



Dear Parent/Guardian,

East Woodhay Cricket Club - Junior Section

On behalf of East Woodhay Cricket Club, I would like to welcome your child and you to the club and to provide you with some information about the cricket activities we offer.

East Woodhay Cricket Club provides opportunities for young people between the ages of 7 and 15 years old to receive coaching and to compete in the Berkshire Youth Cricket League. All coaching is provided by qualified coaches who are trained and have been screened for their suitability for working with young people. We also, separately, run an ECB approved All Stars program for youngsters aged 5 – 8 years old, which is on Saturday mornings for 8 weeks starting in May 2022.

ClubMark

The club received accreditation from England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) for satisfying the criteria for Clubmark in 2013 and subsequent successful health-checks in 2015 and 2016, and the completion of a full reaccreditation process in 2017. ClubMark is the ECB's accreditation scheme for cricket clubs with junior sections. Clubs are required to meet certain standards across four key areas;

- Duty of Care and Safeguarding Children;
- the Cricket Programme the club offer,
- knowing your Club and its Community,
- One Game and Club Management.

Achieving ECB Clubmark accreditation is an acknowledgement that we take these issues seriously and that we are striving to provide a high quality, welcoming and safe environment for young participants in cricket. This is a tremendous achievement and one in which we are extremely proud.

Code of Conduct

We welcome parents, carers and guardians to training and matches and value your support. You will have received a copy of the club's Code of Conduct for Members and Guests with your child's Junior Membership application form.

The Code is in place to ensure a safe and appropriate environment for all junior cricketers and club members, including your child. Anyone entering club premises, attending any training sessions, matches or competitions is required to abide by the

provisions of the Code of Conduct. Anyone who breaches these provisions or who does not agree to be bound by it may be prevented from entering club premises as a result.

Teams and Coaching

The Representative age group teams and coaching staff for 2022 will be:

U9: Tim Hill

U11: Paul Jacobs/James Savage

U13: Simon Rutt/Ed Hughes

U15: Mark Chapman

We are looking for volunteers across ALL age groups, we would be **delighted** if anyone wants to volunteer to act as umpires, scorers and team managers, whilst we can provide coaching to all age groups we need **your** assistance with the running and administration of the teams. The club exists because of the time and effort our volunteers put in and as always we **NEED** more help in all areas.

If you can assist in any way please talk to one of the coaches, we will be happy to accept any assistance offered. Looking to the future, we will need new coaches for the younger age groups; interested? Please talk to one of the team.

Winter Nets

Whilst we cannot guarantee anything in the future weeks and month (from bitter experience) we are planning for a full series of Indoor Training Sessions this year.

We will be returning to Cheam School, Headley, RG19 8LD

Sessions will start on **SUNDAY 27 FEBRUARY** be run from 3pm to 6pm each week, with the sessions being;

U9 – 3pm

U11 – 4pm

U13 – 6pm

We will avoid both Mother's Day and Easter therefore the sessions will be;

Sunday 27 February, Sunday 6 March, Sunday 13 March, Sunday 27 March, Sunday 3 April and Sunday 10 April.

The U15 age group will train with the Senior players at **Horris Hill School, Newtown, RG20 9DJ** on Thursday evenings (7:30pm to 9:30pm) for 6 weeks from Thursday 10 March to Thursday 14 April 2022.

Outdoor Training at East Woodhay CC, East End, Newbury, RG20 0AP

From FRIDAY 22 APRIL 2022

Junior training will on Friday evenings until the end of July

Training times will be as follows:

U9 and U11 – 5.30pm to 6:50pm

U13 and U15 – 7:10pm to 8.30pm

Arrangements should be made for your child to travel to and from training sessions and matches. We would appreciate it if children can arrive and be collected promptly at the end of each session. We will be operating a registration system for the children both at the beginning and end of each session and your cooperation with this will be greatly appreciated.

We strongly recommend that parents of U9 & U11 children should stay at the ground or at the very least arrange for a responsible adult to be available to your child for the duration of the session,

If you are going to be late picking your child up, please contact the following senior coaches:

Adrian Batchelor on 07803 519765 or Dominic Walters on 07778 010195

Children are welcome to bring their own kit, however we supply everything they need to train with the exception of an abdominal protector. We recommend that all children wear sports clothing, trainers or cricket shoes and bring a drink with them (nothing fizzy please!)

For representative matches we would very much encourage all players to wear an East Woodhay match shirt and Cap – available from our club shop at Serious Cricket.

Matches

Each age group has been entered into the Berkshire Youth Cricket League and a number of competitive fixtures have been arranged. Current details can be viewed on either our Club or Play-Cricket website at:

www.eastwoodhaycc.co.uk or www.ewoodhay.play-cricket.com

Membership

Junior membership is **£75.00** for the year and covers all coaching activities both indoor and outdoor, matches and insurance, this should be paid by **29 April 2022**.

We would be grateful if you could complete the Junior Membership Application Form for your child. For safety reasons it is important that the club is informed of any medical condition or allergies that may be relevant should your child fall ill or be involved in an accident at the club.

If you would like to talk to someone about this information or your child's involvement with the club, please contact either myself or any of the coaches and managers.

Thank you for your cooperation and the entire coaching team look forward to meeting you.

Yours sincerely,

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Dominic Walters

Club Safeguarding Officer

East Woodhay Cricket Club

