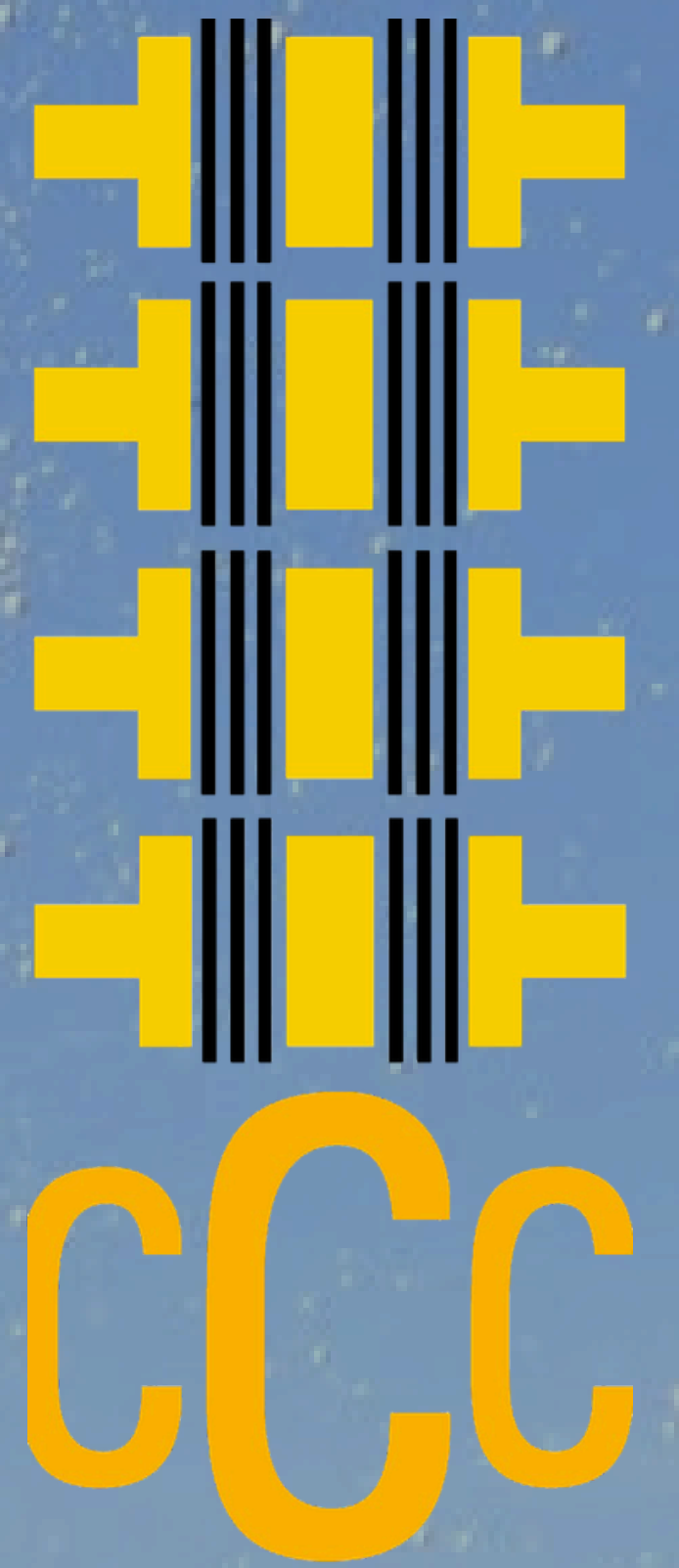


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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Hi everyone, welcome to the Autumn newsletter and a quick overview of the summer months.

I think it is fair to say we all enjoyed the warm summer months, although at times we all would have preferred a few cooler days and some rainfall. Some would say it was perfect for cricket, but speaking to the players, the temperature dropping down a few Saturdays would have been far better. The good news, though, was that it was wonderful to see so many supporters, old and new, supporting the teams and enjoying a drink or two over the weekend at the club. Those who couldn't make it were probably following on Play-Cricket and watching the live games using the social media cameras. A big thank you to Kerry and her team of mainly wonderful volunteers for keeping the bar well stocked and making everybody welcome. It felt to me, from early April, like the Cove of old, with a better atmosphere around the club, and that again is a credit to Kerry and the team. The clubhouse was extremely well attended most weekends, and the new Pringles stock seemed to go down a storm! All money taken over the bar is very well received, as we look to continue to spend money where possible to improve our facilities, inside and outside.

On that note, your committee is looking at a large project to improve and update the internal look and décor around the club. This has been in discussion for about a year now, but we are starting to make a bit more headway with some drawings and pricing. Please bear with us on this, as we will hopefully share more information by the end of the year. The finances for this are a key part of what is achievable, and obviously the longer-term income opportunities from such expenditure are something we need to carefully consider.

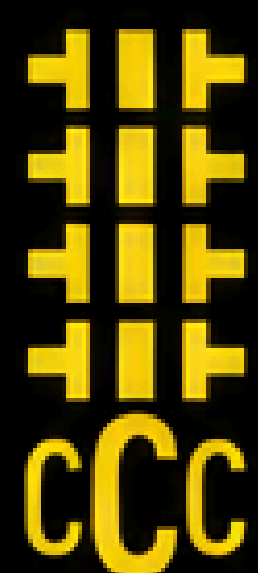
We have achieved great success with both club and player sponsorship in 2026 but are always looking out for more. If anyone knows an individual or company that is looking to partner with a club, whether in their community or not, then please do point them towards one of your committee members. Anything from overall club sponsorship to junior team sponsorship, ground and matchday sponsorship would be income well received. We do have a sponsorship booklet which, again, I am sure Kerry could share on request.

I am sure Nick will provide you with an overview of the cricket season, but what a great year for the club. Promotions, clear improvement and better player interaction and availability have all been key to the success. Next year will be tougher, but I am sure with the continued focus and enthusiasm, we will continue to move forward. Thanks to all captains, coaches and ground staff for all your efforts across the juniors and seniors.

Talking about the positives of the weather, it does have its downside. The grounds have both felt the pressure of little rain, and we are still seeing this now, as recovery on the outfield is very slow. As we speak, we are optimistic about securing some funds to reseed the outfield, obtain lots of topsoil to fill in the hollows and carry out some aeration and Verti-draining in November. 2027 should see some green outfields again and a bit flatter for the players.

Enough from me. Please continue to support the club through the dark winter months and look out for all the things happening around the club.





VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! ♥



COVE CRICKET CLUB

are always looking for people to help
make improvements to our club.

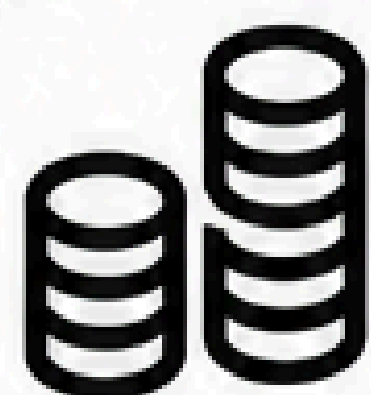
Do you have a skill that you think might be of use to us
and are **you** able to spare **some time**?

We have lots of roles, big or small, and every bit of help
makes a real difference!



ADMINISTRATION

Help with general
admin and organisation



FUNDING & GRANTS

Help us source funding,
grants and sponsorship
opportunities



EVENTS

Support with our
events throughout
the year



MAINTENANCE

Help with grounds,
facilities and general
improvements



PROJECTS

Be part of future
improvements and
development plans



SPONSORSHIP

Help to develop
and maintain
sponsorship links



IDEAS & SKILLS

Share your skills,
knowledge or experience
in any area



AND MORE...

There are many
ways to get involved
and support our club



**IF YOU CAN HELP IN ANY WAY,
PLEASE GET IN TOUCH**



CLUB CAPTAIN'S

ROUND UP

2026 SEASON REVIEW

As the season has now drawn to a close, following yet another successful awards dinner, It was great to see so many players and their families there, as well as social members who came along to support the club

I feel it's a good time to reflect on what has been on the whole a very positive season for Cove CC.

Firstly, massive congrats must go to Stu Divers and Richard Swannell, following league winning seasons for our 2s and 3s. Amazing achievement and one i hope continues into next season and beyond, for the whole club. As director of cricket (and lifelong Cove fan) seasons like these make me very proud, and it was great to see so much good cricket played across all elevens.

Dubs and the 1s finished the season in 4th place in a strong 1b division. the addition of the Martin brothers and Logan from across the pond strengthened the squad and subsequently played some great cricket at times, something we can build on for next season.

Stu and the 2s finished TOP of the league, having some experienced players consistently available alongside some exciting youngsters really made them a force in that league and hopefully keep building that into next season. Special mention must go to Alfie Short who topped the league runs and dismissals charts and Andy Short who secured most wickets in the league.

Snapper and the 3s also finished TOP of the league and secured back to back promotions which is great. Again blending experience and youth, Snapper managed the group well and the results followed. Snapper also won the Presidents award for contribution to cricket, something he greatly deserved following his years and years of service to the club on and off the field. congratulations Snapper!

Martin and the 4s Had a solid season as they made a return to the Thames valley league, finishing 7th in the league. Player availability was strong and credit must go to Martin for that!

Lara continued her rebuild of the ladies squad. They finished 4th in the league! Lara has done a great job galvanising the group and pushing her young squad forward. Long may this continue, and i look forward to seeing the young squad progress year on year. Special mention must go to Lara who topped all of the league stats, batting, bowling and catches, a great effort from Lara!

I think we can agree it was a great season all round both on and off the field, with the clubhouse always busy and some good cricket on the pitch!

We have concluded our end of season works now, as well as some improvement works to the outfield which we will hopefully see the benefits next season.

Thanks must go to all the people that help out throughout the year. The ground staff, scorers, bar staff, umpires, Kerry on the socials and all my captains for their continued effort.

Thank you to Logan who has been an absolute stalwart for the club over the season not just as our leading wicket taker but as stand in groundsman, coach and general great bloke to have around the place. He has hit the ground running back home, taking 4 wickets in his first game back! Go well Cobber Another thanks to the Divers family for their hospitality in welcoming Logan into their home and family for the season, something that is invaluable for Cove CC and I appreciate very much! Thank you x

I personally would like to thank Troy for his continued support behind the scenes, a lot of you wont see or know what Troy brings to the club on the cricket side. Let me assure you his support of cricket is unwaivering and I would like to personally thank him for all he does!

Hope everyone enjoys the close season and continue to support the club which remains open all year round!

Nick

Thanks all

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A large firework explodes in the night sky, creating a massive, multi-colored burst of light. The explosion is primarily composed of bright blue and white streaks, with some red and orange hues visible. Below the firework, a thick, billowing plume of white smoke rises from the ground. In the foreground, a dark, rectangular object, possibly a fire pit or a small structure, sits on a dark surface. A bright red fire is visible on the ground to the right of the dark object, casting a strong red glow. The overall scene is dramatic and festive.



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JUNIOR CRICKET

THE FUTURE OF COVE

A Spectacular 2026 & A New Look Ahead!

The 2026 season has been one to remember and something for our entire community to be extremely proud of. As we look back, we're thrilled to celebrate the incredible achievements, personal growth, and vibrant spirit that made this summer truly unforgettable.

Rising to the Challenge

Once again, we welcomed over 100 juniors aged 5 to 17 to the club, with standout growth in our youngest age groups.

This year, the decision was made to register all age groups into Division 1. Every single player rose to the challenge magnificently. The progress across the board has been a joy to witness, highlighted by stellar individual achievements:

- 9 players selected for the Regional Performance Centre (RPC) programme.
- 2 players earning well-deserved places in the full County Age Group (CAG) setup.

A personal highlight of the season was entering a second team at the U13 age group. It has been a number of years since we've been able to run two teams at this level, and it provided fantastic extra match opportunities for our younger and newer players.

New Look, New Cove!

Being based in the North East End of Hampshire, we always love to stand out from the crowd and we certainly did that this year!

For the 2026 season, we were extremely proud to launch a partnership with global brand Eastenderz, who has sponsored our junior section for an initial three-year period. It has been fantastic seeing every single junior looking sharp and unified in our brand-new playing shirts.

Looking Ahead to 2027

The momentum doesn't stop here. The 2027 season is already shaping up to be another brilliant year of growth for our talented junior section. We are busy behind the scenes planning new training concepts and introducing fresh coaching ideas during our winter programmes.

A Heartfelt Thank You

An incredible season like this only happens when a community comes together. A massive thank you goes out to:

- Our brilliant players and supportive parents for your energy and commitment.
- Our dedicated coaches, team managers, and hard-working ground staff for keeping us playing.
- Every volunteer who generously gave their time and passion to the club.

A special shoutout must go to Uma and her team for another highly successful year running our Colts Kitchen, and to Jack and his team for keeping us fed with fantastic BBQs all summer. Your time and effort make a massive impact on our club's matchday experience.

Thank you all for making Cove Cricket Club such a special place to play and grow. Have a wonderful winter, and we can't wait to see you all back on the boundary for a fantastic 2027!

Best of luck for the upcoming preparations,

COVE CRICKET CLUB • END OF SEASON 2026



Andy

SAFEGUARDING

As we come to the end of another successful season at Cove Cricket Club, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been a fantastic year for the club and to thank everyone who has helped make it so enjoyable.

It has been lovely to see so many children and parents enjoying everything the club has to offer, particularly on Monday and Friday training nights. Seeing the enthusiasm, smiles and enjoyment from the youngsters as they learn, develop their skills and build friendships is what makes being part of Cove Cricket Club so special. I have also been fortunate enough to watch many fixtures throughout the season, and it has been brilliant to see the children putting their training into practice, supporting one another and enjoying their cricket.

One of the real highlights for me has been seeing the growing link between our junior and adult sections. Whether that has been youngsters getting the opportunity to play alongside the adults, or simply coming down to watch and support the adult matches, it has been fantastic to see the different sections of the club coming together. Building these connections is so important in creating a welcoming, inclusive club where everyone feels part of the Cove family.

It has also been wonderful to see such great support for the club's social events throughout the season. These occasions are a big part of what makes a club like ours so special, bringing players, parents, families and friends together both on and off the field.

As we head into the off-season, I hope everyone continues to stay involved, support the club and look forward to everything next season will bring. Whether it is attending social events, supporting our adult teams or keeping in touch with club activities, every bit of support helps keep Cove Cricket Club such a fantastic place to be.

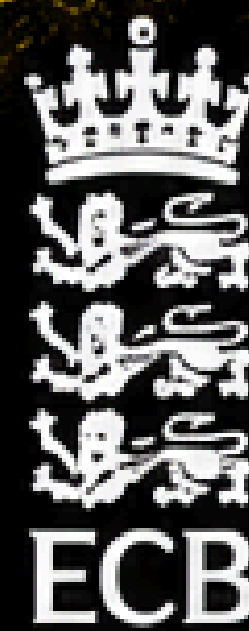
Finally, a huge thank you to all the coaches, volunteers, parents, players and everyone else who has contributed to such a successful and enjoyable season. It has been a pleasure to see so many people enjoying their cricket, and I look forward to seeing everyone again next season.

Here's to another great season for Cove Cricket Club!

Sam



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**INSPIRE
CREATE
BELONG**

THE ECB CRICKET ETHOS

**MORE PEOPLE. A BRIGHTER, HEALTHIER AND MORE INCLUSIVE
TOMORROW THROUGH CRICKET.**

At Cove Cricket Club we follow the ECB Cricket Ethos, which sets out what cricket is all about and how we want the game to be experienced at every level – from **junior cricket to senior cricket**.



INCLUSIVE

Cricket is for everyone. We welcome and value people from all backgrounds.



ENJOYABLE

Cricket should be fun, positive and enriching for all – whatever your ability.



DEVELOPING

Cricket helps people develop skills, confidence and character – on and off the pitch.



UNITED

We are stronger together – building respect, supporting each other and being part of a community.



SAFE

Cricket should be a safe and supportive environment for everyone.

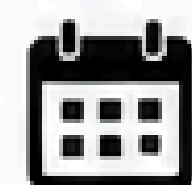


YOU'RE PART OF A TEAM

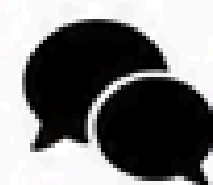
If you put your availability to play, please see it through.

Even one player being unavailable can mean the whole game needs to be conceded. Your commitment helps your teammates, the club and ensures everyone gets to enjoy the game.

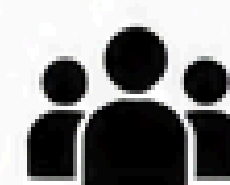
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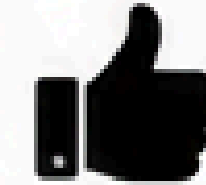
Keep your availability up to date.



Let your captain/manager know as early as possible if you can't play.



Be considerate of your teammates, coaches and opposition.



Fair play, good behaviour and respect go a long way – on and off the pitch.



Support, encourage and celebrate each other.

PLAY FAIR

RESPECT

TEAMWORK

ENJOYMENT

INCLUSION

DEVELOPMENT

SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT

CELEBRATING OUR WINNERS



1ST XI

INNINGS OF THE YEAR

Ethan Martin

MOST WICKETS

Logan Heazlewood

PLAYERS PLAYER

Max Martin

LADIES

INNINGS OF THE YEAR

Lara Gear

MOST WICKETS

Lara Gear

PLAYERS PLAYER

Abigail Addison

2ND XI

INNINGS OF THE YEAR

Alfie Short & Thomas Lynch

MOST WICKETS

Andy Short

PLAYERS PLAYER

Alfie Short

3RD XI

INNINGS OF THE YEAR

Alastair Gibbs

MOST WICKETS

Liam Gear & Richard Swannell

PLAYERS PLAYER

Fraser Gibbs

4TH XI

INNINGS OF THE YEAR

Rob Shuttleworth

MOST WICKETS

Umair Chaudhry

PLAYERS PLAYER

Umair Chaudhry

CLUB AWARDS

FEMALE BATTER OF THE YEAR

Lara Gear

BATSMAN OF THE YEAR

Ethan Martin

YOUNG FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Rachel Lynch

YOUNG PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Alfie Short

RON STRATTON AWARD

Kerry Coughlan

PRESIDENTS AWARD

Richard Swannell

W10 FESTIVAL



A Fantastic Day at Cove!

September saw the return of our annual W10 Women's Softball Festival, and what a fantastic day it turned out to be! This year we went with a 90s theme, and it certainly brought plenty of colour, laughter and some brilliant outfits to Cove.

We welcomed 13 teams to the club, with four pitches in action throughout the day. It was wonderful to see the ground so busy, with so many women enjoying their cricket in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. There was some great cricket played, plenty of laughs and a brilliant atmosphere around the club all day.

One of the highlights for us was seeing our junior boys and girls getting involved and helping to run the festival. From leading the warm-ups to umpiring and scoring matches, they all stepped outside their comfort zones and did a fantastic job. Some were very nervous beforehand, but they gave it their best, and it was lovely to see their confidence grow throughout the day. A big thank you to everyone who encouraged and supported them.

As always, an event of this size takes a lot of organising, and we couldn't do it without the support of our club members and volunteers. A huge thank you to everyone who gave up their time to help with the BBQ, raffle, cakes, teas and coffees, setting up, clearing away and everything else that goes on behind the scenes. These events simply wouldn't happen without you.

The festival is not just about the cricket. It's also a fantastic opportunity to welcome other clubs to Cove, show off what a great club we have and raise valuable funds that go straight back into supporting the club.

And, of course, we didn't stop when the cricket finished! The evening saw our Big Bash Bingo take over the clubhouse, with plenty of singing, dancing and laughter. It was a brilliant way to finish the day, although we are still disappointed that the Whiteparish ladies didn't win the six-foot inflatable unicorn to take back to their hotel and then home on the fun bus!

It was a long day for everyone involved, but seeing the club full of people enjoying themselves made all the hard work worthwhile.

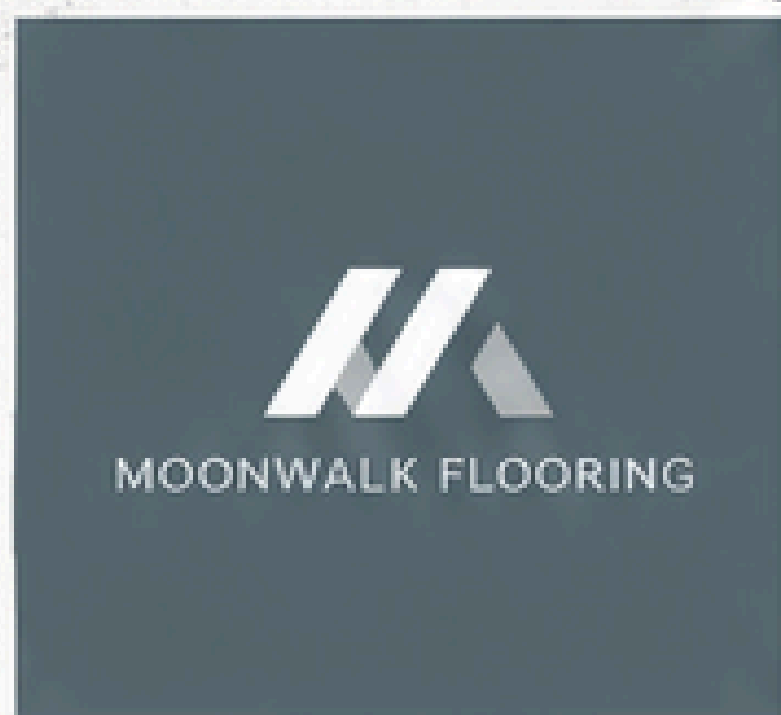
Thank you to everyone at Cove who helped make the day such a success. We are already looking forward to W10 2027 and hopefully making it even bigger and better!



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SPONSORS
FOR SUPPORTING OUR CLUB



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Join our sponsorship family in 2027

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END OF SEASON 2026

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE FAMILY IN 2027
PLEASE GET IN CONTACT WITH US AT COVE CRICKET CLUB.

PRESIDENTS DAY

ANOTHER EXCITING SEASON AWAITS



SEE YOU IN 2027

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE



The old adage that time flies when you're having fun I would imagine is ringing true with the players and members at Cove Cricket club at the moment. The season has flown by and I will leave the talk of the on-field successes to others within this newsletter but obviously wholeheartedly pass on my congratulations to all four men's teams and the women's team teams for their individual and team successes throughout the season, there have been some amazing performances by all.

I have said in previous newsletters and at this year's AGM that the Club only can prosper due to the amazing work of many volunteers at CCC and this has again been the case this year and during the season. Some of those were rightly recognised at the Senior awards night on 19th September and congratulations to all recipients at that event and at the Junior awards night also.

One thing that I did enjoy hearing at the Awards night from several of our new members that joined at the start of the 2026 season was how welcoming our Club has been. That is a great thing to hear and supports the thought that the vibe and positive atmosphere was there throughout the season, whether our teams win, lose or draw.

The Club activities as you all know to carry on a pace during the winter months and this is crucial not just for finances but also with continuity of socialising and keeping club connections going. One such example is how much Club members and wider community support and enjoy the Club's fireworks night (this year on 7th November), which is testament to the excellent organisation from all those involved, don't forget to stay for the Bingo afterwards as well. Another event the following Saturday, 14th November, is raising funds for TYAC, Teenage and Young Adult Cancer, in memory of Tasha Marisa. This is a horse racing evening, along with auction and raffle, sponsored by Shield Security and Moonwalk Flooring. Hope to see as many of you at both these events as possible, with others as always published on CCC's socials.

Thanks again to all the Executive Committee for all your work over the Summer and hopefully we can provide, as the Chairman mentions, some positive updates at the AGM of excellent progress being made off the field as well as on field this year.

Peter

Look out for our
Crowdfunder page



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FUNDRAISING FOR THE FUTURE

A MODERN, WELCOMING AND SUSTAINABLE
COVE CRICKET CLUB

Our clubhouse and facilities have served the club and community for many years, but they now need **modernising** to meet the needs of our growing membership and to make them **more energy efficient**.

We're launching a fundraising campaign to invest in the future of Cove Cricket Club – creating a modern, welcoming and sustainable facility for players, members, families and the wider community to enjoy.



UPGRADE OUR CLUBHOUSE

Modern, accessible facilities for our players, members and community.



IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Reduce running costs and create a more sustainable club.



INVEST IN OUR PLAYERS

Better facilities to support cricket at all ages and levels.



A STRONGER COMMUNITY

A modern, welcoming and inclusive space for events, social activities and local support.



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What's On

AT COVE CRICKET CLUB

GOOD COMPANY | GREAT EVENTS | ALL WELCOME

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COVE CRICKET CLUB

HALLOWEEN PARTY



SPOOKY
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GAMES



LOTS OF
FUN



SATURDAY 31ST OCTOBER



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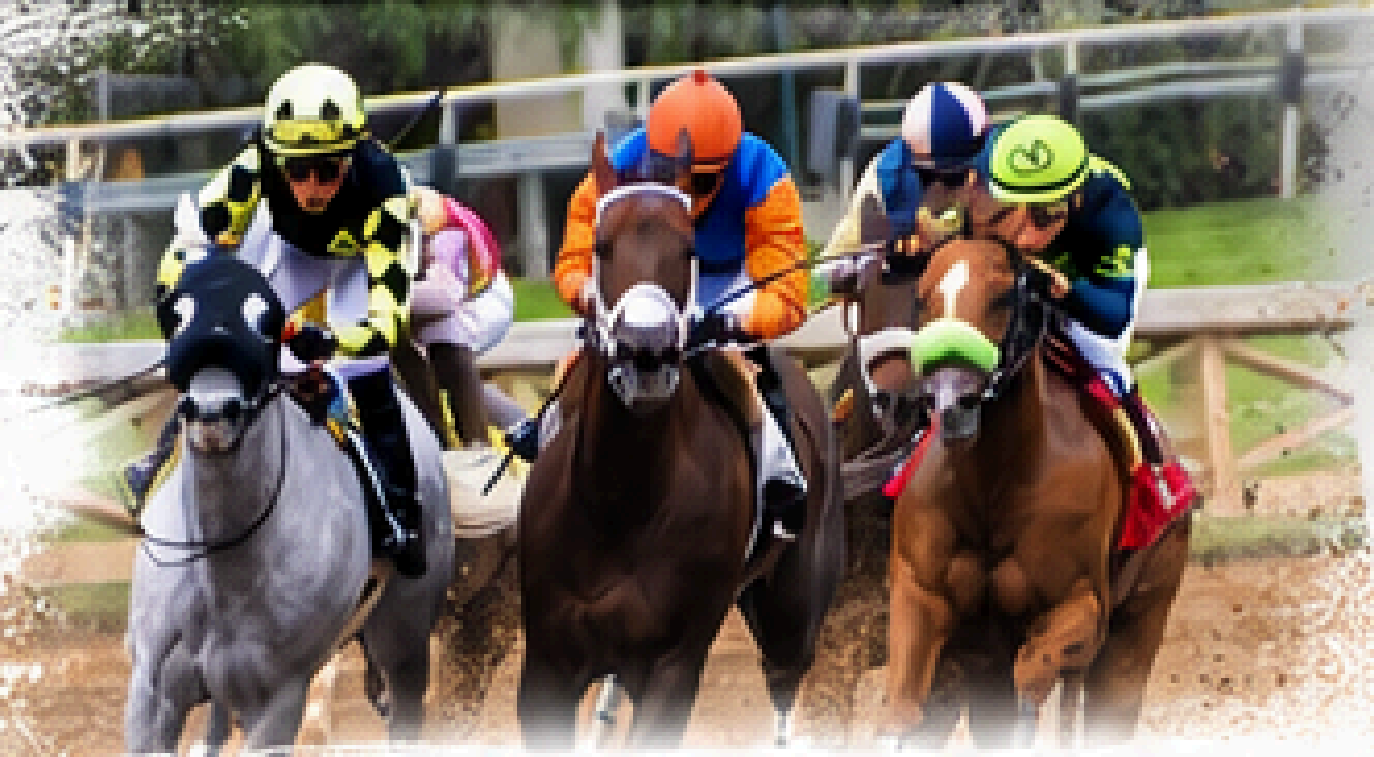
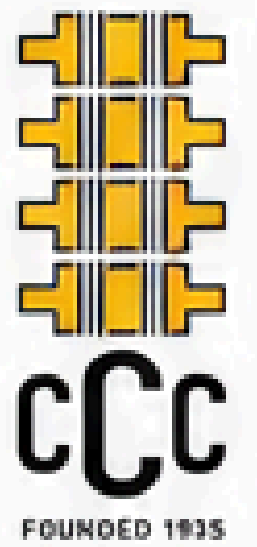
SAT
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NOV

Cove Cricket Club
presents an evening of

Horse Racing

(Including a Raffle and Auction)
In aid of TYAC.

Saturday 14th November
First Race 7.30pm



This night is sponsored by



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COVE CRICKET CLUB

CHRISTMAS PARTY

SATURDAY 19TH DECEMBER

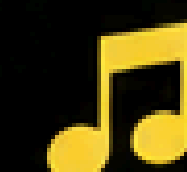
CHRISTMAS JUMPERS
ARE A MUST!

THU
31
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COVE CRICKET CLUB

NEW YEAR'S EVE Party



GREAT
MUSIC



DRINKS
AT THE BAR



GAMES
& FUN

THURSDAY 31ST DECEMBER | FROM 7PM | COVE CRICKET CLUB



COVE CRICKET CLUB

OUR CLUB, OUR COMMUNITY

MORE THAN JUST CRICKET

What a fantastic year we've had at Cove Cricket Club, both on and off the pitch! ♡

One thing that has really stood out this year is the atmosphere around the club. It's been lovely to see so many members, families and friends coming together, not just to watch cricket but to support the club and everything we do.

OUR SOCIAL EVENTS HAVE BEEN A GREAT SUCCESS

and it's been brilliant to see the clubhouse busy, people enjoying themselves and everyone getting involved. Whether it's been a quiz night, race night, a party or just a Friday evening at the bar, there's been a real sense of club spirit that we would love to keep going.



THIS IS WHAT BEING PART OF A CRICKET CLUB IS REALLY ALL ABOUT. ♡

Yes, cricket is at the heart of everything we do, but there's so much more to the club than what happens on the pitch. We have our senior teams, juniors, women and girls, volunteers, social members and so many people who give up their time to help keep the club running.

It's about everyone supporting each other and getting behind all areas of the club, whether that's attending a match, supporting a fundraiser, coming along to a social event or simply popping in for a drink. ♡

EVERY BIT OF SUPPORT MAKES A DIFFERENCE ♡

especially as we look towards making much-needed improvements to our clubhouse and facilities. The more we come together and support the club, the more we can achieve.

A MASSIVE THANK YOU

to everyone who has supported the bar and our social events this year, and of course to those who have given up their time to help organise events, work behind the bar and make sure everything runs smoothly. We really couldn't do it without you.



LOOKING AHEAD TO 2027,

we'd love to keep building on what we've started. More events, more opportunities to get together and hopefully even more members getting involved. If you've got ideas for social evenings or events you'd like to see at Cove, please let us know. We're always open to suggestions and would love more people to help make things happen. ♪ ♪

AND DON'T FORGET,

just because the cricket season has finished doesn't mean the club has closed! Our Friday evening socials continue throughout the winter from 7pm, so come along for a drink, a game of pool or darts, or just a catch-up.



GOOD
DRINKS,
GREAT PEOPLE,
BRILLIANT
ATMOSPHERE! ♡

WE'VE GOT A GREAT CLUB AND A FANTASTIC GROUP OF PEOPLE AROUND IT.

LET'S KEEP THAT ATMOSPHERE GOING AND MAKE SURE WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT EVERY PART OF COVE CRICKET CLUB.

AFTER ALL, IT'S OUR CLUB, AND THE MORE WE ALL PUT INTO IT, THE MORE WE'LL ALL GET OUT OF IT! ♡