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Re: **Mersey Cup U15 T20 Competition 2020**

Dear Players, Coaches & Parents

We are excited to welcome you to Neston Cricket Club for our U15s Mersey Cup tournament next week; 3rd – 7th August. Neston is one of the best sporting venues in the Northwest of England and we will be live streaming the matches played on the front pitch on all five days! The link for live streaming can be accessed via the Pro Cricket Academies website above.

We will also have drones filming the action on certain days that will be able to capture great action shots of the players. Images will be displayed on the Pro Cricket Academies website for parents to view and may be used for promotional literature. Should you wish your child not be photographed or filmed please let me know and we will respect your wishes. Protocols are attached and must be read and adhered to by players, spectators and officials in advance of attending so that everyone is safe and we can enjoy a week of positive play.

This tournament comprises of ten T20 matches; two on each day. Please click the link to see the highlights of the tournament from 2019. This was an u19 tournament ([Mersey Cup highlights 2019](#)). We have a team coming from Grappenhall CC and 3 teams of players from across Wirral, Cheshire & Merseyside.

There will be a cost of £150 per player associated with this tournament to cover (ground hire, umpires, scorers, balls, trophies & Managers/coaches) that must be paid in advance of the tournament. If you have not already done so, please pay into the account below to secure your child's place before Friday 31st July. **WE ONLY HAVE 5 PLACES REMAINING IF YOU HAVE FRIEND THAT WOULD LIKE TO PLAY! Please use your child's first and last name and age as reference:**

Sort Code: 20 63 66
Account number: 10748722
Account Name: Mr BT Donelan

Players are required to arrive between 9.30 & 9.45am each day. On Monday 3rd August at 9.45am a social distanced meeting will be held on the back pitch. One player and one parent/adult must attend please. *Please note if the weather is poor we are not able to offer a refund and would ask that you stay in your vehicles as we must stay in line with the ECB COVID19 guidance and so cannot accommodate a large group in the club house.

Players will be notified of their team name over the weekend via the Pro Cricket Academy WhatsApp group. If you are not currently a member please let me know and I will add you. The teams this year are:

Warriors

Outlaws

Superkings

Sunrisers

Game Format: *All planned games subject to adjustment if circumstances dictate.

This great T20 tournament will use pink and red balls so the players get exposed to them. I have allocated a time frame of 1hr 15min to bowl 20 overs. Umpires will ensure the fielding captain is mindful of this and keep the games moving so every player keeps fully involved and the excitement of T20 is maintained. We may also bowl 10 overs from each end to speed the game up. Players should wear whites for this tournament. Teams will be balanced to ensure that everyone is involved and players are all able to contribute to the competition.

The competition will run on a league basis with the team achieving most points will be the winners of the competition. In the event of any game being a tie the game will be decided by a six ball super over. One over with no limitations on the number of batsmen that can bat. The winner of the Super Over shall be declared the winners of that game. If the Super over is tied each team gets 2 points.

3pts for win, 2 points for a Tie 0 points for loss.

Bonus points can be gained by:

1pt - Bowling out the opposition in the allotted 20 overs. This does include the last ball of the innings (on the last ball of the innings if the batting team were nine wickets down and lost their last wicket to the last ball of the innings this constitutes being bowled out and therefore the bowling team can claim an extra bonus point).

125 – Any team scoring one hundred and twenty five runs or more in the allotted 20 overs gets an additional bonus point.

Playing Timetables

We have planned for an hour of coaching and net practice each day so players can develop their skills and put them into practice in the middle.

Monday	Front Pitch	Nets	Back Pitch
8am	Steve Grounds		
9.45am			Player & 1 adult arrive for registration and H & S briefing
10am		Nets training for Sunrisers & Warriors	Game 2 starts Outlaws V Superkings
11.15am	Game 1 starts Sunrisers & Warriors		End of 1 st innings Break
11.30am			2 nd Innings starts
12.30pm	End of 1 st Innings Break		
12.45pm	2 nd Innings starts		End of Game 2 LUNCH
1.15pm		Nets training for Outlaws & Superkings	
2pm	End of Game 1	Break	
2.15pm	LUNCH		
2.30pm	Game 3 Sunrisers V Superkings		Game 4 Warriors V Outlaws
3.45pm	End of 1 st Innings & Break		
4pm	2 nd Innings starts		
5.15pm	All games end		

Tuesday	Front Pitch	Nets	Back Pitch
8am			Steve Grounds
9.45am	Player & 1 adult arrive for registration and H & S briefing		
10am	Game 5 starts Warriors V Superkings	Nets training for Sunrisers & Outlaws	
11.15am	End of 1 st innings Break		Game 6 starts Outlaws V Sunrisers
11.30am	2 nd Innings starts		
12.30pm			End of 1 st Innings Break
12.45pm	End of Game 5 LUNCH		2 nd Innings starts
1.15pm		Nets training for Superkings & Warriors	
2pm			End of Game 6 LUNCH
2.15pm		Break	
2.30pm	Game 7 Warriors V Sunrisers		Game 8 Superkings V Outlaws
3.45pm	End of 1 st Innings & Break		
4pm	2 nd Innings starts		
5.15pm	All games end		

Wednesday	Front Pitch	Nets	Back Pitch
8am	Steve Grounds		
9.45am			Player & 1 adult arrive for registration and H & S briefing
10am		Nets training for Outlaws & Warriors	Game 10 starts Sunrisers V Superkings
11.15am	Game 9 starts Outlaws V Warriors		End of 1 st innings Break
11.30am			2 nd Innings starts
12.30pm	End of 1 st Innings Break		
12.45pm	2 nd Innings starts		End of Game 10 LUNCH
1.15pm		Nets training for Sunrisers & Superkings	
2pm	End of Game 9 LUNCH		
2.15pm		Break	
2.30pm	Game 11 Warriors V Superkings		Game 12 Sunrisers V Outlaws
3.45pm	End of 1 st Innings & Break		
4pm	2 nd Innings starts		
5.15pm	All games end		

Thursday	Front Pitch	Nets	Back Pitch
8am			Steve Grounds
9.45am	Player & 1 adult arrive for registration and H & S briefing		
10am	Game 13 starts Outlaws V Superkings	Nets training for Sunrisers & Warriors	
11.15am	End of 1 st innings Break		Game 14 starts Warriors V Sunrisers
11.30am	2 nd Innings starts		
12.30pm			End of 1 st Innings Break
12.45pm	End of Game 13 LUNCH		2 nd Innings starts
1.15pm		Nets training for Outlaws & Superkings	End of Game 14 LUNCH
2pm			
2.15pm		Break	
2.30pm	Game 15 Outlaws V Warriors		Game 16 Superkings V Sunrisers
3.45pm	End of 1 st Innings & Break		
4pm	2 nd Innings starts		
5.15pm	All games end		

Friday	Front Pitch	Nets	Back Pitch
8am	Steve Grounds		
9.45am			Player & 1 adult arrive for registration and H & S briefing
10am		Nets training for Outlaws & Sunrisers	Game 18 starts Warriors V Superkings
11.15am	Game 17 starts Outlaws V Sunrisers		End of 1 st innings Break
11.30am			2 nd Innings starts
12.30pm	End of 1 st Innings Break		
12.45pm	2 nd Innings starts		End of Game 18 LUNCH
1.15pm		Nets training for Superkings & Warriors	
2pm	End of Game 17 LUNCH		
2.15pm		Break	
2.30pm	Game 19 Outlaws V Superkings		Game 20 Sunrisers V Warriors
3.45pm	End of 1 st Innings & Break		
4pm	2 nd Innings starts		
5.15pm	All games end & trophy presentation on the back pitch		

5.15pm: **Awards Ceremony** Back pitch - There will be a short presentation after the last matches on Friday to announce the winners of the tournament and runners up along with the 4 x man of the match awards. This will be decided by the umpires and coaches of all teams. A slip will be given to the coaches to record their choices and why. This slip must be handed into the tournament organiser Brad Donelan at the end of each game.

Refreshments & Facilities:

Players should bring sufficient drinks, food and snacks for the full day.

The club café will be open from 11am – 3pm daily serving drinks, light snacks, paninis and sandwiches.

Toilets will be available in the pavilion on the back pitch for players and the main club toilets for players on the front pitch and adults in attendance. We must adhere to the COVID19 risk assessments and so cannot provide changing rooms. We will provide dry areas for bags to be stored during play.

Tournament venue address

Neston Cricket Club,
Station Road,
Parkgate
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If you have any further queries then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours in Sport

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