

CHAIRMAN`S REPORT 2011

I am delighted that for the most part this year my report will be about cricket.

Many congratulations to Westgate for their success in winning the Division 1 title. Broadstairs' achievement's over the years have been fantastic and they have gone on to represent us with distinction, but it is nice to have a different name on the trophy (Which sounds good coming from a Manchester United supporter). The deadly duo of Old Hartsdonian A and their senior side will join them in Division 1 this term. Congratulations to them, and St Nicholas, Electric and Broadstairs D who won Divs 3,4 and 5 respectively.

The handicap system in the Cup produced some close and interesting results, except when it came to the Final where the might of Broadstairs proved too much for the gallant Worth from Division 4. Since my last report, John and Claire Turner have taken over the daily management of the East Kent Sports School and running of the bar. I would like to thank them for everything they have done to help the TICL, its clubs and players. Their efforts we believe were so great, that the committee awarded them the Alan Carpenter Trophy for services to the Thanet Indoor League.

The recipients of the Wilkinson Sword Trophy, awarded by the Thanet KCB were John Jones, Tony Curwen and Richard Ash, who's joint commitment to the Steering Committee appointed to see Thanet cricket through its problems were immense and allowed the EKSS and TICL to continue. Many thanks gentlemen for all your dedicated work, it really is appreciated by all.

Only 2 players attained the threshold for personal achievement this year Adam Clark and Andrew Bailey, a quirk in the statistics which often sees more than 10 be awarded with the honour. Those who won extra recognition this year were the wily Dave Parker for most wickets, and for scoring the most runs, a tie between Michael Ross and David Cain. In addition David was voted Player of the Year.

I have written this slightly later than usual this year, and with pen in hand I have just heard about the resignation(?) of Ian Johnson as Principal of the Marlowe Academy. How that will effect us only time will tell.

Finally I would like to thank on your behalf all the administrators of the TICL, Thanet KCB and EKSS for all their hard work, and in particular to John Websper for all of his continued incredible dedication in compiling the Leagues statistics.

I would like to wish you all, umpires, scorers and players an enjoyable 2011-12 season.
Michael (George) Cocks.
Honorary Chairman September 2011.