

Isis Cricket Club – AGM 2015

Fixture Secretary's Report

Isis enjoyed a full fixture list in 2015, and played four new teams in Risinghurst, Sunday Funday, Taylor & Francis and Iffley Village during the campaign. There were no fixture issues of note during the season, although the manner in which Quokkers cancelled at short notice and the behaviour of Islip at their ground were notable disappointments. I think these were blips and atypical though, and I would therefore recommend that we retain as many of the 2015 opponents as wish to play us again in 2016.

While not necessarily the remit of the fixture secretary, as I keep the records for The Club I would like use this forum to report on the key statistics. From a pool of 43 arranged fixtures, Isis started 38 matches in 2015, including an extra 20/20 at Kempsford played after Isis won the arranged game by teatime. 3 games were abandoned due to rain, and there were a total of 6 cancellations through the season. Double-headers were reduced to just three weekends, and two of those included cancelled games. Of the 35 matches completed, Isis won 13 limited over games and 8 midweek 20/20s, making our overall win ratio a credible 60%.

During the season 11 players scored one or more 50's with the bat, and Rich Stevens scored the only century. Nick Wyatt and Brad Harden were the only bowlers to take 5-fors, 109 catches were taken, there were 17 runouts and the keepers took 10 stumpings. Over the season Isis batsmen collectively scored 4,563 runs, of which 13% were extras, for the loss of 112 wickets. In return we gave away 4,276 runs for 260 wickets in the field.

To complete the statistical overview, 43 different people played for the club in 2015, and collectively 415 appearances were made. Of these, 37 (90% of appearances) were made by members. The three players with the lightest pockets and making the most appearances were myself with 33, followed by Ravi Kella and Peter Gregory with 31 each. Isis were able to honour all of their fixtures, and we owe our thanks to Dave, Nick and Joe for their efforts in raising teams, and to anybody roping in friends and colleagues on the odd occasions when we struggled.

Speaking as webmaster, this season I rebuilt the web-site via a new tool, Serif WebPlus, with a license funded by The Club. This was primarily because Microsoft have deprecated web functionality in its most recent version of the Publisher tool, which I had used previously. WebPlus has allowed me to redesign the site presentation, provide more and crisper statistics and provide new features such as the download page and gallery. I hope our members are as satisfied with the results as I am, but any feedback and contributions to content are always welcome.

Finally, while I am willing to continue to record match statistics and act as webmaster for the club, as announced at the last AGM I am this year standing down as Fixture Secretary. While I do this with some reluctance, I have held this role for some 15 years and as I have now completed my 5th year as Chairman it is only right that somebody else takes the load and develops the list in the years to come. Given that I have started to organize fixtures for 2016 I am willing to make handover at Christmas, by which time the majority of fixtures will be settled. The Fixture Secretary role has given me a lot of satisfaction over the years, and I take great pride in our fixture list. I hope my successor finds the role as rewarding as I have.

Keith Whiter
Honorary Fixture Secretary

Keith Whiter – November 10th, 2015