Culworth Cricket Club June Newsletter

We have had a great start to the new season, apart from the weather. We have had all the regular children come back and we have welcomed to date 9 new members.

The clubs first game of the season was supposed to be our adult friendly team – Culworth Casuals v Eydon. Unfortunately, Eydon were unable to field a team, so our team had a good net session instead. The Casuals then had their first match two weeks ago against Napton. This was a full 40 overs match, and we were matching them stride for stride until one of their batsman played himself in and scored 92, which took the game away from us.

Our Under 13s got off to a flying start against Brackley Under 13s. Culworth were put into bat and scored 77 without the loss of a wicket. When it was Brackley's turn to bat, we bowled them all out for 12. The following week we faced a stronger Silverstone team and narrowly lost to them by 7 runs. The Under 13 s are currently joint first with Silverstone.

The Under 11s had their first match two weeks ago against Spencer Bruerne. Considering five out of the eight players had never played in a match before (one even struggled to be taller than the stumps!) we did very well, and only lost by again 7 runs. Unfortunately, all of last weeks matches were washed out as well as the training.

We have now got a run of two weeks with all home matches, so if anyone wants to watch some cricket in a beautiful setting feel free to pitch up a folding chair. The ground is looking good, as I have just about got on top of the grass on the newly sown outfield. The reseeding worked well, and the ground plays better for it. There are two adult matches in June. On the 8th we welcome the Two Nunns cricket team, and Culworth Casuals play Eydon on the 16th.

I must say a big thank you to Jeremy Boyles of Culworth Garage for sourcing me a new vehicle to pull the gang mowers, and continuing to sponsor the teams playing shirts. And a big thank you to Forge Coffee for sponsoring our new club hoodies which look amazing, and for our President Robert MacKenzie who also donated money for the hoodies. Also, a big thank you to all the Vice Presidents for donating to the club to keep it going.

For 2024 we are fielding three junior teams in the South Northants Junior Cricket League. These will be Under 9s, Under 11s and Under 13s. We also have more matches for our adult Culworth Casuals team. All fixtures can be found on our website <u>https://culworth.play-cricket.com/home</u>.



Culworth under 11s in action



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