



CHELMSFORD CRICKET CLUB



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JUNIOR SECTION PACK CONTENTS 2024

Please advise Nick Bailey (Hon Secretary) if anything is missing!

- Junior Training Sessions
Sessions take place each week for various age groups as follows:-

Year 8 (U13) and younger on Friday nights, starting at 6.30pm – 8pm.
Year 9 (U14) and older on Thursday nights, starting at 6.00pm – 8pm.
Years 8-11 girls hardball on Monday nights starting at 6.15pm – 8pm.
- Welcome Letter from the Club Chair
- Brief History of the Club (The Past Revisited)
- ClubMark Information
- Social Media and the Club's App "Pitchero"
- Code of Conduct for club officials and volunteers
- Code of Conduct for parents/carers
- Junior Section Club Rules
- The Club's Equity Policy Statement
- Sports equity monitoring feedback form
For completion and return to Nick Bailey (Hon Secretary)
- Photo Policy Statement
- Clothing/Equipment Details

Please note that the Club has a website at the following address:

www.chelmsfordcc.co.uk





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Dear Parent/Carer

On behalf of Chelmsford Cricket Club, I would like to welcome your child to the Club and provide you with some information about our activities. The Club provides opportunities for young people between the ages of 7 and 16 to receive coaching and play competitively in the Central Essex Cricket Participation Group (CECPG) Cricket Board competitions. All coaching is by qualified coaches who are trained and experienced in working with young people.

We welcome parents to all training and competitions and value your support. As I'm sure you will all appreciate, running a club of our size takes a huge amount of effort from a lot of dedicated people, which we are lucky to have. However, we need the support of parents to help run Colts fixtures, whether that be scoring or umpiring. The club will cover any cost involved in required courses, but if you are willing to help out we would really appreciate it and you can get in touch with me or your Child's Lead Coach to discuss further.

Registration, etc will commence 30 minutes prior to the normal start times on the first two weeks. Thereafter, please arrive at least 10 minutes before the start time. The venue is Chelmer Park, Beehive Lane, Chelmsford and whites/training clothes should be worn. Please bring as much equipment as possible, eg bat, gloves and pads. Some helmets are available at the club and MUST be worn at all times when batting or wicket keeping. Arrangements should be made for your child to travel to and from training sessions and matches. The Club cannot provide transport for travel to away matches and this is the responsibility of parents. We would appreciate if children can arrive and are collected promptly. If you are going to be late picking up your child, please let the lead coach for your child's group know on arrival.

The cost of each training session is included in the annual membership fee of £50.00 and you should fully complete the junior membership form. For the safety of your child, it is important that the Club is informed of any medical conditions or allergies that may be relevant should your child fall ill or be involved in an accident while at the Club.

I have enclosed with this letter some background into our Club, together with important information on the Club's procedures, our ECB Clubmark accreditation and other expectations for juniors, parents/carers and visitors which I trust you will find a useful introduction to our Club. The Clubhouse has a junior noticeboard which is regularly updated throughout the season.

For those of you with younger children in the 5-7 age group (All Stars) and 8-10 years old (Dynamos), we are also pleased to announce we are offering a softball introductory programme. All Stars runs for 8 weeks (from 2 June 2024). This is an ECB registered programme of cricket fun aimed specifically at younger children with no experience. Although this years programme is already full, further details on how to register for next year (and receive an All Stars pack) can be found via the ECB website [England and Wales Cricket Board \(ECB\) - The Official Website of the ECB](https://www.ecb.co.uk)

If you would like to talk to someone at the Club about this information or your child's involvement with the Club, please do not hesitate to contact me on email: rhayto@hotmail.co.uk

Yours sincerely
Rob Hayto
Club Chair





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THE PAST REVISITED

On 3rd September 1811, eleven Gentlemen of Chelmsford played eleven Gentlemen of Margaretting at cricket as the inaugural cricket match for a Chelmsford Team.

Cricket continued to be played in the early part of the 19th Century, but details are obscure. The Essex Chronicle of 30th April 1858 refers to a meeting held at The Grammar School, where the reformation of a cricket club was mooted and agreed. At this meeting it was stated that the previous club had “died a natural death”.

In May 1875, Chelmsford Cricket Club fixtures were printed in the Essex Chronicle. On 21st, 22nd and 23rd June 1875, the Club was expecting to play a 3 day game against “The United South of England” including W G and G F Grace.

Between this date and 1879 something occurred because the Club was reformed in 1879 under the Presidency of Sir J C Hawkins, Bart. The Club played at New Street on the site of the old Marconi factory (now Watson Heights apartment development) and was from this time very successful and became outright holders of the Essex Challenge Cup after a hat-trick of wins in 1888, 1889 and 1890. This splendid cup is now presented at the Club Dinner for Outstanding Individual Performance.

In 1921 the Club obtained the tenancy of Sky Blue Field, land beside the River Can in New Writtle Street. Sheer hard work transformed the area into a cricket ground, the Club’s home for forty-nine happy years. The 1960s saw a change in fortune with the disastrous fire in 1963 which destroyed the old pavilion and with it, valuable records and photographs. Later in the decade the ground was sold to Essex County Cricket Club and it became increasingly difficult to fulfil fixtures.

This led directly to the move to Chelmer Park in 1971, to the new sports ground developed by Chelmsford Borough Council. Soon after this the Club assisted in the formation of the Essex League, which was first won by the Club in 1975.

The Colts section was founded in the 1970s and has gone from strength to strength with, in 2022, over 200 members and 100 matches being played. Many players from the Club have played for Essex County Cricket Club, including Mickey Bear, JJB Lewis (formerly Captain of Durham), Roger Luckin, Don Spencer, Brian Ward, Neil Burns and currently Sam Cook. Also, Aaron Beard came through our Colts to play County Cricket for Essex and is playing for Essex in the current season.

The Club published “A History of Chelmsford Cricket Club” in celebration of our bi-centenary in 2011.

Acknowledgements: Chelmsford Museums, Essex Chronicle Series Ltd



CHELMSFORD CC – AN ECB CLUBMARK ACCREDITED CLUB !!

In August 2022, Essex County Cricket Board's Development Officer carried out an assessment of our procedures and performance under Club Mark Status and has formally recognised our ongoing commitment to being a safe, effective and child friendly cricket club. By maintaining the high standards offered by Chelmsford Cricket Club, we have achieved Clubmark re-accreditation for the current 2024 season.

So what is Clubmark?

ECB Clubmark is a "club accreditation scheme" developed by Sport England and adopted by The England & Wales Cricket Board (ECB). It shows that a club is well run and provides the right environment for participants of all ages, as well as assuring parents and carers that they are choosing the right option for their young people.

What does Club Mark mean for CCC members?

- Quality Assurance – we have codes of conduct/rules for Coaches, Volunteers, Parents/Carers and Colts. The club's management committee has developed systems and procedures which are transparent (available to all by request), auditable and include colts coaching attendance/medical records for security and first aid purposes.
- Highest standards in coaching. We have ECB qualified coaches including James Clifford (Head Coach), Alistair Fergus and Andrew Shepherd (Level 2) with more than 50 years of experience between them! The coaching staff provide high quality coaching all year round!
- Sports Equity and Ethics – the club has an open, non-discriminatory constitution which welcomes membership from all interested people. Our Equity Policy Statement recognises "...the rights, dignity and worth of every person..."
- The club has adopted the ECB Child Protection guidelines which means all our qualified Coaches and the Club's Safeguarding Officer have attended Safeguarding Young Cricketers (SYC) child protection workshops by Sports Coach UK.
- Dedicated Club Safeguarding Officer – Sophie Jackson and Assistant Safeguarding Officer Keith Cranmer whose roles and responsibility include:-
 - ❖ Provision of information and advice on child protection within the Club
 - ❖ Ensure that the Club adopts and follows the ECB Welfare of Young People in Cricket policy and procedures
 - ❖ To receive information from club staff, volunteers, young people or parents and carers who have child protection concerns, record it and take appropriate action as required
 - ❖ To ensure that all adults regularly working with young people in the club have received child protection training
 - ❖ Receive support and advice from the County Cricket Board's Development Officer and Safeguarding Officer



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SOCIAL MEDIA & CLUB WEBSITE

Information regarding the Club can be found on Chelmsford CC's website, www.chelmsfordcc.co.uk

All results and statistics can be found at the club's Play Cricket website <https://chelmsford.play-cricket.com>

As you would expect in these modern cricket times, the Club also actively run social media networking sites, if you wish to follow our more general Club news and events:-

Twitter: @chelmsford_cc

Facebook: Chelmsford Cricket Club

Instagram: chelmsfordcricket

Please follow these accounts to keep up to date with all the latest news and information, including notification if we need to cancel Friday night junior training (ie because of bad weather).



CLUB RULES - CODES OF CONDUCT

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CLUB OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice is summarised below. All volunteers must:

- Consider the wellbeing and safety of participants before the development of performance.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with performers, based on mutual trust and respect.
- Make sure all activities are appropriate to the age, ability and experience of those taking part.
- Promote the positive aspects of the sport (e.g. fair play)
- Display consistently high standards of behaviour and appearance.
- Follow all guidelines laid down by the national governing body and the club.
- Hold the appropriate, valid qualifications and insurance cover.
- Never exert undue influence over performers to obtain personal benefit or reward.
- Never condone rule violations, rough play or the use of prohibitive substances.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS / CARERS

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them.
- Discourage unfair play and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
- Use correct and proper language at all times.

JUNIOR SECTION CLUB RULES

Chelmsford Cricket Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well being of all its members. The club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents associated with the club should, at all times, show respect encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with **Sophie Jackson – Club Safeguarding Officer**.

As a member of the Junior section of Chelmsford Cricket Club, you are expected to abide by the following Club rules:

- All members must play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions.
- All members must respect opponents.
- Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their coach or team manager if they are going to be late.
- Members must wear suitable kit ie white or coloured cricket specific clothes and protective equipment (helmet, gloves and pads) – for training and match sessions, as agreed with the coach/team manager.
- Members must pay any fees for training or events promptly. Match Fees for 2023 will be £3 per player.
- Members are not allowed to smoke on club premises or whilst representing the club at competitions.
- Members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the club premises or whilst representing the club.

EQUITY POLICY STATEMENT

Chelmsford Cricket Club is committed to ensuring that equity is incorporated across all aspects of its development. In doing so it acknowledges and adopts the following Sport England definition of sports equity:

Sports equity is about fairness in sport, equality of access, recognising inequalities and taking steps to address them. It is about changing the culture and structure of sport to ensure it becomes equally accessible to everyone in society.

The club respects the rights, dignity and worth of every person and will treat everyone equally within the context of their sport, regardless of age, ability, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or social/economic status.

The club is committed to everyone having the right to enjoy their sport in an environment free from threat of intimidation, harassment and abuse.

All club members have a responsibility to oppose discriminatory behaviour and promote equality of opportunity.

The club will deal with any incidence of discriminatory behaviour seriously, according to club disciplinary procedures.

SPORTS EQUITY MONITORING

Whilst it is not compulsory that this section is completed the following paragraph explains why it is important.

Sport can and does play a major role in promoting the inclusion of all groups in society. However, inequalities have traditionally existed within sport, particularly in relation to gender, race and disability. Sport England is committed to promoting and developing sports equity, which is about fairness in sport, equality of access, recognising inequalities and taking steps to address them. By monitoring the profile of young people in sports clubs, national governing bodies of sport and Sport England can identify any issues relating to under-representation of different groups and can together develop strategies to ensure that all young people have the opportunity in the future to develop and progress in sport.

Ethnicity

In order to help the club monitor its membership can you please tick one of the following boxes to identify your ethnic group/origin:

A White

British Irish Any other white background (please specify)

B Mixed

White & Black Caribbean White & Black African
 White & Asian Any other mixed background (please specify)

C Asian or Asian British

Indian Pakistani Bangladeshi Any other Asian background (please specify)

D Black or Black British

Caribbean African Any other Black background (please specify)

E Chinese or other ethnic group

Chinese Any other (please specify)

Disability

The disability Discrimination Act 1995 defines a disabled person as anyone with 'a physical or mental impairment, which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities'.

Do you consider yourself to have a disability? Yes No

If yes, what is the nature of your disability?

- Visual impairment
 Hearing impairment
 Physical disability
 Learning disability
 Multiple disability
 Other (please specify)

Sporting Information

Have you played Cricket before? Yes No

If you, where have you played the sport (please indicate below)

- Primary School Secondary School
 Local Authority coaching session(s) Club
 County Other (please specify)

The completion of this form is voluntary, but the Club appreciates your assistance in providing us with the requested details. Completed forms should be returned to Nick Bailey acting Hon Secretary



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PHOTO POLICY STATEMENT

Chelmsford Cricket Club is committed to ensuring equity across all aspects of our club development and continued success in both senior and colt team leagues underlines the contributions made by all at our club. We would encourage everyone to become involved – members, colts and parents – to play as full a part in our club as time permits.

We feel it is important to reflect the breadth and diversity of our club, both on and off the field by regularly updating our website – www.chelmsfordcc.co.uk We would encourage you to take time to have a look at the website which we regularly update with information on our fixtures, activities and social events.

As part of the club's publicity, we regularly refresh photographs on the website to include team line ups and play on the field. We hope you will support our efforts to promote the club and reflect its character by allowing Chelmsford Cricket Club permission to use photos of playing members – both young and old on our website.

By becoming a member of Chelmsford Cricket Club, you will be agreeing to allow us to use ONLY photos of team line ups and play on the field for our senior and junior teams which will be posted on our website from time to time. Such images will comprise the photo with the team name if relevant. No individuals will be identified in any images.

Should you wish to withdraw permission for your son/daughter to appear in photos on our website, you are invited to contact the Hon Secretary, Nick Bailey, providing your details. We will then ensure that no images of the named person appear in pictures we use in team line ups or play on the field.

Naturally, if at any time you wish a photo to be removed from our website, this will be respected and the photo removed within a reasonable period. In this instance, either the Team Captain (senior teams), Managers (Colts and Willows teams) or the Hon Secretary should be contacted on email chelmsfordccsecretary@gmail.com with your request.





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CLOTHING/EQUIPMENT DETAILS

COLTS

Chelmsford CC have been busy selecting a brand-new range of playing, training and leisurewear and we are delighted to announce a 3-year partnership with the supplier NXT which is being managed through the NXT online website using the following link:-

<https://teamwear.nxt-sports.com/shop/chelmsford-cc>

NXT offers a range of customised clothing for all boys and mens sizes.

Chelmsford CC are proud to also announce our shirt sponsor for the current season remains the Seven Elephants Indian Restaurant. Please contact the Hon Secretary if you need any further information.

WILLOWS

The women and girls (Willows) section will retain our current playing kit choices through the supplier Kitlocker until end of 2025 season. There is a selection of adult kit in the Adidas Squadra range that can be ordered direct from Kitlocker, including Club branding (make sure you add this to your order) using the following link:-

<https://www.kitlocker.com/ccshop/club/chelmsford-cc>

Please note that the Club have a range of the Willows embroidered green shirts available to buy at cost, suitable for the Year 9 girls and womens team. Please contact our W+G Coordinator if you need any further information.

PRE-OWNED KIT AND EQUIPMENT

Whilst we do have a limited number of items for sale, all new, any donated unwanted items of kit will always be welcomed which we are happy to pass on to others that would appreciate pre-owned items. So if you have any cricket items then please bring them along to Chelmer Park at Friday night junior training.

