

# Kent Women's & Girls' Group (KWAG)

Season Review Meeting (Online): Weds 25<sup>th</sup> Oct 2023

**Committee Present:** Helen Fagg-Lenihan **HFL** (Women's Chair, Kent Cricket and Mersham), David Sear **DS** (Girl's Chair, St Lawrence & Highland Court), Mark Sheppard **MS** (Treasurer) Dave Smith **DS** (Kent Cricket & Tunbridge Wells CC), Sonya Dey **SD** (Kent Cricket & Vice Chair), Anna Tunnicliff **AT**, Christian Rice **CR** (Kent Cricket)

**Clubs Present**: Jess Ward (Farningham), Bhavika Sevani (Orpington Ocelots), Georgina Hawkes (Town Malling), Katie Fawcett (Town Malling) Richard Durrant (Canterbury), Suzy Masson (Beckenham), Chelsea Fagg-Lenihan (Mersham Sports), Lucy Hayward (SLHC), Charlotte Pape (SLHC), Fleur Malik (SLHC), Andrea Steel (Sidcup) Anthony Staddon (Bexley), Suresh Sharma (Gravesend), Lyn Humphries (Lenham), Jake Cheesman (Penshurst Park), Chris Green (Hythe), Jamie du Bois (Hythe), Malcolm Porter (Folkestone), Paul Moran (T Wells), Jon Poole (Chestfield), Shottie Hopkins (The Mote), Andy Bunker (Holcombe & Bluebell Hill), Susie Wilson-Rowe (Sevenoaks Vine), Tim Howell (Bells Yew Green), Andrew Ball (Tonbridge), Mark Henderson (Dulwich) Charlie Stinton (Sissinghurst), David Cook (Streatham & Marlborough)

## 1. Summer Competition Review 2023 Season

## Women's Club Feedback Survey Results - 2023 Season (Click to View)

- Kent Women's Premier League Report (<u>CLICK HERE</u>)
- Kent Women's Development League Report (CLICK HERE)
- Kent Women's Slam Report (<u>CLICK HERE</u>)
- Kent Women's Softball Cricket League Report (CLICK HERE)

# Girls' Club Feedback Survey Results - 2023 Season (Click to View)

- Girls' Club Competition Report (CLICK HERE)

### U11 Girls' Countdown Competition for 2023:

Softball Cricket Countdown Competition, 24 teams entered

### U13 Girls' 'The Eighty' Competition for 2023:

Hardball Pairs Cricket Competition, 15 teams entered

### 2. Competitions for 2024 Season

<u>Click here</u> to see the results of the Kent W&G's Club Expressions of Interest form for the 2024 Season. Using this data, the KWAG committee will decide on which competitions to run for 2024 and confirm these and the entry process/fixtures etc. with clubs before Christmas.

# 3. Kent Cricket Talent Pathway Update

**DS** reported on the growth of the **Girls' Area Cricket Programme** (GACP). It is made up of three area hubs, **East**, **West** and **Metropolitan**. The squads have been selected from the county age group trials, which were held at the end of last season. In year one there was an U11 and U13 squad for each area, and now in year two (2023-24) there is an U15 girls' age group.

Each area will have eight indoor training sessions, two outdoor training sessions or inter squad matches, and a competitive summer match programme.



For the 2024/25 season, GACP players are to be nominated via their club or school. There will be an area trial process in September and squads will be selected ready to start the winter training programme in November 2024.

We would welcome new contact from club coaches and school teachers in each area. Whether you have noticed a 9-year-old with a 'natural eye' for the ball in a PE lesson or have an accomplished year 9 player, then please get in touch with the Women's & Girls' Pathway Manager, <u>Dave Smith</u>.

The Kent Girls' Pathway Squads selected this year are,

U11 Girls:	20 players
U12 Girls:	14 players
U13 Girls:	17 players
U15 Red Caps:	15 players
U15 Girls:	14 players
U16 Girls:	14 players
U18 Girls:	17 players

**DS** will also oversee the **Kent Women's** programme and he is keen for clubs to contact him regarding any good club players who have ambition to try out for the Kent Women.

**DS** is also keen to give opportunities for any female coaches who want work/experience on either the Area or County programme. Please get in touch with him if of interest.

### 3. Kent Cricket Community Updates

The PowerPoint Slideshow shown during the meeting has most of the updates, plus the notes below,

New Staff: Kent have recruited two more people to their W&G's recreational development team.

# SANDRA HEPPLE: COMMUNITY CRICKET COACH

Sandra will mainly be coaching directly in Primary and Secondary schools in the Tunbridge Wells and Tonbridge area. She will also be co-ordinating and delivering our Secondary School Girls' Competitions. <u>sandra.hepple@kentcricket.co.uk</u>

### CHRISTIAN RICE: CRICKET4LONDON DEVELOPMENT OFFICER (W&G'S CRICKET)

Christian will be responsible for female cricket development in the four Kent boroughs of London and have a wider remit, fulfilling any regional projects linking with Cricket4London, Surrey and South East Stars projects.

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**Winter Coaching Courses** are advertised online, including Support, Foundation and Core Coach Courses. If of interest, please see <u>Kent Cricket Website</u> to book, <u>female coach bursaries</u> are also available.

HFL was pleased to announce that the female club network was well represented at the Kent Cricket Volunteer Awards. <u>Please click here</u> for the report.



# 4. KWAG Small Grants Updates

Clubs can apply for up to £200 for up to 2 years running for anything that benefits the growth of female cricket at the club. Please click here to access the latest version of the KWAG Grants form and apply.

## 5. AOB

- **HFL** to investigate options for longer format women's softball cricket league offer for Kent (16/20 overs?) and will be in touch with an expression of interest for clubs shortly.
- **HFL** to work with the regional counties (Surrey, Sussex, Essex, Middlesex) to offer Regional Women's Club Playoffs for the winners of each County top division (Kent's KWPL) to play off in September 2024.
- <u>ECB Period Dignity</u> scheme closes **Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 5pm** to clubs.

## 6. Next Meeting

The KWAG AGM will be hosted online, on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2024** Meeting Closed 7:15 pm, thanks to all who attended.