

# Southgate Cricket



# Review



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# Southgate Cricket Club

**2003**

## **Results**

Matches 123

Played 118

Won 41

Lost 3

Drawn 39

Abandoned 5

Cancelled 5

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## THE 2003 SEASON

### Ricky Gunn

The Annual Review for the 2003 season has been a long time coming. This has been for a number of cogent reasons. The prime one was the total lack of reports from the respective league XI captains although, in the end, over the winter, I stumbled across Dan Ashley's final publication of his marvellous weekly match bulletin which was published at the end of the summer many months before, and I happened upon the top three captains' summaries. This would do, I felt, so 'lifted' them wholesale – the result was as good as the real thing. The second reason was, of course, time. To produce the Review in the way I have always aspired to do, with quite in-depth statistical lists and analysis – not counting the obvious spreadsheet charting of all the games and the individual contributions in each one for batting, bowling and fielding – is very time consuming. The real bugbear is that, either during the progress of this research – even worse – after everything has been drawn up ready for publication, there is the discovery that firstly one, and then a second complete match was missing from the records – for the simple reason that it was never copied up into the book after the game. Reference to the weekly bulletin confirmed their existence so it's a matter of contacting oppositions and hoping they can sympathise with my predicament, a task optimistically embarked upon - as I would certainly do for them if the boot were on the other foot.

The greatest success of the summer was undoubtedly our venture into the realms of Sunday league cricket – in our case the Slazenger Chess Valley League – which resulted in immediate promotion from First XI Division Four. Notable in this competition was Southgate's 393 for 6 in 45 overs against Winchmore Hill, the highest recorded score since 1911, which included 153 not out from Matt Feeney.

Mike Stafford again scored the most runs (835), closely followed by new arrival Ahmad Elech whose exciting stroke-play caught the imagination. Although the Borough 20-Over competition does not qualify for the season's match averages, his explosive hundred at Enfield totally demoralised the opposition. Stafford also took the most wickets (80), well ahead of the next most, 61, for Adrian Carr.

The efforts to emulate our oppositions with a scintillating overseas player ran aground very early on when expectations from Ashley Rasool – a pleasant enough South African – were misplaced all round. So it was back to the old faithfuls for one more summer in which Mike Stafford worked hard for his 32 league wickets and Adrian Carr claimed 21 (in addition to the 27 he took in the 2nds). Matt Creese discovered that batting was easier than bowling, Ben Hartman and Ahmad Elech produced at times explosive innings, and we luxuriated in one final part-season from the ever-promising county prospect Mike Brown.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> XI were very well served with the bat by Dave Woffinden, Steve Rowe and the 16 year-old Michael Stevens, and Alvin Durgacharan surfaced again to good effect. Adrian Carr

took 27 League wickets, and although others chipped in at modest cost, again, we needed someone else to take a similar number to complete the 10-point wins that win championships.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> XI League Alan Jenner and Richard Bishop-Laggett (RBL) were pre-eminent with over 400 runs apiece and the spin combination of Blackmore and Cradock accounted for over 50 wickets.

The 4<sup>th</sup> XI so nearly clawed themselves out of the 1987 League 3<sup>rd</sup> Division but just fell short at the final hurdle. The four leading batsmen shared nearly 1,500 runs, with Mel Dowsett in particular batting consistently well and Len Stokes hitting three hundreds, while all the bowlers returned miserly returns (including a hat-trick from 15-year-old Aneesh Popat) although nobody was available enough to takes lots of wickets on a regular basis.

Nick Chadwick, too, deserves a special word for his early season return of 8-30 away to Barclays Bank II when the conditions clearly suited his left-arm swing.

On the domestic front we congratulate David and Vikki Howell on their wedding on 13th July 2003 (also Vikki's birthday!) and welcomed into the world a son, Aaryan, for Mr and Mrs Kunjal Haria, born on 4th October.

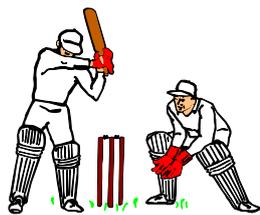
At the other end of the scale we were sorry to lose two very good friends in Alun Whitaker and John Stacey. Some well-chosen words appear later in this edition about the beneficial contributions they made to the world they have left behind.

*RDG*



*Bill Dean drives forcefully against Teddington at The Walker Ground, 31 May 2003*

# SOUTHGATE CRICKET CLUB AVERAGES 2003



## BATTING

	Matches	Innings	N/Os	Runs	Highest	Average	100	50s	Fielding	
									Ct	St
A. M. Jouning	6	5	3	126	70*	63.00	-	1	2	-
J. E. Hobbs	12	7	4	148	49	49.33	-	-	4	-
M. J. Brown	9	9	0	392	98	43.55	-	4	3	1
K. Haria	23	18	6	485	145*	40.41	1	1	7	2
D. A. Woffinden	22	20	5	585	104*	39.00	1	3	7	-
G. S. Rowe	26	22	5	659	107	38.76	1	4	13	-
R. Bishop-Laggett	18	16	5	421	74	38.27	-	3	8	1
J. Williams	7	7	2	190	86*	38.00	-	1	7	-
P. M. G. Honor	6	6	0	226	67	37.66	-	1	4	-
J. C. Thorpe	13	10	3	248	100*	35.42	1	1	3	-
D. G. Ashley	32	31	11	724	79*	36.20	-	5	15	-
J. B. Jouning	30	25	2	759	98	33.00	-	5	11	4
A. Elech	29	28	3	819	100*	32.76	1	6	12	-
N. J. Tohill	26	24	2	708	132	32.18	1	3	6	1
M. T. Stafford	43	34	8	835	105	32.11	1	4	17	-
M. D. Feeny	20	19	2	521	153*	30.64	1	2	13	-
M. L. Creese	9	9	2	214	99	30.57	-	2	5	-
B. Bothma	15	14	1	392	102*	30.15	1	3	3	-
A. R. Jenner	22	22	2	600	113	30.00	1	3	12	-
S. Mahmood	13	12	0	353	75	29.41	-	4	1	-
S. Banyard	16	14	3	302	61	27.45	-	1	2	-
R. J. Marshall	7	7	0	192	70	27.42	-	2	1	-
L. J. W. Stokes	31	28	4	639	116	26.62	3	-	6	-
P. A. Moran	17	15	3	318	89*	26.50	-	3	1	-
M. P. B. Kennedy	13	10	3	179	68	25.57	-	1	3	5
M. O. Stevens	34	29	2	684	84*	25.33	-	3	14	1
R. D. Gunn	31	27	6	532	64*	25.33	-	3	21	16
A. Booth	16	15	6	222	53*	24.66	-	3	7	-
S. Lane	13	13	2	261	56	23.72	-	2	2	-
H. M. Dowsett	38	36	1	799	86*	22.83	-	5	10	-
A. F. Corbin	16	16	1	337	63*	22.47	-	2	3	-
B. R. Hartman	29	27	2	535	76	21.40	-	3	7	-
A. K. Durgacharan	25	24	0	513	59	21.37	-	3	6	-
P. J. B. Bownes	10	10	1	192	55*	21.33	-	1	5	-
W. J. Dean	26	23	2	435	53	20.71	-	1	8	-
I. W. Henley	13	9	1	164	77	20.50	-	1	6	-
I. Park	19	18	2	317	78	19.81	-	1	8	-
G. M. Burton	12	11	5	113	22*	18.83	-	-	2	-
D. J. Beatty	15	15	1	263	72*	18.78	-	1	4	-

*Continued*

*Batting averages continued*

	Matches	Innings	N/Os	Runs	Highest	Average	100s	50s	Fielding	
									Ct	St
H. Rosenvinge	7	6	1	93	37*	18.60	-	-	2	-
D. Gordon	18	15	3	218	59	18.16	-	1	5	-
S. Goodley	17	13	8	87	24	17.40	-	-	10	5
A. Shantilal	8	6	1	86	29	17.20	-	-	1	-
K. Saeed	12	8	1	119	68	17.00	-	1	3	-
J. D. Dangerfield	14	14	2	203	70	16.91	-	1	5	-
M. Millar	23	11	0	181	53	16.45	-	1	8	-
P. A. Stevens	13	9	4	79	27	15.80	-	-	5	1
D. Combe	11	5	1	62	47	15.50	-	-	3	-
A. Popat	10	8	0	113	39	14.12	-	-	2	-
S. Cradock	18	12	2	136	46	13.60	-	-	7	-
N. Chadwick	39	17	12	67	13	13.40	-	-	6	-
P. I. W. Wilmshurst	9	9	0	114	36	12.66	-	-	1	-
N. Topiwala	14	8	3	63	31	12.60	-	-	4	-
M. Stavri	21	17	4	163	27	12.53	-	-	10	-
S. Flook	29	16	6	124	30*	12.40	-	-	9	-
Shiva Dindyal	8	7	2	71	34	14.20	-	-	-	-
G. N. Blackmore	16	8	5	27	10	9.00	-	-	5	-
A. J. Carr	27	16	6	82	16*	8.20	-	-	12	-
F. Mir	23	15	2	102	37	7.84	-	-	3	-
D. C. J. Howell	18	11	1	71	13	7.10	-	-	-	-
M. S. Hughes	5	4	1	21	10	7.00	-	-	1	-
A. G. H. Rolt	17	6	0	41	28	6.83	-	-	5	-
L. Wooldridge	6	4	1	18	11	6.00	-	-	-	-
J. Barnet	10	8	0	45	14	5.62	-	-	2	-
A. Rasool	9	5	3	10	5*	5.00	-	-	2	-
M. Heunes	8	5	0	53	23	4.60	-	-	1	-
D. Walters	17	6	4	7	5	3.50	-	-	1	-
H. Cahill	12	7	1	18	12	3.00	-	-	5	3
A. Hawthorn	13	4	2	4	2	2.00	-	-	6	-
K. R. Smart	11	3	1	3	2*	1.50	-	-	1	-
T. Sivarajah	5	1	0	0	0	0.00	-	-	1	-

**Also played:**

**4 matches:** R. Deverakonda 3, 0, 1\*, 4; M. Fletcher 0, 13\*, 17 (1 ct); J. Knight 20, 16, 0, 19 (2 ct); S. McGuinness 5, 8, 6, 7\* (1 ct); K. Smart 3, 0 (1 ct).

**3 matches:** V. Akbar 0, 1 (1 ct); M. T. Clucas 2, 6, 0; C. Marshall 1 (1 ct); G. E. Slipper 4 (1 ct).

**2 matches:** Basit 27 (3 ct); P. M. Chadwick 0, 1 (1 ct); R. Hewit; Kayani 6; M. Limm; J. Thomas.

**1 match:** B. Bornand 42 (1 ct); B. Dhamarajah 8; Sanjay Dindyal 23; P. Draper 9; R. Evans; R. Fone 81; T. Fretter 30; N. Greenwood 0; A. Habberley; S. Jackson 5; M. McCaskill; Parmar 0; R. Savage 1; J. Wilson 0.



# BOWLING

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Average	Best	5wkts	S/Rate (Balls/wkt)	Economy (Runs/over)
A. Popat	65.1	11	224	22	11.09	6-34	2	17.77	3.74
D. G. Ashley	29.0	6	91	7	13.00	3-14	-	24.85	3.13
T. Sivarajah	46.0	12	122	8	15.25	2-21	-	34.50	2.65
L. Wooldridge	59.0	13	245	14	17.50	4-33	-	25.28	4.15
Shiva Dindyal	38.0	4	145	8	18.12	2-13	-	28.50	3.81
N. J. Tohill	44.4	0	219	12	18.25	6-44	1	22.33	4.90
D. A. Woffinden	166.2	44	552	30	18.40	6-60	1	33.26	3.31
M. D. Feeney	66.5	8	318	17	18.70	4-31	-	23.58	4.75
A. J. Carr	398.3	67	1185	61	19.43	7-50	4	39.19	2.97
M. Heunes	39.0	4	159	8	19.87	5-17	1	29.25	4.07
A. Shantilal	50.4	3	246	12	20.50	5-76	1	25.33	4.85
M. T. Stafford	473.4	85	1721	80	21.51	7-86	3	35.52	3.63
A. Elech	203.2	28	809	37	21.86	5-73	1	32.97	3.97
M. O. Stevens	103.3	15	469	21	22.33	4-31	-	29.57	4.53
J. E. Hobbs	104.0	12	424	18	23.56	4-32	-	34.67	4.08
G. N. Blackmore	183.4	20	714	30	23.80	5-69	1	36.73	3.88
D. Combe	90.0	23	265	11	24.09	2-22	-	49.09	2.94
N. Topiwala	92.0	11	363	15	24.20	4-62	-	36.80	3.94
D. C. J. Howell	97.0	11	421	17	24.76	4-14	-	34.24	4.34
M. Millar	38.0	1	248	10	24.80	2-19	-	22.80	6.53
V. Akbar	29.5	0	126	5	25.20	3-40	-	35.80	4.22
S. Cradock	218.1	36	735	29	25.34	4-32	-	45.13	3.36
A. Rasool	73.0	8	289	11	26.27	3-27	-	39.82	3.95
L. J. W. Stokes	131.2	18	561	21	26.71	5-27	1	37.52	4.27
G. E. Slipper	28.0	7	107	4	26.75	3-34	-	24.00	3.82
A. Hawthorn	112.5	18	439	16	27.44	4-60	-	42.31	3.89
S. Banyard	60.0	13	220	8	27.50	3-30	-	45.00	3.66
J. C. Thorpe	70.0	10	262	9	29.11	3-56	-	46.67	3.74
S. Flook	246.3	32	1024	35	29.26	4-75	-	42.25	4.15
G. M. Burton	28.0	0	151	5	30.20	4-74	-	33.60	5.39
N. Chadwick	278.3	45	1058	35	30.22	8-30	1	47.74	3.79
G. S. Rowe	80.1	6	369	12	30.75	3-57	-	40.08	4.60
D. Gordon	44.0	4	228	7	32.57	3-66	-	37.71	5.18
D. Walters	94.3	15	358	10	35.80	2-22	-	56.70	3.78
K. R. Smart	37.0	11	112	3	37.33	2-34	-	74.00	3.02
F. Mir	163.5	14	712	19	37.47	3-43	-	51.73	4.34
A. G. H. Rolt	113.0	15	472	12	39.33	3-21	-	56.50	4.17
W. J. Dean	66.3	1	373	9	41.44	3-41	-	44.33	5.60
A. K. Durgacharan	79.1	9	378	8	47.25	3-32	-	59.33	4.77
A. F. Corbin	95.2	3	432	8	54.00	2-20	-	71.50	4.53
K. Saeed	135.5	36	548	10	54.80	3-57	-	81.50	4.03
B. R. Hartman	56.0	6	221	3	73.66	2-6	-	112.00	3.94

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*Bowling averages continued*

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Average	Best	5wkts	S/Rate (Balls/wkt)	Economy (Runs/over)
<b>Also bowled (10-25 overs):</b>									
P. A. Stevens	16.0	2	59	7	8.42	2-12	-	13.71	3.68
R. Hewit	18.0	5	47	4	11.75	3-34	-	27.00	2.61
A. Booth	12.0	2	47	4	11.75	2-2	-	18.00	3.91
M. Limm	23.0	4	69	4	17.25	3-30	-	34.50	3.00
C. Marshall	23.0	4	92	5	18.40	3-10	-	27.60	4.00
Kayani	18.0	8	44	2	22.00	1-20	-	54.00	2.44
J. Thomas	10.0	1	44	2	22.00	1-13	-	30.00	4.40
S. Jackson	11.0	0	48	2	24.00	2-48	-	33.00	4.36
S. McGuinness	18.0	0	85	3	28.33	2-22	-	36.00	4.72
N. Rosenvinge	18.0	4	59	2	29.50	2-27	-	54.00	3.28
P. A. Moran	18.4	2	96	3	32.00	1-11	-	37.33	5.14
J. Knight	14.0	0	74	2	37.00	1-22	-	42.00	5.28
Basit	20.0	2	62	1	62.00	1-35	-	120.00	3.10
J. D. Dangerfield	20.0	2	97	0	-	0-11	-	-	4.85
M. L. Creese	23.0	3	120	0	-	0-4	-	-	5.21
M. Stavri	11.0	1	41	0	-	0-19	-	-	3.72

**Also bowled (under 10 overs):**

A. M. Jouning	1.0	0	2	1	2.00	1-2	-	6.00	2.00
M. Fletcher	7.4	0	32	5	6.40	3-7	-	9.20	4.17
K. Haria	2.3	0	16	2	8.00	2-11	-	6.90	6.96
S. Mahmood	2.0	0	11	1	11.00	1-11	-	12.00	5.50
N. Greenwood	7.0	1	27	2	13.50	2-27	-	21.00	3.85
A. Habberley	5.0	0	22	1	22.00	1-22	-	30.00	4.40
H. M. Dowsett	3.0	0	22	1	22.00	1-22	-	18.00	7.33
R. Devarakonda	2.0	0	23	1	23.00	1-23	-	12.00	11.50
M. S. Hughes	8.0	0	54	2	27.00	1-1	-	24.00	6.75
R. Evans	3.0	0	30	1	30.00	1-30	-	18.00	10.00
Sanjay Dindyal	9.0	1	32	1	32.00	1-32	-	54.00	3.55
P. M. G. Honnor	8.0	0	37	1	37.00	1-6	-	48.00	4.62
A. R. Jenner	7.0	0	63	1	63.00	1-40	-	42.00	9.00
J. Barnett	3.0	0	6	0	-	0-6	-	-	2.00
I. Park	3.0	0	11	0	-	0-11	-	-	3.66
J. Wilson	2.0	0	15	0	-	0-15	-	-	7.50
M. McCaskill	6.0	1	33	0	-	0-33	-	-	5.60
B. Dhamarajah	5.0	0	43	0	-	0-43	-	-	8.60

# HIGHLIGHTS OF 2003

## BATTING

### Large Totals

#### For:

393-6	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Winchmore Hill I (Chess Valley League) (a)
282-5	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Teddington I (ML) (h)
274-2	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Barnet II (a)
271-3	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Teddington II (ML) (h)
258-8	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Bushey I (Chess Valley League) (a)
251-9	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Ealing I (ML) (h)
250-5	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Welwyn Garden City I (h)
250-7	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Ealing II (ML) (a) (to win)
245-8	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Barnes I (ML) (h)
244-6	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Wembley (ML) (h)
243-8	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Finchley II (L) (a) (to win)
243-3	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Brentham II (ML) (a) (to win)
242-6	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Weekenders (h)
242-7	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Brondesbury II (ML) (h, Shenley)
242	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Ealing I (ML) (a)
241-3	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v South Hampstead III (ML) (a, Harrow)
239-8	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Cryptics (h)
238-8	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Barnes III (ML) (h)

#### Against:

306-9	Horsham I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (NCKO) (a)
283-5	Teddington I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (ML) (h) (to win)
280-1	Brondesbury I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (ML) (a)
278-3	1987 League XI v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (h)
272	Barnes I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (ML) (a)
271-7	Finchley I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (ML) (h)
264-6	Hertford I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (a)
255-6	Brondesbury I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (ML) (h)
255-7	Deutsche Bank v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (h)
252	Osterley I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (Ibex Cup) (a)
246-6	Ealing II v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (ML) (a)
244-3	Brondesbury II v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (ML) (Shenley) (to win)
242	Brentham II v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (ML) (a)
243-2	Ealing I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (ML) (a)
241-6	Hampstead II v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (ML) (a)
241-7	Richmond I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (ML) (h)
240-5	Uxbridge I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (h)
240-9	Finchley II v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (L) (h)
240-8	Cryptics v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (h) (to win)
240-8	Welwyn Garden City I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI (h)
239-3	Finchley II v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (L) (a)
238	Wembley I v 1 <sup>st</sup> XI
237	Eastcote III v 3 <sup>rd</sup> XI (ML) (a)

## Lowest All-Out Totals (under 100)

60	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Hampstead III (h, Laing Sports)
91	Veterans XI v Southgate Compton Veterans (a)

## Lowest Totals (Oppositions):

90	Barclays Bank II v 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI (a)
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## Centuries (13)

B. Bothma	102*	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Barnet II (a)
A. Elech	100*	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Welwyn Garden City I (h)
M. D. Feeney	153*	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Winchmore Hill I (Chess Valley League) (a)
K. Haria	145*	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Edmonton IV (1987 League) (a) 2003
A. R. Jenner	113	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Richmond III (ML) (h)
G. S. Rowe	107	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Richmond II (ML) (a)
M. T. Stafford	105	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Barnes I (ML) (h)
L. J. W. Stokes	116	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Hanwell III (1987 League) (h)
L. J. W. Stokes	107*	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Perivale III (1987 League) (a)
L. J. W. Stokes	100	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Perivale III (1987 League) (h)
J. C. Thorpe	100*	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Barnet II (a)
N. J. Tohill	132	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Teddington II (ML) (h)
D. A. Woffinden	104*	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Enfield II (a)

## Large Partnerships (\* = not out/unbroken partnership)

1 <sup>st</sup> wkt:	158 (N. J. Tohill 132, M. O. Stevens 57)	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Teddington II (ML) (h)
2 <sup>nd</sup> wkt:	113 (M. P. B. Kennedy 68, A. R. Jenner 82)	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v South Hampstead III (ML) (a)
2 <sup>nd</sup> wkt:	103 (S. Mahmood 57, J. B. Jouning 52)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Richmond I (ML) (a)
3 <sup>rd</sup> wkt:	190 (J. C. Thorpe 100, B. Bothma 102*)	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Barnet II (a)
3 <sup>rd</sup> wkt:	110 (A. Elech 61, M. J. Brown 80)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Wembley I (h)
4 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	164 (J. Williams 86*, R. Bishop-Laggett 74)	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Eastcote III (ML) (a)
4 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	147 (M. J. Brown 80, B. R. Hartman 76)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Ealing I (ML) (h)
4 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	133 (M. T. Stafford 105, N. J. Tohill 73)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Barnes I (ML) (a)
4 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	124 (H. M. Dowsett 47, R. J. Fone 81)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v 1987 League XI (h)
4 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	112* (M. O. Stevens 84*, A. Booth 53*)	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Brentham II (ML) (a)
5 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	120 (M. D. Feeney 153*, D. G. Ashley 51)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Winchmore Hill I (Chess VL) (a)
5 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	103 (R. J. Marshall 70, J. C. Thorpe 30*)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Weekenders (h)
5 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	111 (D. G. Ashley 56, S. Banyard 61)	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Finchley II (ML) (a)
6 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	96 (G. S. Rowe 96*, S. Banyard 37)	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Brondesbury II (h, Shenley)
6 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	81* (A. Booth 26*, A. Elech 51*)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Hertford I (h)
7 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	139 (A. R. Jenner 89, K. Saeed 68)	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Ealing III (ML) (h)**
8 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	53 (R. Bishop-Laggett 67*, D. C. J. Howell 8)	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Finchley III (ML) (h)
8 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	46 (W. J. Dean 53, I. Park 22)	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Horsham I (NCKO) (a)
9 <sup>th</sup> wkt:	54* (S. Goodley 24*, S. Flook 30*)	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Finchley II (ML) (a)

\*\* League 7<sup>th</sup> wicket record and equals the second highest club 7<sup>th</sup> wicket partnership

## BOWLING

### Five or more wickets in an innings (17):

8-30	N. Chadwick	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Barclays Bank II (a)
7-50	A. J. Carr	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Winchmore Hill II (ML) (h)
7-86	M. T. Stafford	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Richmond I (ML) (h)
6-32	A. J. Carr	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Brondesbury II (ML) (a)
6-34	A. Popat	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v St Albans II (a)
6-44	N. Tohill	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Brentham II (ML) (a)
6-60	D. A. Woffinden	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v South Hampstead II (ML) (h)
5-4	M. T. Stafford	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Langleybury I (Bertie Joel Cup) (a)
5-17	M. Heunes	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Richmond III (ML) (a)
5-27	L. J. W. Stokes	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Hanwell III (1987 League) (h)
5-46	A. Popat	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Victor (h)
5-59	A. J. Carr	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Eastcote I (ML) (h)
5-63	A. J. Carr	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Teddington II (ML) (h)
5-65	M. T. Stafford	'A' XI v Hertingfordbury (a)
5-69	G. N. Blackmore	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v South Hampstead III (ML) (a)
5-73	A. Elech	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Barnes I (ML) (a)
5-76	A. Shantilal	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Acton III (1987 League) (h)

### Economical bowling analyses:

M. T. Stafford	20.2-10-38-4	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Teddington I (ML) (a)
N. Chadwick	16.0-3-28-3	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Brondesbury III (ML) (h)
A. Hawthorn	13.5-7-22-3	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Perivale IV (1987 League) (a)
M. T. Stafford	11.0-2-14-4	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Weekenders (h)
G. N. Blackmore	11-2-18-4	3 <sup>rd</sup> XI v Hampstead III (ML) (h)
A. Popat	11.2-2-18-4	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v North London V (1987 League) (h)
T. Sivarajah	10.0-6-16-1	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Stevenage I (Chess Valley League) (h)
M. T. Stafford	9.0-6-4-5	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Langleybury I (Bertie Joel Cup) (h)
A. Hawthorn	9.0-5-9-2	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v Edmonton IV (1987 League) (h)
M. T. Stafford	9.0-4-13-0	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Stanmore I (Federation Cup) (a)
M. T. Stafford	9.0-4-17-4	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Barnes I (Ibex Cup) (h)
L. Wooldridge	8.0-3-14-2	2 <sup>nd</sup> XI v Ealing II (ML) (h)
S. Flook	6.0-2-8-1	1 <sup>st</sup> XI v Victor (h)
A. Hawthorn	6.0-2-9-1	4 <sup>th</sup> XI v North London V (1987 League) (a)

## Miscellaneous

### High-scoring extras

- 48 extras in 3<sup>rd</sup> XI's 216-8 v Finchley III (ML) (h)
- 35 extras in 3<sup>rd</sup> XI's 213 v Ealing III (ML) (h)
- 35 extras in 4<sup>th</sup> XI's 157 v Alexandra Park III (1987 League) (a)

### Biggest victories:

- 272 runs 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Winchmore Hill I (Chess Valley League) (a)
- 138 runs 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Old Owens (a)
- 120 runs 2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Barnet II (a)
- 9 wickets 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Barclays Bank I (h)
- 8 wickets 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Barnes I (ML) (h)
- 8 wickets 3<sup>rd</sup> XI v Richmond III (ML) (h)
- 8 wickets 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Stevenage I (Chess Valley League) (h)

### Heaviest defeats:

- 9 wickets 3<sup>rd</sup> XI v Finchley III (ML) (Shenley) (h)
- 9 wickets 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Richmond I (ML) (a)
- 8 wickets 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Ealing I (ML) (a)
- 133 runs Veterans XI v Southgate Compton Veterans
- 107 runs 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Finchley I (ML) (h)
- 107 runs 1<sup>st</sup> XI v Osterley I (Ibex Cup) (a)



## End of Season Awards

**Hawker Trophy:** Adrian Carr

**Chris Stevenson Batting Trophy:** Nick Tohill and Alan Jenner (jointly)

**Derek Honnor Bowling Trophy:** Adrian Carr

**Colin Done Young Cricketer of the Year Trophy:** Michael Stevens

**Outstanding Colt Award:** Michael Millar

**Martin Fletcher Clubman of the Year Trophy:** Phil Stevens

**Steve Rowe "Dunkirk" Trophy:** Simon Goodley



**Piano Award:** Nick Tohill

## ALUN WHITAKER (1921–2003)



*Alun Whitaker died suddenly on 21 May 2003. A service of thanksgiving for Alun's life was held at Christ Church, Cockfosters on 29 August 2003 where mourners overflowed from the church.*

*Chris Gibson, Alan's son-in-law and longstanding playing member at Southgate, has provided the following article in honour of one of the most well-loved of men.*

Alun was born in North London and spent his school years at Hazelwood Primary School and Southgate County School. In 1939 he joined the Ministry of Health and signed up for the HAC when war broke out. During the war Alun met a Canadian dentist and was inspired to study dentistry at Guy's Hospital after the war. He played cricket for Guy's as a slow left arm bowler and right hand bat and was also a useful goalkeeper representing United Hospitals.

Alun joined Cockfosters CC in 1947 and played for many years. He was President from 1966 until the centenary season of 1973 when he played a major role in the various celebrations. He had a two-year break before becoming President again in 1976 and continued until 1985. This period saw the start of Cockfosters' connection with New Zealand through Lancaster Park CC and Alun led the team to New Zealand in 1981; the first time a club side had ever toured New Zealand.

At Cockfosters Alun was also club secretary for four years, captained the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI and was the power behind many successful dinners and fund raising events. His other major contribution to Cockfosters was his work with the Colts. Alun recognised the importance of clubs developing their own players and it gave him great satisfaction to see so many ex-colts graduate through to the 1<sup>st</sup> XI, particularly from the strong squad in the late 1970s. This work was later to continue when he joined Southgate as an Honorary Member in the early 1990s and in later years became our Colts Secretary. He was a well-known speaker and was highly respected on the cricket circuit. He was a member of Middlesex CCC and the MCC.

Alun was dentist for Arsenal FC from the early 1960s until his retirement and even turned down an invitation to be dentist for the 1966 World Cup England squad because he had already arranged a family holiday! Whilst continuing to follow Arsenal in his later years he also regularly attended Saracens matches.

Alun was very happily married to Yvonne from 1949 and was an exceptional husband, father, father-in-law and grandfather. Alun loved life. He had an enormous circle of friends and was a wonderful role model. He will be greatly missed.

*Chris Gibson*

# 1st XI League

## Jamie Jouning

The 2004 season was always going to be a tough year but losing Thorpe, stress fracture of the back, Brown, split webbing, Jouning broken finger, Dean and Creese, dodgy shoulders, Elech dodgy hamstring and Rasool, dodgy attitude, at various points over the season, made it especially difficult. It was fortunate for us, then, that in the midst of our injury hell in about week 7, we could call on the youthful exuberance of one of Southgate's fledgling young cricketers, Adrian Carr. In tandem with one of our other wee nippers, the 49 year-old Mickey Stafford, the pair bowled a staggering 470 overs and gave me, at long last, a game plan with which to work. It was a simple plan really, and one that didn't require a great deal of mental agility. Win the toss, bat for as long as we could for as many as we could. Declare, or as was more often the case, get bowled out, bowl three or four overs of cursory seam before giving the ball to Staff and Sage to work their magic. We had a few trial runs, notable only by the complete failure of our batsmen to post a reasonable score, before we finally hit gold against the then League leaders Stanmore. This game saw us produce comfortably our best all-round performance of the season, and with it the vital ten points that finally moved us away from the relegation mire.

The bulk of 1<sup>st</sup> XI bowling duties was performed by Messrs Stafford and Carr. Staff would be the first to admit that he struggled early on and it was only really when Sage arrived on the scene that he began to show the sort of form that we have come to expect. With a highly impressive 32 League wickets Staff got better and better as the season wore on, leaving his best for last with an outstanding display of 7 for 86 against Richmond in the final League game of the year. Sage meanwhile, started the year as Second XI captain and managed to sneak in 27 2<sup>nd</sup> XI League wickets before being promoted to the 1's in early June, since when his performance for me has been nothing short of miraculous. Regularly bowling 20 overs a game he was the perfect foil to Staff's aggressive off spin. I'm still yet to see a Premier Division batsman, well right-handers anyway, get after him properly and I took great pleasure in seeing arrogant Premier batsman defeated by another piece of sorcery from our yellow capped magician. The 1<sup>st</sup> team affectionately came to know him as Harry Potter and his plentiful bag of tricks contributed hugely to our survival in the top flight.

Two new members to the Club this year also deserve special mention for their performance with the new ball. I am of course referring to Ahmad Elech and Faisal Mir. Faisal was only promoted to the 1's for the last few games of the year but his raw pace and controlled aggression will, I hope, make him a permanent fixture in years to come. Ahmad Elech, meanwhile, played all season and despite missing 4 games through injury, still took 14 League wickets at just under 28 apiece, showing the enormity of this guy's potential. When fully fit and when he pitches the ball up to the bat, there can be few more dangerous bowlers in the League.

Batting honours were spread relatively evenly across the first team with six of the top seven recording averages in excess of 20 although only two players managed to top that magical figure of 30, Michael Brown and Saquib Mahmood. Michael Brown was injured or not available for much of the year but his class and ability came to the fore when we needed it most at the back end of the year and his superb 98 in our victory over Stanmore has to go down as the innings of the year. Ahmad Elech threatened to cause havoc every time he arrived at the crease and his innings against Teddington at home and Ealing away were absolute gems. Matt Creese finally showed his true potential with the bat by scoring consecutive 50s in the last two games of the year, the second of which should have been converted into a thoroughly deserved 100. Perhaps the transformation

of the season however, came in the form of Ben Hartman. Treated harshly by his skipper for the first half of the year, Tarters spent his days wandering round the boundary talking women to anyone who'd listen (normally Brown or Creese) and bemoaning, in a perfectly reasonable manner might I add, how the top six had failed again. Fortunately, prompted by our President, I finally gave Tarters his chance and he took it with both hands. Ben does at times make batting look extraordinarily easy. He recorded three excellent 50s in trying circumstances and with 354 League runs ended up as the 1<sup>st</sup> XI's leading run scorer. The other batsman to deserve specific praise is Nick Tohill, another 2<sup>nd</sup> XI player at the start of the year but someone who fully merited his promotion to the 1<sup>st</sup> team. He scored 463 League runs, including 235 at 29 in the 1's. He batted with authority and skill and his steely determination to prove to me and any other doubters that he was indeed a 1<sup>st</sup> team bat, meant that he sold his wicket very dearly indeed.

And so, in conclusion, there can be little doubt that the 2003 season was a difficult one for the 1<sup>st</sup> XI. We took our time to find our feet in the Premier Division and to adjust to the rigours of all-day cricket. 120 over cricket is hard work and is very different from the style of game we had grown accustomed to in the 1<sup>st</sup> Division. Bowlers need to be more disciplined and batsmen more patient. The fielding too has to be of a much higher standard and it was only in the away fixture to Stanmore that we really did ourselves justice in this department. The side suffered early on in the year through injury and our spirit was severely tested mid-way through the year when frustration turned to anger as poor result followed poor result. We did, however, hang on in there and, as our two closest relegation rivals, Wembley and Eastcote, failed to capitalise on our string of bad results, so we began to regroup and rebuild. The second half of the year was as enjoyable as the first half had been unpleasant and as our performances started to improve, so too did the belief that this side was more than capable of holding its own in the Premier Division. By the final game of the season we were playing some very fine cricket indeed and if we can start 2004 as we finished 2003, then there should be no repeat of the trials and tribulations that we experienced this year.

Before I go I'd just like to say a few thank you's. Firstly, to all 25 of the players who represented the 1<sup>st</sup> XI this season. Some of them, like Dan Ashley, Ian Park, Steve Banyard, Simon Goodley and Dave Woffinden, played only a handful of games between them and despite staring down the barrel at a fresh air game, still turned up and gave 100%. I'd also like to thank one of the unsung heroes of the 1<sup>st</sup> XI and someone whom I forgot to thank properly last year, and that is my vice-captain Bill Dean. His support and advice, along with that of the ever-positive Jeremy Dangerfield, have been invaluable over the course of a tough season. Thanks too to our Chairman of Cricket Derek Honnor, whose hard work, advice and occasional foray into the scoreboard were much appreciated; to Danno for his quite brilliant weekly bulletins; to Madgie and Pat for their many hours spent in steamy score boxes, and to all our supporters. A final thank you must go to our outgoing President Jim Conroy who steps down after three very successful years in the role. Along with my father, Jim has been the most loyal of supporters to the 1<sup>st</sup> team and the Club in general. He has had to endure some pretty torrid days on the boundary this year, not least when he foolishly chose to watch us take on the delightful Osterley in an Ibex cup game earlier in the year. Jim has provided me with a great deal of sound advice over the years, none more appreciated than the three-point plan that he delivered to me after our defeat away to Brondesbury at the halfway mark this year. I had to keep wicket, Ben Hartman had to bat and Sage had to bowl. Thankfully I took this advice and having said, somewhat ambitiously, that not only would we survive but also that we'd pass Barnes on the way, I'm delighted to say that's exactly how it turned out.

**JB**

# MIDDLESEX COUNTY CRICKET LEAGUE

## 2003 1st XI League Tables

	Played	Won 10pts	Drawn 4pts	Drawn 1pt	Aband 1pt	Lost 0pts	Pen pts	Total
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### Points

#### E.C.B. PREMIER LEAGUE - DIVISION ONE

Brondesbury	18	10	5	1	2	0		123
Stanmore	18	8	3	1	2	4		95
Ealing	18	9	1	5	1	2	-10	90
Teddington	18	7	2	4	2	3		84
Finchley	18	6	2	2	2	6		72
Richmond	18	5	4	2	1	6		69
<b>Southgate</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>		<b>53</b>
Barnes	18	3	5	3	0	7		53
Eastcote	18	1	2	4	3	8		25
Wembley	18	0	3	3	2	10		17

#### E.C.B. PREMIER LEAGUE - DIVISION TWO

Hampstead	18	9	4	2	1	2	-5	104
Winchmore Hill	18	8	4	2	2	2		100
Brentham	18	8	3	4	2	1		98
Enfield	18	6	5	3	2	2		85
South Hampstead	18	6	3	3	2	4		77
Uxbridge	18	4	4	2	2	6		60
Ickenham	18	4	1	3	2	8		49
Barclays	18	3	1	3	2	9		39
Harrow	18	3	1	2	2	10		38
Hornsey	18	2	2	4	1	9		33

#### E.C.B. PREMIER LEAGUE - DIVISION THREE

Shepherds Bush	18	12	2	2	1	1		131
North London	18	8	2	3	1	4		92
Harrow Town	18	7	6	1	2	2	-5	92
North Middlesex	18	5	4	2	2	5		70
Wycombe House	18	5	2	3	2	6		63
Highgate	18	5	2	5	0	6		63
Barnet	18	4	5	0	2	7		62
Bessborough	18	4	1	2	2	9		48
Hampton Wick Royal	18	4	1	1	2	10		47
Old Actonians	18	2	1	7	2	6		33

## 2003 1st XI League Averages

### BATTING

(\* = not out)

	Mchs	Inns	N/O	Runs	Av'ge	H'st	v Opposition	100/50s	Ct	St
M. J. Brown	8	8	0	312	39.00	98	Stanmore (a)	-/3	3	-
M. L. Creese	9	9	2	214	30.57	99	Richmond (h)	-/2	5	-
S. Mahmood	9	9	0	273	30.33	75	Ealing (a)	-/3	1	-
N. J. Tohill	9	9	1	235	29.37	73	Barnes (h)	-/2	3	-
B. R. Hartman	16	15	2	354	27.23	76	Ealing (h)	-/3	5	-
A. Elech	14	14	1	341	26.23	77*	Teddington (h)	-/3	4	-
A. F. Corbin	12	12	1	260	23.63	63*	Brondesbury (h)	-/1	3	-
J. B. Jouning	15	14	0	314	22.42	82	Teddington (h)	-/3	6	1
W. J. Dean	15	14	1	243	18.69	48	Stanmore (h)	-/-	3	-
M. T. Stafford	17	15	1	234	16.71	105	Barnes (h)	1/-	3	-
D. G. Ashley	8	8	4	59	14.75	42*	Wembley (h)	-/-	4	-
A.K. Durgacharan	5	5	0	61	12.20	41	Brondesbury (h)	-/-	-	-
K. Saeed	5	3	1	22	11.00	16	Richmond (a)	-/-	-	-
J. D. Dangerfield	11	11	1	121	12.10	40	Ealing (a)	-/-	3	-
J. C. Thorpe	4	3	0	25	8.33	17	Stanmore (h)	-/-	2	-
A. J. Carr	11	7	3	11	2.75	7	Stanmore (h)	-/-	5	-
S. Goodley	4	3	3	8	-	8*	Stanmore (h)	-/-	1	2

**Played in three matches:** F. Mir 4, dnb, dnb (2 ct).

**Played in two matches:** S. Banyard 5, 8\*; A. Rasool dnb, 1; D. A. Woffinden 11, 13\*.

**Played in one match:** R. Bishop-Laggett 0\* (2 ct); M. D. Feeney dnb; I. Park 0; G. S. Rowe dnb; M. O. Stevens 11; L. Wooldridge 2\*.

### BOWLING

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Av'ge	S/R	Econ	5wkt	Best	v Opposition
A. J. Carr	200.0	39	522	21	24.85	57	2.61	1	5-59	Eastcote (h)
A. Elech	115.1	11	468	17	27.52	41	4.06	1	5-73	Barnes (a)
M. T. Stafford	271.0	52	912	32	28.50	51	3.36	1	7-86	Richmond (h)
J. C. Thorpe	31.0	5	150	5	30.00	37	4.83	-	3-56	Finchley (h)
F. Mir	24.0	5	92	2	46.00	72	3.83	-	1-23	Wembley (a)
A. F. Corbin	70.2	2	288	5	57.60	84	4.09	-	2-22	Wembley (h)
K. Saeed	56.5	15	200	2	100.00	171	3.51	-	2-39	Wembley (h)
W. J. Dean	33.1	12	206	2	103.00	100	6.21	-	2-41	Barnes (a)
B. R. Hartman	46.4	3	177	1	177.00	280	3.79	-	1-62	Ealing (a)

**Also bowled:** M. L. Creese 23.3-3-120-0; J. D. Dangerfield 15.0-2-74-0; A. Rasool 14.0-1-62-1; G. S. Rowe 6.0-0-49-2; N. J. Tohill 0.4-0-10-0; L. Wooldridge 9.0-2-31-2.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> XI League

### David Woffinden

My brief time at the helm of the Sky Rocket provided a glimpse of both the difficulties that have faced inspirational leader Adrian Carr and his able replacement for much of the year, Steve Rowe, and how rewarding the game can be. Injuries, first team calls and long distance relationships meant that in neither of my games in charge could I call on the team discussed at length over the winter as title contenders.

The batting has such strength in depth that it easy to see why Sage so often employed the names out of the hat approach when picking the batting order. Most weeks we were able to field eight or nine batsman capable of excelling in the top six at second X1 level, but I think we were all disappointed with our performances come the end of the year.

Attractive 30s, as the run chase against Finchley showed in my second game in charge, are not going to win games. The difference between the two run chases under my command against Ealing and Finchley, between ten points and four and between 4<sup>th</sup> place in the league and 1<sup>st</sup>, was that against Ealing one of the top six anchored the innings. We are fortunate to have the grit and determination shown by talented players who rarely seem to bat except when the pressure is really on such as Simon Goodley, James Hobbs, Faisal Mir and Shaun Flook, but for the team to progress, those at the top of the order all know what we must do.

Having been deprived of the bowling services of Sage, we were always going to be weakest in that department. The arrival of Faisal and Lee, however, together with reliable performances from Shaun Flook gave us a competitive bowling attack which could be supplemented by one or more of our raft of all-rounders including myself, Alvin Durgacharan, Michael Stevens, Matt Feeney and (when fit) the Steves, Rowe and Banyard.

Where we excelled was in the field. Without doubt the best fielding side in the club, and possibly in the league, we benefited from very talented individual fielders such as Ian Park, Alex Booth, Dan Ashley, Matt Feeney, Michael Stevens and Steve Banyard. What really made the difference though was the attitude in the field, with every ball being chased down and the continual encouragement throughout the whole of each innings. This is the area of the game that is often neglected and viewed as a necessary evil, but we will all spend more time doing it next season than batting or bowling (even Sage). When each side takes note of this, we will benefit enormously as a club.

*DAW*

#### **Khizar Saeed**

We were shocked and saddened to learn that Khizar Saeed had died suddenly on October 8<sup>th</sup> 2003 at the age of 34 after collapsing whilst playing badminton. In his brief time at Southgate this summer he took the final wicket in a dramatic win in a crucial Premier Division survival match against Wembley. He also secured a place in the club records by creating a club League record seventh wicket partnership of 139 with Alan Jenner against Ealing III, and equalling the 2<sup>nd</sup> highest ever partnership for that wicket in all Southgate cricket. The Club sends its sincere condolences to his family in England and Pakistan.

# MIDDLESEX COUNTY CRICKET LEAGUE

## 2003 2nd XI League Tables

	Played	Won 10pts	Drawn 4pts	Drawn 1pt	Aband 1pt	Lost 0pts	Total Points
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### SECOND TEAMS - DIVISION ONE

Hampstead	18	10	4	2	1	1	119
Teddington	18	9	2	2	2	3	102
Ealing	18	8	3	2	1	4	95
<b>Southgate</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>89</b>
South Hampstead	18	6	3	0	2	7	74
Richmond	18	5	2	4	1	6	63
Brondesbury	18	4	3	5	2	4	59
Finchley	18	3	6	2	1	6	57
Brentham	18	2	0	6	1	9	27
Winchmore Hill	18	1	1	4	1	11	19

### SECOND TEAMS - DIVISION TWO

	Played	Won 10pts	Drawn 4pts	Drawn 1pt	Aband 1pt	Tie 5pts	Lost 0pts	Total Points
Stanmore	18	10	3	1	2		2	115
Barnes	18	9	1	3	0	1	4	102
Eastcote	18	8	4	0	2		4	98
Wembley	18	7	2	3	1		5	82
Uxbridge	18	6	2	2	2		6	72
Wycombe House	18	6	1	1	2		8	67
Shepherds Bush	18	5	3	2	1		7	65
Bessborough	18	2	5	6	1		4	47
Hornsey	18	3	1	3	2		9	39
Enfield	18	2	2	3	1	1	9	37

### SECOND TEAMS - DIVISION THREE

Kenton	18	8	4	1	3		2	100
Barnet	18	9	1	0	1		7	95
Harrow	18	7	5	2	2		2	94
Ickenham	18	8	1	3	2		4	89
Harrow Town	18	4	3	6	2		3	60
Old Actonians	18	4	4	1	2		7	59
Barclays	18	5	1	2	2		8	58
Hampton Wick Royal	18	4	3	2	2		7	56
North Middlesex	18	4	1	3	2		8	49
North London	18	2	2	5	2		7	35

## 2003 2<sup>nd</sup> XI League Averages

### BATTING

(\* = not out)

	Mchs	Inns	N/O	Runs	Av'ge	H'st	v Opposition	100/ 50	Ct	St
D. A. Woffinden	12	12	3	368	40.88	83*	Ealing (h)	-/3	6	-
G. S. Rowe	14	12	3	348	38.66	107	Richmond (a)	1/1	13	-
N. J. Tohill	7	6	0	228	38.00	132	Teddington (h)	1/-	3	1
H. Rosenvinge	4	4	1	90	30.00	37*	Winchmore Hill (a)	-/-	1	-
M. O. Stevens	13	13	1	348	29.00	84*	Brentham (a)	-/2	7	-
A. K. Durgacharan	11	11	0	307	27.90	59	Winchmore Hill (a)	-/2	4	-
D. G. Ashley	5	5	0	132	26.40	56	Finchley (a)	-/1	3	-
S. Banyard	12	11	1	256	25.60	61	Finchley (a)	-/1	1	-
I. Park	13	12	2	237	23.70	78	Ealing (a)	-/1	8	-
S. Flook	13	7	4	64	21.33	30*	Finchley (a)	-/-	3	-
A. Booth	9	8	1	108	15.42	53*	Brentham (a)	-/1	4	-
S. Goodley	9	7	3	62	14.33	24*	Finchley (a)	-/-	4	3
M. D. Feeney	5	5	0	65	13.00	36	Winchmore Hill (a)	-/-	2	-
A. J. Carr	6	5	1	48	12.00	16*	Ealing (a)	-/-	1	-
B. Bothma	5	4	0	47	11.75	21	South Hampstead (a)	-/-	1	-
F. Mir	12	8	1	60	8.57	37	Ealing (a)	-/-	4	-
K. Saeed	3	2	0	13	6.50	9	South Hampstead (a)	-/-	2	-
J. E. Hobbs	4	2	2	32	-	24*	Ealing (h)	-/-	1	-
M. P. B. Kennedy	5	2	2	9	-	7*	Winchmore Hill (h)	-/-	1	2

**Played in two matches:** G. N. Blackmore dnb, 0\*; P. M. G. Honnor 29, 45 (1 ct); M. Millar dnb, dnb; J. Williams 15, 15 (2 ct).

**Played in one match:** R. Bishop-Laggett 0; P. J. B. Bownes 1; A. F. Corbin 13; J. D. Dangerfield 0 (1 ct); K. Haria 24 \*; M. Heunes dnb; D. C. J. Howell 2; S. Jackson 5; S. Mahmood 57; P. I. W. Wilmshurst 7.

### BOWLING

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Av'ge	S/R	Econ	5wks	Best	v Opposition
M. D. Feeney	12.3	2	64	6	10.66	13	5.12	-	4-31	Winchmore Hill (a)
A. J. Carr	113.3	19	358	27	13.25	25	3.15	3	7-50	Winchmore Hill (h)
L. Wooldridge	40.0	11	137	10	13.70	24	3.42	-	4-33	Finchley (h)
N. J. Tohill	24.0	2	105	7	15.00	21	4.37	1	6-44	Brentham (a)
D. A. Woffinden	111.0	35	342	18	19.00	37	3.08	1	6-60	S. Hampstead (h)
K. Saeed	52.0	9	193	7	27.57	45	3.71	-	3-57	S. Hampstead (a)
S. Flook	133.0	22	535	18	29.72	44	4.02	-	4-75	S. Hampstead (a)
F. Mir	76.0	6	346	11	31.45	41	4.55	-	2-15	Ealing (h)
S. Banyard	48.0	10	187	5	37.40	58	3.89	-	2-35	S. Hampstead (h)
A. K. Durgacharan	71.0	9	323	4	80.75	107	4.54	-	1-3	Ealing (h)
J. E. Hobbs	20.0	3	97	1	97.00	120	4.85	-	1-17	Teddington (h)
G. S. Rowe	29.0	2	135	1	135.00	174	4.65	-	1-51	Finchley (a)
M. O. Stevens	26.0	2	165	1	165.00	156	6.34	-	1-19	Teddington (h)

**Also bowled:** D. G. Ashley 8.0-1-26-0; G. N. Blackmore 16.0-0-67-1; A. Booth 2.2-0-17-0; A. F. Corbin 12.0-1-67-1; P. M. G. Honnor 6.0-0-31-1; S. Jackson 11.0-0-48-2; J. D. Dangerfield 5.0-0-23-0; D. C. J. Howell 6.0-0-26-0; S. Mahmood 2.0-0-11-1; M. Millar 4.0-1-22-1; A. Rasool 8.0-0-38-0.

# 3rd XI League

## Alan Jenner

My apologies for not writing an article in last week's bulletin [5/6 Sept 2003] but it would not have been much of much interest. I spent the vast majority of the game against Hampstead trying to see through one eye what the hell was going on from various medical locations. I did rock up for the last hour but the team's sudden attack of nerves, as victory beckoned, did not help my recovery. Suffice it to say that 'all's well that ends well' and we survive to play top division cricket next year. Sad to lose Eastcote 'cos they have a most pleasant ground, good wicket and top tea. The Bush were comfortably promoted ages ago and we certainly had two good games against them last season. Alas Wembley tipping the Hill for the second promotion spot is not good news. I've never enjoyed playing there.

So what can we learn from this year's adventure. That the standard was better, true, but I have to say that the pitches generally were not. Richmond, Ealing and Hampstead were not pleasant experiences (almost downright dangerous!) although Finchley at Shenley was delightful. Unfortunately I missed one home game while two others were played on wet pitches in May and, yet again, two of our home games were lost to the County Festival. Playing at Laings does not have the same appeal. However, for the four times that I did get to play at home, all of them were very good pitches. They had bounce, came on to the bat yet had something in them to attract a good fast or slow bowler. Trundlers, however, were soon dispatched.

I'll expand upon the season in more detail come the Winter Bulletin [!/? Ed.]. But some immediate thoughts come to mind. The opposition was a lot stronger, and there were not many ageing sides, as I seem to recall from previous years. But what was different, and at times significant, was the number of overseas players who, for whatever reason, found themselves playing in the 3<sup>rd</sup> XI. Ealing, Barnes and Finchley come quickly to mind.

As for last year, so the toss was crucial. In the first nine games of the season I won only one (and I batted first) and although the success rate improved in the second half, in the last three crucial games of the season I only managed to win one toss. Statistically, batting second was always going to pay dividends. We batted first on no fewer than 13 occasions managing to accrue 22 points while on the five times we batted second we gained 38 points with three wins and two winning draws. I would expect the stronger sides to do well by chasing whatever they are set. I am surprised though that we, as one of the less strong sides, did not win more games from batting first especially with our very experienced slow bowling. The main reason for our lack of success was that the batting spluttered all season. Too many times, batting first, we failed to set a competitive total.

Availability was (has always been!) a problem and this year was no different. Cry-offs etc up the sides do have a knock on effect and Jamie alluded to this at the Club Supper. Additionally a complete lack of fit and/or reliable opening bowlers throughout the whole club really did affect us. So much so that by July I was dependent on Capt. Black and 'Crash' to not only open the bowling but to be relied upon to bowl three-quarters of the overs. This cannot be right, doubly so when both are over 50! RBL had a very successful season and Adam Jouning made a welcome return to the club in August. However, too few batters had seasons they will fondly remember, which despite the varying quality of pitches, was also the driest and hottest summer in my long

career. Interestingly we made one hundred and eight fifties in the seven games that we won or came out on top in the draw. In the other ten games that were completed (of which eight were lost) we managed just four fifties. Even at Shenley, the best pitch of the season, the top score was only 49!

As for next season, I have decided to stand down as captain. This has nothing to do with trying to ensure I win the 'Rocket' by playing in the 4<sup>th</sup> XI or ruining the club's youth policy by hoping to get back into the Twos. As the politicians would say, it is quite simply to spend more time with the family. I intend to play again (so you have not got rid of William that easily!) but I found it impossible this season to captain the team as how I would like to captain. If I cannot give the team my full attention then I must hand over to someone else who can. Rest assured, I shall not become a 'backseat driver' (didn't Maggie say that about John Major!) and I shall give my successor my full support. Big thanks to 'Fletch' and 'Parky' for umpiring this year and of course to Stephen for scoring. His quiet, unassuming manner in one so young is something to behold.

*ARJ*

## **JOHN STACEY**

**1927-2003**

John Stacey, who has died after a long and patiently borne illness, was for the last 15 years one of Southgate Cricket Club's staunchest supporters. He was a particularly close friend of Jim Conroy through their mutual work with the Schools Cricket Association of Middlesex.

Born in 1927 and brought up in Mill Hill, he won a scholarship to Christ College Finchley in 1938, served his National Service as a PE instructor in the RAF and then taught in a prep school near Malvern during which time he married Edna 53 years ago. Most of his teaching career was spent at Whitefield School in Hendon and Finchley Manorhill which he joined as Deputy Head, eventually becoming Head Master for five years before retiring in 1988.

Although a good enough goalkeeper to play for the Winchmore Hill 1<sup>st</sup> XI, it was cricket that held a fascination for John throughout his life. He was an outstanding schoolboy quick bowler, playing for Christ College 1<sup>st</sup> XI at the age of 14, and during the war appearing at Lord's, as a sixth-former, for Sir Pelham Warner's XI vs a New Zealand XI. He once bowled at Walter Hammond in the nets, played for Middlesex 2<sup>nd</sup> XI under Gubby Allen, and was invited for a trial by Northants: he declined, opting for the security of a career in teaching.

After leaving school he initially played for Hornsey, but his best years as a bowler (left-arm, over the wicket, off the wrong foot) were spent with Finchley. Edna's father, however, supported Mill Hill C.C. where John enjoyed his final years of club cricket under the captaincy of one of his heroes – Dusty Miller.

John's ashes were scattered at the Walker Cricket Ground at the spot where he watched so much cricket at Southgate.

*I am grateful to Jim Conroy whose eulogy at John's funeral was the source of the above information on John's very full life. RDG*

# MIDDLESEX COUNTY CRICKET LEAGUE

## 2003 3rd XI League Tables

	Played	Won 10pts	Drawn 4pts	Drawn 1pt	Aband 1pt	Lost 0pts	Total Points
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### THIRD TEAMS - DIVISION ONE

Ealing	18	10	3	0	1	4	113
Brondesbury	18	9	1	4	2	2	100
Hampstead	18	7	2	0	3	6	81
Finchley	18	6	4	1	1	6	78
Teddington	18	5	3	1	1	8	64
<b>Southgate</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>61</b>
South Hampstead	18	5	0	5	3	5	58
Richmond	18	4	2	4	2	6	54
Eastcote	18	3	4	6	1	4	53
Barnes	18	3	4	2	1	8	49

### THIRD TEAMS - DIVISION TWO

Shepherds Bush	18	12	4	0	1	1	137
Wembley	18	11	3	0	1	3	123
Winchmore Hill	18	9	4	4	1	0	111
Enfield	18	7	1	2	1	7	77
Barclays	18	6	0	1	2	9	63
Wycombe House	18	6	0	1	1	10	62
Harrow	18	5	2	2	1	8	61
<b>Brentham</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>59</b>
Old Actonians	18	5	1	1	2	9	57
Hornsey	18	1	0	2	2	13	14

### THIRD TEAMS - DIVISION THREE

Stanmore	18	9	5	0	2	2	112
Kenton	18	9	2	4	2	1	104
Harrow Town	18	9	1	0	2	6	96
Hampton Wick Royal	18	7	1	2	1	7	77
Ickenham	18	6	2	5	2	3	75
Uxbridge	18	5	3	2	1	7	65
North London	18	5	2	1	2	8	61
Barnet	18	5	2	0	2	9	60
North Middlesex	18	5	2	1	1	9	60
Bessborough	18	2	0	5	1	3	26

## 2003 3rd XI League Averages

### BATTING

(\* = not out)

	Mchs	Inns	N/O	Runs	Av'ge	H'st	v Opposition	100/50	Ct	St
A. M. Jouning	5	4	3	126	126.00	70*	Barnes (h)	-/1	2	-
R. Bishop-Laggett	14	13	3	405	40.50	74	Eastcote (a)	-/3	5	-
B. Bothma	6	6	0	210	35.00	66	Brondesbury (h)	-/3	1	-
A. R. Jenner	15	15	1	463	33.07	113	Richmond (h)	1/2	8	-
J. E. Hobbs	6	4	1	94	31.33	49	Brondesbury (a)	-/-	2	-
M. P. B. Kennedy	7	7	1	156	26.00	68	S. Hampstead (a)	-/1	2	2
P. J. B. Bownes	7	7	1	155	25.83	55*	Barnes (a)	-/1	3	-
P. A. Moran	10	8	2	119	19.83	51*	Barnes (a)	-/1	1	-
D. J. Beatty	15	15	1	263	18.78	72*	Teddington (a)	-/1	4	-
S. Lane	5	5	1	74	18.50	26	Teddington (h)	-/-	1	-
L. J. Stokes	5	5	1	74	18.50	32*	Finchley (a)	-/-	-	-
M. Heunes	4	3	0	45	15.00	23	Brondesbury (a)	-/-	-	-
M. D. Feeney	4	4	1	44	14.66	30*	Brondesbury (h)	-/-	6	-
S. Cradock	16	10	1	120	13.33	46	S. Hampstead (h)	-/-	6	-
D. C. J. Howell	12	8	1	62	8.85	13	Teddtn (h)/Hampst (h)	-/-	-	-
G. N. Blackmore	12	6	3	20	6.66	10	S. Hamp (h)/Ealing (a)	-/-	5	-
M. Millar	6	2	0	11	5.50	11	S. Hampstead (h)	-/-	4	-
K. Haria	4	3	1	10	5.00	6	Brondesbury (a)	-/-	-	-
N. Chadwick	11	5	2	9	3.00	5	S. Hampstead (h)	-/-	1	-
K. Smart	4	2	0	3	1.00	3	Richmond (a)	-/-	1	-
H. Cahill	9	5	1	2	0.25	1*	Finchley (h)	-/-	4	3

**Played in three matches:** H. Rosenvinge 3, dnb, 0 (1 ct);

**Played in two matches:** A. Booth 37, 1\*; R. D. Gunn dnb, 10 (1 ct); K. Saeed 68, 16 (1 ct); J. Williams 86\*, 43 (2 ct).

**Played in one match:** R. Blackmore dnb; H. M. Dowsett 0; R. J. Marshall 8; M. O. Stevens 30; J. C. Thorpe 0; D. A. Woffinden 12; L. Wooldridge dnb.

### BOWLING

**Overs Mdns Runs Wkts Av'ge S/R Econ 5wkts Best v Opposition**

J. E. Hobbs	61.0	8	243	16	15.18	23	3.98	-	4-32	Ealing (h)
M. Heunes	23.0	1	104	6	17.33	23	4.52	1	5-17	Richmond (a)
M. D. Feeney	20.2	2	93	5	18.60	24	4.57	-	4-68	Eastcote (a)
G. N. Blackmore	144.4	16	552	24	23.00	36	3.81	1	5-69	S. Hampstead (a)
S. Cradock	200.1	32	682	27	25.25	44	3.40	-	4-32	Ealing (a)
D. C. J. Howell	44.0	2	227	8	28.37	33	5.15	-	3-24	Teddington (h)
K. Smart	37.0	11	112	3	37.33	74	3.02	-	2-34	Brondesbury (h)
N. Chadwick	72.0	8	307	7	43.85	62	4.26	-	3-28	Brondesbury (h)

**Also bowled:** K. Haria 0.3-0-5-0; A. R. Jenner 3.0-0-23-0; A. M. Jouning 1.0-0-2-1; M. Millar 4.0-0-39-1; P. A. Moran 10.4-1-52-2; K. Saeed 18.0-2-94-0; A. Shantilal 3.0-0-23-0; L. J. W. Stokes 14.2-2-63-2; H. Rosenvinge 18.0-4-59-2; D. A. Woffinden 19.0-7-60-4; L. Wooldridge 6.0-0-52-1.

# THE 1987 CRICKET LEAGUE

## 2003

DIVISION 1	P	W25	W20	D	L	A	Tie	F+	F-	Bat	Bowl	Pts
Twickenham III	16	5	5	1	3	1		1		24	15	291
Brondesbury IV	16	4	5	3	2	2				38	16	268
Acton III	16	4	5	1	4	2				27	13	254
Alexandra Park	16	2	2	6	5	1				75	41	213
Teddington IV	16	1	5	3	5	1			1	40	30	202
Richmond IV	16	1	4	4	6	1				44	34	190
Brondesbury V	16	1	2	4	6	1		1	1	65	29	186
MTSSC	16	2	0	2	10	2				75	37	176
Mill Hill Village	16	1	1	2	9	1		1	1	59	15	146

### DIVISION 2

Ealing IV	18	8	6	2	1	1				30	10	367
Wembley IV	18	7	1	4	4	1		1		73	25	320
Highgate	18	1	8	6	2			1		66	21	292
Edmonton III	18	4	4	5	3	1		1		56	24	287
Twickenham	18	2	6	5	4			1		55	24	269
Winchmore Hill IV	18	2	3	3	10					88	26	224
Polytechnic	18	2	2	5	8	1				59	36	192
Mill Hill Village	18	1	3	2	10				2	63	30	178
North London IV	18	1	2	4	11					67	27	159
MTSSC	18	0	2	1	12	1			2	42	34	123

### DIVISION 3

Acton IV	18	7	6	2	1	2				26	7	342
Alexandra Park	18	4	2	10	1	1				88	38	273
<b>Southgate IV</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>				<b>69</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>268</b>
South Hampstead	18	4	2	7	3	2				60	35	249
Hanwell	18	0	5	4	8	1				60	44	211
Kenton	18	1	0	11	4	1	1			113	55	205
Perivale IV	18	2	1	4	10	1				89	29	195
Perivale III	18	0	4	5	5	2	1		1	65	30	194
Edmonton IV	18	1	1	8	5	3				66	38	170
North London V	18	1	0	8	7	1		1		52	37	141

### Previous League Winners

	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3
1997	Acton III	Old Actonians III	Mill Hill Village III
1998	Richmond IV	Polytechnic III	MTSSC III
1999	Richmond IV	Old Actonians III	Teddington IV
2000	Brondesbury IV	Twickenham III	Winchmore Hill IV
2001	Teddington IV	Harrow Town III	Twickenham IV
2002	Twickenham III	Brondesbury V	Ealing IV

## 2003 4th XI League Averages

### BATTING

(\* = not out)

	Mchs	Inns	N/O	Runs	Av'ge	H'st	v Opposition	100s	50s	Ct	St
K. Haria	9	7	3	307	76.75	145*	Edmonton IV (a)	1	1	3	2
L. J. W. Stokes	9	8	1	380	54.28	116	Hanwell III (h)	3	-	3	-
R. D. Gunn	13	12	3	331	36.77	64*	Edmonton IV (h)	-	2	11	6
H. M. Dowsett	17	15	0	453	30.20	86	Acton III (a)	-	4	7	-
A. Shantilal	4	3	1	47	23.50	29	N. London V (a)	-	-	1	-
D. Combe	10	3	0	58	19.33	47	Alexandra Park (a)	-	-	3	-
I. W. Henley	10	6	1	80	16.00	36	N. London V (h)	-	-	5	-
D. Gordon	15	12	3	140	15.55	29*	Alexandra Park (a)	-	-	5	-
Shiva Dindyal	5	4	2	28	14.00	21*	Acton II (a)	-	-	-	-
M. Stavri	17	13	3	137	13.70	27	N. London V (h)	-	-	10	-
P. A. Stevens	9	6	2	54	13.50	27	S. Hampstead IV (h)-	-	-	3	1
N. Topiwala	12	7	2	53	10.60	31	Alexandra Park (a)	-	-	3	-
A. Hawthorn	11	3	1	4	2.00	2	S. Hmpsd (h)/AP (a)-	-	-	6	-
D. Walters	9	4	2	6	2.00	5	Alexandra Park (a)	-	-	-	-
A. G. H. Rolt	6	1	0	2	2.00	2	Edmonton IV (a)	-	-	2	-
J. Barnett	4	2	0	3	1.50	3	Perivale III (a)	-	-	-	-
N. Chadwick	5	1	1	6	-	6*	Alexandra Park (a)	-	-	-	-

**Played in 3 matches:** H. Cahill dnb, 12, 4 (1 ct); R. Devarakonda 3, 0, 1\*; M. Millar dnb, dnb, dnb (1 ct); A. Popat 7, 26, dnb (1 ct); P. I. W. Wilmshurst 14, 3, 14.

**Played in two matches:** S. Lane 56, 52; M. Limm dnb, dnb; M. McCaskill 0, dnb.

**Played in one match:** V. Akbar dnb; M. T. Clucas 2; R. Hewit dnb, dnb; D. C. J. Howell dnb, 0; M. S. Hughes dnb, 5; S. McGuinness 5; P. A. Moran 89\*; M. O. Stevens 39.

### BOWLING

	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Av'ge	S/R	Econ	5wkts	Best	v Opposition
P. A. Stevens	10.0	1	41	6	6.83	10	4.10	-	3-12	Perivale III (h)
D. C. J. Howell	26.0	7	55	8	6.87	20	2.11	-	4-14	N. London V (a)
A. Popat	23.1	6	55	7	7.85	20	2.37	-	4-18	N. London V (h)
R. Hewit	18.0	5	47	4	11.75	27	2.61	-	3-34	Kenton IV (h)
Shiva Dindyal	28.0	4	83	7	11.85	24	2.96	-	2-13	N. London V (h)
M. Millar	16.0	0	66	4	16.50	24	4.12	-	2-20	NLV(a)/Pv IV(h)
M. Limm	23.0	4	69	4	17.25	35	3.00	-	3-30	Perivale III (h)
A. Shantilal	36.4	3	153	8	19.12	28	4.17	1	5-76	Acton III (h)
N. Chadwick	71.3	15	235	12	19.58	36	3.28	-	3-28	Edmonton IV (h)
L. J. W. Stokes	66.0	12	240	12	20.00	33	3.63	1	5-27	Hanwell III (h)
D. Combe	75.0	21	186	9	20.66	50	2.48	-	2-22	Perivale III (h)
A. Hawthorn	98.5	18	360	15	24.00	40	3.64	-	4-60	Alex'dra Park (h)
N. Topiwala	87.0	10	344	13	26.46	40	3.95	-	4-62	Kenton IV (a)
A. G. H. Rolt	50.0	12	163	6	27.16	50	3.26	-	3-48	Edmonton IV (a)
D. Walters	56.1	9	191	4	47.75	84	3.40	-	2-22	Edmonton IV (h)

**Also bowled:** V. Akbar 7.0-0-27-1; R. Devarakonda 2.0-0-23-1; A. Habberley 5.0-0-22-1; M. S. Hughes 0.2-0-1-1; M. McCaskill 6.0-1-33-0; S. McGuinness 5.0-0-18-0; M. Stavri 3.0-0-19-0.

## Southgate Colts 2003

### Results

	Matches	Won	Lost	Aband	Cancelled
Under 10s	9	4	3	1	1
Under 11s	8	3	4	1	0
Under 13s	9	1	7	0	1
Under 15s	11	3	7	0	1

The leading Under 15s player was undoubtedly Aneesh Popat with 267 runs (average 33.37) and 13 wickets. Michael Millar scored 125 runs and bowled fast with little luck. There were some encouraging all-round performances from Scott McGuinness, Michael Hughes and Michal Wloch. Matt Clucas, too, contributed enthusiastically with bat and ball when opportunity allowed and took four catches in the field in the win over Barnet.

The Under 13s lacked depth in talent and, although scoring a few runs, found wickets hard to take. Philip Dunnett in particular, Alex Kennedy and Rahul Thakkar nevertheless stood out as very promising prospects.

At the junior end the outstanding player was Mo Gandhi who scored 300 runs in Under 10 and Under 11 matches. Jonathan Lauras was the best bowler taking 11 wickets across both age-groups. At Under 11 level, James Eveleigh bowled with aggression and (generally!) accurately, Safwan Harif displayed very promising all-round skills, while James Rudrum's batting progressed well to produce two particularly vital innings.

The Under 10s played gamely, and for the first time in living memory got to the second round of the Gubby Allen Trophy – at the expense of Southgate Adelaide.

David Nash, the Middlesex wicketkeeper and excellent ambassador for county cricket, presented the following awards at the Autumn Supper for the players who had shown greatest improvement:

Under 10s	Mo Gandhi
Under 11s	James Rudrum
Under 13s	Rahul Thakkar
Under 15s	Michael Miller

Many thanks to all the coaches who dedicated so much time and effort into running the Colts' Section through their coaching and match managing.

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# 1977 Reunion

Congratulations and thanks to Jim Conroy who, in August, organised a highly successful Reunion Dinner at Bush Hill Park Golf Club for the 1977 Southgate side who won the National Knock-out in addition to the Middlesex County Cricket League. Those attending included contemporary players, spouses and officers of the club. The entire cup-winning squad was able to attend and enjoyed a happy and nostalgic evening, adorned by speeches from Jim Conroy, Richard Blanchflower, Chris Payne and Peter Jouning. The event was rounded off with an archetypal sing-song to Robin Johns' pianoforte accompaniment.

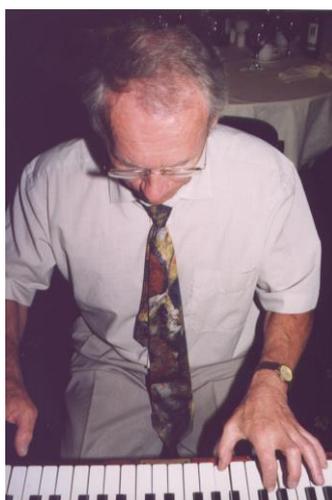


*Jim Conroy*

*In full flow .....*



*Richard Blanchflower*



*Robin Johns*



*Chris Payne*



*Peter Jouning*