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EVENTS STILL TO COME

JUNIOR AWARDS EVENING

Barbeque & Games at the Pavilion

FRIDAY 10th SEPTEMBER

SENIOR DINNER & AWARDS

Hot Buffet £25. Licensed Bar

Ley Hill Institute

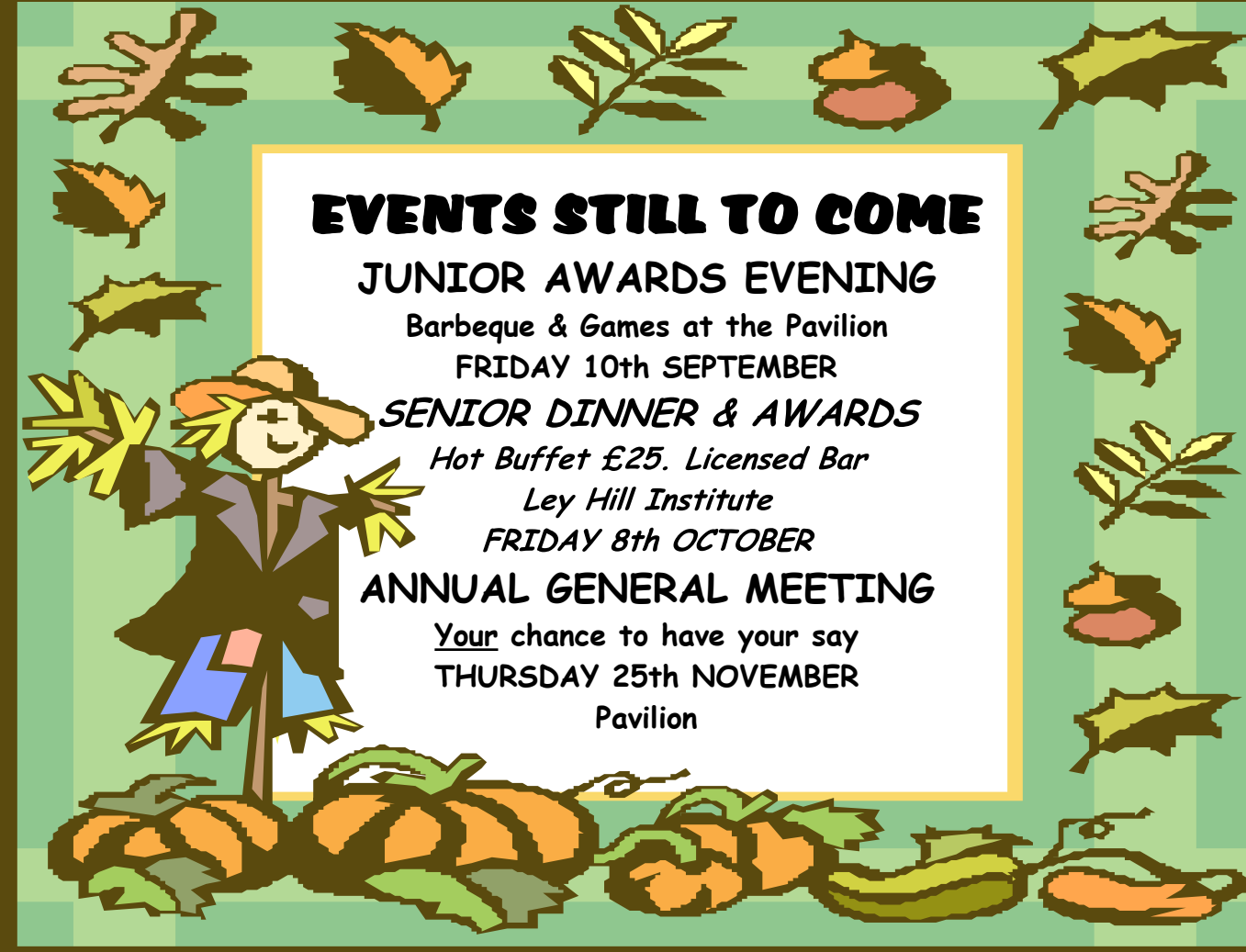
FRIDAY 8th OCTOBER

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Your chance to have your say

THURSDAY 25th NOVEMBER

Pavilion



- All juniors and their families are invited to the Junior Awards Evening (details above).
- All players, their partners, parents of juniors, Vice Presidents and Sponsors are invited to the Senior Annual Dinner. Please book your places in advance by contacting IAIN STEWART (contact details on final page of this newsletter).
- The AGM is your chance to decide who runs the club and captains the teams. All those who have paid a full senior sub have voting rights - so come along and use them!

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!

The 1st XI won Division 1 of the Mid Bucks League by 10 points from Cadmore End Ists. This means that they will be back in the Premier Division next season.

The 2nd XI came 3rd in Division 2 behind Haddenham and Wendover so they stay there, and the 3rd XI will also be staying in Division 3 (8th out of 10 teams).

CONGRATULATIONS to:
Sam Martin who scored 119 for the 3rds and **Alex Partington** 80 not out and 5 wickets for 13 runs in the same match. To **Luke Asquith** for scoring 67 in a Sunday friendly match. To **Ben Ford** for 65 v top of the Sunday league UCS Old Boys. To **Craig Ottaway** who took 6 for 19 for the 1sts in the last league match and to **Alex Batt** who took 4 catches and a stumping in a Sunday friendly game.

We have now reached the time of year when the Team Managers of our Junior Teams send me their “end of term” reports. The first is from Anne Lee, who trains our youngest players - the Kwik Cricketers (U-8s).



We took the Under 8's to a Kwik Cricket tournament at Chalfont St Peter. The boys tried really hard and did themselves proud. The tournament was won by Chesham (no surprises there) but we came joint third winning one game against

Burnham.

Joe Batt (under 13's) came along as our team coach and I have to say we could not have done it without him, he was the umpire while his dad scored and he did a great job at organising the field and keeping them focused. Joe has turned out every week that he could to the Under 8's training and has been inspirational to all the youngsters. I hope you can give him a special mention on your awards evening, as he has shown commitment, a natural authority with the kids and has transferred his enthusiasm for cricket to them. He has been a total star.

Anne Lee

Our next report is for the U-13s, sent by their Team Manager - Nick Batt.

This year we were placed in the First Division which was always going to be a challenge.

I must say how proud I am of the boys, they entered every match with enthusiasm and confidence. We beat The Lee twice (once in the league and once the cup). We lost by only two runs to Ballinger, who we really should have beaten as we were the better team and by ten runs to Chalfont St Giles.

Against 'The Big Guns'- Gerrards Cross A, High Wycombe A and Chesham A the boys did brilliantly. These teams were overflowing with County and District players. Ley Hill bowled well and got plenty of wickets and our batsmen stepped up to the plate and got some excellent scores. For a small village club to hold their own against these guys was great. As an example, when I took the team to Wycombe, their chap in charge just happened to be a full time, professional (paid!!!!) cricket coach!

We finished off the season with some great friendlies, where everyone could get involved and which were all played in great spirit.

I am impressed by some of the boys' dedication, as they have signed up for Autumn Nets at Aylesbury. These really do make a difference. For the others I hope to see you at the Ley Hill Nets around the end of January.

Finally my thanks to Alex (Batt) for scoring, umpiring and putting up with me; The Thompson Family for scoring, umpiring and always helping out; Eric for umpiring; Parents - for those of you that always assist with collecting fees, ensuring the boys are padded up etc, it really is appreciated; Dave Peterson for trying so hard to sort our training, thank you and Paul Green for opening the bar - I couldn't do this without a Peroni or two!

Nick Batt

Now we hear from Bruce Copestick, Team Manager for the U-15s:

The U-15's had a very successful season finishing joint 2nd in their division. There were no rain interruptions this year but we had 3 walkovers due to other teams not being able to make up the numbers at the last minute - quite frustrating but these things happen.

Our first match was a cup game with Chesham. They scored 103 runs and we were all out for 72. As with previous years Chesham were a strong side but our lads were encouraged because the margin of the win was only small.



The next match was a great confidence boost as Aylesbury were all out for 51 and Ley Hill scored 53 with no fall of wickets. Ollie Holt scored 36 runs and Luke Asquith scored 14 - both players were very solid. Ley Hill's bowling and fielding was very focused and this also contributed to the well deserved win.

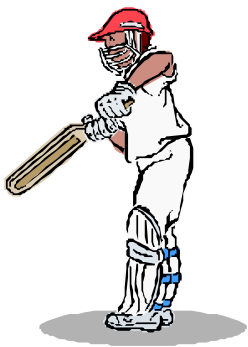
Farnham Royal was our next match and they seemed to have control of the game from the very start. Ley Hill were all out for 77 and Farnham Royal were 79 for 3. We played fairly well but could have improved in the batting department.

The next game was with Stoke Green. It was a lovely sunny morning and a very nice ground to play at. All the Ley Hill players got to bat and we accumulated 70 runs in total. This wasn't quite enough with Stoke Green dominating the match with 2 key batsmen and sharp fielding all round. A fairly positive game for Ley Hill but we just needed to go for the extra runs when required.

We then went on and enjoyed a great win at Burnham to finish the season on a high. We scored 146 runs and Burnham were all out for 98.

Luke, James and Bobby collectively amassed 101 runs and all players were very much on form in all areas.

Well done to the whole team as it's great to see everyone enjoying themselves and also to see the year on year improvement in all the players. Also, a big thank you to Denis for umpiring all the matches [even when Chris was unavailable to play].



Bruce Copestick

And the final report I have received this year is from Ian Walter, Team Manager of the U-17s.

Following the success of last year's restructuring of the league to divisions based on capability we found ourselves this year in the top division! This was thanks to an excellent season last year and having a reasonably senior squad in this age group that typically sees teams field under 17s down to under 14s. So we were with some of the 'big boys', namely Wycombe, Chesham, Marlow and Gerrards Cross together with last year's Division 2 winners, Wooburn.

After an ominous start away at Wycombe, who also beat us (though less easily) in the first round of the cup, our fortunes changed and we defeated Wooburn soundly as the boys started to believe in their ability. There followed a narrow 7 run defeat at Chesham when we lost a great game on the back of extras, frustratingly having scored 8 more runs off the bat than Chesham.

Highlight of the season was a 4 wicket defeat of highly rated Gerrards Cross in the last over and when Marlow scratched on us we had six points of a maximum ten. League winners though were Chesham, with 8 points, which left us counting the cost of those few clumsy extras that cost us the game there. Otherwise little old Hill would have ended up top of the bunch!

A frustrating narrow defeat to Ballinger knocked us out of the plate competition but in an end of season friendly we had a comfortable win over Chenies & Latimer who had won the main cup competition. So it was really a season of what might have beens, but the boys have learned much, I hope, about concentrating on every ball when fielding and the importance of holding catches and keeping extras to a minimum as a result.

Our star man was Lewis Thompson, with an average of 46 on the back of a sensational 106 not out against Chenies. Alex Partington also averaged over 40 and young Luke Asquith finished up with the top average of 55. Other regulars in double figures were Stuart Crichton (19), David Falconer (16) and Anton Turberville (13).

Jack Thompson led the team using all the crick-eting knowse of the Thompson clan and claimed 11 wickets at 14 each. Lewis took 15 at 11 and Stuart 5 at 19. Other league wicket takers were Ben Woodbridge, Alex, Anton, Greg Asquith and Michael Morris.

They were well supported by the likes of Ed Coles, Stephen Carr and 'keeper Alex Batt (with a very creditable 7 dismissals). In all 20 boys represented the under 17s and although we say farewell in junior cricket to Jack, Stuart, David, Anton, Greg, Ed and Alex Batt the future for next year looks bright with so many boys already having cut their teeth at this level.

Finally, many thanks to umpire Robin Carr and scorer Eleanor Phillips. We were fortunate enough once again to benefit from their considerable experience.

Ian Walter

Many thanks to these team managers for taking the time to sit down and write their reports - and as for the missing ones - there is still time if you wish to send me something!

Winter is traditionally the time for cricket enthusiasts to take courses - and here are some on offer to whet your appetite!

(And remember that the Club will reimburse the cost of your course once you have completed it and passed the examination)

UMPIRING COURSES

We are required to provide umpires for all Mid Bucks League matches and this sometimes proves difficult - therefore more people need to be trained as umpires - taking into account the recently updated laws.

To help, the Bucks Board and BACU&S are again organising umpire training courses in both the North and South of the County.

They will take place in January at Penn & Tylers Green and Great Brickhill Cricket Clubs, where they will be most happy to welcome you.

To find out more about the courses and to register your interest please contact:

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The courses are fun. Come and find out

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COACHING COURSES

UKCC Level I - 2010

Venue: Wycombe High School, Marlow Road, Wycombe, HP11 1TB
Cost: £250.00 for members of Bucks schools and clubs, £300.00 others

Date	Time	Syllabus
Sat 2 nd Oct	9.45am - 5pm	Module 1 & 2
Sat 9 th Oct	9.45am - 5pm	Module 3 & 4
Sat 16 th Oct	9.30am - 3pm	Assessment Day
Wed 6 th Oct	7pm - 10pm	First Aid
Tues 12 th Oct	7pm - 10pm	Safe Guarding and Protecting Children

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UKCC Level I - 2011

Venue: The Beaconsfield School, Wattleton Road, Beaconsfield, HP9 1SJ
Cost: £250.00 for members of Bucks schools and clubs, £300.00 others

Date	Time	Syllabus
Sat 5 th March	9.45am - 5pm	Module 1 & 2
Sat 12 th March	9.45am - 5pm	Module 3 & 4
Sat 19 th March	9.30am - 3pm	Assessment Day
Wed 9 th March	7pm - 10pm	First Aid
Tues 15 th March	7pm - 10pm	Safe Guarding and Protecting Children

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