



## **Kidlington Cricket Club**

### **2019 youth team arrangements – pre-season details**

Please see below details for the 2019 youth season. We have pre-season training in February and March, followed by outdoor training and competitive matches from April to July. We're looking forward to welcoming returning youth players as well as hoping to see some new recruits. We have a busy season ahead with lots of cricket, hopefully in glorious sunshine like last year!

#### **Key youth team contacts**

Mark Fransham, youth chairman and under 13 team manager: [mark@fransham.com](mailto:mark@fransham.com) / 07522 224733

Paul Hewitt, under 15 team manager: [paulhewitt33@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:paulhewitt33@yahoo.co.uk) / 07586 351450

John Moss, KCC chairman: John Moss [jmoss@kfpit.com](mailto:jmoss@kfpit.com) / 07768 851515

Coaching team: Nick Jeacock (ECB level 2 coach), Paul Hewitt (ECB level 2 coach), Mark Fransham (ECB level 1 coach), John Moss (ECB level 1 coach); plus youth coach helpers Edd Willmot, Mo Talmaki, Sam Kimber and Oscar Hewitt.

#### **New players**

We are keen to encourage as many boys and girls as possible to play cricket. If you have friends who would like to try cricket please bring them along to a training session.

For players just starting to get involved in cricket, the club can provide most equipment. The only necessary piece of equipment to get started is an abdominal guard ('box') for boys, which you can buy for a few pounds. Helmets are compulsory for hard ball cricket but can be provided by the club.

#### **Kidlington CC website**

All of our communications, fixtures, player selection and membership payments are done through the Kidlington CC website [www.kidlingtoncricket.com](http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com). If you do not already have an account, please set one up as soon as possible. Registering for the site should be straightforward, but please contact John Moss if you have any difficulties.

#### **Indoor youth training**

Sunday 17 February – Sunday 31 March, Kidlington & Gosford Leisure Centre

5.30 – 6.30 pm (except Sunday 31 March which is 5-6pm)

£2 contribution per session

#### **Outdoor youth training**

Week commencing Mon 22 April to w/c 15 July

Held at Stratfield Brake (<http://www.leisurecentre.com/stratfield-brake-sports-ground>)

- Under 15: Wednesday evenings, 6pm to 7.30pm
- Under 11 and Under 13: Friday evenings, 6pm to 7.30pm

**Under 11 team**

Age range: Years 4 to 6

Matches: Sunday mornings, 'Super 8s' soft ball pairs competition

Team manager: vacant (Mark Fransham covering as interim)

We are looking for volunteer assistance with managing the under 11s team this year – please contact Mark Fransham for details.

**Under 13 team**

Age range: Year 8 and below

Matches: Thursday evenings, 11-a-side league

Sunday evenings for Super 8s (tbc)

Team manager: Mark Fransham

We are looking for volunteer assistance with managing the under 13 super 8s team this year – please contact Mark Fransham for details.

**Under 15 team**

Age range: Year 10 and below

Matches: Monday evenings, 11-a-side league competition

Team manager: Paul Hewitt

**And for younger players: All Stars**

This year we will also be running the 'All Stars' programme that introduces children aged 5-8 years to cricket. This will start in May and will run on a Friday afternoon. Full details will be announced shortly, but you can find more information at <https://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars>.

**11-a-side or 'Super 8s'?**

We have entered 11-a-side and Super 8s leagues this year. The 11-a-side leagues are a traditional cricket format with each team having 11 players and 20 overs for their innings (1 over = 6 balls). Super 8s is designed to ensure that team members have equal levels of participation. Each side has 8 players and 16 overs for their innings. When batting, players bat as four pairs, each pair batting for four overs. If given out they continue batting, but 5 runs are deducted from the team's total. When bowling, each player bowls two overs.

**Annual membership**

Youth membership is £50 for the season, plus £10 for additional siblings. Alternatively you can buy family membership e.g. £100 for one senior player and one youth player (see [www.kidlingtoncricket.com/payments](http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com/payments) for details).

Please pay membership fees by the start of the outdoor season. They are our main source of funds for ground preparation fees, match balls and other equipment. If you have financial difficulty paying a lump sum please contact Paul, John, Mark or a member of the committee in confidence to make alternative arrangements for payment.

### **Request for volunteers**

KCC is run by volunteers, and the more the merrier! Parents of youth team players have always given enormous support, providing transport to games and cheering players on from the sidelines. Please do keep coming along to games to support our players, it makes such a big difference!

In addition to this fantastic support, we are looking for volunteers to occasionally or regularly carry out the following roles during the season:

- Team manager for the under 11s
- Team manager for the under 13 super 8s
- Scorer: we need (at least!) one person to keep score for each youth game
- Umpire: KCC needs to provide an umpire for each youth game
- Coaching assistants to assist the main coaches at training sessions
- All Stars 'Activators' to help run our sessions for younger children on Fridays May - July
- People to provide tea and cake for spectators and players during matches and/or training sessions

Please contact Mark Fransham if you are interested in volunteering; we would particularly welcome any women who are interested in getting involved. The club can provide informal training and there is also formal training run by Oxfordshire Cricket Board.

Please note that regular adult volunteers need to have a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check to ensure that they do not have criminal convictions that disqualify them from working with children. This is in accordance with our child safeguarding procedures. Applying for a DBS check is a quick and easy process provided for free via the England and Wales Cricket Board.

### **KCC team kit**

Youth team shirts and a range of official KCC kit is available direct from Surridge Sports via <http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com/shopping>. John Moss also has a small stock of youth shirts for sale directly from him. All items purchased raise money for the club.

### **Fundraising**

Membership fees and senior game match fees are our main source of income. We also rely on fundraising events and sponsorship to fund the club's activities, especially the generous support we receive from KFP Total IT Solutions and Kel-berg. If you have ideas for fundraising events or possible sponsors, please contact John Moss.

### **More information**

KCC website: [www.kidlingtoncricket.com](http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com)

KCC child protection policy and code of conduct:

[http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com/d/documents.html?group\\_id=0](http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com/d/documents.html?group_id=0)

Oxfordshire Cricket Board 2019 youth competitions handbook and provisional fixture list:

[http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com/d/documents.html?group\\_id=11915](http://www.kidlingtoncricket.com/d/documents.html?group_id=11915)

Also remember that there are opportunities to play in senior teams for older youth players and parents. Our third senior team is a youth development squad with a mixed group of youth and senior players to introduce youth players to senior cricket, and to re-introduce older players too. Matches are played on a Saturday afternoon and the team captain is Paul Hewitt.