

SECRETARY'S REPORT 2021

This year has seemingly flown by all too quickly. We can at least console ourselves by looking back at what was in fact almost a full season's cricket.

It started off with a series of outdoor nets spread around the County that proved to be very well-attended and equally blessed by some fine weather. Particularly as the start of the DCL programme coincided with a month of horrendous rain. The number of new members signing up has been encouraging given the circumstances, and in all three age groups as well. The unfortunate absence of any friendly games will be reflected in Subs for next year for those who did not get a game.

In some ways the 2022 season will continue to pose problems but on a much-reduced scale. Catering is one gap that is unlikely to be filled and long-distance travel may be an issue if we have to revert to solo driving. Those are questions to be answered as and when they arise, once winter has passed.

Can I reinforce Mike Canning's plea for members to step up to fill in gaps in the administration. Two Committee members are standing down and we need a Captain to steer the 60 1sts through the year and a fixture Secretary for the 70s.

There is still the possibility for us to have a social gathering for all members of the Club, though as time passes it seems more likely to be in January, when we are all at a loose end and in need of a little Cricket sustenance.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as are able to join in with the AGM on 16th, especially if it is in the successful aftermath of Sunday's Final.

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