



Under 13's

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22 March 2010

Can you smell the fragrances of newly mown grass, linseed oil, and sweaty kit yet? Can you hear the sweet sound of willow on leather? Spring is springing (a bit slowly so far for sure), the clocks go forward next week and anticipation is ripe for the start of a new under 13 cricket season at Londesborough Park. We have top quality and enthusiastic players and indoor nets at Longcroft School have been gaining momentum, but everyone wants to get outside for the real stuff. Roll on the summer!

Practice sessions - indoor

Sunday this week (28 March) at 3pm at Longcroft School, as usual.

The following week (4 April) is Easter Sunday, when Longcroft is closed, so it's a chance to be nice to Mum and Dad before the taxi service gets into full swing.

Sunday the following week (11 April) at 3pm at Longcroft School - the last indoor session.

Practice - outdoor

Practice will be on Tuesdays from 6pm to 7:30pm. We will try to start on **Tuesday 13 April**, weather permitting. We may also have a practice on **Sunday 25 April**, as the next day we have our first match (see below).

Fixtures for the league will be on Sunday mornings. The first match is on 2 May at home to Dunnington - who the under 11's had some great matches against last year. The first cup match is on Monday 26 April at home to York RI. This will probably be a 6pm start. See below for the list of fixtures. The play-offs (of we get there) follow, with the last possible league or cup match on 25 July. We're also trying to get into the league 6-a-side competition on 1 August and plan to try for some more friendlies so that the season does not finish too early.



Rules - all matches in league and cup are 20 overs per side, with a maximum of 4 overs per bowler. Otherwise it's "normal" cricket - so for those coming up from under 11's please note that when you are out you return to the pavilion - no second chances!

Coaches for 2010 will be Richard Hanley and Tim Stephenson. Phil and Neil Stephenson are looking after the under 11's, Ben Lewis and AN Other the under 9's. George Drewery and Dick Salmon will take the under 15's.

Parents can help by getting their sons to training on time, being the usual taxi service (we will be able to share for away games), helping with scoring at matches, and generally supporting from the boundary, and filling in registration forms (more later on this too). Parents at Londesborough

are generally great supporters and helpers, and set a good standard of behaviour for their sons to follow.

Cricket kit - LPCC provides a range of club kit which is good quality and not too expensive. Chief shop assistant is George Drewery, His telephone number is 01430 873877, or let either of us know and we'll get whatever you want.

LPCC News

- After so much change last year, the new pavilion is now established and looking great;
- The nets at Londesborough Park have been refurbished, with new netting;
- The First XI was promoted for the second year running in 2009 to York Senior League Division 1 - they will have a fight to stay there, but there are plenty of young players emerging from the LPCC academy who will be pressing for a place soon;
- Jonathan Croft is the new Second XI captain. "Crofty" is Crofty's dad and is married to Crofty, just in case you were confused!
- A new team of under 18's from LPCC has joined the York Intermediate League (three over 18's are allowed). This is a new start and both Dick Salmon and Blaster Barlow need all the support they can get in running it;
- Finally, some sad news. David Milne, brother of Peter and Malcolm, erstwhile player at LPCC and well known in Market Weighton, passed away over the weekend.



In 2010 we want to win as many matches as we can; get all players involved and enjoying the cricket; play as a team, working together; and play in the right spirit, so we can be a credit to the club and to the game.

Please 'phone us if you need any other information.

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Fixtures:

26 April	York RI (H) Cup MONDAY
2 May	Dunnington (H)
9 May	Pocklington (A)
16 May	Woodhouse Grange (H)
23 May	Selby (A)
30 May	Cup
6 June	Stamford Bridge (H)
13 June	Thixendale (A)
20 June	Cup (if we win first 2 rounds!)
27 June	Osbalwick(H)

Then play-offs with luck!