

# The Warbler



**ALREWAS CRICKET CLUB NEWSLETTER**

**XMAS 2006**

## **BONFIRE NIGHT**

Thanks to everyone who helped out before, during and after the Bonfire Night fireworks display. This was the best run Bonfire Night ever and everyone deserves a pat on the back.

## **NEWS FROM THE AGM**

Bob Owen has stood down as Chairman after 15 years at the helm, though he is continuing on the Committee and as Groundsman. Those of us who were around in 1991 can appreciate how far the Club has come since then. New Chairman is Andie Oliver and he has been replaced as Vice Chairman by Matthew Astle. Congratulations also to Richard Hill and Roy Sherratt who were elected Life Members.

## **CLUB SHOP**

We have a limited range of club merchandise still in stock, including white club cricket shirts, the blue "one-day" shirts, polo shirts, ties and caps. See Tim Aston to find out which sizes are available (Tel: 01283 791519). New for 2007 ... club T-shirts and club shorts.

## **NEW YEARS EVE**

There are a few tickets left for the New Years Eve party (strictly members only). They cost £5 for adults with free admission for kids. There is a disco, party games and a buffet, 7.30pm to 12.30am. Sorry, no ticket no admission.

## **ALREWAS HERONS**

Next season we are starting a brand new team called the Alrewas Herons who will play every Saturday afternoon in Division 3 of the Burton & District League. This will be a development team based largely on next year's Under 15 squad, but with room for a few seniors. If you're interested in playing please see David Abell.

## **ALREWAS ACADEMY 2007**

This year there has been a slight change to the format for the Academy. It will again be held at Bishop Vesey's with former Warwickshire batsman Chris Howell as head coach. All members of the Under 15 squad are invited along with anyone who is interested in playing for the Alrewas Herons. We will also be reserving one net for any juniors who are now too old for the Under 15's (Under 18's only). The Academy starts on 28th January (9.00am to 10.30am, cost £2 a week) and runs for 10 weeks. Whites must be worn. For more information contact Andie Oliver or David Abell.

**PalletFORCE**

## **SENIOR CRICKET**

The Derbyshire County League season starts on 28th April. The 1st XI are away to Brailsford whilst the 2nd XI entertain Littleover. Ollie Broadway is the new 1st XI captain with Matt Williams vice. Ken Herr is the new 2nd XI captain with Billy Cliffe vice. Indoor nets are at Friary Grange Leisure Centre in Lichfield every Thursday from 9.00pm to 10.00pm starting on 4th January (£2 a week).

The Sunday 1st XI kick-off in the top flight of the Lichfield & District League on 29th April at home to Aston Manor. Matt Williams will again be captain with Matthew Astle vice. The 2nd XI start a week later with a trip to Bridge Trust Old Boys. Tim Aston will again be captain with Andie Oliver vice.

We have a bye in the first round of the Breweries Cup and will visit Rolleston in the quarter-finals on 24th June.

## **NEW COACHES**

Congratulations to Simon Grainger, Phil Reilly, Paul Rowland, Nick Walker and Matt Williams who all gained their ECB Level 1 coaching badge in November.

## **JUNIOR CRICKET**

Indoor nets for the Under 13 and Under 11 teams start on 10th January at John Taylor High School and continue every Wednesday from 7.00pm to 8.00pm (excluding half term). For more details please contact Tim Aston. Girls may like to know they can now play up to 2 years above their age group. Kwik Cricket (softball for Under 10's) will begin in April.

## **SCORERS COURSE**

Anyone interested in scoring might want to attend a course being held at Rolleston CC by Derbyshire scorer John Brown. The course starts on 23rd January and lasts for 6 weeks. This is highly recommended and a lot of fun. An excellent introduction for beginners. See Sue Aston if you're interested.

## **NEW COACHING FACILITY**

The Committee has now decided to go ahead with a major investment in a new practice net and bowling machine. We are currently applying for grants and we have already put up the subs for next year. However we still need to raise a lot more money. If you have any ideas or know any potential sponsors please get in touch with Tim Aston.

## **TOUR-QUAY**

The Tour is on. 4 nights at the Rainbow International Hotel in the heart of downtown Torquay only 50 metres from the beach for just £180 (Monday 13th to Thursday 16th August). We have got fixtures against South Devon (Newton Abbot), Brixham and Paignton. Deposits of £20 per head are now due. This is bound to be a sell out so contact Mitch, Blob or Bunter now to book your place.

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