

2020 Colts End of Season Report

Well, as we all know, thanks to COVID-19 there wasn't much of a 2020 season and so this report will be somewhat shorter than usual.

I would like to start with assuring those of you who paid your annual membership fee before the 'lockdown', that we will be giving you a credit for next season. I will work out your credit based on the what you paid less £5 for every Winter training session you attended and I will write to you separately to let you know what your credit will be.

We did manage to play several friendly matches, mainly at the U11 and U13 age groups, after the ECB allowed matches to take place from the end of July. Although we lost more than we won everyone seemed to enjoy themselves, which was evident in the fact that we were playing into the first week of September.

This could only have happened with the generous help of Andy Grayson, Alex Molloy, Ben Shearly, and Ron Masters, not forgetting Osman Patel who managed the one U15 match that we played.

Not everyone elected to play, which was understandable under the circumstances, but 24 players turned out for the matches overall, including three new members who we hope to welcome back again next season.

While mentioning next season, the future doesn't look too good at the moment but I can report that the Middlesex Junior Colts Association is determined to keep playing cricket and I have already paid our affiliation fees for next season, so we will be playing cricket if and when it's allowed.

We also agreed at a recent Committee meeting that playing colts cricket throughout the Summer was a definite success and there is no reason why we should stop at the end of the school term.

So, my annual appeal for any parents out there who would like to lend a hand in running our club – attend a coaching course or adult helper course has more import from now on. We do have a dedicated team of coaches but it may be too much to expect them to give more of their time for an extra 8 weeks or so. Offers of help would be most welcome.

See you next February for Winter training, pandemic permitting!

Keith
Colts Secretary