



## Hampshire Cricket Board

### Association of Cricket Groundsmen

#### Newsletter No 7 – January 2015

Dear Member,

#### 1. Membership

Membership has reached 61 – welcome to our recent joiners. We need still more, so please help to spread the word when you can.

#### 2. Pesticides, Weed Control and Spraying

You may be aware of changes in controls of the purchase and use of pesticides, herbicides and fungicides, in particular the removal of "grandfather rights" with effect from 26 November 2016.

Peter Marshall and colleagues from Complete Weed Control are giving a talk and practical demonstration on pesticide use to the IOG Winchester Branch on **Tuesday 10 February**, from 14.00 to 16.30 at Winchester College Grounds, Kingsgate Street, Winchester, SO23 9PG. **Association members are also welcome to attend.**

Parking is usually available inside the main ground, weather permitting, or in Kingsgate Street.

#### 3. Online practical guidance for Cricket Groundsmen

ECB has created an excellent online guide which we hope you will find helpful. Try this link - <http://www.ecb.co.uk/groundsmen/>

#### 4. Grounds Management Advice from Cricket Club EXPO

Cricket Club EXPO, in partnership with the Institute of Groundsmanship (IOG), is offering grounds management advice to cricket club visitors at its up and coming events at the Nursery Pavilions at Lord's Cricket Ground, Newcastle Cricket Centre, Gosforth, and the SWALEC Stadium in Cardiff during February and March this year.

The IOG's Regional Pitch Advisors will be available to advise clubs on their grounds and pitch preparation and maintenance needs. Each visitor can access key advice relating to their cricketing needs.

Cricket Club EXPO is free to enter for all members of cricket clubs and it takes just two minutes to register via the Cricket Club EXPO website - [ccexpo@ganadores.co.uk](mailto:ccexpo@ganadores.co.uk)

The event at The Nursery Pavilion, Lord's Cricket Ground, is on 7th February 2015

ageas Bowl  
The Road West End  
Winchester  
Hampshire SO30 3XH

013 8047 5600  
023 8047 2122  
[info@ageasbowl.com](mailto:info@ageasbowl.com)  
[ageasbowl.com](http://ageasbowl.com)



### 5. Jewson Privilege Card

Applications are now open for the Jewson Privilege Card (deposit £50, ECB add £350, it seems 2014 applicants can re-apply, first come first served). Clubs need to register for NatWest CricketForce first to qualify.

These are the links:

NatWest CricketForce registration:

<https://nwcf.ecb.co.uk/CFTheme/NoPublicPermission.aspx>

Jewson Privilege Account information:

<http://www.ecb.co.uk/development/facilities-funding/self-build-and-self-help/natwest-cricketforce/jewson-center-privilege-account-scheme,2611,BP.html>

### 6. Training – Institute of Groundmanship courses

The next IOG Foundation **Level 1, Part A** course – Spring preparation and Summer maintenance – will be at Hursley Park CC on **Tuesday 21 April 2015, 09.00 – 16.30**.

The **Part B** course - Autumn Renovation and Winter Maintenance – is also at Hursley Park on **Tuesday 8 September 2015**, same times. Unfortunately the course fee has increased yet again, to £130 plus VAT per course for IOG members and £260 plus VAT for non-members. The current annual subscription for individual membership is £48.

**The Hampshire Cricket Board will continue to assist with course fees for members of the ACG, by refunding up to £65 per member per course.** To claim a refund, please **send a copy of the paid invoice** to me **after the course**.

We strongly urge all Hampshire ACG members who have never taken advantage of these courses to do so – or even to repeat them if you attended some time ago. The courses are hands-on, delivered by qualified Institute of Groundmanship tutors who are usually also working groundsmen. Chris Westbrook, our County Pitch Advisor, is also on hand to assist the tutor and lend his club's equipment.

The Ageas Bowl  
Botley Road West End  
Southampton  
Hampshire SO30 3XH

Tel: 023 8047 5600  
Fax: 023 8047 2122  
[enquiries@ageasbowl.com](mailto:enquiries@ageasbowl.com)  
[www.ageasbowl.com](http://www.ageasbowl.com)



- **Part A covers**
  - Mowing , Scarifying and brushing , Aeration , Irrigation, Rolling, Fertiliser Application
  - Preparing the square, Preparation of the match pitch, Pitch repair and renovation,
  - Maintenance of the outfield, maintenance of non-turf pitches
- **Part B includes**
  - Safe Working practices, Scarification, Aeration, Repairs and renovation, Overseeding ,
  - Top dressing, Fertiliser application, Care of outfield, maintaining non turf surfaces.

More information is available on the IOG website - on membership at [http://www.iog.org/membership/types\\_of\\_membership](http://www.iog.org/membership/types_of_membership), and to book places <http://www.iog.org/train-education/training-courses/cricket/foundation-part-a>

Alternatively you can call IOG on 01908 312511 to book a place.

Colin Savage  
HCB Administrator  
20 January 2015

02380 475609

07920 452544

[colin.savage@ageasbowl.com](mailto:colin.savage@ageasbowl.com)

The Ageas Bowl  
Botley Road West End  
Southampton  
Hampshire SO30 3XH

Tel: 023 8047 5600  
Fax: 023 8047 2122  
[enquiries@ageasbowl.com](mailto:enquiries@ageasbowl.com)  
[www.ageasbowl.com](http://www.ageasbowl.com)



The Ageas Bowl  
Botley Road West End  
Southampton  
Hampshire SO30 3XH

Tel: 023 8047 5600  
Fax: 023 8047 2122  
[enquiries@ageasbowl.com](mailto:enquiries@ageasbowl.com)  
[www.ageasbowl.com](http://www.ageasbowl.com)