

Tynedale Cricket Club General Committee
Annual Report 2022

2022 saw the 1st XI win the league and the Club accept the resultant invitation to join the North East Premier League for the 2023 season which will bring new opposition and challenges and as always some expense and a lot of preparation to make sure our facilities are of the required standard for the new league and for the volume of cricket that is played at Tynedale.

We are pleased to provide and update on the projects that the committee completed during 2022 and are planning for 2023:

Outfield/Square

The outfield was completely renovated at the end of the 2021 season and despite some undulations we received many favourable comments from visiting teams. The rippled areas have been treated over the winter with 150 tonnes of sand being spread and worked into the surface. We have retained approximately 20 tonnes of sand to treat any areas that require further attention. Preparation work for the coming season is now underway with the field being cut and damaged areas reseeded.

The wickets played well benefiting from the deep scarification at the end of the 2021 season. The high volume of cricket played in 2022 restricted the opportunities to renovate the used pitches.

Machinery

At the end of the 2021 season we purchased a second hand John Deere outfield mower that left a good finish and served us well throughout the summer. We have recently purchased a Seed Slotter that will assist with wicket renovation. The costs of maintenance and servicing of the machinery has risen dramatically, we will continue to monitor the cost of machinery servicing and complete some of the necessary maintenance in house.

Surrounds

All grass areas were cut weekly throughout the growing season. 2 new picnic tables were purchased with new ones from a local company that manufacturews them from recycled plastic. They are extremely heavy and durable and do not require any maintenance, we will look to replace more furniture as required. Looking ahead to the new season there will be lots of maintenance required including painting the perimeter wall.

Scoreboard

The current scoreboard is over 20 years old and at times difficult to read. A new fascia has been ordered with LED displays and a console that interacts with 'Play Cricket'. We are hoping that this will be installed at the beginning of May and will be a big improvement to our facilities.

Kit

We are delighted to have secured 2 kit sponsors to be able to provide the players with new shirts for the 2023 season. The sponsors are Bespoke Financial and Insync Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic.

All weather nets

The nets are in need of replacement, we are currently investigating grant options and fundraising.

I hope that you all appreciate the ongoing efforts of the committee off the pitch to continue to develop and improve Tynedale Cricket Club. As a club we have a small number of active members who work hard behind the scenes however we need more volunteers to make the most of the

opportunities available and to ensure the success of the club that is enjoyed by so many. If you can help please do, it could be ground maintenance, catering, helping with admin, looking after a team, helping us get sponsorship. Whatever your skillset or interests there is a role for you.

The committee would like to formally thank Dave Evans, John Darling and John Brewis for all of their efforts on the ground which always looks great.

The committee would also like to thank Craig, Claire and their staff for the hospitality provided in the clubhouse.

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