



CUMNOR CRICKET CLUB



Welcome to Cumnor Cricket Club's Youth Programme for 2022!

We have a thriving youth section at Cumnor and we welcome girls and boys of all cricketing experience and abilities. Our youth cricket groups this year are:

1. [All Stars](#): for girls and boys in Reception to Year 2 (ages 5-8)
2. [Dynamos](#): for girls and boys in Years 3 and 4, and for Year 5s and 6s new to cricket
3. Junior boys cricket (hardball) – for boys in Years 5 to 13 (plus Year 4s who are ready to play hardball)
4. Junior girls cricket (hardball) – for girls in Years 5 to 13 (plus Year 4s who are ready to play hardball)

If you are not sure which group your child is best suited to, please [contact Sam](#), our head of youth cricket, who will be happy to advise.

We will also again be running our very popular [summer academies](#) during July and August, with younger ages playing softball in the mornings and older ages playing hardball in the afternoons.

Dates, times and costs

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| All Stars | Fridays, 17.00-18:00 | 13 May-15 July (10 weeks) | £50 |
| Dynamos | Fridays, 18.15-19.30 | 29 April-22 July (13 weeks) | £99 |
| Girls only hardball (year 5+, plus year 4 hardball cricketers)* | Thursdays, 17:30-18:45 | 28 April-21 July (13 weeks) | £99 |
| Under 11s (Years 5 & 6, plus year 4 hardball cricketers) | Wednesdays, 17:30-18.45 | 27 April-20 July (13 weeks) | £99 |
| Under 13s (Years 7 & 8) | Wednesdays, 18:45-19:45 | 27 April-20 July (13 weeks) | £99 |
| Under 15s/Under 19s (Years 9-13) | Thursdays, 17:30-19:00 | 28 April-21 July (13 weeks) | £99 |

*Girls are also very welcome to train in the mixed age group sessions should they wish to.

We offer a 50% discount on junior hardball fees for children in year 4 and above who wish to play both hardball cricket and also come to Dynamos, i.e. who are moving up to their first year of Under-11s cricket but who would also like to continue with Dynamos for one more year. Apply and pay for the Dynamos place on the ECB system at £99, then contact Sanjay at membership@cumnorcricketclub.com to ask for the additional discounted hardball membership. (We are only able to have a single price for programmes on the All Stars and Dynamos as these systems are managed by the ECB, but we can flex our own system.)



Further discounts and benefits

1. Membership (all categories above) entitles you to 10% off the summer academy programme
2. If there are 3 or more children as members in one family, contact Sanjay for a 50% discount off fees for child number 3, 4, ...
3. We also give one child a 50% discount if a parent takes on the role of a team match manager
4. Membership (again all categories, including All Stars and Dynamos) automatically qualifies parents as 'social' members of the club. See section below on what benefits this gives you!

The President's Fund

At Cumnor we are keen that no-one is put off from enjoying cricket for financial reasons and have recently launched our President's Fund to offer support to members, both current and potential, who may find that their circumstances prevent them from enjoying all the opportunities offered by our club. Further information about the kind of help the President's Fund may be able to offer, plus information about how to apply, can be found on our [website here](#). All applications to the fund will be treated in strictest confidence.

Girls' hardball cricket

Growing girls' cricket is a priority for Cumnor and our girls only hardball group is now in its second year. Girls have their own dedicated hardball training sessions on Thursdays and are also welcome to train with the relevant boys age group if they want to. We are planning to enter our girls for competitive girls' matches; girls are also welcome to play competitive games with the boys in either their own age group or 'down' one age group, if they prefer.

Signing up for All Stars and Dynamos

All Stars and Dynamos bookings are made through the ECB's national booking system, ClubSpark:

[All Stars click here](#)

[Dynamos click here](#)

The ECB controls the information you submit when you register for All Stars and Dynamos and we will communicate with you about All Stars and Dynamos using their ClubSpark system.

We would also like to be able to contact All Stars and Dynamos parents outside of ClubSpark, using our own myClubhouse system, so that we can offer you the same membership privileges as other members – for example, discounts on our summer academies, invitations to events – but we can only add your details to our own membership system with your permission. We will ask you to do this shortly after you initially sign up for All Stars or Dynamos.

Remember, joining All Stars and Dynamos makes you a *fully fledged Cumnor Bear*, and that comes with membership benefits for the whole family. See below.

Signing up for U11s, U13s, U15s, U19s hardball cricket

If you were a member at the club in 2021 (including Dynamos) we will automatically issue an invite for you to renew your membership in 2021, including inviting Dynamos who are old enough to sign up for the hardball programme. You will already have an account on our membership system. Just



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follow the payment link in the renewal email, accept and pay. If you do not wish to renew, please reject the offer as soon as you can.

If your child is new to cricket at Cumnor, and they wish to play in our hardball programmes (girls or boys), welcome! Your first step is to register each child on our membership system, myClubhouse. Go to <https://www.myclubhouse.co.uk/CumnorCC/> and click on the Sign In button in the top right hand corner and then the green Register button. Then apply for Junior membership. (NB you may already have an account on this system if your child attended our summer academies.)

Subscription fees are per child and are payable not later than 31 March 2022.

Please include mails from **CumnorCC@myclubhouse.co.uk** in your contacts list, trusted senders or whitelist so that our messages do not get sent to your junk folder.

Matches

We enter youth teams in both League and Cup games in every age group and your child may be selected for these.

Competitive matches (usually 11-a-side) are held at the following times:

- Under 11s (years 5 & 6) – Sunday mornings
- Under 13s (years 7 & 8) – Thursday evenings
- Under 15s (years 9 & 10) – Monday evenings
- Under 19s (years 11-14) – Monday evenings, once exams are over
- Girls' softball/hardball – to be confirmed

Sometimes juniors are selected to play for an older age group (for example U13s may play for the U15s etc).

We also arrange friendly games alongside the competitive ones where possible, and, for our younger age groups, take part in Dynamos Festivals when we can.

We encourage parents to support junior matches through managing, umpiring, scoring and other logistics, especially at home games. No experience is necessary and support and instruction will be offered – so please do get involved.

Covid

Whilst Covid-19 is clearly not fully behind us, we will continue to adhere to Covid-secure guidance and good practice, including making hand gel available, limiting sharing of kit, ensuring a regular clubhouse cleaning regime. However we hope very much that activities are largely back to normal. Unless the government or ECB advised us otherwise, our new, revamped bar will also be open and ready to serve you!

Cricket equipment and kit

Children should wear comfortable sports clothing suited to the weather and do not need to wear cricket whites (white trousers, shirts and sweaters) for training.



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All Stars receive a special All Stars bat, ball, cap, personalised t-shirt and rucksack. All other playing equipment is provided by the club.

Dynamos receive a free personalised Dynamos T-shirt. All other playing equipment is provided by the club. Dynamos use basic willow bats; if your child has their own bat (plastic or willow) they are welcome to bring it along, but don't worry if they don't have one. Cumnor Bears caps are available to purchase in our club colours of black and gold.

Under 11s and above play with a hard ball and therefore need appropriate protective equipment – leg pads, gloves, helmet, and a box/abdominal guard and associated shorts/underwear. For safety reasons, it is essential that everyone has a properly fitted helmet that meets current safety regulations.

For hygiene reasons, everyone playing hardball should have their own box/abdominal guard (boys and girls). For Covid safety reasons, we also advise that all hardball cricketers also have their own helmet and gloves.

We do have some kit available to be borrowed and we are planning to organise a kit swap event at the start of the season where you can pick up a bargain if you are not ready to commit to buying the full kit yet. If you have usable kit that older children have outgrown gathering dust in a cupboard, please consider donating it. Details will be circulated once confirmed.

Club shirts: juniors playing in key representative matches (that is, at least semi-finals and finals) should wear the club's Cumnor Bears white shirt. We have a small number of shirts in stock at the club but they can also be bought, along with other Cumnor kit, from our [kit suppliers Chiltern Leisure](#). (The link may not work until late Feb/early March whilst the shop is being updated pre-season). Any difficulties, contact the club.

Cricket shoes:

For training, juniors should wear trainers. We use the nets and/or the astro pitch extensively in training so metal spikes should not be worn at training sessions.

For matches, under 11s and under 13s will use the astro pitch and so, should wear trainers. From under 15s upwards, cricket shoes/spikes are expected. Some cricket shoes have plastic plugs and these can be used on the astro pitch, but plugs are often used in combination with metal spikes, so be careful!

Other 'stash': Our playing and training kit is branded with [Amber Financial Planning](#), our main club kit sponsor, and [Opening Up](#), the mental wellbeing charity we support. As well as some club shirts, we also have Cumnor Bears caps, T-shirts, water bottles and mugs available for sale at the club and through [myClubhouse](#). You can buy other Cumnor stash from [Chiltern Leisure](#), including cricket sweaters and trousers (whites), training shirts and shorts, track suit trousers, shell tops, and sweaters in Cumnor black. The senior T20 side also has its own Bears cricket shirt.



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Access to senior cricket

The best of our under 13s (usually those in County squads), and everyone from U14 up are eligible for selection in our representative Saturday league teams. Cumnor is notable for the high number of youth members playing in these senior sides. Sunday friendly 'SAS' games also provide a good entry point to senior cricket, so Sunday match managers may be in touch! (Do note that senior games carry an additional match fee to cover the cost of teas, umpires, scorers etc.)

Talented Juniors

Children who show particular ability may be put forward for the Oxfordshire Cricket's Pathway Programme at the end of the club season. If selected, they will undergo further training with Oxfordshire coaches and may be invited to play in the various county or development sides.

Summer Academies

The popular Summer Academy programme will be running in the weeks of 25 July, 1 August and 8 August. If there is enough demand, we may add an extra week from 15 August.

Sessions will be softball in the mornings for All Stars and Dynamos and hardball in the afternoon for years 5/6 and older.

Full details are available on our website and you can book places through [myClubhouse](#) from 1 April. Pricing starts at £20 per 3 hour session for non-members, with 10% discount for members (so £18), and a further 10% discount to all for a full week's booking (so £81 to members/£90 to non-members).

When booking academies, myClubhouse should recognise if you are a paid-up 2022 member and offer you the members' discount. Cumnor All Stars and Dynamos are eligible for the members' price as long as we have had your permission to load your data into myClubhouse. Non-members, if not yet registered on myClubhouse, must [register as 'guest' members](#) first in order to book.

To book multiple days in a week, select the 'Series'. This brings up the 5 days of that week. Deselect any days you don't want or keep the whole week.

Any questions please contact us at academies@cumnorcricketclub.com and Sanjay or Andrew will get back to you.

MyClubhouse

[MyClubhouse](#) is the club's main communication, membership and payment management tool. Use it to sign-up for membership, book events such as academies, and find our documentation. All data you provide is managed in a GDPR-compliant manner. Further details about myClubhouse, how to access it, and how we use it, are available in a [separate document here](#) (this is a bit of a work-in-progress!).

Most of the things you need to do are under the MyStuff menu heading.



As noted above, All Stars and Dynamos use the ECB's ClubSpark system but if you give us permission we will also create a basic record for your child in myClubhouse.

- If you or your child is already a Cumnor member, you will have a username and password for myClubhouse.
- If you have forgotten your password, you can reset this yourself. If you have forgotten your username, email cumnorcricket@gmail.com.
- If you wish to add another child, please register them separately and apply for the appropriate membership or academy place. We will confirm this once we know we have space. You can then link your children's accounts by using the 'My Family Group' under 'My Stuff'. This allows you to make payments in one batch.
- The shopping basket icon in the menu is the best way to pay for subscriptions or event payments, or look at 'My Subscriptions' or 'My Purchases' in your menu (now under the 'My Stuff' menu heading).
- Please pay online if you can. MyClubhouse uses the internationally-respected and widely-used Stripe card processing system, but you can also pay the club directly via BACS payment. If you select 'cash' as the payment model, you won't get a confirmation email until you have handed the cash over!

MyClubhouse contains details of the club's privacy policy. This policy – which needs to be agreed to by members – determines how we communicate with you. If you want to stop hearing from us, please update your privacy settings in *My Consents and Agreements*.

We encourage parents, especially those who help in a voluntary capacity, to register themselves on the system – that way relevant communications can be sent to you directly.

As mentioned above, please add CumnorCC@myclubhouse.co.uk to your address book or trusted senders list to reduce the chances of our messages being sent to spam.

Parental Consent Form

A key piece of information within myClubhouse is the parental consent form. You complete this on the first time of registering or logging in. Please keep this information up to date, as it is key in emergency contact situations and is where key health information is stored.

Membership benefits

Parents of junior members automatically become 'social' members of the club (though social membership will be relaunched in 2022 and may be called something else. But you will still have it, whatever it is!). What this means:

1. you don't need to sign in at the bar – you are a member, and you may bring and sign in guests (friends, grandparents etc)
2. you are entitled to financial benefits of membership such as:
 - a. **10% discount** off the summer academies,
 - b. **10% discount** that we have negotiated with our sponsors, the **Bear and Ragged Staff and the wider Peach Pubs chain** for meal purchases made through their app (up to 2 emails can be added to your child's account, and these email accounts can receive the discount via the Peach Pubs app), and



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- c. member **discounts on clubhouse rental** (as and when we rent the clubhouse out again)

Clubhouse, Bar and Friday BBQs

We are very happy to say that our bar will be open during junior sessions on Wednesday and Friday evenings (as well as on Tuesday evenings and Saturday afternoons and evenings).

In 2022 we are moving to a Club Premises certificate, which means we can serve members and their guests (provided the latter are signed in). Parents of juniors are members of the club as described above.

We stock a range of alcoholic and soft drinks, as well as bar snacks. Following successful trials last year, we will be operating on a card-only/cashless basis. We continue to offer free WiFi at the clubhouse.

We are also planning, subject to Covid regulations, to hold a BBQ every Friday evening at the end of the All Stars session. We also run a tuck shop on Wednesday and Friday evenings – again, Covid permitting!

The clubhouse can normally be hired for parties and functions, although hiring is on hold for the time being. This will be reviewed in the middle of the season. See website for details.

Safeguarding

At Cumnor we are committed to providing a safe, friendly and welcoming environment in which your children can enjoy playing cricket. Our Safeguarding Officers, Clare Woodcock and Katie Baxendale, are here to help anyone who has a concern about welfare, safety and safeguarding, and can be contacted on safeguarding@cumnorcricketclub.com.

Questions

For cricket questions, please contact Sam Herbert, Head of Youth Cricket, at hoyc@cumnorcricketclub.com.

For membership queries contact Sanjay Mistry at membership@cumnorcricketclub.com.

For questions about our Summer Academies, please contact Sanjay or Andrew at academies@cumnorcricketclub.com.

For any other questions, please email cumnorcricket@gmail.com.