



# The Dexter

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The newsletter of Saffron Walden Cricket Club, formerly *Extra Cover*....., for players, volunteers, vice-presidents, friends and former players. *The Dexter* was an occasional newsletter published in 1989.

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## DATES FOR 2010

**SWCC  
Registration  
Day**  
**Saturday 27 March**  
**10am-2pm**  
**For seniors, juniors, VPs, friends.**

Sign on, buy new kit, sell on old kit, meet friends old and new

**Saturday 10 April  
Club Day**  
Training session at 1pm followed by free refreshments

**All Academy training sessions commence week beginning Monday 26th April 2010**

**Academy  
Presentation**  
Sunday 5th  
September 2010  
11am-2pm.

**Wenden Kwik  
Cricket**  
Starts Saturday 1st May  
10-11.30am  
Contact Iain Morgan  
Iain.Morgan@kbcpeelhunt.com

**Holiday Courses in  
association with**  
**Kevin Duers  
Coaching**  
kevin.duers@googlemail.com

## An exciting year ahead.....

The 2009 season brought its own excitement with our 150th anniversary and our venture into the East Anglian Premier League and its feeder Cambridgeshire leagues. There is no danger of the 2010 season being an ante-climax.

We welcome Nick Hurford as senior player/coach. Nick will also play a full part in the work of the Academy. He is a highly experienced and well qualified coach. Having played for Norwich CC last year he has moved to Saffron Walden with his partner, Rachel, for this season before returning to Australia

in September. The seniors are entering a midweek league in another interesting development for the club. Matches will be on Wednesday evenings with senior training moving to Thursdays. This adds to the pressure on the use of the ground but ensures full use is made of this facility which was given to the town by the American air forces for just this reason.

There will certainly be a lot going on on Friday evenings including the opportunity to work on your game in small groups or one2one sessions with Nick. Our coaches will be supported by a new video analysis package we

have purchased courtesy of a grant from Sport England.

The bar will be open so we hope as many members and their families will use it as an opportunity to socialise.

We are also installing a digital scoreboard thanks to the generosity of Tangent Technologies and Academy parent, John Longhurst.

The Academy will be fielding 19 teams this year including, for the first time, a team in the Essex-wide Peter Coe Cup competition. After a highly successful season when they won the under 13 league as under 12s, this will be the next challenge for a very talented squad.

**DON'T FORGET REGISTRATION DAY 27 MARCH**

## Summer programme 2010

Seniors	Thursdays 6.30-8.30 Fridays 5.30-6.30	Nick Hurford
Girls	Fridays 6-7.30pm	Kevin Duers
Under 16s/15s	Fridays 6.30-8pm	Tony Smith Alan Williams
Under 14s	Mondays 6.30-8pm	John Read
Under 13s	Tuesdays 6.30-8pm	Kevin Duers
Under 12s	Fridays 6.30-8pm	Nick Hurford
Under 11s	Fridays 4.30-6pm	Mark Hughes
Under 10s	Sundays 10.45-12.15pm	Mark Hughes
Under 9s	Sundays 9-10.30am	Mark Hughes
Crocus Cricket	Fridays 5-6pm	Kevin Duers

As you can see we have a full programme ahead at senior and junior levels. We also have a growing number of coaches who are qualified to give one2one advice at mutually convenient times throughout the season. There is a booking form on the website for this.

It is really important that you note your session times and ensure you are able to attend on time. This enables the coaches to organize the coaching effectively. **All sessions commence week beginning Monday 26 April 2010**

## Where are they now?

The Dexter is sad to report the death of Margaret Hammond. Margaret was our official club artist and painted the two watercolours of the ground for our 150th anniversary in 2009. A few copies of the limited editions are still left. See website.

John Hammond was 1st XI skipper (1972-75) and a very accomplished and competitive batsman. Son, Ian, is now teaching at Harrow. He is the only player to have scored centuries for the 1sts, 2nds and 3rds in the same season in 1988. Daughter Claire was a regular scorer whenever Dad or Ian were playing.

John lives in Highfields near Don Hirst, another former player.

Congratulations to our 43 Junior players who have been successful at the recent District/County trials. 80% of our nominees were successful which is a tribute to their commitment and the support of their families, coaches and managers.

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## Club kit

Available on Registration Day or from Joy Plumb 07711 633983 or joyplumb@btinternet.com

Gunn and Moore Academy Helmets £35  
Masuri Senior Helmets £58  
(titanium grill £100)  
Long-sleeved sweater £30/£28  
Sleeveless Slipover £25/£23  
Long sleeved playing shirt £25/£21  
Short-sleeved playing shirt £23/£19  
Club cap £7  
Track Jacket (green/gold) £23/£20  
Track trouser (green gold) £12/£10  
Full track suit £30  
Shorts £10/£8

A selection of a new range of SWCC souvenirs courtesy of our new partners saffron apparel .(www.saffronapparel.co.uk)

## Crocus Cricket

This programme has been running since last October with the support of the Saffron Walden Sports Partnership and Essex County Cricket Club. Lunchtime clubs have been held at the County High School, Newport Free Grammar and the Mountfitchet School. In each case our coach, Kevin Duers, was assisted by a Learning Support Assistant. Those interested in developing their cricket were invited to special sessions on a Friday evening as part of the Academy winter programme. Nine clubs in Essex are part of this programme and it is hoped to arrange inter-club matches in the summer.

If you know of any boys or girls with physical or learning disabilities who would like to play please contact Kevin Duers— kevin.duers@googlemail.com

## SWCC Committee

President:	Hugh Wiseman
Chairman:	Andrew Arnold
Hon. Secretary:	Julie Parmenter
Hon. Treasurer:	Linda Hancock
Club Captain:	Giles Ecclestone
Academy Director and Welfare Officer:	David Barrs
Fixtures Secretary:	Andrew Arnold
Members:	John Read
Clubhouse Manager:	Olwyn Sparrow
Plus team captains	Neil Gladwin, Jed Hill, Toby Montague and Peter Hill

## Sponsors

By the start of the new season we hope to have installed our new digital scoreboard courtesy of a generous donation from Tangent Technologies. Arrow Generics, Pelly's solicitors and HCL all continue to support the club on an ongoing basis. We are indebted for the support they give us. As you will see on the front page we also welcome Complete Imaging as sponsors of the newsletter.



## Job Opportunities

A club of our size and stature can only survive with a significant volunteer workforce. Almost 60 individuals contribute their time without charge for the benefit of the club. This includes a growing team of qualified coaches. However, there are certain jobs that can only be done on a more formal paid basis.

Nick Hurford will be our groundsman for the year supported by Joe Barrs but we will need a new groundsman for 2011

We are need **scorers** and **umpires** for each of our teams and we are also looking for a team of people to open the bar at key times (ie. Friday evenings, Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings). A payment may be available for suitable candidates.

Further details on the website and from Andrew Arnold [andrewarnold@pellys.co.uk](mailto:andrewarnold@pellys.co.uk) or David Barrs [barrsd@aessessex.co.uk](mailto:barrsd@aessessex.co.uk)

## Wendens Ambo Kwik Cricket

SWCC will be working closely with WAKC who provide fun cricket for children age 4-11. There are more details on our website. See front page for contact details.

## S WCC Academy Committee

Director:	David Barrs
Assistant Director:	David Hancock
Finance Officer:	Linda Hancock
Welfare Officer:	David Barrs
Assistant Welfare Officer:	Helen Nash
Schools Liaison:	John Butler
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League representative:	Peter Hill