



Top year for Rocklands



Rocklands CC U13 squad at The Cricket Carnival Cup

Congratulations to Rocklands CC who bagged themselves a hat trick of titles this summer. Their U13 team was one of only three (the others being Norwich U13 & Topcroft U9) undefeated over the course of the season. Winning both the South Breckland League and the Carnival Cup, these represented the first trophies for the club in the SNCL. Not to be left out, their U15 squad also had an excellent year securing the Green League winners' plate, losing only a single fixture to Bradenham.

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Entry 

Entry for next summer's leagues is now open and closes on January 22nd 2017.

Entry is via the online form [here](#). Please note that if you are entering multiple teams a separate form must be completed for each one. You should also ensure that there is a single contact for all fixture arrangements.

If you wish to register your interest for 2017, without obligation, and join our newsgroup you can submit your details [here](#).

We celebrated our tenth season in style – not only with a record number of entries but also our very first Cricket Carnival Cup sponsored by RCP Parking Ltd.

The increased number of teams required the introduction of a two league programme in three age groups and although fewer fixtures may have been welcome to some clubs, the reduced numbers exposed these groups' vulnerability to postponements, cancellations and withdrawals. Our strategy will be to continue with the dual league format preferably with a larger number of entries - about ten considered the perfect number.

The incorporation of The Broadland Youth Cricket League into the competition and the adoption of the two league programme enabled us to increase our coverage in the county while at the same time reducing travelling times. Fewer clubs than expected from the old BYCL chose to join us last year and we hope that those who declined our invitation in 2016 will consider taking the plunge next summer. Our new members from this league all made an immediate impact in the competition and enjoyed considerable success over the course of the season.

New rules; the introduction of compulsory retirement at U15 level and the inclusion of a single (boy) county player in all fixtures were generally well received and will be retained. There will be no consultation survey this winter as data collected over the previous nine years has confirmed that our current delivery of competitive opportunities is broadly appropriate. Don't forget that you can always [contact us](#) with any suggestions or concerns.



The U14 zipleague is now well established and will be starting its sixth season shortly. Our unique format of the indoor game provides

competitive opportunities during the closed season as well as honing our young cricketers' practical and strategic skills – so important in the game. It has also enabled those under age (often as young as nine) as well as many girls to make a real impact in the competition and we look forward to welcoming a girls' only team into the U14 group this winter.

Joining them this November will be a new U12 tournament hosted at Norwich School on Wednesday evenings where we hope to replicate the success and excitement of the U14 competition. [See full details here](#).

£ League fees

These have remained at £15 since their introduction and will rise this year to **£20 per team**. Price increases across the board, particularly for end of year trophies, have necessitated this change. We believe that these still offer excellent value for money.



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