



Haslingden Cricket Club

Juniors

Guide for

Parents and Players

2023

## **Introduction**

Haslingden Cricket Club Junior section welcomes all players irrespective of gender, race, religion, ability or disability. Children from the age of 5 years old and above are encouraged to play with an emphasis on fun as well as learning new skills and techniques in a safe environment. If your children want to play cricket, then they are welcome.

Occasionally, particularly at the younger age groups the club has to operate a waiting list for membership to ensure that the coach to player ratio is safe and that training remains fun. This is done on a first come first served basis, not on ability.

Please do not hesitate to contact the relevant coach, chairman or secretary if you wish to enquire in a young person joining the club. All teams and contact details are listed on the back page.

We welcome the support of all family and friends. Therefore, if you would like to become an adult social club member (£40), memberships are available from the bar. Discounts are available for couples (£60) and OAP's (£20). A membership is paid annually and a junior player's membership (£100) is collected by the 31<sup>st</sup> January each year.

## **Parent Helpers**

The HCC Junior Committee is a voluntary organisation and relies heavily on people donating their time, this can be behind the scenes assisting with the administration / social side of the junior section or up front coaching our youngsters, or both. The junior section of the club would welcome anyone interested in joining our committee with the view of helping in either or both of these capacities. The club actively supports coaches in their training, such that your children then have the best opportunity possible to develop their cricketing skills to the best of their own ability. Please note that the coaching of our juniors does not have to be a male dominated area and any willing female coaches would be most welcome. If you would like to be involved in developing junior cricket skills or in other junior support roles at HCC, please contact Patrick Lord, all enquiries would be welcome.

## **Policies and Procedures**

Haslingden Junior Cricket Club adopt the policies and procedures of the Haslingden Senior Cricket Club. Please refer to the HCC website for full details.

## **Safety**

The Club takes the welfare and safety of children and young people in its care very seriously and subscribes to the E.C.B. *Welfare of Young People in Cricket* policy.

The Club has its own *Safeguarding of Children* Policy, a copy of which will be provided to all members on request.

All Coaches and Volunteers have been subject to enhanced Criminal Records Bureau checks and have either E.C.B. Level I or Level II qualifications.

If parents/carers are unhappy about any aspect of activities at the club they should approach the appropriate coach. If their concerns are about poor practice by a coach or concerns about a child then they should contact the club Welfare Officers.

The Club's Safeguarding Officers are Joanne Smithson and Caroline Mercer, for contact details please see the back page. They can also be contacted via any of the Coaches.

Photographs may occasionally be taken of children for team photographs or for presentation purposes as stated on the membership form. If your child's situation changes and permission needs to be removed mid-season please contact Sarah Cameron (Junior Secretary) - contact details on the back page.

Video may be used for coaching purposes but parents/carers permission will be sought prior to its use.

Cricket can be a dangerous game. Coaches will insist on safe practices and use of appropriate equipment. First aid equipment will always be available at every session. All Coaches have basic first aid knowledge.

## **Mobile phones**

Coaches want junior players to improve their skills and will expect children to watch and support their team mates at all time, especially when not active on the field. Therefore we ask that mobile phones are on silent and are not visible during matches.

## **Social Media**

It shall be considered a disciplinary matter should any individual be found to have posted items considered to be :

- *Indecent*
- *Grossly offensive*
- *Conveying a threat*
- *Intended to cause distress or anxiety to the recipient.*
- *Photos of juniors without permission.*

## **Code of Conduct**

A copy of the full club code of conduct is available on the HCC website. Please contact Patrick Lord if you wish a paper copy.

### **Players are expected to**

- Respect club coaches and officials
- Respect club property and equipment
- Never physically or verbally abuse other members
- Respect opposition players, officials, equipment and supporters
- Always play fairly within the laws of the game
- Respect Umpires and the decisions they make
- Never use language that may offend others
- Wear suitable kit and protection as advised by Coaches
- Be punctual for training and matches
- Inform Coaches of unavailability
- Never take alcohol or drugs when under the supervision of a Club official
- Always encourage other members
- Never take photos without the person's consent.

### **Parents/Spectators/Carers will**

- Respect club coaches and officials
- Respect club property and equipment
- Respect opposition players, officials, equipment and supporters
- Respect Umpires and the decisions they make
- Never use language that may offend others
- Ensure that Coaches know who is collecting their child after practice or matches
- Ensure that they are punctual in collecting their child
- Take responsibility for transporting their child to matches
- Positively encourage their child and other peoples children at all times
- Respect decisions made by Club officials as they will always be made in the best interests of the Club
- Only take photos of your own child. If including other juniors, seek permission beforehand.

## **Training and Matches**

Indoor training takes place prior to the start of the cricket season. Location and timings vary but are communicated via the coaches and are detailed on our website.

Training continues through the season but is outdoors and takes place at Haslingden cricket club, weather permitting. If training is to be cancelled for any reason we will endeavour to let parents know in advance but parents are advised to check with Coaches prior to training.

Parents will be provided with fixture lists as soon as they become available. Please be aware that matches can take place on any night of the week and occasionally at week-ends but please note, that depending on the weather, they can be re-arranged at short notice. Every effort will be made to inform parents of changes to fixtures at the earliest opportunity.

All players must be registered with the Club in order to play. This requires parents/carers completing the form provided by the club detailing child's name, address, any medication/medical condition, and emergency contact numbers.

If a junior player is selected to play for one of the senior teams the changing facilities are shared. If a junior player wishes not to share these facilities with the senior players then they are to arrive to matches ready to play.

### **All junior members are to be signed in and out of training and matches.**

**On out-door training nights the register will be located in the hut, please make sure an adult signs all junior players in and out of these sessions. For matches the register will be located with the HCC coach running that match. If parents of U15's and U17's members wish their children to self-register then a disclaimer must be signed and returned to the HCC junior secretary (ask your coach for details).**

## **Transport**

Parents/carers are responsible for transporting children to home and away games or for arranging an alternative. Coaches cannot be responsible for arranging transport for teams. Please let Coaches know as soon as possible if a child is not available to play because of transport difficulties.

## **Equipment**

The Club can provide helmets, bats, balls, batting gloves and pads for training and matches. Players will need to provide their own abdominal protectors and wear appropriate underwear. On occasions the Club will be able to provide members with whites through sponsorship.

Parents/carers are requested to ensure that names are clearly marked in/on all items of kit. Please remember that lots of items of cricket equipment appear very similar unless the name is clearly marked.

Please remember that children need to wear appropriate warm clothing. If they are cold they cannot concentrate properly and enjoy their session. Even in the height of summer it can be cold during the evening in Haslingden.

Occasionally the Club/Coaches are given items of equipment (bats/gloves/pads etc) which other members have grown out of. These will be passed on to players of the suitable age group at the Coaches discretion.

Haslingden Cricket Club Junior sponsored clothing and other cricket kit is available to order online from Surridge.

Please see the website for link <http://haslingdencricketclub.co.uk>

## **Competitions**

Haslingden Cricket Club juniors are members of the Lancashire League Junior Section and enter teams in the following sections

Under 9

Under 11

Under 13

Under 15

Under 18

## Contacts

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