

# ENGLISH SCHOOLS CRICKET ASSOCIATION

England & Wales · Charity number 306002

## Details

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**Other names** E S C A

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Other

**Registered** 1977-08-25

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** The mental, moral and physical development of pupils through the medium of Cricket and the improvement of the standard of Cricket for all pupils throughout the country.

**Activities:** We are a National Organisation with forty two affiliated county associations and county cricket boards who run and organise schools cricket, we offer National Competitions at under 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15. We work closely with the England and Wales Cricket Board and co-operate with them in delivering school cricket competitions.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Provides Human Resources
- **What:** Education/training, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

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- Throughout England And Wales

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£43,806	£57,746	-	-
2024-03-31	£55,713	£59,146	-	-
2023-03-31	£59,538	£71,390	-	-
2022-03-31	£13,258	£48,217	-	-
2021-03-31	£2,054	£6,484	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>JOHN WEITZEL</b>	Chair	
CHRIS TWORT		
Dr John Malcolm Price		2026-02-01
Dr Mark Fenton		2025-10-26
Giles Ashman		2021-10-01
Malcolm Anthony Blackburn		2023-10-01
PHILIP EVANS		
Stephen Aston		2020-10-01
Stephen Wilks		2022-10-01
William Sillett		2015-10-01

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# Accounts

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**Charity number: 306002**

**ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR  
THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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**Trustees**

G E L Ashman

S Aston

M T Blackburn

P R Evans

D Houghton

K S Lake MBE

W Sillett

R J Somerford (died September 2024)

C J Twort

J S Weitzel

S J Wilks

**Charity registered number**

306002

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**ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**

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**Independent Examiner**

Tom Lowry ACA

On behalf of

Lithgow Perkins LLP

Princes St,

Harrogate.

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## ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for English Schools' Cricket Association (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025. As the charity's annual income is less than the threshold for which an audit of the financial statements is required, the Trustees have prepared a receipts and payments account together with a statement of assets and liabilities which have been subject to an independent examination.

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#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

The charity also carries out activities under the name ESCA.

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### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### CONSTITUTION

English Schools' Cricket Association is an unincorporated association registered as a charity, number 306002. The Association is governed by its Officers and a Council in accordance with its constitution which has been approved by the Charity Commissioners.

The Council consists of two members per affiliated Association, being properly constituted Schools' County Cricket Associations or County Cricket Boards where no County Association exists. The day to day management of the Association is vested in an Executive Committee.

#### METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES

All the Trustees are re-elected annually. The Vice-Chair is also elected annually. New Trustees will be introduced to their Roles and Responsibilities by the General Secretary, the Treasurer and the Chairman of Finance. The following documents will be provided for the Trustee: a) Trustees: Model Job Description b) Personal Liability of Charity Trustees

c) Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees:

- (i) Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner (ii) Trustees' Responsibilities.

#### RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have continued to review the major risks that the Charity faces and are considering various ways to mitigate these. Certain steps and procedures are being undertaken to reduce these risks. These procedures include actively seeking donations and sponsorship and attempting to increase the number of new volunteers.

ESCA has continued to actively seek new sponsors. It has not been easy but, by registering for Gift Aid, ESCA has found other channels of income.

These policies should ensure the continued existence of the Charity in normal circumstances.

#### AIMS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT

Objectives are set to reflect the educational aims for the development of pupils and the ethos of the Association. In setting out the objectives and planning specific activities of the Charity, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The main Aims of the Association are the mental, moral and physical development of pupils through the medium of cricket, and the improvement of the standard of all pupils involved in cricket throughout the country.

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## ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

The Association is committed to safeguarding and promoting the moral and physical welfare of pupils and expects all its volunteers, who are principally, but not wholly, qualified or retired teachers in both the state and the private sectors, to share this commitment. The Association welcomes pupils from all backgrounds, the main criteria for selection being an interest in cricket and potential which can be developed.

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### ACTIVITIES FOR ACHIEVING THE AIMS

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ESCA's strategy includes the promotion and organization of National Schools Competitions at Under 11, Under 12, Under 13, Under 14 and Under 15 age groups. The Trustees intend that this should always be part of our Aims. Our flexible monetary policy has ensured this. In 2024, the final of the Under 15 Cup was contested between Scarborough College and Millfield School at Oakham School. Scarborough College won by 68 runs. The David English Under 13 Cup final featured King's School Taunton vs Epsom College. Epsom College won a closely contested match by three wickets. The Under 11 hardball final was contested between Twyford School and Feltonfleet School with Feltonfleet winning by 6 runs. The finals of the ESCA/ECB T20 competition were held at Arundel in September 2024. The semi-finals were contested between Scarborough College and Shrewsbury School and between Harrow School and King's College Taunton. In the final, Harrow School defeated Scarborough College by 59 runs.

### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The agreed services are:

- A) To continue to provide the organisation, expertise and personnel to deliver Inter Schools competitions at Town, District, County, Regional and National levels.
- B) To endeavour to provide the organisation, expertise and personnel to deliver the National Under 15 Twenty/20 Competition working with the ECB, sponsors and other relevant agencies.

The agreed performance indicators are:

- 1) The successful delivery, on time, of every competition or final organised by ESCA on behalf of or in conjunction with the ECB.
- 2) The services provided are delivered within agreed budgets.
- 3) The competitions maintain their current levels of entry, with agreed strategies in place to increase participation.
- 4) That all competitions continue to be fit for purpose and follow the principles within the ECB competition framework.

The agreed services were all successfully achieved and the agreed performance indicators were successfully met in 2024/5.

### RESERVES POLICY

The Trustees recognise that reserves need to be monitored in order for the Association to maintain its financial stability and be able to conduct its day-to-day affairs and cricket programmes successfully.

It is incumbent on the Association that every endeavour is made to retain the current level of sponsorship and increase it where possible.

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## ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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#### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

ESCA's plans for the future include the planning and delivery of a full programme for summer 2025. This will include a national Under 15 T20 Cup supported by the ECB, the Under 15 National Cup, the David English Under 12 and Under 13 National competitions and the Under 11 Hardball competition.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

The charity received a grant from the ECB to enable it to run the U15 T20 County Competition in 2024/2025 however, it did not receive any other grants or sponsorship in the year so the U11 hardball competition, the David English U13 National Cup competition and the U15 One Day Cup competition were funded out of restricted funds of the charity and this contributed to a reduction in the restricted funds amounting to £12,070.10 during the year.

The charity also paid out governance, administration and other support costs totalling £20,676.26 in the year. Affiliation fees paid by the County Cricket Boards or Schools Cricket Associations together with donations received and bank interest, helped reduce the deficit on the unrestricted funds for the year to £1869.87.

For many years, the Trustees have implemented a policy of funding existing programmes, especially where no external sponsorship or funding is available, and set up various Designated Funds to support these activities financially. As a result, the deficit in unrestricted funds outlined above were met from these designated funds.

The total funds of the charity at 31 March 2025 were £197071.15, of which funds that were restricted amounted to £4986.14.

In the continuing difficult economic climate, the Trustees will continue to review all the reserves of the charity and to monitor administration and support costs on an annual basis. The Trustees believe that the available assets of the Association are adequate to fulfil the programme planned for 2026.

The Trustees have recognised during their risk review that sufficient reserves need to be maintained in order for the Association to guard against any further fall of funding in the future, particularly in the present difficult economic climate. They will continue to seek further sponsorship to fund cricket activities along with identifying all possible ways of cutting cost without diminishing the value of the competitions to the schoolchildren taking part.

The Trustees are extremely grateful to the many supporters and indebted to them for their continuing support. The accounts do not reflect the valuable indirect support from the MCC and Gray-Nicolls.

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This report along with the draft financial statement was approved by the Trustees on 26 October 2025 and signed on their behalf by:

**J Weitzel, Vice-Chairman**

The independently assessed Financial Statement which follows has no changes from the draft and shows a deficit of (£13,939.97) which is made up of (£12,070.10) in restricted funds and (£1869.87) in unrestricted funds.

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of English Schools' Cricket Association ("the charity") for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

## Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the charities accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

## Independent examiner's statement

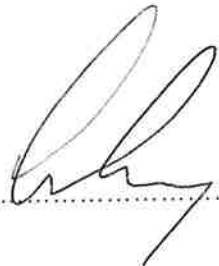
I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**T D Lowry ACA**

Crown Chambers  
Princes Street  
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18 December 2025  
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**THE ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**  
REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 306002

PRESIDENT: J R T BARCLAY CHAIRMAN: G E L ASHMAN GENERAL  
SECRETARY: K S LAKE MBE  
TREASURER: M A BLACKBURN



# English Schools Cricket Association Financial Statement

SPONSORS OF ESCA:



[www.escaonline.co.uk](http://www.escaonline.co.uk)

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Note	Unrestricted Funds 2025 £	Restricted Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
<b>Receipts:</b>					
Affiliation Fees		£9,450.00	£0.00	£9,450.00	£10,580.00
Grants		£0.00	£25,000.00	£25,000.00	£31,000.00
Donations and Bequests		£94.67	£0.00	£94.67	£5,500.00
Bank Interest		£222.34	£0.00	£222.34	£88.20
Investment interest		£8,388.38	£0.00	£8,388.38	£5,863.22
Accrued investment interest		£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,521.48
Other Income		£651.00	£0.00	£651.00	£160.00
		£18,806.39	£25,000.00	£43,806.39	£55,712.90
<b>Total Receipts</b>					
<b>Payments:</b>					
Cricknet Activities		£41.00	£37,070.10	£37,111.10	£44,597.76
Handbooks and Directory		£2,300.00	£0.00	£2,300.00	£2,245.00
Cost of Maintaining Website		£778.98	£0.00	£778.98	£925.00
Other Support Costs		£12,825.98	£0.00	£12,825.98	£4,135.99
Governance Expenses		£4,730.30	£0.00	£4,730.30	£7,242.55
Total Payments		£20,676.26	£37,070.10	£57,746.36	£59,146.30

Net Payments for the Year **-£1,869.87** **-£12,070.10** **-£13,939.97** **-£3,433.40**

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	Unrestricted Funds 2025	Restricted Funds 2025	Total Funds 2025
Cash funds at 31 March 2024	£193,954.88	£17,056.24	£211,011.12
Net payments for the year	-£1,869.87	-£12,070.10	-£13,939.97
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£192,085.01</b>	<b>£4,986.14</b>	<b>£197,071.15</b>
Creditors	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Accrued interest	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
<b>Cash funds at 31 March 2025</b>	<b>£192,085.01</b>	<b>£4,986.14</b>	<b>£197,071.15</b>

Fixed Term Deposits	£153,568.08	£4,986.14	£158,554.22
Bank Deposit Account	£38,500.46	£0.00	£38,500.46
Current Account	£16.47	£0.00	£16.47
<b>Total</b>	<b>£192,085.01</b>	<b>£4,986.14</b>	<b>£197,071.15</b>

**Grants**

ECB grant of £25k for 2024 ECB competitions received in February 2024.

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

1. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT – UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

Year Ended 31 March 2025 Year Ended 31 March 2024

	Receipts £	Payments £	Net £	Receipts £	Payments £
<b>Cricket Activities</b>					
Gray Nichols Presentation		£41.00	-£41.00		£300.00
<b>Administration, support and governance</b>					
Affiliation Fees	£9,450.00		£9,450.00	£10,580.00	
Bank Interest	£222.34		£222.34	£88.20	
Donations and Gift Aid	£94.67		£94.67	£5,500.00	
ESCA administration fees	£0.00		£0.00	£100.00	
ESCA directory 2024-25		£1,000.00	-£1,000.00		£1,045.00
ESCA handbook 2022-23		£1,300.00	-£1,300.00		£1,200.00
ESCA website / webmaster		£778.98	-£778.98		£925.00
Investment interest	£8,388.38			£5,863.22	
Accrued investment interest	£0.00			£2,521.48	
<b>Other Support Costs</b>					
General expenses	£475.00	£11,102.59	-£10,627.59		£4,135.99
<b>Governance Expenses</b>					
AGM	£176.00	£1,930.15	-£1,754.15	£60.00	£1,586.83
Executive Expenses					£3,556.75
GDPR Indemnity, cyber liability and trustees		£2,800.15	-£2,800.15		

insurance	£1,723.39	-£1,723.39	£1,848.97
Independent Examination Fee	£0.00	£0.00	£250.00
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>£18,806.39</b>	<b>£20,676.26</b>	<b>-£1,869.87</b>

£24,712.90 £14,848.54



ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

3. SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Total Funds
	2025	2025	2025	2024
Cash Funds	<u>£192,085.01</u>	<u>£4,986.14</u>	<u>£197,071.15</u>	£236,011.12

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

4. UNRESTRICTED AND DESIGNATED FUNDS

The unrestricted funds of the charity include designated funds which have been set aside by the Trustees of the charity for the following specific purposes.

	Brought Forward	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Carried Forward
<b>Designated Funds</b>					
Administration	£11,729.36	£18,806.39	£20,676.26	£0.00	£9,859.49
Contingency fund for cricket activities	£17,650.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£17,650.00
Cricket support fund	£1,750.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,750.00
Regional contingency fund	£2,489.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,489.00
Total designated funds	£33,618.36	£18,806.39	£20,676.26	£0.00	£31,748.49
General unrestricted funds	£160,336.52	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£160,336.52
Total unrestricted funds	£193,954.88	£18,806.39	£20,676.26	£0.00	£192,085.01

**Administration**

This fund is held for any general administration expenditure that the charity requires.

**Contingency Fund for Cricket Activities**

This fund is held in reserve for additional expenditure on charitable cricket activities which are not grant aided by either the ECB or David English.

**Cricket Support Fund**

This fund is held for potential cricket support costs.

**Regional Contingency Fund**

This fund is held to support regional meetings.

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The restricted funds of the Charity comprise the following unexpended balances on donations and grants given for specific purposes.

	Brought Forward	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Carried Forward
Primary and secondary cricket activities	£7,609.24	£0.00	£5,070.93	£0.00	£2,538.31
ECB	£16,373.16	£25,000.00	£18,106.50	£0.00	£23,266.66
David English	£6,926.16	£0.00	£13,892.67	£0.00	£20,818.83
Total restricted funds	£17,056.24	£25,000.00	£37,070.10	£0.00	£4,986.14

Primary and Secondary Cricket Activities

This fund represents amounts to be applied to funding primary and secondary cricket activities which is not otherwise funded.

ECB

This fund is to be applied to any ECB activity run by ESCA each year.

David English

This fund is to be applied to the David English U13 national cup competition and the U11 hardball area and national cup competition.

**ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**  
**DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2025**  
Year Ending 31st March 2025      Year Ending 31st March 2024

**UNRESTRICTED FUNDS**

**Administration**

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Surplus (Deficit)</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Surplus (Deficit)</u>
Affiliations	£9,450.00	£0.00	£9,450.00	£10,580.00	£0.00	£10,580.00
Administration	£0.00	£5,237.00	-£5,237.00	£100.00	£3,451.59	-£3,351.59
Annual General Meetings	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
ESCA AGM	£176.00	£1,930.15	-£1,754.15	£60.00	£1,586.83	-£1,526.83
South & West Region AGM	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Bank Interest	£222.34	£0.00	£222.34	£88.20	£0.00	£88.20
Investment interest	£8,388.38	£0.00	£8,388.38	£8,384.70	£0.00	£8,384.70
Donations and Gift Aid	£94.67	£0.00	£94.67	£5,500.00	£0.00	£5,500.00
ESCA Administration Fees	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£684.40	-£684.40
ESCA Directory 2023 / 2024	£0.00	£1,000.00	-£1,000.00	£0.00	£1,045.00	-£1,045.00
ESCA Handbook 2023 / 2024	£0.00	£1,300.00	-£1,300.00	£0.00	£1,200.00	-£1,200.00
ESCA GDPR, Indemnity	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Trustees' Insurance	£0.00	£586.92	-£586.92	£0.00	£680.20	-£680.20
ESCA Combined Liability Insurance 202	£0.00	£1,136.47	-£1,136.47	£0.00	£1,168.77	-£1,168.77
ESCA Website/Webmaster	£0.00	£778.98	-£778.98	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Executive	£0.00	£2,800.15	-£2,800.15	£0.00	£3,556.75	-£3,556.75
General Expenses	£475.00	£5,865.59	-£5,390.59	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Independent Examination	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£250.00	-£250.00
Website	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£925.00	-£925.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£10,418.01</b>	<b>£20,635.26</b>	<b>-£10,217.25</b>	<b>£24,712.90</b>	<b>£14,548.54</b>	<b>£10,164.36</b>

**Cricket Activities 2023 / 24**

Gray-Nicolls Presentation	£0.00	£41.00	-£41.00	£0.00	£300.00	-£300.00
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	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£300.00	-£300.00
TOTAL	£0.00	£41.00	-£41.00	£0.00	£0.00	£300.00	-£300.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£10,418.01</b>	<b>£20,676.26</b>	<b>-£10,258.25</b>	<b>£24,712.90</b>	<b>£14,848.54</b>	<b>£9,864.36</b>	



Donation / County Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£25,000.00
	£0.00	£25,000.00			
Competition Payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£0.00			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>	<b>£18,106.50</b>	<b>£6,893.50</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>
<b>£21,719.84</b>	<b>£3,280.16</b>				

**David English**

U11 Hardball National Competition Payments	£0.00	£9,088.73	-£9,088.73	£0.00
	£8,891.64	-£8,891.64		
DE Cup U14 Competition Payments	£0.00	£4,803.94	-£4,803.94	£0.00
	£5,609.52	-£5,609.52		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£13,892.67</b>	<b>-£13,892.67</b>	<b>£0.00</b>
<b>£14,501.16</b>	<b>-£14,501.16</b>			
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>	<b>£37,070.10</b>	<b>-£12,070.10</b>	<b>£31,000.00</b>
<b>£44,297.76</b>	<b>-£13,297.76</b>			

**ENGLISH SCHOOLS CRICKET ASSOCIATION**

England & Wales - Charity number 306002

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# Accounts

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# Annual Report 2024



## Annual Report 2024

2024 was the year we hoped schools would be returning to the playing of cricket and in particular to all of our competitions. Our County Secretaries and Competition Secretaries have worked hard to achieve this. Our County returns will show us exactly where we are with this.

As always we hoped that the weather would be kind to us and we would successfully complete our County and National competitions. Our County and National Organisers deserve that.

The National rounds got off to a good start in spite of the weather and were completed on time. Some of our County Finals would be completed in September, which is an extension of the deadline date.

The ESCA caravan rolled into our first finals. The U15 Cup followed by The David English and the U11 Hardball Finals were as always held at Oakham School.

The U15 Cup got underway, Scarborough College would play Millfield. Scarborough College won the toss and elected to bat posting a formidable total 305 for 4 from their 40 overs. Millfield openers posted 74 for the 1<sup>st</sup> wicket but lost their way being all out for 237.

Scarborough U15 Champions for 2024.

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8. JESSE GRAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

This ended an excellent days cricket with the presentations conducted by Mr Ashman (ESCA Chairman) and Mr C Twort the excellent organiser of the day and how well that was organised. We are all looking forward to next year.

The T20 organisation of the day is reported on by Giles in his excellent summary of the semi-finals and grand final. He also wrote excellent reports on the U15 Cup and the David English U13 Cup, which was attended by the very good friend of David English, Lia.

It was good to see Paul Bedford who always gives good advice, pending meetings with Sue Laister.

We offer our thanks to the Umpires and Eddie McGeown (Scorer), Emma (Physio) and Julie Morton (Photographer) all of who work tirelessly for ESCA. The Chairman Giles Ashman worked hard under trying circumstances. Parents joined us, which was great and we all including Giles (Chairman) made them as welcome as we could. Giles did sterling work as he completed his year as our redoubtable Chairman. Now Mr President many thanks for all the support you give to ESCA. We are lucky to have you as our President.

We continue to work with ECB, MCC and Sport Alliance. These partnerships are important to us. We are still the lead Association providing school's cricket.

As an Association we face challenges from others who are providing cricket which has been traditionally ours, we must face these challenges and provide

cricket for all our schools especially State Schools, fitting in with their needs. A State School competition would be a great addition to our programme, moves are already afoot.

ESCA through its Counties Competitions and National Rounds provided a very competitive programme of cricket. All our finals were successfully completed. A testament to the hard work of all involved in the organisation of these National and County rounds finals. We owe a great debt of gratitude to all those involved this year.

We must continue to develop our Partnership with Sue Laister and Girls Cricket and meet up with Laura at the ECB. The President, the Chairman and the General Secretary will report on this.

We must also thank Paul Bedford for all the support he offers us and thank Laura and Lottie for helping us secure funding for the T20 Competition for another year, we hope for the same for 2025.

We are very grateful for the extra financial support from the ECB. We would struggle without it. We must continue our meetings with the ECB

Every year I say it's what we do, that is certainly true this year.

The meeting with Laura, Paul Bedford, the President the Chairman and myself was productive and promising.

For the 1<sup>st</sup> time in a number of years we have a Vice-Chairman. I hope John Weitzel enjoys his time in office.

We have so much to discuss in the months ahead.

We are still a force for good in the cricketing world, we should move forward with a degree of confidence.

**Ken Lake MBE**

**General Secretary**

**THE DAVID ENGLISH**  
**U13**  
**COMPETITION**

## The David English Cup Final

### U13 Report 2024

King Edward's School Birmingham 153 all out off 34.3 overs

Epsom College 157 for 7 off 32.5 overs

Epsom College win by 3 wickets

The 27<sup>th</sup> final of this competition took place in the fine surroundings of Oakham School at the very picturesque Wilson Ground. King Edward's had navigated a very tricky route to the final whilst we knew plenty about Epsom College, after their triumph in the Inspiresport U15 final at the same venue last year.

Whilst the U13 final is a 35 over affair, as opposed to the 40 overs in the U15 equivalent, there is still a requirement to bat properly and to show good shot selection to ensure that a decent score is put on the board and the overs are fully utilised.

King Edward's batted first and, whilst both openers went relatively cheaply, Michael Watson [skipper and keeper] and Rishi Sinha made significant contributions in the middle of the order, scoring 39 and 27 respectively. Aditya Solanki [22] and Aarya Yallapa [12] made starts but failed to convert. Unfortunately, no one else reached double figures and the innings rather petered out. In fact, King Edward's were grateful of the total in the extras column which came to 24, including 17 wides! The wickets were fairly evenly spread around the Epsom College bowling attack. Spencer Braithwaite led the way with 3 for 16 and was well backed up by Dheer Rav [2 for 15] and Kit Kanendran [2 for 15]. In summary Epsom College required 154 to win at 4.4 an over.

King Edward's got off to an excellent start, with Rishi Sinha dismissing Dheer Ray for 0. Tom Hooke wasn't around for much longer; the same bowler dismissed him for just 4. Fortunately for Epsom, Dev Vaidya held the innings together with a very composed 45. After his excellent spell of bowling, Spencer Braithwaite also contributed significantly with the bat. His calm and composed innings of 50 not out proved pivotal, with the winning runs coming in the 33<sup>rd</sup> over for the loss of 7 wickets.

As far as the bowling was concerned, the wickets were spread amongst 5 bowlers, with Rishi Sinha and Thomas Brennan taking two apiece. Once again, extras played a part, being third top scorer at 22! This final had certainly been a closer encounter than the previous day's U15 final, with the contribution of Epsom's Spencer Braithwaite with both bat and ball being the difference between the two sides.

Huge thanks go to the umpires, scorers and officials. As ever, the staff from Oakham School were the perfect hosts. The players from both teams had been a credit to their respective schools in what had been a competitive game of cricket.

**G. E. L. Ashman [ESCA Chairman]**

**ESCA Representative Warwicks - King Edwards School v ESCA Representative Surrey - Epsom College**

Toss: KES (Bat)

Oakham School, 3 July 2024 05:57

In Play: ESCA Representative Surrey - Epsom College 56/2 (14), 98 runs required off 26 overs

**ESCA Representative Warwicks - King Edwards School**

Batter	How Out	R	B	M	0s	4s	6s	S/R
K Biswas	c & b Mayo	12	33	133	27	2	0	36.4
A Naik	c & b Vaidya	10	42	123	36	1	0	23.8
M Watson**	b Braithwaite	39	39	56	17	4	0	100.0
R Sinha	lbw b Doueihi	27	35	50	17	3	0	77.1
A Solanki	c unknown b Ray	22	26	79	13	3	0	84.6
A Yallappa	c unknown b Braithwaite	12	17	65	10	0	0	70.6
R Granger	lbw b Braithwaite	0	1	1	1	0	0	0.0
T Brennan	not out	6	9	18	3	0	0	66.7
G Hackett	c Ashton b Kanendran	1	3	4	2	0	0	33.3
K Ismail	b Kanendran	0	1	1	1	0	0	0.0
A Desai	b Ray	0	3	3	3	0	0	0.0
Extras	(b 1, lb 4, w 17, nb 2)	24						
Total	all out, 34.3 overs	153	209	268	129	13	0	

FOW	Over	Batter	FOW	Over	Batter
1-16	10.4	A Naik	6-138	30.4	R Granger
2-28	13.1	K Biswas	7-149	32.5	A Solanki
3-101	24.4	M Watson	8-152	33.4	G Hackett
4-102	25.1	R Sinha	9-152	33.5	K Ismail
5-138	30.3	A Yallappa	10-153	34.3	A Desai

Bowler	O	M	R	W	nb	w	0s	4s	6s	E/R
D Ray	6.3	3	18	2	0	2	29	2	0	2.8
K Kanendran	7	1	15	2	0	0	30	1	0	2.1
D Vaidya	7	0	38	1	0	2	24	3	0	5.4
J Mayo	7	0	32	1	0	5	26	3	0	4.6
W Britton	2	0	17	0	0	0	2	2	0	8.5
S Braithwaite	4	0	16	3	0	1	13	0	0	4.0
J Doueihi	1	0	12	1	2	2	5	2	0	12.0

**ESCA Representative Surrey - Epsom College**

Batter	How Out	R	B	M	0s	4s	6s	S/R
D Ray*	lbw b Sinha	0	2	0	2	0	0	0.0
D Vaidya	not out	31	39	96438	27	6	0	79.5
T Hooke	lbw b Sinha	4	24	21	20	0	0	16.7
K Kanendran	not out	7	19	96416	14	0	0	36.8
S Braithwaite								
J Mayo								
B Ashtont†								
R Young								
C Rutherford								
W Britton								
J Doueihi								
Extras	(lb 7, w 7)	14						
Total	2 wickets, 14 overs	56	84	30902	63	6	0	

FOW	Over	Batter	FOW	Over	Batter
1-1	0.2	D Ray			
2-21	6.3	T Hooke			

Bowler	O	M	R	W	nb	w	0s	4s	6s	E/R
R Sinha	4	0	6	2	0	2	20	0	0	1.5
T Brennan	5	1	19	0	0	1	20	2	0	3.8
R Granger	3	0	15	0	0	1	14	3	0	5.0
K Ismail	2	0	9	0	0	2	9	1	0	4.5

Scorers: MA Blackburn  
 Umpires: H Riyat & C Gough



**INSPIRESPORT U15 ONE DAY CUP**  
**COMPETITION**

## The ESCA One Day Cup Final

### U15 Report 2024

Scarborough College 305 for 4 off 40 overs

Millfield School 237 all out off 37.3 overs

Scarborough College win by 62 runs

After an early arrival, the teams were certainly well prepared for the 11am start. Both schools had navigated tricky paths to the final and it was to be hoped that a far more competitive affair would ensue, after the very one-sided encounter of 2023. The intimate setting of the Wilson Field provided the perfect setting for this prestigious match.

Scarborough College had plenty of depth to its team, so it came as no surprise when they won the toss and elected to bat. They didn't get off to the best of starts, losing a wicket in the first over. However, bat then dominated ball for much of the remainder of the innings. The second wicket put on 98 before Samuel Pearson Hodgson was dismissed for a well deserved half century. Skipper, Ben Squires, batted beautifully for a superb 89. However, it was Aminda Weerosooriya who took things to another level with an explosive 98 not out, hitting the ball to all parts of the ground. The final total of 305 for 4 would clearly provide the opposition with a huge challenge; there were some very tired Millfield fielders who came off at the close of the innings! Nearly all of the bowlers went for over 6 an over in what had been a chastening experience. On a positive note, Caden Hughes stuck at the task well and took 1 for 44 in his full allocation of 8 overs, including the solitary maiden of the innings!

The Millfield reply would require a very positive start and both openers were up for the challenge. Louie Lawrence [44] and the skipper, Hanson Martin, put on 74 for the first wicket in 9.4 overs. They certainly laid the foundations, and it was now down to the middle order to 'step up to the plate'. Charlie Ward too the challenge to Scarborough and fell just two short of his half century. However, as the run rate required increased, wickets started to fall at a regular rate and, in spite of the efforts of couple of the tailenders, Millfield were bowled out for 243 inside 38 overs, thereby losing by 62 runs. The indomitable Aminda Weerosooriya was the pick of the Scarborough bowlers, taking 3 for 35 off his 8 overs. Thomas Hiley also played a major role with his 3 for 53. The overall performance from Scarborough College was as impressive a performance as anyone had seen in one of these finals and they were deserved winners.

The Most Valuable Player went Scarborough College's Aminda Weerosooriya for his major contributions with both bat and ball. Thanks go to the umpires, scorers, officials and splendid Oakham hosts for providing the youngsters from both teams with such a memorable experience in their cricket development.

**G. E. L. Ashman [ESCA Chairman]**

### Scarborough College U15 v Millfield School U15

Division 4 2024, Oakham School, 2 July 2024 09:36

Scarborough College U15 won by 62 runs

Toss: Scarborough College U15 (Bat)

Player of the Match: A Weerasooriya

### Scarborough College U15

Batter	How Out	R	B	M	Os	4s	6s	S/R
J Milburn	c Godden b Majoe	0	1	0	1	0	0	0.0
S Pearson-Hodgson	b Lewis-Jones	50	40	66	20	9	0	125.0
B Squires*	c unknown b Hughes	89	95	152	45	5	4	93.7
A Weerasooriya	not out	98	93	149	41	13	0	105.4
B Manyemba†	c unknown b Lawrence	23	9	17	1	3	1	255.6
B Crick	not out	5	5	45	2	0	0	100.0
E Chapman	did not bat							
D O'Connor	did not bat							
H Hutchinson	did not bat							
P Lidsba	did not bat							
T Hiley	did not bat							
Extras	(b 1, lb 4, w 33, nb 2)	40						
Total	4 wickets, 40 overs	305	243	216	109	30	5	

FOW	Over	Batter	FOW	Over	Batter
1-0	0.1	J Milburn			
2-99	14.6	S Pearson-Hodgson			
3-239	34.2	B Squires			
4-289	37.5	B Manyemba			

Bowler	O	M	R	W	nb	w	Os	4s	6s	E/R
L Majoe	6	0	51	1	1	6	16	4	1	8.5
T McHugh	6	0	37	0	0	5	19	4	0	6.2
L Lawrence	8	0	70	1	1	3	19	8	1	8.8
C Hughes	8	1	44	1	0	8	27	4	0	5.5
N Lewis-Jones	8	0	64	1	0	2	17	3	3	8.0
D Billige	2	0	15	0	0	0	6	3	0	7.5
S Collins	2	0	19	0	0	0	5	4	0	9.5

### Millfield School U15

Batter	How Out	R	B	M	Os	4s	6s	S/R
L Lawrence	c unknown b Weerasooriya	44	30	38	12	5	2	146.7
H Martin*	c unknown b Squires	23	32	42	23	4	0	71.9
C Ward	b Hutchinson	48	54	72	22	4	0	88.9
L Majoe	c unknown b Weerasooriya	21	26	22	15	1	1	80.8
O Goddent†	c & b Weerasooriya	7	6	8	2	1	0	116.7
B James	c unknown b Hutchinson	11	18	23	8	0	0	61.1
N Lewis-Jones	c unknown b Hiley	22	22	27	8	2	0	100.0
D Billige	c unknown b Hiley	3	6	7	3	0	0	50.0
C Hughes	not out	22	14	26	4	4	0	157.1
S Collins	c unknown b Hiley	18	10	8	1	1	1	180.0
T McHugh	c unknown b Lidsba	8	10	12	5	1	0	80.0
Extras	(b 2, w 12, nb 2)	16						
Total	all out, 37.3 overs	243	228	144	103	23	4	

FOW	Over	Batter	FOW	Over	Batter
1-74	9.4	L Lawrence	6-181	29.2	C Ward
2-74	10.2	H Martin	7-190	30.7	D Billige
3-103	17.2	L Majoe	8-195	32.2	N Lewis-Jones
4-117	19.2	O Godden	9-216	34.3	S Collins
5-146	25.1	B James	10-243	37.3	T McHugh

Bowler	O	M	R	W	nb	w	Os	4s	6s	E/R
D O'Connor	6	0	33	0	0	4	22	5	0	5.5
E Chapman	2	0	34	0	2	0	5	6	1	17.0
H Abayakoon	3	0	22	0	0	1	7	1	1	7.3
A Weerasooriya	8	0	35	3	0	2	23	2	0	4.4
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P Lidsba	4.3	0	24	1	0	0	12	2	0	5.3
T Hiley	8	0	53	3	0	2	18	5	0	6.6
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Scorers: MA Blackburn  
Umpires: A Bindley & G Noon



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Division 4 2024, Oakham School, 2 July 2024 09:36

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Toss: Scarborough College U15 (Bat)

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### Scarborough College U15 Innings

Break for rain at 1108

Back at 1110

2nd Wicket: 50 runs in 44 balls, 34 minutes, S Pearson-Hodgson 24 (17), B Squires 16 (27), 10 extras

Scarborough College U15: 50 runs in 7.3 overs, 35 minutes, 10 extras

S Pearson-Hodgson: 50 runs in 39 balls, 64 minutes (9x4)

Scarborough College U15: 100 runs in 16.2 overs, 72 minutes, 15 extras

B Squires: 50 runs in 68 balls, 102 minutes (3x4, 2x6)

3rd Wicket: 50 runs in 56 balls, 43 minutes, B Squires 16 (20), A Weerasooriya 22 (36), 16 extras

Scarborough College U15: 150 runs in 24.1 overs, 110 minutes, 31 extras

A Weerasooriya: 50 runs in 60 balls, 65 minutes (7x4)

3rd Wicket: 100 runs in 95 balls, 68 minutes, B Squires 30 (33), A Weerasooriya 51 (62), 19 extras

Scarborough College U15: 200 runs in 30.4 overs, 135 minutes, 34 extras

Scarborough College U15: 250 runs in 35.4 overs, 158 minutes, 35 extras

4th Wicket: 50 runs in 21 balls, 16 minutes, A Weerasooriya 22 (13), B Manyemba 23 (8), 5 extras

Scarborough College U15: 300 runs in 39.3 overs, 177 minutes, 39 extras

### Millfield School U15 Innings

1st Wicket: 50 runs in 35 balls, 25 minutes, L Lawrence 36 (19), H Martin 11 (16), 7 extras

Millfield School U15: 50 runs in 5.3 overs, 25 minutes, 7 extras

Millfield School U15: 100 runs in 15.5 overs, 59 minutes, 7 extras

Millfield School U15: 150 runs in 25.5 overs, 98 minutes, 13 extras

Millfield School U15: 200 runs in 33.0 overs, 126 minutes, 16 extras

Scorers: MA Blackburn

Umpires: A Bindley & G Noon



**ESCA U11 HARDBALL**  
**COMPETITION**

## U11 Hardball, Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024, Oakham

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This ended an excellent days cricket with the presentations conducted by Mr Ashman (ESCA Chairman) and Mr C Twort the excellent organiser of the day and how well that was organised. We are all looking forward to next year.

**Eight teams divided into two groups of four using four pitches**

	<b>COOPER LEAGUE</b>	<b>HEMINGWAY LEAGUE</b>
<b>10.00am-11.30am</b>	C1 v C2 C3 v C4	H1 v H2 H3 v H4
<b>11.30am-1.00pm</b>	C2 v C3 C1 v C4	H2 v H3 H1 v H4
<b>LUNCH 1.00-2.00PM</b>		
<b>2.00pm-3.30pm</b>	C1 v C3 C2 v C4	H1 v H3 H2 v H4
<b>FINAL</b> <b>3.30pm-5.00pm</b>	WINNER C v WINNER H	
<b>Matches</b> <b>3.30pm-5.00pm</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> C v 2 <sup>nd</sup> H	
<b>Play Off</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> C v 3 <sup>rd</sup> H	
	4 <sup>th</sup> C v 4 <sup>th</sup> H	

Presentations and Photographs of the Winners and all other teams.

The winning school receives a trophy to keep & the team members a Gold Medal. Team members of the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> schools receive Silver & Bronze Medals respectively.

The team members of all eight competing schools receive a Certificate.

**THE ESCA UNDER ELEVEN HARDBALL COMPETITION 2024**  
**FINALS DAY, OAKHAM SCHOOL, Thursday 4th July 2024**

		<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts</u>		<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts</u>
C1 v C2	Pitch 1 FELTONFLEET SCHOOL	249	- 5	MILLFIELD PREP SCH	251	- 4
C3 v C4	Pitch 2 BLUE COAT SCHOOL	256	- 5	BEACON SCHOOL	229	- 8
C2 v C3	Pitch 1 MILLFIELD PREP SCHOOL	239	- 9	BLUE COAT SCHOOL	254	- 5
C1 v C4	Pitch 2 FELTONFLEET SCHOOL	331	- 2	BEACON SCHOOL	233	- 8
C1 v C3	Pitch 1 FELTONFLEET SCHOOL	316	- 1	BLUE COAT SCHOOL	258	- 7
C2 v C4	Pitch 2 MILLFIELD PREP SCHOOL	238	- 1	BEACON SCHOOL	243	- 8

Positions      1.Feltonfleet School      2. Bluecoat School      3. Beacon School      4.Millfield Prep.

H1 v H2	Pitch 3 CHIGWELL SCHOOL	268	- 1	MANCHESTER G.S.	240	- 6
H3 v H4	Pitch 4 TWYFORD SCHOOL	284	- 3	JESSE GRAY PRIMARY	248	- 4
H2 v H3	Pitch 3 MANCHESTER G.S.	249	- 6	TWYFORD SCHOOL	346	- 2
H1 v H4	Pitch 4 CHIGWELL SCHOOL	264	- 6	JESSE GRAY PRIMARY	238	- 9
H1 v H3	Pitch 3 CHIGWELL SCHOOL	238	- 7	TWYFORD SCHOOL	280	- 2
H2 v H4	Pitch 4 MANCHESTER G.S.	285	- 4	JESSE GRAY PRIMARY	277	- 5

Positions      1.Twyford.      2 Chigwell      3..Manchester G.S.      4.Jesse Gray

Final              Twyford School      v      Feltonfleet School

Scores in the Final:      FELTONFLEET 298-2      TWYFORD 292-2      FELTONFLEET WON BY 6 RUNS

2 <sup>nd</sup> in COOPER LEAGUE	Bluecoat School	v	Chigwell School	2 <sup>nd</sup> in HEMINGWAY LEAGUE
3 <sup>rd</sup> in COOPER LEAGUE	Manchester G.S.	v	Beacon School	3 <sup>rd</sup> in HEMINGWAY LEAGUE
4 <sup>th</sup> in COOPER LEAGUE	Jesse Gray Primary	v	Millfield Prep.	4 <sup>th</sup> in HEMINGWAY LEAGUE

- 1      Feltonfleet School
- 2      Twyford School
- 3      Bluecoat School
- 4      Chigwell School
- 5      Beacon School
- 6      Manchester Grammar School
- 7      Millfield Prep
- 8      Jesse Gray Primary School

**ESCA T20**  
**FINALS**

## ESCA / ECB T20 Finals

### U15 Report 2024

On a glorious early September day, at the hugely picturesque setting of the Arundel Castle ground, the four competing schools competed for the title of 'national champions' in this, the 18<sup>th</sup> year of the competition. As is always the way at the start of a new school year, there is inevitably a slight element of luck, regarding selection of the teams, due to the competing influences of other sports and activities.

The first semi-final saw Scarborough College win the toss and field first against Shrewsbury School, as the regional winners from the North and the Midlands got proceedings underway. The opening partnership of O'Connor and Amstell laid the foundations well, putting on 32 in the first 6 overs, before the fall of the first wicket. Two batsmen made significant contributions, namely Milburn [52] and Crick [58 not out]. The final total of 146 for 7 was a very decent return, without being out of reach. Barard was the pick of the Shrewsbury bowlers, taking 3 for 20, whilst Ling [2 for 27] and Myrddin-Evans [2 for 19] provided able assistance. In reply, Shrewsbury made a promising start and were 41 for 1 after the powerplay. However, a very impressive spell of spin by Abayakoon made inroads into the middle order and his 3 for 21 proved crucial. The final total of 136 for 6 was a valiant effort but fell 10 runs short of the required total.

The second semi-final between Harrow School and King's College, Taunton was slightly less competitive; King's College won the toss and chose to field. This decision ended up backfiring, as, as both Harrow openers put on 110 for the first wicket! Attfield led the way with 62 and Nicholson provided great support [38]. The final total of 161 for 4 was always likely to provide a serious challenge. King's College got off to a disastrous start and were 23 for 5 after in the powerplay. Former Exeter School pupil, Alex Tipper, played a super knock with a belligerent 54. However, his dismissal in the 12<sup>th</sup> over effectively sealed the game and Harrow ended up winning by 45 runs.

In the final, Harrow won the toss and batted. This was partly due to the likelihood of the light becoming 'dimpsy' in the latter stages of the game. Harrow seemed to step up a gear and really profited from the powerplay, scoring 50 with the loss of only 2 wickets. The middle order then built on these excellent foundations and the skipper, Rawal [44], and Stabb [48] played major roles in a formidable final total of 191 for 8. O'Connor was the pick of the Scarborough bowlers, taking 3 for 24. In reply, Scarborough College put up a valiant effort, but ended up finishing 59 runs short. O'Connor [36] and Amstell [27] led the way with the bat, whilst the wickets were shared amongst 5 Harrow bowlers.

In fading light, a very cordial presentation took place in front of the pavilion to recognise the efforts of all the players and the officials. Thanks go to all the staff at the ground at Arundel Castle for all their hard work, in providing us with the opportunity to play at a venue, which is amongst the most characterful in the country.

**G. E. L. Ashman [ESCA Chairman]**

Arundel Castle Cricket Club

ESCA U15 T20 FINAL

SCORECARD

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024

Harrow (won toss)

v Scarborough College

Batsman	How out	Score	Batsman	How out	Score			
1 Louis Nicholson	ct Chapman b Abayakoon	24	1 Brodwin Manyamba	b Mehta	8			
2 Luke Attfield	ct Hiley b Crick	13	2 Harry Amstell	b Mehta	27			
3 Rishya Rawal	b Hutchinson	44	3 Jack Milburn	b Singh	1			
4 Ed Stubb	RUN OUT (Crick)	48	4 Ben Crick	b Singh	0			
5 Aaryan Basu	ct Denton b O'Connor	15	5 Evan Chapman	ct Singh b Nicholson	23			
6 Afian Zai	NOT OUT	6	6 Danny O'Connor	ct Baresford-Pearse b Storer	36			
7 James Hyatt	RUN OUT (Chapman)	0	7 Peer Lidsba	b Gupta	8			
8 Aditya Singh	b O'Connor	4	8 Harry Hutchinson	ct Nicholson b Gupta	2			
9 Alf Baresford-Pearse	b O'Connor	4	9 Tom Hiley	ct Singh b Storer	0			
10 Alexander Storer	NOT OUT	4	10 Hesanda Abayakoon	RUN OUT (Stubb)	1			
11 Karish Mehta	DNB		11 Tom Denton	NOT OUT	12			
12 Neel Gupta	DNB		12					
13			13					
		Extras	33					
		Extras	14					
Extras: B: LB:5 W:3 NB:5 (20 overs) TOTAL			195/5	Extras: B: LB:1 W:4 NB:2 (17 overs) TOTAL				
Bowler			0	M	R	W	nb	wb
Evan Chapman	4	0	47	0				
Hesanda Abayakoon	4	0	26	1				
Ben Crick	2	0	15	1				
Peer Lidsba	2	0	22	0				
Tom Hiley	2	0	15	0				
Harry Hutchinson	4	0	33	1				
Danny O'Connor	2	0	24	3				
Bowler			0	M	R	W	nb	wb
Aditya Singh	2	0	15	2				
Karish Mehta	4	0	24	2				
Rishya Rawal	2	0	18	0				
Louis Nicholson	3	0	38	1				
Luke Attfield	2	0	6	0				
Alf Baresford-Pearse	1	0	11	0				
Neel Gupta	2	0	15	2				
Alex Storer	1	0	4	2				
Fall of Wickets:			1/47 2/49 3/136 4/160 5/166 6/176 7/187 8/191	Fall of Wickets: 1/11 2/12 3/44 4/44 5/59 6/113 7/117 8/115 9/120 10/132				

RESULT: Harrow School won by 63 runs

Umpires: Malt French + John Tomsett

**North v Midlands**
**Scarborough College**

1st Innings		
1 Ben Crick	NOT OUT	58
2 Brooklyn Manyemba†	hit wicket	0
3 Danny O'Connor	bowed Edward	2
4 Evan Chapman	de Parkinson-wicket b Ling	0
5 Frank Brewis		
6 Harry Amstell	ct + bowled Edward	22
7 Harry Hutchinson	bowl Myrddin-Evans	9
8 Hesanda Abayakoon		
9 Jack Milburn	ct Cutsem b Myrddin Evans	52
10 Peer Lidsba	ct Hall b Ling	8
11		
12 Tom Denton		
13 Tom Hiley	NOT OUT	1
TOTAL	b- 16 w-9 no 1 for 7 wickets	162

Fall of Wickets	1 for	2 for	3 for	4 for	5 for	6 for	7 for	8 for	9 for	10 for
	32	44	44	111	116	128	139			

Bowlers:	Overs	Mds	Runs	Wks
Van Cutsem	4	0	44	0
Lowther	4	0	15	0
Barard	4	1	20	3
Ling	3	0	27	2
Darke	2	0	33	0
Myrddin-Evans	3	0	19	2

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**Sunday 1st September 2024**
**Shrewsbury School**

1st Innings		
1 Leo Ling*	ct Manyemba b Abayakoon	20
2 Harry Parton	ct Lidsba b Abayakoon	17
3 Rufus Darke	b Abayakoon	14
4 Hugo Lowther		
5 Jake Van-Cutsem	b Hiley	22
6 Hugh Allwood	ct Brewis b Hutchinson	12
7 Sam Spiby	NOT OUT	6
8 Arjun Barard	ct O'Connor b Hutchinson	17
9 James Hall		
10 Will Parkinson Witte+	NOT OUT	15
11 Henry Sykes		
12 Humphrey Myrddin-Evans		
13 Hugo Old		
TOTAL	b-9 w-5 no for 6 wickets	136

Fall of Wickets	1 for	2 for	3 for	4 for	5 for	6 for	7 for	8 for	9 for	10 for
	29	54	61	79	105	113				

Bowlers:	Overs	Mds	Runs	Wks
Chapman	2	0	11	0
O'Connor	1	0	11	0
Abayakoon	4	0	21	3
Crick	1	0	1	0
Hiley	4	0	30	1
Lidsba	3	0	17	0
Hutchinson	4	0	30	2
Brewis	1	0	3	0

**South v South West**
**Harrow School**
**1st Innings**

1	Louis Nicholson	ct Noble	b Mack	38	captain* wicket*
2	Luke Attfield	ct Tipper	b Stevens	62	
3	Rishya Rawal*	Not out		29	
4	Ed Stabb	st Jones	b Mack	1	
5	James Hyatt +		DNB		
6	Alf Beresford-Peirse		DNB		
7	Arjan Lal	Not out		1	
8	Aaryan Basu	ct Tipper	b Mack	8	
9	Aditya Singh				
10	Kavish Mehta				
11	Neel Gupta				
12	Alexander Storer				
13					
TOTAL				b-3 b-3 w-16 no	22
TOTAL				4 wickets	161

**20 overs**

Fall of Wickets	1 for	2 for	3 for	4 for	5 for	6 for	7 for	8 for	9 for	10 for
	110	126	127	147						
Bowlers:	Overs	Mds	Runs	Wks						
Harris	4	0	20	0						
Watson	4	0	40	0						
Tipper	2	0	15	0						
Pennington	1	0	18	0						
Lantely	4	0	26	0						
Mack	4	0	19	3						
Stevens	1	0	17	1						

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**Sunday 1st September 2024**
**King's College Taunton**
**1st Innings**

1	Theo Lamey	ct Nicholson	b Singh	2	
2	Archie Pennington		b Basu	8	
3	Noah Jones+		b Singh	0	
4	Tom Watson*	ct Stabb	b Nicholson	14	
5	Tommi Davis	ct Hyatt	b Singh	0	
6	Nick Watson	L&W	b Basu	0	
7	Ollie Ahern	L&W	b Mehta	0	
8	Alex Tipper	ct Attfield	b Nicholson	54	
9	Barnaby Mack	ct Hyatt	b Singh	3	
10					
11	Ed Stephens	Not out		30	
12	Toby Harris		b Nicholson	30	
13	George Noble				
TOTAL				b-1 b-3 w-24no	28
TOTAL				all out	116

**15.2 overs**

Fall of Wickets	1 for	2 for	3 for	4 for	5 for	6 for	7 for	8 for	9 for	10 for
	3	3	18	22	22	82	83	105	111	116
Bowlers:	Overs	Mds	Runs	Wks						
Singh	3.2	0	8	4						
Basu	3	0	29	2						
Attfield	1	0	9	0						
Rawal	1	0	10	0						
Mehta	3	0	35	1						
Nicholson	4	0	21	3						

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £	<i>Total Funds 2023 £</i>
<b>Receipts:</b>				
Affiliation Fees	£10,580.00	£0.00	£10,580.00	£9,900.00
Grants	£0.00	£31,000.00	£31,000.00	£40,500.00
Donations and Bequests	£5,500.00	£0.00	£5,500.00	£2,136.00
Bank Interest	£88.20	£0.00	£88.20	£132.00
Investment interest	£5,863.22	£0.00	£5,863.22	
Accrued investment interest	£2,521.48	£0.00	£2,521.48	
Other Income	£160.00	£0.00	£160.00	£6,870.00
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>£24,712.90</b>	<b>£31,000.00</b>	<b>£55,712.90</b>	<b>£59,538.00</b>
<b>Payments:</b>				
Cricket Activities	£300.00	£44,297.76	£44,597.76	£51,842.00
Handbooks and Directory	£2,245.00	£0.00	£2,245.00	£2,121.00
Cost of Maintaining Website	£925.00	£0.00	£925.00	£585.00
Other Support Costs	£4,135.99	£0.00	£4,135.99	£3,724.00
Governance Expenses	£7,242.55	£0.00	£7,242.55	£13,118.00
<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>£14,848.54</b>	<b>£44,297.76</b>	<b>£59,146.30</b>	<b>£71,390.00</b>
<b>Net Payments for the Year</b>	<b>£9,864.36</b>	<b>-£13,297.76</b>	<b>-£3,433.40</b>	<b>-£11,852.00</b>

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted Funds 2024 £	Restricted Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2024 £
<b>Reconciliation of Cash Funds</b>			
Cash funds at 31 March 2023	£186,612.00	£30,354.00	£216,966.00
<b>Net payments for the year</b>	<b>£9,864.36</b>	<b>-£13,297.76</b>	<b>-£3,433.40</b>
<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>£196,476.36</b>	<b>£17,056.24</b>	<b>£213,532.60</b>
<b>Creditors</b>		<b>£25,000.00</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>
<b>Accrued interest</b>	<b>-£2,521.48</b>		<b>-£2,521.48</b>
<b>Cash funds at 31 March 2024</b>	<b>£193,954.88</b>	<b>£42,056.24</b>	<b>£236,011.12</b>
Fixed Term Deposits	£190,568.74	£17,056.24	£207,624.98
Bank Deposit Account	£1,056.23	£25,000.00	£26,056.23
Current Account	£2,329.91	£0.00	£2,329.91
<b>Total</b>	<b>£193,954.88</b>	<b>£42,056.24</b>	<b>£236,011.12</b>

**Accrued Interest**

This is shown as a debit as the interest has not yet been added to the accounts.

**Creditors**

ECB grant of £25k for 2024 ECB competitions received in February.

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

1. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT – UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Year Ended 31 March 2024			Year Ended 31 March 2023	
	Receipts £	Payments £	Net £	Receipts £	Payments £
<b>Cricket Activities</b>					
Gray Nichols Presentation		£300.00	-£300.00		
<b>Administration, support and governance</b>					
Affiliation Fees	£10,580.00		£10,580.00	£9,900.00	
Bank Interest	£88.20		£88.20	£132.00	
Donations and Gift Aid	£5,500.00		£5,500.00	£2,136.00	
ESCA administration fees	£100.00		£100.00	£3,700.00	
ESCA directory 2024-25		£1,045.00	-£1,045.00		£1,011.00
ESCA handbook 2022-23		£1,200.00	-£1,200.00		£1,110.00
ESCA website / webmaster		£925.00	-£925.00		£585.00
Investment interest	£5,863.22				
Accrued investment interest	£2,521.48				
<b>Other Support Costs</b>					
General expenses		£4,135.99	-£4,135.99		£3,724.00
<b>Governance Expenses</b>					
AGM	£60.00	£1,586.83	-£1,526.83	£3,170.00	£6,596.00
Executive Expenses		£3,556.75	-£3,556.75		£4,699.00
GDPR Indemnity, cyber liability and trustees insurance		£1,848.97	-£1,848.97		£1,765.00
Independent Examination Fee		£250.00	-£250.00		£58.00
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>£24,712.90</b>	<b>£14,848.54</b>	<b>£9,864.36</b>	<b>£19,038.00</b>	<b>£19,548.00</b>

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

2. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT – RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Year Ended 31 March 2024			Year Ended 31 March 2023	
	Receipts £	Payments £	Net £	Receipts £	Payments £
<b>Primary and Secondary Cricket Activities</b>					
ESCA XI v MCC		£2,135.71	-£2,135.71		
Inspiresport National U15 Cup	£6,000.00	£5,941.05	£58.95	£12,500.00	£12,492.00
Girls Cricket				£3,000.00	£476.00
Total	£6,000.00	£8,076.76	-£2,076.76	£15,500.00	£12,968.00
<b>ECB</b>					
U15 T20 Competition	£25,000.00	£21,719.84	£3,280.16	£25,000.00	£24,325.00
<b>David English</b>					
U11 Hardball Competition		£8,891.64	-£8,891.64		£8,795.00
U13 Cup competition		£5,609.52	-£5,609.52		£5,754.00
Total		£14,501.16	-£14,501.16	£0.00	£14,549.00
<b>Total Restricted Funds</b>	<b>£31,000.00</b>	<b>£44,297.76</b>	<b>-£13,297.76</b>	<b>£40,500.00</b>	<b>£51,842.00</b>

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

3. SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	<b>Unrestricted Funds 2024</b>	<b>Restricted Funds 2024</b>	<b>Total Funds 2024</b>	<i>Total Funds 2023</i>
<b>Cash Funds</b>	<b><u>£193,954.88</u></b>	<b><u>£42,056.24</u></b>	<b><u>£236,011.12</u></b>	<i>£216,966.00</i>

## 4. UNRESTRICTED AND DESIGNATED FUNDS

The unrestricted funds of the charity include designated funds which have been set aside by the Trustees of the charity for the following specific purposes.

	Brought Forward	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Carried Forward
<b>Designated Funds</b>					
Administration	£1,565.00	£24,712.90	£14,548.54	£0.00	£11,729.36
Contingency fund for cricket activities	£17,650.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£17,650.00
Cricket support fund	£2,050.00	£0.00	£300.00	£0.00	£1,750.00
Regional contingency fund	£2,489.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,489.00
Total designated funds	£23,754.00	£24,712.90	£14,848.54	£0.00	£33,618.36
General unrestricted funds	£162,858.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£162,858.00
Total unrestricted funds	£186,612.00	£24,712.90	£14,848.54	£0.00	£196,476.36

**Administration**

This fund is held for any general administration expenditure that the charity requires.

**Contingency Fund for Cricket Activities**

This fund is held in reserve for additional expenditure on charitable cricket activities which are not grant aided by either the ECB or David English.

**Cricket Support Fund**

This fund is held for potential cricket support costs.

**Regional Contingency Fund**

This fund is held to support regional meetings.

ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The restricted funds of the Charity comprise the following unexpended balances on donations and grants given for specific purposes.

	Brought Forward	Receipts	Payments	Transfers	Carried Forward
Primary and secondary cricket activities	£9,686.00	£6,000.00	£8,076.76	£0.00	£7,609.24
ECB	£13,093.00	£25,000.00	£21,719.84	£0.00	£16,373.16
David English	£7,575.00	£0.00	£14,501.16	£0.00	-£6,926.16
Total restricted funds	£30,354.00	£31,000.00	£44,297.76	£0.00	£17,056.24

**Primary and Secondary Cricket Activities**

This fund represents amounts to be applied to funding primary and secondary cricket activities which is not otherwise funded.

**ECB**

This fund is to be applied to any ECB activity run by ESCA each year.

**David English**

This fund is to be applied to the David English U13 national cup competition and the U11 hardball area and national cup competition.

**ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**  
**DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

**Year Ending 31st March 2024**

**Year Ended 31st March 2023**

<b><u>UNRESTRICTED FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>	<b><u>Surplus (Deficit)</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>	<b><u>Surplus (Deficit)</u></b>
<b><u>Administration</u></b>						
Affiliations	£10,580.00	£0.00	£10,580.00	£9,900.00	£0.00	£9,900.00
Administration	£100.00	£3,451.59	-£3,351.59			£0.00
Annual General Meetings	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£3,170.00	£6,596.00	-£3,426.00
ESCA AGM	£60.00	£1,586.83	-£1,526.83			£0.00
South & West Region AGM	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00			£0.00
Bank Interest	£88.20	£0.00	£88.20			£0.00
Bank Interest	£5,863.22		£5,863.22			
Investment interest	£2,521.48		£2,521.48			
Donations and Gift Aid	£5,500.00	£0.00	£5,500.00	£132.00	£0.00	£132.00
ESCA Administration Fees	£0.00	£684.40	-£684.40	£2,136.00		£2,136.00
ESCA Directory 2023 / 2024	£0.00	£1,045.00	-£1,045.00	£3,700.00		£3,700.00
ESCA Handbook 2023 / 2024	£0.00	£1,200.00	-£1,200.00		£1,011.00	-£1,011.00
ESCA GDPR, Indemnity	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		£1,110.00	-£1,110.00
Trustees' Insurance	£0.00	£680.20	-£680.20		£1,164.00	-£1,164.00
ESCA Combined Liability Insurance 2022 / 2023	£0.00	£1,168.77	-£1,168.77			£0.00
ESCA Website/Webmaster	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00			£0.00
Executive	£0.00	£3,556.75	-£3,556.75		£601.00	-£601.00
General Expenses	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		£4,699.00	-£4,699.00
Independent Examination	£0.00	£250.00	-£250.00		£3,724.00	-£3,724.00
Website	£0.00	£925.00	-£925.00		£585.00	-£585.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£24,712.90</b>	<b>£14,548.54</b>	<b>£10,164.36</b>	<b>£19,038.00</b>	<b>£19,548.00</b>	<b>-£510.00</b>
<b><u>Cricket Activities 2023 / 24</u></b>						
Gray-Nicolls Presentation	£0.00	£300.00	-£300.00	£0.00	£329.00	-£329.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£300.00</b>	<b>-£300.00</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£329.00</b>	<b>-£329.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£24,712.90</b>	<b>£14,848.54</b>	<b>£9,864.36</b>	<b>£19,038.00</b>	<b>£19,877.00</b>	<b>-£839.00</b>

**ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**  
**DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2024**

**Year Ending 31st March 2024**

**Year Ended 31st March 2023**

<b><u>RESTRICTED FUNDS</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>	<b><u>Surplus</u></b> <b><u>-Deficit</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>	<b><u>Surplus</u></b> <b><u>-Deficit</u></b>
Primary and Secondary Cricket Activities	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00			£0.00
ESCA XI v MCC Schools at Lord's Expenses	£0.00	£2,135.71	<b>-£2,135.71</b>			£0.00
Inspiresport National U15 Cup	£6,000.00	£5,941.05	£398.95			£0.00
Sponsorship / County Grants	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00			£0.00
Competition Payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	12,500	5,505	£6,995.00
Competition Payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00			£0.00
Girls' Cricket	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	-	-	£0.00
Donation / Payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00			£0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£6,000.00</b>	<b>£8,076.76</b>	<b>-£1,736.76</b>	<b>£12,500.00</b>	<b>£12,492.00</b>	<b>£8.00</b>
<b><u>ECB</u></b>						
U15 T20 Regional and National Competition	£0.00	£21,719.84	<b>-£21,719.84</b>			
Donation / County Grants	£25,000.00	£0.00	£25,000.00	25,000	7,150	£17,850.00
Competition Payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00		17,175	<b>-£17,175.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>	<b>£21,719.84</b>	<b>£3,280.16</b>	<b>£25,000.00</b>	<b>£24,325.00</b>	<b>£675.00</b>
<b><u>David English</u></b>						
U11 Hardball National Competition Payments	£0.00	£8,891.64	<b>-£8,891.64</b>		8,795	
DE Cup U14 Competition Payments	£0.00	£5,609.52	<b>-£5,609.52</b>		5,754	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£0.00</b>	<b>£14,501.16</b>	<b>-£14,501.16</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,549</b>	<b>-£14,549.00</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£31,000.00</b>	<b>£44,297.76</b>	<b>-£13,297.76</b>	<b>£37,500.00</b>	<b>£51,366.00</b>	<b>-£13,866.00</b>

# INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of English Schools' Cricket Association for the year ended 31 March 2024.

## Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the Association's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

## Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. the accounting records were not kept in respect of the Association as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**K F Blackburn ACA ACIB**

Dated 02 November 2024

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**ENGLISH SCHOOLS CRICKET ASSOCIATION**

England & Wales - Charity number 306002

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# Accounts

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Charity number: 306002

**ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**

**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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#### **Trustees**

G E L Ashman  
S Aston  
P R Evans  
R I Hall (resigned 29 October 2022)  
T J Hill (died 21 May 2022)  
D Houghton  
B L Johns  
K S Lake MBE  
W Sillett  
R J Somerford  
C J Twort  
J S Weitzel  
S J Wilks (appointed 29 October 2022)  
R Young (resigned 29 October 2022)

#### **Charity registered number**

306002

#### **Principal office**

19 Tudor Court  
Beverley Road  
Willerby  
Hull, HU10 6BF

#### **Bankers**

Bank of Scotland plc  
PO Box 17235  
Edinburgh, EH11 1YH

#### **Independent Examiner**

M S T Procter  
11 Avenue Crescent  
Abergavenny  
Monmouthshire  
NP7 7DE

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## ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for English Schools' Cricket Association (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2023. As the charity's annual income is less than the threshold for which an audit of the financial statements is required, the Trustees have prepared a receipts and payments account together with a statement of assets and liabilities which have been subject to an independent examination.

The charity also carries out activities under the name ESCA.

#### **STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

##### **CONSTITUTION**

English Schools' Cricket Association is an unincorporated association registered as a charity, number 306002. The Association is governed by its Officers and a Council in accordance with its constitution which has been approved by the Charity Commissioners.

The Council consists of two members per affiliated Association, being properly constituted Schools' County Cricket Associations or County Cricket Boards where no County Association exists. The day to day management of the Association is vested in an Executive Committee.

##### **METHOD OF APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF TRUSTEES**

All the Trustees are re-elected annually. The Vice-Chair is also elected annually. New Trustees will be introduced to their Roles and Responsibilities by the General Secretary, the Treasurer and the Chairman of Finance. The following documents will be provided for the Trustee:

- a) Trustees: Model Job Description
- b) Personal Liability of Charity Trustees
- c) Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees:
  - (i) Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Independent Examiner
  - (ii) Trustees' Responsibilities.

##### **RISK MANAGEMENT**

The Trustees have continued to review the major risks that the Charity faces and are considering various ways to mitigate these. Certain steps and procedures are being undertaken to reduce these risks. These procedures include actively seeking donations and sponsorship and attempting to increase the number of new volunteers.

ESCA has continued to actively seek new sponsors. It has not been easy but, by registering for Gift Aid, ESCA has found other channels of income. The ECB policy of appointing young umpires to ESCA National Finals continues to be a very successful way forward with ESCA acting in a supportive and pastoral role.

These policies should ensure the continued existence of the Charity in normal circumstances.

##### **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT**

Objectives are set to reflect the educational aims for the development of pupils and the ethos of the Association. In setting out the objectives and planning specific activities of the Charity, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The main Aims of the Association are the mental, moral and physical development of pupils through the medium of cricket, and the improvement of the standard of all pupils involved in cricket throughout the country.

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### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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The Association is committed to safeguarding and promoting the moral and physical welfare of pupils and expects all its volunteers, who are principally, but not wholly, qualified or retired teachers in both the state and the private sectors, to share this commitment. The Association welcomes pupils from all backgrounds, the main criteria for selection being an interest in cricket and potential which can be developed.

#### ACTIVITIES FOR ACHIEVING THE AIMS

ESCA's strategy includes the promotion and organisation of National Schools Competitions at Under 11, Under 12, Under 13, Under 14 and Under 15 age groups. Although Covid 19 prevented the Association from running these competitions in 2020, ESCA was able to run all these competitions successfully in 2021 and again in 2022 as part of its strategy to underpin and support the ECB Performance Plan.

The Trustees intend that this should always be part of our Aims. Our flexible monetary policy has ensured this.

#### ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The agreed services are:

A) To continue to provide the organisation, expertise and personnel to deliver Inter Schools competitions at Town, District, County, Regional and National levels.

B) To endeavour to provide the organisation, expertise and personnel to deliver the National Under 15 Twenty/20 Competition working with the ECB, sponsors and other relevant agencies.

The agreed performance indicators are:

1) The successful delivery, on time, of every competition or final organised by ESCA on behalf of or in conjunction with the ECB.

2) The services provided are delivered within agreed budgets.

3) The aforementioned competitions maintain their current levels of entry, with agreed strategies in place to increase participation.

4) That all competitions continue to be fit for purpose and follow the principles within the ECB competition framework.

The agreed services were all successfully achieved and the agreed performance indicators were successfully met in 2022.

#### RESERVES POLICY

As no schools' cricket was played during 2020, the Reserves Policy was put on hold; however, as ESCA was able to run a programme of cricket competitions during 2021, the Trustees have now re-introduced the policy. They have recognised, during their risk review that sufficient reserves, as detailed in Notes 3 and 4, need to be monitored in order for the Association to maintain its financial stability and be able to conduct its day-to-day affairs and cricket programmes successfully.

It is incumbent on the Association that every endeavour is made to retain the current level of sponsorship and increase it where possible.

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#### FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

After the difficulties caused by the Covid pandemic in 2020, ESCA ran a full programme of cricket competitions in 2022 and successfully completed all the National Finals that were planned.

ESCA's plans for the future include the planning and delivery of a full programme for 2023. This will include a National T20 Under 15 Cup with the ECB, the Under 15 National Cup competitions sponsored by Inspiresport, the David English Under 12 Cup and Under 13 National Cup competitions, and the Under 11 Hardball Competition for the Hugh Cherry Cup.

It is hoped that the Girls' T10 U13 Competition will continue to be run within the counties.

As the restrictions caused by Covid 19 have ceased, it is hoped that the programme for 2023 will be delivered with an increasing number of schools taking part.

#### FINANCIAL REVIEW

After the difficulties in 2020 and 2021 caused by the pandemic, the charity received a grant from the ECB to enable it to run the U15 T20 County Competition in 2022 and further sponsorship from Inspiresport to run the Under 15 National Cup competition in 2022; however, it did not receive any other grants or sponsorship in the year so the U11 hardball competition and the David English U13 National Cup competition were both funded out of restricted funds of the charity which were received in earlier years and this contributed to a reduction in the restricted funds amounting to £11,342 during the year.

The charity also paid out governance, administration and other support costs totalling £19,544 in the year and charged affiliation fees to the counties which, together with donations received and a small amount of bank interest, helped reduce the deficit on the unrestricted funds for the year to £510.

For many years, the Trustees have implemented a policy of funding existing programmes, especially where no external sponsorship or funding is available, and set up various Designated Funds to support these activities financially. As a result, governance and support costs totalling £8,423 were funded out of these designated funds as shown in note 4 on page 11 of these accounts.

The total funds of the charity at 31 March 2023 were £216,966, of which funds that were restricted amounted to £30,354 as shown in note 5 on page 12 of these accounts.

In the continuing difficult economic climate, the Trustees will continue to review all the reserves of the charity and to monitor administration and support costs on an annual basis. The Trustees believe that the available assets of the Association are adequate to fulfil the programme planned for 2023.

Funding was received from the ECB for the T-20 competition, and the Under 15 National Cup competition for 2022 was sponsored by Inspiresport. At the same time, however, the Trustees have recognised during their risk review that sufficient reserves need to be maintained in order for the Association to guard against any further fall of funding in the future, particularly in the present difficult economic climate, and they will continue to seek further sponsorship to fund other cricket activities in the future.

The Trustees are extremely grateful to the many supporters and indebted to them for their continuing support. The accounts do not reflect the valuable indirect support from the MCC and Gray-Nicolls.

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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The Trustees recognise, and greatly value, the outstanding commitment and work of Ken Lake, the General Secretary, to the interests of ESCA. They are equally appreciative of the careful financial control exercised by Brian Johns, the Treasurer, Richard Young, the Assistant Treasurer until he resigned at the AGM in October 2022, and Phil Evans, the new Assistant Treasurer.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 17 September 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

**D Houghton, Chairman  
ESCA Finance Committee**

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF ENGLISH SCHOOLS' CRICKET ASSOCIATION**

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the accounts of English Schools' Cricket Association for the year ended 31 March 2023 which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity Trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act).

I report in respect of my examination of the Association's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. the accounting records were not kept in respect of the Association as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**M S T Procter**

Dated: 19 September 2023

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**RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
<b>Receipts:</b>					
Affiliation fees	1	9,900	-	9,900	9,000
Grants	2	-	40,500	40,500	-
Donations and bequests	1	2,136	-	2,136	2,549
Bank interest	1	132	-	132	25
Other Income	1	6,870	-	6,870	1,684
<b>Total receipts</b>		<b>19,038</b>	<b>40,500</b>	<b>59,538</b>	<b>13,258</b>
<b>Payments:</b>					
Cricket activities	1 & 2	-	51,842	51,842	29,802
Handbooks and directory	1	2,121	-	2,121	784
Cost of maintaining website	1	585	-	585	805
Other support costs	1	3,724	-	3,724	4,004
Governance expenses	1	13,118	-	13,118	12,822
<b>Total payments</b>		<b>19,548</b>	<b>51,842</b>	<b>71,390</b>	<b>48,217</b>
<b>Net payments for the year</b>		<b>(510)</b>	<b>(11,342)</b>	<b>(11,852)</b>	<b>(34,959)</b>
<i>Cash Funds at 31 March 2022</i>		<b>187,122</b>	<b>41,696</b>	<b>228,818</b>	<b>263,777</b>
<b>Cash Funds at 31 March 2023</b>		<b>186,612</b>	<b>30,354</b>	<b>216,966</b>	<b>228,818</b>

The notes on pages 9 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

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	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total funds 2023 £</b>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
<b>Reconciliation of Cash Funds</b>				
Cash Funds at 31 March 2022	187,122	41,696	228,818	263,777
Net Payments for the year	(510)	(11,342)	(11,852)	(34,959)
<b>Cash Funds at 31 March 2023</b>	<b>186,612</b>	<b>30,354</b>	<b>216,966</b>	<i>228,818</i>
<b>Cash Funds</b>				
Fixed term deposits	180,134	26,854	206,988	176,900
Bank deposit account	3,119	3,000	6,119	51,075
Current account	3,359	500	3,859	843
<b>Cash Funds at 31 March 2023</b>	<b>186,612</b>	<b>30,354</b>	<b>216,966</b>	<i>228,818</i>
<b>Liabilities at 31 March 2023</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<i>-</i>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 17 September 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

**B L Johns, Treasurer**

The notes on pages 9 to 12 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

1. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT – UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

	Year Ended 31 March 2023			Year ended 31 March 2022	
	Receipts £	Payments £	Net £	Receipts £	Payments £
<b>Cricket activities</b>					
Gray Nicholls presentation	-	-		-	329
	-	-	-	-	329
<b>Administration, support and governance</b>					
Affiliation fees	9,900	-		9,000	-
Bank interest	132	-		25	-
Donations and gift aid	2,136	-		2,549	-
ESCA administration fees	3,700	-		-	-
ESCA directory 2023-24	-	1,011		-	784
ESCA handbook 2022-23	-	1,110		-	-
ESCA website / webmaster	-	585		-	805
<b>Other support costs</b>					
General expenses	-	3,724		-	4,004
<b>Governance expenses</b>					
Annual general meetings					
ESCA	3,170	6,596		1,684	5,345
South & West region	-	-		-	229
Executive expenses	-	4,699		-	5,441
GDPR, indemnity, cyber liability and trustees' insurance	-	1,765		-	1,766
Independent examination fee	-	58		-	41
	<b>19,038</b>	<b>19,548</b>	<b>(510)</b>	<b>13,258</b>	<b>18,415</b>
<b>Total receipts and payments on unrestricted funds</b>	<b>19,038</b>	<b>19,548</b>	<b>(510)</b>	<b>13,258</b>	<b>18,744</b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

**2. RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT – RESTRICTED FUNDS**

	Year Ended 31 March 2023			Year ended 31 March 2022	
	Receipts £	Payments £	Net £	Receipts £	Payments £
<b>Primary and secondary cricket activities</b>					
ESCA XI v MCC schools at Lord's Receipts / payments	-	-		-	1,242
Inspiresport National U15 cup competition Sponsorship / county grants Payments	12,500	5,505 6,987		-	-
Girls' Cricket Receipts / payments	3,000	476		-	-
	<b>15,500</b>	<b>12,968</b>	<b>2,532</b>	-	3,235
<b>ECB</b>					
U15 T20 Regional and National competition Receipts / county grants Receipts / payments	25,000 -	7,150 17,175		-	-
	<b>25,000</b>	<b>24,325</b>	<b>675</b>	-	13,390
<b>David English</b>					
U11 Hardball Area and National competition Receipts / payments David English U13 Cup competition Receipts / payments	-	8,795 5,754		-	7,226 5,622
	-	<b>14,549</b>	<b>(14,549)</b>	-	12,848
<b>Total receipts and payments on restricted funds</b>	<b>40,500</b>	<b>51,842</b>	<b>(11,342)</b>	-	29,473

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**3. SUMMARY OF FUNDS**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total Funds 2023 £</b>	<i>Total Funds 2022 £</i>
Cash funds	<b>186,612</b>	<b>30,354</b>	<b>216,966</b>	<i>228,818</i>

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**4. UNRESTRICTED AND DESIGNATED FUNDS**

The unrestricted funds of the charity include designated funds which have been set aside by the Trustees of the charity for the following specific purposes.

	<b>Brought forward £</b>	<b>Receipts £</b>	<b>Payments £</b>	<b>Carried forward £</b>
<b>Designated funds</b>				
Administration	<b>9,988</b>	-	<b>(8,423)</b>	<b>1,565</b>
Contingency fund for cricket activities	<b>17,650</b>	-	-	<b>17,650</b>
Cricket support fund	<b>2,050</b>	-	-	<b>2,050</b>
Regional contingency fund	<b>2,489</b>	-	-	<b>2,489</b>
<b>Total designated funds</b>	<b>32,177</b>	-	<b>(8,423)</b>	<b>23,754</b>
<b>General unrestricted funds</b>	<b>154,945</b>	<b>19,038</b>	<b>(11,125)</b>	<b>162,858</b>
<b>Total unrestricted funds</b>	<b>187,122</b>	<b>19,038</b>	<b>(19,548)</b>	<b>186,612</b>

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**Administration**

This fund is held for any general administration expenditure that the charity requires.

**Contingency fund for cricket activities**

This fund is held in reserve for additional expenditure on charitable cricket activities which are not grant aided by either the ECB or David English.

**Cricket support fund**

This fund is held for potential cricket support costs.

**Regional contingency fund**

This fund is held to support regional meetings.

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5. RESTRICTED FUNDS

The restricted funds of the Charity comprise the following unexpended balances on donations and grants given for specific purposes.

	Brought forward £	Receipts £	Payments £	Transfers £	Carried forward £
Primary and secondary cricket activities	5,274	15,500	(12,968)	1,880	9,686
Jock Cuthell memorial fund	1,880	-	-	(1,880)	-
ECB	12,418	25,000	(24,325)	-	13,093
David English	22,124	-	(14,549)	-	7,575
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<b>41,696</b>	<b>40,500</b>	<b>(51,842)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30,354</b>

**Primary and secondary cricket activities**

This fund represents amounts to be applied to funding primary and secondary cricket activities which is not otherwise funded.

**Jock Cuthell Memorial Fund**

As no awards have been made from this fund for several years, the fund has been closed and the balance transferred to the fund for primary and secondary cricket activities.

**ECB**

This fund is to be applied to any ECB activity run by ESCA each year.

**David English**

This fund is to be applied to the David English U13 national cup competition and the U11 hardball area and national cup competition.