



DATES

Annual General Meeting
Tuesday 29 November
Saffron Hotel
7:30pm

Reports, Charity accounts, election of officers and captains

Senior Nets
Walden School
 4 & 11 December:
 12:30 - 14:30

29 January 2017:
 16:00 - 18:00

Sundays, 5 February to
 26 March:
 10:00 - 12:30

(2nd April: Fenners!)

Club Dinner
Friday 24 March
2017

Golf Club 7:30pm
Three course meal, live entertainment, disco, bar

Club Open Day
Saturday 22 April
2016 10am-2pm
Sign on for the new season, buy kit, meet up with old friends, have some coaching and help raise the flag on the 2016 season.

Cricket Week
Thursday 21—
Sunday 30 July
Including fixtures against the MCC, Gents of Essex, Forty Club, and Swards End—plus our Rainbow Cricket Tournament.

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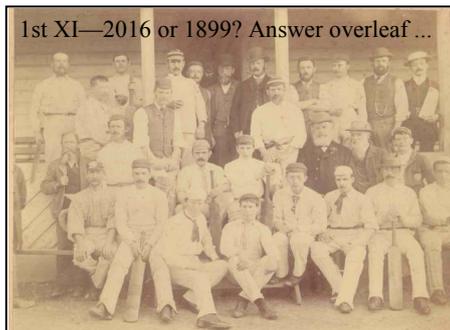
Participation v performance

Competition is in the nature of sport. As our members grow from 4 or 5 years of age to whenever they retire from the game, they will progress from an emphasis on participation to a primary emphasis on competition. It is gratifying therefore that we continue to receive compliments about the way in which SWCC plays the game and the way in which it epitomises the 'spirit of cricket'. Competitive league cricket officially begins at under 9 level (u8 at SWCC) and continues every year to u16 when our nine senior teams take over.

Youngsters can play senior cricket from age 13 although more likely at u14 at SWCC.

Our 300+ junior members including girls and disabled, 22 junior teams and 100 senior players including ladies suggest we are ticking the 'participation' box. So inclusive, yes, but we remain competitive with all senior teams finishing in the top 3 of their leagues apart from the 3rd XI who were promoted last year to a higher league and finished 5th. Eight junior teams won their leagues.

A typical Saturday saw 55 players turn out for the Crocus including about 35 Academy members. Most will be native to Walden with perhaps 8/9 joining us from elsewhere to play cricket. This year we had 3 overseas players. We are not complacent but as it stands we are balancing participation with performance very successfully.



1st XI—2016 or 1899? Answer overleaf ...

Squad	Time	Dates
U12 girls	5-6pm	Friday 6 January Friday 13 January
U10	6-7pm	Friday 20 January Friday 27 January
U11	7-8pm	Friday 3 February Friday 10 February
U12	8-9pm	
Crocus	4-5pm	
U13	5-6pm	Friday 17 February Friday 24 February
U16 girls	6-7pm	Friday 3 March Friday 10 March
U14	7-8pm	Friday 17 March Friday 31 March
U15/16	8-9pm	

Winter programme 2017

Academy members will have received a booking form for the Winter Programme with this newsletter. Please complete it (and don't forget the evaluation form on the reverse!) and send it to the address provided. All junior coaching is at the County High School Sports Hall at the times shown to the left. Senior coaching will start on Sunday 29 January at Walden School. The Emerging Player programme (by invitation) will run in conjunction with senior training but at different times.

Where are they now?

Lawrence Gooderham was club treasurer from 1967 until 1974. He was a player 1963-73 when the club was “a team of local farmers”. He moved from Loughton with his wife Anne to Little Walden in 1961. He describes himself as a ‘cricket enthusiast’ who batted number 6. Lawrence is now a very active and supportive Vice President and lives in the High Street in town.

Calling all daughters, mums, sisters, aunties, grandmothers and others.

The club has set itself the priority of attracting more female members for the 2017 season to play in the Two Counties T20 Division 2. This is important in terms of developing our own girls but is also an opportunity to attract new members both from our existing families and the town as a whole.

Change Foundation

Our Chairman took bags of second hand kit to The Change Foundation in Wallington, Surrey, to help with their refugee programme.



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Live@thepavilion

A wonderful evening was had by over 300 people. Thank you to REAL, Pellys and all involved. The youthful nature of SWCC was exemplified by the number of new DJs, dress shirts and bow ties on show!



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MCC Honour for Joe Barrs

1st XI skipper and SWCC Academy product, Joe Barrs recently visited Namibia as captain of the MCC touring team. This is a great honour for Joe and the club. The squad included two professional cricketers (Adam Wheater of Essex and Chris Wright of Warwickshire). Joe has been a member of the MCC since he was 18, seven years ago, and is now regional representative for Cambridgeshire. For further details of membership contact Joe—josephbarrs@googlemail.com

2017 Awards

Whilst the Academy has held an awards ceremony for some 11 years, the seniors only reinstated their presentation evening in 2014.

A number of the original awards have been replaced and now hold pride of place in the trophy cabinet.

The Academy and Senior Season Reviews for 2016 are now available on our website.

Sponsors

Pellys Solicitors, Rajapack, LPA, KMD Wealth Management, Saffron Insurance, Hot Pink Web Design and HCL continue to support the club on an ongoing basis. We are indebted for the support they give us along with Arkwrights, Cheffins, Adnams Brewery, Bentens, Burtons, Complete Imaging, Creativity Works, Friends of Bridge End Gardens, Goddards Electrical, Goddards Stoves, Gray Palmer, Jack and Jills, Kevin Henry, Molecular Products, Mr Cricket, Paxtons, The Old English Gentleman, Rajdhani Restaurant, Saffron Sport, Saffron Walden PAT Testing, Tony Dorren, Wilby and Burnett and YacYak. Trident plc continue to sponsorship polo shirts for club staff. Next year our Fixture Card will move to full colour. New advertisers welcome.

Saffron Walden Museum Community Display

The club is genuinely excited and honoured to be the subject of the first Community Display at Saffron Walden Museum. Thank you to Leah Mellors and our own Alison Mable for making this possible. Do go and see it over the next few months. For the first time our memorabilia and archives will be on show reflecting a long and distinguished history going back to 1757.

The photograph on the front page is NOT the 2016 1st XI!! It is the oldest photograph we have and we believe it is dated 1899.

On the back is handwritten the name “F.Wyatt”. We believe he was a baker and that he ended up living in Elsenham. *Does anyone know anything about him or his descendants?* The photograph is part of the Museum archive.

SWCC Committee

President:	Hugh Wiseman
Chairman:	David Barrs
Vice Chairman:	Tony Wiseman
Club Secretary:	Alison Mable
Club Treasurer:	Peter Hill
Club Captain:	Giles Ecclestone
Academy Co-ordinator :	David Hancock
Academy Secretary:	Julia Turner
Fixtures Secretary:	Chris Larlham
Clubhouse manager:	Linda Hancock
Social Secretary:	Sharon Willis