



MATCHDAY INFORMATION

Following is a range of generic information designed to make your visit to a Kent Cricket fixture more enjoyable and, hopefully, to answer some of your key questions in advance. We appreciate your interest in our matches and look forward to hosting you.

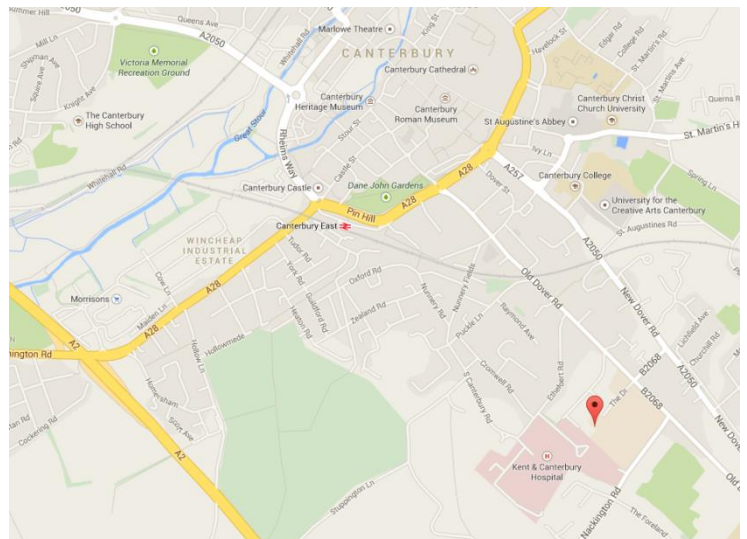


The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence is near the heart of the historic Cathedral City of Canterbury. The full address is - The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence, Old Dover Rd, Canterbury, CT1 3NZ.

Directions by car

From the North

From M20 junction 7 turn left onto A249. At M2 junction 5 (Sittingbourne) bear right onto M2. At junction 7 (Boughton Street) turn right on to A2. From the A2 ignore the first exit for Canterbury (Harbledown, A2050) Continue on the A2 till the Bridge exit. Take the exit and then turn right travel 70 metres the take the first right with a sign directing to Canterbury. Follow the road on to the A2050 (not left and back onto to the A2). Continue on the Roman Road and at the Gate roundabout take the 3rd exit onto the Old Dover Road (B2068). Continue on Old Dover Road for 800 metres and the ground will be clearly visible on the left hand side.



From the South

From M20 junction 13 bear right onto A20. Follow this road to junction with A260. Bear left and continue to junction with A2 (north). Continue to junction with A2050 and then proceed as north.

National Rail

Canterbury East - 1 mile. Canterbury West - 1.5 miles. Passenger information - 08457 484950
www.nationalrail.co.uk

Stagecoach East Kent

Buses to/from Folkestone via the Elham Valley (route 17) and Hythe (route 18) serve the bus stops immediately outside the Cricket Ground on Old Dover Road.

Buses to/from Deal (route 12), Dover (route 15), and Folkestone via Hawkinge (Stagecoach Gold 16) all serve the bus stops on New Dover Road (a short walk down St. Lawrence Road opposite the ground).

There are frequent buses direct to Canterbury City Centre from the bus stop on New Dover Road adjacent St. Lawrence Road.

For timetable information visit www.stagecoachbus.com/eastkent or call traveline on 0871 200 22 33 (calls cost 12p per minute plus your phone company's access charge).



There are three formal car parking options for visitors to The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence Canterbury:

1. Park & Ride, Old Dover Road, Canterbury, (CT1 3EJ)

Situated approximately a 10 – 15 minute walk from the ground or short bus ride. £3.00 per day for a car and up to 6 passengers.

Monday – Saturday, 7am – 7.30pm,

The bus heading into town stops in front of the turnstiles on Old Dover Road.

For the return journey, you can either catch the bus from outside the ground and take the round trip into town and back out to the Park & Ride car park or the Park and Ride bus will pick up spectators from the St Lawrence Road bus stop on New Dover Road and take them back to the Park and Ride site.

Sunday 10am – 6pm,

The bus heading into town stops in front of the main turnstiles on Old Dover Road.

For the return journey, before 6pm, you can catch the bus where you were dropped off and take the round trip into town and back out to the Park & Ride car park.

There will be additional departures for cricket spectators only from opposite the Ground at 6pm, 6:15 and 6:30 to get back to the site.

Night Matches

We have arranged a special return bus that will operate from 9:45pm until 10:45pm (or earlier if the game finishes sooner).

2. [Simon Langton Girls Grammar School, Old Dover Road, Canterbury, CT1 3EW](#)

Situated a little further down Old Dover Road, driving away from the town centre, the school supplies a limited number of car parking spaces on days during the school term. For Weekend and Evening games this number increases dramatically. Entry to The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence is via a pathway onto Nackington Road and directly into the Club's entrance. Approximately 3 – 5 minute walk. There is a dedicated 'golf cart' operating to help disabled and mobility challenged visitors, whom also have designated parking spaces. Spaces are sold for £10 fee per day, on a first come, first served basis (no pre-booking allowed) subject to weather and availability. Sat Nav CT1 3EW.

3. [The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence.](#)

On match days, there is no one-off parking at the ground for spectators, however, there are limited disabled/Blue Badge parking spaces held in reserve at a daily rate of £15 per day.



Kent Cricket's official accommodation partner is Kent Hospitality – part of the University of Kent. With a range of bed and breakfast options to suit singles, couples or groups, prices start at **just £40 per night.**

[Bed & Breakfast bookings – Kent Cricket promotions code](#)

[Click here to view our B&B bookings website](#) – and anybody using the Promotion code KENTCRICKET will automatically receive a 10% discount

[Virtual tours – Main](#)

[Virtual Tours – Keynes Accommodation](#) We will be offering single and double rooms in Keynes college at the discounted rate and both of these room types can be seen within the tours

[Virtual Tours – Keynes Catering and Bars](#)

If guests are staying in Keynes their breakfast is taken in Dolche Vita and Kbar is open daily – Again both of these areas can be viewed via the tours



CASH MACHINE

A cash machine can be accessed from just outside the official grounds, within the Sainsbury's Local on Old Dover Road.

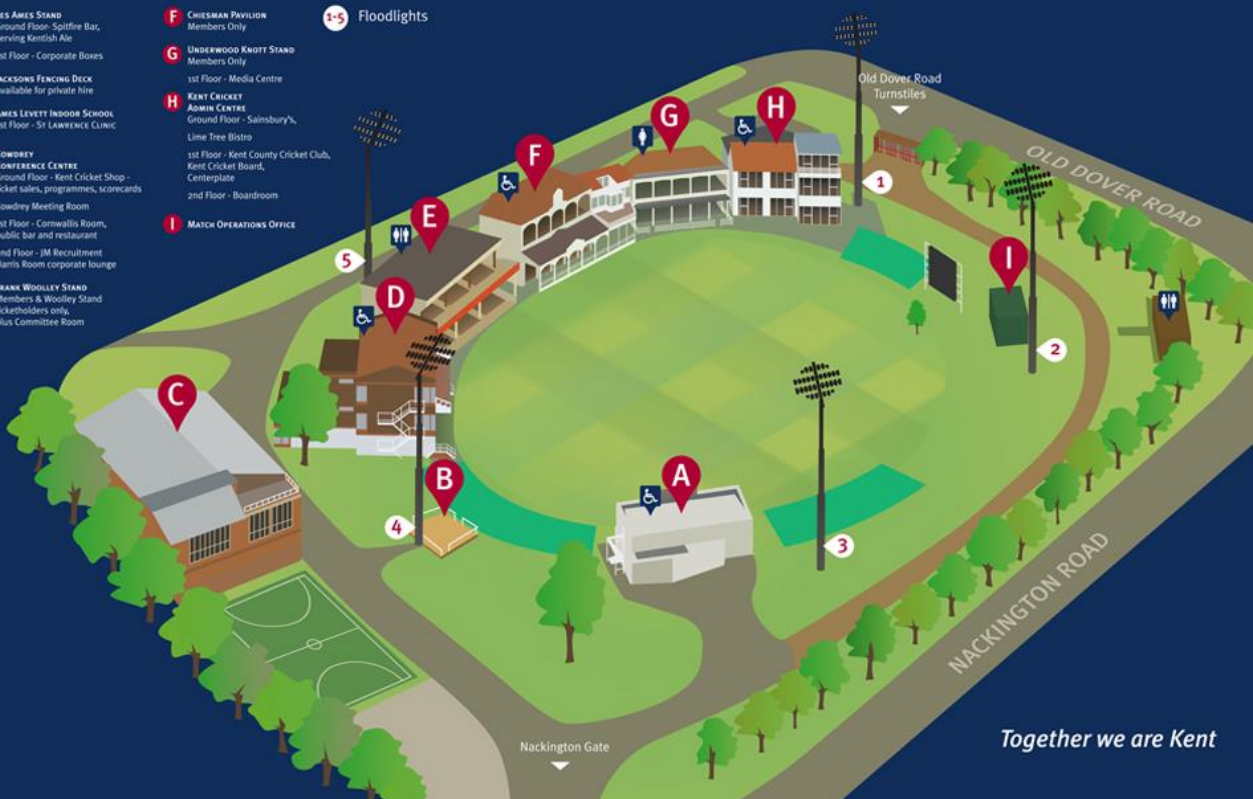


FOOD & BEVERAGE OPTIONS

The Spitfire Ground, St. Lawrence



- A** LES AMES STAND
Ground Floor - Spitfire Bar, serving Kentish Ale
1st Floor - Corporate Boxes
 - B** JACKSONS FENCING DECK
Available for private hire
 - C** AMES LEVETT INDOOR SCHOOLS
1st Floor - ST LAWRENCE CLINIC
 - D** COWDEY CONFERENCE CENTRE
Ground Floor - Kent Cricket Shop - ticket sales, programmes, scorecards
1st Floor - Cornwallis Room, public bar and restaurant
2nd Floor - JM Recruitment
Harris Room corporate lounge
 - E** FRANK WOOLLEY STAND
Members & Woolley Stand ticketholders only, plus Committee Room
 - F** CHIEFMAN PAVILION
Members Only
 - G** UNDERWOOD KNOTT STAND
Members Only
1st Floor - Media Centre
 - H** KENT CRICKET ADMIN CENTRE
Ground Floor - Sainsbury's, Lime Tree Bistro
1st Floor - Kent County Cricket Club, Kent Cricket Board, Centerplate
2nd Floor - Boardroom
 - I** MATCH OPERATIONS OFFICE
- 1-5** Floodlights



Together we are Kent

You are welcome to enjoy our surroundings on the banks or seats, with your own food. We also provide picnic tables, which are available to all.

For NatWest T20 Blast matches NO alcohol is allowed to be brought into the ground.

Public options to purchase Food & Beverage include:

1. **Cornwallis Room** – first floor in the Cowdrey Conference Centre. Open to the public. It offers a two course carvery meal at Specsavers County Championship matches and Royal London One-Day Cup fixtures. At NatWest T20 Blast matches it is a public bar. Building D on the site map.
2. **The Spitfire Bar** – within the Les Ames Stand – operates as a public bar with a real ale offering always on hand, plus an eat in or takeaway hot food option at Specsavers County Championship and Royal London One-Day Cup matches. Building A on the site map.
3. **The Lime Tree** – a café bar on the ground floor of our Admin Building, H on the site plan. Offering freshly ground barista coffees, cakes and light bites.
4. A range of fast food vans and temporary bar outlets spread around the ground. Food options include: Thai Noodles, Burgers & Chips, Panini's and Donuts. These operate at limited over matches only.

For a map of the ground to ascertain where each option is located [click here](#) and scroll down to site map.



Specsavers County Championship

Coin toss with the Captains (day 1) 10.30am

All Days

First Session 11am -1pm

Second Session 1.40pm – 3.40pm (provided 32 over or less remain)

Third Session 4pm – 6pm

Timings are brought forward 30 minutes for matches where the first day of the match is scheduled to start in September.

Gates open one hour before start of play

Royal London One-Day Cup

	Daytime Matches	Floodlit Matches
Coin Toss	10.30am	1pm
1st innings	11am – 2.30pm	1.30pm – 5pm
Interval	2.30pm – 3.15pm	5pm - 5.45pm
2nd innings	3.15pm – 6.45pm	5.45pm - 9.15pm

Gates open one hour before start of play

NatWest T20 Blast

	(9 July & 30 July)	(18 July & 27 July)	
Coin Toss	2.30pm	6.00pm	6.30pm
1st innings	3pm – 4.15pm	6.30pm-7.45pm	7pm – 8.15pm
Interval	4.15pm-4.30pm	7.45pm-8.00pm	8.15pm – 8.30pm
2nd innings	4.30pm – 5.45pm	8.00pm-9.15pm	8.30pm – 9.45pm

Gates open two hours before start of play



KENT CRICKET SHOP

The Kent Cricket Shop is located at the Ground floor of the Colin Cowdrey Stand selling Kent Cricket merchandise, replica kit and cricket equipment. On match days, the shop will be open from gates open until the close of play.

On non-match days between April and September, the Shop will be open from 9am-5pm Monday to Friday and 10am-1pm on Saturdays.

Merchandise is also available online at www.kentcricketshop.co.uk



HOSPITALITY

Whether you are a large company, a small business or a private guest, we have facilities to match all of your requirements to entertain your most valued or potential clients, friends or family. We always offer a special day for you and your guests.

Our packages start from £70+ VAT per person and we offer two primary hospitality areas – the HR GO Recruitment Harris Room suite in the Colin Cowdrey stand and the Les Ames private boxes. We also offer the option to hire a private marquee near to the boundary edge or the ultimate hospitality experience.

For further information about our hospitality options, please contact Alan Hilliker on 01227 456 886 or email Alan.Hilliker.kent@ecb.co.uk



MATCH DAY ACTIVITY

Kent Cricket want to make your match day experience as enjoyable as possible. This is what you can expect at each match.

NatWest T20 Blast

- You will be greeted by our Spitfire Squad and given various Kent Spitfires freebies to use to support the team throughout the match.
- If you are a first timer to the ground, please pick up your newcomer pack from the Spitfire Squad.
- Have your photo taken in the #superkent selfie frame with our team mascots Victa Victoria
- See yourself on the big screen by tweeting your photos using #superkent or by making your way in front of one of the camera.
- If you are over 18, you can win your weight in Spitfire Beer by taking part in the Spitfire Challenge in the interval – just look out for the sign up staff during the first innings.

- Every time Kent score a six freebies will be thrown out into the crowd with the Spitfire Super Six.
- NatWest T20 Blast branded t-shirts will be thrown out to the crowd at various stages throughout the match.
- Head over to the Kids Zone in the 5-a-side football area where the Community team will be running cricket activities.
- Stay after the match to get your favourite players' autographs during the autograph session in front of the Pavilion.

Royal London One-Day Cup – Sunday 7 May

- Cheer on the team with the Kent Spitfires branded freebies from the Kent Cricket Shop.
- Have your photo taken with Victa & Victoria, Kent Cricket's mascots.
- Kids, enjoy the free bouncy castle at the ground.
- Join the Kent Cricket Community team for fun cricket activities between 1pm-4pm.
- Play your own cricket games on the outfield or have a look at the wicket during the interval.
- Stay after the match to get your favourite players' autographs during the autograph session in front of the Pavilion.

Specsavers County Championship

- On the second day of each Championship match at The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence, there will be a tour of the ground, leaving The Lime Tree Café at 10am.
- Feel free to play your own cricket games on the outfield or have a look at the wicket during the intervals.
- If any of the day's play fall on a weekend, there will be a free bouncy castle available to under 16s.



Spending a birthday or special occasion at a Kent match? Make it even more memorable by requesting a shout-out from our ground announcer. Simply send your short message by emailing Abi.Hiatt-Gipson.kent@ecb.co.uk with the date of the match you are attending and we'll pass it onto our announcer for during the match. This is free of charge but messages cannot be guaranteed.



SCORECARDS & MATCH GUIDES

Pick up your scorecard and souvenir match guide at each match from the kiosks at the gates or from outside the Shop. The match guide will be filled with exclusive interviews and current news, the perfect companion for the cricket enthusiast.



DISABLED SUPPORTERS

Viewing Areas

The Spitfire Ground is an open ground and you can circulate the whole ground, however this does involve a variety of terrains, grass, rough track (some uneven surfaces) and paved / tarmac sections. We have a dedicated wheelchair viewing area on the lower tier at the front of the Frank Woolley Stand.

Hearing Loop

There are loop hearing systems in all bar areas and in the main club office. On-line commentary is provided for each match by BBC Radio Kent (we do not provide listening devices).

Car Parking Facilities on Arrival

Disabled/Blue Badge parking spaces are held in reserve at a daily rate of £15 per day. Parking is also available at the Simon Langton Girls' Grammar School in Old Dover Road for £10 per day. Entry to The Spitfire Ground, St Lawrence is via a pathway onto Nackington Road. There is a dedicated 'golf cart' operating to help disabled and mobility challenged visitors (parking is non reservable). On arrival you will be greeted by our stewards, payment taken and then you

will be directed to the designated parking area (this varies depending on match type and time of arrival).

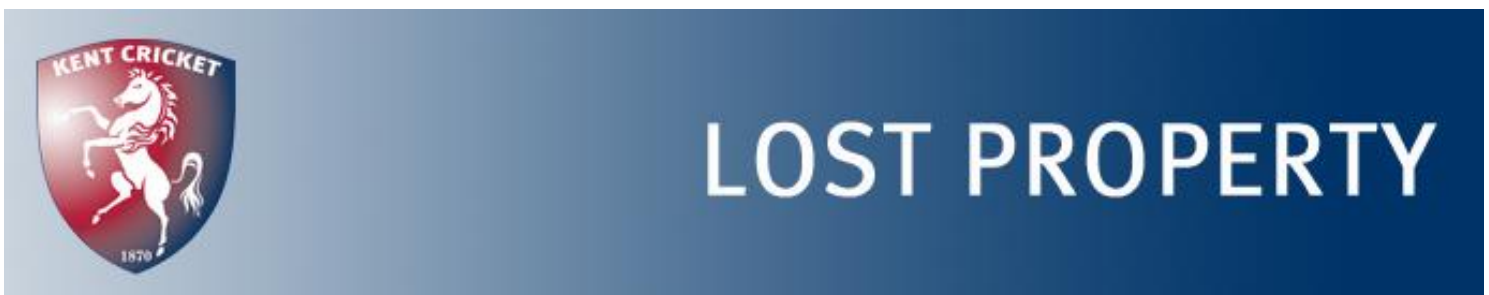
Toilets

Accessible toilets are available in the Les Ames Stand, the Ames Levett Sports Centre, Woolley Stand, Chiesman Pavilion and Cowdrey Stand. If you need to gain access to these facilities prior to the ground opening please liaise with one of our friendly stewards who will be able to assist.

Please call the club on 01227 456 886 opt 0 if you have any particular concerns.



Sadly cricket matches are sometimes adversely affected by rain and play can be stopped. On all occasions we aim to be totally fair and transparent with ticket purchasers and so make all aware of the following conditions and policy. 1. All tickets are sold on the basis of being non-refundable, 2. The Wet Weather Policy is activated at a four or three day match when less than 16 overs are bowled per day or at a limited overs match (20 or 50 overs) when less than 10 overs are bowled, 3. In the first instance spectators will be offered a ticket exchange to either another day in the current fixture or the equivalent value ticket at a later match, 4. At the discretion of the CEO and only in extenuating circumstances will a cash refund be offered, 5. The wet weather policy does not apply to complimentary tickets, 6. Confirmation of the offer will be made at matches via the PA system and via the Club's website, social media feed and weekly E-newsletter, Extra Cover.



Should you happen to leave something at a Kent Cricket match, please call the Main Club Office on 01227 456 886 opt 0 from the following working day to enquire as to whether anything has been handed in.



OTHER INFORMATION

Dogs are always welcome (on a short lead) however only Assistance Dogs are allowed into areas supplying hot or unpacked food.



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