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**Streatham & Marlborough Cricket Club**

**SMS – 16 May 2018**

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After a glorious opening league weekend previous, this last weekend brought us back to reality with many games abandoned. However, the weather is set fair and the **3rd XI will be hosting a** **social** to entertain and feed you after the games on Saturday. [More details on that here](https://www.facebook.com/groups/SMCricketClub/permalink/10155594993357194/) - please support their efforts!

Onto the news with the match reports following at the bottom of this message.

**Karen Goodchild Memorial Game – Sunday 27 May**

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| cid:image015.jpg@01D2CF27.C39BAF80 | As many of you will be aware, we lost the most wonderful lady just over two years ago. Karen was an integral part of the club and we will be hosting a memorial game on Sunday week to celebrate her life. All members are welcome (and encouraged) to attend.  The match will be contested by two SMCC XI’s and will start at 1.30pm. There will also be a BBQ in the evening if we can obtain some volunteers to help out – anyone around to assist?  |

**Free tickets to Surrey vs Somerset – Friday 18 May**

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|  | To celebrate 50 years of the Surrey Championship. Surrey CCC have offered us 20 free tickets to the Royal London 1 day cup game versus Somerset CCC. Tom Cavanagh has kindly offered to distribute these tickets. There are currently 13 left – [please see this link](https://www.facebook.com/groups/SMCricketClub/permalink/10155595130137194/) to get in contact and secure your seat.  |

**Membership**

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| cid:image010.jpg@01D2B386.6E2A2110 | There are still many who have **not paid subscriptions** yet. As of **28 May**, we will only select those who have addressed this. [More details can be found here](http://streathammarlboroughcc.co.uk/index.php/membership/) but the club would like to re-iterate that **cost will not be a barrier** to play and anyone requiring assistance should contact the membership secretary, Dan Johnson (daniel.johnson11@nhs.net). |

**Selection**

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| cid:image008.jpg@01D2B386.6E2A2110 | Please send your availability for the upcoming fixtures (specifying Wednesday, Saturday and/or Sunday) to the various captains or our Chair of Cricket (Justin Sbresni - justin@busbyproductions.com / 07951 601 948) before Monday evening on the week of a game. If we haven’t heard by then, we will assume you are unavailable to minimise disruption later in the week. |

**Men’s and Ladies Summer Training**

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| cid:image002.jpg@01D3D892.4D95BCC0 | Men’s and ladies senior training will continue on a Thursday evening at the club (Dulwich Common, SE21 7EX) from 18.30 and will continue (weather allowing) until the end of the season. All are welcome.  |

**Social Calendar**

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| 19 May | Club social hosted by the 3rd XI |
| 27 May | Karen Goodchild Memorial Game |
| 16 June | “Final Push” Pavilion Fundraising Party |
| 14 July | Club social hosted by the 2nd XI |
| 21 July | Club social hosted by the 5th XI |
| 28 July | Club social hosted by the 1st XI |
| 18 Aug | Club social hosted by the 6th XI |
| 26 Aug | President’s Day |
| 1 Sept | Final League Games Party hosted by the 4th XI  |
| 20 Oct | Senior End of Season Awards “Dinner & Dance” |
| 24 Nov | Annual General Meeting |

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If you have any questions, please let me or another member of the committee know.

Cheers,

Dan

Men’s Club Captain



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**Upcoming Fixtures: 17 – 23 May**

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| **Date** | **Start** | **Team** | **Opposition** | **Venue** |
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| Saturday 19 May | 12:00 | 1st XI | Addiscombe | Away |
|  | 12:00 | 2nd XI | Ashford | Home |
|  | 13:00 | 3rd XI | Battersea Ironsides | Home |
|  | 13:00 | 4th XI | Dulwich | Away |
|  | 13:30 | 5th XI | Beckenham | Away |
|  | 13:30 | 6th XI | Old Wilsonians  | Home |
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| Sunday 20 May | 14:00 | Ladies 1st XI | Purley Redoubtables | Home |
|  | 13:00 | Sunday 1st XI | Haymakers | Home |
|  | 14:00 | Sunday 2nd XI | Ewell | Away |
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| Wednesday 23 May | 14:30 | Midweek XI | Gravesend | Away |
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| League Fixtures can be viewed on our [Play-Cricket site](http://stmcc.play-cricket.com/website/web_pages/112572) |

**Results: 9 – 15 May**

**1st XI**

Abandoned (Rain)

Staines & Laleham 86-3 (18.4) / SMCC DNB

1st XI League position – Joint 1st / 10

Report: *N/A*

**Ladies Trust XI**

Won by 82 runs

SMCC 171-2 (30) / Epsom 89ao (26.4)

Ladies Trust XI League position – 1st / 10

Report: *Sunday took us to the pleasant suburban Alexandra recreation ground and our friends Epsom who never fail to disappoint on a competitive and friendly game. We won the toss and elected to bat, to give "everyone a go" or set a sizeable target, depending on how positive your outlook is. Fortunately the latter rang true and things looked good from the start. Mikaela (25) was unluckily out to a lbw (TMO!). Tanya (30) was caught by a brill catch on the 7th ball of the over by their best bowler L. Makrum. The sceptics believed she just wanted a rest and protests about too many balls were minimal. Crystal retiring on 60no and some super pull shots cranking up the runs was a great highlight of the innings. She could've stayed at the crease all day. Meg on her debut 2no and Izzy 8no created a short but sweet partnership which firmly suggests future success together. Along with 46 extras we posted 171-2 after 30 overs.*

*Teas which included Epsom's Russian roulette egg sandwiches further fuelled our drive to perform and we didn't disappoint.*

*Kathryn in her debut as captain kept everyone organised and engaged. Ever the innovators, we trialled some new fielding techniques for 2018. These include "crawling on all fours is the new running" and "diving through the air for no reason is the new keeping" - you saw 'em here first. Besides the aforementioned crawl by yours truly the fielding was inspired and we didn't give anything away for free. Dag 4-0-17-2 reliably settled the nerves. Kathryn very assured with 3-0-4-0 and a later snagged a good deep catch to get their no.3 slogging a double bounce (allowed in this league). Their strongest batswoman smashed a couple of 6s before the combo of Lydia's epic spin and Crystals' positioning deservedly got her caught. Epsom typically couldn't cope with Miks' (5-1-11-2) sheer speed and both her and Crystal (4-1-10-2) had to slow it down to entice the air shots. Izzy a great shift (5-0-23-0) and Lydia top wicket taker 5.4-1-22-3 finished it off for 89ao No ducks, no mistakes, some cheap laughs and a successful confidence boosting win puts us at the top of the table. Great inspiration for the squad as a whole moving forward. Cheers to Tom for umpiring and Liz for scoring. Adrian, this is for your broken finger. (L Mazur)*

**2nd XI**

Abandoned (Rain)

SMCC 68-1 (16.3) / Kempton DNB

2nd XI League position – 6th/ 10

Report: *N/A*

**3rd XI**

Abandoned (Rain)

SMCC 141ao (37) / East Molesey DNB

3rd XI League position – Joint 8th / 10

Report: *N/A*

**4th XI**

Won by 7 wickets

SinjunGrammarians 109ao (29) / SMCC 111-3 (24.4)

4th XI League position – 6th / 10

Report: *With our skipper having injured his internet hand in a 'bicycle accident' and not being able to type, I have been tasked with writing up a match report following last week's accidental write up.*

*Glazier won the toss again and put Sinjuns in as it started to rain. Wright and Sags opened the bowling, with Wright getting an edge to Cook at second slip in the first over. Bowling was difficult in the rain, sliding about and finding the ball hard to grip. Next over Sags had a wicket from a difficult catch to Collard at mid wicket off a pull shot. Mehta 7-0-20-1. Wright and Mehta were soon finding it hard to gain LBW decisions. Mehta even got an apology off the umpire after the match for not giving one that he admitted should have been out. Wright was spitting blood, having had two nailed on LBW shouts denied and getting pumped for 3 fours, the last ball of the over split the stumps. You can imagine the send off. Wright 5-1-31-2.*

*Glazier had to take the "fast" bowlers off due to the greasy pitch making footing dangerous. Glazier came on and bowled very tightly with a slippery ball to scalp 4 wickets, teaming up with Raj Patel to achieve a team hat trick! Glazier got their well set batsman out LBW, surprising given the previous decisions, then immediately got another LBW. Amazing! Sinjuns reeling now on 78-6. Glazier 9-2-26-4. Patel bowled economically and got the other batsman who was looking dangerous, edging through to Knott behind the stumps. New guy Jan took a catch at deep mid on and that was the end of the middle order. Patel 6-1-23-2.*

*The tail were looking to hang around, so in a master stroke of captaincy, Cook was brought on, managing to trap the last wicket's hand in the Cookie Jar (Trademarked by Raj) with a fine stumping by Knott the junior. Cook 1-0-2-1, C Knott 2 catches 2 stumpings.*

*Club Chairman Greenwood (6) and Knott the junior (10) opened the S&M innings but fell to the ball misbehaving off the very wet pitch. Saini (wearing Wright's shoes - he is yet to play a game where his shoes are not stolen) and Brook then rode out the Sinjun attack until the rain kind of stopped and the bowling got worse. They were then able to start hitting boundaries. Brook (30) went at just shy of a run a ball and Saini ended up on 39 which was remarkable given the conditions and the three hours sleep he had the night before.*

*Fantastic win to secure 20 points in a round of fixtures where only one other game was completed. Full credit to Sinjuns for being willing to play on in unpleasant conditions and to Tina Knott for scoring. (S Wright)*

**5th XI**

Lost by 7 wickets

SMCC 138ao (37.2) / Chislehurst & West Kent 139-3 (28.1)

4th XI League position – 8th / 8

Report: N/A

**6th XI**

Lost by 7 wickets

SMCC 110-9 (30) / Hartley Country Club 113-2 (20.3)

6th XI League position – 4th / 10

Report: *I was not with the team this week as I was being trained as an examiner for the new GCSE History examination that the little darlings will sit next month. Selection was problematic this week so it was a major triumph to get an XI out and thirty miles down the road to Hartley Country Club (drink soft drinks).*

*Barrington as in charge and I reprint here his texts to me through the week verbatim:*

*BW: Friday 17.41pm Hi Laurie. Car has failed MOT so will need to cadge a lift..are there enough cars?*

*LJ: Friday 18.18pm - think so. Let me count up.*

*LJ: Friday 19.39pm - we appear to have enough cars. Ben Venables is going direct as will Kirk if he turns up. I’ve put drivers on team sheet. \* This is a whole other story on its own as intrepid BV treks around Kent looking increasingly desperately for the game. He arrives at Hartley Country Club at 11.30am believing the game is starting at 11.45am which was the meet time at SMCC. An increasingly despairing BV then texts BW at 13.12 pm as follows:*

*BV: Hi this is BV is the match still on?*

*BW: Ben where are you?*

*BV: Hartley CC. Do they have a second ground?*

*BW: You’re supposed to be at Ifield CC*

*BV: Will get taxi*

*Back to the main narrative*

*BW: Friday 19.40pm Brill. Still on way home. Will pick up cricket stuff tomorrow morning.*

*LJ: Friday 19.40pm Good arrows. Call me when you can. Few things I need to tell you.*

*LJ: Sat 12.17pm Kirk cant get there so Andy Ryan in.*

*BW: Sat 19.27pm Laurie got a game in reduced to 30 overs. SMCC batted first - 110-9. Huntley (we were playing Hartley ed.) and what a drive that was to the nether regions of England's garden made it for the loss of 2 wickets. They had a young colt batting who made 87. Good set of lads played in the right spirit. Our batting and bowling a little short this week. Roll on next week.*

*LJ: Sat 21.34pm sorry you had to deal with it all. I'll be there next week to start the game. Anyone do well?*

*BW: Sat 21.35pm Ben Hyam and Sean Ryan bowled well. Ben Venables batted well and yours truly top scored with 30....*

*LJ: Sat 21.36pm Christ. How many of your runs in front of square?*

*BW: Sun 13.21pm Placed the ball all around the square, leg glance, straight drive, couple of cuts*

*LJ: Sun 14.09pm Leg glance? Really?*

*LJ: Sun 14.09pm Do you even know what that is?*

*LJ: Sun 14.09pm I think you mean to edge over fine leg*

*LJ: Sun 14.09pm You were run out?*

*LJ: Sun 14.10pm Run out? What was wrong with getting cleaned up middle peg like usual?*

*No further communication was received from the great man leaving us to wonder on the exact nature of his performance. In my mind I can see BW gamely lumbering like a panther hit by a tranquiliser dart, for a third run and being run out by a country mile despite a despairing and ill advised dive. I imagine both sides convulsed with laughter. I imagine the ball being hit very hard and a few half-stifled calls of '...come on...'*

*I hope it was so. (L Johnston)*

**Sunday 1st XI (Friendly)**

Won by 21 runs

SMCC 255-8 (40) / Doctors 234-9 (40)

**Sunday 2nd XI (Friendly)**

Won by 17 runs

SMCC 170ao / Old Wimbledonians 153ao