



NatWest CricketForce 2018



NatWest CricketForce is an initiative for cricket clubs to encourage members of the club and local community to get together and prepare the ground for the new season.

This season's CricketForce day will be held at the ground on <u>Sunday 8th April</u> from 9.30am to 1pm and we hope to have another bumper turnout of Juniors, Seniors, Parents and Supporters to help with the following tasks:-

- Clean the fixed benches
- Assemble covers & sightscreens
- Run the boundary rope out
- A general "spring clean" in and around the pavilion

Junior & Senior Player Registration - Sunday 8th April

At the same time as CricketForce, we will also be doing player registrations for the forthcoming season.

Committee members will be on hand to take details and full or part subscriptions from parents/players at all junior levels from under 9s to under 18s and for seniors as well.

Membership will remain at £60 for juniors/students. This is a one off charge and there will be **NO** cost for junior match fees or practice/coaching sessions during the season although juniors will be expected to pay match fees when they play in senior games. Senior membership will remain at £65.





Senior Season 2018

The senior (Saturday) league has a top tier of clubs comprising a single "Premier" Division with an "A" and "B" division at levels 1 and 2. Below this, the divisions are regionalised. This produces a pyramid like structure with promotion/relegation throughout the whole structure.

After relegation last season, the 1st XI will play in Division 1A. The 2nd XI will play in the (regionalised) Division 3 West.

The 3rd XI will play in the Sunday competition. This is made up of a "Premier" division which has four non-regionalised feeder divisions, 1A, 1B, 1C & 1D. Below this there are three divisions, 2A, 2B and 2C. Bury will be in division 1B. There are 20 new teams in the Sunday league with three more from the mighty Bolton League which displays the strength of the competition.

Senior Team Captains for 2018

The 1st XI will be captained by **Jon Wiggans**. He takes over from Karl Belston who has decided to take some time off from cricket and spend some more time with his family. "Wiggy" is an ex-Bury CC junior who moved to Unsworth CC over a decade ago to play in the Central Lancashire League. He returned to Bury in 2017 season and had a good season scoring almost 500 runs including a century at Glossop.

We would like to thank Karl for all his efforts last year in which in spite of relegation, saw us reach the 1st XI Derek Kay Cup final. Karl has played at the club from the juniors to the seniors and has played in over 200 games for Bury. In that time has scored over one thousand eight hundred runs, taken over two hundred catches and around fifty stumpings. To add to this, he also has taken over fifty wickets including a 6-18 against his, now, local club, Euxton!

<u>Chris Potts</u> will continue to lead the 2nd XI after taking the team to a very commendable 3rd position in division 4 West last season. This good finish saw the team promoted to division 3 West alongside champions East Lancashire Paper Mill 1st XI and Roe Green 2nd XI.

After the uncertainty of last season, <u>Johnny Stackhouse</u> will captain the 3^{rd} XI. This is a popular choice as he has played in the 2^{nd} / 3^{rd} XI for a few years and has a good knowledge of the players who are likely to be involved.





Meet The Pro



Omar Banday, who was born in Srinagar, India will be Bury CC's professional for 2018. He is an opening bat who plays for Jammu and Kashmir. Omar made his first-class-cricket and Ranji Trophy debut on the 29th of December 2016 and ended the season as top run scorer with

a total of 414 including one century and two fifties. For more information, please follow the link Omar Banday.

Meet The Overseas



The club has decided to engage an overseas amateur for 2018 and he is 18 year old South African, Gustav Nolte. Gustav was born in Pretoria, Gauteng, South Africa.

April Fixtures - 1st XI

•	Sat. 07/04/18	1:00 PM	Unsworth	VS	Bury	Friendly		
•	Sat. 14/04/18	12:30 PM	Heywood	VS	Bury	Friendly		
•	Sat. 21/04/18	12:30 PM	Walshaw	VS	Bury	1A		
•	Sat. 28/04/18	12:30 PM	Bury	VS	Heyside	1A		
April Fixtures – 2 nd XI								
•	Sun. 15/04/18	1:00 PM	Chorley	VS	Bury	Friendly		
•	Sat. 21/04/18	1:00 PM	Bury	VS	Woodbank	4W		

April Fixtures - 3rd XI

Sat. 30/04/18 1:00 PM

•	Sun. 22/04/18	2:00 PM	Edenfield	VS	Bury	S1B
---	---------------	---------	-----------	----	------	-----

Worsley

4W

Bury





Junior Season 2018

The Junior Section will also play in the GMCL as follows:-

U9s West (South) Monday evenings

- Bury
- Clifton
- Flixton
- Monton & Weaste
- Roe Green
- Stand
- Swinton Moorside
- Unsworth
- Worsley

U11s West (North East) Wednesday evenings

- Bamford Fieldhouse
- Brooksbottom
- Bury
- Edenfield
- Elton
- Greenmount 1
- Walshaw
- Woodbank

U13sWest (Central) Sunday mornings

- Bamford Fieldhouse
- Bury
- Heywood
- Prestwich
- Radcliffe
- Stand
- Unsworth





U15s West (Central) Monday evenings :-

- Bamford Fieldhouse
- Bury
- Heywood
- Prestwich
- Radcliffe
- Stand
- Unsworth

U18s West (North) Wednesday evenings:-

- Bury
- Elton
- Greenmount
- Heywood
- Walshaw
- Woodbank

Junior Practice

Outdoor practice will begin on Tuesday 17^{th} April at the club. The sessions will start at 6.30pm and end at 8.00pm.

April Fixtures - u11s

• Wed. 22/04/18 6:00 PM	Bury	BYE			West (C)		
April Fixtures - u13s							
• Sun. 22/04/18 9:30 AM	Bury	BYE			West (C)		
• Sun. 29/04/18 9:30 AM	Bury	VS	Prestwich		West (C)		
April Fixtures - u15s							
 Mon. 23/04/18 6:15 PM 	Unsworth		VS	Bury	West (C)		
• Mon. 30/04/18	Bury			BYE	West (C)		
April Fixtures - u18s							
 Wed. 29/04/18 6:15 PM 	Bury	VS	Wood	dbank	West (N)		





All Stars 2018

After the success of this junior cricket program for 5-8 year old boy and girls last year, we will be running it again from Friday May 25th. If anyone knows any children who fancy a go at cricket, please get in touch with matt@burycc.co.uk.

The club would like to thank Matt Metcalfe and Fraser Parr for all the hard work they put in on this is in 2017 and for taking it up again this year.







Golf Day 2018

On Friday 11th May 2018, Bury CC will be holding their sixth Annual Golf Day at <u>Pike Fold Golf Club</u>, Unsworth. Last year's event was a major success with over £2000 being raised for the club and all the teams having a great day out and some great food. The day is already a sell out with 23 teams lined up to tee-off. The club would like to thank organisers, Paul Belston and Dave Bowen for their hard work in making this such a successful event.

As with last year, the Golf Prize-giving will be followed by an evening social. This will be compered by club bon-vivant and raconteur Mike Brawn. The event is open to everyone and includes a hot buffet, sports quiz and raffle. It will start around 7:30pm.

Non-golfers are more than welcome to spectate in the afternoon or simply turn up for the evening session. Entry will be by purchase of raffle ticket on the night. Please contact the organisers to reserve your place.

Dave Bowen (07423 471015)

Paul Belston (07552 218675) paul@burycc.co.uk

Bury CC Family Fun Day

On Bank Holiday Monday 28th May our 3rd annual Family Fundraising Walk where we hope to raise some much needed funds for our club:-

- Easy walk, no hills on good surfaces away from main roads
- Good footwear or ok with trainers
- Meet in the pavilion for 11am
- Estimated 2hrs brisk walk or 2hr 30 minutes amble
- Start and end at the club
- Please bring friends, partners, family
- Ideal day out for all family

The walk will take place in the morning followed by an afternoon of 6/8 side women's softball cricket. This is for mums, sisters, daughters, cousins and friends, in fact anyone who wants to have fun. Turn up and play at Bury Cricket Club, experience not necessary, kit, t-shirts and prosecco supplied.

For more information about this Lancashire Cricket Board promoted event please follow the link below :-

Womens Softball Cricket







North Wales Tour 2018

One of the major successes of 2017 was the return of a "full tour" to North Wales in July. This has been a club tradition stretching back to the 1930s and over the past few years it has ended up as a series of games with players turning up on the day.

Wayne Belston worked really hard on sorting out games and hotels etc so that participants now had the chance to attend for 1, 2 or 3 days with the option of staying overnight and having some post and pre-match get-togethers. The result was that a small, hardcore of (particularly the younger) players were joined daily by 1st and 2nd team players in a series of 20 and 40 over games and social events such as a speed boat outing in Llandudno Bay and a hard fought crazy golf tournament on the Great Orme. It was also great to see the number of people who travelled to Wales to watch the games.

Unfortunately, last year's annual fixture against Rydal Penrhos School was cancelled due to the weather but the 2018 fixture has been set for Tuesday, June 26th.

This year's tour games see us facing the same three teams as last year :-

Tuesday 24th July – Bangor CC
 Wednesday 25th July - Llandudno CC
 Thursday 26th July - Colwyn Bay CC

The formats of the games will be decided later.

We are hoping that we can get as many juniors and their parents to join us in Wales in 2018 and if anyone wants more information, please speak to Wayne Belston.

Sri Lanka Trip 2018

In collaboration with Crusader Sports & Leisure Tours, Bury Cricket Club, numbers permitting, will be heading to Sri Lanka to watch the first test in Galle.

Prices from£1685 include :-

- Hotels
- Bed and Breakfast
- Flights
- Tickets for Test
- Transport
- Excursions

For full information click Sri Lanka trip 2018.

To book, please contact Wayne Belston - wayne@burycc.co.uk





Diary Dates

08/04/2018 09.30 NatWest CricketForce Bury CC
 28/05/2018 11.00 Bury CC Family Fun Day Bury CC

• 11/05/2018 09.00 Golf Day Pike Fold Golf Club

We are hoping to run three car boot sales in 2018 but the dates have not been confirmed yet.

Social Media

Other information about the club can be found on :-

Club Website http://www.burycc.co.uk
 Play-Cricket Bury CC Play-Cricket
 Facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/BuryCC/
 Twitter https://twitter.com/burycc
 Instagram http://instagram.com/burycc
 Follow us!

Roger Mitchell roger@burycc.co.uk