

Welcome to Cheadle Cricket Club



Junior Season 2023

1. Welcome to Cheadle Cricket Club



To our junior members and parents,

I hope you're all looking forward to the new season at Cheadle CC. As someone involved with the club for nearly 40 years now and dad to a cricket loving daughter, I just can't wait for April!

Our junior ranks have grown in recent years and winning the league in 3 separate age groups last summer shows how far we have progressed. We won't be resting on our laurels though and will be fielding more junior sides than ever before this season. Plus, as well as our ECB All Stars sessions we are adding an all-girls Dynamo's group for 8- to 11-year-olds as part of our commitment to inclusivity and our belief that cricket is a game for everyone.

Whether this is your first year with us at Tean Road or you are now moving up the age groups, we are delighted to see you here and hope this 2023 welcome pack provides the information you need and helps with all you Cricket Club related queries.

As well as providing you with as much help as possible with your boys and girls cricket, we hope you can help us too. This can be by simple things like entering the club lottery, using easyfundraising, following and sharing our social media posts or lending a hand with the teams on match days.

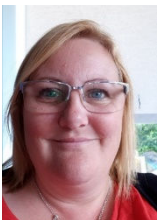
Any questions please feel free to talk to your coaches or myself.

UP THE BASSETS

Steve Plant

Chairman

Introduction to the Safeguarding Officer



Hi, my name is Claire Howells. I am the Safeguarding Officer at Cheadle Cricket Club. My role involves ensuring that all of the coaches have up to date DBS checks and are well trained in Safeguarding. I ensure that policies and procedures are in place to keep our players safe. If you have a Safeguarding concern about anyone at the club, please don't hesitate to speak to me at training or call me on 07708968842. Our Safeguarding Policy is available to read on our club website.

2. Cricket for all

At Cheadle Cricket Club we love cricket and hope to inspire a love of cricket in all visitors and players. We firmly believe that cricket is for everyone and are working hard to ensure that our club is as inclusive and diverse as possible. Sport is an opportunity for people who may have different genders, cultural backgrounds, religions, races and sexuality to find their similarities and share experiences, building a stronger community for the future.

We currently have girls playing at different age groups and levels, as well as our newly formed Women's Softball Team (any more ladies that would like to join us, no experience necessary- Contact Claire Howells).

Our clubhouse is wheelchair accessible and has a disability toilet. We are currently looking at ways to make our changing rooms more accessible.

Read our policies on the club web site.



3. Codes of Conduct

All Stars Code of Conduct



Cheadle Cricket Club
Junior Code of Conduct



Parents, please discuss this with your child.

Be like Twinkle!

Listening Ears

Have fun!



Kind hands

Bat stays low

Kind words

Feet that keep me near my coach



Cheadle Cricket Club

Junior (7-11) Code of Conduct

Responsibility

We want all of our members to feel safe and happy.

If you don't, please tell your coach or the Safeguarding Lead, Claire Howells.

Best behaviour in all matches and practices.

Arrive on time for matches, practice and coaching.

Let your coach know if you can't make it to a match.

Always play fairly, both in the spirit of cricket and within the rules of the game.

Pay membership fees on time.

Follow the laws, as well as the rules. No age inappropriate activities, like smoking vaping, drinking alcohol.

Wear appropriate kit and look after your equipment.

Don't get involved in arguments or disagreements.

Team Work

Listen to your coaches/Manager and follow their instructions.

Co-operate with coaches, team-mates and opponents - remember without them there would be no game.

Make visiting teams feel welcome.

Win or lose, Cheadle Cricket Club do it with dignity, grace and a smile on our face.

Respect

Cheadle Cricket Club believes that everyone at the Club should show respect for all others, at all times.

Be respectful to the ground staff, players, coaches and officials of your own club and those of the other teams.

Treat others with respect and acceptance regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background, religion or sexuality.

Play within the rules and accept officials and their decisions, even if you don't agree with them.

Do not use rude and /or unkind language nor make rude gestures or hand signals. Nor deliberately distract an opponent.

No teasing or unkind words or behaviour. Remember, what feels like banter to you, might feel like bullying to someone else.

The Spirit of Cricket

Respect is central to the Spirit of Cricket. Respect your captain, team-mates, opponents and the authority of the umpires.

Play hard and play fair. Accept the umpire's decision.

Create a positive atmosphere by your own conduct, and encourage others to do likewise.

Show self-discipline, even when things go against you.

Congratulate the opposition on their successes, and enjoy those of your own team.

Thank the officials and your opposition at the end of the match, whatever the result.

Cricket is an exciting game that encourages leadership, friendship and teamwork, which brings together people from different nationalities, cultures and religions, especially when played within the Spirit of Cricket.

Spectator's Code of Conduct

Introduction

All Cheadle Cricket Club players, members, parents and supporters [representatives] are expected to act within our Code of Conduct at all times when representing the club. By committing to be a part of the cricket club, representatives agree to conduct themselves in a manner consistent with our values and to abide by our Code of Conduct while representing the club or where your behaviour is considered to be associated with the club including; Match day and training, social functions, while being hosted at opposition clubs, in the immediate area surrounding the club, and while wearing club colours.

Objective

We seek to provide a safe, friendly, social environment to nurture the development of cricket, and we take our role in the community very seriously. As a result, our objective is to ensure that all representatives behave in the true spirit, traditions and within the rules of the game while showing respect to one another, spectators, opposing players and umpires.

Breaches

Breaches of the Code of Conduct will be enforced by the club Committee. In the event that a representative breaches the Code of Conduct, they will be subject to a penalty to be advised by the Committee. In some instances the committee may choose to defer their decision making process to a subcommittee (Leadership group, or a sub-committee created for the purpose of determining the breach and any imposition of penalty). Prior to the determination of any breach or imposition of any penalty, the representative alleged to have breached the club's Code of Conduct must be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard in relation to the alleged breach and any proposed penalty.

Code of Conduct

Behaviour:

No representative bound by this Code of Conduct shall engage in disorderly or improper conduct or behaviour. Disorderly or improper conduct or behaviour includes, but is not restricted to:

- a) Assaulting or attempting to assault, or abusing, either orally or physically, an umpire, player, fellow club member or spectator;
- b) Using crude or abusive language, or hand signals or other gestures; and
- c) Engaging in any form of conduct or behaviour detrimental to the spirit of the game.

Inclusivity: No person bound by this Code of Conduct when representing the Club in any capacity or at any function sanctioned by the Club shall engage in any conduct, act towards or speak to any other person in a manner which offends, insults, humiliates or vilifies such person on the basis of that person's race, religion, sexuality, gender, colour, descent or ethnic origin.

We appreciate and encourage the cheering on of supporters during matches, however these actions must remain within the 'spirit of the game', respecting the decisions of the umpire and not derogatory towards the opposition.

Smoking, Vaping, Drinking, Drugs: Cheadle Cricket Club will uphold UK laws and Staffordshire/ECB policies, which among other things prohibit smoking or vaping in any club rooms or pavilions, or on the field of play. Representatives are permitted to smoke or vape in designated smoking areas, provided doing so does not violate club policy. Players are not to consume alcohol during games or at training,

nor are they permitted to be present at training or a game in an intoxicated state. As the club is a licenced premises, the bringing of alcohol onto the grounds or into the pavillon is prohibited.

The possession or use of illicit drugs or any prohibited items by players or supporters at a game, training or at any social function held by the Club is illegal and strictly prohibited.

Member Guidelines Fees: All subscription fees must be paid as soon as possible but no later than the end of April in any given year.

Social Functions: Throughout the season there are several functions organised by the club. It is expected that the fabric of the building and its contents, be treated with respect.

Social Media






The club does not intend to discourage nor unreasonably limit personal expression or online activities. The Club does, however, recognise the potential for damage to be caused (either directly or indirectly) to Club or its members in certain circumstances via personal use of the Internet or social media by members and other people associated with the Club. Any post, comment, profile or other on-line content produced by a member of the Club or any other person associated with the club in circumstances where that person might be reasonably considered to be associated with the Club must:

- a) Not include comment contravening any other section of the Code of Conduct;
- b) Be accurate and not misleading;
- c) Be polite and respectful;
- d) Not contain material that is offensive, obscene, defamatory, threatening, harassing, bullying, discriminatory, hateful, racist, sexist, or is otherwise unlawful; and
- e) Not contain any material that might otherwise cause damage to the club's reputation or bring it into disrepute.

Each representative to whom the Code of Conduct applies is personally responsible for the content published on any form of social media platform that might reasonably be considered to be associated with the Club.

Other Policies: The club has developed a number of separate policies covering specific items in more detail. Representatives are to make themselves familiar with these policies and they can be found on the Clubs website.

4. Your Team Managers/Coaches

All Stars Activator	Dynamos Activator	Under 8's Manager
		
Charlie Goldstraw	Claire Howells	Sam Akram
Under 10's Manager	Under 12's Managers	
		
Jamie Bratt	Dave Pyatt	Alex Bonehill
Under 13's Manager	Under 14's Manager	Under 16's Manager
		
Dan Blood	Justin Welford	Jared Eccles

Coaches

		
Euan Bratt	Will Blood	Josh Jackson
		
Ryan Harvey	James Jackson	Matthew Sellers
		
Carl Fower	Stephen Plant	Dave Croft

5. Practice times- what to wear

From after Easter, practice is held every Friday evening at Tean Road from 5:30 for AllStars and Dynamos and 6pm for all other age groups.

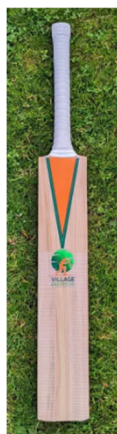
Weekly training sessions cost £2 a week. Payment can be made in advance in cash or by bank transfer (be sure to use your child's name as the reference) or weekly in cash.

All Stars and Dynamos will receive a t-shirt and equipment, they just need to wear appropriate clothing and trainers for sport.

Under 8's will only need to wear appropriate sports-wear and trainers. They can bring a cricket bat with them if they wish, but as they play with a soft ball, all equipment is provided.

In Under 10's and above, children will be facing a hardball, so require a woon bat, a well-fitting cricket helmet, batting gloves and cricket pads (and a box for the boys). On their feet they will need cricket spikes.

Cricket Bats



It is important that children use the correct size of bat. A bat should reach hip height when upright from the ground. The ideal is to go to a sports shop and try holding different bats, ensuring that it is not too heavy, but the size guide below will give you an idea of appropriate sizes.

bat size	approx age	height of batsman	bat length	bat width
1	4 - 5	to 4'3"	25 ¼"	3 ½"
2	6 - 7	4'3 - 4'6"	27 ¾"	3 ½"
3	8	4'6 - 4'9"	28 ¾"	3 ¾"
4	9 - 11	4'9 - 4'11"	29 ¾"	3 ¾"
5	10 - 12	4'11 - 5'2"	30 ¾"	4"
6	11 - 13	5'2 - 5'6"	31 ¾"	4"
Harrow	12 - 14	5'6 - 5'9"	32 ¾"	4 1/8"
Full SH	15+	5'9 - 6'2"	33 ½"	4 ¼"
Full LH	15+	over 6'2"	34 3/8"	4 ¼"

Cricket helmet



To get an accurate fit for your helmet, it is necessary to measure around the middle of the forehead just above the eyebrows, continue around the sides keeping just above the ears, to the 'bump' on the back of the head. A correctly fitting helmet should feel secure but comfortable with no unnecessary movement in any direction. The helmet should always be fastened with the chin strap for added security.

to fit	head circumference
Small Boys	51-52 cm
Boys	53-54 cm
Youths	54-56 cm
Small Mens	56-58 cm
Mens	58-60 cm
Large Mens	60-62 cm

Batting Gloves



To measure the glove size, begin at the start of the wrist and follow a direct line to the tip of the longest finger. However, it is important that the glove feels comfortable to wear.

to fit	length
Small Boys	165 cm
Boys	175 cm
Youths	190 cm
Mens	210 cm
Large Mens	225 cm

Batting Pads



The sizes of pads can vary slightly between different brands, so trying them on really helps. The important measurement is between the centre of the knee-cap to the instep, around where the tongue of the shoe fits. For younger players, we would recommend a light, curved, moulded pair of pads.

to fit	length
Small Boys	30 - 32 cm
Boys	32 - 35 cm
Youths	36 - 38 cm
Mens	39 - 43 cm
Large Mens	44 - 48 cm

Wicket Keeping Gloves and Pads

Most cricketers will not require these items. If your child shows potential as a wicket keeper, their coach will speak to you about this equipment.

Please remember, it is not necessary to purchase **new** equipment, we encourage families to pass on the kit that their children have out-grown, through our 'nearly new' sale.

6. Matches

We have competitive junior teams playing at Under 8's, Under 10's, Under 12's, Under 13's, Under 14's and Under 16's.

The year groups run by academic year, under 8's continue to play in that age group until the end of the academic year in which they turn 8, and so on. Girls are allowed to continue to play in each age group for one year longer than boys, so a girl can play in under 8's until the end of the academic year in which she turns 9.

All of these teams play in whites. The standard kit involves a pair of white trousers and a white cricket polo shirt (long or short sleeved). A white cricket jumper is optional. If you are struggling to provide match kit, please let your coach know. We often have spare kit donated.

At all matches, players are asked to contribute £2 each, which goes towards paying the scorer and providing drinks.

Half of our matches are played at home (Teon Road or Oakamoor Pavillion) and half are played away.

Occasionally, matches will need to be rescheduled, however, as a general rule, each team hold their matches on the following days:

Under 8's Saturday mornings

Under 10's Monday evening

Under 12's Wednesday evening

Under 13's Sunday morning

Under 14's Monday evening

Under 16's Wednesday evening

Ways to support your club

Renew your annual family membership

As a Sports and Social Club, you need to be a member to use the facilities. Your annual membership pays for junior members insurance and league fees and maintenance of the facilities. Membership entitles you to use of the member's lounge and access all the facilities and benefits of being a member of Cheadle Cricket Club.

Family Memberships vary in cost depending on the number of junior players in your family.

Family membership with one child – £30 (plus £20 for each additional child)

The club is open most evenings and members are welcome.

Easy Fundraising

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/>

Sign up to easyfundraising and see your favourite brands donate to Cheadle Cricket Club whenever you shop with them.



Development Lottery

Each member involved in the lottery pays £1 a week. 45p of this is added to the prize fund. When you join the Development Lottery, you select 6 numbers. Each week, your numbers are checked against the Saturday National Lottery draw and any matching numbers are identified. These accumulate over a few weeks. The first member to have all 6 of their numbers drawn wins the prize fund (when there are multiple winners, the prize fund is shared). Which then starts to build again from the following week.

If you would like to join the Development Lottery, please contact Shaun Rushton via Steve Plant on sfwplant@hotmail.com

Join PlayCricket

Play Cricket is a great way to follow the matches, scores and club/player statistics.

To join, go to <https://cheadle.play-cricket.com/home>



Sponsorship

Do you own a company or work for a company that is happy to support local sports in exchange for advertising? If so, talk to us about sponsorship possibilities.

Contact Steve Plant on sfwplant@hotmail.com

Use our facilities.

Our clubhouse is available for hire for private parties and special occasions. If you are interested in hiring the function room please contact Lisa Snow on 07974 183285 or l1sasnow@yahoo.co.uk

Support club social events

Several social events are organized through the year, from craft fairs to sportsman evenings and darts competitions. By attending and spreading the word about our events you can help us to make them a success.

Follow us on social media

Cheadle Cricket Club is on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

Liking and sharing our posts helps to spread the word about our club and our events.

