



Underneath The Arches



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A note from the Chairman - Mid Season Review

We are now over half way through the season and it is pleasing to see all our senior and junior teams are competing well in their respective leagues. Indeed, at the time of writing, both the 1st and 2nd teams are top of the league and the Sunday Section are in a strong 2nd place. It is also pleasing to see so many juniors performing well in senior teams. Recent Sunday Section teams have included 9 players un 21 years of age—and this surely bodes well for the future.

The last couple of months have been extremely busy and your Committee and many other members have been working very hard to keep all aspects of the club running smoothly. I would like to thank all of you for this continuing effort. During the junior season we have had games on virtu-

ally every day of the week! It takes a lot of effort, from a lot of people, to run the club—especially at the height of the season, so all new offers of help or support are really appreciated. We are blessed with many enthusiastic and hard working members at Copley but we could always do with more volunteers.

I would also like to thank all our sponsors for their continuing support and we look forward to seeing many of our sponsors at the forthcoming 'Sponsors Day' on 14th August.

We continue to make plans for the future and the redevelopment of the pavilion remains our major long term priority. Working with the ECB we have been drawing up plans and, despite the unfavourable economic

environment, we are working hard to develop a credible funding strategy. This is inevitably proving difficult at the moment as, in the wake of the current economic and political uncertainty, virtually all potential funding bodies are currently deferring decisions about funding. Whilst disappointing, it is not unexpected, and we must be patient. Our goal is to deliver high quality and sustainable facilities for a growing membership and the wider community, and we will continue to work towards these objectives.

Good luck to all for the remainder of the season. Lets hope for some more good weather and see if we can finish the year with some silverware.

Richard Hoyle
Chairman—Copley CC

Not sure if Copley have ever had three centurions on one day before but it happened on 22 May 2010. For the 1st Team, Peter Hoyle (113) and Michael Midwood (169) put Low Moor to the sword whilst Darren Park (115) did the same to Triangle for the 2nd XI. Other centurions so far in 2010...Naz Hussain (111) v Blackley for the 2nd XI and for the 1st XI, Seraj (130 no) v Oxenhope and Michael Midwood with his second (112 no) v Old Crossleyans

Copley sign up to Nat West Cricket Force in 2011

Copley CC took part in Nat West Cricket Force in 2010 when over the weekend of 27th & 28th March, many essential pre-season tasks were carried out by senior players, wives and a handful of juniors. We have now signed up for the event in 2011 and our plan is to invite local businesses and community partners to offer either financial support or

'support in kind' and be part of the nationwide Nat West Cricket Force initiative. It is intended that Nat West Cricket Force will provide high profile publicity to both sponsors and the Club in it's development ambitions. This Copley CC initiative is being actively supported by Yorkshire County Cricket Club.



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Diary Dates 2010

18th July	Calderdale U11's v Wetherby @ Copley CC
1st Aug	Parish Cup Final @ Blackley
7th Aug	Safari Supper & Disco
15th Aug	Crossley Shield Final @ Outlane
3rd Sept	Junior Presentation Night
11th Sept	End of Season Party
18th Sept	Rock The Arches & Family Day
2nd Oct	Annual Dinner @ Briar Court
31st Oct	Kids Halloween Party (4.00pm to 6.00pm)
6th Nov	Club Bonfire
19th Dec	Kids Christmas Party (4.00pm to 6.30pm)
15th Jan	Ladies Dinner & Disco

Oliver Hannon-Dalby -

Oliver has had a tremendous start to his Yorkshire season and by mid-season had taken over 20 County Championship wickets including two 5 wicket hauls. It is amazing to think that only a few years ago, Oliver was turning out for Copley junior and



season teams. He is now an integral part of the Yorkshire team pushing for the County Championship 1st Division title.

On 14th May, Oliver officially opened a new outdoor 'multi use games area'

at Copley Primary School, one of our 'Chance to Shine' partner schools. Our YCB 'Chance to Shine' coach, Ben Heritage, and over very own Richard Thorpe supported Oliver at the opening of this fantastic new facility.



Copley CC World Cup Competition Winners



Winner	Jake Allingan	£50
Runner-Up	David Gatecliff	£30
Third	Stephen Ayrton	£20



Ben Heritage, our 'Chance to Shine' coach, has been coaching in all our partner schools in recent months, and many children from each have benefited from Bens expert tuition. In addition to being an excellent young coach, Ben is a top local cricketer in his own right, being a

key player for Undercliffe in the Bradford League first division. In the weeks leading up to the start of the school holidays, a number of Copley's own coaches have been helping Ben in our partners schools.

Copleys partner schools are:

Hipperholme & Lightcliffe High School
Copley Primary School
All Saints Primary School
Luddendenfoot Primary School
Luddenden Dene Primary School
Ravenscliffe High School
Crossley Heath School
Withinfields Primary School

Sainsbury's Active kids Vouchers

Thanks to everyone who has collected Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers and deposited them in the box in the pavilion. In total we collected around 1000 vouchers and these

have been used to acquire some additional training equipment for our Under 9 age group.

Sainsbury's



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The Highs and Lows of Cricket

Two extremes were experienced in the space of 3 days at the end of June by our junior teams.

Firstly, on 28th June, in a dramatic final over, our U17's pulled off a thrilling and unexpected victory. Tight bowling and fielding in the final few overs left Warley U17's needing to score 6 off the last over to win the game...with 8 wickets in hand. Such was the drama of this final over, bowled by Kai Hallwood, a ball-by-ball account is required to do it justice.

- Ball 1. attempted quick single. Brad Sutcliffe hits the stumps with a direct throw but the batter makes his ground. 1 run

- Ball 2. attempted quick single. Oliver Thorpe hits the stumps with a direct throw. RUN OUT
- Ball 3. Attempted quick single. Oliver Thorpe hits the stumps with a direct throw. RUN OUT
- Ball 4. attempted slog. Batter misses, Kai hits. OUT
- Ball 5. attempted quick single. Brad Sutcliffe hits stumps with direct throw. RUN OUT
- Ball 6. attempted big slog. Batter misses, Kai hits. OUT

The game ended with 5 wickets in 5 balls from one of the most dramatic final overs in cricket.

Two days later, Copley U15's visited SBCI and in a complete reversal of

fortunes contrived to lose a game from a position where certain victory seemed inevitable. If you have a batting collapse (and Copley teams over the years have had many) perhaps you should do it in style.

Chasing 96 to win and with the score on 71 for 2, Copley lost 7 wickets for 0 runs in 13 balls...including a hat-trick. Game over....and much depression afterwards. However, when the lads reflect on the evening they should endeavour to see the funny side of this glorious game of ours, keep smiling, take the highs as well as the lows, and remember that cricket has provided yet another story to dine on.

Schools Festivals

The results of the schools Kwik Cricket competition held at Copley on 24th May were:

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| 1st | Lee Mount Primary |
| 2nd | Moorside Primary |

Other schools taking part were Mount Pellon, Siddal and Luddenden Foot. Each team played 3 matches in total—mixed teams from years 5 and 6—in a Kwik Cricket tournament. It was a successful event on a lovely

sunny afternoon run by coaches from Copley CC. The general standard of the cricket was very good and all teams provided excellent entertainment. In particular there were some spectacular catches and many big sixes hit by children who had obviously been watching the recent 20/20 matches on television. The trophy was presented by Ben Heritage, our YCB 'Chance to Shine' coach. Lee Mount Primary, who won

the competition, went through to the Calderdale final at Illingworth CC.

Unfortunately, the Girls Festival arranged for Tuesday 8th June at Copley had to be cancelled due to bad weather. 8 primary schools were due to take part. A re-arranged event took place at Elland CC on 25th June, with Ben Heritage and John Cliff were both involved in running the event.

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Sponsorship Opportunities

The club need sponsors to support our senior cricket, junior, girls, schools, community and development initiatives for 2010, and 2011

Sponsorship opportunities include:

- ball and match sponsor
- advertising boards
- seat sponsorship
- clothing sponsorship
- newsletter sponsorship

Call Mike Mitchell-Smith on 07770 627562 for further information.

Keep a close eye on everything that is happening at the club by visiting www.copleycc.co.uk You'll find all the latest club news, team selections, fixtures, match reports and much much more!

Tesco 'Bag Pack'

During the afternoon and evening of Friday 11th June, our Junior Section worked very hard at Tesco Supermarket and raised the magnificent sum of £445 from a 'Bag Pack'. Thanks to all those juniors and parents (52 in total) who helped out during the event.



Copley CC have recently be re-accredited with Club Mark status for another 3 years following a detailed audit by the YCB. The Sport England Club Mark accreditation means that the club have met all the necessary criteria....playing programme; coaching; child protection; sports equity; and ethics & club management and that we continue to provide a high quality and welcoming environment for young people in sport.



Volunteer Support

If you fancy spending a few hours helping the existing band of volunteer workers at Copley Cricket Club, please don't hesitate to ask. We are always looking for additional help in order to share the load, whether this be cutting grass or maintaining the

areas surrounding the playing surface or helping with social events or the occasional cricket tea.

We always seem to need the help of joiners, plumbers or electricians as we increasingly seem to have issues

arising where specialist help in these areas would be helpful. If anyone feels they are able to help in any of these areas please do not hesitate to get in touch with any member of the committee

