



# Shepley Junior Cricket Club

## Newsletter #3

May 2011

The first month of training has been a real hit, there seems to be a real buzz around the club on Friday evenings which has been lacking in recent years. We are very happy to see so many children who are keen to enjoy and develop their cricketing skills. This is largely thanks to you, the parents, for allowing them to do so by giving up your time to bring them along.

As a coaching unit, we are all relatively new to hosting sessions with such large numbers of children. Therefore this season will be a learning experience for us all hopefully to find the perfect way of delivering fun, exciting and educational sessions to be enjoyed by all.

### **Team Selection**

Due to large amounts of registered players, especially in the Under 9 section, we shall be using a rota system to decide who plays in the competitive games. This means that players will therefore miss some of the games; we feel that this is the fairest way so that everyone will put what they have learnt in training into a competitive situation. However, if your child doesn't want to play and is happy just training, please let one of the coaches know.

During the season, there will be occasions when people will be away on holiday. Can we ask that you let us know so that we can use these dates for games that your child may miss out on selection, meaning they will only be selected when they are available?

### **Protective Equipment**

From the U11's upwards it is necessary for children to wear protective equipment, such as helmets, pads and gloves etc. As mentioned previously, the club does have some of this equipment, but not enough for the whole of the team. We are highly aware that this is another expense to everyone so the club will be working on buying some more to help carry the burden. Please may we ask that you try to purchase the pieces of equipment that may be less desirable to share such as a Protective Box?

### **Extra Hands**

As with every successful cricket club, many hands make light work. We are lucky to have so many people who are willing to give up so much of their free time for the good of the club's junior cricketers. However, we would love it if parents who feel they can help us in any way, would come forward to offer some assistance. This may be something as simple as scoring or even helping with transport to and from our competitive games. Please see a member of the coaching team if you would like to give us a helping hand.

### **U13's Recruitment**

Our U13 team is at present a little thin on the ground. We are having to supplement the team with younger players so that we can fulfil our fixtures. This is not necessarily a bad thing as it offers those who are more confident a chance to advance their skills against more experienced players. However, we would like to try and find some more older players, so if you are aware of any children in this age group who are keen to play then could you kindly point them in our direction.

### **Forthcoming Fixtures**



Wed 11 May U11 v Hoylandswaine (away) - league  
Wed 11 May U17 v Emley (home) – league  
Sat 14 May U9 Tournament at Meltham CC  
Sun 15 May U13 v Emley (away) - cup  
Wed 18 May U11 v Skelmanthorpe (away) - league  
Wed 18 May U17 v Cumberworth (home) - league  
Sun 22 May U13 v Cumberworth (away) - league  
Wed 25 May U11 v Cumberworth (home) - league  
Wed 25 May U17 v Crigglestone (away) – league  
Sat 28 May U9 Tournament away at Hoylandswaine CC  
Sun 29 May U13 v Shelley (away) – league

As always the bar will be open for home games. Please try to come up and support the teams if you can.

If you have any queries or concerns with regards to any of the above information, please feel free to grab someone for a chat. We look forward to seeing you week in week out throughout the season. Thanks again for showing your support towards the club.

THANKS

SHEPLEY JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB COACHING TEAM