

# *The Moorender*

SEASON 2006

CLECKHEATON CRICKET CLUB



SURRIDGE TROPHY 20-TWENTY CRICKET COMES TO MOOREND

## SDS

*1st DIVISION*

*BRADFORD CRICKET LEAGUE*

# THE THOUGHTS OF CHAIRMAN DAVE



A warm welcome to Moorend to everyone. Here's to sunshine, top class positive cricket, a big crowd and a Cleck win !!

I am delighted once again to say a big thanks to our first team sponsor Gaggia who continue to support us as we strive to improve each season. The Hunsworth Brewers Fayre have also shown their continuing support as our programme sponsor as have Automint as our match sponsor. Our thanks go to everyone who contributes as a board, programme, ball and lottery sponsor and supporters of our many raffles and fund raising activities.

The Bradford league has got dynamic, the "in my day deckchair brigade" have had their run and now it's time to move forward. A points system that will award positive attacking teams, a cup competition which has taken on board some of the successes of national and international one day events which will I am sure persuade more people to get involved either watching, playing or flogging raffle tickets. I am delighted to see responsible players with opinions being listened to and their views being acted on.

Last season we introduced a twenty20 competition here at Cleckheaton and thanks to two sponsors, Gaggia and Surrudge Sports, we were able to stage this event. To say it was a success is an understatement. The players who took part put on three terrific high quality games, Morley Marauders, East Bierley Eagles, Spen Victoria Sharks, and the Cleckheaton Crusaders gave a huge crowd a wonderful day of cricket, with the Eagles finally winning the Surrudge trophy. The Marauders, Sharks and Crusaders want revenge in 2006.

The 2005 season was John Wood's first as our first team captain and such was his impact around the place that within a few weeks of the season starting we persuaded him that he should do the job for at least the following two seasons. He has a real positive effect on everyone, in particular young players. I want to wish him and his players well for the coming season. Finally a good luck message to Andrew Gale from everyone at Cleckheaton.

Enjoy the game.

## SEASON 2006 ~ A SEASON OF CHANGES



John Wood



Gary Keedy



Craig Thornton



Mark Gill



Tom Pringle

The 2006 season has brought with it a very different Bradford League than that we saw last season. Its whole format has been changed with an Executive now in place instead the unwieldy League Committee. This new executive committee, now autonomous, includes elected club, umpire and player representatives which will assist its officials in running a league whose rules have dramatically changed for this season. A new points structure which will encourage more positive cricket is now in place together with a clampdown on slow over rates, and a limit to the number of overs each bowler can bowl. New rules brought in for the cup competitions includes "one-day" wides and fielding restrictions that will bring these competitions in line with those operating nationally.

After finishing fifth last season, which was a disappointment to some, we look forward to the coming season with the hope of finishing high in the league once more. There has inevitably been some comings and goings with last season's leading batsman Andrew Gale moving into the Yorkshire League with Driffield whilst Ishy Dawood has rejoined Hanging Heaton. Our other Yorkshire County Cricket Club player Joe Sayers, who looks very likely to hold down a 1st team place with the county this year, like Gale, will also be playing in the Yorkshire League when available to play league cricket. Our wicketkeeper Richard Soulsby has won a place at university and has moved away from the area, and promising youngster Sarfaraaz Mahomed has left us to play with Saltaire.

Our overseas off-spinner Faisal Shaikh, who we had hoped to sign again, has failed to play sufficient first class games to qualify for a work permit, but we have managed to acquire the services of 24 year old Pakistani Khurram Shehzad in his place. Last year he was the 2nd Division's leading runmaker having scored 1014 runs for Hartshead Moor from just 18 innings.

The side is again captained by ex Durham & Lancashire's John Wood, and Adam Patel, Ian Wood, Craig Wiseman, and Sam Scott part of last year's team remain with the club. Current Lancashire county player Gary Keedy is once more on our books. Unfortunately, he was unable to make an appearance for us last year due to his Lancashire commitments, but he his hoping to turn out with us this term.

The club welcomes back wicket-keeper and early order batsman Mark Gill after an absense of three years. He brings with him from East Bierley his former team mate all-rounder Craig Thornton whilst Kez Ahmed moves in the opposite direction back to one of his former clubs. Two promising young players, batsman Ian Nicholson from Bankfoot, and leg-spinner Tom Pringle from Gomersal are both added to this season's squad. Souvic Banergee, who played last season for Clara Vale in the Northumberland Senior League, and who has just moved into the area also joins us as a middle order batsman and change bowler.

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## SPECIALISED DUCTING SUPPLIES

# BRADFORD CRICKET LEAGUE

## 1st TEAM FIXTURES - SEASON 2006

Sat,	15th	APRIL	- PUDSEY CONGS		(A)
Sat,	22nd	"	- IDLE		(H)
Sat,	29th	"	- PUDSEY ST LAWRENCE		(H)
Sun,	30th	"	- EAST BIERLEY (P.CUP)	1st Rnd	[A]
Sat,	6th	MAY	- BRADFORD & BINGLEY		[A]
Sat,	13th	"	- HANGING HEATON		[H]
Sat,	20th	"	- FARSLEY		[A]
Sun,	21st	"	- PRIESTLEY CUP	2nd Rnd	[H]
Sat,	27th	"	- BRIGHOUSE		(H)
Mon,	29th	"	- EAST BIERLEY		[A]
Sat,	3rd	JUNE	- MORLEY		[H]
Sat,	10th	"	- SALTAIRE		[A]
Sat,	17th	"	- WOODLANDS		(A)
Sun,	18th	"	- PRIESTLEY CUP	3rd Rnd	(A)
Sat,	24th	"	- BAILDON		(H)
Sat,	1st	JULY	- KEIGHLEY		[A]
Sat,	8th	"	- PUDSEY ST LAWRENCE		(A)
Sun,	9th	"	- PRIESTLEY CUP		[H]
Sat,	15th	"	- BRADFORD & BINGLEY	Semi Final	(H)
Sat,	22nd	"	- IDLE		(A)
Sat,	23rd	"	- PUDSEY CONGS		[H]
Sat,	29th	"	- FARSLEY		[H]
Sat,	5th	AUGUST	- BRIGHOUSE		[A]
Sat,	12th	"	- EAST BIERLEY		(H)
Sat,	19th	"	- MORLEY		(A)
Sat,	26th	"	- SALTAIRE		(H)
Sun,	27th	"	- PRIESTLEY CUP	Final	
Sat,	2nd	SEPTEMBER	- WOODLANDS		[H]
Sun,	3rd	"	- BAILDON		[A]
Sat,	9th	"	- HANGING HEATON		(A)
Sat,	16th	"	- KEIGHLEY		(H)