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# Howzat!

## Youth Cricket Newsletter



New Year 2008

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# Taking on the Seniors!

UTCC's commitment to preparing our younger cricketers for senior competitive cricket takes a step forward in 2008 with the forming of the 'Colts' team. They will compete in the Grantham & Melton Cricket Association's newly formed Division 5.

Grantham & Melton Cricket Association		
Date		Fixture
13-Apr	Sun	Barrowby (H) Cup
19-Apr	Sat	Stoughton (H)
27-Apr	Sun	Egerton Park (A) Cup
04-May	Sun	Syston (A)
10-May	Sat	Ancaster (H) Cup
18-May	Sun	Stragglers (H)
24-May	Sat	Foston (A) Cup
31-May	Sat	Foston (A)
07-Jun	Sat	Barrowden (H) Cup
14-Jun	Sat	Hougham (H)
22-Jun	Sun	Welby (A)
06-Jul	Sun	Kinoulton (H)
13-Jul	Sun	Stoughton (A)
20-Jul	Sun	Syston (H)
27-Jul	Sun	Stragglers (A)
02-Aug	Sat	Foston (H)
09-Aug	Sat	Hougham (A)
17-Aug	Sun	Welby (H)
24-Aug	Sun	Kinoulton (A)

The aim of the Colts team is to provide regular competitive cricket to those under the age of 20 who might not consistently be selected in the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI. In addition to help those talented Under 15s who are ready to step up to senior cricket, but would benefit from playing with other 'juniors' in an extended format. Essentially we want to provide a good standard of cricket and coaching to those players after the Under 15s who may lose interest in the game through poor opportunities to play. There is also an opportunity for budding 'captains' to be coached in tactical and team management skills.

From time to time this team will benefit from playing alongside some of our experienced 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> XI players.

Our fixture secretary Gary Marsh has been hard at work and the dates above have been agreed. The GMCA has a Cup 'round robin' early in the season with the individual group winners progressing to a semi final and final in August - these dates are subject to getting there.

The club in 2007 secured 'Focus Club' status with the next level of accreditation being 'ClubMark' - this requires the Coaches and club meeting specific ECB criteria. The 'Clubmark' validation is planned for April 2008 and is a key part in the Club's long held ambition to gain funding for a new ground. Watch this space for news and information.

### Dates For Your Diary

### Junior Nets

### UCC

24<sup>th</sup> Feb to 6<sup>th</sup> April

U10s - 5 to 6pm

U12s - 6 to 7pm

U13s - 7 to 8pm

U15 & 17s - 8 to 9.30pm\*

Every Sunday

Except 23<sup>rd</sup> March

**U15 - Colts Start  
3<sup>rd</sup> Feb**

**7pm to 9pm**

**Until all nets  
start.**

**First 4 weeks is  
Fitness & Fielding**

**Skills - No Bats  
Required!**



# 2007 Season Review



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## League win - so close!

### BCYCA Under 15s Table - 29th Aug 2007

Final Positions

	Team	Played	Won	Tied	Lost	Bat Pts	Bwl Pts	Match Pts	Total
1	Stamford Town CC	10	9	0	1	13	18	54	85
2	Uppingham Town CC	10	7	0	3	15	19	42	76
3	Market Overton CC	10	4	0	5	10	17	27	54
4	Oakham CC	10	4	0	6	12	17	24	53
5	Bourne CC	10	3	0	7	10	19	18	47
6	Market Deeping CC	10	2	0	7	8	14	15	37

#### Batting

Player	2007 Season						Strike Rate	Average
	Plyd	Balls	Runs	4s	6s	Out?		
Allen, Sam	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Barton, Alex	10	106	87	11	2	8	82.1	10.9
Binley, Adam	6	17	14	0	0	0	82.4	14.0
Cropper, Will	4	49	27	1	0	4	55.1	6.8
Dean, James	3	1	0	0	0	1	0.0	0.0
Dumford, Danny	10	96	54	4	0	8	56.3	6.8
Farnsworth, Ben	7	138	149	21	3	3	108.0	49.7
Forster, Jonny	5	6	3	0	0	1	50.0	3.0
Friar, Tim	10	19	5	0	0	1	26.3	5.0
Howe, Will	10	98	94	9	1	4	95.9	23.5
Hubbard, Tom	10	224	112	11	0	10	50.0	11.2
Joyce, Will	3	44	16	2	0	2	36.4	8.0
Kennedy, Jack	9	74	60	6	0	5	81.1	12.0
Kind, Ben	5	32	20	1	0	2	62.5	10.0
Porter, Josh	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Raynes, Will	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Todd, Elliot	2	1	0	0	0	1	0.0	0.0
Wedge, Josh	9	141	113	15	0	7	80.1	16.1



With 149 runs, a strike rate of 108% and average of 49.7 Skipper Ben Farnsworth wins the 2007 batting award.

#### Bowling

Player	2007 Season						Strike Rate	Economy
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts	Catches	Run Outs		
Allen, Sam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Barton, Alex	0.5	0	6	1	1	0	6.0	12.0
Binley, Adam	20	0	86	5	6	0	17.2	4.3
Cropper, Will	0	0	0	0	2	0	0.0	0.0
Dean, James	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Dumford, Danny	39	8	146	21	0	0	7.0	3.7
Farnsworth, Ben	17	4	60	12	1	1	5.0	3.5
Forster, Jonny	1	0	8	0	0	0	0.0	8.0
Friar, Tim	32	3	146	2	3	0	73.0	4.6
Howe, Will	38	6	169	12	2	0	14.1	4.4
Hubbard, Tom	0	0	0	0	5	0	0.0	0.0
Joyce, Will	0	0	0	0	1	0	0.0	0.0
Kennedy, Jack	5.5	0	27	3	5	0	9.0	4.9
Kind, Ben	2	0	14	0	1	0	0.0	7.0
Porter, Josh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Raynes, Will	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Todd, Elliot	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Wedge, Josh	30	3	133	10	1	0	13.3	4.4



With 21 wickets for 146 runs - a strike rate of 7.0 and economy rate of 3.7. Danny Dumford wins the 2007 bowling award.

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## Manager's Player of the Year - Tom Hubbard

It's never easy opening the batting and Tom had a great year accumulating 112 runs at a run every other ball. He also kept wicket taking 5 catches and making 3 stumpings. During the season he skippered the side and also took charge of an Under 14 XI against Oakham. His positive attitude and encouragement of his team mates will be a tough act to follow for the 2008 Vice Captain.

## Players' Player of the Year - William W. Howe

Our opening bowler and mid-order run scorer proved a popular choice with the squad for the newly awarded Players' Player Shield. Along with Tom Hubbard Will was a Vice Captain and during the season took 12 wickets and scored 94 runs at just under a run a ball. Other contributions to the team were his witty man of the match presentation speeches.



The Matt Hampson Trust benefited from £85.00 raised from player donations when a Will Howe Select XI played UTCC at Laxton Park in August.

A thrilling 30 over game played in glorious sunshine ended in a win for Will Howe's Select XI - any current player wishing to stage a charity fixture in August this year please let me know and I will book a ground. I'm keen to see this be a fixture between youngsters from other Rutland cricket clubs. The fixture will be open to Under 16s and by invitation of the Select XI and UTCC U15s Captains.



## Awards Night!

Dads and Lads gathered at Hooters Sports Bar in Nottingham for the final get together of 2007. The Skipper met two new friends!



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## Uppingham Town CC - 2007

### Batting

Runs Scored		Strike Rate		Total Team Runs
Ben Farnsworth	149	Ben Farnsworth	108.0	<b>901</b>
Josh Wedge	113	Will Howe	95.9	
Tom Hubbard	112	Adam Binley	82.4	
Will Howe	94	Alex Barton	82.1	

Most Sixes		Most Fours		Highest Score in Match
Ben Farnsworth	3	Ben Farnsworth	21	<b>133</b>
Alex Barton	2	Josh Wedge	15	
Will Howe	1	Tom Hubbard	11	
		Alex Barton	11	

### Bowling & Fielding

Wickets Taken		Strike Rate		Economy	
Danny Dumford	21	Ben Farnsworth	5.0	Ben Farnsworth	3.5
Ben Farnsworth	12	Alex Barton	6.0	Danny Dumford	3.7
Will Howe	12	Danny Dumford	7.0	Adam Binley	4.3
Josh Wedge	10	Jack Kennedy	9.0	W Howe / J Wedge	4.4

Catches Taken		Man of the Match (Home)		Man of the Match (Away)	
Adam Binley	6	Ben Kind (Oakham)		Will Howe (Stamford)	
Jack Kennedy	5	Alex Barton (Market Deeping)		Jack Kennedy (Market Deeping)	
Tom Hubbard	5	Danny Dumford (Bourne)		Elliot Todd (Oakham)	
Tim Friar	3	Josh Wedge (Market Overton)		Ben Farnsworth (Bourne)	
		Jack Kennedy (Stamford)		Tom Hubbard (Market Overton)	

Total Wickets **70**



Jack Kennedy fielded like his life depended on it, took some great catches and was the only player to win 2 Man of the Match awards. Proud owner of The Beast.



Alex Barton hit a remarkable 6 at Market Deeping that flew over the boundary and at no point got above 5 feet.



Elliot Todd became the first non-playing under 15 cricketer to win Man of the Match without being in the team!

## Other Notable Award Winners From 2007

- Best Catch - Adam Binley v Marko "it had snow on it"
- Best Fielding - Jack Kennedy's sliding retrieve v Bourne
- Biggest 6 - Elliot Todd v Oakham U14s
- Hardest Hit 4 - James Dean's vicious slash through mid on at Oakham
- Most Significant Innings - Ben Kind when we were 21 for 7 v Oakham
- Worst Dolly Drop - Josh Wedge
- Most Original Bowling Action - Will Raynes
- Most Distinguished Shirt Tucker Inner - William Howe

I look forward to seeing you at nets in early Feb, up to the end of December I've been doing my Level 2 coaching course - so be prepared for some new and challenging drills and skill tests! The nets from 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb are for any players in school years 9 to 13.

If you have any questions call me on 01572 821410 - Neil