



Christmas 2010 Newsletter

It's Christmas

Hello All,

As we approach the Festive Season, I'd like to take this opportunity to say that it good to be the Chairman, albeit, my feet haven't touched the ground with all that's been happening at Ripley Cricket Club. Last season was a solid season for most of the teams and what it has shown is that we have depth in our playing squads, who with experience (and age in a few cases) will contribute to a much stronger club. The new grounds man has already started work on the square and the much needed 'feed&weed' for the ground will begin early next year. The coaching team is preparing for winter nets at the end of January 2011 and the respective captains will be looking to have unbeatable teams. Preparations for the Ladies Night (22ndJan) and players' dinner (5thFeb) are in hand as I pack to fly off to Sydney and take in some cricket & sun. I wish you all a Merry Christmas & A happy New Year.

1749 Club

We have had two draws for the 1749 Club and currently have about 40 members. The 1749 Club is not only a great chance to support all cricket development at the club but also a great chance to win yourself some money.

The club acts like a lottery with £5 a month buying a number into the draw. You can enter by filling in the form, available behind the bar and on the website. You can then either pay by cheque, £60 for the year, or by standing order of £5 a month.

For further information please contact the organisers, Michael Baddock and Brian Harris, or any members of the committee.

Go to www.ripleycc.com and click on the 1749 Club banner for application form and full terms and conditions.

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Fast news:

- 1749 Club Winner December - Tim Hughes £70
- First indoor nets session at Felton Fleet for all ages is 30th January

New Club Kit

We have entered into a contract with a kit supplier to provide kit to all academy, senior and social members. In a new move all the kit will be available to purchase from our

supplier online. On their site the playing shirts can be personalised with initials and it will mean the club no longer has to hold large amounts of stock. The site will also have a number of other items of clothing for sale from all cricket gear, to hoodies, polo shirts and tracksuits.

We hope to have everything ready for early in the New Year. There will be a link to the club shop from the main website as well as the Play Cricket site. More details will follow shortly.



Seniors Cricket

The AGM has been and gone and we have voted in all the captains for next year, see details on the right of the page.

It is always good to have a number of people step up, especially this year as most of the captains remain the same. Hopefully this consistency will help performances on the pitch.

There are a couple of things coming up early in the New Year. Firstly there are the first winter nets training session on the 30th January from 7pm at Felton Fleet School.

Then on the following Saturday February 5th, there is the Men's award dinner at the club. Tickets are on sale now from Neal Panting (nealpanting@hotmail.com)

and cost £25 for a three course meal. It would be great to see as many players as possible and support those people who had a fantastic 2010 season and may pick up an award.

As always we are on the lookout for new players, if you have a friend or colleague who may be interested in joining the club bring them down to one of the Winter nets sessions. Sessions begin at Felton Fleet on the 30th January from 7pm for seniors.

The fixtures are currently being compiled by the league and also club friendlies. These will be updated on the Club website in the coming weeks, so keep an eye out.

Captains

Saturday 1st XI – Jon Primmitt (v/c tbc)

Saturday 2nd XI – Jeremy Russell (v/c David Hughes)

Saturday 3rd XI – Neal Panting (v/c Chris Camm)

Sunday 1st XI – Scott Hawkes (v/c Ben Scott)

Sunday Social – Rupert Baddock (v/c Abbas Sheikh)

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Academy Winter Nets

Just very briefly to give the times of the various age groups winter nets. These will begin on the 30th January:

5-6pm is alternate weeks i.e. one week the U10, U12 and U13s together and the following week will be the U11 (due to the large numbers of this age group).

6-7pm is for the U15s and U17s

Any questions please contact your age group coach or Richard Zapp.

Social

There is a comedy night currently being organised for February in conjunction with the Talbot Inn, more details of this will follow.

Also if you are at a loose end on NYE the club will be open. It will be a relaxed atmosphere and the bar will be open to see the New Year in.

Volunteers

The club is very lucky to have a number of people willing to give up a bit of their spare time to help out and ensure the smooth running of the club. This year we are looking to increase the number of volunteers and for new people to assist. There are plenty of opportunities for you to put your hand up, from doing a couple of teas in the season, completing your coaching badges, sponsoring the club or just doing the BBQ on a Friday during the season.

The subscription forms have a number of boxes to tick with various volunteering opportunities for you to get involved.

Buy at Ripley

Christmas is upon us and what better than a gift that gives again. That is exactly what will happen when you purchase any item through the web site www.buy.at/ripleycc.

The site has a number of large internet and high street retailers i.e. Amazon, Play, M+S etc. all these companies will give a contribution to the club when you access their sites and purchase through the link. The easiest thing to do is save this link as a favourite and every time you shop online the club can benefit too.

Subscriptions

All club members are reminded that annual subscriptions are now due. The application forms are available behind the bar and online. All senior and youth/student players will receive a club cap as part of their subscription.

