



Copford Cricket Club

Colts Section 2011



March 2011

Hello Everyone!

The 2011 Cricket Season is nearly here and we would like to cordially invite your children to join Copford Colts for the 2011 Season. Please read the following information in order not to miss out.

We are planning a registration morning on **Saturday 26th March from 10:00am to 12 midday**. I along with some of the other coaches will be present to discuss your child's development as well as receive a completed membership form along with the appropriate monies or cheque.

We have conducted a concerted marketing campaign at the local schools to encourage more children to take up the sport of Cricket with Copford Cricket Club. The priority is of course to maintain the present cohort of youngsters that were members of a very successful season last year, However there is concern with dwindling numbers especially with the U11's & Kwik Cricketers. We have had some success with this campaign already.

I am also delighted to inform you that we have four more ECB Level 1 qualified cricket coaches, so we have the capacity to accommodate more children especially at the U11 age group. If we are inundated with applications for membership on the registration morning, it is our intention that those colts that have been committed members of Copford Colts in the past will be given priority.

We have made a decision this season to encourage more of the U16 colts to play adult cricket. As a consequence for the coming season the U16's will join the senior cricket sessions which will be on Thursday evenings.

All our coaches have stepped forward to volunteer to assist in using the coaching methods and practices as advised by the ECB. I would ask you to give them as much support as possible during the coming season, whether it be to umpire, scoring, man the bar for home games, etc.

I hope to make this season as successful and as enjoyable for the colts as my predecessor Alison Tuckwell. Of course if you have any comments that may improve the vitality and well being of colts cricket at Copford Cricket Club, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

Terry Soteriou
Junior Cricket Manager & ECB Level 2 Cricket Coach
Copford Cricket Club

The fees for this season will be as follows:

U11's - £40.00 U12's-U16's - £45.00

N.B. £5 reduction per family for 2 or more children registering.

Fees cover all the coaching sessions and the colts cricket matches that they are selected to play.

If the coaches feel that a colt has reached the required standard they will certainly be encouraged to play Senior Cricket. **The fees for Senior Cricket are not covered by Colts subscription** and therefore colts will be expected to pay match fees of £2 per match (they get a very nice tea!) and they will be encouraged to wear a Copford Shirt.

Registration Form:

This is attached. **It is important that you take care to ensure all sections are completed and signed by colt and parent/carer where appropriate.** The registration page must be returned with the registration fee on **Saturday 26th March from 10:00am to 12 midday** and we would ask that you retain a copy of the letter which gives vital information. Colts that have not registered on this date, unless by prior arrangement, will regretfully be unable to take part in nets, coaching sessions or matches.

Coaching Sessions: PLEASE NOTE THE DATES OF THE PRACTICE SESSIONS.

These commence as follows:

7-11 years (School Year 3-6): from Saturday 30th April 2011

Saturday mornings 10am -11.30am

U12 & U13 (School Years 7 & 8): from Monday 9th May 2011

(Late start due to previous two Mondays being Easter Monday & May Day Bank Holiday)

Monday Evenings 6pm - 7.30pm

U14 & U15 (School Years 9 & 10): Wednesday 20th April 2011

Wednesday Evenings 6pm - 7.30pm

U16 (School Year 11): Thursday 28th April 2011

(Alongside senior cricket practice)

Thursday Evenings 6pm - 7.30pm

Fixtures:

All fixtures will be available in the Copford Cricket Club 2011 handbook and on the website at **www.copfordcc.org.uk**

Team Kit:

Wearing of team shirts, caps and training kits will once again be encouraged this season. Please contact Alison Tuckwell via her e-mail address with sizes and quantities tuckwell@ntlworld.com, to place your order.

Personal Cricket Ball

Once again on all coaching days Colts playing hardball cricket will be expected to bring their own cricket ball. These are U11 – U13 youths size (4 ¾oz 135g) and U14 – U16 full size (5½ oz 156g). These can be purchased from all good sports shops

Contacting You:

We would really like to cut down our postage cost by the use of email and our website would you therefore please let us have an up to date email address that gets looked at regularly.

Club Website:

The club's website is a very useful tool with up to date information please use it: **www.copfordcc.org.uk**

Membership Form

The final page of this document is the Membership Form. Please complete fully and return along with subscription fees on the registration morning Saturday 26th March 2011. The Notes after the Code of Conduct should assist you in completing the membership form.



Code of Conduct / set of rules for Young People

Copford Cricket Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the wellbeing of all its members. Copford Cricket Club believes that it is important that members, coaches, administrators and parents/carers or guardians associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others.

Therefore, members are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with either the Club Chairman or Welfare Officer.

As a member of Copford Cricket Club you are expected to abide by the following junior code of conduct:

- All members must play within the rules and respect officials and their decisions.
- All members must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of gender, ability, cultural background or religion.
- Members should keep to agreed timings for training and competitions or inform their coach or team manager if they are going to be late.
- Members must wear suitable kit for training and match sessions, as agreed with the coach/team manager.
- Members must pay any subscriptions or fees for events promptly.
- Junior members are not allowed to smoke on club premises or whilst representing the club at competitions.
- Junior members are not allowed to consume alcohol or drugs of any kind on the club premises or whilst representing the club.

Membership Form Notes

Sports equity monitoring

Whilst it is not compulsory that this section is completed the following paragraph explains why it is important.

Sport can and does play a major role in promoting the inclusion of all groups in society. However, inequalities have traditionally existed within sport, particularly in relation to gender, race and disability. Sport England is committed to promoting and developing sports equity, which is about fairness in sport, equality of access, recognising inequalities and taking steps to address them. By monitoring the profile of young people in sports clubs, national governing bodies of sport and Sport England can identify any issues relating to under-representation of different groups and can together develop strategies to ensure that all young people have the opportunity in the future to develop and progress in sport.

Ethnicity: Complete ethnicity section Membership form with one of the following:

A White

British/Irish/Any other white background (please specify):

B Mixed

White & Black Caribbean/White & Black African/White & Asian/Any other mixed background (please specify):

C Asian or Asian British

Indian/Pakistani/Bangladeshi/Any other Asian background (please specify):

D Black or Black British

Caribbean/African/Any other Black background (please specify):

E Chinese or other ethnic group

Chinese/Any other group (please specify)

Disability

The Disability Discrimination Act 1995 defines a disabled person as anyone with 'a physical or mental impairment, which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on his or her ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities'.

Do you consider yourself to have a disability? Yes/No

If yes, what is the nature of your disability?

Visual or Hearing impairment/Physical or Learning disability/Multiple disabilities/Other (please specify):

Previous Cricket Experience

Have you played Cricket before? Yes/ No, Hard Ball or Kwik Cricket

If yes, where have you played the sport: i.e. club, school, district or county level.

Medical information

Please detail any medical information that our coaches should be aware of (eg epilepsy, asthma, diabetes, etc.).

Please provide current GP details including surgery address and telephone number.

Emergency contact details

Please insert the information of two emergency contacts.

Offer of Help

The success of Copford Colts is dependant on parental support, in the light of this we request active participation by parents/guardians for transport and other supporting roles i.e. refreshments, scoring etc. We would therefore request that you indicate in the field in which you are able/would like to help – No experience necessary!!!

As a club we are also trying to format a 'skills database' e.g. Plumbing, I.C.T, Admin, Ground Maintenance & Mechanics, which could help the club in a variety of ways. If you feel able to join this would you please also indicate accordingly.

Permission for the use of photographs and recorded images

Please note that this part of the form needs to be signed by the Young Player (if aged between 12 and 18) as well as by the Parent or Legal Guardian of the Young Player.

Copford Cricket Club recognises the need to ensure the welfare and safety of all Young People in Cricket. As part of this commitment we will not permit photographs, video images or other images of Young People to be taken or used without the consent of the Parent/Guardian and the Young Player. Copford Cricket Club follow the guidance issued in 'Safe Hands – Welfare of Young People in Cricket' on the use of images of Young People which is available at <http://www.ecb.co.uk/safehands>. Copford Cricket Club will take steps to ensure that these images are used solely for the purpose they are intended, which is the promotion and celebration of cricketing activities.

If photographs e.g. team or action shots, are submitted to the Press or published on Copford Cricket Club website or in our handbook individuals will not ordinarily be identified. Where a child or young person is identified it will only be with the explicit consent of parents.

Please note: Copford Cricket Club understands that there are circumstances under which a parent would not wish their child to be photographed. Whilst Copford Cricket Club will do all that it can to ensure the safety of children during photographed events, it is the responsibility of the parent concerned to ensure that if their child is not to be photographed and partakes in an activity and is by the nature of the activity inadvertently photographed or filmed, Copford Cricket Club cannot be held responsible.

Please indicate on the membership page your consent or other wise regarding photographs etc.

I **do/ do not** consent to Copford CC photographing or videoing my involvement in cricket under the above terms and conditions.

I **do/do not** consent to my name and/or Club being published with any photograph in authorised Club/Event publications or Press articles.

Transport to matches and practice sessions

Copford Cricket Club policy is that parents or other responsible adults are responsible for transporting players to and from all matches and practice sessions and therefore the Club will not be registering Private Vehicles for the transportation of individuals in connection with any fixtures or practice sessions arranged by the Club. The implementation of this policy is not intended to exclude any player from participation and parents or guardians should contact the Club Welfare Officer if they have any problems with the transportation of players to matches or practice sessions.

Club Changing Policy

For players under the age of 16 playing in adult teams the following policy applies:

- Young players uncomfortable with changing or showering with adults are under no obligation to do so and are advised to change and shower at home
- Parental consent must be given if Young Players are to share changing facilities with adults
- If Young Players are sharing changing facilities with adults, parents have the option to supervise them whilst they are changing. The Club will make reasonable efforts to arrange this.

Enjoy your cricket! Have a great season!

Copford CC Colts Membership Form 2011 (Use the reverse side for additional notes if required)

Full Name of Colt		Date of Birth	
Address		School	
Home Telephone		School Year	
Mobile		Previous Cricket Experience	
Email			
Ethnicity		Disability	
		Nature of Disability	
Medical Information Include any relevant information e.g allergies)			
Name of G.P.		Surgery Address	
Telephone Number			
Emergency Contact 1		Emergency Contact 2	
Name		Name	
Relationship		Relationship	
Home Telephone		Home Telephone	
Mobile		Mobile	
Photographic Agreement			
Publication of Photos			
	Parental Consent(Signed)	Colt Consent (Signed)	
Changing with adults (Please delete)			
Offer of Assistance			
I confirm I have read and agree to abide by the Code of Conduct			
Signed..... Parent Colt			

By returning this completed form, I agree to my son/daughter/child in my care, taking part in the activities of the club. I understand that I will be kept informed of these activities – for example timing and transport details. I also confirm that I understand and accept the Club’s policy on transportation. I understand that in the event of any injury or illness all reasonable steps will be taken to contact me, and to deal with that injury/illness appropriately. I give my consent that in an emergency situation the Club may act in loco parentis, if the need arises for the administration of emergency first aid and / or other medical treatment which in the opinion of a qualified medical practitioner may be necessary. '

I confirm that I have legal responsibility for this young person and am entitled to give this consent.

Name of parent/carer:Signature of parent/carer:.....

Date:.....

Please note that this information will be held on computer files.