



Bramshaw Cricket Club



April 2016

Chairman's Chat

The 2016 cricket season is only just 2 weeks away so for those of you who have not been actively working, running the club or playing indoor cricket, during the winter it is time you got your whites out of storage ready for the start of the club season. The first game is on the 23rd April against Woodgreen.

Firstly I would like to welcome to Bramshaw all the new members who join us after the merger with Nomansland and to all the others who are joining the club. As a result of the merger we will be running three teams on Saturdays and 2 midweek which will be a challenge to the club. Therefore, we hope that all members of the club will rise to the occasion and support the team captains.

As always the club has a lot of work to prepare the 3 cricket grounds (Bramshaw, Nomansland & Landford) as well as getting the Bramshaw and Nomansland pavilions ready for the start of the season. We are proposing to give the pavilions their spring cleans on Saturday 16th April:

1. **Nomansland from 10a.m. Please contact John Barrett if you are able to help.**
2. **Bramshaw from 2p.m. Please contact Arthur Stickland if you are able to help.**

This will include a thorough cleaning of the kitchens, toilets tea and changing rooms (2 work parties will be required, one for each pavilion).

Again a major focus for the club is to get the Landford Ground ready for the colts training. Late last year we were given permission by Landford Parish Council to install an artificial playing strip which will greatly help with the training of the colts but also the of senior members. This is being totally paid for by Bramshaw with the help of very generous donations and sponsorship. We expect the strip to be installed early in May. Also a new bowling machine is being purchased thanks to sponsorship.

Training night details will be issued shortly.

The 2016 fixture card is printed and copies can be obtained from the captains and Brian. The Club web site has the full list of Club Officers and match details. Senior friendlies start on 23rd April. Border League begins on 3rd May.

Hampshire League starts on 7th May
Colts games begin on 5th May

The indoor team has performed really well this winter playing in the South Hampshire Indoor League at Fleming Park at Eastleigh. With one match to go they could gain promotion to Division 2 at the first attempt. (See Tom's report below). Many thanks to Tom Arnold who has captained the side and to all the other members who have played their part in a very successful start at Fleming Park.

All the various League AGMS have been attended by one or more of the committee members over the winter period. There were no changes to the Hampshire League rules in what was quite a controversial undemocratic meeting.

As always each year we have to deal with a new set of regulations. Last year it was the use of chemicals and pesticides on cricket wickets. This year we have the Bar Licensing Inspection which will take place in early May.

As previously mentioned we have a lot of preparation work to do to get our grounds and pavilions in a fit state for play so any help that any member can provide will be gratefully received.

The setting up of the colts training at Landford was a new venture for the club last year. This worked very well but will continue to need commitment and support from all club members. Some help from parents mainly on training nights will help us enormously throughout the season. Contacts for anyone wishing to help are Brian, Zane or Arthur. Details will be posted on the website in due course.

Will all playing members please make contact with the various captains to let them know of their availability for the start of the season.

To attract new members, the Club has produced an information postcard (see below) which is being distributed to the local schools, pubs etc. Remember we do need more playing members so if you know of anyone please bring them along to the club.

Let's hope for a sunny summer and lots of enjoyable cricket.

Arthur Stickland - Chairman.



TWO BEAUTIFUL GROUNDS

ONE CLUB

Bramshaw and Nomansland Cricket Clubs have joined forces with the Landford Cricket academy to create a super club catering for all the cricketing needs of Bramshaw, Landford, Nomansland and further afield.

Junior coaching for U13s takes place on a Monday night at Landford Recreation ground facilitated by Level 2 coaches.

Anyone over 13 is welcome to play in our adult teams which include 2 evening league teams, 3 Saturday league teams and a Sunday friendly team. We cater for all abilities.

For more information please visit www.bramshawcricketclub.co.uk or email andy@bramshawcricketclub.co.uk

SOUTH HAMPSHIRE INDOOR CRICKET LEAGUE

Indoor win on the last game will secure promotion!

Bramshaw are on the brink of getting promoted to division 2 in the Indoor cricket at Fleming Park. This is the first year at Fleming Park after moving from Romsey School. Bramshaw have fitted straight in only losing 1 game. The final game is on the 17th April 7.15pm start and a win will secure promotion in second place. Noticeable performances during the indoor season have been Zane D'Monte with the bat who is currently sitting in second place on 180 runs 30 runs behind the top scorer with one game to go. Other performances have been Joe Coombes with bat and ball and Johnny Murray with good economy of 6 runs per over. Starting in Division 3 hopefully Bramshaw will look to secure a place in Division 1 over the next few years. Thanks to Teresa and Ben for scoring and Bones with his great support shouting from the pitch side.

Indoor Squad: Simon King, Zane D'Monte, Johnny Murray, Joe Coombes, Tom Arnold (C), Josh Arnold, Michael Kingston, Jonty Loveless

Tom Arnold (Captain)

INDOOR LEAGUE TABLE

	Name	W	L	Tied	Bat	Bowl	Points
1	Southampton Travellers	9	9	0	0	42	37
2	Burridge B	9	7	2	0	30	35
3	Bramshaw	8	7	1	0	29	27
4	Hythe & Dibden B	8	5	3	0	22	28
5	Whalesmead Thistle	8	4	4	0	22	26
6	BAT	9	3	6	0	21	24
7	Friends	8	3	5	0	18	25
8	Ashurst Adders	9	2	7	0	14	18
9	Oakmount	8	1	7	0	12	22
10	Southampton Community B	8	1	7	0	11	14

INDOOR BATTING AVERAGES

Name	Innings	N/O	Runs	High Score	Average
Zane D'Monte	8	4	180	43	45
Tom Arnold	8	4	139	34	34.75
Simon King	8	1	136	50	19.43
Joe Coombes	6	1	91	27	18.2
Josh Arnold	6	2	61	25	15.25
Johnny Murray	5	1	57	27	14.25
Jonty Loveless	2	1	17	17	17

INDOOR BOWLING AVERAGES

Name	Matches	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Average
Joe Coombes	7	16.1	131	6	21.83
Johnny Murray	6	10	60	6	10
Zane D'Monte	8	10	63	4	15.75
Jamie Martin	1	3	17	3	5.67
Josh Arnold	7	21	177	2	88.5
Tom Arnold	8	16.1	131	2	65.5
Jonty Loveless	2	5	35	1	35
Mike Kingston	1	2.2	37	0	0

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 16th April

Pre season preparation of the pavilions and grounds:

1. Nomansland from 10a.m. Please contact John Barrett if you are able to help.
2. Bramshaw from 2p.m. Please contact Arthur Stickland if you are able to help.

Please come along and help if you can.

APRIL FIXTURES

Saturday 23rd. April Club XI Woodgreen (Away)

Saturday 30th. April Club XI Bramshaw A v B (Home)

FIRST LEAGUE MATCHES

Saturday 7th. May

1st XI Rowledge 2 (Home)

2nd XI Beaulieu (Away)

3rd XI Brockenhurst 2 (Home)

**Saturday 30th. April 7 for 7.30p.m.
PRE-SEASON SOCIAL**

This years pre-season social is going to be at The Empress of Blandings in Copythorne on the 30th April after the inter club game. If you would like to come please could you have a look at the menu:

<http://www.bramshawcricketclub.co.uk/Social/Party%20Menu%202016.pdf>

and send your food choices to Mark Angel or to andy@bramshawcricketclub.co.uk by the 23rd April 2016. Everyone is welcome so let's start the season off in style.

INDOOR NETS

Indoor Nets – Hounslow School 7p.m. – 8.30p.m.
Thursday April 14th, 21st, 28th.

Committee Round Up

Meeting held on Tuesday 5th. April 2016

1. Richard Manley attended the meeting to put forward a proposal that we could consider having a new pavilion at Bramshaw. The crucial factor seemed to be the renewal of our lease. This is being investigated. Any decision on a new pavilion would have to be put to all the members.
2. We have joined the Nat West Cricket Force scheme.
3. A new all weather wicket is to be installed at Landford in May.
4. We are purchasing a new bowling machine.
5. A postcard advert is being sent out to local schools and organisations advertising the merger between Bramshaw and Nomansland.
6. Net sessions have been organised at Hounslow School . 7p.m. – 8.30p.m. Thursday April 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th.
7. Club clothing is now going to be ordered through Serious Cricket. See their web site at:
<https://seriouscricket.co.uk/teamwear/stores/bramshaw-cricket-club/>
8. Teresa is organising DBS forms for the players that need DBS clearance.
9. Andrew is organizing a tour to Gloucester in September.
10. Phil and Ian are going to liaise closely to make sure the collection of membership fees goes smoothly at the beginning of the season.
11. We are buying a new microwave for the pavilion.

PLAYER PROFILE

IAN LOVELESS – CAPTAIN 3rd. XI



Ian started his cricket career more as a Leg Break bowler for Calmore Colts but found it difficult to get game time with the Second XI at that time. At Embley Park School he was U16 Captain and his batting developed under the teaching of Tony Forward and Phillip Fawkes. He became a reliable opening bat or top 3 and took some wickets for Calmore after two successful seasons at Bishops Wordsworth Sixth Form playing with some outstanding talent. After the family moved to Nomansland he followed his Brother Roger in to the Nomansland CC led by the amazing power hitting / strokemaking of Brian Hart. He still played some odd games for Calmore Wanderers. Ian has been an outstanding and very fast fielder in the covers and running between the wickets for all of his career until he reached 45 when a hernia op slowed him down and he now prefers mid wicket or mid on. He has played for Nomansland CC since 1977 - he was part of arguably the most successful period of promotions but happily played second fiddle to his brothers batting and bar two seasons in 81-82 where he went off and did National Offshore Powerboat racing within Team Suzuki and a further gap from Summer 1993 to 1995 as he went to live in Melbourne, Australia he returned for 1.5 years to be part of the team that won all games in a season in 1996 to be the 1996 – HCL West 2 Winners before leaving in 1997. He was also part of the 1986 – NFL Stone Cup Winners team. In two periods in Australia he played for Malvern CC (briefly) but mostly for Yarra Park CC in the Mercantile league (MCA) in B/C Grades. His highest score was a 112 Not Out (he jokingly said in the 90's he was one of very few Englishman to score a 100) and a useful third change bowler Off/Leggies mixed up. As Captain Ian enjoys giving everyone a chance to develop their strengths and have a go. He is happy to watch the youngsters take risks and grow and sees that as his main aim in 2016-17 to get a nucleus of wise heads and younger talent to develop and build a core for the 3rds. His favourite shot is the Square cut or On Drive and he plans to bowl a few overs of leggies and offies.

Ian Loveless.