

THE SIREN

Tales of the Monk & Fisherman

2nd July



The single wicket competition is this Sunday at Southchurch Park from 1.00pm. If you have not already confirmed your interest, please let Stuart Leslie stupot121@hotmail.co.uk or Danny Saggars danny.saggars@tiscali.co.uk know as soon as possible, or be at the ground by 1.00pm Sunday for a 1.30pm start. There will be a handicap system in place to accommodate for players from all sides.

Captains, can you all please designate one player to write the match report each week and email it to me by the latest Monday lunchtime please, otherwise it will not go into the Siren, thanks. jamesholmwood@hotmail.com

1s v Horndon

SOS & EMT 202-7 (Spear 53*, Daynes 45)

Horndon 176 all out (Max 6-39, Johners 3-22)

By Homer

Winning is apparently a habit and the ones have really got the bug right now, 6 wins out of 7 games, with the one game not won being rained off against Stanford.

Numan was dropped first ball and the ball went for four, a good start to the day or so the side thought..... but Homer went to a great catch at slip first ball of the second over. That was about the only thing Horndon held all day as they put down chance after chance.

Daynesy continued to look a million dollars as he stroked a classy 45 before being triggered while Dale justified his promotion to number 5 by running the ball around and dashing through the wicket like a whippet for 25.

To make a real game of it we needed runs on the board and for them to be scored quickly.

This week the skipper turned up and led the wagging of the tail, Spear was back to his bludgeoning best smearing 53 not out to see us past 200 and push Horndon heads further into the dirt.

In reply Max led the charge as we tore into Horndon! The first 4 Horndon bats came and went without making double figures, at times Max looked unplayable bumping and bruising a few Horndon bats in the process of his first spell.

Horndons skipper had sent his men over the top and seen them fall to the big man and he took a different approach, he went after Max and the other bowlers and looked as if he would take the game away from us.

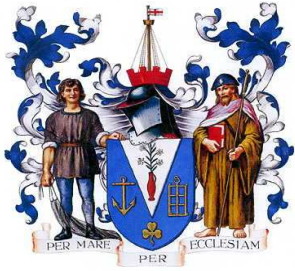
Bells picked up an lb decision before 'Golden Arm' Johners was chucked the ball, as with the majority of the skips decisions over the last few weeks it paid off as SJ bowled a slower cutter and Horndon's skipper lobbed a catch up to short mid off and the awaiting Maxwell McNamara who was almost celebrating before he took the catch! With the home skipper back in the hutch we could smell another big victory.

Max came back on and went through a couple more of the home side to finish with a season's best of 6-39, that's 12-80 in 2 weeks at 6.6 and SJ wrapped it all up, ending with 3-22.

The side are on the crest of a wave and go into Saturday's game in second spot, 30 points clear of third, keep up the good work fella's!!!



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2s v Horndon

SOS & EMT 247-4 (Norfolk 101, Maher 57*)

Horndon 249-5 (Maher 2-37)

By Ratty

After a much improved warm up and the side positively high, skipper Rat performed the inevitable and lost the toss and was put into bat by Horndon on the Hill's captain.

Norfolk and Enderby opened the batting cautiously in order to give us a platform to build for the rest of the innings and Enderby was out for 10. Norfolk continued to keep the scoring going and at drinks the score was 1/99 and we needed to ensure that we got a decent score to put pressure on HHCC. While Norfolk reached his 2nd century of the season with a well made 101 we were batting slowly and between overs 33 and 39 only added 7 runs which meant a late push was required to get a decent score. This came in the form of a near 100 partnership between Chris Maher (57*) and Scott (32*) who put pressure on the fielders by running hard and hitting some good boundaries, this took us to 4/247 which seemed defendable.

Post tea we went out to field and 2 early breakthroughs reduced HHCC to 2/32 and gave us hope of a 1st victory of the season. The third wicket pair batted well and despite chopping and changing the bowling we could not break the partnership and they took the score to 99 until the returning Nigel Green skidded one past the No4 bat to get us back into it. From there though full credit must go to the Horndon 4th wicket pair who batted sensibly and hit the gaps where required to take the game away from us. Late wickets from Scott and Conor did get us a further bowling point but in the end a 5 wicket defeat and 10 points was all we could get for our hard work.

A much improved performance but we need to ensure we don't get bogged down in the middle overs again and to be more incisive with our bowling in the second half of the season.

3s v Woodham Mortimer

Woodham Mortimer 253-9

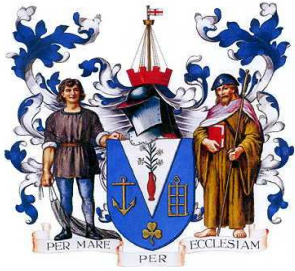
SOS & EMT 136 all out

4s v Hornchurch

SOS & EMT 284-4 dec (Vajinder Paul 165*, Ejaz 59)

Hornchurch 286-8 (Vajinder Paul 6-96)





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5s v Bentley **Bentley 300-4** **SOS & EMT 183** **By Adam Miller**

Massive game at the bottom taking on Bentley 3s knowing that defeat could leave us stranded at the bottom. Bentley won the toss and chose to bat, no surprises as to what happened next. Bentley had 4 players who hadn't featured all year in their side and were a team that hadn't scored over 180 all season, they went on to knock up 300-4.

With us having very little batting and confidence down after almost 3 and a half hours in the field it was no surprise we fell well short of the total. Wickets regularly falling with only 3 batsman reaching double figures we finished with just 150, Oliver woodhouse impressing with the bat with 35.

The manor of the defeat on Saturday led me to a long think and I have decided to stand down as captain of the 5xi with immediate affect. I would like to thank those guys who have helped me out so far this year.

6s v Harold Wood 5s **Harold Wood 172 all out (Kane 4-36)** **SOS & EMT 159 all out (Dave Bunce 49 jnr)** **By Michael Kane**

On a warm and sunny afternoon the 6th XI reconvened at the Shoebury Garrison to face Harold Wood. After losing the toss (again), Enderby informed the troops that we would be fielding first. Jeff Wood and Stuart Trivett opened the bowling and both were unlucky to have catches dropped. Harold Wood's opening pair looked dangerous until their partnership was broken by Jeff, with a catch finally being taken in the covers. Jeff bowled well, going through to drinks and took 3 wickets in total.

After drinks, to the amazement of many, Michael Kane replaced Jeff at the Pavilion end. Had Enderby's orange juice been spiked?

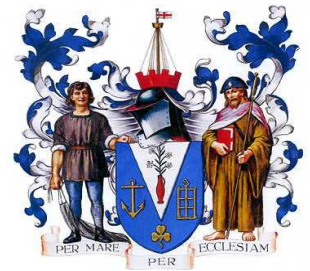
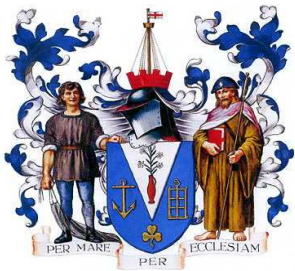
The decision proved to be inspired as wickets fell regularly, mainly because the Harold Wood batsmen were blinded by the flight path of the ball. Doc Singh at one stage called for "more flight," this was impossible due to the flight path into Southend airport.

Harry Pallett bowled well form the other end, taking a wicket and Gareth Savory took 2 in 2 balls but sadly missed out on the hat-trick. When the final wicket fell Harold Wood had amassed 172 runs.

We went to tea quietly confident that we could overhaul their total, despite the fact the Garrison must have the biggest outfield in 6th XI cricket anywhere in the country.

After a slow start, the scoring rate picked up and a victory looked to be there for the taking. Unfortunately wickets fell at regular intervals with only Dave Bunce's score of 49 holding the innings together. Andy Wallace showed good intent and would have scored more but for the massive playing area. At stages we looked to be up with the rate, at other stages the total looked beyond us.





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Enderby and Mick Dunkley, batting at 8 and 9 revived our hopes, with Dunkley bludgeoning a rapid 19 in-between chatting up the oppositions wicket-keeper (she was female). One big shot too many and Mick was caught in the deep and with it our hopes seemed to have been dashed. Harry Pallett came in at 10 and scored a valuable 7 with he and Enderby nudging us ever closer to our target. With 14 runs required in 4 overs and Harold Wood's opening bowlers back on Harry was bowled by a good ball. Jeff Wood succumbed to the same fate the very next ball. Whatever Enderby had said to him in the mid pitch conference clearly had not worked. So we fell agonisingly short with Enderby left stranded on 11, his only consolation being his 76th not out of the season.

Sun v Goresbrook
SOS & EMT 173 all out
Goresbrook 178-6



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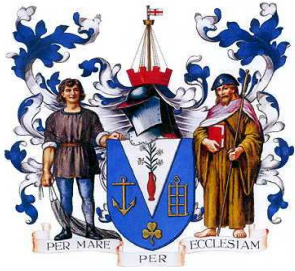
Kevin Grant	1s	23 rd April	106* v West Essex
Steve Hunt	2s	30 th April	127 v Old Brentwood
Glen Norfolk	2s	28 th May	102 v Benfleet
Numan Khan	1s	4 th June	101* v Wickford
Tom Kenton	2s	4 th June	100* v Wickford
Glen Norfolk	2s	2 nd July	101 v Horndon
Vajinder Paul	4s	2 nd July	165* v Horncurch



Michelle Pfeiffer's

Max McNamara	Sun	1 st May	6-19 v Belhus
Chris Gore	6s	7 th May	5-66 v Old Southendians
Vajinder Paul	6s	14 th May	7-52 v Chingford
Patrick Kearney	4s	21 st May	5-23 v Wickford
Mark Irvine	3s	4 th June	5-33 v Brookweald
Patrick Kearney	4s	4 th June	5-46 v Woodford Green
Lucas Wiggins	U11a	5 th June	5-8 v Rankins
Maxwell McNamara	1s	25 th June	6-41 v Harlow
Maxwell McNamara	1s	2 nd July	6-39 v Horndon
Vajinder Paul	4s	2 nd July	6-96 v Horncurch





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Where are the Monk and Fisherman next week?

1s	v	Westcliff	@ Southchurch
2s	v	Orsett	Away
3s	v	Old Chelmsfordians	Away
4s	v	Belhus	@ The Garrison
5s	v	South Weald	@ Ecko
6s	v	Old Southendians	Away
Sun		Single Wicket Competition	@ Southchurch

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**SOS & EMT CC Cricket Tour to Chester 2011,
August 14th to August 19th**



After the great success of the inaugural SOSEMTCC Cricket Tour to Chester in 2010 I am starting to put together the details for the 2011 Tour.

The Tour will take place from Sunday 14th August till Friday 19th August, with games happening every day. I hope to keep the fixtures arranged last year as I believe they were all great grounds (see Neston below) that added to the enjoyment of the week.



Fixtures:

Sun 14th Aug v	Sandbach CC
Mon 15th Aug v	Chester Boughton
Tue 16th Aug v	Neston CC
Wed 17th Aug v	Northop Hall
Thurs 18th Aug v	Hale Barns CC
Fri 19th Aug	TBC

To take some of the work out of the organising I would be very grateful if anyone who is keen on Touring this year lets me know before the end of this month. This will mean that all the money is collected by the beginning of August and I have a good idea of final numbers. Last year was a raging success, some good cricket was played and a lot of fun was had by all. Why not come along and join us this year, everyone is welcome.

The price of £210.00 covers the cost of your accommodation, breakfast every day, your match fees and some group travel expenses, ie coach to one or two games and is great value for money, as Dave Enderby shows by happily handing over his cash for the week.

If you would like to transfer money electronically the bank details to pay into are as follows:

Account Number – 10113815

Sort Code – 83-65-15



If anyone has any questions please let email me at sir@pritek.co.uk

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Tour Organiser



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