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## AFC WESTEND SPRING REPORT 2015



Dear friends and supporters

Welcome to the Spring report for your local football club AFC Westend.

### AFC Westend Saturday – Guildford & Woking Alliance Football League Premier Division

At the time of writing the Saturday team are doing really well in their first season in the GWAFL, although, to be fair the club have found the transition to be a little harder than we expected as the teams in this league are of a much higher standard than the teams that we have previously played against in the Kingston & District league. Having said that, the lads have so far put in some really good performances and none better than the game on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> February when we played away from home against the top of the league and came away with a really great 1 – 0 win.

The team are currently sitting in 5<sup>th</sup> position in the league and our aim is to hopefully finish in the top four, this would be a great achievement given the higher standard of football that the team are now playing in.

### AFC Westend Sunday – Leatherhead & District Sunday Football League Division 2

The Sunday team are sitting comfortably in 6<sup>th</sup> position in their respective league and again they are looking at a possible top four finish, in what has been a tough season the players are more than capable of achieving this, but, sometimes, they don't realise their own potential and have lost games because of this. Division 2 is a very strong league, with, some very good teams and is seen as a stopping off point for clubs that want to push on that bit further and move up to Division 1 or even the Premier. There is a great team spirit amongst the lads and they are

capably led by their team player/manager Ben Senior who has done a great job in his first season of running the side.

### Team Sponsors 2014/15 - David J Archer Contractors & West End Motor Club

The club would like to take this opportunity to personally thank our team sponsors who have donated funds to us for this season 2014/2015 which enabled us to buy much needed team kits, not only for our Senior sides, but, also for the Youth section as well and for this we can't thank them enough for their generosity and support throughout the season.

Also, huge thanks to Allen Palmer for his help and support and for his kind donation to the club and to West End Sports and Social Club for their continued support. It is very much appreciated by us all.

If you don't already know, you can see all the fixtures, results and keep up to speed with all the club news on our website at [www.afcwestend.co.uk](http://www.afcwestend.co.uk) Also, a new addition to the club website is a dedicated page so you can view and read the latest edition of the Village News so why not give it a try and read all the latest articles at your leisure.

*Keith Harris Secretary AFC Westend*

**WEST END FILMS** is pleased to welcome new members. It screens a mixture of classic, foreign language, indie and art house films. Please look at the website which gives programme times and dates and more information about each film. The website also includes an archive listing many of our previous films - please see [www.westendfilms.co.uk](http://www.westendfilms.co.uk)—

West End Films meet in the Village Hall 7.30pm every third Sunday. For further information email: [westendfilms@btinternet.com](mailto:westendfilms@btinternet.com)

*Robin Crane*



With Winter drawing to a close, our pigeons are breeding once more, two actually hatched very early in January (by mistake) at the Palmer lofts. Regrettably the very first to fly disappeared, we think a victim of the Hawkshill Hawks as a good seven year old was taken at the same time in front of the loft. That's nature I am afraid.

## Esher & District RPC

Preparation is in progress for the start of the new flying season which commences on 11th April, with a short race of just over 80 miles from Blandford, Dorset.

British Summertime commences on 29th March and we will be holding the Young Bird Sponsorship Sale at the Village Club commencing at 1pm. These birds will have been bred since 1st January this year and will carry rings of identification on their legs.

For those who wish to sponsor, the cost is £20 per bird and prize money of up to £500 will be competed for in seven inland races to be held in August and September of this year, with distances of 84 to 175 miles to be flown over this period. Any person who is interested in sponsoring can select his/her bird from those on display at the Club.

When racing starts any one interested can visit and view the race birds as they are basketed between 6.30 and 7.30pm at the rear of the Clubhouse on most Friday evenings commencing 10th April.

*Allen Palmer, Hon Secretary*



## WEST END ESHER CRICKET CLUB

Cricket news .....Spring is nearly here! We are delighted to announce that John Loxton will again be our overseas player this year .....John was a popular coach with the youngsters and averaged over 50 with the bat for the club in the league, taking 30 plus wickets with his leg spin bowling as well!

Our aim this year is to blood some of our talent youngsters into League cricket as they are without doubt the future of West End CC. It was a massive blow to have both our firsts and seconds relegated last year after several very successful seasons as a club, so our target this year is to get back up there.

Junior cricket nets have already started at Cleaves school under the watchful eyes of our coaches Wayne, Elliott, Chris and Mike with over 20 attending. Our first session outdoors is Friday the 1<sup>st</sup> May 6 pm onwards .....Another date for your diary is Party By The Pond August 30<sup>th</sup> .....this will be our 10th anniversary and I can promise you a night to remember .....book early to avoid disappointment!

As always looking for help with the teas on match days ( how about some homemade cakes please??) and any Dicky Bird umpires who would like to return to the game .....Look forward to seeing you down the club during the season .

Best wishes,

*Mike Bacon ( Chairman WEECC) [www.weecc.co.uk](http://www.weecc.co.uk)*

## WEST END MOTOR CLUB



We have a busy diary for members of the motor club this year with a full calendar of events which include:

1<sup>st</sup> March - Cobweb Run to Tylney Hall near Basingstoke and pub lunch

14/15<sup>th</sup> March - Hereford Trial – competitive driving vintage cars over 84 years old up steep muddy hills!

26<sup>th</sup> April - Cobham Trial - ditto for prewar 750cc powered cars up the banks of the river Mole at Cobham Park.

29<sup>th</sup> August -West End Flower Show - display of members cars, with photo shoots, auto and car boot jumble.

17<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September - Pocklington Memorial Rally – this year to northern France with chateau accommodation.



*Members' cars visiting Tintern Abbey.*

*The Cistercian abbey is the best preserved abbey in Wales. It lies between the River Wye and the A466 road at the southern end of Tintern Village.*

*Right: Tony Judd considering a new purchase — a Fox CVRW Tank! Monmouth Castle Regimental Museum*



*Below: Diners at Forest of Dean Rally*



To find out more, we meet at the Social Club on Thursdays about 9pm or phone

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