



The Dexter

The newsletter of Saffron Walden Cricket Club



DATES FOR 2012

AGM

County High Sports Centre
Wed 18 January 2012
7.30
Nominations/
resolutions to the
secretary

Registration Day

Saturday
24 March 2012
10am-2pm
For seniors, juniors,
VPs, friends
Sign on, buy new kit,
sell on old kit, meet
friends old and new

Senior nets

Sunday 19.
February 2012
Friends School
10-12pm

Academy winter

Programme
Alternate Fridays
Cycle 1 starts Friday
6. January 2012
Cycle 2 starts Friday
13 January 2012

Holiday

Courses

in association with
Kevin Duers
Coaching
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Fifty Years of Wisemen!

John Wiseman took over the Presidency of the club in 1961. He presided over the opening of the new pavilion in 1962. Twenty years later, in 1981, son Hugh took over and is still going strong. Four more years and he will be the longest serving President in the club's history, eclipsing Jos Lecand Taylor who served from the club's establishment in 1859 until 1890. Although the bad news is that he did serve for the 3 years leading up to the formation of the club. Altogether that makes 35 years on the trot.

The Wiseman era has seen the dawn of league cricket, the maturing of the Anglo American Playing Fields as one of the finest venues for cricket in the country, the winning of the National Club Championship in 2002 and the emergence of our Academy in 2005.

Indeed it is the quality of the playing surface that has led to the other achievements and it is in no small measure due to the care and attention of the Wiseman family. Their farming expertise has been applied on many occasions to cut, roll, treat and nurture the hallowed turf of the AAPF and

with son, Tony, playing and coaching, grandsons Johnny and Ben starting their career in the Academy and younger son Ed turning out when he can, the future is wise yet!



Hugh Wiseman is second from left—still a fine fast bowler's physique! Andrew Arnold (2010-present) is on the left. Alec Wilson (1998-2000) is on Hugh's right and on the right is Grant Douglas (2002-3)

Josh Bysouth

The club wishes to extend its deepest condolences to the family of Josh who lost his life in a tragic accident in August. He will be sadly missed by the club and his under 14 team mates.

Time	Group
Cycle 1 5-6pm	Under 7-10
Cycle 1 6-7pm	Under 11/12
Cycle 1 7-8pm	Under 13
Cycle 1 8-9pm	Under 14/15
Cycle 1 9-10pm	Under 16 full squad
Cycle 2 4-5pm	Crocus
Cycle 2 5-6pm	Under 10/11 Development Squad
Cycle 2 6-7pm	Under 12 Development Squad
Cycle 2 7-8pm	Under 13 Development Squad
Cycle 2 8-9pm	Under 14 Development Squad
Cycle 2 9-10pm	Under 15 Development Squad

Winter programme 2012

Cycle One starts on Friday 6 January and runs on alternate Fridays. Cycle Two starts on 13 January and runs on alternate Fridays. Fridays 30 March, 6 April and 13 April are reserved for one2one sessions—see booking form enclosed with this mailing.

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Where are they now?

Malcolm Wright, with his brother Kevin, joined Walden in 1983. One doesn't have far to look to see where he is now—opening the batting for the 3rds at the tender age of 63 ! Malcolm was also called up to the over-60 England Squad this season. Unfortunately, the match was called off due to rain—after Malcolm, or “Talcy” as he is nicknamed, had bought new boots and flannels! It was rearranged and Englan won—in part thanks to a 50 from Malcolm! The photo below was taken when the “Wright Brothers” joined SWCC. Talcy is standing.



Girls cricket

This is becoming a real strength of the club with 30+ girls, many playing at county level. Katherine Hawkins is captain of Essex u13 and recently played against Warwickshire at under 19 level. As the girls grow older we are now looking to establish a ladies team. If there are any ladies out there who want to join us , let us know. Contact David Barrs david.barrs@live.com

Club kit

Available from Joy Plumb 07711 633983 or joyplumb@btinternet.com

- Gunn and Moore Academy Helmets £40
 - Masuri Senior Helmets £60 (titanium grill £100)
 - Long-sleeved sweater £32/£30
 - Sleeveless Slipover £26/£24
 - Long sleeved playing shirt £26/£22
 - Short-sleeved playing shirt £25/£20
 - Club cap £8
 - Track Suit £46/£38
 - Track trouser £21/£17
 - Track Jacket £37/£30
 - Shorts £10/£8
 - Green 20/20 shirt £18/£16
- 50% off green kit this Christmas whilst stocks last.



Thanks to Helen Harris and Lisa Glydon the club had a great presence in the 2011 Carnival!

A moment in May

There was a moment in May—a warm, sunny, dry, cricketing May—that captured every aspect of the club at its best. It was a Friday evening with under 11s being inspired by Mark Hughes, Kevin Duers patiently building the confidence of our special needs cricketers in the Crocus group, Hugh Parmenter was taking whoever came to his keeping classes, Tony Smith was motivating his open-age girls squad and Nigel Tegg was carefully planning his under 14 session including the highly talented Development squad. A dozen or so more coaches were in support including a significant number of young coaches who have come up through the Academy. This was also the evening that Graham Pryke, our Essex Development Officer, came to assess us for the renewal of our Clubmark status. The sun was shining, the bar was open tended by Harry Picton-Turbervill, the ground looked stunning thanks to new groundsman Graham “Sniper “ Sneath , and we regained our Clubmark status -all was well! The following day the club fielded 5 teams for the first time in its history—and the club chairman visited all five matches. On the Sunday of that weekend the Academy coaching season was launched with nearly 100 under 10s enjoying the coaching, the under 11s beat Dunmow and, in the afternoon, we played our fist ever disabled/special needs competitive fixture. All was, indeed, well!

Sponsors

Arrow Generics, Pelly’s Solicitors, Allied Piling and HCL all continue to support the club on an ongoing basis. We are indebted for the support they give us. Complete Imaging are sponsors of the newsletter.



Dick Thake

It is with deep regret that *The Dexter* reports the passing of Dick Thake who died earlier in the year. He was a regular at the ground both as an umpire and supporter.



Strength in depth

In the past year the club has progressed immeasurably with very strong competition for places at all levels. The 2nds and 4ths gained promotion. The 5ths hit the ground running and finished in a very respectable mid-table position. The 1sts fell short of their potential in the EAPL, the 3rds just missed promotion and the midweek side came second.

This is in part due to the success of the Academy with teams being dominated by young talent. We are also attracting adults back in to cricket—quite often parents of budding Academy stars!

Selection is an increasingly rigorous process so pay your subs and make sure your captain knows you are available—both are your responsibility as players.

SWCC Committee

- President: Hugh Wiseman
- Chairman: Andrew Arnold
- Hon. Secretary: Sandy Duers
- Hon. Treasurer: Linda Hancock
- Club Captain: Giles Ecclestone
- Welfare Officer: David Barrs
- Fixtures Secretary: Andrew Arnold

Academy officers

- Director: David Barrs
- Assistant Director: David Hancock
- Finance Officer: Linda Hancock
- Assistant Welfare Officer: Helen Nash
- Schools Liaison: vacant
- Village Club Liaison: Kevin Wendelken
- Kit co-ordinator: Joy Plumb
- Press Officer: Caleb Larsen
- Fixture Co-ordinator: David Hancock
- Website managers: Peter/Ann Jordan