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The Newsletter of Waresley CC

April 2008

So we've made it to the second edition!

Dates for your diary:

Home League Games

- **3 May** - 1st XI vs Weston Colville
- **10 May** - 2nd XI vs Warboys
- **17 May** - 1st XI vs Khalsa
- **24 May** - 2nd XI vs Perkins
- **31 May** - 1st XI vs Castor
- **18 July** - Party in the Park
- **7 September** - Village Fête

Please put these dates in your diary and support your club!

So here we are in May, already into the second month of the season and the second issue of this Newsletter. Against my own expectations we've even managed to get a second issue out! Thank you to everyone who has submitted something to the Newsletter - it makes my job far easier if I don't have to write everything - and it also makes it far better for you! I also read something recently which summed up my feelings about the newsletter: "if your article isn't in the Newsletter it's because you didn't send it to me and I

would have loved to have read it". So please... if you have something to say - write it down and send it in.

So - what's happened in April? We had a successful half of the Cricket Force Weekend. Some great work was done on the Saturday: the gents toilet was painted, the rest of the tractor shed painted and stained, the nets put up, the bar sorted for the season, the covers re-eyeled and I'm sure a number of other jobs were also done but I didn't see them! Sunday was a wipe

out. Amazingly the Sunday was snowed off which was even more unlikely than our first game being hailed off (see Ian Jack's note on the next page).

There's been some good bowling figures turned in but some lamentable batting performances. This is shown dramatically on April's top ten.

There's a full month of games in May and just the home ones are listed to the left here. If you're not playing please come and support us - we'd be delighted to see you at the ground.

Simon Blows (Editor)

Matches reviewed in this issue:

- 1st XI vs Kempston
- 1st XI vs Kimbolton
- 1st XI vs Foxton
- 2nd XI vs Wisbech II
- Sunday vs Camden

April's leading run-getter

Bosh - 37 runs (!!!)

April's leading wicket-taker

Pat Ellerbeck (8 wickets)

Top snatcher

John Sheppard, Steve Warman & Chris Whitfield (2 each)

50 Partnerships

55 Dan & Bosh vs Kimbolton

This month Michelle Pfeiffer loves:



Pat Ellerbeck!!!

Waresley Top 10 - April 2008

Batting

1. Dan Szwajbak	vs Kimbolton (TPL)	34
1. Ben Evans	vs Wisbech II (H2)	34
3. Steve Warman	vs Kimbolton (TPL)	28
4. Kevin Cole	vs Foxton (TPL)	27*
5. Laurence Bosh	vs Kimbolton (TPL)	27
6. Chris Asque	vs Kimbolton (TPL)	22
6. Jamie Fensome	vs Wisbech II (H2)	22
8. Adie Dean	vs Camden (Friendly)	20*
9. Simon Blows	vs Foxton (TPL)	20
10. Nigel Buck-Jones	vs Foxton (TPL)	17

Bowling

1. Pat Ellerbeck	vs Wisbech II (H2)	5 for 49
2. Chris Whitfield	vs Kimbolton (TPL)	3 for 17
3. Pat Ellerbeck	vs Cambden (Friendly)	3 for 20
4. Chris Whitfield	vs Cambden (Friendly)	2 for 10
5. Phil Gillett	vs Cambden (Friendly)	2 for 18
6. Ashwin Ready	vs Kimbolton (TPL)	2 for 19
7. Kevin Cole	vs Kimbolton (TPL)	2 for 30
8. Chris Whitfield	vs Foxton (TPL)	2 for 31
9. James Collings	vs Wisbech II (H2)	2 for 34
10. Jim Keys	vs Wisbech II (H2)	2 for 46



Bill Oddie's Duckwatch

Shep vs Kempston

Shep vs Foxton

(Shep vs Foxton!)

Bob vs Foxton

Gilly vs Wisbech II

Russ vs Wisbech II

Donald Snr vs Wisbech II



Kempston Hammers 13th April Home

by Ian Jack

After a promising start to the first game of the season, a few intermittent hail-stones began to fall – nothing that would stop a match at Waresley.

But by 2:15 they seemed to have decided to stop for a break. I think it's only about the third time since we arrived in 1976 that the first match of the season has been hailed or sleeted off.

Thanks for that and the photo



lan! For the cricket - well there's not very much to report

really! Shep became both the club's first dismissal and first

entry in Bill Oddie's Duckwatch log when driving at one that held up. Blowsy managed to get his trademarked pull working early doors and just before it hailed Vince and Simon gave a perfect demonstration of how not to call a single!

That was it really - a strong line-up for a friendly game was left eating Mr & Mrs Warman's first tea of the season and drinking half frozen lager!

Oh yes - and Boshier turned up in a very tight fitting t-shirt and cardigan ensemble - very fetching but slightly YMCA!

Waresley		
Blows S	Not Out	12
Sheppard J	Ct	0
Winn V	Not Out	1
Extras		0
Total		13 for 1

Match abandoned After 5.1 overs

Match Abandoned

1st XI vs Kimbolton (Tucker 2) 19th April Away by Vince Winn

Despite an exciting finish the 1st XI would have been disappointed by this performance after going down by 1 wicket to Kimbolton in near sub-zero temperatures.

With early season batting frailties coming to the fore Waresley's top order struggled and it was left to the middle order of Steve Warman, Dan Szwajbak & Laurence Boshier to provide some

lustly blows and bring the total up to some sort of respectability.

The Waresley opening bowlers Terry Hayden and Boshier initially kept the Kimbolton batsmen in check until Lambert (aided by some poor fielding) produced a match-winning innings of 61.

There were wickets for Cole (2-30), Reddy (2-19) and 16 year old newcomer Chris Whitfield

(3-17) with young Whitfield being particularly impressive, indeed he might well have won the game for Waresley had he been allowed to bowl more than 6 overs in a spell. Despite the youngster's efforts Kimbolton just about held on for a morale-boosting win with no 11 Hunter hitting the winning boundary.

Waresley		
Winn V	Ct	5
Asque C	Ct	22
Reddy A	Ct	3
Masdin P	LBW	16
Whitfield C	LBW	9
Warman S	LBW	28
Szwajbak D	Bowled	34
Boshier L	St	27
Cole K	Not Out	1
Extras		14
Total		159 for 8

Kimbolton Total 163 for 9

Hayden T	9 - 3 - 32 - 1
Boshier L	6 - 3 - 12 - 1
Cole K	8.5 - 2 - 30 - 2
Asque C	3 - 0 - 20 - 0
Whitfield C	6 - 0 - 17 - 3
Reddy A	5 - 0 - 19 - 2
Buckingham - J N	4 - 0 - 20 - 0

Kimbolton won by 1 wicket

2nd XI vs Wisbech II (H2) 26th April Away by Jim Keys

The 2nds first match of the season made sure we got the longest trip out of the way first, visiting Wisbech. It was a pleasure to play in something near warm weather although the result was not what we had hoped for.

Keys showed a new ruthless streak axing himself after just one over in favour of the steady Gillett whose 12 overs cost only 34 runs (and that was with the last one going for 12). Nicholson explained that Gillett had always been miserly, but we think that had more to do with the bar afterwards!

Collings bowled well taking 2-34 and had the opener caught by

Nicholson off a no-ball when on about 6. He went onto make 61. Ellerbeck Snr bowled one that turned (surely not this early in the season I hear you cry) and a mixture of long-hops to take 5-49. Keys finished with 2-46 somehow.

Wisbech finished on 172 all out which was probably on the high side given the 25 gifted extras, but which we'd have settled for at 131-2 in the 33rd over. It was not a total that was out of reach.

Fensome and Donald Jnr opened up, with Fensome uncharacteristically taking 18 balls to open his account for the season. Donald was done for on 8 by the finger

of Collings (umpiring!). Evans continued his consistent form of last season top scoring for Waresley with 34. Fensome fell for 22; Lewis looked good for 11 and Collings 13. The experience paid dividends in the middle order with Gillett going second ball for 0, Nicholson took longer (12 balls) for 0 and Donald Snr didn't want to upset the scorer so he also went for 0. A score of 96-3 became 98-8 before a lusty 15 from Ellerbeck rallied us to 118 all out and a defeat by 54 runs.

Special mention to Tom Chenery for some excellent fielding and to the three little ducks (as they're now known) for keeping us entertained.

Wisbech II Total 172 All Out

Keys J	12 - 0 - 46 - 2
Collings J	9 - 0 - 34 - 2
Gillett P	12 - 4 - 34 - 0
Ellerbeck P	12 - 1 - 49 - 5

Waresley		
Fensome J	Ct	22
Donald S	LBW	8
Evans B	Ct	34
Lewis S	Bowled	11
Collings J	Bowled	13
Gillett P	Ct	0
Nicholson R	LBW	0
Donald A	Bowled	0
Keys J	Ct	4
Ellerbeck P	Bowled	15
Chenery T	Not Out	0
Extras		11
Total		118 All Out

Wisbech II won by 54 runs

Ground, Weather and Light - New ruling for Tucker League

28. The side batting first is entitled to bat for their full 48 overs even if the start is delayed or there are interruptions in the first innings. The first 15 minutes of the first interruption or delayed start to a match are to be disregarded. For every interruption, one over will be deducted from the match allocation for every full 3.5 minutes of playing time lost in that interruption.

29. The side batting second will forfeit a wicket for every full 6 overs lost in the match, but the

last wicket of the innings must be taken on the field of play to constitute "all out", even if this calculation results in 10 or more wickets lost and/or forfeited. Forfeited wickets will not count towards bowling bonus point allocations nor bonus points for bowling a side out. The batting Captain will be the sole judge of who is not to bat under this calculation regardless of the stated batting order. The entry in the scorebook for a forfeited wicket shall be "Did not bat (rain)". The side batting second is not allowed to declare

at any time.

30. A minimum of ten full overs of the side batting second constitute the match. If this is not possible, the match is abandoned and each side receives 5 points plus any bonus points scored thus far in the match.

31. When a match is deemed to have been completed, for the side batting first to win they must take the final wicket on the field of play. For the side batting second to win, they must exceed the score of the

side batting first or finish with a higher average run rate per over.

Average run rate is determined by the number of runs scored divided by the number of completed overs faced (part overs to be ignored) in each innings, rounded up at .005 to 2 decimal places. In the case of the side batting first being all out, the number of overs is to be taken to be 48. If the side batting first declares, the number of overs is to be rounded up to the nearest complete over.

Ist XI vs Foxton (Tucker 2) 26th April Home

After last week's disappointing result against Kimbolton the Ists were looking forward to getting the season started properly with a good result against Foxton.

The team looked great to start with in their new maroon training tops but from the warm up things didn't go so well! The skipper started the rot by losing the toss and within five overs... well, the carnage was plain to see. There were Waresley bodies strewn over the field. Vince was first to go for 1 by boldly slapping the opener over cover, only to not quite make it! Shep has the unique distinction of going into Bill Odie's twitcher's notebook for the second time this season. He has special note for actually getting a duck twice in this innings by edging it to the

keeper but not being given. So Shep now has three duck's in two innings - keep up the good work Shep!

Chairman Phil got a viciously rising ball that hit his handle, Chris played over the top of one. Bob got a good one and before we knew it we were 4 for 4 and then 13 for 5. and facing a major catastrophe.

Modesty prevents me from saying too much about the fact that your editor, suffering from a severe bout of man flu, managed to hold the fort for a good while before slapping a caught and bowled back to the bowler. Bosh, Kevin, B-J and Terry put on a reasonable fightback to take us above any record low figures. In particular Kevin's determined

batting was a highlight on a pretty poor day.

It was clear though that the sun was drying the pitch out quite nicely and despite a nice LBW from Bosh's third ball where hopes were raised somewhat. A tremendous 56 from Farnum made it very difficult to bowl at him. Terry, Bosh and Chris all suffered at his hands.

Chris bowled well for two wickets and B-J gave nothing away but it showed, after 4 wickets were taken just what another 70 runs would have done for Waresley.

So... hopefully the lessons of today's defeat can be learnt and the batsmen apply themselves so that the bowlers actually have a target to bowl at.

Sunday XI vs Camden (Friendly) 27th April Away

Finally some good news was to come out of Waresley as the Sunday team notched up the first victory of the season. There's still not much to report from the bat, however the bowlers were in imperious mood at Camden.

Chris Whitfield again put in a

good bowling display and ended up with figures of 2 for 10. Phil Gillett, playing two games in a weekend for the first time since decimalisation recorded good figures of 2 for 18. Apparently his back will now play him up for a month! Pat got 3 more wickets

to just take him 1 ahead of Whitfield in the April haul.

The batting was rocky until the might of Adie Dean with 20 not out reminder us what we'd been missing all these years.

A fine win - at last!!

Waresley		
Winn V	Ct	1
Sheppard J	LBW	0
Blows S	Ct	20
Masdin P	Ct	1
Whitfield C	LBW	1
Warman S	Bowled	0
Szwajbak D	LBW	2
Bosher L	Ct	10
Cole K	Not Out	27
B-J N	Run Out	17
Hayden T	Ct	5
Extras		5
Total		89 All Out
Foxton		
Total		90 for 4
Bosher L		2 - 0 - 20 - 1
Hayden T		4 - 0 - 32 - 0
Whitfield C		5.3 - 1 - 31 - 2
Buckingham - J N		3 - 1 - 5 - 1
Foxton won by 6 wickets		

Camden		
Total		52 All Out
Whitfield C		6 - 1 - 10 - 2
Gillett P		10 - 3 - 18 - 2
Ellerbeck P		6 - 1 - 20 - 3
Colebrook P		2 - 0 - 2 - 0
Longson M		0.4 - 0 - 1 - 1
Waresley		
Donald S	Ct	11
Sheppard J	Bowled	3
Fensome J	Ct	2
Howe N	LBW	2
Dean A	Not Out	20
Whitfield C	Not Out	10
Extras		8
Total		56 for 4
Waresley won by 6 wickets		

Looking Back – It was 20 years ago this month

by Rod Kerr

This month we go back to May 1988 for a Millman 2nd XI game at Higham Ferrers. The seconds' season had not got off to the best of starts with heavy defeats to Hexton & Tobler Suchard – on both occasions being dismissed for under 80. It was with some trepidation that the second string travelled across the border into to Northamptonshire won the toss and batted first – veteran openers Ian Feather & Mick Greenfield taking the first overs.

Greenfield was run out in the second over but Feather & Pat Smith spent the next 27 overs and 90 minutes painstakingly taking the score to 80 before

the former was bowled. Smith went on to make a fine 60 but with little lasting support, the innings closed at 156 for 9 off the 45 overs.

Higham progressed sedately in their reply, seeing off the opening attack of Harpreet Singh & Gareth Thomas for the loss of just one wicket. Peter Tebbs & 13 year old Charlie Mear shared 8 overs but it seemed as though a third consecutive defeat was on the cards when the home side reached 105 for 2 with 15 overs left – requiring just a further 52 runs. The ball was then passed to Mick Greenfield & 17 year old Paul Swannell. Greenfield kept his

end tight, while young spinner Swannell recovered from having conceded 15 runs from his first 2 overs to take two wickets in his 3rd. He continued to weave his spell of flight & spin, regularly picking up wickets until the game reached the stage where Higham required 15 runs from 3 overs with two wickets in hand. With the first ball of his ninth over, Swannell persuaded the Higham number 9 to edge to keeper Pat Smith. The next three balls yielded three more runs – the tension built – would the youngster keep his head? His team mates need not have worried as Mander, the Higham number 11 gave a catch to Ryan Mear and Waresley claimed a

memorable 11 run victory– Higham had lost eight wickets for just 37 runs. Swannell finished with the amazing figures of 7-38, a feat which won him the Worriker Rose-bowl for the best 2nd XI performance in 1988.



Paul Swannell - in 1988

Short Leg

500 Club

Nick Greenfield will be running a 500 club this season. Tickets will be £2 and will run for five weeks leading up to the day of the village fete.

Half of the money will be prizes and half goes towards much needed club funds. Please support Nick and the club and buy some tickets when they're available.

Subscriptions

Subscriptions are now due and should be paid as soon as possible and certainly before the first game. It is well to remember that unless you are a fully paid up member, you cannot be

covered by the club's insurance. Subs for 2008 are:

- £35 - Full employment
- £25 - Over 16 in full time education
- £15 - Under 16 and unemployed
- £10 - Social member

Please check with your captain if you are not yet paid up. Cheques should be received by Rod and Penny NOW!

Fixture Cards

Fixture cards are ready and are being distributed to all paid up members of the club and parents of the youth

teams. You'll be able to keep up with all the games then. If you don't have a card please ask Rod Kerr or your skipper. Don't forget you have to be a paid up member to get a fixture card! If you have a company or a service that you'd like to advertise in next year's card then please let us know in advance and we'll reserve you some space.

Club Kit

The club kit is now ready for purchase. Please ask Steve Warman or Phil Gillett if you have need of any Waresley kit. Please make sure you, at the very least, have a Waresley cap in your bag! The new kit looks really good so thanks very much Phil and Steve for taking that under your wing.

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Waresley are grateful for the support of Paul Swannell and Moatside Properties for sponsoring the 1st XI shirts this season. To see the contact details for Paul have a look at the fixture card. We're delighted to all be wearing your logo this year!

Administration

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