

Help us keep going...

Maintenance and updates to the cricket club and grounds is paramount in order for the club to run smoothly and develop. With such an impressive history, the elements take their toll over time and improvements and enhancements are needed.

Brockenhurst Cricket Club has already secured planning permission to enhance the pavilion and the Committee are keen for the club to undertake this as soon as possible. Therefore, we are looking for funding to help provide the necessary costs to ensure our club continues to thrive and grow.

We know through experience that cricket can be a powerful and lasting addition of a young person's learning and development, in turn bringing wider educational and social benefits. We want to encourage more youth players to join the club and therefore need to provide suitable amenities for this.

▶ please consider making a donation to the club, see www.brockenhurstcc.co.uk for more information. thank you.



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 Membership details are also on the website

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Brockenhurst Cricket Club was founded over 220 years ago, in 1797, with the beautiful setting of Balmer Lawn playing host to the club for over 150 years.

Brockenhurst Cricket Club is accessible to all residents, whether it is accompanying your children as they take part in cricket, having a go at playing yourself, or joining as a social member to support our 1st, 2nd and Friendly teams.

The club is run by it's volunteer members for the benefit of the whole community.

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Steeped in history...

Brockenhurst Cricket Club 's first documented matches were against Southampton and then Portsmouth in 1797. The opening batsman was Edward Morant, whose Grandfather had purchased Brockenhurst Park Estate in 1770. Edward played three first class matches himself and later his son went on to open the batting for Hampshire in the 1840s. The Morant family continued to be involved with Brockenhurst Cricket Club for the next 150 years.



The above picture has kindly been provided by Mr John Purkess, dated circa 1910. Richard Purkess, John's grandfather, is back row 3rd from right. John Purkess's Grandchildren now play for the U9s and U11s youth teams, so the family tradition keeps on going!

Despite the challenges, Brockenhurst CC lived on...

1935 was a trophy winning season for captain Jack Blackwell and the team which included three Waterman brothers as well as Jack Hull (wearing cap in front row). Jack played for the club for 50 consecutive years and was also the Club's groundsman. He passed on the responsibilities of to his son Geoff, who also played, until he stepped down in 2017.



There is a plaque dedicated to Jack as part of the main village notice board.

2020...
Now we want to improve our pavilion for the next generations of cricket players.

Youth teams...

Last season, in only our third year of running a youth section, we ran All Stars cricket for the 4-8 year olds, an U9s team and for the first time an U11s team. This means that every primary school year group now has the opportunity to play cricket at Balmer Lawn and we saw lots of girls again participating in All Stars and two girls represent our U9s team.

In the 2021 season we are committed to also running an U13s section. Thanks to a generous donation by Friends of Brockenhurst, youth training will now benefit from the use of our new bowling machine.



Please come along and have a go - girls & boys all are welcome.



Adults...

We run two teams for the over 13 year olds, playing matches from 1pm-6pm on a Saturday from May until August.

Last season, our 1st XI won their league in a nail biting finish and the 2nd XI also secured promotion. We also run a Friendly XI which typically plays at home against touring sides with matches played midweek afternoons.

Our adult teams are always looking for new players of all abilities to play a couple of matches with no commitment necessary.

We run 6 indoor net sessions starting Tuesday 24th March from 8-9.30pm in Brockenhurst College Sports Hall. First session for newcomers is free, £5 thereafter.



Volunteers & social time...

For just £10/year, you can become a social member and enjoy watching 17 consecutive matches on a Saturday afternoon from May until August plus have access to our bar and facilities.

The club is also always looking out for volunteers to help out on match days. From umpiring, scoring, changing the score board or even preparing a match tea.

