

1st May 2009

# Egerton Cricket Club

## Newsletter



### Club News

The season is off and running, months of preparation will now be put into practice. There has been an unprecedented run of fine sunny weather. It was reported that a number of spectators were suffering with "sun burn" from watching the 2nd team opening game of the season versus Westhoughton. Could there be any truth in global warming? When was the last time you read sunburn, April and Egerton in the same sentence?

On the plus side the ground is looking very well, it's a thank-less task, but very much appreciated and to you guys, thank you for your hard work and commitment.

We hope you enjoyed our first newsletter and will find this one as informative. If you have any information you would like us to publish in next month's newsletter, please contact [mark.howarth@orange.net](mailto:mark.howarth@orange.net)

### Senior News - 1st Team

#### Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup>

The seasons opener was against Westhoughton at the Tyldesleys, which will be the last season at this famous venue before moving to their new ground. Egerton batted first, Keith (47) Stu (37) deputy pro Bret Findley (53) and Staff (37) saw them cruising to 200 for 3 with 12 overs left. Poor shot selection resulted in a batting collapse and the innings closed with Egerton all out for 232.

Westhoughton were soon in trouble at 56 for 5, however a stand of 80+ brought them back into contention with an ask rate around 5 an over. The wickets kept falling, but not quick enough for Egerton and the last pair managed to see the home team scrape home to win by one wicket. Atherton top scored with 78 with a good 45 from Parker. The wickets were pretty much shared round by all the bowlers. Team manager Andy Hart said "On reflection we were probably 20-30 runs short, but what a good effort all round, especially with injuries to Gesty and Stu."

#### Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup>

Tonge were the visitors to Longworth Road, winning the toss and asking Egerton to bat first. Keith (12) opened with Will (22). Deputy Pro AJ (18) a captains innings of 38 from Staff, Gesty (18) Cleggy a solid 38 and a sensible 14 not out from Westy saw Egerton reach 196 for 7. Tonge pro Street 4 for 76, 3 for 73 from Tong were the wicket takers.

Cuffy (3 for 31) and Scott (0 for 25) had first go with the new ball. Tonge opened with the Partingtons, Nigel batting well for his 63 and Danny a steady 17. Tonge seemed in little trouble at 93 for 3, however the `spin twins` Will Halton 3 for 17 and Tom Fairclough 4 for 13 changed the game. Syd with 13 was the only other batsman to get runs as Tonge were all out for 124.

"It's nice to get our first six pointer in the bag with another solid performance from the guys," commented manager Andy Hart.

#### Latest Team News

Stuart Hornby is out for at least 3 weeks with a torn muscle between his ribs. At the time of going to press, it was still unsure that professional Sajith Fernando would have the necessary clearance for this weekends fixture against Greenmount.

## Senior News - 2nd Team

### Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup>

The second eleven opened the season at Longworth Road against Westhoughton. Batting first Westhoughton raced to 56 for 0, Hilton in fine form hitting 46. Three or four of his colleagues managed to get in but didn't stay that long and the Westhoughton innings closed at 119 all out. Egerton only used three bowlers, Beswick 1 for 45 Wallwork 5 for 52 and Howarth 4 for 20. Egerton chased down the runs without too much trouble, McCloughlan 26, Booth 23no, and Firth 35no, for the loss of three wickets to record an easy win.

### Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup>

The first away fixture was a pritty local one at Tonge. Tonge batted first and only managed 56 all out. Only two bowlers were used Beswick 2 for 26 from 16 overs and Wallwork 8 for 29 from 16overs. When Egerton they got the runs for the loss of two wickets with Booth top scoring ( 26no) to seal another easy win.

### Sponsored Walk

The day started around 10.00am with about 50 setting off for a stroll, the weather was fantastic and a good time had by all. Over £400 was raised for club funds. A huge thanks to all those who took part and to the organisers, a job well done.

### T20 is coming...

The season opener is on Friday 15th May against fierce local rivals from the Bolton Association, Edgworth. The game starts at 6.00pm, come along and support the team, which should be a close fought battle with no quarter given. Food and drink will be available all night.

### Ground Man retired

After 35 years , serving the club man and boy, the legend, Mike Hall has handed over Head Groundsmanship to Graham Waterworth. "It`s a sad day in many ways" said Mike. " I`ve loved it, really loved it , but you can`t do everything and as club secretary something had to give." Graham has a wealth of experience to take on this challenging role and we wish him well for the season.

Thank you Mike for your hard work!

### It's Back

After many, many hours of committee meetings, we are please to announce the dart board is back!

No expenses has been spared, with the new board and cabinet. The dart board was donated by a dart loving and loyal member and the cabinet hand made by a cricket loving member who drinks Yorkshire tea.

A very good effort all round and thank you.

### Room Hire

The newly refurbished Cricket Club is the ideal location for your next family get together, weather it's a christening, birthday or a wedding.

Demand is now exceptionally high following the refurbishment. So **BOOK NOW** to avoid disappointment

To take advantage of the members special rate for the room hire, **please contact David Fairclough on 07866 677 566.**

### Club Events

- ◆ 2nd May - Early Season Doo - Hawaiian, Fancy Dress, Entertainment and cocktails from "Bar MelChez"
- ◆ 16th May - Race Night with a twist - Adult only, dress to impress, with food available on the night
- ◆ 13th June - BBQ
- ◆ 12th July - It's a Knockout - Teams of 10, details to follow
- ◆ July - Golf Day - details to follow

**Events Hotline - 07531 541 670**

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### Opening Hours

Monday 6.30pm - 9.00pm

Tuesday 7.00pm - 11.00pm

Wednesday 6.30pm - 9.00pm

Thursday 6.30pm—9.00pm

Friday 6.00pm - 11.30pm

Saturday 2.00pm - 12.00am

Sunday 2.00pm - 10.30pm

**FRIDAY NIGHT FAMILY NIGHT  
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