

THATCHAM TOWN CRICKET CLUB: PLAYERS' REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP FOR 2024

Dear Player,

The summer is drawing nearer and we look forward to you joining us for cricket at Browns Sports Field.

WHAT MEMBERSHIP BRINGS

Club membership entitles you to weekly training sessions through the summer. Further, you and your family are welcome to use the facilities of the clubhouse and bar.

MEMBERSHIP FEES

For those of you that are not aware, we are registered as a Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC). Since we have been registered as a CASC, we have been able to utilise one of the scheme's main benefits – Gift Aid. The CASC scheme entitles registered clubs to receive a 25% repayment from all donations made by individuals under the same Gift Aid rules that Charities use.

The Annual General Meeting agreed that membership for 2024 should be increased by £10 to **£120**, made up of a £40 subscription and an £80 donation to the club. If the £80 is agreed by you to be taken as Gift Aid, then the club can claim back an extra £20 from HMRC (£80 x 25% = £20).

If you were a member last year, you may well have already filled in the Gift Aid form and **there is no need to fill in another**. You will notice that the membership form states that you can in effect join the club just for the £40 subscription. It is of course hoped that you will still be willing to pay the full amount of £120. Last year, we recouped nearly £750 from HMRC this way.

Gathering membership fees is a time-consuming task, which can involve the club's officials and team captains in a lot of unnecessary chasing of non-payers, when what everyone really wants to be doing is playing cricket. We know "times are hard", but we believe membership of this club is an affordable luxury that is well worth it. We ask each and every one of you to pay your membership fee as soon as you can, so we can reduce the amount of administration and follow-up. There are facilities available to allow easy payments if you need them – the club will support anyone who tells us that they need help in this regard.

Management Committee

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Below are the payment methods that we offer:

1. Full payment - via bank transfer or Internet banking. ***This is the preferred and safest method to ensure your membership fee is received.*** Use these bank details:
Sort code: 40-44-52
Account No: 01071866
Reference: *Please enter player's name*
2. Full payment - please send cash or a cheque, made payable to Thatcham Town Cricket Club, to Ian Redmond or give it to your captain after training or a game, or leave it behind the bar. Please print your name/contact details on the cheque.
3. Two equal payments of £60 on 1st March and 1st June.
4. Four equal payments of £30 by monthly standing order.

} If you want to pay in instalments, a bank mandate form is available on the TTCC website, or from Ian Redmond