



Amersham Cricket Club Report

The 2026 season will see some significant changes at Amersham Cricket Club, at the committee and player level. Within the Committee itself, the Club's long-standing Chairman, Ian Rogers has decided to stand down. Ian has had two stints as Chairman, first in the 1990's for 7 years and more recently for 15 years. Ian has been instrumental during his tenure for driving the club forward, overseeing seeing the expansion of colts and senior club members. Although Ian has stood down as Chairman, he will still have a keen interest in the club having been elected as a Club President, joining Bill Tyrwhitt-Drake and Alan Pegley. Additionally, our Club secretary Tony Chick has also been elected to stand down following his 12 years of service. Tony joined ACC when Little Kingshill joined back in 2011 and was instrumental in its onboarding. The Committee would like to thank both Ian and Tony for their tremendous efforts over such long tenures.

Sadly, it is with a heavy heart, that we must also say goodbye to Madhuka (right), our first class overseas player from Sri Lanka. Madhuka, was with the Club for 11 seasons and played in over 200 matches, scoring just short of 6000 runs at an average of 31, and taking 526 wickets at an average of 13 – not too shabby! Not only was Madhuka a great attribute on the field for the 1st XI, but he was also a part of the wider club infrastructure, helping out with the



underage teams and also coaching many individuals on a one-to-one basis. Madhuka has asked for the following words to be passed on:

"If we start something, there's always an end and I think this is the time. After 11 wonderful years with Amersham CC, I've decided to move on. I just wanted to say a huge thank you to all the players, parents and members for your support, friendship and kindness over the years. It's been an amazing journey, full of great memories on and off the field. Amersham will always be my second home and I'm so grateful for everything the club has given me.

Wishing you all the very best for the future. We'll definitely keep in touch and I'm sure we'll meet again soon."

The Club would like to take this opportunity to thank Madhuka for his commitment to the club over the years – they were immeasurable and you leave us with some fantastic memories on, and off the field! We wish you all the best for the future and look forward to catching up again in the future!



Following these departures, Chris Fleming and Renny Adams will take over as joint Co-Chairs of the club. Both have been either involved with the Committee and/or played for the club over a number of years and are very much looking forward to moving the club further forward. Joining them on the Committee is Adam Francis, who will replace Tony as Club Secretary. Adam is a regular player in the 1st XI and member of the MCC. One final addition in the Committee is the re-appointment of Amit Kochhar as Colts Chairman. Amit has been heavily involved with our colts in the recent past and it is great to have him back in the fold. The remainder of the

Committee remain: Sarita Coultate (Child Welfare Officer), Paul Weston (Treasurer), Andy Viney, Matthew Chapman (Player Representatives), Stuart Rogers (Membership Secretary).

The Committee are delighted to announce that Jack Mockford (right) will be joining us from Christchurch, NZ for the 2026 season. Jack is a right handed middle order batsmen and leg spin bowler. He has represented Otago A in NZ domestic cricket, and now plays premier league cricket for the Old Boys Collegians club in Christchurch. Jack is a school teacher and also an ECB Level 2 equivalent coach, so will therefore assume responsibility for Madhuka's coaching role. Jack will also be joined by his girlfriend Tatiana, both of whom have represented NZ in indoor cricket. We're very excited to welcome them both to the club for the 2026 season.



So with the foundations established, the season rapidly approaches. Colts nets have been running since before Xmas, and will continue until the end of March. Senior Winter nets will be starting on Thursday 5th March @ 9pm at the Chiltern Lifestyle Centre. These will run for four weeks until we move outside at Shardeloes. Senior & Colts league matches begin in early May and the very popular All-Stars Cricket programme, for the 5-8 age groups, will once again be kicking off this summer.

The club is always looking for volunteers, new players (seniors and colts), social members, sponsorships and wider community participation in club events. Please get in touch via our contacts page on the website; www.amershamcc.co.uk if you think you can help out in any way: Playing, umpiring, scoring, bar tendering – either side of the bar!

Speaking of club events, the following provides a high level agenda for what has currently been planned by the events committee for 2026. Get the dates into your diaries now but more will follow!



- 5th March: Winter Nets begin
- 18th April: Club Open Day: Registration for Colts & Seniors. Games & food
- 25th April/2nd May: Pre-season fixtures
- 9th May: Senior League starts
- 20th June: Summer Party: Marquee event at Shardeloes
- 18th July: Shardsfest: Family entertainment with DJ at Shardeloes
- 5th September: End of season awards

We are also in the unique position of being able to provide access to a large marquee for select mid-week days, commencing 21st June. If this is of interest please contact Tophat Marquees on: 07894 23820 to discuss specific terms.

We look forward to sharing more with you in the coming months!



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