



Amersham Cricket Club

Amersham Cricket Club is a thriving community based club set in the idyllic surrounds of the Shardeloes Estate, which many of you will know from the public footpaths that meander along the Misbourne River and through to Little Missenden, and whilst the cricket season has come to end, much is happening under the bonnet in preparation for next season.

The pavilion has already had a makeover, the ground has been put to bed with the pitches covered in fresh loam, sightscreens, picket fence and the covers all tucked away – simple, routine end of season activity. However, just a couple of miles up the road, at the Club's delightful Little Kingshill ground, is where the real work has taken place.

For those that have had the pleasure of watching or playing matches at Little Kingshill, you will know that its more rural setting can pose challenges as the ball goes beyond the boundary line – many a delayed match, and often a big waste of time. To improve this situation, a keen group of club members have battled against the years of



More tidying up will follow in the New Year, including the continued renovations of the pavilion, the development of the picket fence and the trimming of a few larger trees.



Collectively, this will provide a better cricketing experience, not only the Senior team that play here over Saturday, but also the thriving Colts section that play a number of matches at Little Kingshill midweek.



bramble and nettle growth with garden shears, shovels, various power tools and of course the mental strength of an opening batsmen. As a result of all this hard work, over a dozen balls have been found, 50 feet of chicken wire, a full ground sheet and an antique functional roller – but more importantly, the potential for a slightly longer boundary but most definitely a better cricketing experience for next season.

Additionally, although the physical upkeep of the grounds provide plenty of opportunity to build club morale, and a genuine feel good factor in the off-season, the Committee are also well and truly putting plans in place for next year's fixtures. These obviously include the regular Saturday league fixtures but also a revamped Sunday schedule, with 2 teams playing, and a mid-week social diary.

Continuing to develop our colts is also high priority for the Club and we'd like to take the opportunity to thank all of our coaches, team managers and of course their parents for traipsing their children to fixtures and training sessions over 2025. This year we managed to get 15 colts into the Buckinghamshire Cricket Pathways, which is important, and congratulations to those that have made it through. However, it's also important to note that the Club also provides a robust pathway for colts to learn and develop not only over the winter months but to also provide the ability during the season to play within the senior Saturday and Sunday teams alongside some very experienced individuals.

Winter nets have begun and will now continue every Saturday until early December for all age groups under 15. There will then be a little respite for parents over the Xmas period, until they kick back into action for a further ten weeks from the second week weekend in January 2026. These will be held at Clement St Danes School (Chorleywood), and run by Simon Stevens (from Falcon Cricket, who also runs our junior training sessions and cricket camps) and our very own Michael Payne (coach from the MCC, based at Lords). New players most welcome and please contact the following email address if interested: simoncricket@live.com, or via the Contact Us form on the club's website: www.amershamcc.co.uk.

Additionally, we are very excited be developing girls and ladies cricket at the club. This began during the summer with free taster sessions but will be developed further throughout 2026 with structured training. If this would be of interest, then please contact the following email address for more information: accgirlscricket@gmail.com.

Amersham Cricket Club's Shardeloes location, is one best kept secrets in the area with many in the local community unaware of its existence. The Committee are very keen to change this and would like greater engagement with the



wider community – either through social cricket fixtures or larger community based events. More on this as we close in on the season next year, however please get in touch via the via the Contact Us form on the club's website: www.amershamcc.co.uk if you would like join the club as a volunteer (umpire, scorer, or coach for example), a player, or indeed would like to hire the venue for that special occasion – 50ths, weddings etc.



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