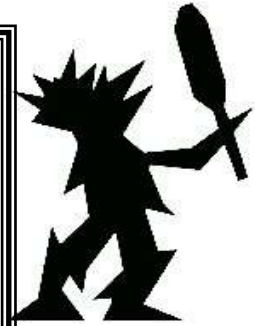


THE FROSTER

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE JACK FROST XI

WINTER 2010/2011



OBITUARY

Kim Morell O.B.E. 1923–2010

The first Chairman of the Jack Frost XI and Gnome No 2, Kim Morell, passed away peacefully on 7th December. Kim was a great supporter of the XI and played in the first match on Leveret Green in 1961 and assisted Tony Gill in the formation of Frost.

Kim played cricket for the Old Citizens as well as for Frost and after his playing days was often in attendance at many Frost matches. A renowned after-dinner speaker, Kim spoke at many Frost Dinners and attended all but one. He was also in great demand by other cricket clubs for his oratory. He was famous for his jokes and no phone call was complete without Kim's latest story.

Kim had a distinguished war record and fought in the battle of Arnhem. In his business life he was a director of Mullards, a company subsequently taken over by Phillips. He also had a long involvement with local politics in the Borough of Richmond. He was made a Freeman of the Borough, was a past Leader of the Council and a past Deputy Mayor. He was awarded the O.B.E. for his services to local government.



Kim also worked hard for local charities being a past Chairman of The Charity of Elizabeth Jane Jones, a past President of the Richmond Abbeyfield Society, and for many years was the Chairman of The London Ambulance Service and the Richmond branch of Help the Aged.

Our sad loss denies Kim of his ambition to take part in the Jubilee Year celebrations. His contribution to the past 49 years of the Jack Frost XI was great.

Kim's funeral was held on 20th December at St. Mary's Church Twickenham. The Jack Frost XI was represented by Alastair Crowhurst, Dominic Bryan and David Lipop.

ANNUAL DINNER 2011

For those of you who have been wondering why you haven't received any information about the Annual Dinner yet, this is because it is not taking place on its usual early-February berth, but at a new time in a new location.

To be precise, this year's Annual Dinner takes place on Friday 25th March, at The RAF Club in Mayfair.

The Royal Air Force Club
128 Piccadilly
London W1J 7PY
Tel. 020 7399 1000
Fax. 020 7355 1516

This prestigious venue has been selected after listening to members' comments about the previous venue, and the Committee believes that it will revive the more intimate and exclusive feel of a Jack Frost XI Annual Dinner which we lost when The Cricketer's Club closed.



For those of you who have not attended a Jack Frost XI Annual Dinner before, or who have lapsed in recent years, I would thoroughly recommend the event to you. Despite some issues with the previous venue, there has continued to be a great atmosphere as old friends and team-mates meet and discuss all things cricket (and not cricket).

We have also recently enjoyed some of the best speakers from the cricket world that we have

had the pleasure to receive as our guests, and this year should be no exception, as we are to be joined by John Barclay, former captain and chairman of Sussex and president of the MCC. Guests are welcome and it's a great opportunity to introduce potential members to the XI.

At this year's Dinner also we will communicate more about the various events that have been arranged for this, our Jubilee year (initial details of which also appear below). We will also be looking to get your initial commitment to the forthcoming fixtures for the 2011 season (see later in this Froster) – and in a more robust manner than each Match Manager staggering around at midnight asking if you'll play for them in September, a conversation which neither of you will remember!

At the end of The Froster, you will find a tear-off slip to use to confirm your attendance, along with remittance details. Tickets are once again only **£60** per head. Please return the slip **a.s.a.p.** to our Hon Treasurer Dominic Bryan.

I look forward to seeing you there.

THE JACK FROST XI JUBILEE YEAR 2011

As most Frosters know, our wonderful club was founded in 1961 by our President HCA 'Tony' Gill. So this year, 50 years on, we celebrate the Jubilee Year of Jack Frost XI cricket together, marvelling collectively at the longevity of our fine 'wandering' cricket club and looking forward to the next 50 years with excitement, together with some degree of trepidation given how old many of us will be, if still alive at all!

In order to celebrate our Jubilee Year in a manner befitting Jack Frost XI, your Committee has put plans in place for a number of very exciting events, all of which deserve the support of our Members, we are sure you will all agree.

Please see details below, and equally importantly respond accordingly to notify your Committee of your intention to attend/participate in each of the events, which are detailed in chronological order.

JUBILEE GOLF DAY

This event will be held at the renowned Berkshire Golf Club near Ascot on Thursday 12th May 2011.

The anticipated format will be as follows:

- 7.30am Full English breakfast
- 18 holes AM
- Three course lunch and morning prizes
- 9/18 holes PM
- Afternoon golf and overall prizes

The cost for this fantastic opportunity to play one of the great woodland/heathland golf courses in the UK will be £130-£140 per person.

Members, ladies and Members guests are all welcome.

Please note: if you are inclined to play only 18 holes and have lunch beforehand or afterward then there will be a moderate financial discount available.

Please contact Hon. Secretary Alastair Crowhurst on 07887 675539 or email alastair@crowhurstandco.co.uk for more details and/or to reserve your place.

JACK FROST XI PRESIDENT'S XI v CHAIRMAN'S XI

This event will be held at Abinger CC in Surrey on Friday 8th July 2011.

The anticipated format will be an all day game of 'declaration' cricket with two teams drawn from the ranks of Jack Frost XI Members and friends of the XI. We envisage running an all day BBQ. The bar and pavilion will also be open all day to accommodate the needs of the Members and their guests.

Suffice to say the demand from Members to play in this match will be strong as we all look to 'get one over' on our team mates in the hottest contest of the 2011 Jack Frost XI calendar! Get that holiday booked now with the boss to ensure you can make it!

Please contact Alastair Crowhurst on 07887 675539 or email alastair@crowhurstandco.co.uk for more details and/or to reserve your place as a player and/or social visitor.

JUBILEE CRICKET TOUR - CROATIA

After much debate and soul searching amongst the Committee and our Membership – not to mention some extremely hard work on the part of Tim Martin in organising three potential tours – it has been decided that, given the current financial climate as well as all the other events taking place in our Jubilee Year, a more 'local' tour is the most viable option for 2011.

So the official Jack Frost XI Tour for our Jubilee Year will take place on the island of Vis in Croatia and will run from September 15th – 20th 2011.

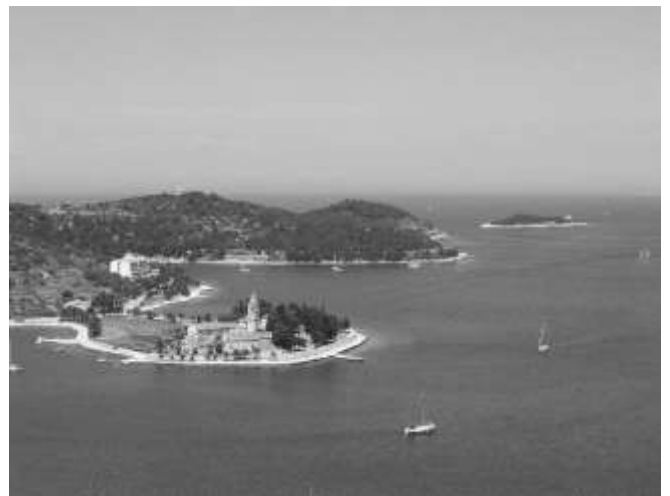
As the website says: 'Vis is a stunningly beautiful island. Lying 40km off the Dalmatian coast, Vis is a haven away from mass-tourism where you can enjoy the Mediterranean as it used to be, laid back and unspoiled. When we're not playing cricket, we can offer you swimming, snorkeling, diving, sailing, paragliding, trekking and tennis as alternative activities - and then of course there are the more leisurely pursuits of sunbathing, dining on delicious seafood and tasting the renowned organic wines produced by the islanders. Your holiday, your way, at whatever pace you like.'

Visit www.viscricket.com

For those intending to play a bit of cricket in between the wine snorkelling, there will be two afternoon games and one evening T20 thrash, all played at Vis's only cricket ground, where the opposition come to us!

The total cost of the tour, including flights, ferries, hotels, transport, match fees and other tour expenses (but *not* spending money) will be **£295!**

Please contact Tim Martin on 07941 005241 or email tjhmartin@hotmail.com for more details. To reserve your place, whether as a player or 'social' tourist, please complete the attached tear-off slip and return to Dominic Bryan with your ***non-refundable*** deposit of **£100**, by **28th February 2011**.



JUBILEE DINNER – FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2011

As a finale to the events celebrating our 50th Anniversary, where better to celebrate the beginning of our next 50 years than at the home of cricket – at Lord's NW8!

Jack Frost XI Members, their partners and guests will celebrate '50 years of Jack Frost XI cricket' at a black tie dinner in the Long Room at Lord's.



A champagne reception, music.....oh and did I mention the free bar during the reception, (wines and beer as well as soft drinks). All this followed by a three course dinner with ½ a bottle of house wine and ½ a bottle of mineral water pp followed by a

high profile after dinner speaker – all in the wonderful setting of The Long Room at Lord's, with views of the floodlit square and Media Centre!

The cost for this celebration of all things Frost will be £135 - £150 per person depending on our total numbers.

Please contact Alastair Crowhurst on 07887 675539 or email alastair@crowhurstandco.co.uk for more details and/or to reserve your place. (£75pp deposit required by March 1st – balance due by August 1st).

JUBILEE EVENTS – OTHER INFORMATION

In order to ensure attendance by as many Members as possible, payment plans are available for the Vis, Croatia Tour and the Lords black tie dinner, for those who would prefer to pay that way – please enquire with the appropriate organiser.

As you might imagine we are looking into corporate sponsorship for some of these events in order to try and keep the costs down for our Members – so if you run your own business or know anyone who may be interested in sponsoring all or part of any of our events please contact Alastair Crowhurst.

Suffice to say an awful lot of thought, effort and negotiation have gone into organising these events for our Members. But none of them will happen without your support. So the sooner you respond to the appropriate person to confirm your interest the easier it will be to budget for these events and of course the easier it will be for your Committee. Your assistance at making this challenging but exciting year a little easier for your Committee is appreciated.

FIXTURES AND AVAILABILITY 2011

The fixture list for 2011 is already close to being finalized.

Although there are one or two i's to be dotted and t's to be crossed, the anticipated details are shown below.

March

Thurs 10 Catch-22 (8-a-side indoor game)

April

Sun 17 Warnham

May

Sun 8 Cobham Avorians

Sun 15 Old Epsomians

Thurs 19 Lord's 8-a-side Indoor Tournament

Sun 22 Reigate Pilgrims

June

Sun 5 Broadhalfpenny Brigands

Fri 10 Shaldon Optimists (Devon Tour)

Sat 11 Lustleigh (Devon Tour)

Sun 19 Thursley

Sun 26 Whitchurch

July

Sun 3 Tilford

Fri 8 President's XI v Chairman's XI (to be held at Abinger CC)

Fri 15 NPL Teddington

Sun 17 Sutton

Sun 24 Odiham & Greywell

Sun 31 Hartley Wintney

August

Wed 3 Abinger

Sun 7 Outwood

Sat 13 St Radegund (Cambridge)

Sun 21 Mickleham & Westhumble

Sun 28 South Nutfield

Sept

Sun 4 The Centenary XI (Oxford)

Sat 10 Chelsea Arts Club

Sun 11 Blackheath

Thurs 15 to Tues 20

CROATIA TOUR

Please note that the Centenary XI is a one-off fixture against a team put together by our own Mike Chase and a nemesis of his in Oxford. The 'Centenary' relates to their combined age, which is double their individual ages. Or, for those of you with a headache now, MIKE IS 50!!!

Please begin to give some thought to which fixtures you intend to play this year, as we will be gauging interest at the Annual Dinner by asking you to sign up to those fixtures you intend to play and then

communicating back to you a few days later so you can remember what you put down! Whilst we appreciate that this cannot be a *binding* commitment, we hope that you will take the process seriously, as it will make the Match Managers' job a little easier in this very busy year for the XI.

DEVON TOUR

As noted in the last Froster, Robin Cheeseman has already pulled together the itinerary for a repeat of last year's highly successful Devon tour. You all received the email from Rob (via the Hon Sec) outlining the details, but if not, please contact him and he will forward it to you.

The plan is once again to spend a long weekend in Devon, with at least two games of cricket and the option of golf and other activities. The base this year will be Teignmouth on the South Devon coast. So far the take up is looking good, but the door is not yet closed, so if you're looking to join us can you please ensure you contact Rob on robincheeseman@yahoo.co.uk to book your place.

EDITOR'S SUMMARY

It's a big year for the Jack Frost XI, and everyone can play their part in making sure that the events which are being organised are worthy of the occasion.

It's a great testament to dozens and dozens of cricketers, their families and friends over the last half a century that we have a wandering cricket club that has the longevity to reach its Jubilee year and to be able to stage the sorts of events outlined.

The efforts of everyone, from the newest members of Frost to founding fathers like Kim Morell, make Jack Frost XI the great club it has become.

Please support it as Kim would have wished to in this, our Jubilee year.

John Hall
Fixture Secretary
Jack Frost XI

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To: **Dominic Bryan, 31 Westfield Road, Surbiton, Surrey, KT6 4EL**
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May I,(please print name)

please reserve ticket(s) at **£60** each for the

Jack Frost XI Annual Dinner
at
The RAF Club
on
Friday 25th March 2011 at 19.00

I propose to pay by the following method: Cheque Enclosed / Online Bank Transfer (delete as appropriate)

Cheques should be made payable to: Jack Frost XI



To: **Dominic Bryan, 31 Westfield Road, Surbiton, Surrey, KT6 4EL**
Tel: 07973 722848
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I,(please print name)

would like to confirm my participation in the

Jack Frost XI Jubilee Tour
to
The Island of Vis, Croatia
from
Thursday 15th – Tuesday 20th September 2011

I propose to pay by the following method: Cheque Enclosed / Online Bank Transfer (delete as appropriate)

Cheques should be made payable to: Jack Frost XI

[Please note that this is a *different* account to the one for the Annual Dinner]