



Summer finally arrives...

As the weather picks up, our good progress this season continues, with some more wins and good performances under our belts. We need to remember that even in the games we lose, we are learning something all the time—it might be about field placings, the accuracy of our bowling, or learning to play ourselves in before going for the big shots!

Some of the match reports are included in this issue—but I'm pleased to report that the junior section of the website is now up and running, and the match reports and score information will be posted there too. You will also get a copy of this newsletter via email too.

There are some good performances to report this week—Chloe Ayre (under 10s) made here county debut last week for Northants against Leicestershire —congratulations to Chloe from all of us. There is more about Chloe on page 3.

Rory Newman (under 15s) made 64 not out at Bletchley last week—our best individual junior score for at least a couple of years—it is quite hard to get that many runs in a junior game restricted to 20 overs, and even harder when you're younger and you have to retire at 30!

And a reminder that we are keen to help our young players develop with some experience in the adult games. A number of younger players such as Andrew Ellemore, George Humphries, Jamie Walsh, Ben Ford, Tom Moore, Rory Newman, Sam Brightwell and Steve Orchard amongst others have played in the senior teams for a few seasons now—and we're now seeing some good performances from some of the newer members from the juniors, including Glyn Lewis (who made some good runs for the Sunday seconds last week), Josh Whitehead and Abdul Satter. If you are interested in playing for the adult teams, please let myself, Rob Arnold or Mike Smith know.

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Junior Manager



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2010 Fixtures & results

Under 10 - Division 1

Date	Opponents		Result
Sunday 25th April	North Bucks Girls	H	Won by 39 runs
Sunday 9th May	Buckingham	A	Tie
Sunday 16th May	Wolverton	A	Won by 54 runs
Sunday 23rd May	Cublington	H	Lost by 30 runs
Sunday 30th May	North Bucks Girls	A	
Thursday 17th June	Buckingham	H	
Sunday 20th June	Wolverton	H	
Tuesday 29th June	Cublington	A	

Under 11 - Division 1 North

Date	Opponents		Result
Thursday 13th May	Twyford	A	Won by 75 runs
Thursday 20th May	Wolverton	H	
Thursday 27th May	Twyford (Cup)	H	
Tuesday 1st June	Great Horwood	A	
Monday 7th June	Bletchley	A	
Thursday 10th June	Great Brickhill	H	
Thursday 24th June	Olney	H	
Sunday 27th June	Winslow	H	

Under 12 - Division 1 North

Date	Opponents		Result
Monday 26th April	Buckingham	A	Lost by 8 wickets
Tuesday 4th May	North Crawley	H	Won by 28 runs
Sunday 9th May	Wolverton	A	Won by 39 runs
Sunday 16th May	MK City	H	
Tuesday 25th May	Great Horwood	A	
Sunday 30th May	Buckingham	H	
Tuesday 8th June	North Crawley	A	
Sunday 13th June	Wolverton	H	
Thursday 24th June	MK City	A	
Thursday 1st July	Great Horwood	H	

Under 13 - Cup Only

Date	Opponents		Result
Wed 28th April	Cublington	A	Lost by default

Under 14 - Division 1 North

Date	Opponents		Result
Wednesday 5th May	Wolverton (Friendly)	A	Won by 8 wickets
Tuesday 11th May	Buckingham	H	Lost
Tuesday 8th June	Cublington	H	
Monday 14th June	Winslow	A	
Tuesday 22nd June	Bletchley	A	
Monday 28th June	North Bucks Girls	A	

Under 15 - Division 1 North

Date	Opponents		Result
Wednesday 5th May	Winslow (Cup)	A	Won by default
Tuesday 18th May	Bletchley	A	Won by 9 wickets
Tuesday 1st June	Wolverton	H	
Tuesday 15th June	Great Brickhill	H	
Monday 21st June	Winslow	A	
Sunday 27th June	Olney	A	

Under 16

Date	Opponents		Result
Thursday 29th April	Olney	A	Postponed—rain
Thursday 6th May	Wolverton	A	Won by 54 runs
Thursday 13th May	Great Horwood	H	Won by 6 wickets
	Exam Break		
Thursday 1st July	Buckingham	A	
Thursday 8th July	North Crawley	H	
Tuesday 13th July	Olney	A	
Thursday 15th July	Reserve Date		
Thursday 22nd July	Reserve Date		

Match Reports

Rory's 64 not out leads under 15s to fine winning start

Bletchley 120 for 3 (20 overs)

SSCC under 15s 124 for 1

On a warm and pleasant even down at Manor Fields, the under 15s finally got a game under their belts against Bletchley. Stony were well supported and a kind lady at the Irish Centre allowed the away fans to take out some liquid refreshments to enjoy the game with.

Bletchley batted first and despite one or two good performances, it was the considerable number of wides bowled by Stony that helped Bletchley get into three figures. In the end they managed 120 for 3 off their 20 overs.

Stony started well but lost Lawrence Kidd after a few overs. However, we rose to the challenge and Rory Newman (64 not out) and Tom Moore (31 not out) battered the boundary and we won with a few overs to spare.

Man of the match: Rory Newman—64 not out, our highest individual score in a junior game in at least the last two seasons.

Full scores will be posted on the website.

Chloe makes her County debut for Northants

About a year ago a young girl came to watch her brother play in a Kwik Cricket tournament at Buckingham. Stony were a player short, and with a little persuasion, she agreed to step in and play. That was Chloe's introduction to cricket, and she has never looked back since.

With her dedication and willingness to learn throughout last summer and the winter, she has progressed to representing Northamptonshire Girls Team

On the day of her debut she was planning a relaxing morning, but the under 10s were a man short at Wolverton and after a quick phone call she agreed to play. Stony won easily and Chloe took "man of the match" - a great warm-up for the afternoon and a quick drive up to Wellingborough.

Chloe Ayre from our under 10 squad is one of a small number of girls at Stony to make her county debut. She played in the game against Leicestershire, and although she didn't bat she fielded throughout. As anyone who has played at county level will tell you, it is quite a step up and the opposition are very strong, and Chloe ended with very creditable bowling figures of 3 overs, 2 maidens, 2 for 18.

Well done Chloe from all at SSCC—a proud moment for Chloe and even prouder one for her dad.

Match Reports

Under 10s make it 3 out of 3 for the club against local rivals Wolverton

SSCC under 10s 264

Wolverton 210

On another cold and grey Sunday morning Stony and Wolverton U10's battled for bragging rights in the local derby—the third time a Stony side have met Wolverton already this season. Wolverton won the toss and had no hesitation inserting SSCC into bat.

Wolverton were soon regretting the decision with Michael Wells and Sam Mainard striking the ball cleanly and with clear calling soon took the score to 219 off 4 overs. Tom Richardson & Thomas Hoy were in next. Both struggled to remain patient as a number of wides ensued. However Thomas played some confident shots once he started moving his feet towards the ball. Tom fell to a quick stumping and with a close run out the score finished on 233. The Old Stratford pairing of Oliver Baggett and William Gooch followed. Both batted, called and ran very tidily and were the only pair not to be out. The score moved on to 246.



Ed Lewis, making his debut for Stony Stratford, and Chloe Ayre were in next. Chloe played some very good straight bat shots and called the runs with confidence. Once Ed settled his nerves he played some great shots on his debut only falling to a good straight ball from Wolverton's best bowler. Frank Crossley and Matthew Parkin are proving to be a very good last pair. Both scored well as is proving to be their style with some nice cut and pull shots. Matthew tried the nerves of the viewing supporters with some interesting calling and running! Their only mishap was in the final over when their confidence over flowed and Frank was run out pushing too hard.

SSCC U10's posted their top score so far this campaign with 264 for 5 wickets.

SSCC took to the field with Matthew Parkin starting very well with a Wicket maiden. His wicket taken on his third ball with a perfectly pitched ball on middle stump. His second over going for only one run. Frank 'the twirler' Crossley soon had them in a spin with a maiden. He followed up in his second over with a wicket, which was a well taken catch by Matthew Parkin in the covers. Frank ended the innings in consistent style but was taken aback by the only boundary of the innings (no mean feat given the long boundaries) and some over enthusiastic shy's at the stumps as the batsmen tried for every additional run in their last over.



Thomas Hoy bowled the 3rd over with some tidy lines once again but couldn't make a breakthrough on some good defensive batting. Chloe Ayre started with a maiden and conceded only 1 run in her second over. The consistent line and length frustrated the batsmen and led to her being chosen to bowl a 3rd over again later on. She rose to the additional challenge conceding only 1 more run.

Oliver Baggett and William Gooch were the next pair of bowlers and as for their batting are starting to form a strong partnership. They both started with wicket maidens in their first over's and both ended with a couple of wides each in the their second over's. Each of their 2 overs ending in 1 wicket for 4 runs each. Tom Richardson found his first few balls tough going, but once he started to get his rhythm results started to shine through culminating in a Wicket maiden in his second over. Ed Lewis showed none of the nerves that we'd earlier seen with the bat and bowled 2 tidy overs with only a couple of wides. Michael Wells came on at the end once again and after he'd warmed up with a couple of stray full tosses, he found his line and length and took a well deserved wicket in his second over with the batsman losing his middle stump.

Stony Stratford Under 10s 264

Sam Mainard	7
Michael Wells	2
Tom Richardson	2
Thomas Hoy	3
Oliver Baggett	1
William Gooch	2
Ed Lewis	0
Chloe Ayre	0
Frank Crossley	7
Mathre Parkin	4
Batting total	228
Extras	66
Wickets	-30
TOTAL	264

Wolverton 110

Batting total	219
Extras	27
Wickets	-36
TOTAL	210
Matthew Parkin	2-1-1-1
Frank Crossley	3-1-7-1
Thomas Hoy	2-0-4-0
Chloe Ayre	3-1-2-0
Oliver Baggett	2-1-4-1
William Gooch	2-1-4-1
Tom Richardson	2-1-3-1
Ed Lewis	2-0-5-0
Michael Wells	2-0-6-1

Stony player of the match: Chloe Ayre

A tough call as it was a great all-round team performance. Chloe fielded well and what clinched it was some very tidy bowling—a maiden off her first over and just one run off each of the next two.



Match Reports

Under 10s give league leaders a run for their money!

Stony faced their biggest test yet against a very strong Cublington side yet to lose a match this season. The match was played on a gloriously sunny Sunday morning in temperatures in excess of 25 degrees – yes it really was! Stony won the toss and decided to field first, and in the heat, bowled and fielded very strongly, building on previous weeks performances.

Captain Frank Crossley led from the front with some hostile and very economical bowling.

Matthew Parkin, building on previous weeks performances, started very well with a Wicket with his first ball and was very economical.

No bowling extras were conceded by the opening pair

Charlie Groves, making his 2010 debut (after trials with Northampton Town football club) looked like he had never been away. His bowling partner Thomas Ashton took the next wicket clean bowling the Cublington batsmen.

Oliver Baggett strayed a little off line at the start but came back strong with a very good caught and bowled. William Gooch continued the good bowling performance conceding only 1 run off his first over and taking a wicket with the final ball of his last over.

This left the 3 younger members of the team, Thomas Hoy, Harry Lines and Michael Wells to complete remaining overs with Thomas Hoy continuing his fine form from previous weeks with the ball conceding only a few runs with his 2 overs. Harry and Michael finished off the SSCC fine bowling performance with a solid performance.



This was a very pleasing bowling performance with Cublington closing on 262...and the extras conceded continue to decrease with each game.

Sam Mainard making his second appearance behind the stumps kept well in very testing conditions.

The run chase got off to a positive start with some quick runs and a boundary from the first pair of Thomas Ashton and Charlie Groves but an unnecessary run out followed by a bowled out snuffed out the early runs.

Sam Mainard and Michael Wells were next in and again a positive start was pinned back by a bowled out. They settled back down however and pushed on with some quick singles and double runs to get the run chase back on track.

Match Reports

Next to the crease were William Gooch and Oliver Baggett and a similar story unfolded, some nice shots leading to quick singles only to be rolled back once more by the loss of a wicket. The next pairing brought Thomas Hoy and Harry Lines in to bat and the trend continued – quick runs, a boundary from Thomas but again the pair lost another wicket. Harry however played a very calm performance against Cublington's fastest bowler by far, retaining his wicket in the face of some fierce bowling.

Finally Frank Crossley and Matthew Parkin came into the attack requiring 35 runs off the last four overs to win. They got off to a very strong start with some quick boundaries. 24 runs required off the last 3 overs..... they were then pinned back in the next over by some strong bowling and still needing 20 runs off the last two, this proved just too much and a good run out pushed the total just beyond reach. Frank and Mathew's positive running showed what could be achieved with clear calling.

Overall the strength of Cublington's experience proved too much for Stony today but there were a lot of positives from this performance and Cublington commented this was their hardest game so far this year.

Man of the match goes to Frank Crossley who led from the front with a fine batting, bowling and fielding performance.



Stony 232

Sam Mainard	6
Thomas Ashton	6
Charlie Groves	1
Michael Wells	7
William Gooch	2
Oliver Baggett	4
Thomas Hoy	2
Harry Lines	3
Frank Crossley	20
Mathew Parkin	5

Total 256

Extras 18

Wickets lost -42

Total 232

Cublington 262

Frank Crossley	3-0-6-0
Mathew Parkin	3-0-13-1
Charlie Groves	2-0-11-0
Thomas Ashton	3-0-9-1
Oliver Baggett	2-0-3-1
William Gooch	2-0-3-1
Harry Lines	2-0-11-0
Thomas Hoy	2-0-5-0
Michael Wells	2-0-8-0

News updates



JUNIOR SECTION OF THE WEBSITE NOW LIVE

We are pleased to announce that the junior section of the club's website is now live. Here you will find fixtures, results and match reports for each age group. We'll add some photos too, so if you have any match photos from the games please let us know. And parents—if you want to add any match reports or have any other cricket-related news or stories you want to add, again please let us know—email them to David Newman at davidnewman@xlearning.co.uk.

The website is www.stonystratfordcc.co.uk.

QUIZ: WHO AM I?

A tougher one this week. I was born in South Africa, and unlike several of my compatriots, I still play cricket for the country I was born in rather than for England. I am two people—or at least I have two personalities. Off the pitch I am quiet and reserved—a gentle giant - but on the pitch I can be a bit aggressive and this has got me into trouble a few times. I have a different name for my on-field persona. What are both my names?

The answer to "Who Am I?" from newsletter 2 was **Sachin Tendulkar**.



PHOTOGRAPHS

Don't let the under 10s dominate with all the photos! We are always keen to add photos and news stories to the newsletter and the website, within club policy and guidelines. So do take your camera (or phone) along to matches, and send us some photos. We do not publish names of children alongside any of the photos. If you have any photos for publication, speak to one of our Welfare Officers—Nicola Manktelow or Rachael Parkin—or to Mick Capel.

JUNIOR SUMMER TOURNAMENTS

Just a reminder that we hope to enter teams into the Bucks Cricket Board kwik cricket festivals—teams can be made up of boys and girls aged 6/7/and 8 years old and teams can be all boys, all girls or preferably a combination of both. There are 4 festivals planned, all starting at 9am and ending at 12:30pm on Sundays 25th July at Great Brickhill CC; 1st August at Cublington CC; 8th August at Chalfont St. Peter and 15th August at Marlow CC.

Rob Wells is collecting names of those players who are interested and available on all or some of the dates. Please see Rob directly to register your interest.

FURTHER NEWS & EVENTS

Coming soon: further news about events such as the Family Day, the Pig Roast, etc In the meantime, enjoy your cricket...

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