

MAGNA MAGIC!

The crickety update for the players, friends and family of Sherston Magna CC

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Neil Forster steps back but not away, from Sherston Magna juniors.

After many years of successfully bringing on the cricketing youth of Sherston Magna CC, Neil Forster is to take a small step back from his role of running the entire junior section of the club.

Neil will still be involved and down at the ground on a regular basis coaching the U13's side and making sure his older boys are playing well and keeping a watchful eye over the 'shrimps'.

As if to provide unnecessary evidence of his continuing commitment to the club he and Nick Burridge along with help from John Weeks and James Kutchera plan to work on a project to help raise funds for the club, particularly to

benefit the junior section. Neil and Nick are to produce a book of poems and illustrations accompanied by a photographic exhibition in November that will focus on pictures Nick has taken of the club during the season.

Future editions will bring more news of this exciting project.

Entitled 'Smile Out Loud' the book is expected to be available later this year. Dates of availability and evening event will be published in later editions.

Our sincere thanks and gratitude extend to Neil for his continued service to the club and to Nick for his kind support on this project.



AGM UPDATE

Exciting season in store for Sherston Magna CC

At a busy and buzzing annual general meeting, chairman John Matthews steered the gathering through a packed agenda covering the election of new and existing officers of the club, a review of finances and exciting news on development and the fund raising plans required to deliver those plans.

John started the meeting by reviewing the 2012 season thanking those who had once again given their precious time to the club. Whilst we can't mention everyone here thanks were noted to several individuals including Kevin and Carey Smith, Caroline Dickenson, and David Fitch-Peyton. Chris Lovell who raised a staggering amount for club coffers by organising and running the cow-pat lottery was given special thanks.

Election of officers

James Harmer was voted in as the new Saturday captain with Andy Pegg his new vice-captain a young and dynamic team to take the Saturday team forward. Kevin Smith will continue to captain the Sunday side who will play friendly cricket this year. James Kutchera joined the committee in a communication role and Caroline Scarlett will represent the Ladies team and help manage the outfield over the coming season - an important position to ensure mowing rotas and jobs at the ground are co-ordinated.

Strong financial footing

Caroline Dickenson took the meeting through the clubs accounts that showed a strong financial position. However it was clearly evident that as the club is seeking to make significant development, better efforts in collecting subscriptions will need to be a priority this year. To this end players are requested to pay their subs, that will be staying at the same price as last year, as soon as possible to help keep club finances healthy. The two major development plans covered in more detail on page 4 are replacing the sight screens and building a new netting facility. These are very exciting projects but will require significant support and funding that the club is actively seeking.

Practise nights

The intention is to get juniors down on one night, which is likely to be a Monday evening, with matches on a Thursday. Seniors whilst yet to be confirmed will likely practise on a Tuesday, but this may change if and when the new netting facilities are introduced.

Fund raising

Nick Burrige informed the meeting of his intention to produce 'Smile Out Loud' a story of Sherston Cricket that will help to raise much needed funds for the club. The book is likely to be around 100 pages in size and should be available towards the end of the year.



At this time of year we are anticipating things to come but I would like to start by taking this opportunity to thank our outgoing Saturday captain Andrew Tremellen. Although his final season in charge did not go out in a blaze of scorching summer weather or of scintillating scores on the board I would like to reflect on the fact that under his leadership the club won the CDCA Div2 in 2008 and then historically in 2009 won CDCA Div1. I think this is a record that he can look back on with pride and on behalf of the club I would like to thank him. I would also like to congratulate Andy and Belinda on the arrival of Max Thomas Tremellen.

Now to the future, I am delighted that the club finds itself in a very enviable position of having the volunteer services of two highly qualified coaches in the form of the brothers Jarvis. I hope as a club we take full advantage of their generous offer of help.

Congratulations need to go to James Harmer and Andy Pegg for being elected to the positions of Saturday captain and vice-captain. I think I am right in saying that this is the youngest leadership team we have ever had and hope that their youth and vigour leads to a successful season. I wish them all the luck in their new roles.

John Matthews

DAVID FITCH-PEYTON'S 'PUNT OF THE MONTH'

Some say that last month's Punt is still running off into the moonlight, but here we have another selection from our very own equine mastermind. Remember his selection is one to follow for the future. This month to add some spice seeing as The Cheltenham Festival is just around the corner we have enlisted two other 'experts in the field of picking winners'. Our very own JK and his son budding entrepreneur Oli who has used the famous stick a pin in a list method - it will be interesting to see who comes out on top!

If you have to, please bet responsibly.

Date & Race	DFP 'Expert Punter'	JK 'Likes to win'	OK 'Lucky Dip'
Tuesday 12th March Champion Hurdle	Grandouet	Zarkandar	Cotton Mill
Wednesday 13th March Queen Mothers Champion Chase	Sprinter Sacre	Sprinter Scare	Wishful Thinking
Thursday 14th March World Hurdle	Peddlers Cross	Tidal Bay	Bog Warrior
Friday 15th March Gold Cup	Siliviniaco Conti	Sir Des Champs	Captain Chris

JUNIORS

Junior section continues to go from strength to strength



With Neil Forsters' well built foundations the junior section will benefit from having two experienced coaches involved this year.

Ex-England international Paul Jarvis and his brother Andy, both highly qualified coaches are to lead the development of the junior section in 2013.

Plans outlined at AGM

Paul addressed the annual general meeting with outline plans for bringing together and developing the younger and future senior players of Sherston Magna CC.

The junior section already has a large following and Fiona Ilife-Moon has built a large section that has contributed significantly through subs to the club.

Paul is keen to get all youngster involved and playing cricket and hopes to have an U13s team playing competitive matches on Thursday evenings this year.

Discussion focused on training, with Paul informing the AGM that this would be held on one night for juniors, which is likely to be a Monday evening.

Paul also offered to train the helping dads so that all involved with supporting an running the junior section could take useful and engaging sessions for our younger cricketers.

Equipment for the junior section will also be reviewed so that we have enough kit to accommodate everyone on a single night. An exciting time for the junior section.

FANCY LEARNING MORE?

Coaching and Umpiring courses available for anyone interested in supporting the club

Organised coaching and umpiring courses are now available for anyone interested in helping Sherston Magna CC. The courses can be sponsored by the club and provide anyone who is interested with relevant experience and qualification to take the next step in cricket.

If this sounds like something you'd be interested in please get in touch (via the contacts above) and we'd be delighted to talk you through the details.



NETS HAVE STARTED!

Time to get those limbs loosened up, so book those Sunday late afternoons out and get yourself down to Tetbury Leisure Centre. Cost £3 for a 1 hour session and £5 for a 2 hour session. Volunteers as always to help coach the juniors would be most welcome - please contact us by email if you're interested.

Sunday March 17th

Sunday March 24th

**SUNDAYS FROM 4.30PM
TETBURY LEISURE CENTRE**

CONTACT US

Staying in touch with Sherston Magna CC

With at least 5 different ways to talk, staying in touch with the club is easier than ever and with all our main contacts listed below we're making it even easier - go on you know it makes sense - give Kev a call, he'd love to hear from you!

We need your old photo's!

To make future editions even more exciting we'd like you to submit as many Sherston Magna CC related photographs as you can - your help will be much appreciated.

- Club website: www.sherstonmagna.play-cricket.com
- Club email sherstonmagna@yahoo.co.uk
- Our Facebook page: [Facebook.com/Sherstonmagna](https://www.facebook.com/Sherstonmagna)
- Follow us on twitter @sherstonmagna
- Text us on 07970 740389 (Kevin Smith)

SHOVEL DIGS THE DIRT!



Our very own pint sized fund raiser led some of the Magna Magic editorial team astray recently as the picture (right) bears evidence to, or was Howler just in pre-season hibernation?

No need to reply, he already knows he's a lightweight.



CLUB PLANS TO INVESTIGATE & INVEST IN IMPROVED FACILITIES ANNOUNCED AT AGM

Sight Screen on the horizon

At a well attended and very upbeat AGM on 19 February, club chairman, John Matthews announced the exciting news of the club's ambition to not only introduce replacement sight screens, but a state of the art practice facility at the ground in Pinkney Park.

The existing sight screens have been serving the club well for over twelve years, but are now in such a state of disrepair that new sight screens are the only solution. The club is confident of finding grants from one or more source to reduce the £2,000+ outlay that new sight screens cost.

Practise makes perfect

The existing practice facility at Pinkney Park has also been looking tired in the last few seasons, but development officer, Paul Jarvis has kindly helped to specify and identify a provider for a new two-net all-weather practise facility for Pinkney Park.

The cost of this facility will be in the order of £25,000 and will clearly need funding from grants, donations and fund-raising. Club treasurer Caroline Dickenson is working hard to find potential grants to fund some of the cost, but we are all likely to be needed to help out where we can.

These new enhancements and news of a new 20 year lease over the ground left the those at the AGM excited about the prospects for this and the coming seasons.

YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

AND YOUR ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER & EMAIL...

Calling all players young, old, well seasoned or new to the club. Everyone is welcome at Sherston Magna CC.

To get the season off to a flyer we want to get organised so if you're not sure we have your most up-to-date details please email them into us at sherstonmagna@yahoo.co.uk

Please use the form below and while you're at it, tell us about your cricketing experiences - you may even get a mention in future editions... PS Matt Goodwin, we already know your averages, thanks!

Player Profile & Contact details

For Junior players please add your parents/guardians contact details

Players Name: _____

Parent / Guardian (if Junior) _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Tel. _____ Mobile: _____ Work: _____

Email: _____ Work: _____

Twitter: _____ Skype: _____

Cricket profile (optional)

Batting: Right-handed (RH) / Left-handed (LH)* (*delete as appropriate)

Bowling: RH fast-medium / LH fast-medium / RH slow / LH slow*

Best batting score: _____ (include date and opponents)

Best bowling analysis: _____

Reason for playing: _____

Favourite cricketing moment: _____

Your cricket idol: _____

Your cricketing claim to fame: _____

Calendar

Sunday Nets from 4.30pm Tetbury Leisure Centre

Ground Force Day Saturday 6th April 11am

Pre-Season Drinks Saturday 6th April 6.30pm Pinkney Park

Want to see an estate agent get punched? It's all for a good cause!



As a fat but happy 32 year old estate agent who used to be able to play sport, Boodles Boxing is an amazing challenge that will take me some way from my comfort zone... not least for the chance to utterly humiliate myself in front of nearly 1000 people!

Having not been fit for a decade and a half, and starting the process at the dizzy heights of well over a tenth of a tonne... I need to shed 3 stone to reach my fighting weight, and hopefully the 4/5 training sessions a week will go some way to sort this 'large' issue!

However most importantly, it is great opportunity to raise some money for Starlight - this truly inspirational charity brings happier times to children and their families at their very lowest... this will more than spur me on during the gritty training sessions under the arches!

I would be massively gratefully for any donation (if alone for the thought of me out cold on the canvas!) that will go some way to granting a child's wish. I was told by one of the trainers: 'you may have played sport, but you don't play boxing!' - enough said, it's going to be brutal!!

<http://boodlesboxingball2013stanmatthews-248.starlight.org.uk>



A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY AT PINKNEY PARK - TWO EVENTS ON THE SAME DAY - SATURDAY 6TH APRIL 2013



Pre Season, a time for preparing....

I wonder after the horrible summer last year, whether any of you can remember what playing cricket was like on a sunny afternoon down at Pinkney Park? Our home and an idyllic piece of England. Let's hope that 2013 brings plenty of those days! In order to make those days as enjoyable as possible it takes a lot of effort, particularly in pre season. Therefore the club is asking all members (and non members!) to put the 6th April 2013 in the diary for a club "ground force" day. There will be no Alan Titchmarsh but plenty of cricket chat and banter, so get along and help to maintain what we all agree is one of the finest places to play cricket in the country.

Groundwork commences at 11am.

Welcome in the new season and new players

Any day involving Sherston Magna CC should not be solely hard work, effort and cricket alone. So as a thank you for the efforts on the ground and a welcome to players new and old, to friends of the club and to kick off the season with aplomb (or should that be with some plonk), we will be holding the fabulous and traditional cricket season curtain raising drinks party on the evening of the 6th of April. This year it is again being kindly hosted by our landlords, John and Matilda Matthews, at Pinkney Park. It is always an extremely pleasant evening with good wine, company and even occasionally the odd former England international!

Starts at 6.30pm All welcome (including partners)

Club Kit - look part of the team this season

Sherston Magna CC has agreed a deal with cricket specialist Globe Sports to provide you with exclusive kit for the 2013 season. Not only is there high quality playing kit including an embroidered club badge, but a range of training and leisurewear in club colours and also embroidered with the club badge.

What is included? Playing kit

Melton Cap £12							
Baseball Cap £12							
Shirt (3/4 sleeve)	Junior £20	Senior £22					
Shirt (long sleeve)	n/a	Senior £26					
Trousers	Junior £20	Senior £22					
Sleeveless jumper	Junior £25	Senior £28					
Long sleeved jumper	Junior £28	Senior £32					

What's included? Training Kit

Training Shorts	Junior £17	Senior Junior £18				
Tracksuit Trousers	Junior £22	Senior £24				
Tracksuit Top	Junior £22	Senior Junior £26				
Training T-shirt	Junior £17	Senior Junior £18				

What's included? Leisurewear

Hoodie	Junior £22	Senior £26				
Polo shirt	Junior £18	Senior £20				
Rain Jacket	Junior £26	Senior £30				
Sweatshirt	Junior £21	Senior £25				

Making it easy for you

To make the ordering system simple Globe Sports will have a dedicated SMCC web page from which you can order kit to suit your needs and size. Either click on the SMCC page at www.globesports.net or go to the link on the SMCC website.

There are two agreed delivery dates with Globe Sports

1. Week commencing 13th April (order by Sunday 24 March)
2. Week commencing 4th May (order by Sunday 14 April)

The Sherston Magna CC page on the Globe Sports website is up and running awaiting your order, so you can start the season smartly. Order your playing kit by logging on to www.globesports.net

Indoor Cricket update

Game 6

Sherston lost by 1 wkt

Sherston Magna - 69 all out (55 balls)
Box 70-5 (57)

Team: J Harmer (c) M Goodwin (wk), I Gould, A Pegg, H Stevens, C Lovell

An unbelievably low scoring game, with some poor batting followed by a spirited bowling performance that took it to the last over. A messed up run out and a dropped catch saw Magna fall just short of a sensational victory!

Man of match: No individual stood out as team spirit nearly won the game.

Game 7

Sherston lost by 5 wkts

Sherston Magna 60-4 (60)
Chippenham 64-1 (32)

Team: J Harmer (c) M Goodwin (wk), J Kutchera, A Pegg, H Stevens, C Lovell

Another inept batting display against a good Chippenham side, 60 was never enough and we were soundly beaten!

Man of the match: Anyone from Chippenham

Next Games

10 Mar vs Biddestone A (6.35)
24 Mar v Spye Park A (5.30)

Easter Coaching Camp - calling all U11 and U13 juniors - girls & boys welcome

Paul Jarvis will be running an exciting new event this Easter - a coaching camp from Wednesday 3rd April to Friday 5th April. Juniors will train with the highly qualified coach and ex-England international from 10am to 3pm each day at Pinkney Park over the three days - an experience not to be missed. The cost is £75. Spaces are strictly limited to 24 boys or girls maximum with the course designed for U11 and U13 year olds.

For more information or to book your child's place please contact Paul on paul@jarvis2.co.uk or call on 07887 486853