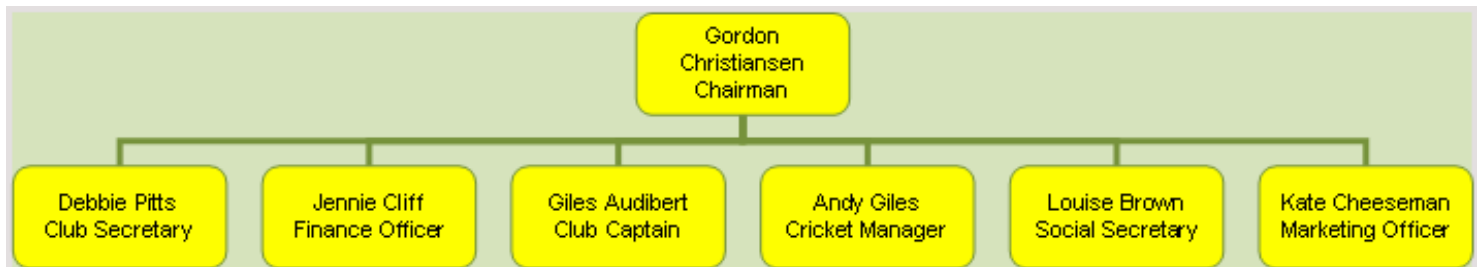


Happy New Year and welcome to the first newsletter for 2008, a season which we hope will bring new promise to the club. After the disappointment of relegation for our senior teams last year we are looking forward to rebuilding from within the club and establishing a structure that will grow our playing strength for the future. Alongside this we need to ensure that the social side of the club is maintained and enhanced, so please keep an eye out for events that we hope will be of interest to you, your family and friends.

NEW COMMITTEE

The people who have volunteered to lead the club are:



You may be surprised to know that all the committee are real people and, with the exception of the Chairman who can be a bit grumpy at times, very approachable. Please don't be scared to talk to them or help them; just don't give them sugary drinks.

Many of the club officers are now in place:

Welfare Officer – Fiona Chalcraft	Welfare Officer – Celia Thorne
Senior Coach – Lennox Lwanda	Academy Coach – Tim Hughes
Saturday 1 st XI Captain – Keith Alvey	Saturday 2 nd XI Captain – Zeeshan Anjum
Saturday 3 rd XI Captain – Neal Panting	
Sunday 1 st XI Captain – Sam Woods	Sunday 2 nd XI Captain – Rupert Baddock
U17's Coach – Jeremy Russell	U15's Coach – Gordon Christiansen
U14's Coach – Andy Giles	U13's Coach – Martin Smith
U12's Coach – Richard Searle	U10's Coach – Richard Zapp
Catering Manager – Sam Moat	Schools Liaison – Brian Harris
Groundsman – Ben Brown	Bar Manager – Alan Munt
Umpires' Liaison – Neil Woods	Fixtures Secretary – Michael Baddock
Press Officer – Steven Cliff	Membership Secretary – Peter Cliff
First XI Scorer – Louise Brown	Second XI Scorer – Jennie Cliff

We still have vacancies and are always looking for more help, so if you think you can help in any way (large or small) please contact Debbie Pitts at pittsd@airproducts.com. Especially we are looking for people who will help with making cricket teas during the summer. Even if you can only commit to helping once we want to hear from you. We also need umpires, scorers, help with social events...don't be scared.

Age group coaches for the Academy are also required. In particular we require someone willing to lead the **under 9's** age group. Ideally too we would like a volunteer to establish an **under 11's** age group so we do not have a "gap". Please contact our Cricket Manager, Andy Giles, if you feel you can help - a.giles1@ntlworld.com

CRICKET

The annual awards were presented at a fantastic Players' Night held at the club on 26th January. The winners were:

Roy Clarke Critics	Rob Parsons
Fred Pullen Batting	Ross Thompson
Geoff Pinnock Bowling	Hesh Rukunayake
Bobby Colyer Fielding	Sam Hoggett
Sid Perrin 2nd XI	Steven Cliff
Third XI	Matthew Harris
Gerry White Sunday 2nd XI	Dallas Moat
Clutching Hand	Sam Hoggett

Indoor nets start on Sunday 10th February and will take place at Feltonfleet School. Times are:

Seniors and under 17's 8:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Under 15's and 14's 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Under 13's, 11's and 10's 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Some may have noticed above that we have recruited a Senior Coach for 2008. Lennox Lwanda is a South African who arrives late April to both coach and play. He comes highly qualified so we are looking forward to the contribution he will make in developing the squad and on the playing field. We still require accommodation for Lennox, ideally in Ripley, so if anyone has any ideas please let any of the committee members know.

CLUB NEWS

A reminder that the bar is open during the winter on Sunday between midday and 3:00p.m. Come down and enjoy a pint and support your club. Also the Quiz nights continue every second Friday of the month through the winter at the clubhouse.

There will be a **70's Disco** at the clubhouse on Saturday 12th April from 7:30 p.m. £5 a ticket includes the disco and snacks. Of course the bar will be open and we are hoping to admire your best flares and 70's gear, so come dressed up. Tickets are available behind the bar or contact Louise at louise@louisebrownfitness.co.uk

100 CLUB - Winners!

£100
£50

NOVEMBER
Dave Lucas
Jean Alderson

DECEMBER
Fiona Chalcraft
Jeff Dunn

JANUARY
Peter Wright
Peter Lamb

SUBSCRIPTIONS

...are due now. Please send your subs to Peter Cliff, Rose Cottage, Rose Lane, Ripley, Surrey, GU23 6BZ. The club needs the money, thanks.

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RIPLEY CRICKET CLUB PRE-SEASON PARTY



SAT 12TH APRIL, 7:30 p.m.

£5 PER TICKET

INCLUDES DISCO AND NIBBLES

FANCY DRESS ESSENTIAL!!

BUY YOUR TICKETS AT THE BAR

OR CALL LOUISE ON 07908 665635