



WORTHING CRICKET CLUB

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MEET OUR RECENTLY APPOINTED COMMITTEE MEMBERS...

Dominic Clapp is our new Chairman. He has a long history with Worthing Cricket Club spanning 30 years, having started out as one of our juniors and gone through the system, to become a professional cricketer for both Sussex and Hampshire. He played for Worthing for many years and had a three year spell as captain. He also spent six years playing for Brighton & Hove and was captain when they won the Premier League title in 2007. During this time, Dominic scored 27 league hundreds. He has recently made a successful comeback to our 1st XI (in the last two games of 2022), having had an 11-year break!

For many years, Dominic worked as a Level 3 coach for Sussex and with numerous local independent and state schools. He is also a qualified ECB Tutor and member of the MCC. During the time he has spent away from the cricket pitch as a player, he has been an active member of Worthing CC as a junior manager and coach (since 2017). He lives locally with his three children and wife Joanne, who are all enthusiastic members of the club. Dominic is, in his own words, "pleased to be on board."

Tim Dunn will be a familiar name to most of you, having previously been our Chairman for 16 years! He retired from his position and the Committee two years ago, but has continued to be our League representative, an active Level 2 coach (for both juniors and seniors), regular server behind the bar and all-round avid supporter. Tim played in and captained our 1st XI team for many years, but now enjoys supporting everyone as a spectator. He is married to Hannah, our Honorary Treasurer, his eldest son is Captain of our current 1st XI team, and his younger son is a regular 2nd XI player (and resident Graphic Designer for the club), so needless to say Tim has a vested interest in the club's development. He makes his return to the committee as Honorary Secretary, in support of Dominic Clapp.

Julian Simpson has become our Assistant Honorary Secretary. He is currently our 3rd XI Vice Captain. He has played cricket since 1982 and his previous clubs include Preston Nomads, Sussex Juniors and Shoreham, the latter being where he was 1st team captain for six seasons. Having initially retired in the early 2000's, he joined Worthing in 2017 to play alongside his son, Tom, when he started playing senior cricket. Julian lives locally with his Wife and family. His youngest son is not only our Sunday XI Captain, but also our newly appointed Honorary Fixtures Secretary. Julian is committed to ensuring Worthing CC's success and has joined the committee to help contribute across all the areas of the club, as Worthing looks to build on the great work already underway to develop new cricketers and be a positive influence in our local community.

Tom Simpson is a familiar face to many as the Sunday XI captain, 2s and 3s opening batter and clubhouse cleaner. He has been with us since U10s and is a devoted and determined member of our club. As well as his achievements on the pitch (over 2,500 runs in the last 2 campaigns), he has also contributed significantly off it, with the organisation of charity and touring fixtures. In the hope of having a bigger influence and platform to express creativity and change, Tom is joining our committee as Honorary Fixtures Secretary. We hope this allows for a fixture-filled season with plenty of cricket for all!