



Steeton Cricket Club

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WELCOME TO STEETON JUNIOR CRICKET 2011

For those of you who have been at Steeton Cricket Club in previous seasons, you will be aware that we are committed to developing the skills of the young cricketers at the club and making practise nights and playing matches an enjoyable experience. For new members, we hope you will find the club somewhere you will receive excellent coaching and have fun.

JUNIOR REGISTRATION AND OPEN EVENING

Fri 15 & Fri 22 April 2011 6:30pm onwards

The open evenings enable parents to find out about the club and meet other members. We sincerely hope parents become regular users of the social facilities on offer and enjoy the cricket played at the club.

THE CLUB

Steeton Cricket Club is a **Focus Club** status and accredited with **ClubMark**, which means the club is seen to have a structured junior development programme incorporating Child Welfare issues. Yorkshire Cricket Board officials recognised the work put in by the club's coaches and players who have helped to create a safe environment for junior cricket.

Another part of the criteria is the club has a Development Plan demonstrating commitment towards the development of young players and coaching standards, and providing evidence of formal partnerships with schools and local community groups.

As with most clubs, we rely on volunteers and we are very keen for parents to become involved and make known whatever skills they may have which could benefit the club. Key indicators of success are membership levels and increases in parental assistance and volunteer participation generated within the club.

Basically, the volunteer decides how much time is put in and, however little, **the club appreciates your time and welcomes your involvement.**

**PLEASE OFFER WHATEVER TIME AND SKILLS YOU CAN
..... just make yourself known and have a word with Dave Procter,
Keith Meakin, John Akrigg, Mick Wilson or Julian Higginson**



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JUNIOR CRICKET

The junior teams and players are the future of Steeton Cricket Club and importantly, the club has a Child Welfare Policy, a Health & Safety Policy and a Sports Equity Policy, compliant with the ECB guidelines. All policies have been adopted from the ECB 'Safe Hands - Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children' policy document, (a copy of 'Safe Hands - Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children' which is the latest ECB policy document is attached to the junior section notice board and can be viewed on the ECB web-site or at www.steeton.cc)

The club has a Child Welfare Manager and a Club Development team who are more than willing to answer any questions or concerns you may have during the season.

Training sessions take place at the Summerhill Lane ground on Friday's between 6:30pm and 8:30pm subject to weather, commencing 22 April 2011. We appreciate if children can arrive promptly and are collected after the session. If you are going to be delayed picking your child up or need to make alternative arrangements, please contact the appropriate coach. The ECB expects and the club ensures that players wear suitable clothing, helmet and appropriate safety kit for coaching sessions. The coach will advise on what individuals need to provide.

Fixtures for each age group have now been confirmed and the coaches will inform you of the dates, venues and meet times if selected to play in matches. As with training sessions, we would appreciate prompt arrival and the necessary arrangements for collection after the match. With regard to travelling to away matches, the club has a policy to record details of the drivers and the vehicles as part of its Child Welfare Policy.

Players must wear suitable whites, helmet and appropriate safety kit for matches. They should also follow the junior club rules and Code of Conduct at all times when representing the club.

We very much look forward to seeing you at the club and appreciate your support.

Dave Procter
Club Development Manager



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JUNIOR CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact	Position in club	Telephone
Dave Procter	Club Development Manager	H - 01535 611668 M - 07814346680
Julian Higginson	Club Treasurer	H - 01535 654775 M - 07533639954
David Robinson	U9's Team Manager/ Coach	M - 07795108830
Keith Meakin	Child Welfare Manager U11's Team Manager/ Coach	H - 01535 658527 M - 07774452202
John Akrigg	U13's Team Manager/ Coach	H - 01535 652893 M - 07779998506
Mick Wilson	U17's Team Manager/ Coach	H - 01535 653535 M - 07810478092

For an update of news and information regarding the club go to the club's web-site at www.steeton.cc There is a junior section on the site which provides details of each age group and has an essential link to the Upper Airedale Junior Cricket League web-site for information about the league and cups in this year's junior fixture programmes.



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MEMBERSHIP

Please complete the attached junior club membership form in full. For the safety of your child it is important that the club is informed of any medical condition or allergies that may be relevant should your child fall ill or be involved in an accident while at the club.

There are a couple of additional forms that also need to be completed as part of the club's child welfare and safety commitment, regarding photographs and video recordings of junior cricket by or on behalf of the club, and the transportation of juniors to matches and events.

If you would like to talk to someone at the club about this information or your child's involvement with the club, please contact either **Keith Meakin (Child Welfare Manager)**, **Dave Procter (Club Development Manager)**, **Mick Wilson (Club Secretary)** or any of the coaches

DONATION TOWARDS JUNIOR CRICKET (1 April 2011 - 31 March 2012)

Individual playing membership	£30 per junior
Family package	
2 adults + 1 playing junior	£35 total
2 adults + 2 playing juniors	£50 total
Each additional junior player add £15	

Please note:

Adult membership is normally £10 per person so the family package enables up to two parents/ guardians to become Social members for just £5.00

The club is a Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASC) and as such, we can reclaim basic rate tax if you complete the attached Gift Aid form when you make your donation. Gift Aid money will help to provide kit and equipment for junior players representing Steeton Cricket Club.

The benefits of junior membership includes:-

- use of the facilities when the club is officially open;
- free entrance to family and junior events organised and promoted by the club during the membership year;
- free coaching at Friday night practise sessions for all juniors carried out by qualified coaches in the safe and child friendly environment;
- no match fees when playing in league or cup games;
- cover by the clubs insurance policy when they are taking part in a scheduled coaching session and being supervised by a club official, or playing a match on behalf of and organised by the club;

Remember - your donation towards junior cricket should be paid at registration or when attending your first coaching session to ensure you are covered by the clubs insurance policy.



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Once again, we are very pleased to welcome you to Steeton Cricket Club.

To ensure that we have the contact details please return the completed annual application form to **Keith Meakin (Child Welfare Manager)**, **Dave Procter (Club Development Manager)**, **Mick Wilson (Club Secretary)** or **Julian Higginson (Club Treasurer)**

We will also use this information to keep you informed about club events.

CLUB NOTES and INFORMATION

Child Welfare Policy

Keith Meakin - Child Welfare Manager - tel nos 01535 658527 (H) 07774452202 (M)

He will:-

- Act as the first point of contact for the reporting of Child Welfare issues and concerns;
- Help and safeguard Juniors by promoting and implementing the ECB 'Safe Hands - Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children' adopted by the club;
- Be a source of advice and information within the club, and raise awareness of others at the club;
- Uphold confidentiality in all Child Welfare matters; and
- Liaise with the County Welfare Officer when and where appropriate.

Coaches

- All qualified volunteer coaches actively working in the junior programme at the club have completed a Criminal Record Bureau (CRB) check, and all volunteer coaching assistants and helpers will have completed a Self Certification Form.

Junior Club Rules

- All members must play within the rules and in the spirit of the game;
- All members must respect officials and their decisions, and respect opponents;
- **Do not show dissent** – such behaviour invites disciplinary action from the club;
- Never make derogatory remarks or gestures about opponents;
- Never try to intimidate the opposition by threats or excessive celebrations;
- Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their team coach if they are going to be late;
- Members must wear cricket whites and suitable training or cricket shoes, helmet and appropriate safety kit for matches, and suitable clothing, helmet and appropriate safety kit for training sessions, as agreed with the team coach;
- Members must pay any fees for training or events promptly;
- Junior members are not allowed to smoke on club premises or whilst representing the club at competitions; and
- Junior members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the club premises or whilst representing the club;



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- All players under the age of 18 years must wear helmets when batting and when keeping wicket.

Sports Equity Policy - the club is committed to ensuring that equity is incorporated across all aspects of its development and in doing so, it acknowledges and adopts the following Sport England definition of sports equity:-

- **Sports equity is about fairness in sport, equality of access, recognising inequalities and taking steps to address them. It is about changing the culture and structure of sport to ensure it becomes equally accessible to everyone in society;**
- The club respects the rights, dignity and worth of every person, and will treat everyone equally within the context of their sport, regardless of age, gender, race, ethnicity, religious belief, sexuality or social/ economic status;
- The club is committed to everyone having the right to enjoy their sport in an environment free from threat of intimidation, harassment and abuse;
- All club members have a responsibility to oppose discriminatory behaviour and promote equality of opportunity; and
- The club will deal with any incidence of discriminatory behaviour seriously, according to club disciplinary procedures.

Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them;
- Publicly accept officials' judgements and discourage unfair play and arguing with officials;
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results. Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performances of all;
- Never force your child to take part in sport;
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes;
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport; and
- Use correct and proper language at all times.

Club Changing Facility Guidelines - the club has applied the following guidelines, which apply to adults and juniors (under 16 years) sharing changing facilities:-

- Adults should try to change and shower at separate times to juniors;
- If juniors are uncomfortable changing or showering with adults, no pressure will be placed on them to do so.

Sporting Information (for new members)

- If you child has played cricket before at Primary School, Secondary School, through Local Authority coaching sessions, at another club or through another source, please inform the club at registration.

REGISTRATION DETAILS and PAYMENT RECEIPT				
Name	Membership no.	Payment received with thanks	Date	Cheque / cash