



# BUCKS CRICKET News

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## CLUB DEVELOPMENT ROADSHOWS

Club Development Roadshow evenings will take place across the county to support clubs, players and volunteers to maintain vibrant cricket throughout the Bucks cricket club network.

We recognise the importance of our clubs and the inherent value of the people behind the running of local cricket.

The evenings will consist of presentations, workshops and discussions, that will enable clubs to improve in a variety of areas, plus a buffet for some light refreshments.

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New Bradwell CC Milton Keynes, MK13 7AD	Tuesday 10th May 6:30pm - 9:00pm	{i} Promoting your Club - Knowing your market {ii} Funding - what's out there and how to access {iii} Milton Keynes Sports Strategy for Cricket
Chesham CC Chesham, HP5 1NE	Thursday 19th May 6:30pm - 9:00pm	{i} Recruiting & retaining volunteers {ii} Funding - what's out there and how to access {iii} Challenges for recreational cricket
High Wycombe CC Wycombe, HP11 1DE	Thursday 26th May 6:30pm - 9:00pm	{i} Recruiting & retaining volunteers {ii} Funding - what's out there and how to access {iii} Coaching Player Development & CPD.

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**Contact Clifton Simms / 07791 197187 to book your places**

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Bucks Cricket News targets the cricketing network of Buckinghamshire - youth and adult players, parents, clubs, schools, community groups, organisations and agencies and to encourage them to join with us in developing better cricket opportunities for all to access.

Published monthly, we welcome suggestions for future content, improvements and feedback, please contact us at [support@bucksccb.org](mailto:support@bucksccb.org)



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# YORKSHIRE TEA NATIONAL CRICKET WEEK 20-24 JUNE



Schools all over the country will enjoy a week of cricket-themed activity in both the classroom and playground during Yorkshire Tea National Cricket Week. Over 1,600 schools take part in this Chance to Shine event every year and turn their timetable over to cricket. For details and to sign up please [click here](#).



## FUNDING NEWS

Spring into action this May and apply for funding to boost your club, project or organisation.

### Tesco Bags of Help

Grants for facilities to improve green spaces in communities e.g. building new pocket parks, sports facilities, woodland walks and community gardens.



Grants available from £8,000 - £12,000.

Application deadline: Round two is open 18 April 2016 until noon on 3 June 2016.

[Find out more](#)

### Leap Coaching Fund

Funding to support and develop coaches delivering within Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes. Leap have a Coaching Fund of up to £400 available which can help individuals achieve leadership or coaching qualifications



Application deadline: On-going

[Find out more](#)

### Comic Relief Local Communities Programme



The programme aims to empower local people, enabling them to create lasting change in their communities. Grants of between £1,000 and £10,000 are available

Application deadline: 19th October 2016

[Find out more](#)



### Playing Fields Legacy Fund

Funding for investment in playing fields. Grants of up to £10,000 are offered for drainage, levelling, re-turfing, ATPs, MUGAs and pavilions.

Application deadline: On-going

[Find out more](#)

### Ground, Weather and Light Guidance

ECB ACO has published new guidance for recreational umpires. All ECB ACO members have received a booklet and A6 guidance card in their pre-season magazine. [Click here](#) to view the guidance booklet and [click here](#) to view the A6 guidance card.



# ECB CLUB OPEN DAYS SUPPORTED BY WAITROSE



The ECB Club Open Days will be running again this summer. Participating clubs will once again receive £100 to spend at Waitrose and a pack of goodies to help run their event. Clubs will be encouraged to host their Open Days in July and August and use them to invite families and children to join in a day of fun! Registrations are now open - [click here](#).

## THE ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO CRICKET GROUNDSMANSHIP



The Essential Guide to Cricket Groundsmanship is the ultimate, easy to access companion for all Groundsman. Available on desktops, smartphones and tablets, this resource features easy to follow advice supported by videos and high-quality images. The tools help clubs know what to do, how to do it and when to do it! [Please click here](#).

Materials | Tasks & Operations | Seasonal Management

### The Essential Guide to Cricket Groundsmanship

Welcome to this dedicated resource for groundsman from the ECB's Places team

#### Welcome to the new site

Welcome to the ECB's Essential Guide to Cricket Groundsmanship, the first point of reference for cricket club volunteers to find practical guidance on maintaining and developing their ground.

Using easy to follow text, images and videos this resource guides you through the operations undertaken on a cricket ground and the equipment and materials used.

Whether you are swatting up at your desktop or on the go with a smart phone or tablet, this resource is here to help every step of the way as you look to produce high quality pitch and ground performance at your club

#### Why groundsman do their job

Introduction to the site

# SPIRIT OF CRICKET

As we progress with the 2016 Club Colts competitions, a timely reminder of everyone's obligation to uphold and promote the SPIRIT OF CRICKET.

I have already have had brought to my attention an incident of a parent, from the boundary, berating the Umpire on his interpretation of the front foot no ball law! Whether the umpire in question was right or wrong is irrelevant. The Spirit of Cricket is specific on the subject. It is against the Spirit of the Game to dispute an umpire's decision by word, action or gesture.

Colts of all ages are highly impressionable youngsters, learning the game and its traditions.

We would ask all Clubs to impress on their parents and supporters that this is cricket.



*Bucks Youth Cricket Trust*  
Helping Youth Cricket in Buckinghamshire

## WICKETKEEPING MASTERCLASS FOR COLTS & YOUNG PLAYERS

Bucks Youth Cricket Trust in memory of the late Jeremy Suter are pleased to be hosting FREE wicket keeping masterclass sessions, to support and develop club aspiring keepers between 12 – 17 years of age.

**Sunday 5th June**

Beaconsfield Cricket Club - contact; Charles Pugh [charpugh09@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:charpugh09@yahoo.co.uk)



## SCHOOLS CRICKET

With the busy period underway Bucks Cricket are supporting over 60 Primary and Secondary schools throughout the county. Delivering high impact sessions, the BCB Schools team will be endeavouring to inspire as many children as possible to take up the game that we love, and take up the opportunity to join one of our affiliated cricket clubs. This year BCB are placing a huge emphasis on supporting clubs and schools to develop sustainable links which will last for many years to come.

On top of the activity delivery programme we are also stepping into competition season for our cricketing schools. In 2016 we will be hosting 8 district Kwik Cricket festivals and County finals.

If your school is interested in enrolling in your area festival please contact your local School Games Organiser or our Schools Delivery Coordinator – Andy Ward: [andy.ward@buckscc.org](mailto:andy.ward@buckscc.org) / 07807 062560

### The district Kwik cricket festivals and venues are as follows;

Date	Schools Area	Location
Mon 16th May	Alfriston Schools Partnership	Burnham CC
Tues 17th May	Mandeville Schools Partnership	Dinton CC
Tues 24th May	Wycombe / Marlow Sch Partnership	Wooburn CC
Thur 26th May	Amersham Schools Partnership	Chesham CC
Tues 7th June	Wolverton & MK Nth Sch Partnership	Wolverton CC
Wed 8th June	Milton Keynes Central Sch Partnership	Milton Keynes CC
Thur 9th June	Bletchley & MK Sth Sch Partnership	Bletchley Town CC
Tues 14th June	Buckingham Schools Partnership	Cublington CC
<b>Weds 22nd June</b>	<b>County Finals</b>	<b>High Wycombe CC</b>



# Bucks County Representative Cricket

A warm thank you to all who attended the pre-season parents, players and coaches meeting on Tuesday 18th April. Richard Hudson (Bucks Cricket Head Coach) and David Court (ECB) presented on the approach to long-term player development. If you would like any further information on this, contact Richard [richard.hudson@bucksclub.org](mailto:richard.hudson@bucksclub.org) / 07753 639082

Fixtures have begun to get underway for all of Bucks CB Age Group representative squads. Follow all the scores and performances on our new Twitter page <https://twitter.com/BucksCBpathway> or check the scorecards on our play-cricket sites: <http://bucksclub.play-cricket.com/> & <http://buckinghamshirewomen.play-cricket.com/>

Pre-season highlights include Player Pathway graduate Xavier Owen representing Durham MCCU alongside Bucks CCC's Charlie MacDonell, Brandon Allen receiving a Gloucestershire CCC debut and Bucks Cricket Board coaches Jason Rance & Robin Pritchard, alongside AJ Woodland and Uzair Amjaid selected in the Buckinghamshire County Club squad.

\*Recommended reading for coaches:

Paddy Upton on his coaching approach at Sydney Thunder, as they won the Big Bash earlier this year: <http://www.espn.com/cricket/story/992393.html>



## NatWest Cricketforce

- 27 clubs • 400+ volunteers
- 1200+ working hours

Another fantastic turn-out at our clubs for the NatWest CricketForce weekend.

