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Notice of Annual General Meeting

PUTNEYCRICKET CLUB
The Pavilion
Lower Richmond Road
Putney SW15 1JF

07th March 2022

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Putney Cricket Club will be held on Wednesday 15th March 2023, at 7:30pm.

The Dukes Head
8 Lower Richmond Rd,
Putney
London
SW15 1JN

The purpose of the meeting will be to consider and discuss the 2022 season, and to conduct the business as set out in the following agenda:

- 1. Apologies for absence.**
- 2. Management Committee Report and Chairman's comments**
- 3. Financial Report**
- 4. Set Subscriptions and Match Fees for 2023**
- 5. Amendment to the club rules**
- 6. Adoption of the annual report.**
- 7. Vote of Thanks to outgoing Officers**
- 8. Election of Officers**
- 9. Any Other Business**

Fully paid members who would like to have other items discussed at the meeting should send details to the Club Secretary by the 3rd March 2023.

All members are welcome to attend, but only voting members as defined in the club rules are eligible to vote.

Members are reminded that all Officers retire, and nominations may be received for any position, whether vacant or not. All such nominations must be received by the Secretary, by email (anguscarnegiebrown@live.co.uk), by noon of Wednesday 8th March 2022. All such proposals must have the consent of the nominee, and the support of a seconder.



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A list of the present Officers who are prepared to offer themselves for re-election is shown below. Members are reminded that if they are elected to any of the posts, they are fully expected to perform their duties.

We are as ever looking for people to help with the running of the club. Please do contact me if you are interested. (anguscarnegiebrown@live.co.uk)

President	M. Curtis
Chairman	D. Shaw
Vice Chairman	C. Smulian
Secretary	<i>Nomination Required</i>
Deputy Secretary	G. Carnegie Brown
Treasurer	A. Hyland
Joint Club Treasurer	<i>Check</i>
Welfare Officer	<i>Nomination Required</i>
Team Secretary	C. Smulian
Fixture Secretary	B. Brook
Facilities Secretary	B. Macmillan
Groundsman	K. Pearce
Social Secretary	N. Saunders
Saturday 1st XI Captain	<i>Nomination Required</i>
Saturday 1st XI Vice-Captain	<i>Nomination Required</i>
Saturday 2nd XI Captain	<i>Nomination Required</i>
Saturday 2nd XI Vice-Captain	<i>Nomination Required</i>
Saturday 3rd XI Captain	C. Smulian
Saturday 3rd XI Vice-Captain	S. Asokan
Sunday 1st XI Captain	B. Brook
Sunday 1st XI Vice-Captain	S. Kidson
Sunday 2nd XI Captain	A. Sayer
Sunday 2nd Vice-Captain	<i>Nomination Required</i>
Sunday 3rd Captain	R. Taylor
Sunday 3rd Vice-Captain	<i>Nomination Required</i>

Gus Carnegie Brown
Deputy Secretary



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Management Committee Report

Chairman: Doug Shaw



Vice Chairman: Charlie Smulian



Secretary: Paul McCann



Deputy Secretary: Gus Carnegie Brown



2022 was a good season for the Club. You can read about the success on the pitch in the Captains' own reports but, suffice to say here, there was much to celebrate: strong team performances, terrific individual efforts and strong revenue. We were able to maintain our post-Covid playing numbers and this showed itself in us having three League teams, each highly competitive in their own Divisions, as well as three Sunday teams playing social and inclusive cricket. Occasionally, there was a fourth team too. I applaud all of the skippers and their vices in getting the game on and thank them on your behalf. Thanks also to Charlie, Team Sec (and esteemed Vice-Chairman), for ensuring we had balance in team selection.

We also put on three tours. The Putney flag was proudly flown abroad in Heligoland (yes, I had to look it up too) and also Montenegro (an earthquake was survived), both places of cricketing and cultural interest. There was a tour to Oxford and Wales (not often mentioned in the same breath) where we met old friends. Honour was sustained on the pitch and friends were won off it. A big thank you to Ben for making these tours happen. In November 2024, we plan on bringing the Putney spirit to Dubai and Karachi, meeting up with former Club members who have settled there. Again, Ben has the details.

Closer to home, strong player numbers have led to stronger membership revenues. If you have any outstanding fees, please settle them. I don't want to go all Liam Neeson on you, but we know who you are, how much you owe and how to find you. We have *skills*. [Quick editorial note – we won't actually come to your house...you just won't be able to play cricket with us...or ever look Doug in the



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eye again]. Anyway, this money has enabled us to push on with our five year plan (on the website). A massive Putney shout-out to Brian MacMillan who, with modest help from his friends, has created for us a whole new ground hut. This has made a big difference to the Club.

Firstly, the match day experience has been improved for players. We can store chairs, gazebos and a new scoreboard. I have developed a zeal for boundary ropes with which to replace crummy flags. If it rains, players stand a chance of sheltering. Brian's service in delivering the hut project was rightly recognised in him being Clubman of the Year 2022.

Secondly, on the turf management side, Kieron has done tremendous work (understated in his own report) despite the very difficult climatic and a growing demand for midweek cricket. Thank you, Kieron and his charming little helpers Xavier and Gloria. We have been able to invest in new mowers, brushes and spikers. Ancient and heavy equipment has been serviced. Keeping more kit pitch-side makes it easier to use. We have, quietly, added two strips to the square in the autumn.

Thirdly, we are upgrading the ground equipment: the old scaffold pole, throw-the-ropes-over sight screens? Gone. To the distress of generations of Putney school kids and personal trainers. Replaced by handcrank roll-down sight screens. Square chains and yet more unwieldy scaffold poles? Gone. Replaced by wooden posts and a rope cordon. Important stuff because, skippering a team at home for the first time in several years, I realise how time consuming the ground set up drill is. A real pre-occupation when all you want to do is count 11 players, win the toss and bat first.

We were also able to invest in the players' experience at Barn Elms, our second ground but a short walk away from the Pavilion (if the gap in the fence remains). There is a joint venture with Roehampton CC through which a container was purchased and filled with gazebo, table and chairs. There is also a hand pitch roller. Its effectiveness is as yet uncertain but it will raise morale.

In meeting with the Conservators and Chief Executive of the Wimbledon and Putney Commons in the summer, we were able to reach a joint understanding of the long-term future of the Pavilion, whose increasing external decrepitude is a concern. There is no realistic prospect of a playing area outside of the Pavilion. There is the medium-term prospect of moving the pavilion to the current ground. This could be a joint venture between PCC and the Conservators. The current vision for this is a joint compound and Pavilion in the corner of the ground occupied by the new hut. The Pavilion would be a midweek office for the Ranger with a jointly-used equipment storage area for both parties. Much work will be needed to realise this end point, but at least we know where we are heading. In the meantime, we will seek to shore up the Pavilion through window and shutter replacement and recladding the weak points. We are discussing this with Fulham Compton Old Boys FC, with whom we share the pavilion.

The Club does not run itself. A heartfelt thanks to the skippers for their match day work but there is plenty going on behind the scenes. Paul McCann is stepping down as Hon. Secretary after many years of excellent service, Paul is not merely a waspish opening bowling and underperforming



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batsmen but also a very capable administrator. I shall miss him as he moves with his family to Dubai. Thank you, Paul, for your tremendous commitment to the Club.

Gus Carnegie Brown stepped up in 2022 to be Deputy Secretary. Alex Ockwell steps down as Safeguarding and Welfare Officer. Charlie Smulian continues to be a great support to me as Vice Chairman. Ben Brook was webmaster, social media guru, e-commerce officer and fixture sec. And the Tours! Thank you, Ben. Nic Saunders helped us put on several social events throughout the year, all of which add to bar revenue. And club gaiety. That we had drinks at all was down to Brian again as Bar Manager.

In terms of external partnerships, we continue to enjoy our close relationship with Cardiac Risk in the Young with whom we had a giant and lucrative social event centred on a game against University of Exeter Old Boys, organised by Alex Ockwell. A terrific amount was raised. Do ask Mark Wibberley how to get your own heart tested. We have a defibrillator machine behind the bar, useful insurance but we hope never needed.

If you are interested in getting screened (14-35 years old) – you can sign up to the mailing list to be notified of events here: [CRY - Test my heart Interest list](#)

Furthermore, the club sponsorship is changing. We say thank you to OakNorth Bank for their support (terrific rates for savers) and welcome Chook Chook as our main shirt sponsors for 2023. Please change your shirt when the new kit is available. And please do order from Sahil and his team post match!

Thank you again for your continued membership and support of the club and I look forward to seeing you for the 2023 season!

Doug Shaw on behalf of the 2022 Management CommitteeChairman



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2022 Club Awards

R E Haddock Trophy	(Clubman of the Year)	Brian MacMillan
Tom Price Trophy	(Player of the Tournament)	Jack Sorger

Saturday Awards

Saturday 1st XI Awards

R E Haddock Trophy	(Bowling)	Piers Jackson
Reg Weller Trophy	(Batting)	Alex Ockwell
H A Mawer Trophy	(Fielding)	Alex Hope
Shiraz Ahmed Bowl	(Player)	George Penfold
Newcomer		Barney Hodder Williams

Saturday 2nd XI Awards

H C Dickeson Trophy	(Bowling)	Brian Macmillan
Putney Trophy	(Batting)	Amogh Bendre
Maurice Lickens Trophy	(Fielding)	Lewis Hill
Racchitt Khanna Bowl	(Player)	Brian Macmillan
Newcomer		Joe Steed

Saturday 3rd XI Awards

Eddie McVarish Cup	(Bowling)	Siddharth Asokan
Julian Day Cup	(Batting)	Avishkar Singh
Mike Curtis Cup	(Fielding)	Dan Hicks
Tony Fenton Cup	(Player)	Adam Sayer

Saturday 4th XI Award

Bowler of the Year	(Bowling)	Paul Emmet Costelloe
Batsman of the Year	(Batting)	Savan Patel
Fielder of the Year	(Fielding)	Giles Jameson
Player of the year		Callum Brown



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Sunday Awards

Newcomer (Sundays) Ross Pollecut

Sunday 1st XI Awards

Claude Ford Trophy	(Bowling)	Gus Carnegie Brown
Bert Thornley Trophy	(Batting)	Mark Wibberley
Pat & John Greenslade Trophy	(Fielding)	James Hannaford
Chandra Sud Trophy	(Sunday Player of the Year)	Ifan Jenkins

Sunday 2nd XI Awards

Amir Rahemtulla Trophy	(Bowling)	Thomas Briggs
Eve & Stan Marshall Trophy	(Batting)	Manish Naik
Brian Brough Trophy	(Fielding)	Luke Partridge
Trevor Ashworth Cup	(Player)	Adam Sayer

Sunday 3rd XI Awards

Sun 3s Bowling Trophy	(Bowling)	Rob Taylor
Sun 3s Batting Trophy	(Batting)	Ben Fillingham
Sun 3s Fielding Trophy	(Fielding)	Jack Sorger
Player of the Year		Max Bedson



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2022 Honours Board

Centuries

<u>Name</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rupert Forbes	121	Saturday 3s	Merton	Barn Elms	23 rd April
Azaad Marso	110*	Sunday 1s	Chudley Ales	Barn Elms	24 th April
William Smith	107	Saturday 3s	Addiscombe	Barn Elms	14 th May
William Smith	151*	Saturday 2s	Alley	Home	28 th May
Sebastian Kidson	109	Saturday 3s	Chipstead C&W	Barn Elms	28 th May
Nicky Ison	130*	Sunday 1s	Merton	Home	29 th May
Alex Ockwell	100*	Saturday 1s	Roehampton	Home	11 th June
William Smith	114	Sunday 2s	Newdigate	Away	12 th June
Avishkar Singh	103	Saturday 3s	Beddington	Away	25 th June
Rob Cross	135*	Sunday 1s	Hyde Farmers	Home	26 th June
Gokul Ganga-Nair	100*	Sunday 2s	Chessington	Away	10 th July
George Penfold	103	Saturday 1s	Mitcham	Away	6 th August
Niket Patel	117*	Saturday 2s	Southbank CC	Home	24 th September



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5 Wicket Hauls

<u>Player</u>	<u>Figures</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Date</u>
Gus Carnegie Brown	5 / 18	Sunday 1s	Chudley Ales	Barn Elms	24 th April
Niket Patel	5 / 14	Saturday 2s	Roehampton	Home	30 th April
Avishkar Singh	5 / 34	Saturday 3s	Old Rutlishians	Away	07 th May
Gary Peters	5 / 27	Saturday 2s	Battersea Ironsides	Away	07 th May
Harry Waddington	8 / 16	Saturday 1s	Ripley	Away	28 th May
Devon Ebersohn	5 / 9	Midweek	Cypos	Home	2 nd June
Rhys Probert	5 / 27	Saturday 3s	Merstham	Away	4 th June
James Peters	5 / 41	Saturday 2s	Mitcham	Away	4 th June
Gary Peters	5 / 45	Saturday 1s	Shepperton	Home	25 th June
Brian Macmillan	7 / 42	Saturday 2s	Kenley & Selsdon	Away	25 th June
Brian Macmillan	5 / 40	Saturday 2s	Cobham Avorians	Away	16 th July
Thomas Briggs	5 / 31	Sunday 2s	Latymer Village	Home	17 th July
Brian Macmillan	6 / 46	Saturday 2s	Woodmansterne	Home	23 rd July
Adam Sayer	7 / 11	Saturday 3s	Merstham	Barn Elms	6 th August
Erfan Khan	5 / 6	Saturday 3s	Wimbledon	Away	13 th August
Sam Stewart	5 / 14	Sunday 3s	Chipstead C&W	Away	04 th September



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Treasurer's Report

Treasurer: Andrew Hyland



2022 built on the good foundation of 2021. Playing numbers increased further and with it an increase in match fees and subs payments (and costs due to having to hiring additional grounds to support the additional matches – expenses we will gladly incur).

Thanks to Brian and team for the construction of the 'shed' – doing it 'ourselves' saved a significant cost. KP has made his mark this season past, too, so hopefully he can build on his work to date in further improving playing conditions for all.

The effects of macroeconomic conditions will be a feature of the 2023 season, but hopefully initiatives will make it manageable for all.

Andrew Hyland

Treasurer



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INCOME	2022	2021
Annual subs and match fees	31,451	23,565
Bar takings	27,683	23,638
Cost of sales	9,703	12,455
Bar profit	17,980	11,183
Social functions/Presentation evening net	886	(1,669)
Net monies	3,014	1,926
Ground hire/match fees from opposition	1,327	664
Other	2,345	350
Monies owed from 2020	-	159
Grants	-	9,500
Total income	57,003	45,677
EXPENDITURE		
GROUND ACCOUNT		
Work on ground/Groundsman	9,013	8,898
Water rates	219	181
Grass seed/loam/weed control	7,409	6,078
Equipment repairs	5,260	2,615
Sundries	398	636
Account total	22,300	18,409
PAVILION ACCOUNT		
Joint fund	2,500	2,500
Heat and light	720	607
Cleaning and decoration	900	1,201
Clubhouse repairs and sundry	4,566	3,000
Account total	8,686	7,307
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT		
Affiliation fees, incl commons and fines	2,460	1,122
Teas/umpiring/match fees and hire	5,881	5,030
Playing equipment/misc.equipment	1,712	1,964
Trophies/plaques/engraving	2,740	182
Website/texts/Sky Sports	831	507
Sundries	72	1,185
Bank charges	60	60
Account total	13,755	10,049
Total expenditure	44,740	35,765
Surplus of income over expenditure	12,263	9,912
Grant money deferred to pay for clubhouse/ground works		9,500
Ground shed and shared second ground	9,176	
Net surplus on income (less grants) over expenditure	3,086	412



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Ground Report

The 2022 season turned out to be the most challenging for ground maintenance in recent memory. However, the difficulties were none the less enjoyable to face and learning how best to cope with extended periods of extreme heat and lack of rain will stand us in good stead for the future. We have faced similar conditions in 2003 and 2018 but not to the extent that we experienced this season and I think it's fair to say it was a steep learning curve for myself and other groundsmen.

The first half of the season went relatively smoothly, the new ground hut proving to be a massive improvement on its predecessor. All hail Brian. We now have the outfield mower pitchside and considerably more space for the equipment that the club has invested in over the past 2 seasons. We can now maintain the square and outfield ourselves throughout the 12 months of the year, this will over time significantly improve the condition of the ground. All this is only possible with the extra storage that's been created.

As we approached cricket week and the 40c plus temperature it became apparent the impact this heat was having on the square and outfield and we were quickly into damage limitation mode making sure the wickets were safe and not turning into exploding dust bowls. We managed to get through August relatively unscathed before the weather broke and we got regular rainfall to help the ground recover.

The autumn renovation work to both the square and the outfield has gone very well, helped by the exceptionally mild autumn. We have extended the square to 102ft which means we have 11 wickets plus a little to spare. In 2019 we were using 8 pitches so we have made great progress in this area and the outer wickets will continue to improve year on year. In order to extend the square we have replaced the metal posts with new sockets and wooden posts which should prove to be easier to manage on match days.

As with last year I received a lot of help from Doug and other members. A lot of watering and rolling not much need for covers although I did use them a lot as sun shades to help keep some moisture in the match wickets after watering.

I look forward to seeing everyone in April and fingers crossed for a more temperate season weather wise

Kieron Pearce



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Team Reports

The club played 172 games¹ this season (including where both sides were Putney), winning 79, losing 8, 4 Abandoned and 8 draws of various types). The full results can be seen below:

Team	Fixture	Pl	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Saturday 1s	League	18	11	1	0	0	5	1
	Friendly	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
	Cup	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
	All	22	12	2	0	0	7	1
Saturday 2s	League	18	8	1	0	1	8	0
	Friendly	4	2	1	0	1	0	0
	Cup	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
	All	23	11	2	0	2	8	0
Saturday 3s	League	18	14	0	0	0	4	0
	Friendly	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
	Cup	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
	All	21	15	0	0	0	6	0
Saturday 4s	All	10	3	0	0	0	7	0
Sunday 1s	All	24	11	0	0	0	13	0
Sunday 2s	All	23	10	0	0	0	12	1
Sunday 3s	All	19	5	0	0	0	14	0
Sunday 4s	All	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
Midweek	All	18	8	0	2	0	7	1
Surrey Slam	League	3	0	0	0	0	3	0
	Cup	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	All	4	0	0	0	0	3	1
Montenegro Tour	All	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
Heligoland Tour	All	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tour of the West	All	6	3	0	0	0	3	0
Putney CC	All	172	79	4	2	2	81	4

Team	Fixture	Pl	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Sunday 3s	All	19	5	0	0	0	14	0
Sunday 4s	All	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
Midweek	All	18	8	0	2	0	7	1
Surrey Slam	League	3	0	0	0	0	3	0
	Cup	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	All	4	0	0	0	0	3	1
Montenegro Tour	All	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
Heligoland Tour	All	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tour of the West	All	6	3	0	0	0	3	0
Putney CC	All	172	79	4	2	2	81	4

P-Played W-Win WD-Winning Draw D-Draw LD-Losing Draw L-Lose A-Abandoned
Matches where both sides are PCC count as 2 games

¹ Including Club Tournament



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Saturday 1st XI

Captain: Alex Hope



Vice-Captain: Ben Williamson



Team	Fixture	Pl	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Saturday 1s	League	18	11	1	0	0	5	1
	Friendly	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
	Cup	2	0	0	0	0	2	0
	All	22	12	2	0	0	7	1

After narrowly missing out on promotion in 2021 the hope was to kick on and get over the line in 2022. The season started strongly with the team right in the mix at the half way point, however the team struggled in the second half of the season as the availability bug struck, ultimately finishing in 7th place.

Whilst the finishing position was a disappointment with a number of close games where we just failed to get over the line for the win, there were a number of big performances both by the team and individuals:

- Harry Waddington produced one of the best bowling spells I've ever seen taking 8-16 on the way to skittling Ripley for 43 and was almost unplayable (shoutout to GP rolling back the years and taking an unbelievable diving catch).
- A close game against Roehampton saw us post 265 thanks to a maiden 1st XI century for Alex Ockwell and superbly supported by a quickfire 46 off 20 balls from Chris Wheeler on debut who then backed up his big hitting with 4 wickets to cap an impressive first game and get the win.
- George Penfold made his maiden 1st XI century at Mitcham as we fell short in a tight run chase.

Over the season Alex Ockwell had a breakthrough season with the bat averaging almost 50 with the bat and ably supported by George Penfold whose glove work continues to be a class above. The bowling department was solid with steady contributions across the season from Piers Jackson, Gary Peters, Chin Ratnayake, Cameron Russell, Ben Williamson and Harry Waddington. A number of new players showed flashes of what they can bring to the team which bodes well for next season.

A shoutout must go out to two ex-captains of the 1st XI in Devon Ebersohn and Saad Hannan who both moved abroad during the season and have played their last games for Putney for a while, they have both made great contributions to the club and we wish you all the best!



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As ever the best thing with this team are the players and the camaraderie, competitive on the pitch but no matter the result we have a good time during and after the game. I'm excited to see where this team goes under new leadership next season, bring on 2023!

R.E. Haddock Trophy – Saturday 1st XI Batsman of the Year

Alex Ockwell

Reg Weller Trophy – Saturday 1st XI Bowler of the Year

Piers Jackson

H.A. Mawer Trophy – Saturday 1st XI Fielder of the Year

Alex Hope

Shiraz Ahmed Bowl – Saturday 1st XI Player of the Year

George Penfold

Alex Hope

Saturday 1st XI Captain



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Saturday 2nd XI

Captain: Amogh Bendre



Vice-Captain: Brian Macmillan



Team	Fixture	PI	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Saturday 2s	League	18	8	1	0	1	8	0
	Friendly	4	2	1	0	1	0	0
	Cup	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
	All	23	11	2	0	2	8	0

2022 was a great summer, plenty of good cricket throughout the season. Saturday 2's went into the season with all the enthusiasm and excitement.

With an excellent summer we were able to get through without any games lost due to rain or bad weather. Well, that was one of the positives, but there were quite a few challenges with players and their availability. That did provide an opportunity for a few who grabbed it with both hands there were also times when we had to put a team out with plenty of newbies.

All in all, a pretty challenging season, but another one with plenty of memories and takeaways for Putney cricket club. Saturday 2's despite all the fight managed to finish respectable mid-table eventually finishing up sixth place in a very closely fought league.

This season also had lot on display from none other than Brian McMillan who eventually finished as the top wicket taker in the twos league. Brian eventually finished the league with 43 wickets, 10 more wickets than his closest competitor. Lewis kept wickets for 2's and did very well grabbing 23 catches to be the top fielder in the league.

Quite a few notable performances during the league season. We started off with Gary Peters taking an excellent five wicket haul versus Battersea Ironside. There was Will Smith the newest star Putney who came for his made an appearance and scored 151 runs to give us a convincing victory. His heroics in his one and only game that he played earned him spot in the ones and was never seen thereafter.

Dev Ebersohn, came for his solitary appearance in June. He played a match-winning knock and like a few others went on to play for the ones the rest of the season. Lewis nearly got us over the line at Battersea, Rohit's pair of 50's ensured we got the wins that were needed to keep us in the hunt till the end of the season. Rolf, Adam Harris, Avish, Joe Steed held the middle order with useful contributions with the bat and in the field.



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Niket, James Peters, Tom Seaman remained main stay of our bowling. Niket taking 5'fer vs Roehampton in pre-season and also scoring his maiden 100 post season were his personal best efforts with bat and ball for PCC.

Overall a wonderful experience to be able to fight week in week out to stay in contention for the positions. Given the consistency we showed the standings give a fair assessment of how the season went for the team.

After a quiet winter I'm sure most of us now looking forward for an exciting 2023 cricket season. Under a new leader we look forward to getting back into the top tier again.

Putney Trophy – Saturday 2nd XI Batsman of the Year

Amogh Bendre

H.C. Dickeson Trophy – Saturday 2nd XI Bowler of the Year

Brian Macmillan

Maurice Lickens Trophy – Saturday 2nd XI Fielder of the Year

Lewis Hill

Racchitt Khanna Bowl – Saturday 2nd XI Player of the Year

Brian Macmillan

Amogh Bendre

Saturday 2nd XI Captain



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Saturday 3rd XI

Captain: Charles Smulian



Vice-Captain: Siddharth Asokan



Team	Fixture	PI	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Saturday 3s	League	18	14	0	0	0	4	0
	Friendly	2	1	0	0	0	1	0
	Cup	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
	All	21	15	0	0	0	6	0

There are two ways of looking at this season. The negative way is that we fell just short of a probably deserved promotion. The positive is that we had an enormous amount of fun getting there and we will carry that spirit into next season.

As will ever be the case with a 3s, we had a lot of turnover during the season, with over 50 players turning out in the league. Four players brought up centuries for us, only 1 played again after that innings, whilst there were four 5-fers. Throughout the season we managed to keep something of a core of players and certainly kept the same positive fun first intensity (no, that isn't a contradiction) throughout the season, our fielding by no means perfect (especially from myself), but we were generally a cut above other teams in the league.

I won't go into too much detail on the matches, the Putney and Play-Cricket websites have all the info there, but highlights include two 1 run games (1 win, 1 loss), the 248 run win at Old Wimbledonians and of course successfully defending 69. After losing 2 of our first 3 games, to win 12 of the last 14 (only losing to Croydon...twice) was a monumental effort from too many players to mention them all.

Many debutants came through the 3s either into regular players, or up into the 1s and 2s, with only 2 games all season not featuring someone playing their first league game of the season. It is a point of pride making each and every player feel welcome and I thank everyone who played for helping in that task.

Congrats to Avi for finishing 7th in the league run scorers despite missing half the season due to being stolen by the 2s. Also to Sayer for both finishing joint 3rd in the league wicket takers and his best of 7/11, whilst I also finished joint 7th on the same list, with Dan Hicks 10th, all of whom achieved that feat despite bowling in half or fewer league games!

The 3s also introduced a new policy of a democratic MotM and **player of the season** (1 vote per player, no voting for yourself – even after taking 7/11 - shamelessly stolen from my midweek side).



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With more than double the votes of second place, **Sayer** was a deserved winner of that accolade. For the other awards, **Avi's** performances in the first half of the season saw him finish as leading run scorer and take the **batting award**, whilst **Dan's** work at cover and catches (most of which he was horizontal for) saw him win **fielder of the year**. Whilst he had neither the most wickets, nor the best average, **Sid** won the **bowling award** for the sheer pressure he put on opposition teams with the new ball every single game. He put us right on top every time, forcing them to take risks against my own far less impressive first change bowling and for that he was the obvious choice.

Despite having captained Putney sides for years, this was my first full season as skipper and I want to especially thank Sid for all his efforts as Vice and I immensely look forward to continuing this partnership into 2023 and yet another promotion challenge.

Julian Day Cup – Saturday 3rd XI Batsman of the Year

Avishkar Singh

Eddie McVarish Cup – Saturday 3rd XI Bowler of the Year

Siddharth Asokan

Mike Curtis Cup – Saturday 3rd XI Fielder of the Year

Dan Hicks

Tony Fenton Cup – Saturday 3rd XI Player of the Year

Adam Sayer

Charlie Smulian

Saturday 3rd XI Captain



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Saturday 4th XI

Joint Captains: Savan Patel & Callum Brown



Team	Fixture	PI	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Saturday 4s	All	10	3	0	0	0	7	0

The 2022 cricket season was a mixed bag for the team, as they won only 3 out of 10 games played, losing 7. However, there were several standout performances by individuals throughout the season.

A total of 49 players played in the 10 games, with a total of 1307 runs scored and 69 wickets taken. Savan Patel was the top run scorer with 88 runs, followed by Paul Costelloe with 49 runs, Kelvin Leung with 56 runs, and Mat Bryant with 33 runs. Savan was named Batsman of the Season for his outstanding performance, scoring a total of 88 runs with an average of 22 and a highest score of 50 in 5 innings, including one not out.

Paul Costelloe was the best bowler with 10 wickets and an average of 21.7, and George Gilligan and Savan Patel were tied for second place with 7 wickets each. Paul Costelloe was named Bowler of the Season, having bowled a total of 51 overs with 5 maidens, conceding 217 runs and taking 10 wickets with an economy rate of 4.25 and a best of 4/10.

The best fielder of the season was Giles Jameson, who took a total of 5 catches.

Finally, Callum Brown was also named Player of the Season for his all-around performance, including his highest score of 38 runs, an average bowling performance with an average of 30.67 and 3 wickets, and his 5 catches and runouts in the field. Paul Costelloe and Savan Patel were also in contention for the award, but Callum's performance stood out.

Overall, while the team's performance was not outstanding, there were several standout individual performances that make for a promising future for the team.

Saturday 4th XI Batsman of the Year

Savan Patel

Saturday 4th XI Bowler of the Year

Paul Emmet Costelloe

Saturday 4th XI Fielder of the Year

Giles Jameson



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Saturday 4th XI Player of the Year

Callum Brown

Savan Patel

Saturday 4th XI Captain



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Sunday 1st XI (a.k.a Make Putney Sundays Great Again XI)

Captain: Ben Brook



Vice-Captain: Sebastian Kidson



Team	Fixture	PI	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Sunday 1s	All	24	11	0	0	0	13	0

Tours

In 2020 Covid happened. We were supposed to go to Montenegro and Heligoland. Neither tour happened, but in 2022 we rearranged and managed to go. Both tours were ridiculously good.

Tour details are however REDACTED.

We also went to Wales. This tour will happen again in July, as will Iceland.

Check the Events page for more details. <https://www.putneycricketclub.com/events/>

Sundays

We played some, we won some, lost more. Some of the loses being my fault for either captaincy or bowling reasons. I will come back better. Better than Hogarth if nothing else.

The team's fielding was atrocious. We had some good laughs as always but didn't hit the post Covid drinking records of last year.

Big thanks to the new vice-captain. That was Seb if any of you were not sure. We played 3 games together.

Gus and Alexandra & Nicky and Ella got married!

Congrats to both couples.

Under great leadership, here are the **centurions** and **fivefords** of 2022.

Azaad Marso 110* vs Chudley Ales

Nicky 'Kabir' Ison 130* vs Merton

Rob Cross 135* vs Hyde Farmers

Gus Carnegie Brown 5 / 18 vs Chudley Ales



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Make Putney Sundays Great Again Formerly Known as Champagne Moment ThunderBitch Moment of The Year (and other awards)

Sunday Champagne Moment went to Doug

The ThunderBitch he had to chug
Our distinguished fine chairman
Being totally not fair man
After cheating the oppo with a smug

Bowler of the Year

Versus Chudley children he went to town
Despite many catches put down
Known as the inspector
He's a wicket collector
The legend of Carnegie Brown

Sunday Thanks For Coming Champ

Puts in the effort, this little prick
Styling it out with exceptional shtick
He got duck all runs
But showed us his guns
The winner is Show us yer d***

Fielder of the Year

Despite being physically flawed
Unfortunately you'll have to applaud
A massive tightwad
Dear James Hannaproduct
The winner of this years award

Sunday DdY

Hogy committing the sin,
I don't know where to begin
DDJ won 5 times
Like some awful war crimes
Some say he's a washed up has bin

Sunday Newcomer of the Year

He drives his Tesla with joy
When batting he will self-destroy
His fielding is terrible
Though he is quite cerebral
Everyone loves the Fishboy

Batsman of the Year

A load of our batsman are s***
Which half of them refuse to admit
The winner is old
But comes off with gold
Wibbers and his trademark pinch hit

Sunday Player of the Year

Mike Brearley George Clooney love child
Only Thunderbitch makes you defiled
If you take me to Lords
You'll pick up awards
Jenkins it's time to go wild

Bert Thornley Trophy - Sunday 1st XI Batsman of the Year

Mark Wibberley

Claude Ford Trophy - Sunday 1st XI Bowler of the Year

Gus Carnegie Brown

The Pat & John Greenslade Trophy - Sunday 1st XI Fielder of the Year

James Hannaford

Sunday 1st XI Player of the Year

Ifan Jenkins

Looking forward to the 2022 season

Ben Brook

Sunday 1st XI Captain



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Sunday 2nd XI

Captain: Adam Sayer



Vice Captain: Sam Hampson



Team	Fixture	PI	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Sunday 2s	All	23	10	0	0	0	12	1

1. Keeping control

Dissent amongst the ranks is commonplace in Sunday cricket. Senior players last season have done well to keep quiet any possible coupe d'état from any part time usurpers in the ranks. The usual suspects of Cornick, Briggs and Manish were often seen to be having private chats when I decided I would give myself the final over of the innings for the 7th week in a row as a 9 year old came out to bat at number 11. As I would constantly tell the team - 'If you put in the hard yards, I'll stat-pad and take the glory'. I think the guys really appreciated this and although not one player offered to buy me a drink at the bar all season, I could tell when they were all socialising looking at me sat alone, they could only be thinking - 'What a great bloke, Sayer is'.

Things To Improve On: Do something to really get myself more wickets. Possibly bat myself lower to get a few more redinkers.

Things To Continue: Continue to delegate responsibility, hard work and boring tasks to the high standard my teammates love and are accustomed to.

2. The Highs And Lows

Our greatest moment of the year was when we played against the Wandsworth Cowboys. An excellent team that on any other day would best us in the batting, bowling and fielding departments. However, on this day we managed to beat them convincingly. I am not sure if the addition of the clubs best two batsmen being drafted in from the Saturday teams helped. Looking at the figures from the day, both of them getting 50+ red-inkers I guess they may have contributed in a way. The fact that our best victory did not really include any of our key players contributing made us all very proud. Thank you, Amogh and Dev. There is no victory sweeter than one where you were a passenger.

The real low point came against Battersea Ironside. A great club with some great people and a teenager who didn't walk when he should've. Our captain continued to mentally crumble him with his superb sledging. The batsmen went on to score 70 runs.



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When it was our turn to bat, we managed to get within 2 runs of victory with 7 balls to go. Briggsy, who had batted superbly could see the headlines being written about him as he swung languidly looking for a champagne finish. Unfortunately, the ball went straight up and he was caught at mid-on. Suhayl walked in at number 11. Just 2 runs were needed from the last over. A simple task for a man of his experience you may think? Well Suhayl took his time. He padded away the first 4 balls for some reason. We all assumed he was teasing the oppo. Giving them a whiff of victory. The 5th ball of the over, and Suhayl swings. There is almost enough power in the shot to get off the square. Alas, the ball dribbles to cover. We are expecting a big hit off the last ball, and fireworks would be set off on the sides of the ground. No! We are all wrong, Suhayl calls for the single. The batsmen cross, they are running as quick as possible! Will they make it? Sadly, not. Suhayl runs and is so close to completing the run to bring us level on runs. Being only 4 yards short of the crease when the ball dislodges the bails - we can see the despair in his face. On the side of the pitch we are aghast. Not that we lost, but the fact Suhayl ran.

It was only as he was walking off that we realised he had to go off the pitch for a possible concussion earlier in the game. With this information it was no longer fair to ask probing questions.

We did anyway.

3. The Team

With a win ratio of around 50%, It is safe to say we are a consistent side. On average we win one week and lose the next. We keep the mind and body guessing. Who will be hungover? Who will turn up on time? Who will the new players be? Will they be good blokes?

All these questions are answered each weekend with the result of the game mostly dictated by none of the above. The result really only comes down to one thing. How many kids are on the oppo's side? The best performances of the year are generally decided on how bad the oppo were rather than how good we were. For example, if we drop 4 catches (our average per game) - and the oppo drop 6, we have a really good chance of winning. If the opposition are bad, we look poor-average and that is enough for the 2's to fall over the line of victory against the lads and dads teams.

Tommy Briggs had a hell of a season. He bowled really well and let every drop escape his mind like it never happened. He does remember that there were 14 drops off his bowling in total, but holds nothing against any of the 'Sh*t fielders that we have'. - Thomas Briggs - April, May, June, July, August, September 2022.

Nic Saunders started the year as a batsman and got his first ever 50. He eventually went on to score 68 runs. The opposition were so impressed that they said they might start to learn the rules of cricket and play for a second time when we play them again this year. Although they are a football team, they fielded better than us most of the time. They dropped Nic 4 times and missed 2 runout opportunities. We really learned a lot from them and decided we wanted to emulate their relative success for the rest of our season. We almost did.

Manish and Gokul both scored 100* before retiring involuntarily. Sayer had been run out from a direct hit from the boundary and was slightly bitter that everyone else was having success so decided to retire them before they made him look worse. They both batted brilliantly all year in truth and Manish retained his Batsman of the Year Award. Gokul was leading the race until he got triggered by Jimmy Raddings in a game which started a spiral in form. I was out there when Raddings



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made the decision. The ball was hitting middle of middle and middle and the decision was not really in the Sunday spirit. Words were had and a grudge was held by Gokul for about 45 minutes. Gokul eventually understood that although the ball was smashing into the most central part of the stumps, Raddings had still made the wrong decision.

Cornick played some games.

Kelvin and Tamal were excellent additions to the team this year and we hope to have them back for the upcoming season. Kelvin often volunteered to go to the off licence for beer. What else needs to be said? What a bloke. Tamal bought some real quality with the ball and experience of how to wind up the opposition. A tremendous addition to the side due to our lack of banter and chat from the likes of Sam Cornick.

Behind the Stumps, we had the ever reliable JBS and OJ. Not only does JBS keep wicket for us, He opens the batting too. With nerves of steel and the engine of a duracell bunny, JBS would knock the shine off the ball and then go on to score. A true talent we would be lost without. Sadly his failure to bring the Putney Ultras to a single game this year means everyone dismisses his onfield achievements, and now just know him as the guy who let us down. 2023 is a new year and we all have confidence he will bring the fans back.

Sam Hampson - our spiritual leader batted brilliantly this year. Confidence is flowing and if not criminally under bowled by the skipper, would've taken more wickets as well. He also did not help himself by telling the umpire he overstepped when bowling against a child who chipped it up to one of our fielders. His lack of ability to shamelessly pad his stats means he might miss out on being a true Sunday 2's legend if he is not careful!

What would a Sunday 2's game be without Luke Partridge dancing down the track to the first ball - every single time he bats? It doesn't matter if he bats in the order, he will dance down like a drunken mess in Inferno's at 3am. He walks out to a Viking clap, dances down the wicket first ball, doesn't wear a lid and when he eventually gets out - will lay down with his eyes closed and say, 'I don't know how I didn't throw up there - I didn't get in until 6am'. Luke Partridge IS Sunday cricket.

2023 And Beyond.

After much thought, I have decided not to step down. When I told the lads this, there was no show of emotion. I know this was just because my teammates were so happy and knew that the tears of joy may flow if they embraced the moment then and there. I look forward to welcoming new players and hope that the existing players tolerate me. It may be the last year of the Sayer dictatorship. With life getting busier, I may not get the chance to pad my stats much longer. Mutineers be ready!!!

I love you all.

Sayer.

Eve & Stan Marshall Trophy - Sunday 2nd XI Batsman of the Year

Manish Naik

Amir Rahemtulla Trophy - Sunday 2nd XI Bowler of the Year

Thomas Briggs



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Brian Brough Trophy – Sunday 2nd XI Fielder of the Year

Luke Partridge

Trevor Ashworth Cup – Sunday XIs Player of the Year (shared across all Sunday sides)

Adam Sayer

Adam Sayer

Sunday 2nd XI Captain



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Sunday 3rd XI

Captain: Rob Taylor



Team	Fixture	PI	W	WD	D	LD	L	A
Sunday 3s	All	19	5	0	0	0	14	0

In taking on the second official season of the Sunday 3s, my mind was plagued with thoughts of how to make 2022 more profitable. Was a Bazball revolution on the cards? Should I be telling players to practise their reverse scoops and ramp shots? Should we doctor our pitches to suit our unique brand of bowling attack? In the end, what would really be nice would be to have the same(ish) group of players consistently turning up for the 3s; to perform consistently well, even if in the face of inevitable defeat; to be consistently proud of how we had performed. Consistency was the watch-word.....and the season started as consistently as it finished in 2021 – with two calendar months without a win! As the team was settling into new players, new opposition and same old boring captaincy, it took us a while to find our ways. Our first game presented usual problems: only turning up with 9 players and having to borrow a couple from a very hospitable Sunbury side; barely scratching 100 runs; looking like losing by 10 wickets, had it not been for a couple of late scalps by newbie Felix Mercier. Further ignominy followed with Sayer winning the Golden Thunderhand of Destiny in the 2s vs 3s match.

Even more shame and dishonour ensued with the now seemingly yearly disappointment of losing to the Brickies. But as new faces came and went, we started to get into a rhythm. Losses were no longer as abysmal. We found that 150+ was a score we could reach; that more than two wickets per game was achievable; that we could perform on a Sunday despite the collective hangovers and memory of what had come before. But what could change to ensure that we would be toasting our glasses of Frontier to that sweet, yet elusive victory?

As with England after one in 17 Test wins, the solution was simple – ditch the captain! As COVID struck me down with all the force of Callum Brown at his peak, the 3s took the field without me. Hook and Southborough, away, 12th June 2022. Led by one of several Sams that will be mentioned (this time Puntan), contributions of 78 by the chairman and 44* by the Island, along with a fierce display of pace bowling from the other Russell brother (Ruairidh – 4-9 off 8 overs) sealed a resounding win and a sign of better things to come...

...and come they did! Even despite my return, the second half of the season was much more profitable. Aided by regular appearances from the Aussie Jack, Ben Fillingham and Max “Sunday 3’s



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Ben Stokes" Bedson, as well as a host of others, our season would end in respectable fashion – not necessarily good, but at least good enough. Of course there were blips on the way. We very nobly allowed a Gentleman of West London to set a club scoring record; we graciously capitulated on a dust bowl in Richmond to Isleworth. But rarely did we allow such charitable acts and, even when not victorious, we did ourselves proud – we even managed the rarest of Sunday feats: three victories in a row!

The final game of the season is a prime example of that. As with 2021, the last game of the season was away at the picturesque, yet distant ground of Chipstead Coulsdon and Walcountians. As with the previous year's game, it is one that will live long in the memory. Our top order batting held so much promise, yet struggled against some 14 year-olds that will surely find themselves in the England set-up any day now. A middle order hero (the second of my Sams, this time Plimmer) dug in and feasted on their change bowlers, with us posting a total of 145 all out. Eminently defensible. At drinks, they were around 80-1 – the solitary wicket to yours truly (I had to say something positive about myself other than the COVID test!) – and the situation looked bleak. The third of the Sams (Stewart on this occasion) would not give up without a fight – 5-14 off 7 overs paved the way to a tight finish. Eventually, we lost with four balls remaining.

On a glorious September Sunday, we had shown the qualities we had all season – resilience; commitment to the cause; team spirit. We ended the season with a core group of Sunday 3 faithfuls willing to sacrifice half their weekend to stand around in a field, giving each match their best and ending the day aglow with how they had performed. Consistency: achieved!

Sunday 3rd XI Batsman of the Year

Rob Taylor

Sunday 3rd XI Bowler of the Year

Ben Fillingham

Sunday 3rd XI Fielder of the Year

Jack Sorger

Sunday 3rd XI Player of the Year

Max Bedson

Rob Taylor

Sunday 3rd XI Captain



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Sunday 3 rd XI Captain	R. Taylor

*Appointed Mid-Season