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Dear Westenders,

The sun has finally appeared and the days are getting longer and warmer, so that can only mean that Cricket season is not far away! I'm absolutely delighted to let you know that having won the League last season, our First XI will be playing in the highest tier of competition they have ever achieved – a fitting end to our 150th year. We will be playing some very big clubs this year, so plenty of challenge for the team – we would love to see you come and support them on the boundary this year.



Our table topping team after a nail biting victory on the last day of the season to win the League.

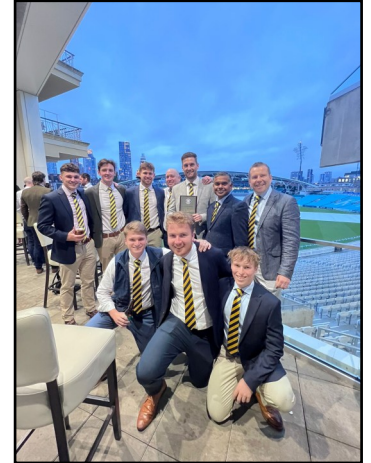


Club Captain, Jon Carter, with the League trophy,

Our 2nd, T20 and over 40's sides all have new captains this year, hoping to emulate the success of the Firsts, congratulations to Ollie Tredgett, Patrick O'Neil and Joe Bridges.

We are also looking for new players at all levels, social and competitive. Our Sunday team have a much bigger fixture list this year, so whether you are looking for more challenging cricket with the Saturday league or T20 sides, or a more relaxed game with our over 40 (20 overs) or Sunday (35 overs) sides, you are very welcome.

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Top performers at the presentation event at The Oval. Clockwise from top: Ed Brew, Patrick O'Neil, Will Lucas, Gareth Hunter, Jon Carter, Vinay Kumar, Chris Hambleton, Jack Hambleton, Ollie Tredgett, James Townsend



Our colts section continues to grow under the fantastic guidance of Ruth Lovering and Friday nights on the green will be in full swing from the beginning of May. We do have some spaces left in some of our age groups but they are filling up fast so if you'd like your child to join in the fun then please see our website www.weecc.co.uk or contact Ruth directly on Juniorchairman@weecc.co.uk

Friday nights are for both boys and girls, but we also have a dedicated training night for our older girls on Wednesdays too. Some of you may have noticed that some areas of the green, especially towards the Garson's farm end are in poor condition. This is due to the prolonged heat and lack of rainfall last year which resulted in large areas of grass dying off. We are currently in discussion with the EBC about obtaining a grant for remedial works to the green, which will benefit the whole community by returning the green to, well, green!



Performance of the Season— Patrick O'Neil with the match ball after scoring 72 NO and then taking 8-20. More of the same this year please Paddy!

Finally, I would just like to underline that the club really appreciate any and all support you can give us. We love playing our cricket at what we think is one of the very best venues in Surrey and are very proud to be representing West End. If you'd like to get involved with any aspect of the cricket club please do get in touch, you will be very warmly welcomed. Here's to another great summer.

Chris Hambleton, Chairman, West End Esher CC