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ABOUT THAME TOWN CRICKET CLUB

Thame Town CC is a well-established cricket club in the County of Oxfordshire. Situated in the centre of the historic market town of Thame, the Club enjoys a picturesque setting at Church Meadow, as featured in the February 2019 edition of "The Cricketer".

The club was founded in 1874 and organised cricket has been played in the town ever since this date, apart from suspensions in 1914-1919 and 1940-1945. The Club moved to Church Meadow in 1975 and created both the cricket ground and the old pavilion, by converting the existing low-grade agricultural land and derelict farm-buildings. Finally, after a 5-year project of hard work and fundraising, the club were handed the keys to a brand-new clubhouse in October 2018, one of the finest facilities for cricket in the region. Our second ground is at Lord Williams's Upper School in Thame.

The Club welcomes committed and competitive adult and youth cricketers, men and women, from the age of 5 into their 70s, as well as those who enjoy only the occasional game. The club fields 4 men's league teams on a Saturday, plus a "Saxons" team playing midweek and Sunday friendlies. The 1st XI currently plays in the Home Counties Premier League (Div 2), while the 2nd, 3rd and 4th XIs play in the Cherwell League. In junior cricket, we currently run a thriving All Stars & Dynamos group, Under-9s then teams in 3 age-groups in the Oxfordshire and Bucks leagues, from Under-11 to Under-15.

As for the Women's squad, they will play in the Home Counties Premier Division (formed in 2023) on Sunday mornings, together with hardball friendlies and a midweek softball league. The most exciting news of 2023 was the successful dawn of a new Girls' section, with the "Thame Tigers" playing both soft and hardball tournaments.

The Club is accredited to Clubmark and is recognised by the England and Wales Cricket Board as one of four "focus clubs" in South Oxfordshire, by virtue of its standards, youth coaching programmes, Clubmark status and the links with Lord Williams's School. We also now regularly host Oxfordshire 1st XI fixtures.

In 2023 we had over 320 playing members, including 220 juniors, 34 women & girls and 70 adult / student men, not to mention many social and family members. We have 25 active, qualified coaches at different ECB levels (from CSW through Foundation to Level 2) including an overseas player/coach returning from Sri Lanka.

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Greetings as we mark the remarkable milestone of Thame Town Cricket Club's 150th year. This special edition of our fixture booklet stands as a tribute to our enduring legacy and the collective efforts of our members, sponsors, volunteers, players and the wider community.

Our club is blessed with a scenic ground that ranks among Oxfordshire's finest. However, it's the people who breathe life into this venue and our club. We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to some incredible individuals, families and businesses in Thame and the surrounding areas. Their unwavering support and friendship form the bedrock of the club.

A special acknowledgment is due to our headline sponsors from the past year, J Bennett, Kubota and Farol. Their steadfast support has been crucial and we're excited to continue these partnerships into the 2024 season. We are also thrilled to announce BP Collins as the main sponsors for our clubhouse. Their commitment to our club is greatly appreciated.

Looking back at the 2023 season, our women's and men's 1st teams maintained their strong presence in their respective Home Counties leagues. Despite challenges, our 3 Chervell League teams demonstrated resilience, especially the 3rds, ensuring that they remain in their divisions for 2024. Several of our women players made noteworthy contributions in not only the women's league but also in the Saturday league teams.

Our junior sections continue to flourish, with plenty of budding talent emerging from both boys' and girls' squads. Under the dedicated guidance of Steve Shaw and Andy Hobbs, the growth of our girls' section has been particularly impressive. We extend heartfelt thanks to all volunteers who play crucial roles in coaching, organising and safeguarding our young cricketers. Our Club Champion of 2023 was Tom Marianczak, who organises the All-Stars & Dynamos sessions for juniors on a Friday night. It is a joy to see the sheer numbers of children, parents and carers enjoying this cricket and Tom deservedly takes a lot of the credit.

This year, we are pleased to be hosting two Oxfordshire county games, including a highly anticipated feature-match against Middlesex. This follows two successful Oxfordshire matches in 2023. Another highlight of last season was the "Grey Ashes" match between England and Australia over-60s that showcased cricket's timeless appeal and spirit. We are optimistic about adding more international matches to our calendar in 2024, so stay tuned.

As part of our 150th-anniversary celebrations, we are also honoured to be welcoming an MCC team for a match against Thame in August. This promises to be a thrilling encounter and a fitting tribute to our club's rich history.

Our Summer Ball in 2023 was a resounding success, raising funds both for the club and for Maggie's charity in Oxford. This was a personal mission for I an McStay, who needed the support of Maggie's during an incredibly difficult 2022 for him and his family. Overall, I an managed to raise £16K for Maggie's in his year of fundraising and such generosity shows the close-knit and supportive nature of our community. We eagerly anticipate this year's Ball on 29th June 2024, confident that it will once again exemplify the spirit of Thame.

On a personal note, this marks my final message as Chairman of Thame. While my tenure has been relatively brief, it has been immensely rewarding. I am delighted to be passing the baton to Tim Dabbs, a respected and positive force within our club. I urge everyone to support Tim, get involved and contribute however you can. Cricket, at its core, is a wonderful grassroots sport driven by volunteers. Your contributions, whether big or small, are vital to the game's success and the joy it brings to countless individuals.

In closing, here's to another memorable year of cricket at Thame, filled with camaraderie, competition and community spirit.

Warm regards,

Pete Tervet, Chairman, Thame Town Cricket Club.

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Day	Month Date Time Opponents					
Friday	April	19	19:00	Quiz		
Sunday	April	21	14:00	Saxons v Haddenham		
Friday	May	3		Race Night		
Friday	May	10	17:15	All Stars & Dynamos starts for 10 weeks		
Tuesday	June	11	TBC	Thame Schools Tournament		
Sunday	June	16	13:00	Saxons v Sydenham		
Wednesday	June	26	17:30	Saxons v J Bennett & Jensten Group		
Saturday	June	29	19:00	Summer Ball		
Wednesday	July	3	17:30	Saxons v Cairns Fudge		
Sun-Tues	July	14-16	11:00	Oxfordshire v Cheshire (3-day match)		
Wednesday	July	17	17:30	Saxons v ASM		
Sunday	July	21	11:00	Oxfordshire v Middlesex (1-day match)		
Wednesday	July	24	17:30	Saxons v Racquets		
Mon-Fri	Jul-Aug	29-2	твс	Complete Cricket Summer Holiday Course 1		
Mon-Fri	August	5-9	твс	Complete Cricket Summer Holiday Course 2		
Wed	August	14	09:30	Oxfordshire U12 Girls v TBC		
Friday	September	6	17.00	Saxons v Long Ashton Occasionals		
Saturday	September	14		Saxons v Hetairoi		
Sunday	September	22	12:30	Saxons v Northfields		
ТВС				Vice Presidents' Lunch		
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Sunday 21st of July From 11:00 50 Over Match







SENIOR AWARDS

Club Champion 2023	Tom Marianczak
1st XI Batting Ubaid Kiani	1st XI Bowling Hassam Mushtaq
2nd XI Batting Josh Towell	2nd XI Bowling Robbie Jackson
3rd XI Batting Richard Carr	3rd XI Bowling Chris Penny
4th XI Batting Charlie Anderson	4th XI Bowling Trevor Spindler
Women's Batting Harshani Malan	Women's Bowling Harshani Malan
Women's Most Improved Player	Emily Green
John Fulkes Award for Outstanding Young Player	Josh Towell

JUNIOR AWARDS

TIGERS	Clara Boeke U11 Player of the Year Olivia Shaw U9 Player of the year	Sophia Hanks Team Tiger Koh Stoker Most Improved
U9	Bertie MeadowsBowling Year 4	Noah Avery Batting Year 4
	Seb Harrold Player's Player Year 4	Zac Corbould Batting Year 3
U11	Charlie Stewart Batting Year 5	Ryan Hancock Bowling Year 5
	Dylan Constant Mr Cricket Year 5	Stan Rice Mr Cricket Year 6
	Daniel Tilley Batting Year 6	Lewis Yeung Bowling Year 6
U13	Alex Fuller Batting Award	James Amaranayake Bowling Award
	George Blight All-rounder	Herbie Baker Team Player
U15	Daniel Fuller Batting	Aaron Watson Bowling
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			Trair	ning - Tuesdays 19:00-21:	00		
Day	Month	Date		Opponents	Venue	Туре	League Week
Saturday	April	13		Slough	Home	Friendly	-
Saturday	April	20	12:00	Harefield	Away	Friendly	-
Saturday	April	27	12:00	Chesham	Home	T20 Preliminary	-
Saturday	May	11	11:30	Chesham	Away	League	1
Saturday	May	18	11:30	Bicester & North Oxford	Home	League	2
Saturday	May	25	11:30	Stoke Green	Away	League	3
Saturday	June	1	11:30	Gerrards Cross	Away	League	4
Saturday	June	8	11:30	Harefield	Home	League	5
Saturday	June	15	11:30	Amersham	Away	League	6
Tuesday	June	18	18:00	Aston Rowant	TBC	Wilf Bennett T20	-
Saturday	June	22	11:30	Slough	Home	League	7
Tuesday	June	25	18:00	Henley	Home	Wilf Bennett T20	-
Saturday	June	29	11:30	Buckingham Town	Away	League	8
Saturday	July	6	11:30	Oxford	Home	League	9
Tuesday	July	9	18:00	Henley	Away	Wilf Bennett T20	-
Saturday	July	13	11:30	Chesham	Home	League	10
Tuesday	July	16	18:00	Aston Rowant	TBC	Wilf Bennett T20	-
Saturday	July	20	11:30	Bicester & North Oxford	Away	League	11
Saturday	July	27	11:30	Stoke Green	Home	League	12
Saturday	August	3	11:30	Gerrards Cross	Home	League	13
Saturday	August	10	11:30		Away	League	14
Saturday	August	17	11:00		Home	League	15
Wednesday	August	21	12:00	MCC	Home	Friendly	15
Saturday	August	24	11:00	Slough	Away	League	16
Saturday	August	31	11:00	Buckingham Town	Home	League	17
Saturday	September	7	11:00	Oxford	Away	League	18
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WOMEN'S CRICKET

HARDBALL

In 2023, Thame, the newly (and only) promoted women's team to the HCWL Premier Division, were determined to retain their place. It was a tough ask with 3 teams being relegated. The team were delighted to finish mid table and will play in the smaller and stronger Prem division in 2024. With another 2 teams to be relegated at the end of 2024, the aim for this season is to retain a mid-table position.

At the start of the 2024 season, the team will compete in the inaugural HCWL T20 league. The first double header T20 games are at home on 28th April v Henley. This will be followed by the main league, which starts on 9th June v Oxford at home. The hardball team will be coached by 1XI player/coach Farid Butt on a Thursday 6pm-8pm from 11th April.

SOFTBALL

This year Thame have also entered a mid-week softball league. This is aimed at any ability and is especially welcoming to new players of the sport. This will be combined with "Crick-fit" sessions on a Wednesday as a stepping stone for beginners, with a focus on fitness, conditioning and softball cricket training.

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Training - Thursdays 18:00-20:00								
Day								
Sunday	April	21	12:00	TBC	Home	Friendly T20		
Sunday	April	28	12:00	Henley	Home	T20 x 2		
Monday	May	6	10:00	lckenham 6s	Away	Tournament		
Sunday	May	12	12:00	Oxford	Away	T20 x 2		
Sunday	May	19	12:00	Moreton	Home	T20 x 2		
Sunday	June	2	13:00	Henley	Away	T20 x 2		
Sunday	June	9	12:00	Oxford	Home	League		
Sunday	June	23	12:00	Berkhamsted	Home	League		
Sunday	June	30	12:00	Moreton	Home	League		
Sunday	July	7	13:00	Falkland	Away	League		
Sunday	July	21	12:00	Binfield	Away	League		
Sunday	July	28	12:00	Charlbury	Home	League		
Sunday	August	4	12:00	Stony Stratford	Home	League		
Sunday	August	18	12:00	Oxford	Away	League		
Sunday	September	1	12:00	Berkhamsted	Away	League		
Sunday	September	8		Moreton	Home	League		
	Captain - Sarah Sanderson - women@thamecricket.org.uk							
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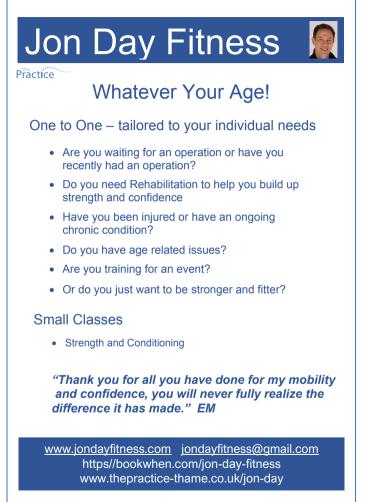
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	2nd XI - CHERWELL CRICKET LEAGUE DIVISION 4A							
Training - Tuesdays 19:00-21:00								
Day	Month	Date	Time	Opponents	Venue	Туре	League Week	
Saturday	May	11	12:30	Dorchester	Home	League	1	
Saturday	May	18	12:30	Bledlow Ridge	Away	League	2	
Saturday	May	25	12:30	Waddesdon	Home	League	3	
Saturday	June	1	12:30	Tiddington 2	Home	League	4	
Saturday	June	8	12:30	Bletchley Town	Away	League	5	
Saturday	June	15	12:30	East Oxford	Home	League	6	
Saturday	June	22	12:30	Chearsley	Away	League	7	
Saturday	June	29	12:30	Westbury 2	Home	League	8	
Saturday	July	6	12:30	Wolvercote 2	Away	League	9	
Saturday	July	13	12:30	Dorchester	Away	League	10	
Saturday	July	20	12:30	Bledlow Ridge	Home	League	11	
Saturday	July	27	12:30	Waddesdon	Away	League	12	
Saturday	August	3	12:30	Tiddington 2	Away	League	13	
Saturday	August	10	12:30	Bletchley Town	Home	League	14	
Saturday	August	17	12:30	East Oxford	Away	League	15	
Saturday	August	24	12:30	Chearsley	Home	League	16	
Saturday	August	31	12:00	Westbury 2	Away	League	17	
Saturday	September	7	12:00	Wolvercote 2	Home	League	18	
Saturday	September	14	13:00	Hetairoi	Home	Friendly	-	
Sunday	September	22	12:30	Northfields	Home	Friendly	-	
Captains - Robbie Jackson & George Patey - seconds@thamecricket.org.uk								
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Day	Month	Date	Time	Venue	Туре	League Week			
Saturday	May	4	12:00	The Mashes v 4th XI	Home	Friendly	-		
Saturday	May	11	13:00	Bletchley Town 2	Home	League	1		
Saturday	May	18	13:00	Chinnor	Away	League	2		
Saturday	May	25	13:00	Haddenham	Home	League	3		
Saturday	June	1	13:00	Long Marston 2	Away	League	4		
Saturday	June	8	13:00	Leighton Buzzard 2	Home	League	5		
Saturday	June	15	13:00	Great Brickhill 3	Home	League	6		
Saturday	June	22	13:00	Wolverton Town 2	Away	League	7		
Saturday	June	29	13:00	Bledlow Ridge 2	Home	League	8		
Saturday	July	6	13:00	Fringford	Away	League	9		
Saturday	July	13	13:00	Bletchley Town 2	Away	League	10		
Saturday	July	20	13:00	Chinnor	Home	League	11		
Saturday	July	27	13:00	Haddenham	Away	League	12		
Saturday	August	3	13:00	Long Marston 2	Home	League	13		
Saturday	August	10	13:00	Leighton Buzzard 2	Away	League	14		
Saturday	August	17	13:00	Great Brickhill 3	Away	League	15		
Saturday	August	24	13:00	Wolverton Town 2	Home	League	16		
Saturday	August	31	12:30	Bledlow Ridge 2	Away	League	17		
Saturday	September	7	12:30	Fringford	Home	League	18		
Saturday	September	14	13:00	Hetairoi	Home	Friendly	-		
Sunday	September	22	12:30	Northfields	Home	Friendly	-		
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3rd XI - CHERWELL CRICKET LEAGUE DIVISION 6A



The great teams and moments in Thame Town Cricket Club's history will always be celebrated and fondly remembered. The club almost scored more silverware in the season with a September Cup Final appearance!

However, Thame 3's class of 2023 will be remembered for a very different reason. Glancing at the table archives do not tell the story that was. Now it's time to give the spotlight momentarily to the cult heroes of The Great Escape.

Rewind the clocks back to the end of 2022, the 3rd XI have just been relegated on the back of a miserable campaign. 18 games, 17 losses. Thame were thumped. Everyone's tails were between their legs and memories of Justin hammering 100's a distant memory.

The first match of the season placed a fluent Horspath 4th team in front of them. A heavy loss in the opening match perhaps indicative of what was to come. A nail-biting win against fellow-strugglers Garsington aside, Thame were soon rooted to the bottom and in big trouble.

The midpoint of the season saw an away fixture at Buckingham 4's, who were also languishing down at the bottom of the table. A steady start saw Thame 80-3, before a collapse symptomatic of a side lacking belief left them 122-8. An inexperienced Buckingham attack had bowled well to this point, but they hadn't reckoned on Thame's no. 10 Danny Thompson being the late-cut-king, as he scored 42 n.o., steering Thame to 204-9.

In a high-scoring encounter (something to do with a significant number of extras), Thame were put to the sword. Buckingham sent in their big-hitters in the middle of the order to propel them towards victory but Harshi Malan had other plans, as her 5-64 killed off any hopes of a successful chase. Thame won by 11 runs.

Time was of the essence. Another few losses followed and The Meadowmen found themselves some 40 points away from safety with just 4 matches remaining. How could a team that had won just twice all season win all 4 of their remaining matches?

Long Marston on the road. Thame posted a solid 167 all-out against a well-drilled side. It could and probably should have been more. Paddy Harris looked nailed on for his 50 before Adam Bennet decided to make himself the least-popular person in the whole club by selling Paddy short with an overly-ambitious call for a single.

Nevertheless, weather interrupted on a couple of occasions, most notably with Long Marston ahead of the run-rate required, leading to the Thame players scrambling the covers on and off the field of play knowing anything other than a win was detrimental to their hopes of survival.

However, as the game descended into practical darkness, the wickets fell. Paddy's 31-game winless -streak finally ended, as young Dan Fuller rounded off his own fine individual performance with the final wicket, to give Thame a desperately-needed victory.

Another week passed, and this time Thame made light work of Bletchley 2's, accompanied by another 40+ score from Paddy, as well as a lovely cameo from Mitchum Felix, as he battered the opposition back to Milton Keynes with a quickfire 22. Wins were now on the menu and Thame ordered another against Bledlow Ridge, as stand-in captain Richard Carr scored 48, with his wingman Winks firing a vital 27 to help post a defendable total in another weather-affected match. With a late rain-delay showing Bledlow Ridge behind the run-rate, Thame's now streetwise players stood around and watched the minutes tick by, leaving Bledlow an impossible task of chasing the total.

3 wins on the bounce. 1 match left in the season. Somehow still bottom, Thame required a win that would relegate Buckingham 4's and also needed results around them to go their way to survive. Bledlow Ridge, Garsington & Bletchley could all still be relegated alongside one of these two sides.

Richard Carr scored a fast 44. He was supported by a returning Jordan Lee-Paskin (40) and the rest of the middle and lower order, as 170 was posted as the target for Buckingham to ensure their own survival. All Thame needed to do now was finish the job. Did they have the belief, the character?

Buckingham started strongly, but it was Humpers, Dobs & Winks who took 2 wickets each to give Thame a glimpse of survival. Buckingham rebuilt, before who else but Harshi Malan (4-26) ripped through the tail to see the Meadowmen win by 59 runs and secure the latest of late, great escapes.

The amazing thing about team sports is that every now and again, you all have the opportunity to achieve something spectacular. I'm sure most of the Cherwell League had written Thame 3's off and consigned them to relegation by the end of July, which makes the sweet taste of success all the greater. The club has certainly gained some cult heroes in the last year, and created a tale to last a lifetime.

Adam Bennet

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Training - Tuesdays 19:00-21:00									
Day	Month	Date	Time	Opponents	Venue	Туре	League Week		
Saturday	May	4	12:00	The Mashes v 3rd XI	Home	Friendly	-		
Saturday	May	11	13:00	Watlington 2	Away	League	1		
Saturday	May	18	13:00	Waddesdon 3	Home	League	2		
Saturday	May	25	13:00	Oxenford 3	Away	League	3		
Saturday	June	1	13:00	Tiddington 3	Home	League	4		
Saturday	June	8	13:00	Leighton Buzzard 3	Away	League	5		
Saturday	June	15	13:00	Chearsley 3	Away	League	6		
Saturday	June	22	13:00	Long Marston 3	Home	League	7		
Saturday	June	29	13:00	Great Brickhill 4	Away	League	8		
Saturday	July	6	13:00	Dinton 3	Home	League	9		
Saturday	July	13	13:00	Watlington 2	Home	League	10		
Saturday	July	20	13:00	Waddesdon 3	Away	League	11		
Saturday	July	27	13:00	Oxenford 3	Home	League	12		
Saturday	August	3	13:00	Tiddington 3	Away	League	13		
Saturday	August	10	13:00	Leighton Buzzard 3	Home	League	13		
Saturday	August	17	13:00	Chearsley 3	Home	League	15		
Saturday	August	24	13:00	Long Marston 3	Away	League	16		
Saturday	August	31	12:30	Great Brickhill 4	Home	League	17		
Saturday	September	7	12:30	Dinton 3	Away	League	18		
Saturday	September	14	13:00	Hetairoi	Home	Friendly	-		
Sunday	September	22	12:30	Northfields	Home	Friendly	-		
	Captain - Ed Mather - fourths@thamecricket.org.uk								
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Back in 2017 in conjunction with the ECB and Oxfordshire cricket, Matt Swain, Andy Jinman and the club's committee set up our first-ever "All Stars" programme. During that first year we had 45 signed up very quickly. This could have easily been 65, given the attractiveness of spending a Friday evening in the sunshine at one of Oxfordshire's most picturesque grounds, having a chat, a drink and a hot dog with friends. and that was just for the parents!

The concept is a simple, fun introduction to cricket for age 5-8 year olds, which includes their very own rucksack, plastic bat, soft ball and T-shirt with their name on it. The session lasts for 45 mins and involves a warm up, skills, activities, including practice with batting, bowling and fielding. The programme is run for 8-10 weeks, starting in May, on Friday

evenings and the sessions are run by volunteers who are a mix of parents and club coaches. Before we started the programme in 2017, the Under 9's was our youngest age-group, so starting All Stars meant we were able to significantly extend the Junior section. Perhaps more importantly it also kick-started a fantastic resource pool of coaches and volunteers, many of whom had never done any sports coaching before, not that the kids noticed.

Such is the popularity of the format and the club's offering that we now have over 130 "All Stars" & "Dynamos" on a Friday evening, which is led by Tom Marianzcak. The contribution that All Stars makes to the club's future sustainability cannot be under estimated as we "feed the pipeline" of future junior and adult cricketers.

All Stars is the start of the cricket Pathway at Thame Town CC which is followed by age-group teams for boys and girls, in softball then hardball league competitions, right up to adult cricket (see below - visual courtesy of Andy Hobbs). Matt Swain



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR YOUNG PLAYERS

Players are encouraged to

- Recognise and appreciate the efforts made by coaches, parents, match official and administrators in providing the opportunity for you to play the game and enjoy playing cricket
- Understand the values of loyalty and commitment to adults and team mates
- Recognise that every young player has a right to expect their involvement in cricket to be safe and free from all types of abuse
- Understand that if an individual or group of young players feel they are not being treated in a manner that is acceptable, then you have a right to tell an adult either at the cricket club or outside the game.

Players should

- · Play because you want to do so, not to please coaches or parents
- Remember that skill development, fun and enjoyment are the most important parts of the game
- · Be attentive at all training and coaching sessions
- · Work equally hard for yourself and your team both will then benefit
- · Recognise good play by all players on your team and by your opponents
- · Be a sportsman win or lose
- · Play to the Laws of the Game and accept, without question, all umpires decisions
- Control your emotions. Verbal or physical abuse of team mates, opponents, or match officials is not acceptable
- Treat all players, as you would like to be treated. Do not interfere with, bully or take advantage of any player.

Code of Conduct for Parents & Carers

It is vital to the well being of our cricket club that parents/carers take an active interest in it, and in the progress of their children. There is nothing more stimulating to young people than the thought that their efforts are appreciated. Whilst we are always looking for volunteers to assist in the running of the Club, and you will always be welcome, all we ask is your support. Through that you can be assured that we do take the welfare of our young players very seriously. Set out below is a code of conduct for the benefit of parents/carers. We instil in our young players the importance of playing the game fairly and respecting opponents, and that can be reinforced by parents/carers.

- · Encourage your child to learn the rules and play within them
- Discourage unfair play
- Never argue with officials
- · Never force your child to participate in sport
- · Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding the good performance of all
- · NEVER punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes
- Publicly accept the official's decisions
- · Support your child's involvement and help them enjoy their sport
- Use correct and proper language at all times
- · Verbal or physical abuse of Club Officials will not be tolerated.

Transgression of this code of conduct will be discussed at committee where a probable sanction would be termination of membership.



Thame Town Cricket Club proudly hosts All Stars Cricket & Dynamos Cricket

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2023 was a fantastic first season for Thame Girls' Cricket..... What started on a damp, blustery Friday in April with an open taster-session, put on in hope as much as expectation... ended with over 40 girls taking part in some form of cricket across the summer.

At that first taster session, we outlined our primary objective - to create a fun and inclusive environment for girls of all abilities and experience to enjoy cricket. To this end, we had girls ranging in age from 5-11 and abilities ranging from complete-beginner to Oxfordshire representative getting involved. Most encouragingly, the support for each other and their teamwork throughout was brilliant to witness.

We also set out the aim of having TTCC's first girls' teams playing competitive fixtures against other clubs, which was again successfully achieved at both the U9 and U11 age-groups. Before taking the field, the girls democratically arrived at the name "Thame Tigers" and they lived up to this in some fiercely competitive match-ups. Both age-groups performed admirably at festivals throughout the summer, picking up hard-earned victories against a number of more established girls' teams, including Tiddington, Warborough, Steventon and Oxford.

Results aside, the improvement and quality of cricket from all the girls, alongside their team spirit and togetherness was a joy to see. This year, we are looking to build on the foundations, retaining the key aim of growing girls' cricket through an open and inclusive environment. We will once again have representative sides at U9 and U11 in Oxfordshire softball competitions. On top of this, we are also making our first foray into competitive hardball fixtures via the Oxfordshire Development League. Working on the transition from soft to hard ball is something that many of the girls have expressed a desire for, so it will be exciting to see them don helmets and pads (try cartwheeling in those!) and take them on this journey over this Summer!

Steve Shaw



	Girls U9s & U11s 'TIGERS'								
Training - Fridays 17:00-19:15									
Day	Month	Date	Time	Opponents	Venue	Туре			
Thursday	May	23	17:00	U11s v Warborough	Home	Friendly			
Sunday	May	26	09:30	U11s v TBC	Home	Friendly			
Thursday	May	30	17:00	U11s v Didcot	Home	Friendly			
Sunday	June	23	09:30	U11s v TBC	Home	Friendly			
Thursday	June	27	17:00	U11s v Goring	Home	Friendly			
Sunday	July	7	09:30	U11s v TBC	Home	Friendly			
Monday	August	12	18:00	U11 v Oxford	Home	Friendly			
TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC	U9s Softball Festival	Home	Tournament			
ТВС	TBC	TBC	TBC	U11s Softball Festival	Home	Tournament			
Manager - Steve Shaw - girls-cricket@thamecricket.org.uk									

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UNDER 15								
Training - Tuesday 17:45-19:00								
Day Month Date Time Opponents Ver								
Thursday	May	2	17:00	Waddesdon	Away			
Tuesday	May	7	17:00	Haddenham	Away			
Wednesday	May	15	17:00	Aston Rowant	Home			
Wednesday	May	22	17:00	Chearsley	Home			
Wednesday May		29	17:00	MP Sports	Away			
Wednesday	June	5	17:00	Wendover	Away			
Wednesday	June	12	17:00	Dinton	Home			
Monday	June	17	17:00	Buckland & Aston Clinton	Home			
Wednesday	June	26	17:00	Stewkley Vicarage	TBC			
Manager - Nick Fuller - u15@thamecricket.org.uk								

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UNDER 13								
Training - Mondays 18:15-19:30								
Day Month Date Time Opponents Ver								
Sunday	April	29	17:00	Aston Rowant	Away			
Wednesday	May	1	17:00	Brightwell cum Sotwell	Home			
Wednesday	May	8	17:00	North Marston & Granborough	Away			
Thursday	May	9	17:00	Goring	Away			
Friday	May	17	17:00	Dinton	Home			
Tuesday	May	21	17:00	Cholsey	Home			
Thursday	May	23	17:00	Bledlow Village	Away			
Monday	May	27	17:00	Chearsley	Home			
Thursday	May	30	17:00	Moreton	Away			
Tuesday	June	11	17:00	Goring	Home			
Thursday	June	13	17:00	Haddenham	Away			
Tuesday	June	18	17:00	MP Academy	Away			
Thursday	June	20	17:00	Brightwell cum Sotwell	Away			
Monday	June	24	17:00	Moreton	Home			
Tuesday	June	25	17:00	Aston Rowant	Home			
Monday	July	1	17:00	Buckland & Aston Clinton	Home			
Thursday	July	4	17:00	Cholsey	Away			
Thursday	July	11	17:00	Cublington	Away			
Thursday	July	18	17:00	Goring	Home			
Thursday	July	25	17:00	Peppard Stoke Row	Away			
Monday	July	29	17:00	Aston Rowant	Home			
Monday	August	5	17:00	Sonning	Home			
	Manager -	Jame	s Tille	y - u13@thamecricket.org.uk				
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UNDER 11								
Training - Thursdays 17:30-18:45								
Day	Month	Date	Time	Opponents	Venue			
Sunday	May	5	10:00	Wolvercote	Home			
Sunday	May	5	10:00	Kidlington	Away			
Sunday	May	12	10:00	Kidlington	Home			
Sunday	May	12	10:00	Warborough & Shillingford	Away			
Sunday	May	19	10:00	Goring	Home			
Sunday	May	19	10:00	Warborough & Shillingford	Away			
Sunday	May	26	10:00	Tiddington	Home			
Sunday	May	26	10:00	Oxford & Bletchingdon	Away			
Sunday	June	2	10:00	Oxford	Home			
Sunday	June	2	10:00	Horspath	Away			
Sunday	June	9	10:00	Goring	Home			
Sunday	June	9	10:00	Haddenham	Away			
Sunday	June	16	10:00	Kidlington	Home			
Sunday	June	16	10:00	Warborough & Shillingford	Away			
Sunday	June	23	10:00		Home			
Sunday	June	30	10:00	Horspath	Home			
Sunday	June	30	10:00	Oxford	Away			
Sunday	July	7	10:00	Oxford & Bletchingdon	Away			
Sunday	July	7		Tiddington	TBC			
Sunday	July	, 14	10:00		Away			
Sunday	July	21	10:00	-	Away			
Sunday	July	28	10:00	. = .	Home			
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Sunday	Aug							
Sunday	Aug	25	10:00	Aston Rowant	Home			
Sunday	Sept	1		Tiddington	Home			
	Manage	r - Da	n Cons	tant - u11@thamecricket.org	.uk			
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UNDER 9									
	Training - Mondays 18:00-19:15								
Day	Month	Date	Time	Opponents	Venue				
Wednesday	May	1	17:00	Wendover	Away				
Monday	May	13	17:00	Aston Rowant	Home				
Sunday	May	19	10:00	Chearsley	Home				
Tuesday	June	4	17:00	Haddenham	Away				
Monday	June	10	17:00	Bledlow	Home				
Sunday	June	16	10:00	Cublington	Home				
Mana	ager - An	dy Hobb	os - u9@	thamecricket.org.uk					
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