



Thornborough Cricket Club

2023 Update

We start with a review of the 2022 season, which was the first year in three we could play with no Covid restrictions and therefore able to serve serving the legendary Thornborough teas, we must thank all our wonderful tea ladies for preparing and serving these teas.

- 1) Under the captaincy of Ben Horton, the First team unfortunately finished second bottom which meant the First team would be playing in Division 1 this season. There were several weekends where external events caused several first team players to be away against teams around us which could well have been won, but there we are. The A team under Andrew Checkett's captaincy finished mid table which was a good effort when you consider the fact that late calls from the team to play for the firsts could never field a settled side.
- 2) It was a credit to the club and the players that every league fixture due to played, Thornborough fielded two sides which on occasions meant last-minute scrambles but a credit to the captains in doing this.
- 3) Under the guidance of Chris Cox, the Allstars and Dynamos' cricket sessions on a Friday evening through June and July, was another success, and a credit to Chris and all the qualified helpers who gave up their time on Friday nights.

We held a successful end of season dinner and presentation in October at Buckingham Golf Club where fifty-eight joined us for the awards event and a great night it was to.

At our AGM in November Derek Davis was elected as chairperson for a second year to continue the good work achieved in the previous year.

Big thanks also to Andy Checkett who took on the groundsman role through the season and put in countless hours at the field to keep the square and outfield to a high standard getting good feedback from players and captains alike from opposition teams and at the end of the season his hard work was rewarded in gaining second place of all the grounds and clubs in the South Northants League and a credit to Andy.

In preparation for the new season, indoor net practice took place in February and March. To date only one match has been played at the field due to the wet conditions and resulted in a comprehensive nine wicket win on the 29th of April against Wicken for the first team, the A team were due to play on the 6th of May but both games were rained off.

The fixtures and events are listed in our new A5 fixture booklet, which again has been compiled by Chris Cox, copies of which are available, we thank all our sponsors for their continued support to the club.

We start the Allstars / Dynamos Friday night cricket sessions on the 2nd of June for 8 weeks and is already well supported with more than forty-five children signed on, so there will be several busy Friday nights!

So, the club is in good condition currently, so come and have a look on a Saturday afternoon you will also be able to have a cup of tea and cake as these are now back on the menu to complete the cricket event.

Thanks

John Osborn

Secretary TCC

