

COUNTESS WEAR CRICKET CLUB

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Newsletter Issue 2 – New Year 2012

Happy New Year

On behalf of Countess Wear Cricket Club, we would like to wish all members and players a very Happy New Year. This time of year is always filled with reflection on what has happened and excitement at looking forward to what is to come. We have some reports from the team captains in this issue and some events to look forward to.

If anyone has any stories, pictures, messages to include in the next newsletter, please contact the club Secretary, Claire Colman, on hon-sec@countesswear.co.uk or tel 07762588050.

2011 Annual General Meeting

The AGM was held on 24th November at the Jubilee Club in Pinhoe and the minutes of the meeting will be circulated to all members shortly. They will also be made available on the website at www.countesswearcc.co.uk.



Most of the committee members remained the same, and there is a full list on page 3 of this newsletter.

Chairman's Column

Welcome to 2012 and a Happy New Year to you all. Whilst it is only January, the committee are already looking towards the new season, both on and off the field. A number of these things you will read about in this Newsletter or you will be informed of as things develop. Already social and fund raising events have been arranged, namely a quiz, a club treasure hunt/barbecue and fun day, (open to all club members, whether senior or junior, together with their friends and families) and the organising of 2 Sunday car boot sales. The Committee are in discussion with Friends Life with regard to 2 projects, namely the provision of improved changing areas and the upgrading, relocation and increase of the net facility. If these developments are approved then we will be looking for assistance, with these projects.

It is important that all members help when pleas for support are made, whether they be for work on the ground or attending social and fundraising events, as although we have a good committee, it can be very disheartening when they are not supported when it is asked for.

It won't be long now before nets begin and you will be informed as soon as James Bogue has confirmed the dates and times and I hope to see you all there and bring others along who you feel could be interested in playing. Until then, winter well!

Team Captains – All Change!

At the recent AGM the 1st and 2nd Team captains, Dave Harkness and Owen Smith, decided to step down from their role as captain. We would like to thank them for all their hard work over the past season. The new Team captains are Pete Darke for the 1st XI and Dave Sapiecha for the 2nd XI and I'm sure you would like to wish them all the best and a successful season in 2012. The Vice Captains have also changed and full details of all contacts can be found on page 3.

Social Media



The club now has a Twitter account @CountessWearCC – if you are a Tweeter, come and follow us at www.twitter.com/countesswearcc



We also have a Facebook page at www.facebook.com/pages/Countess-Wear-Cricket-Club so come and 'like' us to keep up to date with club news and events.

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Forthcoming Events

- **CWCC Quiz Night**, Friday 2nd March. 7pm for a 7.30pm start at the Jubilee Club, Pinhoe. Max of 6 per team @ £2.50 per person. £1 for children
- **CWCC Treasure Hunt + BBQ** and family games. Sunday 22nd April, 9.30am for a 10am start, venue/meeting point tbc. £1 per person, families and children welcome.
BBQ, family games and prize draw at Winslade Park after finishing.

More details will be sent out nearer the time, or if you are on Facebook or Twitter, click the buttons below to like or follow us to get all the info.

Any problems/questions contact Mark Davey 07834625485 or e-mail onepint@fsmail.net

1st Team Captain's report

As many of you are aware I (Peter Darke) have taken over the reigns of the first team from Dave Harkness, I would like to thank Dave for his hard work captaining the 1st team and getting them into a strong league. James Bogue has agreed to be my Vice Captain & Neil Pateman has taken over the tough job of Fines Master.

With the new season fast approaching we are looking forward to getting everyone back together to try and improve on our performance from last year. We are looking to recruit new faces in order to strengthen the competition for places and to ensure the second XI captain has a slightly easier task of finding eleven players. We are currently struggling to acquire regular nets for the season, at the moment the best we have is irregular hour slots at the University. If anyone can help us with this can you please contact James Bogue on 07989955116.

Injury News for the Season; James Bogue has had a success operation to mend his little finger and should be fit for the start of the season.

Adrian Nash has recovered from his tight hamstrings and should be fit to return once his Hockey season has finished.

Mark Davey has now fully recovered from his Knee operation (Tantrum) and will be looking to score a shed load of runs.

Early suggestions are that Kam Singh may require a fitness test following his first year at University.

Look forward to seeing you all at the start of the season.
Sugar

Sunday Team Captain's report

2011 ended on a positive note for CWCC Sunday XI, as we managed to escape relegation in the last game of the season against Paignton. During the season we had a few close games and also games that we'd like to forget!

I've been assisted this year by Jon Heaver, who has proved to be a great vice skipper and I'm sure a great future CWCC captain. The hardest thing as always on Sundays is getting 11 players out but we seemed to manage that well this year.

This season we have 10 games spaced throughout the summer, starting on Sunday May 6th against Brixham. If anyone is keen to turn out on a Sunday, even if it's just for a couple of games, it really does make all the difference to the club. Thanks go to all players who have played this season, we might not be England, but we at least have a laugh!

Also thanks go to Bob, Mike and Ian for all their hard work on the square, it's always nice for Premier League teams to come and play us and give positive comments on the pitch and outfield, so thanks a lot guys.

Please don't hesitate to contact me regarding anything to do with Sundays, as we always need players, umpires and scorers.

See you at nets or in the new season.
Nugs

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Update from the Devon Youth Cricket Foundation



- Our [website](#) has been completely updated - please take a [look](#) and catch up with what we are up to (and join up if you haven't already; membership starts at only £5)
- You can now donate to the Foundation through JustTextGiving by text. All you need to do is **text DYCF11 £Amount to 70070**
- The **Autumn Newsletter** has been published and a copy has been sent to members, but in the meantime you can see it on the [website](#)
- We are planning next year's events. Details to follow soon
- And you can buy one of our **2012 DYCF Calendars** off the [website](#). The calendar has absolutely stunning pictures of your favourite clubs around Devon. And they **only cost £5 each**. All the money raised from the sale of them goes to youth cricket in Devon at club, district and county levels. Just hit the reply button now and **order your copies**.
- And well done to all the clubs who participated in the **Summer Draw**. You raised £3,600 for youth cricket in Devon and an incredible £10,500 for your clubs at an average of about £300 each (not a bad return for £100 outlay)

Car Boot Sales

The Club have again been given 2 dates to organise the stewarding of the car boot sale at the Exeter Cattle Market. The first date was Sunday 22nd January 2012 and this went very well. We didn't manage to get over the minimum total, so our cheque will be sent to Bob for £400.

People that stayed all day were Nugs, Pates, Sugs and Gert, early shift of JB, Beany, Slow Mo, Brooksy, Phil and Mo Wakely. The late shift was Julian and Simon (colts Dads), Bob and Jan Berry, Gary and Bev Spragg. Milly didn't turn up, though we were taking bets on that not happening anyway!! Decent start to the year regarding funds and the supervisor said that it was well organised and we did a good job!

The second date is on **Sunday 13th May** and is being organised by Martin Bovey, who will be contacting people nearer the date for volunteers to help out.

Ground Work Party Required

GUYS...We need to arrange a Pre Ground Force Day work party to help with some key ground work maintenance. Work has been identified by the dedicated ground staff as essential to complete before we get to Spring, we would like as many people as possible to be available the morning of **4th February 2012** from **9:30am**.

If you are able to attend please could you contact Peter Darke on 07909808607 or Bob Adams on 07778879407 to confirm, all first teamers this is not optional and if you are unable to attend you must ring me.

See You There
Sugar



Committee Members

Chairman	Bob Adams
Secretary	Claire Colman
Treasurer	Peter Skinner
Fixtures Secretary	Bob Adams
League Rep	Mike Fernbank
Colts Manager	Martin Bovey
Club Welfare Officer	Neil Pateman
Club Development Officer	James Bogue
Social Secretary	Mark Davey
1 st XI Captain	Peter Darke
2 nd XI Captain	David Sapiecha
General Committee	Dave Harkness

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