

Greys Green Cricket Club Annual Report May 2024

The 2023 season was the 150th anniversary of the Club's foundation and the playing of cricket on the Green at Greys. The whole season had a celebratory feel with many old friends and ex-players coming along to share the celebrations. A special game was arranged against the Refreshers, a team we have been playing for 80 years, and we chose that occasion to launch our book commemorating the Club's history "150 Years of Cricket on the Green". This publication was generally very well received and some copies are still available for purchase.

On the field the 2023 season was a successful one with a playing record of Played 17 Won 10 Drawn 5 Lost 2. We cancelled fewer games through lack of players than in the previous year but as always we are on the lookout for new players. We have 23 games planned for the coming season and again we are staging matches involving the Oxfordshire Under 11 girls' team. All fixtures will appear in the Contact magazine

The build up to this season was not entirely smooth as we lost our groundsman, Chris, in early March. He had served us very well for around 10 years and such people are hard to replace. But we have been lucky enough to find Paul, who had previously worked at Huntercombe Golf Club and latterly at the golf club at Greys. In spite of the awful weather in recent times he has the ground looking better than ever for the start of the season.

As a testament to the beauty of the Green a cricket photographer who visited the ground late last season selected one of his photos to appear in the annual calendar of the Cricketer magazine, one of the most prestigious publications in the cricketing world.

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