# Wanstead & Snaresbrook Cricket Club

(incorporating Snaresbrook Football Club) founded in the year 1866



# **Annual General Meeting**

The A.G.M will be held in the Overton Drive Clubhouse on Friday 13th March 2020 @ 8.00 pm

Nigel Hutchings

Hon. Club Secretary

- 1.0 To Adopt the Committee's Report for 2019
- 2.0 To Adopt the Treasurer's Statement of Accounts for the Year Ending 30th September 2019
- 3.0 Election of Officers, Vice-Presidents and Committee

# 4.0 Subscriptions

CRICKET

To adopt the Committee recommendation that the 2020 rates of subscription are as follows:

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195.00
97.50
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48.75
215.00
175.00
129.00
87.00
129.00
43.50
38.00
26.00
33.00
29.00

#### 5.0 Match Fees

To adopt the Committee recommendation that the match fees for 2020 remain as follows:

Adult matches (home or away) – includes Junior players £10.00
Junior matches (home or away) £5.00

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT 2019**

The major success of the year was Project Heron, which was launched to raise funds for specific capital projects, initially the refurbishment of the Overton Drive nets. Although we set an ambitious target, we managed to raise the funds required for the new nets with grants from the London Marathon Charitable Trust, Sport England and the Community Lottery Fund as well as through members' donations and fundraising events. The Committee would like to thank the Project Heron team for their tremendous work, all members who put on and supported events over the 2019 season and those members who have donated so generously. Looking forward, Project Heron was never solely about replacing the nets. The new nets were only ever Stage 1 of the club's development programme and we also have other important work to do. Stage 2 will be to complete the refurbishment of the pavilion, notably the changing rooms and the male toilets. The fundraising will continue into 2020.

Excluding Project Heron, the club made a small profit over the year. This was achieved even though our income was down in comparison to the previous year as we managed to control our expenditure. The bar income rose due to a strong August, particularly cricket week. The Income & Expenditure Account at the end of this Agenda shows that, as well as the bar, our main sources of income are Subscriptions, Match Fees and Grants/Sponsorship. However, there is limit to how much we can grow our income from these three sources. Hence, we must continue to look at ways we can increase income from other areas, such as the bar and social events, so that the facilities can be maintained at a level that our members expect. With regard to subscriptions, the Committee is recommending that they are increased by around 2.5%, in line with inflation.

Finally, the Committee would like to thank all our sponsors, but particularly our major sponsor, Keatons, the local estate agents, for their continued very generous support.

# MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Afn. Akram 4 M. Pluck 3 S. Andrews 4 T. Hebden 4 N. Hutchings 4 S. Emmons 2 S. Phillips 1 P. Osborn 0 L. Enoch 4 P. Staniford 1 M. Piracha 4 J. Ellis-Grewal 3 N. Rathakrishnan 3

# **CRICKET SECTION**

	Position	P	W	L	D	Tied	Abdn	Points
1st XI	2 <sup>nd</sup>	18	11	4	2	0	1	286
2nd XI	$4^{th}$	18	7	8	2	0	1	206
3rd XI	8 <sup>th</sup>	18	6	10	1	0	1	181
4th XI	6 <sup>th</sup>	18	8	7	1	1	1	221
5th XI	9 <sup>th</sup>	18	5	9	3	0	1	177
6th XI	$7^{ m th}$	18	7	9	1	0	1	184
Ladies XI	1 <sup>st</sup>	14	10	3	0	1	0	237.9

The 2019 season was another successful one for the 1st XI, winning the Essex Dukes T20 Competition and finishing runners-up in the League for the second year running. The 1st XI headed the League for long periods but could not hold off Brentwood CC in what was a two-horse race. The batting suffered from the absence of a number of senior players during the season due to injury and other factors. The leading run scorer was Tom Cummins with 542 League runs, including his first League century. Bradley De Villers, Joe Ellis-Grewal and Aron Nijjar were the leading League wicket-takers, all taking 25 wickets. A highlight of the season was the performances of 16-year-old Naïve Dwivedi and 17-year-old Robin Das. Naïve took his first 5 wicket 1st XI haul while in only 11 League games Robin scored 538 runs, including 2 centuries, at an average of 53.80. The 2nd XI had a roller-coaster season while the 3rd XI were in the relegation zone for much of the season but eventually avoided relegation by just one point. After 4 years in the 3rd XI Division Two, mainly playing against other clubs' 3rd XIs, the 5th XI could not stave off relegation. The 6th XI continued to introduce a number of juniors to League cricket. A big thank you must go to all the captains as well as to those members who scored or umpired during the season.

The Ladies had a very successful season doing the double by winning the Middlesex Cricket Women's F40 and T20 Leagues. They also won the Rachel Heyhoe Flint Six-a-side Trophy in Spain for the fourth time in 6 years and the London Sixes Competition for the fifth time in 6 years. There were notable performances from a number of the Ladies, particularly Zainab Khan, who finished as the League's top run scorer, and Saba Nasim, who was the League's top wicket-taker. The Ladies had a good combination of youth and experience with many new women taking up the game during the season.

# **JUNIOR SECTION**

This year we had over 300 members, boys and girls, between the ages of 5 and 16 who took part in a whole variety of activities, including more than 130 competitive games. These ranged from the All Stars for 5-7 year-olds and the "FUNdamentals", an introduction to cricket for young players, to the Matchplay competition. We were able to enter two teams in each of the Met Essex tournaments at age groups from U11 to U15 in addition to entering one team in the U9 softball competition.

As well as seeing a great increase in participation, 2019 was another successful junior season in terms of results. Our U15 team won the Peters Cup for the first time since 2010. The winners of this all Essex tournament progress through to the later stages of the National competition. We reached the regional finals where we were beaten, despite an impressive batting performance. Our U15 team also won the Met Essex Cox & Kings trophy, defeating our U14 team in the final.

The U13s won the Jeff Rodrigues Trophy and the U12 team reached the semi-final of the Brian Taylor Trophy, an Essex tournament, where they were beaten by the eventual winners, South Loughton. The U11 team had another impressive season, winning the Midweek League, the James Foster Challenge, and the Haydn Davies Trophy.

### **FOOTBALL SECTION**

After an unbeaten run of in the early part of 2018-19 the season Snaresbrook sat top of Essex Olympian Football League Senior Division One and remained there until March. Unfortunately, the team gradually fell away after this promising start and eventually finished fourth.

This 2019-20 season has been a lot more difficult with several players moving to the Essex Senior League. New recruits are taking time to bed in and a lot of games have been postponed due to the bad weather. At the time of writing, the side find ourselves second from bottom, although they have played far fewer games rather other teams in the league. It looks very likely that they may end up in a relegation battle towards the end of the season.

### **SOCIAL & BAR SUB-COMMITTEE**

Overall bar income rose during 2019, primarily thanks to a strong August, particularly cricket week, and also due to our hosting a highly successful Essex Dukes T20 Group finals day at Overton Drive on the May Bank Holiday. Unfortunately, the T20 Group finals day are hosted on a rota basis (once every 4 years) and the club will not be able to rely on this as a source of income in the near future. Friday junior coaching evenings continued to be tremendously popular. However, poor weather saw five entire Friday Junior evenings cancelled and a number of others disrupted over the course of the season. These were setbacks that had a detrimental effect on the year's bar takings. Once again, Saturday and Sunday evenings, after matches, were not well attended by club members, which also impacts on bar revenue. This concern has been discussed at Management Committee meetings and, as a consequence, it has been agreed that, where possible, we should consider accommodating private functions during the season if they can be fitted around the games taking place at Overton Drive.

The introduction of a smart till in November should have a positive impact on the bar margins in the coming year. Thanks, once again, must go to Lynn and John Rising and their bar staff for their continued hard work.

The Social Sub-Committee did a great job supporting a number of the Project Heron fundraising events as well as running their own events, such as the very successful Elvis Nite. It is crucial that members support club events as this will help sustain the social and bar income that is so important to the club's finances.

### **GROUND SUB-COMMITTEE**

Our contracted groundsmen, Ian Jordan, and particularly Matt Grice, did an excellent job in keeping the squares and outfields at Overton Drive and Nutter Lane in fine condition. This was a real achievement considering the enormous amount of cricket played at our grounds. It is important that club members take pride in our grounds and accept responsibility at all times for the condition in which they are left after games and events.

# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

The club must, as always, acknowledge the enormous debt of gratitude that it owes to those members who continue to put in hours of unpaid work in running the club. Without them the club would not function. Thanks must go to Stuart Phillips for all his efforts since taking over as Head of Junior Cricket – he has an excellent team in place, who are fully committed to developing junior cricket at Wanstead. We are also grateful to Pauline Osborn for her excellent work with the Ladies and Girls Sections.

Finally, it is with great sadness that we have to report the tragic death of Paul Baily in a car accident late last year. Paul had been a great servant of the club over many years, but particularly in 2019, when he did a tremendous amount of work on the ground at Overton Drive and also personally ran a raffle, which raised over £1,000 for Project Heron. He will be sorely missed.

# Wanstead & Snaresbrook Cricket Club Income & Expenditure Account Year Ended 30th September 2019

		2019		2018
		£		£
Income	Subscriptions	30,370		29,541
	Match fees	16,920		18,202
	Grants/ sponsorship	13,050		12,950
	Donations etc.	5,632		7,296
	Ground & Pavilion Hire	12,022		13,728
	Net Social Income	475		441
	Net Bar Income <sup>1</sup>	13,990		12,580
	Sundry income	2,002		2,483
	Interest and dividends	762		618
		95,223		97,839
Expenditure	Rent and rates	6,590		5,274
Experience	Ground expenses	33,733		37,447
	Pavilion expenses	17,770		15,919
	Heat and light	5,481		5,129
	Match expenses	10,895		9,900
	Juniors expenses	12,185		15,791
	Insurance	1,270		2,187
	Printing & Telephone	1,120		1,484
	Depreciation	347		_
	Sundries	3,831		3,700
		93,221		96,831
	Project Heron	•		30,001
	Funds Raised	25,712		_
	Provision for Project Heron expenditure	(25,712)		_
	Surplus/Deficit from Project Heron	(25,712) —		_
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Excess/(Loss)	of income over expenditure	2,002		1,008
Footnote				
<sup>1</sup> Net Bar Incom	ie			
		2019		2018
		£		£
Sales		80,319		75,848
Cost of Sales		(38,318)		(36,371)
		42,002		39,476
Staff Cost	(25,427)		(24,732)	
Other Expen	ses (2,585)		(2,164)	
		(28,012)		(26,896)
Net Bar Inco	me	13,990		12,580

# Wanstead & Snaresbrook Cricket Club Balance Sheet at 30th September 2019

		2019		2018
		£		£
Pavilion				
Cost	36,635		36,635	
Less Depreciation	36,634	1	36,634	1
Irrigation Equipment				
Cost	4,509			
Less Depreciation	347	4,162		
Shares in Wanstead Sports Grounds Ltd		4,225		3,640
Current assets				
Stock	4,355		4,661	
Cash at bank and in hand	51,004		52,346	
Fundraising Account	26,944		_	
Debtors	9,473		6,147	
	91,776		63,154	
Project Heron	(25,712)		_	
John Sankey Legacy	(4,801)		_	
Creditors	(16,201)	45,063	(15,347)	47,807
	-	53,450		51,448
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Represented by general fund at start of year		51,448		50,440
Excess/(Loss) income for year	_	2,002		1,008
	- -	53,450		51,448