

GALA CRICKET CLUB



Meigle News – May 2025 | Issue No. 1

News from the Pavilion

Welcome to our first cricket newsletter. The intention is to update members of what is happening within the club and inform them of upcoming fixtures, events and other relative news.

On first glance the ground at Meigle Park was looking magnificent for the start of the season. Tremendous thanks to all the ground staff who made that possible.

Take a look on Facebook at our own 'Ken Brown' of cricket Ruaridh Anderson giving us the low down on the wicket.



Opening Weekend Highlights

- Saturday past saw the start of the 2025 season.
- The 1st XI got off to a flyer in the ESCA Championship chasing down Morton, last season winners, to win by 6 wickets at Meigle Park. A good spread of wickets by the Gala attack. Aris top-scored with 53.
- The 2nd XI, with a depleted team due to many players being unavailable, had a tough day at the Meadows where they were beaten by Morton 3's by 112 runs in ESCA Division 5. Plenty to build on as the season gets rolling. Next week sees the return of skipper Dinesh Tharanga.
- The club is delighted to have secured the services of our returning overseas professional, Janith Chathuranga. It is hoped he will be available for the game against Drummond Trinity, visa formalities allowing. Let us hope he settles in quickly, back to the form of last season.

Fundraising: 1853 Wheel of Fortune

Opportunities still exist to get involved in our ongoing fundraising activities.

1853 draw, 'Wheel of Fortune', great chance to shout at a spinning wheel and see how close you were to winning. to enter please follow

1 Entry – <https://pay.gocardless.com/AL0005G1H98VWH>

2 Entries – <https://pay.gocardless.com/AL0005G1HA6RNW>

Junior Section & All Stars

- Tuesday training: 6:30–7:45 PM • All Stars for 5–8 year olds: Fridays at 5 PM, starting 30th May Register via the All Stars website.

Home Fixtures – May 2025

3rd May - 1st XI vs Drummond Trinity
10th May - 2nd XI vs Carlton 4
17th May - 1st XI vs Carlton 2
18th May - 1st XI vs Ferguslie (SC)
24th May - 1st XI vs Linlithgow
31st May - 2nd XI vs Linlithgow 2

Club Updates

- The club continues to face several challenges both on and off the pitch, not just financially. We're keen to expand our volunteer team — if you or someone you know could help out in the bar, with general maintenance, or as a bus driver (D1 licence required), please get in touch.
- The senior kit for this season has been ordered and should arrive soon — we're all excited to see our players in the new strip.
- Our electronic scoreboard will soon be rehoused in a new wooden frame, thanks to Seb Loumeau's generous donation and the construction efforts of Jack and Billy Easson. We're now waiting on custom metal shutters to complete the upgrade.
- We also hope to have the event marquee back up by the weekend, with thanks to Irv and his team of volunteers helping out on Wednesday.
- Looking ahead, we're exploring the idea of an informal get-together for ex-players later in the season — a chance to reconnect and share memories.
- If interested, contact George Liddle at georgeliddle63@gmail.com, and feel free to pass the word along.

Membership 2025

- Senior Playing - £120 (incl. match fees + kit)
- Student Playing - £60
- Junior - £40
- Social - £10

Ladies Day - 9th August

The circus is coming to Gala CC as our annual Ladies Day event takes place on Saturday 9th August 2025. Tickets on sale 30th May. Secure your place early for what is always a quick sell out. Contact Debbie Paterson to book.

Bar Hours

Opening hours to be announced soon!

Have Your Say

If anyone has any thoughts of what they would like included in our monthly newsletter please get in touch.
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