

Bradley Stoke Cricket Club was formed in 1991 and we our first competitive season in the Bristol & District League was in 1992. That season we had just one team playing on Saturdays, but we also played a few friendly games on Sundays. This coming season will see us have four league teams on Saturday, two teams playing matches on Sundays. We also run our own mid week 15 over cup competition which takes place on Tuesday & Thursday evenings and involves six local Companies' joining us in playing in a round robin tournament.

The four Saturday teams play in the Bristol & District League as follows:

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1<sup>st</sup> X1 Division 1
2<sup>nd</sup> X1 Division 1
3<sup>rd</sup> X1 Division 2
4<sup>th</sup> X1 Division 3
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Both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 play their games at our home ground at Baileys Court Road, and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> X1 play at the Bradley Stoke Community School in Fiddlers Wood Road. All matches commence at 2pm.

On Sundays our 1<sup>st</sup> X1 play in the Village Cricket league, with the 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 playing friendly matches.

However, the most exiting development in the Club is our under 13 and under 15 teams playing in the B & D Youth League. We also have an under-9 team playing Kwik Cricket friendly matches. There is room in our Club for young people of all abilities and ages, and we have an open door equity policy. Youth training is from April to September and is on Sunday mornings from 10.30am to 12.30pm (11.30am to 12.30pm for under 9 year olds) at our ground at Baileys Court Road.

The Club has fully adopted the England and Wales Cricket Board's (ECB) "Safe Hands" policy on Child Welfare. We take this issue very seriously and we have our own Club Welfare Officer, who is responsible for overseeing the programme. Both he and our Youth Team Managers have attended courses on the subject organised through the ECB. All volunteers have been the subject of a CRB check. Also all of our Officers and Players have signed a self declaration form confirming that they have no criminal record with regard to young people under the age of 18.

The club also has its own bar, and regularly put on functions including quizzes and karaoke. Social membership is £5 per adult and this is soon recouped through very reasonable prices for drinks. There is a dart board, flat screen TV, and in the summer, a pool table. Well behaved children are very welcome when accompanied by a responsible adult.

If you are interested in finding out more about Bradley Stoke Club and perhaps becoming a member, please contact Mike Mundy at blueyonder.co.uk.