



CORSHAM CRICKET ACADEMY NEWSLETTER HAPPY CHRISTMAS!

DECEMBER 2010



A MESSAGE FROM THE ACADEMY DIRECTOR

Looking back over the past season, I can't say that we got everything right, but thanks to the commitment of the players, the dedication of the coaches and the support of parents and guardians, 2010 was by far our busiest season and probably our most successful far. There are still many things to be done to improve the opportunities for competitive and recreational cricket for boys and girls in all age groups as well as providing better practice facilities. Plans are already underway to build on last season's successes to make 2011 an even better season. Thanks to you all and have a Happy Christmas.

Rob Shillaker
Academy Director

CONGRATULATIONS!

To those members of the Academy who were selected for County and District coaching. Those of you who went for a trial but did not get selected - don't be too disappointed but be determined to get selected next time.

BOYS COUNTY TRIALS

Charley Reed Under 10
Luke Curtis Under 11
Tom Foley Under 14
Owen Goldsworthy Under 14
Kieran Gibson Under 15
Adam Mitchell Under 17

COUNTY GIRLS

Under 11
Freya Bollen
Melissa Story
Under 13
Elizabeth Bools
Emily Daulby
Bethany Little
Under 15
Isabel Bishop
Rebecca Davison-Smith
Ella Scott-Humphris
Kirsty Stanley

CHANCE TO SHINE PROGRAMME SUFFERS SETBACK

For the last three years the Corsham Cricket Club has worked with six local schools as part of the national Chance to Shine Programme designed to reintroduce cricket into State Schools. Many new players, both boys and girls, have joined the club as part of this partnership which is seen as being the essential foundation of the development pathway.

However, disappointing news has been received that Corsham Primary School, (which includes the Broadwood site as well as Pound Pill,) and St Patrick's School have withdrawn from the programme for summer 2011 as both schools wish to include different sports, other than cricket, into the PE curriculum.

The club hopes that the schools will continue to offer cricket in curriculum time, through the class teachers, and also to encourage children keen to play cricket to join the clubs After School Club.

Joe Shillaker is very disappointed that after 3 years of groundwork and developing a real interest for cricket in these schools that they should be focusing on one sport and not expanding their sporting activities

District Trials North West

Under 10	Under 11
Luke Draper	Xavier Graham
Joe Duffield	Joe Holland
Oliver Taylor	Edmund Mortimer

Under 13	Under 15
William Bishop	Gabriel Field
Alex Montgomery	James Smith

WYCL AWARDS 2010

Leading wicket taker Under11 Div 1
William Bishop
Leading run scorer and wicket taker
U 15 Div 1 Adam Mitchell

Other award winner
Matthew Edwards with his 5 wickets
for 12 runs in Under 13s

ACADEMY AWARDS 2010

BOYS

Under 9 Player of the year:
Jack Humphreys
Under 11A Player of the year:
Luke Curtis
Under 11A Most improved player:
Edmund Mortimer
Under 11B Player of the year:
Joe Duffield
Under 11B Most improved player:
Sam Mitchell
Under 13A Joint player of the year:
Owen Goldsworthy & Tom Foley
Under 13B Player of the year:
Christy Morley
Under 15 Player of the year:
Adam Mitchell



Under 9 Boys

GIRLS PLAYER OF THE YEAR 2010

Under 9 : Cerys James
Under 11: Emma James
Under 13: Lucy Hyde

ACADEMY MEDAL WINNERS

All Under 11 Girls and Under 9 boys who had played in Kwik Cricket Festivals received medals.

The under 13A League Winners all received medals.



Under11 Girls

UNDER 15

19/07/2010 Under 15 v Hinton Charterhouse
Hinton Charterhouse 56 all out (Owen Goldsworthy 5 – 13, Tom Foley 3 – 2)
Corsham 59 -0
Adam Mitchell 36 n.o., Adam Draper 18 n.o.)
Corsham won by 10 wickets.

03/08/2010 U15 v Stothert & Pitt (BYDCL semi-final)
Corsham 111 – 7
(Adam Draper 13, Adam Mitchell 21, Thomas Bew 13, Kieran Gibson 17, James Smith 10 n.o.)
Stothert & Pitt 74 – 9
(Adam Mitchell 2 – 13, Tom Foley 3 – 12, James Smith 2 – 2)
Corsham won by 37 runs.

30/08/2010 U15 v Biddestone BYDCL 20 – 20 Cup Final at Keynsham
Biddestone 124 – 5
(Adam Mitchell 1 – 32, Kieran Gibson 1 – 18, Tom Foley 1 – 23, Owen Goldsworthy 1 – 22, James Smith 1 – 5)
Corsham 126 – 0
Adam Mitchell 76 n.o.
Corsham won by 10 wickets.



The winning under 15 side

The under 15s played 10 matches in the WYCL winning 8, winning draw 1 and 1 cancelled. They came 3rd in the Wiltshire league, and 12 games in the B&DYCL winning 9 and losing 3 and were 2nd in the Bath League.

Owen batting for Wiltshire U13's against Hampshire. Owen played all this seasons fixtures for county mainly for his batting which he amassed 250 runs, he was used as a bowler in the last 3 games and claimed good figures and 1 wicket. He was honoured with the captaincy for the last 2 games versus Wales and Hampshire.

END OF SEASON RESULTSUNDER 13A

22/07/2010 U13A v Chippenham BYDCL semi-final.
Chippenham 60 all out.
Owen Goldsworthy 2 – 13, Tom Foley 1 – 6, Matthew Edwards 5 – 14, Nathan Tingley 1 – 2)
Corsham 61 – 1
Gabriel Field 10 n.o., Tom Foley 33 n.o.)
Corsham won by 8 wickets.

30/08/2010 Under 13A v Trowbridge BYDCL 20 – 20 Cup Final at Keynsham
Trowbridge 73 all out
(Owen Goldsworthy 2 – 7, Tom Foley 3 – 7, Luke Curtis 1 – 20, Matthew Edwards 1 – 14, Alexander Montgomery 1 – 11, Jamie Orner 1 – 4)
Corsham 75 – 2
Gabriel Field 25 n.o., Tom Foley 20 n.o.)
Corsham won by 8 wickets.



The winning under 13 side

The U-13's had a great Finals day at Keynsham on 31st August. We opted to field and after opening the bowling saw wickets fall on a regular basis. This allowed us to dismiss the Trowbridge opposition for just 73, a below par score on the day – the pick of the bowling were Tom Foley, Owen Goldsworthy, Matt Edwards and Alex Montgomery. Corsham knocked off the runs with the loss of only 2 wickets, with Gabriel Field and Tom Foley taking us home with scores of 25 and 20 respectively – Tom ending the game in style with a 6 flicked off his legs and into a nearby greenhouse!



Under 13A side played 11 games in the Bath & District Youth League and 10 games in the Wiltshire Youth Cricket League. They were League winners playing 10 games, winning 8, 1 winning draw and 1 cancelled.

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UNDER 11A

Under 11A
25/07/2010 Under 11 A v South Wilts South Wilts 152 – 0
Corsham 85 – 1
(Luke Curtis 48 n.o, William Bishop 14)
South Wilts won by 67 runs.

22/08/2010 Under 11A v Marlborough
Corsham 67 – 7
(Luke Curtis 21)
Marlborough 68 – 6
(Luke Curtis 2 – 8, Josh Brain 2 – 5)
Marlborough won by 4 wickets.

29/08/2010 Under 11A v Trowbridge
Corsham 103 – 7
Josh Brain 9, Lewis Simmonds 18, Sam Mitchell 22, Will Cornwell 6, Sam Brain 21)
Trowbridge won by 6 runs.

During the season the U 11As played 10 matches in the WYCL winning 6 and losing 4. At the end of the season they were 2nd in the League.

UNDER 11B

27/07/2010
Under 11B v Potterne/All Cannings
Potterne 132 – 1
Corsham 63 all out
(Jack Stanley 14, Ewan Wiltshire 6 Sam Mitchell 13 n.o)
Potterne won by 69 runs.

29/08/2010 Under 11B V Calne
Calne 76 all out
(Sam Mitchell 2 – 7, Riskie Partington 1 – 2, Oliver Poulton 2 – 6)
Corsham 70 – 4
(Oliver Poulton 14)
Calne won by 6 runs.

Under 11B team played 11 games in the WYCL. It was an inexperienced side and as many other clubs had only one team our B team were playing against much stronger opposition and consequently lost all their matches but improved noticeably throughout the season.

UNDER 9

EARLY STEPS IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

When asked which is the most important Academy age group in the club I reply the Under 9's.

Why? Because I am a firm advocate of the principle of 'Start Right- Stay Right'. What I mean by this is the importance of developing, in our youngest players, the FUNDamentals of agility, balance and co-ordination; the 'ABC' of all athlete development.

So what Andy Day and I have been working on throughout the season is lots of basis skill work involving catching, stopping, chasing, throwing, hitting and bowling in a challenging yet FUN environment.

We were blessed this summer with fine weather although some practise sessions were conducted at The Corsham School on the hard surface area and in the gym when the weather was bad. So instead of cancelling sessions we were independent of the weather.

A 'core group' of young players, who found there way to the club via the 'Chance to Shine Programme' and After School Club, attended regularly and showed great enthusiasm and improvement as witnessed by increasingly confident performances in the Festivals they played in. Quite simply they were brilliant kids with loads of positive parental support.

These are the Academy and senior club players of the future. These are the players, the best of whom will feature in District and County representative teams.

As coaches our task is to help them to 'be the best they can be' and to give them opportunities that they would not get anywhere else. That's what makes Corsham CC special!

David Dolman
(with help from Andy Day)

CORSHAM ACADEMY UNDER 9 KWIK CRICKET FESTIVAL

Although at the beginning of the season it seemed that we would only get to play in three festivals, as most were already full, we asked clubs to notify us if teams dropped out, and in the end we played in six festivals, at Marlborough, Trowbridge, Swindon, Malmesbury, Brislington and Westbury
And in all festivals our teams won more games than they lost.

In these games of eight –a-side, players bowl one over each, and bat in pairs for two overs. The team starts with 200 runs, and all runs scored are added to this, including wides and no-balls, each worth 2 runs. Against this, every wicket lost reduces the total by 5 runs. It is clear, then, that the aim is to bowl accurately, to hold catches, and, when batting, not to lose wickets. Easier said than done when you haven't played before!

The noticeable thing about the season, rather than individual performances, was the steady improvement in the boys' all round awareness of the game with each festival.

In the early matches we gave away many runs, with wides particularly, catches were dropped, and reaction in the field was slow. When batting, we hit no 4s or 6s, and missed a lot of runs through indecision. Fortunately some of our opponents were on the same learning curve.

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Corsham Academy Silver medallists

CORSHAM GIRLS SECTION 2010

The girls began the season with a string of good results. Against Potterne they reached a score of 71 for 5 in their 20 overs. With tight and accurate bowling they restricted Potterne to 58 runs.

Then followed two easy wins against weaker opposition. Goatacre short of players, gave a couple of our reserve players a chance to play. Goatacre scored only 47 runs, losing seven wickets to good Corsham bowling. Corsham scored 82 runs for the loss of 5 wickets, winning by 35 runs. Against Warminster, Corsham batted first and scored 140 without losing a wicket. This was the highest score in the league in 2010. Intelligent Corsham bowling took 14 wickets in the 20 overs, leaving Warminster with no score.

The match against Biddestone clashed with a county U13 match, so a number of players made their first appearances. Batting against strong bowling, Corsham batted intelligently, scoring 120 in 20 overs. Biddestone were restricted to 100 runs, losing 5 wickets, giving our girls their fourth successive win.

The final match of the season was against Calne, the other unbeaten side, and the close match went to the final over. Batting first Corsham scored 83 for the loss of four wickets, thus setting Calne a total of 64 to win. In their final over Calne reached 92 for 5, giving a net score of 67 and a win by 4 runs, and became league winners.

Throughout the season, the girls played in several Kwik Cricket festivals, allowing every primary school girl in the section a chance to play in matches against other mixed and boys teams.

Twelve girls went for trials for places on the Wiltshire winter coaching programme, and nine were selected, giving Corsham the biggest representation in the three age groups.

Girls cricket is growing quickly, and Corsham are right at the front.

Ali Goddard Girls Lead Coach

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By the end of the season, the whole aspect had changed, due in no small measure to Andy Day's skill and enthusiasm as their coach.

The awareness in the field became much sharper, excellent catches were held, and the bowling improved beyond recognition with consistent accuracy. And the batters were now punishing the loose ball, hitting boundaries regularly. In the Brislington festival, where the opposition was strong, we reached the semi-final.

The season turned them from novices into cricketers, so that when they move on to hard-ball cricket, their awareness of the skills and tactics of cricket will already be well developed. It was also great to see our youngest players (age 6) competing successfully against considerably older boys and girls.

Having enjoyed the festivals arranged by other clubs, we felt it only right to try to arrange one ourselves – after all, we do have the finest ground in the county. As it was a fairly late decision and the only clear date was in September, some clubs had already 'shut up shop'. By fielding two boys teams and a girls Under 11 team, and a young novice team, we managed a festival of six teams, and the weather was perfect. Thanks to a lot of help from parents, coaches and Club members, and businesses who sponsored the event, a great time was had by all. The Potterne team ran out overall winners, and received gold medals, and our two boys teams coming 2nd and 3rd received Silver and bronze medals.

The abiding memory of the season is of youngsters enjoying their cricket with tremendous enthusiasm, improving their skills, and securing the future of cricket in Corsham.



Corsham Academy Bronze medallists

COMPETITION

A prize will be given at the Academy Presentation Evening 2011 for the photo taken in the most unusual place wearing your Corsham Cricket Club cap!



Here is George Matcham wearing his Cricket Club cap at the Grand Canyon USA

Congratulations

To our Ground Manager, Tom Shardlow for once again being awarded the highest mark by WEPL (West of England Premier League) or all his hard work on the Station Road ground

We need a Club Kit Manager

The role would include liaison with coaches regarding requirements, purchase, marking and storing equipment; keeping an inventory of stock and replacing as and when necessary.

If you could help by filling this gap please ring Rob Shillaker on 01249 714160

We're on the web:
Corshamcc.co.uk/Academy

TRAINING KIT

Cricket Club training kit is available to Academy members.
 Training shirts: Junior £14 Youth & Seniors £16:50
 Training Shorts: Junior £14 Youth & Seniors £ 16
 Hoody: Junior £19 Youth & Seniors £22
 Track Suit bottoms: Junior £17 Youth & Senior £20
 Cricket Caps £7:50 one size fits all
 and lots more:

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CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH

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