



Rowledge Cricket Club Newsletter

Issue 1 – May 2014

Chairman's Welcome to the 2014 Season

On behalf of RCC I would like to extend our warm welcome to you all for the 2014 season. I thoroughly enjoyed my first year as Chairman and we were blessed with excellent weather which helped us to recoup our losses from 2012, so thank you for your support.

I am pleased that our principles Sponsors are back with us again: - Burns & Webber (Men's Senior & Youth teams), Southern Properties (Ladies), Broly Refurbishment (Presidents Day) and Birdworld, who must be one of our longest serving sponsors. I am delighted that we have these local companies involved in RCC.

You will have noticed over the winter that work began on the square and we have now completed stage one (moving 6 wickets). The plan is to do stage two in September (the final 5 wickets and the drainage).

We hope to get this completed by the end of the year. This does mean that in 2014 and 2015 we will need to shuffle a few teams around as we have lost ½ the square, so please be patient with us while we improve the ground facilities for us all. Long term this is key for RCC to play on the best pitches we can for senior and for juniors to develop their skills. I also hope it will stop the massive puddles that we have seen again at the Rec over the closed season.

Our Friday nights coaching will start **on May 9th at the Rec so come on down to get your membership card and fixture book.**

Please look out for the many events we have planned this year with the first being the **Monday 5th Bank Holiday**, where we will be holding the Rowledge school inter year tournament, after the success of 2013.

So it leaves me to pass on my best wishes to everyone for a wonderful summer, for some great cricket and for many happy hours in and around the Club.

Carl Baker
Chairman

Moving House, then don't forget Burns & Webber special offer!

B&W will continue to offer Rowledge CC a kick back if you instruct them to sell your house for you, upon showing your membership card to them. See full details in the fixture book or call the office on 01252 713858.

Southern Properties & Management sponsor Ladies & Girls for 2014.

For the 2014 season SP&M are back to sponsor our Ladies and Girls teams. "A lot of effort goes into increasing awareness for women's cricket and this cements this further as we begin to rebuild for the future at RCC. I am pleased to announce that this year is our largest ever quantity of girls signed for RCC." said Peter Brinsden Head of Junior Section.

If anyone is interested in playing then then please do get in touch with the club.

A windy valentine's night!

Thank you to all those members who braved that windy night to attempt to rescue the two sightscreens that managed to free themselves and end up in the middle of Fullers Road. I am pleased that no one was hurt and we managed to rectify the situation very quickly due to the power of Facebook.

Regards Carl.





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Meet the new bar team for 2014!

I am pleased to introduce familiar faces who will be taking over the running of the bar this year! **Ben Wish** (Wishy, or Mr Wish to some of our youth members) and **Joel Swan** (Swanny) have plenty of ideas on what they want to stock, and this includes the wine. If your favourite bottle is not on offer, just let them know what it is. They will have specials each week so do get yourself down to say Hi and enjoy a drink being served by Ben and Joel.

It's 'Serious' Kit

Dummer-based Serious Cricket continues as the club's exclusive supplier of club kit and leisurewear. The comprehensive range can be viewed, and ordered, online at the RCC store at www.seriouscricket.co.uk.

Meantime, for cricket equipment (such as bats and pads), RCC continues to recommend Hale-based Berkeley Sports (www.berkeleysports.com).

After our success last year, the Club will again be selling polo shirts and caps for junior players. These will be available to buy at Friday junior cricket sessions. The unisex polo shirts (in sizes 5-6 and 7-8) are priced at £8, the caps at £5 or a special offer of £12 for both.



Dates for the Diary

Saturday 26th April

RCC 1st XI friendly v Trinity (Richard at Cherry Tree old team)

Saturday 3rd May

RCC 1st XI 1st home game

Monday 5th May

Rowledge School, Inter Yr. comp

Friday 9th May

Junior cricket starts REC

Monday 26th May

Rowledge Village Fayre

Friday 4th July

Jazz Evening – live music at the Rec

Sunday 10th August

Presidents Day (l'Anson X1)

Friday 5th September

Junior Presentation Evening

Saturday 6th September

Youth & Senior Presentation Evening

Saturday 13th September

Happy Circus at REC

Friday 7th November

Fireworks night

Reminder to all U11 Parents using Frensham Heights!

Please do not park along the main road which is situated beside the nets. We are not allowed to park here. If we do then they will stop us using their facilities.





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Fantasy Cricket comes to Rowledge CC.

RCC is pleased to announce new to 2014 our first Fantasy Cricket team using our own players. Visit our website (see link below) to get the rules and to how to enter a team.

http://www.rowledgecricketclub.com/social_and_events/FANTASYCRICKETCOMPETITION.php

The aim is to raise money for the benefit of our junior players in 2015. The money raised will be used towards cricket equipment, coaching, or many other things that the club needs.

So visit the website and pick a team, spending no more than £2,500 from the list of players. Why not try to win by picking your bargain player! Its that easy, the cost to you is £20. Once you have selected your team then please email it to chrisboard44@hotmail.com by **9th May. (competition starts 10th May).**

Throughout the season there are a number of prizes including FREE cricket equipment, FREE 1:1 coaching sessions for your children, FREE David Lloyd spa passes as well as a 1st prize of £150 cash, 2nd prize £100 cash and 3rd prize £50 at the end of the season. Regular updates will be provided!

So come and enjoy the banter and let's see who can pick that perfect team.

Below some of the players and their costs.

Ryan Felcsh (overseas player)	£550
Lloyd	£500
Chris Yates Senior	£450
Katie Forward	£400
Joel Swan	£300
Harry Neate	£200
Ollie Baker	£100



Cherry Tree gets involved in RCC.

Richard and Domine have completed one year in the village, in which time they have transformed the pub. Richard has also found some time to coach some of our juniors in 2014 on a Friday night. Please give them a big welcome when you see them up at the Rec.

Brolly Refurbishment sponsor Presidents Day in 2014.



I am delighted that local construction company Brolly Refurbishment has associated themselves once again with RCC. Peter & Michelle love cricket and are delighted to be back again to sponsor this year Presidents day.

I would also like to thank them for assisting us in moving one sightscreen to Binsted in pre-season.



RCC Fantasy cricket sponsored by Onhandsports

www.onhandsports.com





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Ryan Felsch our New Overseas player for 2014



RCC is delighted to welcome Ryan to Rowledge CC. He arrived on Saturday 19th April at 6.45am and before he could unpack he was out wearing the RCC shirt playing his first game in a friendly against Farnham. As normal for our overseas players he will be in and around the club most days helping Tony preparing the wickets but he will also be doing shifts in the Cherry Tree, thanks to Richard & Domine.

He will be coaching on Friday nights and being a personal instructor, I am sure there will be many people queuing up to ask him for advice. Let's hope he can pitch in and get a few wickets and runs so we can bounce back up this year. If you see him around the place, give him a big welcome so he feels part of the community and settles in as quickly as possible, being so far away from home.

Further details about his profile can be found on the website link below.

<http://www.rowledgecricketclub.com/news/news.php>

Don't forget our Junior cricket starts on Friday 9th May @ 6.30pm.

- Bar
- BBQ
- Sweets



The Circus is coming back to Rowledge.

To give you plenty of warning the popular circus that visited the REC in 2012, is back on **Saturday 13th September**. So keep an eye out for tickets and timings etc.

Rowledge School inter year competition is back on Monday 5th May.

After such a successful event last year Steve Riglar has once again organised another one. We hope we will be blessed with the weather again. It will have a similar format to last year, with a few a little tweaks. The bar will be open, BBQ available and many more things.

Please come down to watch and support the parents from Rowledge as they attempt to play cricket. Some good causes will benefit from the day.

If you want to play please get in touch with me and I can put you in touch with Steve.

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