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IN MEMORIAM

SUNIL AMAR

Our inspirational and greatly loved
Club President

4 May 1948 - 25 November 2025

A life well lived, with a smile on his face.

Forever in our hearts.

SOME TRIBUTES

Thank you, Sunil, for so many happy memories. With your irresistible infectious enthusiasm, you lit up the world and every room you walked into with positivity, generosity, smiles and laughter. How brilliantly you brought people together and inspired us all. This wonderful club you created from nothing and then nurtured and led so magnificently for over 50 years, has fostered countless KCC friendships that have blessed so many of our lives.

A KCC legend never to be forgotten ❤️

- Chris Ledger

Dear Sunil, we owe you so much. Without you I would have never gone to India and met Kapil Dev. I would not have developed my love of Indian food. Would not have played social cricket for over 20 years. How many dear friends, and cherished memories I would have missed, had I not met you.

I strive to be positive in my outlook, but it is not always easy. You made it seem effortless. Always smiling, always joking, always bringing people together, smoothing over disagreements, inspiring and enthusing others, always creating, always coming up with ideas, always welcoming, always fun, never taking things too seriously (except in matters of love, friendship and socialising with the opposition).

My favourite cricketing memory: Marlow Park, with you about to run in to bowl, and someone sticks their hand up - "Sunil, what about square leg?". "I don't need a square leg", comes the reply with a grin. The batsman, seeing a full ball on middle and leg, looks to hungrily whip the ball through the vacant area - and loses his off stump as the ball, inevitably, swings late.

I'm picturing you now retiring from the field one last time, happy and smiling, leading the team off, ball held high, to rapturous applause from all your many families and friends. Bless you Sunil, and thank you, for all you did for us.

- Jon Pickles

We all know and love someone who, often unknowingly, has an enormous influence on our lives. Sometimes that person is family. Sometimes a friend. Sometimes a friend who might as well have been family. Sunil was that person for me. I owe my very life in London to him. Without Sunil, there would have been no KCC. Without KCC I would have never met all these wonderful people that are now my lifelong - my best - friends.

In all these years I knew Sunil, I struggle to recall a single moment when I found him without spirit. He had an extraordinary, unwavering positivity. Sunil wielded that charming smile of his like a weapon, shattering through every impregnable barrier and disarming even the most hardened sceptic. Blazergate, anyone? Or the time he somehow convinced Brian Lara to don that (hideous) blazer and pose for the camera, KCC book in hand.

And what a mighty fine cricketer Sunil was. He embodied the very best values of the sport we love. The camaraderie and sportsmanship, the courage and fortitude - he embodied all of these qualities and more. I have so many fond memories of Sunil's exploits on the field. As skipper, Sunil was always my "go to" bowler when the chips were down. But perhaps my favourite memory is that amazing last wicket stand Sunil put on with Deepak at Westminster. Sunil's 2 was every bit as valuable as Deepak's 83.

It was the morning after one of my first few games for KCC. I was on the way into work when the phone rang. It was Sunil. He was calling to remind me that I should not brag about my hundred the previous day to anyone in the office. He told me that he was delighted that I had scored my debut hundred for the club but absolutely thrilled that I had done so whilst calling in sick to work. From that day on, as far as he was concerned, we were lifelong friends, cut from the same truant's cloth. So, thank you Sunil. Thank you for being my friend. My family. I will miss you deeply.

- Rohan Ghosh

All of us in Adelaide with KCC connections are deeply saddened to hear the news of Sunil's death. Sunil holds such a treasured place in our hearts.

My time in the UK, now around 40 years ago, was special. Playing cricket with KCC made it extraordinary. The fact that a tight bunch of people from Adelaide with some connection to each other, but otherwise not all known to each other, still get together and remember our best and worst innings, is largely due to Sunil. We hope that the Adelaide Cup continues to be a part of KCC's traditions.

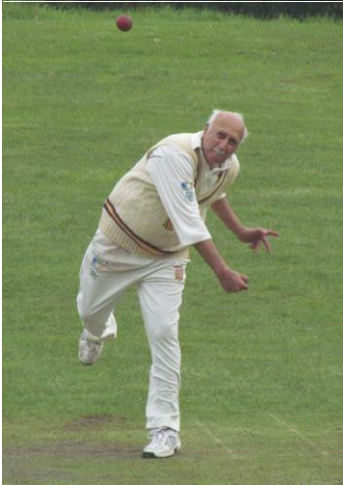
Nancy and I owe so much of the happiness we enjoyed during our time in the UK to the friendships that were fostered by Manju and Sunil.

Sunil was unique – and wonderful. His love of cricket was profound. He was an extraordinary man, whose love of people, and cricket with style, was everlasting.

- Hugh McPharlin

SUNIL AMAR

MASTER OF THE DIBBLY-DOBBLY



It all looks so innocuous as the batsman sees this white-haired gentleman with a well-rounded beer belly mark his run up and then trundle seven paces towards him. Having seen off the pacemen he is ready to launch into attack mode against the slower bowlers. The delivery action is smooth and the ball sails towards the unsuspecting batsman. There is ever so slight a movement in the ball's trajectory before pitching just outside the off stump, then it alters its course, again ever so marginally, to nip past the bat. Ball after ball lands in the same area always with a minor change of angle, pace and deviation requiring the batsman hurriedly to adjust. Runs dry up forcing a frustrated slog to be caught in the

deep, or an indifferent prod down the wrong line to be comprehensively bowled.

That is the art of the dibbly-dobbly, defined as gentle, slow-medium pace bowling relying on seam movement and precise length, not sheer speed. Batsmen find it difficult to make attacking shots due to lack of pace and the consistent nagging lines, forcing errors or slow scoring.

Sunil was a leading exponent of this craft. Over the 50 years with the Club he has 'trundled' in with his subtle variations and caused consternation. He would usually pick up two to three wickets in the middle order and reduce the run rate to a crawl. In his long career he has taken 477 wickets at an average of 20.71 conceding only 4 runs an over. His biggest haul was 7/27 in just 7 overs on a tour to Menorca in 2007. One remarkable statistic of which Sunil was always proud was that he has only bowled 5 no-balls, i.e., one every 500 overs!

We salute you, Sunil, and we will miss you enormously both on the cricket field and as an endearing friend.

- San Gore





Shepherds Bush

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND MATCH FEES

The Annual Subscription for 2026 is:

		£
Playing Member	– Full	100.00
	– Student	50.00
Non-playing Member		75.00
Associate Member	– UK	20.00
	– Overseas	15.00

The subscription for playing and non-playing members is due on 1 May and includes an advance payment of £50 for the Annual Dinner (£25 for students). Concessionary rates are available and applied at the discretion of the Committee. Prompt payment by direct transfer to our bank will be appreciated.

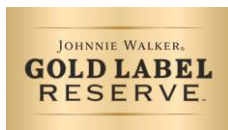
Associate Members should pay by standing order on 1 June each year.

Match fees, payable on the day, will be £15 for afternoon matches (£10 for students). This includes Tea and a contribution towards beer jugs for the opposition. For all-day and certain premier games, a higher fee is charged.

CLUBWEAR

The Club offers to members at very reasonable prices a range of clubwear all bearing the Club crest. The clubwear includes cricket shirts, trousers, caps and sweaters, coloured polo shirts, evening sweaters and striped blazers. Orders should be placed with the Treasurer.

SPONSORSHIPS



P1 CAPITAL

Kensington Cricket Club enjoys the support of Cobra Beer, and Diageo plc through their whisky brand of Johnnie Walker Gold Label Reserve. We thank both our sponsors for their on-going contribution. We do our best to promote their products at cricket matches and elsewhere.

In addition, P1 Capital, a boutique asset management business who specialise in funding investment opportunities, support us in every which way they can.

RESULTS 2025

Played 20 - Won 8, Lost 10, Drawn 2. Cancelled 4

Opponents	Result	R/W	Ov	We	R/W	Ov	They
Shepherds Bush	W	121/2	25	Wardhen 58*, Ashar 34	117/10	29	Siddiqui 4/9, Tahir 2/4
Marlow Park	W	253/9	40	Tahir 61, Lekhraj 52*, Crowther 4/65	163/10	32	Lombard 35, Munsha 34 B.van Vuuren 3/9
Crossbatters	Canc						
Hemel Hempstead	L	170/10	33	Arora 82	251/7	40	Corrigan 78, Hodgins 68 A.Nayyar 2/34
Maidenhead & Bray	L	175/10	39	Shanker 71, Ghosh 25, Dahiya 3/16	193/8	40	Amresh 62, Dahiya 54, Siddiqui 3/18
Dunsfold	W	208/4	40	Arora 79, P.Singh 31	122/10	35	Watkins 38, Roughley 2/11
Tilford	W	211/7	37	Collier 47, Shanker 36, Windsor 3/31	210/9	42	Fuller 73, Douglas 41, P.Singh 3/23
Harpden	L	232/7	40	Ghosh 87, Barreto 32	260/8	40	Abbasi 100, Zacks 43, D.Behar 3/47
Hertford	L	215/10	38	Shanker 64, Arora 44, Johnston 3/19	256/8	40	Cavener 102, Gardner 44
Northwood	L	163/10	39	Arora 33, Heuston 3/40	173/8	40	Govindraj 36, Tahir 5/9
Old Westminster	D	214/7	44	Shanker 97, Arora 38	214/4	41	Skerrit 65*, Earle 46*
Hawridge	L	187/5	40	B.van Vuuren 61, Ghosh 50*	188/6	30	L.Hames 83*, S.Hames 36*
Barnes – T20	L	125/9	20	Arora 63*	184/6	20	Stamp 64, Salisbury 46* Arora 3/20
Warborough	Canc						
Kew	W	196/4	40	Siddiqui 52, P.Singh 44	121/10	32	Somalingam 46, Arora 4/10
Sawbridgeworth	W	112/2	32	Ghosh 62	111/9	31	Paktsun 30, Patel 3/7
Brigade of Gurkhas	Canc						
Hon.Artilletry Co	L	202/7	46	J.Singh 66, Shanker 44, Rishad 40*	203/3	36	Casey 64*, Mahmud 51*, Siddiqui 2/26
Headley	W	198/6	27	Arora 58, Janardana 39, Smiley 36	197/8	35	Barton 70*, Cowie 62*, Tyagi 2/23
Wimbledon	L	142/10	33	Arora 53, R.Nayyar 25*, Khan 4/10	144/7	27	Grunshaw 33, Khan 30
Barnes	W	253/5	40	Ashar 108, Shanker 58, Bulpett 3/55	164/10	32	Bergin 48, Sharma 4/15
East Horsley	D	225/3	39	Ashar 108, Jones 64	200/6	37	Carpenter 82*, Sangha 50, Sharma 4/43
Royal Household	L	139/10	28	Katakey 48, Sohi 5/36	189/5	41	Gee 95, Tharakan 2/40
Great Missenden Pelicans	Canc						

2025 SEASON'S HIGHLIGHTS

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Batting

Most runs:	527	Bhavuk Arora
Hundreds:		
Harekrishna Ashar	2	108 v Barnes, 108 v East Horsley
Most fifties:	5	Bhavuk Arora
Fastest fifty:	26 balls	Praveen Lekhraj v Marlow Park
Most sixes:	5	Harekrishna Ashar, Wajid Tahir
Most fours:	83	Bhavuk Arora
Best strike rate (5+ inn) (runs per 100 balls)	117	Wajid Tahir
Highest partnership:	130	Harekrishna Ashar, Nick Jones (2nd wicket) v East Horsley

Bowling

Most wickets:	17	Wajid Tahir
Four Wickets and over:		
Wajid Tahir	5/9	v Northwood
Chirag Sharma (2)	4/15	v Barnes, 4/43 v East Horsley
Javeed Siddiqui	4/9	v Shepherds Bush
Bhavuk Arora	4/10	v Kew

Fielding

Most catches in the season:	7	Bhavuk Arora
Most run outs in the season:	2	Eddy Barreto

Team

Highest team score in a match: 253/5 v Barnes, 253/9 v Marlow Park

Number of partnerships over fifty: 26

	Runs/Wkt	Runs/Over
Total batting average for season:	27.31	5.2
Total bowling average for season:	24.08	5.2

2025 SEASON'S LOWLIGHTS

Highest innings total by Opposition:	260/8	Harpsden
Worst batting collapse:	97/2 – 97/7	v Wimbledon (5 wkts for 0 runs)
Lowest innings total:	125	v Barnes T20

2025 AVERAGES - BATTING

Qualification: 3 completed innings	M	I	NO	<i>Balls</i>		HS	6s	4s	Os	50s	100s	<i>Runs</i> 100 balls	Avg
				<i>Faced</i>	Runs								
1 Ghosh,Rohan	8	7	4	387	282	87*		34		3		73	94.00
2 Ashar,Harekrishna	4	4	0	256	264	108	5	37			2	103	66.00
3 Arora,Bhavuk	13	12	1	545	527	82	4	83		5		97	47.91
4 Jones,Nick	4	4	1	177	110	64		13		1		62	36.67
5 Shanker,Amit	15	15	0	690	501	97	1	73	2	4		73	33.40
6 Singh,Jai	4	4	0	195	105	66		12		1		54	26.25
7 Singh,Preetinder	7	7	2	298	128	44*		16				43	25.60
8 Wardhen,Vibs	10	10	3	248	164	58*	1	22	1	1		66	23.43
9 Tahir,Wajid	10	7	0	109	128	61	5	14	1	1		117	18.29
10 Rishad,Hammad	7	7	2	88	90	40*	1	13	2			102	18.00
11 Sharma,Chirag	11	7	1	93	97	31*	3	13	1			104	16.17
12 Barreto,Eddy	14	7	1	104	91	32	1	14				88	15.17
13 Siddiqui,Javeed	12	10	0	133	110	52	4	15	3	1		83	11.00
14 Nayyar,Amit	4	4	0	24	19	13		4	1			79	4.75
15 Van Vuuren,Dan	5	4	0	27	10	5				1		37	2.50

Also batted:

Kumar,Jayant	8	5	3	13	8	4		1					
Stokes,Andy	4	4	2	92	47	21		7					
Konson,Ryan	6	4	2	55	30	17*		1					
Behar,David	8	4	2	39	16	8*							
Sher Khan,Akbar	3	3	1	26	25	9*		3					
Tyagi,Siddharth	4	3	1	22	18	10		3	1				
Tharakan,Alex	5	3	1	15	10	10		2	1				
Van Vuuren,Bernard	4	2	0	90	75	61*	3	8		1			
Lekhraj,Praveen	2	2	1	39	69	52	2	7		1			
Janardana,Jaidev	2	2	0	69	67	39	2	8					
Smiley,Joe	2	2	0	61	55	36	1	9					
Dangra,Noor	2	2	0	73	34	24		5					
Patel,Saad	3	2	0	30	23	23		3	1				

Batted twice >20 runs (2): 6 4 0 40 29 3 1

Batted once (19): 22 19 5 308 223 4 29 1

Did not bat (9): 14

223	170	33	3355	37	452	17	19	2	24.49
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Players short

1	Extras	386	Avg R/100 balls	
224	4346	3741	Avg R/W	86 27.31
	Overs	720	Avg R/O	5.20

2025 AVERAGES - BOWLING

Qualification: 13 overs and 3 wickets	nb	wd	O	M	R	W	Best		Averages		
							Perf	5w	O/W	R/O	R/W
1 Preetinder Singh	2		18	1	90	6	3 / 23		3.0	5.0	15.00
2 Javeed Siddiqui	2	1	46	6	218	14	4 / 9		3.3	4.7	15.57
3 Wajid Tahir	3	3	64	7	277	17	5 / 9	1	3.8	4.3	16.29
4 Chirag Sharma	3	6	39	4	168	10	4 / 15		3.9	4.3	16.80
5 Ken Ledger	2	4	17	1	69	4	2 / 28		4.3	4.1	17.25
6 Siddharth Tyagi	2		18	5	69	4	2 / 19		4.5	3.8	17.25
7 Amit Shanker	1		17	0	102	5	2 / 37		3.4	6.0	20.40
8 Bhavuk Arora			52	7	255	12	4 / 10		4.3	4.9	21.25
9 Saad Patel	1	5	23	1	100	4	3 / 7		5.8	4.3	25.00
10 Saikat Barua	2	16	1	76	3	2 / 25			5.3	4.8	25.33
11 Bernard van Vuuren	1	17	3	81	3	3 / 9			5.7	4.8	27.00
12 Alex Tharakan	8	37	4	137	5	2 / 27			7.4	3.7	27.40
13 Ryan Konson	3	8	33	4	216	7	2 / 12		4.7	6.5	30.86
14 David Behar	16	31	1	159	5	3 / 47			6.2	5.1	31.80
15 Daniel van Vuuren	5	13	0	96	3	2 / 27			4.3	7.4	32.00
16 Eddy Barreto	5	4	87	10	417	11	2 / 19		7.9	4.8	37.91
17 Jayant Kumar	1	7	50	5	245	5	1 / 17		10.0	4.9	49.00

Also bowled:

Rohan Sur			11	0	52	1			11.0	4.7	
Akbar Sher Khan	2	1	9	0	78	2			4.5	8.7	
Rishon Nayyar			8	1	41	2			4.0	5.1	
Adam Sumner			7	0	24	1			7.0	3.4	
Amit Nayyar	2	7	0	58	3				2.3	8.3	
Rabindra Jhunjhunwala			7	1	25	2			3.5	3.6	
Niyas Moothedath	3	7	0	26	2				3.5	3.7	
Lalit Pandey	4	7	0	27	0					3.9	
Mark Roughley			6	1	28	2			3.0	4.7	
Oliver Hamilton			6	0	40	2			3.0	6.7	
Rohan Ghosh			6	0	41	1					
Saurav Sen			6	0	32	0				5.3	
Otis Keleher	2	6	0	61	0					10.2	
Others (9):	1	3	29	3	198	7			4.1	6.8	
	25	88	700	66	3506	143		1	4.9	5.0	24.52
Fielding wides		38									
Byes; Leg byes	116	38			154						
Run outs						6					
Retired out						3					
			700	66	3660	152			4.6	5.2	24.08

PLAYERS 2026

Bhavuk Arora	Saad Patel
Harekrishna Ashar	David Price
Adelbert Barreto	Hammad Rishad
Saikat Barua	Mark Roughley
Sid Baveja	Tim Russell
David Behar	Saurav Sen
Sid Chhibbar	Amit Shanker
Will Collier	Shamiul Hoq Shanto
Noor Dangra	Chirag Sharma
Sid Dhurka	Akbar Sher Khan
Fred Evans	Javeed Siddiqui
Rohan Ghosh	Chetan Singh
Jaidev Janardana	Jai Singh
Nick Jones	Preetinder Singh
Tim Keleher	Joe Smiley
Ryan Konson	Andy Stokes
Jayant Kumar	Adam Sumner
Chris Ledger	Wajid Tahir
Praveen Lekhraj	Alex Tharakan
Shahzeb Mohammed	Siddharth Tyagi
Amit Nayyar	Daniel van Vuuren
Lalit Pandey	Vibs Wardhen

ASSOCIATES AND NON-PLAYING MEMBERS

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Sarwar Chowdari	Jason Moores
Ben Goldschmied	Neeraj Nayar
Bharat Gorasiya	Mark Oppe
San Gore	Jon Pickles
Mark Jefferson	Deepak Ramachandra
Rakteem Katakey	Nick Stevenson
Tabrez Khan	Matthew Syddall
Furqan Kidwai	Raj Tandon
	Bernard van Vuuren

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David Gray	London, UK	Mark Stockton	London, UK
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Brett Hatfield	Sydney, Aus	Steve Thomas	London, UK
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DATES FOR YOUR 2026 DIARY

Feb 15 - Mar 29	Indoor Nets at Lords – Sundays 7pm – 8pm
Apr 19	First match of the season
May 1	Annual Subscription due
Sept 12	Club match – followed by dinner
Oct 22	Annual General Meeting
Nov 14	Annual Dinner
Dec 13	Christmas Stammtisch

FIXTURES 2026

Date	Opponents	Venue	Start
APRIL			
Sun 19	Hertford	Mangrove Road	SG13 8AN 1:00
Sun 26	Shepherds Bush	Shepherds Bush	W3 7BP 1:30
MAY			
Sun 3	Marlow Park	Marlow	SL7 2AE 1:00
Sun 10	Jastar Capital (Sunil Amar Trophy)	Chapel Lane, Easton, Winchester	SO21 1EN 2:00
Sun 17	Hemel Hempstead Town	Heath Park	HP1 1JZ 1:00
Sun 24	Maidenhead & Bray	Bray	SL6 2AA 1:15
Sun 31	Harpsden	Harpsden Way	RG9 4HG 1:00
JUNE			
Sun 7	Tilford	Tilford Green	GU10 2BU 1:00
Sun 14	Dunsfold	Dunsfold	GU8 4LB 1:00
Sun 21	Stoke D'Abernon	Stoke Road	KT11 3PS 11:30
Wed 24	Great Missenden Pelicans	Nags Head Lane	HP16 0DG 11:30
Sun 28	Northwood	Duck's Hill Road	HA6 2NP 1:30
JULY			
Sat 4	Old Westminsters	Vincent Square	SW1P 2PW 11:30
Fri 10	Barnes – T20	Lonsdale Road	SW13 9QL 5:30
Sun 12	Hawridge & Cholesbury	Cholesbury	HP23 6ND 1:00
Sun 19	Warborough & Shillingford	Warborough	OX10 7DR 1:00
Sun 26	Kew	Kew Green	TW9 3AH 1:00
AUGUST			
Sun 2	Old Woking	Woking	GU22 9AH 1:30
Sun 9	Chiswick	Chiswick House	W4 2QN 1:30
Sun 16	Headley Old Freemans	Headley Heath	KT18 6NN 1:15
Sun 23	<i>TBA</i>		
Sun 30	Barnes	Lonsdale Road	SW13 9QL 1:00

FIXTURES 2026

Date	Opponents	Venue	Start
SEPT			
Sun 6	East Horsley	Pennymead Dr	KT24 5AH 1:00
Sat 12	Youths v Veterans Club match and dinner	Barnes	SW13 9QL 12:00
Sat 19	Royal Household	Windsor Castle	SL4 2JG 12:30
Sun 27	Great Missenden Pelicans	Nags Head Lane	HP16 0DG 12:00

MATCH PROCEDURES

- 1 Members wishing to play in any match must indicate their availability on the Spond App no later than the Monday before the weekend. If after that date a member wishes to play or withdraw, he must email or text the Team Secretary.
- 2 The Team Secretary shall appoint the Match Manager from the members available and select the team in consultation with the Match Manager and, if appropriate, the Club Captain. Subject to available paid-up Members having precedence over guests and Members in arrears of subscription, the Team Secretary's decision is final. Team sheets normally are sent by Wednesday.
- 3 Players advised of their selection must confirm with the Match Manager immediately, particularly if there is a difficulty in meeting the commitment.
- 4 All players should be at the ground at least half an hour before the scheduled start time. It is discourteous to the opposition and unfair on your team-mates to arrive late. Therefore, please leave ample time for your journey. In the event of adverse weather conditions on the day, please stand by your mobile phone; the Match Manager will contact you if the match is called off.
- 5 The Match Manager may delegate the role of Captain, but he retains overall responsibility for the conduct of the game, and its administration, including care of any Club Kit, completion of the Scoring App or Scorebook, writing the match report (where appropriate), and accounting to the Treasurer for all match fees and disbursements.

**KENSINGTON CRICKET CLUB
PRIZE WINNERS**

	2025	2024
THE SUNIL AMAR CUP Awarded to the best cricketer of the year	Bhavuk Arora Amit Shanker	Nitin Chaturvedi
THE ANTHONY RICKARD CUP The ‘Clubman’ of the year award for the person who has best upheld the Club’s values on or off the field	Adelbert Barreto	Alex Tharakan
THE BILL RODWELL CUP The ‘Performer’ of the year award for a single outstanding performance	Wajid Tahir	Amit Nayyar
THE CHRIS MILLER CUP The ‘Entertainer’ award for the most entertaining performance of the season	Harekrishna Ashar	Hammad Rishad
THE STOCKTON BROTHERS CUP Awarded to the player who has scored the most number of runs	Bhavuk Arora	Nitin Chaturvedi
THE RAJ TANDON CUP Awarded to the player who has taken the most number of wickets	Wajid Tahir	David Price Alex Tharakan
THE AYLESBURY AWARD The ‘Quacker’ award for the player who has made the most ducks	Javeed Siddiqui	-
THE SAN GORE CUP The “Grubby Trousers” award for the most inspirational fielding performance	Dan van Vuuren	Nick Jones
THE LEDGER – NAYAR CUP The “Revelation” of the year award for the most improved player	Chirag Sharma	Javeed Siddiqui
THE FESTIVAL TROPHY Winners of the Annual Challenge Match	-	-
THE ADELAIDE CUP For Lifetime Achievements	Alex Tharakan Adelbert Barreto	-



Amit Shanker – CRICKETERS OF THE YEAR – Bhavuk Arora





PERFORMER – Wajid Tahir



ENTERTAINER – Harekrishna Ashar

LIFETIME ACHIEVERS – Alex Tharakan and Adelbert Barreto



KENSINGTON CRICKET CLUB

HISTORY

In February 1848, four gentlemen met at the home of Mr Pickering-Clark, at 17 Earls Terrace, to discuss the possibility of forming a cricket club.

The first meeting to inaugurate the club took place at the Kings Arms Inn. A few days later on 17 February 1848, Mrs Johnson of Holland Farm agreed to let her field for £15 per annum at a rate of £5 per acre. The subscription was agreed at a guinea a year and rules were drawn up which included a fine of 2s 6d (12.5p) on any member who left before the end of a club game without supplying a substitute.

One of the first games took place in June, after which it was resolved that members should be requested to refrain from smoking while playing.

At the beginning of the second season the subs were raised by 4s and members agreed to pay 6d a head when matches were played between themselves if on the losing side.

Despite a riotous party (which took five pages of the Minute Book to record!) interest had waned so much that it was decided to dissolve the club at the end of the year.

However, cricket was not entirely dead in Kensington. The game was mentioned in the Kensington Gazette, published between 1853 and 1855.

The report includes an account of "a curious incident" when the "worthy bowler, Mr Smallbone, came into the field quite lame from a bruise he received under his knee and being under medical advice, was allowed to have a man run for him but no sooner had he hit the ball, such is the exhilaration of the game, that his lameness and the doctor were forgotten, and he started running and arrived at the opposite wicket before his deputy. Mr Smallbone continued in his enthusiasm and managed to take no fewer than seven wickets."

Bishop's Stortford, a club with whom we played regularly, recently uncovered old fixture lists that showed Kensington played them in 1905 and 1906.

The existing Kensington Cricket Club was reborn in 1973. The side began as "The Devonshire XI" in Marloes Road in order to play one game for charity against "The Lamb Inn" (a pub in Andover whose proprietor was Anthony Rickard's father).

The HQ then moved to "The Britannia" in Allen Street via "The Scarsdale" in Edwardes Square. The Club was renamed "True Brits". The number of fixtures gradually increased. In 1982 Sunil Amar called an Extra-ordinary General Meeting, a committee was elected and the Royal Borough's permission was obtained to use the name "Kensington"; the team was christened "The Kensington Cricket Club".

Sunil Amar of 118 Lexham Gardens, W8 and Anthony Rickard of 126 Lexham Gardens, W8 were elected the first Captain and Chairman respectively, with Richard Waters as the Secretary and Bill Rodwell as Fixture Secretary.

The success and popularity saw a rapid increase in the number of seriously contested matches with more established clubs but always played in a friendly spirit. With new members joining we added Saturday and mid-week fixtures to ensure full participation, and sometimes we put out two sides on Sundays. We have toured in Europe quite frequently: Rome, Brussels, Antwerp, Amsterdam, Paris, Utrecht, Corfu, Costa Blanca, Malta, Menorca, Brittany, Oporto and Bucharest, and in 2008 we went to India. In recent years, the playing membership stabilised at 35- 40, and the fixtures kept to one a weekend in recognition of the growing demands of family and other commitments.

In 2022 we celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Club's rebirth and we look to continue for many more years in the true traditions of friendly, social cricket.

THE KENSINGTON COAT OF ARMS



ARMS: quarterly gules and gold; in the first quarter a gold celestial crown above a gold fleur-de-lis and in the dexter chief point a silver star; in the second, a cross flory and four martlets all sable; in the third, a cross bottony and four roses gules, their stems and leaves proper; and in the fourth a gold mitre; all within a bordure quarterly or and sable. Motto: Quid nobis ardui - "What is hard for us?"

These arms were granted in 1901. Kensington is a Royal Borough.



Rory McElroy, The 2025 Masters champion, meets Sumaer Amar at the Delhi Golf Club



AT WIMBLEDON

Back: Nick Stevenson, Hammad Rishad, Wajid Tahir, Sid Tyagi, Amit Shanker, Preetinder Singh, Vibbs Wardhen
Front: Rishon Nayyar, Amit Nayyar, Jayant Kumar, Bhavuk Arora, Chirag Sharma



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Back: Jai Singh, Bernard van Vuuren, Adelbert Barreto, Amit Shanker, Harekrishna Ashar, Hammad Rishad
Front: Javeed Siddiqui, Dan van Vuuren, Nick Jones, Saurav Sen, Saad Patel



Tea break at Dunsfold

CLUB RECORDS

All-Time Top 25 Batsmen

Qualification:

50 completed innings	M	I	NO	Runs	HS	6s	4s	Os	50s	100s	Avg	
1	Keleher, Tim	179	170	35	7890	187	121	1060	3	39	25	58.44
2	Kannan, Ravi	108	104	16	4479	150*	109	635	6	24	10	50.90
3	Keleher, Jamie	162	156	20	6018	148*	127	794	10	37	11	44.25
4	Chaturvedi, Nitin	116	110	25	3498	115*	30	472	4	26	2	41.15
5	Singh, Jai	113	105	9	3929	133*	20	537	5	27	5	40.93
6	Ghosh, Rohan	333	311	48	8995	142*	61	1266	23	56	9	34.20
7	Shanker, Amit	146	136	15	3822	139*	36	542	11	19	2	31.59
8	Syddall, Matthew	59	56	5	1544	141*	10	222	4	6	3	30.27
9	Kumar, Jimmy	103	98	23	2236	93	35	286	10	12		29.81
10	Ledger, Chris	518	484	59	12462	131*	221	1658	52	65	8	29.32
11	Mohammed, Shahzeb	102	95	7	2528	101*	64	306	9	10	2	28.73
12	Marshall, Matthew	305	247	42	5468	136	119	666	32	28	5	26.67
13	Gore, San	558	495	75	10999	116*	33	1237	36	44	5	26.19
14	Sen, Saurav	184	134	40	2424	106	32	301	17	10	1	25.79
15	Vajpeyi, Ram	71	67	7	1469	138	14	185	5	8	1	24.48
16	Pickles, James	97	77	12	1554	79	3	216	5	8		23.91
17	Nayar, Neeraj	503	425	87	7745	121*	18	925	38	22	4	22.91
18	Behar, David	256	230	28	4320	151*	43	643	28	16	5	21.39
19	Barua, Saikat	159	112	31	1696	87*	62	185	10	6		20.94
20	Khan, Tabrez	226	177	52	2581	84*	72	279	21	10		20.65
21	Nath, Vinoo	214	200	17	3645	100	4	444	16	17	1	19.92
22	Behar, John	241	203	23	3556	101*	42	487	24	13	1	19.76
23	Nayar, Stefanos	95	86	16	1382	63	3	204	8	5		19.74
24	Siraj, Waqar	85	70	15	1080	98*	13	141	14	5		19.64
25	Tahir, Wajid	119	80	22	1065	61*	36	127	9	4		18.36

Highest score for each batting position

No	Runs		Opponents	
1	187	Tim Keleher	Sawbridgeworth	2016
2	139*	Amit Shanker	Bank of England	2017
3	147*	Jamie Keleher	North Holmwood	2004
4	150*	Ravi Kannan	Cobham	1997
5	123*	Ravi Kannan	Wembley	1997
6	107*	Matt Marshall	Elthorne	2003
7	100	Matt Marshall	Marlow Park	2006
8	75*	Chris Ledger	Travellers (Cambridge)	1995
9	62*	Chris Ledger	East Horsley	2001
	62	Hammad Rishad	Marlow Park	2009
10	83*	Deepak Ramachandra	Old Westminsters	2014
11	47*	Dan Taylor	Marrow	2007

CLUB RECORDS

All-Time Top 25 Bowlers

Qualification:

	300 overs	O	M	R	W	Best		Averages		
						Perf	5w	O/W	R/O	R/W
1	Cornehl,Todd	353	60	1309	81	5 / 15	3	4.4	3.7	16.16
2	Pybus,Mark	372	59	1590	94	6 / 14	3	4.0	4.3	16.91
3	Ramachandra,Deepak	308	58	1190	67	4 / 13		4.6	3.9	17.76
4	Smith,Robert	513	110	1670	90	6 / 48	3	5.7	3.3	18.56
5	Saeed,Tahir	318	59	1058	57	4 / 31		5.6	3.3	18.56
6	Behar,John	1705	275	6608	345	7 / 21	7	4.9	3.9	19.15
7	Rishad,Hammad	353	54	1480	75	5 / 24	2	4.7	4.2	19.73
8	Pickles,Jon	803	162	2655	134	7 / 37	5	6.0	3.3	19.81
9	van Vuuren,Bernard	458	67	1972	96	4 / 20		4.8	4.3	20.54
10	Amar,Sunil	2452	344	9879	477	7 / 27	5	5.1	4.0	20.71
11	Chaturvedi,Nitin	368	32	1775	84	3 / 23		4.4	4.8	21.13
12	Blumberg,Michael	1223	160	5056	233	8 / 37	7	5.2	4.1	21.70
13	Jefferson,Mark	343	51	1395	62	4 / 8		5.5	4.1	22.50
14	Sen,Saurav	1175	141	5514	245	5 / 16	7	4.8	4.7	22.51
15	Tahir,Wajid	764	98	3521	156	5 / 9	4	4.9	4.6	22.57
16	Hasan,Farrukh	452	78	1808	79	5 / 28	1	5.7	4.0	22.89
17	Ledger,Chris	1543	211	6231	272	7 / 40	6	5.7	4.0	22.91
18	Gray,David	354	75	1304	56	5 / 29	2	6.3	3.7	23.29
19	Tharakan,Alex (Seethal)	780	108	3334	140	5 / 27	4	5.6	4.3	23.81
20	Barua,Saikat	1015	131	4423	183	5 / 27	2	5.5	4.4	24.17
21	Hussain,Elias	1344	216	5267	216	5 / 59	1	6.2	3.9	24.38
22	Marshall,Matthew	1729	245	7506	305	6 / 32	7	5.7	4.3	24.61
23	Nayar,Neeraj	2461	289	11523	453	6 / 55	2	5.4	4.7	25.44
24	Behar,David	426	43	2090	81	5 / 64	1	5.3	4.9	25.80
25	Shailendra,Akhilesh	388	58	1618	62	4 / 18		6.3	4.2	26.10

Wicketkeeping

Qualification:

	30 matches	M	c	s	byes	Runs	R/b	b/M
	Ben Goldschmied	104	74	23	641	16947	26	6.2
	Jamie Keleher	75	69	22	223	13503	61	3.0
	Shahzeb Mohammed	70	48	11	398	12495	31	5.7
	Rohan Ghosh	63	42	17	286	11178	39	4.5
	Harsha Gandadi	51	32	14	278	9269	33	5.5
	Jimpy Kumar	48	38	10	147	6130	42	3.1
	Mark Oppe	42	17	12	211	7526	36	5.0
	Jason Moores	37	17	8	232	6595	28	6.3
	Tim Yardley	30	22	7	155	4622	30	5.2
	Rob Goode	30	20	7	163	3713	23	5.4

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CLUB RECORDS

Record partnership for each wicket

<u>Wkt</u>				<u>Opponents</u>	
1st	223	Jai Singh (131*), Praveen Lekhraj (95)		Hertford	2021
2nd	227	Tim Keleher (125*), Matt Marshall (94)		Reigate Pilgrims	2007
3rd	258	Tim Keleher (187), Amit Shanker (94*)		Sawbridgeworth	2016
4th	179+	Preetinder Singh (91*), Nitin Chaturvedi (81*)		Richmond	2019
5th	164	Praveen Lekhraj (79), Saikat Barua (87*)		Northfields	2019
6th	138+	Pammi Chaggar (106*), Matt Marshall (55*)		Marlow Park	2010
7th	123	Alex Page (86*), Charles Salem (63)		Harrodian	1986
8th	119+	Chris Ledger (75*), Michael Blumberg (45*)		Travellers (Camb)	1995
9th	72+	Mark Lunney (32*), Russell Smail (40*)		Chiswick Homefields	1994
10th	84	D.Ramachandra (83*), Sunil Amar (2)		Old Westminster	2014

Most Runs

Most Wickets

Most Catches

	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Avg</u>		<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Avg</u>		
Chris Ledger	12462	29.39	Sunil Amar	477	20.71	Chris Ledger	179
San Gore	10999	26.19	Neeraj Nayar	453	25.44	Neeraj Nayar	131
Rohan Ghosh	8995	34.20	John Behar	345	19.15	Tim Keleher	82
Tim Keleher	7890	58.44	Matt Marshall	305	24.61	Rohan Ghosh	80
Neeraj Nayar	7745	22.91	Chris Ledger	272	22.78	San Gore	80
Jamie Keleher	6018	44.25	Saurav Sen	245	22.38	Saurav Sen	76
Matt Marshall	5468	26.67	Michael Blumberg	233	21.70	John Behar	68
Ravi Kannan	4479	50.90	Elias Hussain	216	24.38	Jamie Keleher	59
David Behar	4320	21.39	Saikat Barua	183	24.17	Matt Marshall	59
Jai Singh	3929	41.36	Wajid Tahir	156	22.57	Sunil Amar	58
Amit Shanker	3822	31.59	Tabrez Khan	154	30.98	David Behar	53
Vinoo Nath	3645	19.92	Alex Tharakan	140	23.81	Amit Shanker	53
John Behar	3556	19.76	Jon Pickles	134	19.81	Saikat Barua	50
Nitin Chaturvedi	3498	41.15	Eddy Barreto	106	32.42	Ravi Kannan	48
Tabrez Khan	2581	20.65	Chetan Singh	103	34.45	Tabrez Khan	47
Sunil Amar	2543	13.97	Ralph Cobban	100	28.36	Vinoo Nath	43

Most Hundreds

Most Fifties

Most 'Five-Fors'

Tim Keleher	25	Chris Ledger	65	John Behar	7
Jamie Keleher	11	Rohan Ghosh	56	M Blumberg	7
Ravi Kannan	10	San Gore	44	Matt Marshall	7
Rohan Ghosh	9	Tim Keleher	39	Saurav Sen	7
Chris Ledger	8	Jamie Keleher	37	Chris Ledger	6
David Behar	5	Matt Marshall	28	Sunil Amar	5
San Gore	5	Jai Singh	27	Jon Pickles	5
Matt Marshall	5	Nitin Chaturvedi	26	Wajid Tahir	4
Jai Singh	5	Ravi Kannan	24	Alex Tharakan	4
Neeraj Nayar	4	Neeraj Nayar	22		

CLUB RECORDS

The Match Double

Qualification: 50 runs and 5 wickets

Michael Blumberg	59*	and	5/54	v Michael Phillip's XI	1987
David Steele	108*	and	6/38	v Shepherd's Bush	1988
Ian McLean	85	and	5/22	v Weekenders	1989
Chris Ledger	61	and	7/40	v Old Merchant Taylors	1996
Ravi Kannan	97*	and	5/66	v Roehampton	1997
Guy Haynes	58	and	5/42	v XL Club of Spain	2001
Darren Cotterell	87*	and	6/28	v Windsor Great Park	2003

The Season's Double

Qualification: 325 runs and 25 wickets

		Runs	Wkts		
John Behar	(3)	330	30	1996	
		385	35	1999	
		420	34	2000	
Chris Ledger	(3)	597	31	1993	
		489	35	1997	
		724	30	2001	
Neeraj Nayar	(2)	357	25	2001	
		412	35	2006	
Matt Marshall	(1)	525	43	2002	
Tabrez Khan	(1)	333	30	2010	

Most runs

Over:	30	Shahid Nawaz	1984
Innings:	187	Tim Keleher	2016
Season:	1097	Jamie Keleher	2004

Most sixes

Over:	5	Shahid Nawaz	1984
Innings:	11	Shahid Nawaz	1984
Season:	41	Matt Marshall	2003

Most fours

Over:	6	Chris Ledger	2001
Innings:	30	Sanjay Kohli	1989
Season:	162	Jamie Keleher	2004

Most fifties/hundreds

Succession:	4	Ram Vajpeyi	1999
		Guy Haynes	2001
		Jai Singh	2003
Season:	10	Jamie Keleher	2004

Most ducks

Season:	7	Chris Ledger	2001
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The Wicketkeeper's Double

Qualification: 300 runs and 20 dismissals

		Runs	Dismissals		
San Gore	(2)	476	20	2000	
		657	23	2004	
Rob Goode		500	22	1985	
Jimpy Kumar		375	20	2003	
Shahzeb Mohammed		568	20	2014	

Most dismissals

Innings:	6	San Gore v Leigh	2003
		(all stumped off R Mitra)	
Season:	23	San Gore	2004

Most wickets

Innings:	8	Michael Blumberg	2002
		Rohan Sur	2013
Season:	44	Elias Hussain	2003

Hat-tricks

Chris Miller	v Design Council	1989
Matt Marshall	v Marsa SC, Malta	2002
Michael Blumberg	v Hawley	2002
Elias Hussain	v South Hampstead	2003
Shray Amar	v Jesus College	2003
David Behar	v Weekenders	2006
Hammad Rishad	v Jesus College	2008
Saurav Sen	v Mayo College	2008
Sunil Amar	v Dunsfold	2012
Saurav Sen	v Marlow Park	2013
Ajit Ramsagar	v Hawridge	2013
Wajid Tahir	v Harpsden	2017
Wajid Tahir	v Bank of England	2023

Most catches

Innings:	5	Warren Williams	2010
Season:	16	Akhi Shailendra	2011

CLUB RECORDS

Scores at the fall of each wicket

Highest

Wkt	Score		
1st	223	Hertford	2021
2nd	250	Hertford	2021
3rd	305	Elthorne	1999
4th	279	Hawridge	2013
5th	293	Hawridge	2018
6th	309	Sawbrid'worth	2020
7th	307	Elvetham	2023
8th	306	Sth Hampstead	2014
9th	308	Sth Hampstead	2014
10th	309	Sth Hampstead	2014

Lowest

Wkt	Score		
0	(55 times)		
0	(6 times)		
1st	1	Sawbrid'worth	2021
4th	6	Travellers	1995
5th	7	Travellers	1995
6th	16	Chalvington	1985
7th	18	Chalvington	1985
8th	18	Chalvington	1985
9th	21	Chalvington	1985
10th	21	Chalvington	1985

Highest innings totals

Batting first			
To win:	316/5	v Oporto	2011
To draw:	304/2	v Sevenoaks	2006
To lose:	314/7	v Elvetham	2023
Batting second			
To win:	330/3	v Sawbo	2016
To draw:	257/8	v Denham	1993
	257/7	v Marlow Park	2007
To lose:	309/10	v Sth Hampst'd	2014
Opposition			
To win:	342/6	Sth Hampst'd	2014
To draw:	297/6	Old Redingen'	2009
To lose:	326/4	Sawbrid'worth	2016

Most runs in a match

656	326/4	Sawbridgeworth	
	330/3	KCC	2016

Fastest hundred

40ov:	54 balls	P.Singh v Sawbo	2020
T20:	51 balls	Tahir Saeed v VCC	2008

Fastest fifty

21 balls faced and 15 scoring shots			
		Hammad Rishad	v Marlow Park 2009
		David Behar (18)	v Weekenders 2008

Lowest innings totals

Batting 1st:	60	v Lamb Inn	1986
Batting 2nd:	21	v Chalvington	1985
Opposition:	19	Touring Theatres	1989

Tie

119/10 (both)	v Reigate Pilgrims	1995
170/10 (both)	v Dunsfold	2002
173/10 (both)	v Olinda Vandals	2003
203 in 40 overs	v Odiham	2010
228 in 40 overs	v Acton	2015
171 in 24 overs	v Reigate Pilgrims	2022

Largest margins of victory

236 runs	v Edmonton	2002
10 wkts	v East India	1986
10 wkts	v Hawley	1999
10 wkts	v Frensham	2005
10 wkts	v Bish. Stortford	2007
10 wkts	v Jesus College	2015

Largest margins of defeat

213 runs	v Bombay Gym	2008
10 wkts	v Guinness	1987
10 wkts	v Falkland	2012
10 wkts	v Barnes T20	2021

Most extras conceded

Innings:	54	v Leigh	2009
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