food and beverage sales on those nights. Thanks to the bar team, the volunteer team in the kitchen, the volunteer stokers of the BBQ and the safeguarding supervisors who were expertly supervised under the watchful eye of Tony Boardman, the Club's Vin Consultant and Chef Sommelier, at the same time as effectively glad handing the parents with the JCC.

Also special thanks to Jill Turner for organizing the challenging task of appointing adult DBS' d supervision teams in the Winter and Summer and for communicating plans with parents and coaches. We received very positive feedback from several parents about our Friday night winter and summer training programmes.

The Youth Presentation Day was another success with several intra club games involving many age groups which were each followed by a presentation. Our thanks to all those who contributed to the day, making it a friendly family atmosphere.

The progression of Youth players into the Senior ranks has continued with several establishing themselves in the First team, another group moving into the Second XI and more young players from the Under 14s and U15s becoming regulars in the 3rd XI. Thanks goes to all the Senior Captains who have assisted the integration of the younger players so successfully.

A summary of each team's performances appears in Appendix 1.

Many thanks go to all the managers and their assistants for running the teams throughout the 2024 season.

Dave Glover, Junior Cricket Coordinator

Safeguarding & Welfare Report: At Belbroughton Cricket Club, we consider Safeguarding on all levels. We believe that Cricket is a game to be played and enjoyed, and we provide a safe environment for this to happen. The welfare of every member underpins our success as a club.

All captains, vice captains, coaches, and volunteers follow club welfare procedures. They have all undergone a DBS check, which ensures that they have no background that would make them unsuitable for such a position. It is very important that all players feel safe and welcome at the club. During the current season, I have undertaken several new DBS checks and would like to thank everyone for their cooperation in getting this sorted.

We have several junior members and run teams for many age groups Our youngest members, the 'all-stars' (years reception to Y3) are offered ten sessions of 'playing with coaching' on Friday nights during the summer. These sessions and those of the young tons are very well attended, at times there are around a hundred children involved in Cricket activities on the field. Careful supervision is paramount to the success of these sessions, as well as employed coaches we arrange for supervisors from amongst the volunteers and parents to support these sessions. Thank you to all the parents who have happily helped with the organisation and supervision of the children, we could not run the sessions without their support.

As the children move on, they are encouraged to join team training and become members of an 'age group' squad. Each squad has a coach and volunteer parents to support them. Again, it is important that parents attend matches and coaching sessions so that all children can be always supervised.

As our teenage members begin to represent the club at the senior level, we are still keen that the parents of these children support their development through safe practice and by encouraging them to enjoy playing whilst following the etiquette of the game.

Players and their families are welcome at the club, we encourage them to get involved and enjoy the club atmosphere.

To continue our success as a club we need to maintain our shared vision of care, respect, and sportsmanship amongst all our members.

Jill Turner, Safeguarding Officer

social, fundraising & key events.

Bar & Catering: The 2024 Season was a successful year in bar takings. We were able to open Sunday's, Monday, and Tuesday evenings with the help of volunteer's junior parents almost every week. We had an amazing team covering the bar on Wednesday for the Strollers fixtures, Thursday's training night, Fridays All Stars and training and the Senior weekends fixtures. With the building of the new outdoor kitchen, BBQs were a plenty this year along with our traditional cob offering, strollers and sponsors teas and the odd chicken wrap, we were able to raise much needed funds, feed players, spectators, and friends.

Key Events

- **Car Show** - Was a great success enabling us to also support Mary Stephens Hospice along with raising money for BCC, thank you to Andy Hickenbottom.

- [Sponsors & Volunteer Days](#) - This day enabled us to thank our sponsors and volunteers for their continued support.
- [World Cup](#) - We opened the bar and welcomed many to watch the game in the clubhouse, we held a World Cup sweepstake too.
- [Quiz and Bingo Night](#) - A fun night of Quizzing and Bingo raising money for our charity Partner of 2024 Worcestershire Breast Unit Haven.
- [Six-a-Side Sunday](#) - A great day for our senior playing members. An auction of players kicked off proceedings then a fun Six-a-Side competition ending with a BBQ and drinks.
- [Junior Presentation](#) - Bank Holiday Monday, BBQ, matches and presentation throughout the day ending with a parent and lads' game. Fun was had by all.
- [Scarecrow Weekend](#) - Heavy rain didn't dampen our spirits as we carried on full steam ahead supporting the event with volunteers on Car Park, Marshaling, Bar and Catering duties.
- [Belbroughton Beer Festival](#) - The first at its new home at Belbroughton Cricket Club. The day was organised by the BBF team Tom Bartram, Richard Bartram, Ron Morgan and supported well by several BCC members, a great turnout of volunteers.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped throughout 2024.

Rachael Bartram, Bar, Catering & Events

goals & objectives

2025 Upcoming Season: Following a very productive 2024 with new infrastructure around the ground, we will now turn our attention to improvements to the playing surface with the addition of a new power roller and improved cutting and preparation cassettes for the mowers.

We are also looking at improving ground drainage and the installation of a sprinkler/rainwater harvesting system which will in turn lead to improved car parking areas at the ground. In addition, we will continue to develop the club facilities behind the scenes, giving us better access and space to evolve into.

On the playing side our main objective is to bolster our first team, to eliminate the need for relying on Seconds & Thirds squad players continually being called up on a makeshift basis. Alongside this we are looking to recruit a player coach, to help with player development across the club. We are currently working through a list of 8 players who we know locally could become available, even half of this number would serve us well.

Turning to the Youth structure, we are working on a new localised competition aimed at under 23s. The idea here is we have a focussed group of younger players who can play, train, and develop together as they move through the club. Providing more of a transition rather than it being Youth then Senior, longer format games.

Our medium to long term aim is to get back to WCCL Div 1 for 1st XI, Div 5 for 2nd's and stabilise Div 8 position for 3rd IX.

Acknowledgements

Our club is a tight knit group of people who have the success of the club as their central focus. Our successes on and off the pitch are due in no small part to our loyal membership and healthy crop of volunteers who keep the ground, club, and social aspects of the club where it is. We acknowledge everyone's efforts, the committee, and all members both playing and non-playing.

We continue to be supported by many key club sponsors and partners. We are grateful for their ongoing support as their contributions help us to achieve things that would be out of our reach normally.

Committee Member Changes

This season sees a changing of the guard within the management committee. After a significant period of service to the club Tony Boardman will stand down as Honorary Secretary, having helped guide the club to where it finds itself today. Jill Turner also steps down as the clubs Safeguarding Officer, again an invaluable role to the club. Dave Knights is also stepping down from his role of gardener at the ground.

The dedication shown by Tony, Jill and Dave is an inspiration to us all. Your dedication, day in and day out, didn't go unnoticed and we are all truly thankful for all your hard work!

Richard Bartram, Vice Chairman



statement of accounts 2024

REVENUE ANALYSIS

- **Membership Subscriptions:** Membership revenue increased, with Senior Player subscriptions rising by £53 and Junior Player subscriptions by £3,265, reflecting a substantial growth in junior memberships. This trend aligns with the continued success of the Allstars programme and the Young Tons, both of which contributed positively to BCC's income.
- **Fundraising Activities:** Fundraising income dropped by £3,301 year-on-year. The primary factors include a significant reduction in income from the scarecrow parking event due to poor weather and low attendance and the discontinuation of the 100 Club this year. However, these losses were partially offset by strong performances in other events, particularly the Beer Festival, which was newly organized this year by Ronnie, Richard, and Tom Bartram, generating £3,800, and the Vintage Car Rally, which contributed an increase of £1,262.
- **Bar Sales:** Bar sales remained stable year-on-year, with a slight increase in margin. However, the overall gain was somewhat offset by higher card machine charges, reducing the final net impact.
- **Miscellaneous Income:** Advertising and sponsorship revenue increased by £732, reflecting stronger engagement from local businesses. Additionally, donations saw a slight increase. Amortised grants, however, decreased by £1,564 due to the accounting adjustment, which spreads previously received grant income.

EXPENDITURE ANALYSIS

- **Ground and Playing Expenses:** Ground maintenance costs rose by £1,116, which includes one-off costs related to clearing a new area at the back of the club. Playing expenses saw a modest decrease of £688, largely due to reduced coaching expenses.
- **Pavilion Expenses:** Overall, pavilion expenses remained consistent year-on-year, showing a net increase of £338. Key drivers include higher insurance and heating/lighting costs due to contract renewals, partially offset by reduced spending on upkeep and repairs after significant recent investments to bring the pavilion to its current standard.
- **Miscellaneous Costs:** Notable increases in miscellaneous costs include donations and IT costs. The IT expenses cover the FrogBox annual subscription, along with fees for maintaining club domains and websites.
- **Surplus for the Year:** The club reported an accounting surplus for the year of £6,880, a pleasing increase compared to last year's surplus of £1,593. Although we must be mindful non-cash income/expenses and one-off items, including grant amortisation, depreciation, profits on the sale of fixed assets, and a one-time HMRC receipt. The overall cash balance of the club remained stable, increasing by £467 in the year.

FIXED ASSET AND BALANCE SHEET ANALYSIS

- **Fixed Assets:** The club invested £12,591 in fixed assets, with total fixed assets growing slightly after accounting for depreciation. Key additions include a new mower and the pergola. Additionally, the club

has committed to purchasing a new power roller in 2025 at a cost of £16,950, for which an interest-free loan will be sought, repayable over five years.

- **Charity Objectives:** It is essential to remember that the club operates as a charity, not for profit/surplus. It focuses on two main objectives:
 1. The promotion of community participation through the provision of cricket facilities:
 2. The promotion of amateur cricket through coaching and development opportunities:

Generating a surplus is integral to achieving these objectives, as it provides the financial stability needed to reinvest in both infrastructure and programs. By operating in a financially sound manner, we can sustain and improve our offerings, ensuring that we continue to meet the community's needs and contribute to the long-term development of cricket. In this way, generating a surplus and pursuing the clubs' charitable aims work in tandem to reinforce each other, enabling the club to expand its impact year after year.

Arthur Bibbey, Honorary Treasurer



BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB						
Income for the year ended 30 September 2024						
	30 September 2024		30 September 2023		Variance	
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions						
Senior Players	3,493		3,440		53	
Junior Players	12,895		9,630		3,265	
Non-Playing Members	1,532		1,570		(38)	
Ground Fund	5,381		4,833		547	
		23,300		19,473		3,826
Fund Raising						
Wicket Wall	150		0		150	
BBQ's, Catering etc	2,071		3,647		(1,576)	
Prize Giving / Christmas Party	585		765		(180)	
Golf Day	0		574		(574)	
100 Club	400		1,325		(925)	
Scarecrow Parking	750		7,000		(6,250)	
Scarecrow Weekend Events	456		892		(436)	
Hicky's Gold Rush	0		85		(85)	
Strollers Beer & Balti	70		110		(40)	
Vintage Car Rally	2,004		741		1,262	
Quiz Nights	571		466		105	
Ben Cox Testimonial	0		(926)		926	
Beer Festival	3,800		0		3,800	
Skittles Night	320		0		320	
Club 6-a-side	288		116		172	
Donated Clothing Sales	0		20		(20)	
Fantasy Football, Cricket & Sweep	100		51		49	
		11,564		14,865		(3,301)
Bar Sales						
Sales	41,832		42,610		(778)	
Purchases	(22,431)		(24,272)		1,841	
	19,401	46.4%	18,339	43.0%	1,063	
Card Machine Charges	(1,722)		(1,098)		(624)	
		17,680		17,241		439
Miscellaneous						
Advertising & Sponsorship	3,660		2,928		732	
Donations Received	1,026		200		826	
Grants Amortised	6,849		8,413		(1,564)	
		11,535		11,541		(6)
Investment Income						
Building Society & Bank Interest	734		433		301	
Halifax Share Dividend/Redemption	426		26		400	
Corporation Tax	4,047		0		4,047	
		5,206		459		4,748
		69,286		63,580		5,706
Expenditure		(51,689)		(50,896)		(793)
		17,598		12,684		4,913
Surplus on disposal of Fixed Assets		1,096		0		1,096
Depreciation of Fixed Assets		(11,814)		(11,092)		(722)
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		6,880		1,593		5,287

BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB					
Expenditure for the year ended 30 September 2024					
	30 September 2024		30 September 2023		Variance
	£	£	£	£	
Ground Expenses					
Loam, fertiliser & seed	1,509		1,214		(294)
Repairs & upkeep	5,863		4,378		(1,485)
Mowing & preparation of wicket	4,616		5,173		557
Petrol & oil	581		687		106
		12,569		11,452	(1,116)
Playing Expenses					
Umpires & Scorer	651		659		8
Balls & equipment	3,690		2,527		(1,163)
Overseas Player costs	780		500		(280)
Hire of nets	1,035		1,093		58
Rent of 3rd XI Ground	840		850		10
Subscriptions & entrance fees	1,170		987		(183)
Coaching	8,690		10,927		2,237
		16,856		17,544	688
Pavilion Expenses					
Heating & lighting	5,636		2,186		(3,450)
Insurance	5,638		4,621		(1,018)
TV Licence	166		159		(7)
Upkeep & repairs	5,133		9,946		4,812
		16,574		16,911	338
Miscellaneous					
Water rates & Refuse Collection	1,270		1,103		(166)
Printing, postage & stationery	193		814		621
Telephone	359		480		121
Accountancy Services	300		300		0
Donations & presentations	890		90		(800)
Lottery Licence	90		16		(74)
Legal & Professional Fees	59		749		690
Bank Charges	421		356		(65)
IT Costs & Subscriptions	1,011		310		(702)
First Aid/Safeguarding Courses	35		174		139
Captains Board, Trophies & Engraving	1,063		598		(465)
		5,691		4,989	(702)
Expenditure		51,689		50,896	(793)

BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB						
Notes to the accounts for the year ended 30 September 2024						
1. Fixed Assets	Balance	Additions	Depreciation		Depreciation	Balance
	1 October	during	for the period		on Disposals	30 September
	2023	the year	@ 5%	@ 20 %		2024
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Buildings	50,886	5,846	(2,690)	0	0	54,041
Implement shed	80	0	0	(16)	0	64
Furniture & equipment	2,879	0	0	(576)	0	2,303
Kitchen & bar equipment	7,785	1,778	0	(1,731)	0	7,832
Mowers	6,072	2,300	0	(1,483)	0	6,889
Ground & equipment	10,023	1,919	0	(2,194)	0	9,748
Seats & tables	536	0	0	(107)	0	429
Playing equipment	14,896	749	0	(3,017)	0	12,628
	93,157	12,591	(2,690)	(9,123)	0	93,934
Events after the reporting period						
After the end of the financial year, the club has committed to purchase a new power roller at a cost of £16,920.						
BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB						
Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2024						
	30 September 2024	30 September 2023				
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible		93,934		93,157		
Investments		0		0		
		93,934		93,157		
CURRENT ASSETS						
Stocks	2,819		3,201			
Debtors	9,817		10,253			
Bank - Current Account	4,071		3,337			
Bank - Reserve Account	35,436		35,702			
		52,143		52,494		
TOTAL ASSETS		146,078		145,651		
Less						
CURRENT LIABILITIES						
Creditors		(4,951)		(5,674)		
Grants		(27,922)		(33,653)		
NET ASSETS		113,204		106,324		
Financed by:-						
ACCUMULATED FUNDS						
Opening Balance		106,324		104,732		
Surplus / (Deficit) for year		6,880		1,592		
		113,204		106,324		

2024 league tables

WCL DIVISION 2				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Netherton CC, Worcs - Saturday 1st XI	22	16	387
2	Barnards Green CC - 2nd XI	22	12	344
3	Colwall CC - 1st XI	22	11	344
4	Alvechurch & Hopwood CC - 1st XI	22	10	315
5	Oldswinford CC - 1st XI	22	9	266
6	Kidderminster CC - 2nd XI	22	9	263
7	Bredon CC - 1st XI	22	7	230
8	Belbroughton CC - 1st XI	22	7	221
9	Astwood Bank CC - 2nd XI	22	6	216
10	Bromsgrove CC - 2nd XI	22	5	187
11	Cookley CC - 1st XI	22	4	172
12	Enville CC, Staffs - 1st XI	22	5	146

WCL DIVISION 6				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Harvington CC - 1st XI	22	16	356
2	Halesowen CC - 3rd XI	22	14	330
3	Cutnall Green CC - 1st XI	22	14	326
4	Himley CC - 3rd XI	22	13	320
5	Alveley CC - 1st XI	22	10	280
6	Colwall CC - 2nd XI	22	10	277
7	Kidderminster CC - 3rd XI	22	8	251
8	Claveley CC, Shropshire - 2nd XI	22	8	241
9	Belbroughton CC - 2nd XI	22	7	226
10	Bromsgrove CC - 3rd XI	22	7	223
11	Chaddesley Corbett CC - 2nd XI	22	2	154
12	Old Vigornians CC - 2nd XI	22	2	133

WCL DIVISION 9 NORTH				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Cookhill CC - 2nd XI	18	14	308
2	Himley CC - 5th XI	18	12	274
3	Avoncroft CC - 3rd XI	18	9	238
4	Belbroughton CC - 3rd XI	18	9	234
5	Five Ways Old Edwardians CC - 3rd XI	18	7	208
6	Hagley CC - 4th XI	18	6	172
7	Redditch CC - Redditch Entaco 4th XI	18	6	152
8	Feckenham CC - 3rd XI	18	3	103
9	Oldswinford CC - 4th XI	18	4	92
10	Pedmore CC - 4th XI	18	0	-35

WCFC U17 100 BALL TROPHY				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Pedmore CC U17	8	6	39
2	Stourbridge CC U17	8	4	28
3	Kidderminster CC U17	8	2	19
4	Belbroughton CC U17	8	2	14
5	Halesowen CC U17	8	1	12

WCFC U15 100 BALL GROUP B				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Pedmore U15	10	7	42
2	Kidderminster U15	10	4	33
3	Old Hill U15	10	5	32
4	Hagley U15	10	4	31
5	Belbroughton CC U17	10	3	20
6	Halesowen CC U17	10	2	14

WCFC U15 10 A-SIDE PAIRS DOMESTIC LEAGUE (PAIRS)				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Hagley	8	6	38
2	Ombersley	8	3	26
3	Belbroughton	8	2	20
4	Colwell	8	0	12
5	Stourport on Seven	8	0	6

WCFC U12 9 A-SIDE DIVISION 2 (NORTH)				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Wolverhampton	11	10	60
2	Stourbridge	12	9	56
3	Fordhouses	11	3	26
4	Wightwick & Finchfield	12	3	24
5	Belbroughton	12	3	22
6	Swindon	8	2	16
7	Pedmore	12	1	10

WCFC U11 9 A-SIDE COUNTY LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Astwood Bank	10	8	48
2	Ombersley	10	7	42
3	Martley	10	6	36
4	Wolverhampton	10	4	24
5	Belbroughton	10	3	18
6	Avoncroft	10	2	12

WCFC U11 8 A-SIDE DOMESTIC LEAGUE (PAIRS) GROUP B				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Belbroughton	10	7	47
2	Ombersley	10	5	32
3	Halesowen	10	4	28
4	Bewdley	10	3	24
5	Coombs Wood	10	3	21
6	Old Hill	10	2	20

WCFC U10 8 A-SIDE DOMESTIC LEAGUE (PAIRS) GROUP B				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Avoncroft	9	9	54
2	Bromsgrove	9	8	48
3	Belbroughton	9	6	36
4	Astwood Bank	9	5	30
5	Coombs Wood	9	4	24
6	Bart Green	9	3	22
7	Redditch	9	2	18
8	Inkberrow	9	1	12
9	Kidderminster	9	1	10
10	Pedmore	9	1	6

WCFC U11 6 A-SIDE (PAIRS) SOFTBALL FESTIVAL GROUP B				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Bromsgrove	6	2	16
2	Avoncroft	6	2	12
3	Belbroughton CC U17	6	1	6

WCFC U9 6 A-SIDE (PAIRS) SOFTBALL FESTIVAL GROUP B				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Hagley	12	12	66
2	Avoncroft	12	4	28
3	Belbroughton CC	12	4	22
4	Romsley & Hunnington	12	2	6

WCFC U9 8 A-SIDE (PAIRS) INCREDI-BALL GROUP D				
POS	Team	P	W	Pts
1	Avoncroft	12	8	48
2	Kidderminster	12	7	42
3	Hagley	12	5	33
4	Belbroughton	12	3	21

BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB

England & Wales - Charity number 1198678

Accounts



BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees have pleasure in presenting their report and the accounts for the year ended 30th September 2023.

The accounts comply with current statutory requirements and the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities".

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Belbroughton Cricket Club is a charity registered with the Charity Commission. The charity registration number is 1198678.

The principal registered address is:

Hackmans Gate Lane
Belbroughton
Worcestershire
DY9 0DW

The Trustees serving during the year and since the year end who manage the Charity were as follows:

Sir Malcom Guthrie
Giles Guthrie
Robert Hawk
Michael Ross
Matthew Hansell
Richard Bartram

The Trustees who have resigned during the year and since the year end were as follows:

Matthew Hansell

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Charity is constituted as Charitable Incorporated Association. A governing scheme for the charity named Belbroughton Cricket Club formerly known as Belbroughton Cricket Club was created on 21st April 2022.

Belbroughton Cricket Club, a registered members club, operates from the Association's premises and A Management Committee is annually approved by board of trustees. The Club pays all expenditure accruing from the activities of the Association.

Trustees are only appointed and reappointed as required, a position which is reviewed each year.

**BELBROUGHTON CRICKET CLUB
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT**

The charity is run by elected members who form the Management Committee, meeting regularly to administer the objectives of the charity.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The promotion of community participation by the provision of facilities for the playing of cricket; and the promotion of the amateur sport of cricket by providing coaching and development opportunities within the sport for all within the community.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit. The Trustees have taken this guidance into account when making decisions to which the guidance is relevant.

In furtherance of its aims and objectives, the Association has adopted a child protection policy, an equal opportunities policy, in line with direction from the ECB and their requirements of all similar organisations.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The aims of the charity are to ensure the provision of the best possible facilities in order to meet the objectives for the benefit of the membership.

The charity has achieved these aims during the past year in several ways. The pavilion roof was fully recovered, the ground in general has been tended and treated throughout the year. The equipment needed to do the job has been enhanced. The kitchen area has been upgraded to achieve a 5 star health and hygiene rating. Upgraded till systems have been installed to better record sales and expenditure at the club.

The trustees continue to work hand in hand with ECB policies which are relevant to the day to day running of the club.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity's normal policy is to ensure that the Management Committee generate and maintain adequate funds and reserves for the efficient running of the club and in turn the charity, on a day-to-day basis.

DECLARATION

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report.

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Sir Malcolm Guthrie (Chairperson)
Signed for and on behalf of the
Trustees of Belbroughton cricket Club.

Date.....

Belbroughton Cricket Club

Financial Statements

For the Year Ended 30 September 2023

Belbroughton Cricket Club

Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2023

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets				
Tangible Fixed Assets	93,157		78,506	
Investments	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
		93,157		78,506
Current Assets				
Stocks	3,201		3,522	
Debtors	10,253		6,277	
Bank - Current Account	3,338		55,915	
Bank - Reserve Account	<u>35,702</u>		<u>-</u>	
		52,494		65,714
Current Liabilities				
Creditors	5,674		6,485	
Grants	<u>33,653</u>		<u>33,003</u>	
		39,327		39,488
Net Current Assets		13,167		26,226
NET ASSETS		<u><u>106,324</u></u>		<u><u>104,732</u></u>
Represented by				
Accumulated Funds				
Funds at 1 October 2022		104,732		95,728
Surplus for Year		1,592		9,004
		<u><u>106,324</u></u>		<u><u>104,732</u></u>

We have prepared the Financial Statements for the year ended 30 September 2023 from the books, papers and vouchers presented to us and from information afforded to us. We certify that they are in accordance therewith.

Rogers Tax Shop Limited
Accountants
5th December 2023

Belbroughton Cricket Club

Income for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£
Subscriptions				
Senior Members	3,440		4,680	
Junior Members	9,630		12,975	
Non-Playing Members	1,570		2,240	
Ground Fund	<u>4,833</u>		<u>5,940</u>	
		19,473		25,835
Fund Raising				
BBQs Catering Etc	3,647		1,714	
Prize Giving / Christmas Party	765		62	
Donated Clothing Sales	20		210	
Scarecrow Parking	7,000		-	
100 Club	1,325		1,060	
Golf Day	574		180	
Sponsored Walk	-		160	
Big Breakfast	-		20	
Jubilee	-		(19)	
Fantasy Football, Cricket & Sweep	51		135	
Scarecrow Weekend Events	892		-	
Hicky's Gold Rush	85		-	
Strollers Beer & Balti	110		-	
Vintage Car Rally	741		-	
Quiz Night's	465		-	
Ben Cox Testimonial	(926)		-	
Club 6-a-side	116		-	
		<u>14,866</u>		<u>3,522</u>
Bar Surplus (Note)		17,241		21,400
Miscellaneous				
Advertising, Sponsorship	2,928		3,620	
Donations Received	200		1,194	
Grants Amortised	<u>8,413</u>		<u>8,251</u>	
		11,541		13,065
Investment Income				
Building Society & Bank Interest	433		27	
Dividends	<u>26</u>		<u>26</u>	
		459		53
Total Income		63,580		63,875
Expenditure for the Year				
		<u>50,896</u>		<u>52,869</u>
		12,684		11,006
Surplus on Disposal of Assets		-		-
Depreciation of fixed assets		(11,092)		(10,189)
		<u>1,592</u>		<u>817</u>
Covid-19 Grants & Fund Raising				
Community Cash Back	-		500	
Gift Aid Claim	-		1,076	
EWCT Grants	-		5,020	
Covid-19 Insurance Claim	<u>-</u>		<u>1,591</u>	
		-		8,187
Surplus for the Year		<u><u>1,592</u></u>		<u><u>9,004</u></u>

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Expenditure for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	£	£	£	£
Ground Expenses				
Loam, Fertiliser and Seed	1,214		109	
Repairs and Upkeep	4,378		1,177	
Mowing and Preparation of Wicket	5,173		4,527	
Petrol and Oil	687		536	
	11,452		6,349	
Playing Expenses				
Umpires and Scorers	659		108	
Balls and Equipment	2,527		12,797	
Overseas Player	500		850	
Hire of Nets	1,093		532	
Rent of 3rd XI Ground	850		200	
Subscriptions and Entry fees	987		1,315	
Coaching and Courses	10,927		8,908	
	17,543		24,710	
Pavilion				
Heating and Lighting	2,186		2,822	
Insurance	4,621		4,036	
Upkeep and Repairs	9,946		9,128	
Television Licence	159		159	
	16,912		16,145	
Miscellaneous				
Rents	-		216	
Water Rates and Rubbish Removal	1,103		1,016	
Printing, Postage and Stationery	813		1,188	
Telephone	480		349	
Accountancy Fees	300		150	
Donations and Presentations	90		936	
Captains Board and Engraving	598		555	
Bar and Lottery Licence	16		94	
Bank Charges	356		365	
Website Charges	310		372	
Legal and Professional Fees	749		154	
First Aid and Safeguarding Courses	174		270	
	4,989		5,665	
Expenditure for the Year	50,896		52,869	

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 30 September 2023

Tangible Fixed Assets

	Balance at 1 October 2022	Additions	@5% Depreciation	@20% Depreciation	Balance at 30 September 2023
Buildings	42,805	10,350	2,269	-	50,886
Implement Store	100	-	-	20	80
Furniture and Equipment	3,599	-	-	720	2,879
Bar and Kitchen Equipment	3,819	5,296	-	1,330	7,785
Mowers	7,590	-	-	1,518	6,072
Ground Equipment	4,242	7,506	-	1,725	10,023
Seats and Tables	670	-	-	134	536
Playing Equipment	15,681	2,590	-	3,375	14,896
	<u>78,506</u>	<u>25,742</u>	<u>2,269</u>	<u>8,823</u>	<u>93,157</u>

Buildings are depreciated at a rate of 5% per annum and all other assets 20% per annum

Bar Surplus

	2023	2023	2022	2022
Sales		42,610		41,920
Costs				
Saleable Purchases	23,229		19,316	
Card Machine Charges	1,098		671	
Ullage and Sundries	<u>1,043</u>		<u>533</u>	
		25,370		20,520
Surplus for the Year		<u><u>17,240</u></u>		<u><u>21,400</u></u>

Investments

The club owns 400 6.475% Non-Cumulative Preference Shares of £1 each in Lloyds Banking Group Plc.

The shares were acquired free of charge on the acquisition of Birmingham Midshires Building Society by Halifax Plc. Halifax Plc was later acquired by Lloyds Banking Group Plc

The value of the shares at 30 September 2023 was £402 (2022 - £ 396)

Youth Cricket

The Club's policy concerning youth development continued during the year. The number of youth members for the year was 162 (2022 - 180)



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Chairman's report

Looking back at a very enjoyable and successful season I would like to thank all the playing and non-playing members that have contributed so much time and effort to achieve this.

Congratulations to Ryan Price and the First XI team on promotion and all of the captains and coaches for their work maintaining the high standards throughout the club.

Belbroughton Cricket Club has wonderful group of hard-working volunteers that maintain the ground and pavilion, run the Bar and Catering and raise the funds that keep the club going. In recognition of this Amy and Matt Evans are this year's Club people of the year.

We have also awarded three Life Memberships Rachael and Richard Bartram and Richard Dunn.

I also want to say a massive thank you to Andy Bridge for all he has done for the Club as a player and committee member.

Finally I want to thank Lady Guthrie, Sinops and all our sponsors for their continued support. Looking forward to next season.

Brian Pardoe

Secretary's Report

Thank you to all who have assisted in the Club's progression, below is a brief outline of the works the Management committee have undertaken.

This year the Club has been to obtain financial support from the ECB of £7,795 which has been used to update the Pavilion roof. This cost £10,350 in total.

The kitchen and cellar have been refurbished at a cost of £5,296 to comply with the strickter health and hygiene regulations we now come under as a charity. When inspected, we were given a 5-star rating. Thanks to Rachael and Richard Bartram for overseeing this project.

The perimeter fencing and the paving around the Pavilion have been replaced at a cost of £4,764 Thanks to the hard work of Jack Raybould. Stricter fire regulations for a Charitable Trust have also meant a comprehensive review of our fire procedures. Thanks to Simon Felton for overseeing this.

The sight screen at the top end of the ground has been replaced, at a cost of £2050 with the sight screen at the bottom end due to be replaced in the close season.

Additional sheds for storage have also purchased at a cost of £2743. The front of the scoreboard has been replaced by Larry Turner.

The Ben Cox Testimonial Day and the Scarecrow weekend were both highly successful both financially and socially. Thanks to all those volunteers who gave up a considerable amount of their time.

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Please look at the Management Committee Structure for 2024, appendix 2, there are some changes proposed. We are looking for assistance with communications, running and updating the club website, communicating with the membership digitally via a weekly newsletter and social media.

The club's policy of funding ECB coaching courses for members has seen Jim Richardson gain the Core level qualification. Several more members are planning to attend courses next year.

Tony Boardman

Treasurer's Report

Draft Notes subject to the accounts being approved by the auditors.

Year to 30 September 2023

(To accompany the Financial Accounts)

	30-Sep-23	30-Sep-22
In summary 2022/23 vs. 2021/22 was as follows:-		
Total Income (A)	£63,580	£63,876

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Trading Expenditure (B)	(£61,988)	(£63,058)
Trading Surplus	£1,592	£818
Non-capital grants & Covid-19 Fund raising	£0	£8,187
Net Surplus	£1,592	£9,005
<u>(A) - INCOME</u>		
<u>Subscriptions - DOWN £ 6,362</u>	£19,473	£25,835
Senior player numbers - down 9	55	64
Senior subscriptions - down £ 1,240 (<i>Subs 2022 £75 / 2023 £60</i>)	£3,440	£4,680
Junior player numbers - down 18	162	180
Junior subscriptions - down £ 3,345	£9,630	£12,975
VP numbers - up 7	163	156
VP subscriptions - down £ 670	£1,570	£2,240
Ground Fund games played - down 16	71	87
Ground Fund - down £ 1,107	£4,833	£5,940
<u>Fund raising - UP £ 11,343</u>	£14,865	£3,522
Items contributing to funds in 2023:- - 100 Club		

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- Quiz Nights
- Club 6-a-side

Items that didn't take place in 2023:-

- Jubilee
- Sponsored Walk

<u>Bar Surplus - DOWN £ 4,159</u>	£17,241	£21,400
Weeks bar open (Estimate)	20	26
Bar Takings	£42,610	£41,920
Bar Takings, average per week open	£2,131	£1,612
Bar Contribution	£17,241	£21,400
<u>Advertising, Donations & Sponsorship - DOWN £ 1,686</u>	£3,128	£4,814
<u>Covid-19 Grants, Business Interruption Insurance Claim & Fund Raising - DOWN £ 8,187</u>	£0	£8,187

(B) - EXPENDITURE

<u>Ground Expenses - UP £ 5,103</u>	£11,452	£6,349
<u>Playing Expenses - DOWN £ 7,166</u>	£17,544	£24,710
<u>Pavilion Expenses - UP £ 766</u>	£16,911	£16,145
<u>Miscellaneous - DOWN £ 676</u>	£4,989	£5,665

(C) - BALANCE SHEET & NOTES

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- Identify roles/ responsibilities as the group evolves/to deliver agreed objective plans.
- Development of women's and girl's cricket
- Specific objectives contained in the 2023 club development plan/league cricket requirements/senior net arrangements/recruitment/Sunday fixtures and the development of 16–21-year-olds to play in senior teams

The group were unable to appoint a suitable candidate for the role of player coach, we substituted this with the role of a coach, on Thursday evenings for senior cricketers. The coach changed 3 times during the season, this is not ideal and will be addressed for 2024. We would still like to appoint a player coach for the coming season if the right candidate can be found.

Akshay Sreenivasan, our overseas for the last 2 years, has decided not to return to this area for a third year, and we wish him well. The club would like an overseas in 2024 and the SG are in discussion with Randwick Petersham CC, Sydney, with the possibility of setting up a player exchange system. Which would allow players from both clubs to experience cricket in England and Australia.

The captains appointed for the 2023 were as follows:

1st – Ryan Price VC – Rob Lee

2nd – Ben Hansford VC – Rich Wrigley

3rd – Justin Gray VC – Simon Flowers

Sunday X1 – Conner Karvaski VC – Ryan Price

Strollers – Ian Watt Manager – Chris Chattaway

All the captains seemed to gel the club, especially the new appointment of Ryan Price as 1st team captain. It seemed to be an enjoyable and happy place to play cricket. All captains included junior players in their teams, which improved their progression into senior cricket.

Availability was better in 2023, but we were still a little short in the peak holiday periods.

The 1st X1 gained promotion to division 2 after finishing 2nd in their league. The 2nd X1 had a strong season, finishing mid table. The 3rd X1 fielded a very young team and had some difficult games against all men's teams, all credit must go to Justin Gray for developing this team.

Selection Policies

1st X1 to pick strongest team from pool of players, followed by 2nd then 3rd X1s

Junior players, unless ready for 1st X1 cricket should be selected in 2nd/3rd X1s to develop their cricket skills.

Sunday cricket comprises of the 100-ball slam and a number of friendly fixtures and the village KO cup.

Spond Team App, was used in 2023 for the first team at senior level and proved very successful and will be developed more in 2024.

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Winter/preseason – winter nets will be at Hagley RC school in February and March and preseason will start at the ground from April.

Pete Dickenson was appointed 1st X1 scorer and proved to be an asset in the successful team and it is hoped to appoint a club umpire for the coming season.

Investment – To appoint an overseas

To appoint a player coach or a senior non-playing coach

To provide master classes for 14/15/16/year olds breaking into senior cricket

2023 priorities met – 1st X1 gained promotion back to Division 2, 3rd X1 playing Saturday league games and playing 100 ball Slam cricket on Sundays.

Player availability improved.

Ground

Wickets continued to improve, in what was a very challenging wet season. Verti-cutting is now paying dividends.

JR and the team should be very pleased, with the wickets and outfield, one of the best prepared grounds in the county.

Robert Hawk

First XI Report

This season started off with a very positive mindset and new regime under my influence, after being named 1st XI captain for the 2023 season.

We started with our first game away to Brockhampton this was a rain effected match and before a ball was even bowled it was cancelled. This then to our second game being our first game of the season, at home to Martley CC. We won the toss and put them into bat, they made a competitive 153-8, but I had full faith in my team to chase the total, Peter Hawk led the charge with 68 not out and his sublime form carried on throughout the season, scoring over 700 runs at an average of 103.57, demolishing all that came before him. He also scored his maiden 100 at Old Vigornians away, a truly magnificent season, Pete, well done. In terms of bowling everyone contributed, Rob Lee, George Bartram, Cam Harvey and me with some notable performances, Cam finished with 19 wickets at an average of 27. All in all, we won 11 matches only losing 2, everyone that played this year- Will Pardoe, Richard Wrigley and Ross Parker especially, all helped us to get to where we wanted to be, back in Division 2. A big thank you to all the youth players that played this year, they made significant contributions with bat, ball and in the field. The season was topped off with a win at home against Old Vigornians, scoring 428-6 and with a 100 from Richard Wrigley and 97 from Alex McGarry. It was amazing to witness, we then proceeded to bowl Old Vigornians all out for 162, with Akshay taking the bulk of the wickets. Akshay was our overseas from New Zealand, in his second season at the club. He was a pleasure to play with and captain, Akshay finished top

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of the bowling awards with 25 wickets with an average of 18. what an achievement and I want to thank him personally on behalf of everyone at the club.

Thank you to everyone who played in the 1st XI this year, making it a successful season. Let's go on to next year with our heads held high,

Ryan Price

Second XI Report

We lost our first two games to the very wet weather in April, being awarded 5 points for the games against Kempsey and Claverly being rained off completely. We finally got underway at home against Bromyard. Chasing 210 to win, we looked down and out at 90-5 in the 23rd over, before Hansford stroked his record breaking, historic six sixes in an over. Further solid batting between himself and Heilbronn (62) saw them close the gap and needed an exiting 12 off the last two overs, falling agonising short by 6 runs being 204 all out.

We then lost our away fixture to Hanley Castle to the rain, before being comprehensively beaten by Tenbury Wells at home. We finally recorded our first win in a frustratingly, interrupted start to the season on 20 May, defending a solid 226-7 away at Alverley (Wrigley 83).

We then bested Enville at home, posting a huge 310 (Harker 129, Hawker 47) and bowling them out for 131 (Karvaski 4-16).

We posted 300 plus again away at Kidderminster (Malanpaphy 50, Wrigley 56, C MacKenzie 48) rolling them for 111 (C MacKenzie and Wrigley 3 wickets apiece)

We were then thoroughly on top against an abrasive Cutnall Green, defending 232 (J MacKenzie 69) in scorching heat, we had them 52-5 when thunderstorms arrived, the visiting side showing no desire to try and complete the game in the face of a likely defeat.

We then posted 247 away at Old Vigornians (Dunn 49, Burrows 54, McKevitt 43) to which we defended well, winning by 60 runs (Karvaski 3-30)

Halesowen's strong third team were too good for us at home, posting 247 they bowled us out for 153. We then started July positively, bowling out Claverley for 134 (Wrigley and Todd Stevens three each) before knocking them off in 19 overs to win by 9 wickets with 25 overs to spare (Felton 70, A MacKenzie 40 not out).

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We entered the second half of the season with a comprehensive win away at Claverley, bowling them out for 134 with Todd and Wriggers picking up 3 each and Chris Mac and T Bartram 2 each. The chase was a formality as C Gelton destroyed their attack with 70 at the top of the order, supported by A Mac (40 not out) to win by 9 wickets with 25 overs to spare!

We then followed that up with another comprehensive win against Kempsey, posting 220 (Wrigley 46) and dismissing them for 161 (J Mac 3-10). Three wins on the bounce taking us to third in the league and dreams of promotion.

The trip to fellow title chasers Bromyard saw us chasing a modest 214 for a small pitch, their first team left arm, dropped for this game, destroyed our top order leaving us 23-3 and 43-4. Great knocks by Deacy (25no), J Mac (73) and a wonderful, resilient 46 from G Flowers weren't quite enough to get us over the line losing by just 10 runs.

Two more rain abandonments and a drubbing against top of the table Tenbury (102 all out, Hansford 47no, losing by 9 wickets) saw us into August and the availability becoming ever more challenging.

A great win away against Enville, (Dunn 43no, Malanaphy 40) was quickly followed by a comprehensive defeat at Cutnall Green. Very typical of our inconsistency of availability which carried through to the end of the season seeing us lose winnable games against Halesowen and Okd Vigs.

With our strongest side we can beat anyone in this division, but the seconds are prone to availability issues, which for the last couple of years have mainly not been from the core of the second team.

I'm immensely proud to see more youngsters come through and bang on the door of the first team and that remains the main, overall objective of the seconds, competitive, fun cricket and preparing youth for the first team.

Also huge thanks, as always, to John Raybould and his team, as the pitches have continued to improve and it's always a delight playing at home.

Ben Hansford

Third XI Report

In terms of results, this was a difficult year. We were delighted by the double promotion from last season however the vagaries of the geographical divisions left us facing either 2nd XIs or strong teams of adults from very large clubs. As a result, we lost 12 of our 18 games and

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only won 1. In the process, our players learned a great deal. I must pay tribute to Simon Flowers who did an excellent in building and maintaining the team morale.

Selection was a significant issue for most of the season. Of the 46 players who represented the 3rd team only 19 played more than 2 matches. Part of the reason for this was the number who played in the 2nd team. It was particularly pleasing to see call ups for young players including Jacob Priestnall Singh, Noah Ward, Harry Lewis and Charlie Felton.

It was the progress of young players in the 3s that as always provided the highlights. Isaac Harvey bowled to finish top wicket taker; Theo Stephens hit some mighty sixes; Toby Locke-Wheaton took a key wicket in our one league victory; Harry Mullins and Tom Flowers bowled excellent spells against accomplished adult batsmen. A youngster called Tony Boardman showed against Old Halesonians that he is one to watch for the future.

Of the experienced players, Alex McGarry's one innings, before his rapid elevation to the first team, was a joy to watch; Alan Rapley showed his class and Olly Dix hit a personal best.

Throughout the season, players developed their skills against strong opponents and, thanks to Simon, kept their spirits up. Many thanks to everyone who played and to the Committee for their support. Onwards and upwards next year.

Justin Gray

Strollers Report

Runs were a plenty this season with Neil Meredith, Phil Harrison, Dave Scriven, Ian Watt and new boy Alex McGary leading the charge. Alex only played his first game for the strollers and the club towards the end of the season on 9th August scoring 251 runs in 6 innings, not out on 5 trips to the crease and top scoring with 108 v Himbleton. A great prospect for the future, not only for the strollers but for the club.

Dave Scriven was in his normal destructive form throughout most of the season scoring 172 runs at an average of 43 only to be bettered by our skipper Ian Watt with 228 runs at an average of 45.6. Neil Meredith and Phil Harrison added some fire to the mid order with 107 and 89 runs respectively averaging 21.4 and 29.7.

The bowling was not quite up to the standard of the batting and although a new contract was offered to John Raybould, who in years gone by would tie up an end and take frequent wickets, this was declined on health grounds. In his place and recovered from gout Dave Weston, our

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player of the season, was the pick of the bowlers taking 12 wickets at 8.5 in only 6 games with his best return being 4 for 14 versus a Tom Raybould xi.

Mention on the bowling front should also go to Phil Harrison who took 8 wickets at an average of 9.75 including 3 wickets versus Pedmore. We also had some fine one-off bowling performances from Phil Tucker with his 4 for 26 versus Feckenham and our vice Neil Meredith who managed to bamboozle Enville with his pies returning 4 for 19.

We look forward to seeing you all at our Beer & Balti night on Friday 2nd February, meeting at the King Arthur in Hagley and then down the road to the New Delhi.

Chris Chattaway

League Delegates Report

The Worcestershire Cricket League has yet to hold its AGM.

However, there are few changes envisaged, players will still have to provide their own teas, start times will be 12.30pm, most clubs want to play win/lose matches with a similar length as previous seasons. One new initiative is that each club will need to appoint a Disciplinary Officer !!

1st XI to be in Division 2, 2nd XI to be in Division 6 with 12 teams in each. League matches start on 20th April to 14th September.

3rd XI to be in Division 9N with 10 teams. League matches start on 4th May to 31st August.

The club has entered the Worcestershire Mid-Week KO Cups for all three Senior teams, the Sunday 100 Ball Slam and the National Village KO next season

Tony Boardman

Junior and Youth Season Report 2023

The Winter nets for our junior teams began in February. We had 24 boys and girls attend the Friday sessions which were run on a fully integrated basis. The Thursday sessions had much fewer participants due to a number of departures in the close season and Winter Sports and

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School commitments. Efforts will have to be made to have this session better supported in 2024 given the 8-week facility expenses and coaching costs to which the Club will be committed.

The Junior Summer nets started from April, with good attendance at sessions on Mondays and Tuesdays. In the close season, discussions have taken place with our coaching partners on how we can further improve the relevance of the sessions and have more coach intervention to eradicate bad habits and improve skills on a progressive basis.

If any senior players would like to make themselves available to help out at our winter or summer training sessions in 2024, please contact me.

On Friday evenings we held our All Stars, Young Tons Boys and Girls, Y5 Boys and Under 10 and Under 11 girls practice sessions which were regularly attended by 120 plus throughout the summer. Our All-Stars Programme in 2023 involving 66 participants was the fourth largest programme of its type in Worcestershire and our All-Stars Girls were the second largest All Stars girls group in the County. Our coaching partners will, based on the Friday night managers'/coaches' feedback also be encouraged to lead the Young Tons and older group sessions in a more structured manner with periodic intervention to develop skills progressively in 2024.

The Friday sessions were again extended until the end of July which resulted in another significant number of food and beverage sales on those nights. Thanks to the bar team, the volunteer team in the kitchen and the volunteer stokers of the BBQ who were expertly supervised under the watchful eye of the Club's Vin Consultant and Chef Sommelier.

Also special thanks to Jill Turner for organizing the challenging task of appointing adult DBS'd supervision teams on Fridays both in the Winter and Summer and for communicating plans with parents and coaches. We received very positive feedback from several parents about our Friday night winter and summer training programmes.

The Summer Camps were quite successful but not as successful as in 2022 as we had fewer attendees from other clubs in the local community.

The Youth Presentation Day on 28 August was another success with several intra club games involving many age groups which were each followed by a presentation. Our thanks to all those who contributed to the day, making it a friendly family atmosphere.

The progression of Youth players into the Senior ranks has continued with several establishing themselves in the First team, another group moving into the Second XI and more young players from the Under 13's and U14s became regulars in the 3rd XI. Thanks goes to all the Senior Captains who have assisted the integration of the younger players so successfully.

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2023 Results

Team	<i>Played (Excluding cancelled matches and matches conceded by BCC Team)</i>	W	L	Conceded by BCC Team	Cancelled	Abandoned	Notes
U17 11 a-side 100 Ball League	2 of 6 before league deadline 1 of 6 after league deadline	2	1		3		3 rd in 6 team local league
U15 11 a-side-100 ball league	6 of 8	4	2	2			3rd in 5 team local league
U15s Cup	1 of 1	0	1				KO'd in Round 1
U15 / U14 pairs 10 a - side	4 of 8	4			4		2nd in 5 team league.
U14 11 a-side	6 of 8	1	5	1	1		5 th in 6 team Div.1 League.
U13 9 a-side	5 of 8	0	5	1	2		5 TH in 5 team Div.3 league.
U12 9 a-side	9 of 10	7	2		1		1st in 6 team Div.2 league.
U11 9 a-side	10 of 10	3	6			1	5 th in 6 team Div1 league. #
U10 pairs 8 a - side Scythes	8 of 8	7	1				2 nd in 9 team league. Beat the champions and finished on same points but had inferior R/W. Lost League play-off semi-final v Martley.
U10 9 a-side cup	6 of 6	5	1				Lost in final to Martley.
U10 pairs 8 a - side Blades	7 of 8	1	5		1	1	9 th in 9 team league.
U9 pairs 8 a-side	10 of 12	7	3		3		4 team festivals. Finished second in league.
U11 Girls 6 a -side	4 of 6	2	2		2		3 team festivals. Finished second in the league. Qualified for finals day but were unable to select a team due to the late date in September 2023.
U9 Girls 6 a -side	9 of 12	6	3		3		4 team festivals. Finished second in league. Qualified for finals day but were unable to select a team due to the late date in September 2023.

Competition metrics and some performance indicators/reflections in respect of the season

1. The performance of the U10s and U12s during the 2023 season and hopefully the combative efforts of the U11s in 2023 will mean we will have as we targeted in September 2022 one team playing premierships cricket in the U11 league and one team or hopefully two teams representing the club in Division 1 of the U13 and/or U12 Worcestershire County Leagues. (Strength)
2. 2023 saw the best Girls teams' overall performances at U9 and U11 for some time (Strengths and Opportunities).
3. Efforts must be made to reduce the number of matches conceded, cancelled or not fulfilled during July and August and to improve the system for confirming rescheduled weekday matches scheduled to be played during the period from mid-July until the deadline set by the League's Competition Organiser around the last Friday in August. (Weakness/Opportunity).
4. Result reporting needs to further improve and the policy of inputting unsure entries in team sheets /result sheets should be eradicated. (Weakness).
5. Playing the girls finals days at the end of September needs a rethink by the WCBL. (Opportunity to improve participation).
6. Recruitment for the U13s, U14s and U15s teams would be beneficial. (Opportunity)
7. Net protocols at junior training sessions must be always followed/policed. (Threat).

Review of results

100 Ball Competitions

U17s- Only two matches were played before the deadline set by Stuart Lampitt, and one was permitted by the Competitions Organiser to be played after that deadline once the league winner, Stourbridge and runner up, Bromsgrove, were identified. It was disappointing to see these top two teams playing older age players in this competition given the number of the younger age groups teams that the Clubs run. A review of the team's 2023 season in the light of the terms of reference set by the Club's Cricket Steering Group at the beginning of the season would be recommended to identify what could be improved or done differently to avoid for example the fixture logjam in the last week of August.

U15s- This 100-ball team enjoyed strong performances during the early and middle part of the season. The decision to postpone the U15s key match against Ombersley, ultimately inadvertently resulted in the U15s' opportunity to win the league "falling away" as they couldn't then fulfil their last two fixtures which had to be conceded because 11 couldn't be found for the last two matches.

U15s Pairs competition

The U15s pairs matches were once again used effectively for "fringe" and younger players. The team played well to finish behind Astwood Bank as runners up.

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U14s, U13s, U12s and U11 T20 Competitions

U14s- The team had a challenging season and struggled to be competitive in part due to the exit of a few players to other local teams. Recruitment of additional talent would be welcome to improve the team's competitiveness in the 2024 season when it moves to the 100-ball format.

U13s- The U13s outturn in 2023 was not helped by a number of Y7 boys leaving the club for example to pursue other sports in the summer. Unlike the U12s, this team could also not be supported by the U11s who had started their journey playing T20 cricket on the same Sunday mornings.

It has been decided that due to the diminishing pool of talent, the 2024 U14s/2023 U13s squad will not play T20 cricket in 2024. This is the first time since I became JCC that we have not had an U14 team playing T20 cricket. However, this is unavoidable. The Y8 players will instead become the core of the U15s Pairs team for the next two years and two players will be able to play down to support the U13s in 2023 once pre-approved by the Competitions Organiser.

U12s- The U12s were the most improved junior team within the Club. Having finished in the bottom two places in the preceding two years having never won a game, the team won 7 games to win the league and gain promotion in 2024 to Division 1 of the U13 Worcestershire County League. Well done to Ricky Bhogal for sticking at it and blooding U10 and U9 boys in this competition. The 2024 season will be challenging as the opposition in a higher league will be stronger and the team will be unable to use next season's U11s to support it as these boys will start playing premier league cricket as U11s in 2024 on the same Sunday as the U13s. Recruitment of new U13 players and the use of two older age group players from the U14s who won't be playing T20 cricket on Sundays will be essential for the team to remain reasonably competitive.

U11s- A Y6 team made up of 1-2 Y6s and 6-7 Y5s/U9s played league matches against a number of Birmingham League junior teams with mainly Y6 and U11 County players and performed credibly to win 3 matches including against the then form team, Kidderminster. The team will hopefully not be relegated into Division 2 with Malvern CC who finished bottom to ensure it can play competitive cricket. The players will need to adapt their game to avoid being bowled out in 15 or so overs and to use their 20 overs to accumulate 100-120 runs which is often a competitive score to chase or defend and must improve their catching.

U10s Teams- The decision to enter the Y4s in 2022 in an U10 Pairs competition and introduce them as Y5s in the 2023 U11 T20 competition was vindicated given the excellent season the U10 Scythes and the U10 T20 cup team had. The pairs team finished second in the league on the same points as the winners Astwood Bank (purely by virtue of the Scythes' inferior runs per wicket metric; 4 runs!) and made the league play offs. The cup team made it to the cup final at Worcester Nomads losing to the best team in the U10 leagues, Martley CC. It also meant as part of the strategic planning the non-County players were given the freedom to play in the other U10 team, the Blades, to develop their skills and

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ensure broader participation amongst the 18 or so Y5s/Y4s on the books. In fact, the team improved sufficiently over the season under Neil Warren's management that they were able to beat the only team who had beaten the Scythes earlier in the season.

U9s Incredi-ball squads- Numbers this season meant that we could only enter one team in this competition who played in a pretty strong league and finished second behind Halesowen due to unavailability of key players on a Sunday which had had to be deferred due to fixture congestion at Halesowen CC the eventual winners. So, there was no repeat of an appearance at the finals day at Himley. The future does however look bright for 2024 given that several of the Y4s have already played or had exposure to hard ball matches and practice sessions.

U9s and U11s

Despite only having squads of around 8 both teams had the best outturn these age group girls teams have ever experienced for some time. By finishing as the strongest runner up in both competitions, each team was invited to participate in the Girls only finals day at Cookhill CC. Unfortunately, as the planners had organised the round robin matches on the last Sunday in September, our player pools were decimated, and we were unable to field teams due to the girls' then current autumn/winter school and other sports/recreational activities. Well done to Steve Parker and Neil Warren and I am grateful for the volunteers who stepped in to manage the odd game and support Steve and Neil.

Many thanks go to all the managers and their assistants for running the teams throughout the 2023 season.

David Glover

Safeguarding and Welfare Report

Safeguarding is at the heart of the club. All players should be able to enjoy their cricket in a safe environment. The welfare of every member is crucial to our success as a cricket club.

In order uphold this tradition Captains, vice captains, coaches and volunteers are duly proposed from the membership as responsible people. All of them have current DBS status which ensures that they have no background which would mean they would be unsuitable for such a position. During the season we have undertaken more than thirty DBS checks and I thank all of those people for their co-operation in the process.

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This year we have built up our parental support so that all children can be safely monitored during activities. We have several junior boy and girl members and encourage parents to be involved. It is important that parents are proactive in their children's activities so that a mutual understanding develops, and especially with our All-Star section where children from years reception to year3 are growing in numbers. The children then progress to 'Young Tons' and begin to play matches in festivals and interclub activities. We are keen that parents, grandparents, and carers support us and will be requesting their presence during this summer's activities. Thanks to offers from diligent parents we have been able to offer supervision of the children taking part in activities and allocate roles for busy times such as Friday evenings.

Many of our Youth members join age group squads for fixtures against other clubs, each team has an allocated coach. Each squad also needs parents to be involved with supervision especially at matches where there can be times when the children are not directly involved in playing.

As our teenage members begin to represent the club at senior level, we encourage all our players to respect these players and support their development through safe practice. Junior members have separate changing times and transport rules which are carefully adhered to. Cricket etiquette remains of uppermost importance both on and off the pitch.

We encourage all players to be active members of the club. Families are welcome to be involved and to share the facilities and events the club has. Our success depends on a shared vision of cricket, sportsmanship, and respect.

Jill Turner

Grounds Report

Cricket Square

I felt that the wickets played well this season considering the very wet Spring and Mid-Summer weather conditions we experienced. A considerable amount of hard work was put in to carefully prepare and mark the wickets to ensure that the ground was fit and ready to play for senior and youth teams. We are now in the process of preparing and renovating the square for the 2024 season. I am really pleased with the early outcomes and plans are in place for the square to be Verti-drained which will improve drainage and root growth.

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Ground Improvements

Significant work has been undertaken this year on the grounds. We installed a new curtain system at the top end of the pitch which was such a great success that we have decided to replicate at the bottom end before the start of the 2024 season. New perimeter fencing has been installed at the bottom of the ground along with new netting. Hedges were cut and we have scheduled in regular maintenance to keep on top of them which you will agree has made a real difference in not only appearance but also with recovering the ball.

Pavilion Works

Much needed repair work has been completed on the pavilion through the course of this summer. A large investment was made with replacing the felt on the roof to due to excessive leakage. The external wooden panelling has been repaired and painted and a new pathway has been installed leading to the main doors.

In addition, the Scorebox has had a facelift, and I thank Larry Turner for his support with completing this.

We have also completed a Fire Risk Assessment which highlighted several improvements required. New heat detectors have been installed throughout the premises, CO2 detection installed in the Cellar, emergency lighting replaced, and a bar hatch fire escape introduced. All of which improves member and visitor safety whilst at the grounds.

I would like to thank all the ground staff for their support and commitment through 2023, they have all worked extremely hard with keeping the ground looking the way it does. Absolute credit to you all.

John Raybould

Social, Fundraising & Digital Media report

FUNDRAISING

Event Catering £3647

100 club £1325
Blast sweeps £51
Car Show £741
6 A Side £116
Golf Day £574

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Scarecrow £7935
Quiz nights £466
Presentation 2022 £765
Gold Rush £85

There are plans to repeat all the above events next year except the 100 Club, we feel that a new initiative should be sought there.

We are about to host the Annual Presentation Dinner which was a great success. Thanks should go to Richard Dunn for hosting the vending and Amy Evans for taking the photos, and obviously Rob and Tony for organising everything else.

New Year sponsored walk is proposed for Saturday 30th December starting and finishing at 'The Bartrams', details to be circulated.

SPONSORSHIP

This seasons' sponsorship totalled £3400.

We already have commitments for 2023 of around of £2000, we are looking at new kit options and will be offering up opportunities there.

DIGITAL & SOCIAL MEDIA.

While all aspects of the communications have worked this season, they have been with varied levels of success. Our feelings are that more cohesion between the website, club communications, marketing and advertising and social media are needed from persons who are more adept and skilled in this area.

We will be looking for new involvement here.

Many thanks to everyone who contributed this season.

Richard Bartram

BAR & CATERING

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Overview of the 2023 season

Firstly, I would like to thank everyone who played a part in the running of the Bar and Catering this year. We had a great team, and all worked really hard. The start of the season was a wet one and we did lose a few Saturdays and Sunday approx. 7 in total which was a bit of worry. But in the end having a profit of over 19k on the bar and over 4k on Catering we can say we all did well and should be proud of our efforts.

There have been quite a few changes with the new procedures after being awarded with a 5 Star H&H at the start of the season. The modernisation of the kitchen, bar stores and glass wash area made a real difference and worked well. I would like to thank you all for the faith in me and allowing us to have the funds to carry this out to bring it up to standard.

The new till system did take a little getting used to but we got there in the end. This new technology has allowed us to track the stock, best sellers, ordering and day to day accounting of sales. This information will be useful for the next season.

The new cleaning procedures made a real difference to the whole of the club creating a clean and welcoming feel to the members and visitors. Our new cleaner, fitting in well and with the support of everyone involved keeping the standards high.

We increased the level of catering this year continuing with the staple cobs on Saturdays and Thursdays over 800 being sold during the season. Strollers' food being reintroduced with 350 meals being provided, 450 items of BBQ food as well as our quiz nights, Queens Jubilee, sponsors events, Ben Cox and Scarecrow catering. Thank you to all involved in making this a success.

BAR

Jobs completed at end of season.

- The Bar area has been cleared ready for the bar hatch (now done) and the sanding down of the bar tops.
- All glasses are boxed up.
- All stock that can be returned has been and we have been reimbursed either by IE or L&F • There is some stock that will be ok for next season in the left bay of the stockroom

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- A full stocktake has been given to Andy to carry over for next year.
- All money has been banked including the float.

Jobs/ Tasks/Requirements for 2024 season

- Re paint the cellar floor
- Re paint the bar shelves
- Touch up behind the bar.
- Re varnish the bar top
- Shelves fitted to replace ones lost for hatch - thoughts???.
- Re negotiate offers on beers?.
- Door bar – replace.
- Need to have the glass washer serviced or replaced.
- Recruit volunteers bar staff for weeknights and Sundays
- New glassed to be purchased, wine and gin.
- More in depth training during the winter of the EPOS system.
- Coffee machine service.
- Service the air conditioning unit in the cellar.

WISH LIST

New Glass wash if required after inspection of old one.

Crew neck ladies Bar t shirts

CATERING

Jobs completed at end of season.

- The Kitchen has been closed down and fully cleaned the stainless work top has been covered for protection. The fridges etc have been pulled out and had final cleaning. The health and hygiene book has been closed, left out in case of inspection. We are keeping the cleaner will be going in once a week until December so she will monitor and feedback of any problems and i also will keep a check popping in.

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Jobs/Tasks/Requirements for 2024

- Get more people level 2 Health and Hygiene and Allergen certificated - Approx £100.00 • Recruit more volunteers for Sunday, reinstate bacon rolls on Sundays maybe? • We require two new cupboards – approx. £300.00
- Coffee machine service.
- We are short of medium sized plates and side plates so will need to add to ones we already have
- New Tea towels
- New mop heads and cleaning equipment.

WISH LIST

Crew neck catering T shirts

For outside catering, hotplate for BBQs approx £200

Relook at bespoke Outside Catering area.

PLANS FOR 2024

We hope to have more fundraising events, Bingo, Quiz, Race night, Ladies Night, Ladies Soft Ball Festival, breakfast club, Sponsor Events to increase takings in bar and catering.

We will have to look at bar prices and ensure they have the correct GPs to the new prices.

Hopefully have more volunteers on board to enable us to spread the workload.

Looking forward to another successful year in 2024.

12 Club Development Plan. 2024 Appendix 1

5 Year Vision: What do we want people to be saying about our club in 5 years' time?

"To be known as one of the leading village cricket clubs in Worcestershire, with wonderful facilities for all to enjoy cricket."

"An asset to the village"

Purpose: Why does our Cricket Club exist?

To provide excellent opportunities for the local community to play and enjoy cricket. To provide a community social hub for the village and surrounding area.

Key Player Facts:

	209 (m)	63(f)	Total - 272		
	Members		Teams		Coaches
	M	F	M	F	
All Stars	35	31			3
U8 U9	16	14	2	1	2m 1f
U10 U11	17	5	2	1	3m 1f
U12 U13	13	0	2	1	2m 1f
U14 U15	17	2	2	0	2
U18	6		1	0	1
Total	108	54			
Senior	54 (22)		5		1
Non Play	16	12			

Our Key Priorities for 2023 are:

1. First XI, to retain Div 2 status and Second & Third XI to provide suitable competitive cricket for senior & youth players
2. To continue to improve playing & practice surfaces
3. To play WCL 100 Ball cricket at our own ground on Sundays
4. To continue to improve the new Bar & Catering regime
5. To continue increase social & fundraising events

What do we need to do to achieve our vision?

	Objectives	Actions	Who	When	Cost
Players, Members and Volunteers What do we need to do to improve their experience at our club? Senior & Youth Cricket	Maintain and increase 50% of our senior playing membership to have come from our junior section	To maintain All Stars & Young Tons numbers Improve liaison between senior cricket and youth cricket coaches and between selectors and parent/players to focus on retention	Liaise with local Primary Schools Senior and Youth Selectors reps.	1 year	£500?
	Improve player availability	More Sunday 100 ball & friendly matches Instigate an availability APP	Captains Fixtures Sec.	1 year	Fund 3 rd XI £1000 at Stone CC
	Recruit 1 st XI players- overseas /player coach	Assist with accommodation for Overseas	Sen Cricket Com.	1 year	Part funded
	To further develop the Girls Section At u9 to u11 To maximise Youth players potential	Appoint a female coach with specific responsibility for Girls cricket Seek parental support for the girls each age group and develop girls teams boys hard ball	Youth Comm Youth Managers	£1000	Fund for 2 + 2 Foundation & Core courses
	Recruit a new overseas player	Develop club coaches by funding ECB course attendance Funding for u15 to u19 coaching	Youth Comm	£500	6 weeks of nets

	Provide good facilities for 3 rd XI on Saturdays in WCL Try to re book Stone for 3 rd XI	Third XI ground for 9 home matches Sunday Blast cricket and evaluate playing ad hoc Sunday pm cricket involving 5-6 U17s	Cricket Comm. League delegate	1year	Increase bar takings
	Retaining 50% players per year from our u14 & u15 squad Set up a U15 –U19 Devel Squad Selecting more youth players to play senior cricket	Senior Captains to liaise with Youth coaches/managers Development Net Sessions with Level 3 Coach Talented youth players to be invited to all Senior nets, in order to play senior weekend cricket Clearer explanation to parents the progression route to/from each senior team	Cricket committee Youth coaches Youth Comm. Capts & Youth Managers	Annual ly	Subsidise nets, & coaches fees? 22x£60= £1200
	To employ suitable professional coaches to support all junior squads Review the financial cost/value for money of outside coaches	Improve communication and planning to make the most of practice sessions We will continue to try to recruit Parents to manage, but not necessarily to Coach, the players in their respective age groups. Appoint new Friday evening Co-ordinators & more DBS female supervisors Improve fixture communication between Fixture Sec. Youth Managers Youth Administrator and Groundsman	Youth Committee Cricket Committee	1 year	Expenses to be budgeted and approved by
	Exploit social media platforms to promote cricket and S&F activities at Club Est. a new Bar & Catering Comm	Appoint Social Media and Marketing Officer Encourage more members to gain the Food & Hygiene qualification & follow the relevant regulations, to assist with catering on Friday evenings & Youth matches	S&F Committee Bar.& Catering Comm	Annual ly 1 year	Expenses to be budgeted and approved by A Bri
	For the club to be known as the hub of the community.	Offer the club house facilities for community groups from the village to meet or hold funerals Improve advertising of club events in the village, & Parish News and via social media channels	Social Committee and publicity officer Clearly defined R & R's	1 yrs	Expenses to be budgeted and approved by A Bri
Facilities What do we need to do to improve our facilities?	To improve standard of playing and practicing facilities and for this to be recognised in the WCL end of season rankings	Invite inspection of the square by technical experts from GMA or Worcs.GA Employ a consultant groundsman to advise throughout the season to improve consistency of bounce and carry End of season work on square to be professionally completed annually Purchase, service & repair Mowers, Verticutter etc Covers for bowlers run ups. To produce and work within an annual agreed budget	Grounds Committee Chris Longmore Verticutter Wicket Mower Square mower Covers Obtain quotes	1yr 5yr 1yr 1yr 2yr 1yr	£5000 £200 pa £3000 £1000 £1000 £1000 £3000

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		Extend & improve sightscreens Repair and paint Garage fascia Sell batting cage and old sight screens			
	Improve coaching equipment	Make better use of Roll on Roll off Batting Cage & Bowling Machine etc	Capt & Youth Managers	2 yrs	£3000
	Update Kitchen to ensure clean & safe	Bar & Catering Comm to plan Create Bar Hatch	Kitchen Cellar	1 year 1 year	£2000
Finances How can we save & make money to invest back in club?	To have a £20k contingency fund by 2025	Develop detailed plan and separate budgets for each sub committee	Finance sub committee	2 yrs	£25,000
	Bar & Catering To increase profits each year in line with inflation	Restore the pre covid planned club social functions to improve bar takings and increase social membership Hire out club facilities for matches and meetings Revising of junior practice & match schedule is already reaping benefits for bar takings & catering	Social Committee Finance Committee Bar Committee Catering Comm In service training for catering	1 year	£1000 per annum
Administration	To become less reliant on cricket income	More fund raising events essential by targeting non-members, parents etc. Improve communication with Membership & local community via social media Hire out club facilities Expand sponsorship opportunities	Social Committee Finance Committee Social media officer	5 years	£2,000 per annum £3000
	Appoint a new Secretary, WCL Delegate, Youth Chairman, Play cricket Administrator and Welfare Officer	Identify suitable members with the skill set to shadow and take over the roles	Management Committee	1 year	Training Course expense.

Strengths - Club	Strengths - Players	Weaknesses - Committee	Weaknesses - Players
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Family atmosphere - Home grown membership - Village feel - Beautiful surroundings - Strong club values - Relationship with land lady has led 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Family club - Ethics - Location - Club Environment - Approachable people - Practice facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Imbalance of age range of the committee - Recruitment of parents - Maintenance and upkeep of playing facilities - Transition from junior to senior 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ground Drainage - Pitches - consistency of bounce - 16-25 age group - Leadership succession planning & continuity

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<p>to Charitable status and wider financial assistance/ grant opportunities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Existing members - Net facility and accessibility of Freeholder - Security & Safety - Volunteers <p>+Maintain consistent engagement with/by parents of Junior/Youth teams</p> <p>-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Changing Facilities - Club House amenities - Strollers O45's team - Sunday Cricket - Youth section integration - 	<p>section</p> <p>Establish a new Bar & Catering Comm</p> <p>New strategy to exploit social media platforms</p> <p>-</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Players lost to uni/work - WCL 100 - Recruitment of 1st XI players - Player availability
Opportunities - Club	Opportunities - Players	Threats - Committee	Threats - Players
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community usage - External use restricted - Coffee mornings - Village engagement - Integration of sections - Send D'C & Yth Coaches on courses - Exploit Charitable status 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - More youth involved in Senior cricket - Coaching on Thursdays - BDPCL - Integration day – full club juniors/seniors - 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Retaining players - Youth involvement in running club - Weather – flooding – loss of revenue - Increase the group of parents involved in operational support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relegation - Retaining players - Comp. from local clubs - Weather – loss of matches - School cricket – weekends - Other activities

Appendix 2

CHAIRMAN

Brian Pardoe

CLUB PRESIDENT

LADY GUTHRIE

Hon. SECRETARY - Tony Boardman

Asst SECRETARY – Simon Felton

Hon TREASURER – Arthur Bibbey
Asst TREASURER – Teresa Flowers

VICE CHAIRMAN

Richard Bartram

SENIOR CRICKET STEERING GROUP	WELFARE	YOUTH	BAR, CATERING, EVENTS & FUNDRAISING	GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE	COMMUNICATIONS
ROB HAWK (T)	JILL TURNER Asst. Safeguarding	TONY BOARDMAN	RACHAEL BARTRAM	JOHN RAYBOULD	TBC
<p>GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS WILL COMPRISE 10 MEMBERS; CHAIRPERSON, VICE CHAIRPERSON, SECRETARY, TREASURER & SIX REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE FOLLOWING SUB COMMITTEE'S</p>					
<p>Richard Dunn 1ST XI – Ryan Price VC – Pete Hawk 2ND XI – Chris Chatfield VC – TBC 3RD XI – Justin Gray VC – Simon Flowers STROLLERS- Chris Chattaway Ian Watt, Neil Meredith FIXTURES Conn Karvaski LEAGUE DELEGATE TBC PLAY CRICKET ADMIN TBC</p>	<p>Sam Richardson Amy Evans Tony Boardman Nicholas Martin Anna Day Sarah Warren Kristen Carey Emma Huson-Evans</p>	<p>Mick Ross (T) Safeguarding Jill Turner U15 Simon Flowers U14 Steve Harvey U13 Ricky Bhogal U12 David Glover Jim Richardson Geoff Day</p> <p>U11 U10 U9</p>	<p>Mick Ross (T) Brian Pardoe Simon Felton Simon Felton Maggie Hawk Tersea Flowers Jon Price Deb Burrows Rich Bartram (T) Elaine Ross Gail Raybould FUNDRAISING ONLY Ade Lewis Andy Hickinbottom</p>	<p>Mick Ross (T) Simon Felton Simon Felton Larry Turner Graham Stringer</p>	<p>Running and updating website & play cricket site. Member and player digital comms. Weekly newsletter Social media</p>
<p>Senior Cricket Steering Group, Youth, Welfare, Grounds & Maintenance, Bar, Catering Events & Fundraising, Communications & Sponsorship</p>					
<p>Each Sub Committee shall contain Maggie Hawk Trustee.</p>					
<p>Advertising and Marketing campaigns</p>					
<p>SPONSORSHIP</p>					
<p>Rich Bartram Andy Hickinbottom</p>					