

STAFFORDSHIRE YOUTH CRICKET LEAGUE

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SEASON 2017 HANDBOOK

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Introduction by the Chairman

During the 2016 again too many games were not played due to concessions. At the AGM a lot of thought was put into the organisation of the league and how we can improve it to give cricket to all participants that is the correct format of cricket for them. We have created a Management Committee to enable us to meet regularly to discuss the league format and create improvements for forthcoming seasons. If anyone has idea's that they feel could improve the format of the league and entice those clubs who used to be the foundation of the league, but have left to play in other leagues, back into the fold please contact me or a member of the Management Committee.

I wish all players, managers and club officials all the very best for the 2017 season and hope the sun shines for everyone to enjoy this great sport that we are involved in.

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Member Clubs

Club	Postal Address	Lge U9	Lge U10	Lge U11	Lge U13	Lge U15	Cup U11	Cup U13	Cup U15
Aldridge	Stick & Wicket Pavilion, The Green Aldridge WS9 8NH	1				1			1
Brewood	Deansfield Four Ashes Rd Brewood ST19 9HX	1		1			1		
C&R Hawks	Littleworth Rd Rawnsley WS12 1QQ				1	1		1	1
Cannock	Chase Park Church Lane Hatherton WS11 1RR	1		1			1		
Church Eaton	Church Eaton Staffs ST20 0AG	1							
Codsall	Codsall Village Hall Wolverhampton Rd Codsall WV8 1PW	1		1			1		
Fordhouses	Wobaston Rd Fordhouses WV9 5HH	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Moddershall and Oulton	Barnfields Spot Acre ST15 8RN			1			1		
Old Wulfrunians Tettenhall	253a Castlecroft Rd Castlecroft Wolverhampton WV3 8NA	1		1	1		1	1	
Penkridge	Cannock Rd Pillaton ST19 5RZ	2		1	1	1	1	1	1
Rugeley	Chaseley Rd Etching Hill WS15 2LQ	1		1	1		1	1	
Wightwick & Finchfield	Castlecroft Rd Wolverhampton WV3 8NA	1	1	1			1		
Wolverhampton	Danescourt Rd Tettenhall Wolverhampton WV6 9BJ	1	1	1			1	1	1
		Lge U9	Lge U10	Lge U11	Lge U13	Lge U15	Cup U11	Cup U13	Cup U15

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Subscriptions 2017

League membership is £30 per club.

League entry fees are £7.50 for every team that enters a league competition.

Cup competition fees are £7.50 for every team that enters a cup competition.

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U15's	TBA		

The Spirit of Cricket.

Help to maintain the **Spirit of Cricket.**

The Spirit of Cricket means respect for (1) the team you are playing, (2) your team captain, (3) the importance of Umpires, (4) cricket`s traditional values.

IT IS NOT IN THE SPIRIT OF CRICKET TO:

(1) Dispute an umpire`s decision by word, action or gesture, (2) use direct abusive language towards a member of your own team, the team you are playing, or an umpire, (3) indulge in cheating or any sharp practice.

EVERYONE PRESENT AT A MATCH MUST UPHOLD HIS DIGNITY TO ENSURE A HIGH STANDARD OF BEHAVIOUR IS MET.

RESPECT in cricket means the following procedures should be observed:

- (1) The Umpires enter the field of play first, followed by the fielding team and lastly the two batsmen.
- (2) Players and spectators clap the outgoing batsman as he leaves the field of play.
- (3) Players and spectators clap the incoming batsman as he enters the field of play.
- (4) At the end of a team`s innings the batsmen leave the field of play first, followed by the fielding team and lastly, the umpires. Players and spectators should clap as they approach the pavilion.

Outstanding performances should be acknowledged by allowing players to leave the field first.

- (5) Players shake hands with each other and thank the umpires and scorers at the end of the match.

THESE PROCEDURES HELP TO MAINTAIN RESPECT AND ADD TO THE ENJOYMENT OF CRICKET

Rules for Under 9's

1. Boys must be under the age of nine and girls ten on 31st of August 2016.
2. Each team comprises of eight players.
3. Each team bats for eight overs per game.
4. The eight players in each team are split into pairs with each pair batting for two overs.
5. Each member of the fielding team must bowl one over, overarm if possible if not underarm. They also keep wicket for one over.
6. Each team begins on two hundred runs.
7. Runs are scored in the same way as normal cricket to increase the total.
8. Each time a batsman is out the batting team has five runs deducted from the total.
9. A batsman can be out by being bowled, caught, stumped, run out or by hitting their own wicket.
10. There is no LBW.
11. Each time a batsman is out they must change ends.
12. Kwik cricket plastic bats and junior sized soft ball are to be used at all times.
13. An over consists of six balls.
14. If a wide or no-ball is bowled then the batting side receive a minimum of two runs. No additional ball is bowled except in the last over of each innings where an extra ball shall be bowled until the over is complete.
15. The pitch should be marked with a line 1.5 yards either side of the center stump. If the ball pitches outside of this line a wide should be given.
16. If a batsman misses the ball or it hits their body they may still run and scores byes or leg byes.
17. No fielder is allowed within ten meters of the batsman apart from the wicket keeper.
18. The length of the pitch between the wickets should be fifteen yards.
19. The boundary shall be twenty five yards from the wickets.
20. The team with the highest score wins. In the event of a tie the team taking the most wickets will be the winner, if it is still equal the team scoring the most runs off the bat will be the winner. If equal each player shall bowl one ball at the wickets with no batsman. The team hitting the wickets the most times will be the winners.
21. If a team cannot field eight players and have to borrow from another club they automatically lose the game.
22. The winning team shall receive three points, the losing team one point. If a team concedes they get no points, the team conceded to receives 3. If both teams are available to play but the weather prevents a game both teams shall receive 0 points.

League rules

1. All clubs must supply an umpire and scorer for all matches in which their team is taking part.
2. The umpire must be competent of the rules and wear a light coloured jumper/umpires jacket.
3. The umpire may offer advice to their player once the ball is dead.
4. Trophies in the form of shields and cups are the property of the SYCL and must be returned to the league secretary by June 30th 2017.
5. The supply of medals to the winning teams will be limited to fifteen. Extra medals will be available to purchase if required.
6. Disputes must be forwarded to the league secretary by email within 2 days of the game.
7. The results of all games should be recorded on play-cricket.

8. Once all four rounds of matches have been completed the top team in each league will be invited to finals day. If teams have equal points the higher placed team will be decided by the difference between runs scored and conceded. The team with the greatest difference will win. The team that finishes 2nd with the best points total will also be invited. If more than 1 have the same the team with the greatest run difference will be invited.

Rules for U10's, U11's, U13's and U15's

The LAWS OF CRICKET shall apply except for conditions set out in these rules.

Eligibility of players

All players MUST be under the age of 10, 11, 13, and 15 on 1st September 2016 to be eligible to play in the respective age groups for the 2017 season. The table below summarises eligibility rules in relation to age.

Age group	Date of birth	School year group
Under 10	On or after 1 Sept 2006	Year 5 or below
Under 11	On or after 1 Sept 2005	Year 6 or below
Under 13	On or after 1 Sept 2003	Year 8 or below
Under 15	On or after 1 Sept 2001	Year 10 or below

Girls will be allowed to play in a club's age group team up to one year younger than their own age. Any club playing an overage player forfeits any points gained in a league match. Any club playing an overage player in a cup competition shall be disqualified from the competition for the age group in which the offence occurred.

Each member club can enter up to 2 teams per age group in league and cup competitions.

A player cannot play for more than one club during a season.

Register of players

All clubs shall retain a list of players by age group. This list should contain names, addresses and dates of birth of players. The team manager is responsible for the list and must have it in his or her possession at all matches. The list must be shown to the opposing club manager for examination upon request before the match starts. All infringements, including failure to show the list shall be reported to the League Secretary.

Playing rules

The home team shall confirm to the away team the mutually agreed date for the match after downloading the association's fixture list schedule which is produced with matches in week-commencing dates. The Fixtures Contact in each club shall be the person to contact regarding fixture dates. The home team will put the actual date & day of the match, venue and start time on its club website, play-cricket.com, by age-group before the season starts. The Age Group Administrator shall be responsible for entering match details on our website: www.sycl.play-cricket.com. The Age Group Administrator shall be informed of any agreed changes to actual fixture dates. Once a date is mutually agreed it can not be changed at a time less than two weeks before the agreed date, otherwise the game is conceded by the club requesting the change. Nevertheless, a change of day within the week can be accepted if mutually agreed by both clubs. No league match shall be played outside the week it is scheduled to be played. However, **if a match is postponed or abandoned due to the weather it can be played or replayed at any time up to and including Friday 28th July (For Under 9's this is not applicable)** If no agreement on a replayed date can be reached by both clubs, the result is an abandoned match. Age Group Administrators must monitor the league tables on a weekly basis to ensure that they are up to date. **Clubs should also ensure that any amended dates are entered on the web site. Cup games should be given priority when league games are being rearranged following weather interruption (see below).**

Clubs are allowed to change a home fixture to an away fixture, and vice-versa, for any reason, provided it is mutually agreed.

Cup competition

Matches in this competition shall be played in the weeks stipulated within the fixtures grids. **The date on the league play cricket site is a to be played by date.** The first team drawn in each pair, prior to the Final, shall be deemed to be the home team, and shall make the necessary arrangements to stage the game during that week. Games abandoned or postponed must be played by the "to be played by date".

Finals in all age groups shall be played during the week shown on the fixture list. A venue will be decided once the finalists are known.

Clubs failing to uphold these completion dates lose their place in the competition. The only acceptable reason for delay is inclement weather.

If scores are equal the team losing fewer wickets shall be the winner. If both teams have lost the same number of wickets, the team scoring the most runs off the bat shall be the winner. Any disputes concerning match dates and venues in the cup competition shall be decided by the Age Group Administrator for that age group. **Cup games should be given priority when league games are being rearranged following weather interruption**

The association shall provide a trophy at each age level for presentation to the winning team at the cup final, these trophies to remain in the possession of the SYCL. All trophies, League and Cup, are to be returned to the Secretary by 30th June each season. Member clubs who fail to return all trophies by this

date will be fined £20.00 per trophy. Clubs which have lost these trophies, or are unable to return them at all, will be expected to replace the trophy/trophies, or make good the cost of a replacement (or repair if a trophy is found to be damaged). Any fines or additional charges for replacement/repair of lost/damaged trophies will be invoiced on the next season`s invoice for affiliation fees.

Format and duration of matches

Each match shall consist of one innings per team. The length of innings for each age group is as follows (unless a team is dismissed or declares its innings closed):

- Under 10: 16 overs
- Under 11: 20 overs
- Under 13: 20 overs
- Under 15: 20 overs

No player shall bowl more than the following number of overs:

- Under 10 and 11: 3 overs
- Under 12, 13, 14, 15 and 17: 4 overs

Wickets, stump height and balls

The table below shows the distance at which wickets shall be pitched, stump height and balls to be used for each age group.

Age group	Distance between wicket	Stump height	Ball
Under 10	19 yards	27'' above the ground and 8'' wide	Junior size Incrediball
Under 11	20 yards	27'' above the ground and 8'' wide	4 3/4 ounces
Under 13	21 yards	27'' above the ground and 8'' wide	4 3/4 ounces
Under 15	22 yards	27'' above the ground and 9'' wide	5 1/2 ounces

Balls shall be provided by the home club. For evening matches please try and use a pink or orange ball.

Pairs cricket playing rules

Each team shall consist of 8 player for U10's and 10 players for U11's.

The batsmen shall bat as a pair for 4 overs and the pairs shall change at the end of the 4th, 8th 12th and 16th overs.

Each innings shall commence with 200 runs and 5 runs will be deducted from the score for the loss of each wicket. Batsmen shall change ends at the fall of a wicket, except for the last ball of the over.

Therefore, no batsman given out shall face the next ball. A substitute may act as a non striker while his team is batting. In this circumstance, the other batsman is to receive the strike continuously. 2 runs shall be added to the score for each wide and no ball bowled. No extra ball shall be bowled for a wide or no ball, except for the last over of an innings, when the laws of cricket shall apply. The winning team shall be the team with the highest number of runs after the deduction from runs for wickets lost.

The following distinctions apply to the different age groups:-

Under 10s - Incrediball

Under 11s - Cricketball

11-a-side cricket playing rules: Under 13 and Under 15 League games and all Cup games

A batsman shall retire on reaching the individual score of 30 for an Under 13 game and 50 for an Under 15. Retirement taking place as soon as they reach 30/50. Should the remainder of the side be all out inside the allocated overs the retired batsman **may not return** and resume his / her innings.

Matches with a delayed start

If the weather delays the start of a match, the captains may agree to a shortened match. A shortened match shall not be less than 10 overs at all age groups. Matches of less than these minimum overs shall be called abandoned. Matches started late shall lose one over per team for every seven minutes lost.

Match officials

Each team shall provide a competent umpire and scorer. The scorers shall sit together. Each umpire should wear a white coat or otherwise a white shirt or a white sweater & shirt.

Points system

Points in each age group competition are awarded as follows and apply to all age groups

- Win (includes games conceded by the opposing club): 20 points
- Loss: 5 points. Bonus points can be gained in U13's and U15's matches by the losing side.
1 point for every 2 wkts taken
1 point if 60 runs are scored and then 1 point for any additional 20 runs up to a maximum of 4 (e.g lose the match but score 140 or more = 5 points)
- Tie: 10 points each + bonus points
- Abandoned match (i.e. matches abandoned or postponed due to the weather, **and not replayed by 1** **28th July** 5 points each
- Cancelled games (for use by the Age Group Administrators ONLY, where neither club reports the result of a game): 0 points
- Teams which concede a game score no points

The home team must enter the result and match details on to its own club website within 1 day of the match being played and the full scorecard within 3 days. If they fail to do so the away team shall have a further 2 days to enter the details on their club website.

No scheduled match shall be called off on account of bad weather more than 24 hours prior to the agreed date.

Circulation of league tables and determination of league positions

The Age Group Administrators shall work closely with the Website Master to ensure the results service is up-to-date and on-line at our web site: www.syclplay-cricket.com

If two clubs finish on equal points, the following shall determine the positions:

- (a) the club winning the most matches (including games conceded by the opposition) or, if still equal,
- (b) the winner of the match between the two clubs.

If still equal, the league positions shall be shared.

All trophies and awards shall be collected by clubs for distribution at their cricket club presentation evening.

Safety of players

The club team manager is responsible for the safety of players. The Association will co-operate with clubs and managers in order to ensure that everyone has a clear understanding of the risks involved and of ECB recommendations. Everyone is asked to look for signs of mismatching of experience; i.e. a fast bowler and a batsman who is a beginner. The manager, through consultation with the umpires, should take action to avoid danger to a batsman.

Team managers and umpires are asked to ensure that ECB directives for fast bowling of young players and fielding regulations are adhered to strictly.

Protective clothing shall be worn by the two batsmen and the wicketkeeper. Protective clothing consists of:

- A pair of pads
- Two gloves
- Abdominal protector (box)
- Helmet (all helmets must be complete with a face guard and conform to BS 7928 1998 standards)

Wicketkeepers shall wear cricket helmets at all times in each age-group.

We recommend to clubs that players under the age of 15 shall not play more than one match per day unless the player has a break of one hour between the end of one match and the start of another.

All cricket clubs and team managers are reminded of their responsibility to ensure adequate insurance cover for personal injury to players.

All coaching and supervision of young players to be carried out in accordance with the ECB Code of Conduct.

Sight screens (where available) should be in place for all hardball matches.

Practise areas and mobile nets: it is recommend that all clubs' practise facilities are protected against misuse and that a proper qualified coach is present at each net session.

Disputes procedure

In the event of a dispute between two teams a committee shall be formed to deal with the dispute. The committee shall consist of the following officers: Chairman, Secretary, Welfare Officer and the Age Group Administrator for the teams. Clubs involved in the dispute shall not be part of the committee. Both team managers at the match shall be made aware that a report is to be submitted before they leave the venue. The report shall be received by the Age Group Administrator not later than one week after the date of the match. The other team manager should be forwarded a copy of the report and respond in writing to the Age Group Administrator by one week after receiving the report.

The Age Group Administrator is to make recommendations to the convened Dispute Committee not later than two weeks after receiving the written response. The Dispute Committee has the right to question persons involved in the dispute and match officials. The decision of the Dispute Committee shall be given at the hearing.

Clubs have a right to appeal against the decision. The appeal must be made in writing to the Secretary of the association and must be received not later two weeks after the hearing date. The appeal will be heard by the Staffordshire Cricket Board and cost the appellant club £25.00

Guidelines for team managers

- Team managers must have a copy of the current yearly handbook with them at all SYCL matches.
- The officials should make contact with each other before the match starts.
- Any concerns about the eligibility of players must be resolved before the match starts and comply with the rules laid down in the handbook.
- Each scorer should have a proper score sheet. Team managers should check with the umpires and scorers on the match result before each team manager notifies the Age Group Secretary of the match details. It is the team manager's responsibility to ensure the result and scorecards of the match are entered on to his/her club website, and to do this he/she must have access rights to the club website.
- The team manager is responsible for the welfare and safety of his/her team but must NOT enter the field of play unless asked to do so by the umpires.
- Both team managers have a responsibility to ensure youth cricket is played in a safe, friendly and enjoyable environment. Any incursion which is a threat to this must be dealt with promptly by the team managers and the umpires confronting the person or persons concerned. If officials are unable to restore a high standard of behaviour which would allow the match to continue, the match should be abandoned. A report is to be compiled immediately with as much evidence as possible, signed by both team managers, with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of both umpires and independent witnesses. The report should be posted after completion to the Age Group Secretary.

Parental concerns: A team manager must ensure a parent's CONCERNS ARE PROPERLY DEALT

WITH AND NOT IGNORED. If the CONCERN is about the welfare of a player, the parent must be advised to contact IMMEDIATELY the Welfare Officer of his/her club, or the Welfare Officer of the Association.

- The names and telephone numbers are printed in this handbook.
- OTHER CONCERNS SHOULD BE DEALT WITH PROMPTLY BY HIS /HER CLUB'S TEAM MANAGER.

If the parent is still unhappy with the answers given by the team manager he/she should be advised to submit the concern in writing to the cricket club.

- All team managers must be CRB checked. If for any reason the named manager is unable to be present for the duration of a match a responsible adult must act as his/her replacement. A qualified coach is a responsible person. A parent or guardian may act as a responsible parent provided he/she has approval of the team manager.

These guidelines should operate in conjunction with the Laws of Cricket, the constitution and yearly handbook of the SYCL.

ECB Fast Bowling and Fielding Directives

Fast bowling match directives (issued February 2000, amended 2009)

For the purposes of these directives, a fast bowler should be defined as a bowler to whom a wicketkeeper in the same group would in normal circumstances stand back to take the ball.

Age	Max overs per spell	Max overs per day
Up to 13	5	10
Under 14 and Under 15	6	12
Under 16 and Under 17	7	18

Having completed a spell the bowler cannot bowl again from either end until the equivalent number of overs to the length of his spell has been bowled from the same end. If play is interrupted, for any reason, for less than 40 minutes any spell in progress at the time of the interruption can be continued after the interruption up to the maximum number of overs per spell for the appropriate age group. If the spell is not continued after the interruption the bowler cannot bowl again from either end until the equivalent number of overs to the length of the spell before the interruption have been bowled from the same end. If the interruption is of 40 minutes or more, whether scheduled or not, the bowler can commence a new spell immediately. Once a bowler covered by these directives has bowled in a match he cannot exceed the maximum number of overs per day for his age group even if he subsequently bowls spin. He can exceed the maximum overs per spell if bowling spin, but cannot then revert to bowling fast until an equivalent number of overs to the length of his spell have been bowled from the same end. If he bowls spin without exceeding the maximum number of overs in a spell the maximum will apply as soon as he reverts to bowling fast. Captains, team managers and umpires are asked to ensure that these

directives are followed at all times.
Any reference to he/his should be interpreted to include she/her.

ECB fielding regulations

These regulations apply to all matches where a hard ball is used.

No young player in the Under 15 age group or younger shall be allowed to field closer than 8 yards (7.3 metres) from the middle stump, except behind the wicket on the off side, until the batsman has played at the ball.

For players in the Under 13 group and below the distance is 11 yards (10 metres)

These minimum distances apply even if the player is wearing a helmet.

Should a young player in these age groups come within the restricted distance the umpire must stop the game immediately and instruct the fielder to move back.

Any young player in the Under 16 to Under 17 age group who has not reached the age of 17 must wear a helmet and, for boys, an abdominal protector (box) when fielding within 6 yards (5.5 metres) of the bat, except behind the wicket on the off side. Players should wear appropriate protective equipment whenever they are fielding in a position where they feel at risk.

These regulations are applicable to all cricket in England and Wales. Age groups are based on the age of the cricketer at midnight on 31st August in the year preceding the current season.

Under 9 Fixtures

Age Group Secretary/Administrator - Graham Machin

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
	Brewood Church Eaton	Cannock	Old Wulfs Tettenhall
	Penkridge A	Penkridge B	Fordhouses Wightwick and Finchfield
	Codsall	Rugeley Aldridge	Wolverhampton
Week Commencing			
15th May	At Brewood	At Cannock	At Old Wulfs Tettenhall
5th June	At Church Eaton	At Penkridge	At Fordhouses
19th June	At Penkridge	At Rugeley	At Wightwick & Finchfield
3rd July	At Codsall	At Aldridge	At Wolverhampton
17th July	FINALS DAY		

Under 10 Fixtures

Age Group Secretary/Administrator - Dave Unitt

Week Commencing	League/Cup	Home	Away
8th May	League	Wolverhampton	v Fordhouses
15th May	League	Wightwick and Finchfield	v Wolverhampton
22nd May	League	Wightwick and Finchfield	v Fordhouses
5th June	League	Fordhouses	v Wolverhampton
12th June	League	Wolverhampton	v Wightwick and Finchfield
19th June	League	Fordhouses	v Wightwick and Finchfield
26th June	League	Wolverhampton	v Fordhouses
3rd July	League	Wightwick and Finchfield	v Wolverhampton
10th July	League	Wightwick and Finchfield	v Fordhouses

Under 11 Fixtures

Age Group Secretary/Administrator - Graham Machin

Week Commencing	League/Cup		Home		Away
24th April	Cup	Match 1	Fordhouses	v	Moddershall
		Match 2	Wolverhampton	v	Codsall
1st May	League		Penkridge	v	Codsall
			Wightwick and Finchfield	v	Cannock
			Fordhouses	v	Wolverhampton
			Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Moddershall and Oulton
			Brewood	v	Rugeley
8th May			Wightwick and Finchfield	v	Old Wulfs Tettenhall
			Fordhouses	v	Penkridge
			Cannock	v	Brewood
			Rugeley	v	Wolverhampton
			Moddershall and Oulton	v	Codsall
15th May	Cup	Match A	Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Brewood
		Match B	Winner of Match 2	v	Wightwick and Finchfield
		Match C	Rugeley	v	Cannock
		Match D	Winner of Match 1	v	Penkridge
22nd May	League		Codsall	v	Fordhouses
			Brewood	v	Old Wulfs Tettenhall

		Penkridge	v	Rugeley
		Wolverhampton	v	Cannock
		Moddershall and Oulton	v	Wightwick and Finchfield
5th June	League	Brewood	v	Wightwick and Finchfield
		Rugeley	v	Codsall
		Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Wolverhampton
		Cannock	v	Penkridge
		Fordhouses	v	Moddershall and Oulton
12th June	Cup	Winner Match A	v	Winner Match B
		Winner Match C	v	Winner Match D
	League	Wolverhampton	v	Brewood
		Fordhouses	v	Cannock
		Codsall	v	Old Wulfs Tettenhall
		Penkridge	v	Wightwick and Finchfield
		Rugeley	v	Moddershall and Oulton
19th June	League	Rugeley	v	Fordhouses
		Wightwick and Finchfield	v	Wolverhampton
		Cannock	v	Codsall
		Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Penkridge
		Moddershall and Oulton	v	Brewood
26th June	League	Cannock	v	Rugeley
		Brewood	v	Penkridge
		Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Fordhouses
		Codsall	v	Wightwick and Finchfield

		Wolverhampton	v	Moddershall and Oulton
3rd July	League	Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Cannock
		Wolverhampton	v	Codsall
		Wightwick and Finchfield	v	Rugeley
		Brewood	v	Fordhouses
		Moddershall and Oulton	v	Penkridge
10th July	League	Penkridge	v	Wolverhampton
		Rugeley	v	Old Wulfs Tettenhall
		Codsall	v	Brewood
		Fordhouses	v	Wightwick and Finchfield
		Cannock	v	Moddershall and Oulton
17th July	Cup Final	TBA	v	TBA

Under 13 Fixtures

Age Group Secretary/Administrator - Ghazi Zaki

Week Commencing	League/Cup		Home		Away
24th April	Cup	Match 1	Rugeley	v	Wolverhampton
		Match 2	C&R Hawks	v	Fordhouses
1st May	League		C&R Hawks	v	Penkridge
			Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Rugeley
8th May	League		Fordhouses	v	Old Wulfs Tettenhall
			Rugeley	v	C&R Hawks
15th May	League		Penkridge	v	Rugeley
			C&R Hawks	v	Fordhouses
22nd May	League		Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	C&R Hawks
			Fordhouses	v	Penkridge
5th June	League		Rugeley	v	Fordhouses
			Penkridge	v	Old Wulfs Tettenhall
12th June	Cup		Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Penkridge
			Winner Match 2	v	Winner Match 1
19th June	League		Penkridge	v	C&R Hawks
			Rugeley	v	Old Wulfs Tettenhall
26th June	League		Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v	Fordhouses
			C&R Hawks	v	Rugeley

3rd July	League	Rugeley	v Penkridge
		Fordhouses	v C&R Hawks
10th July	Cup Final	TBA	v TBA
	League	C&R Hawks	v Old Wulfs Tettenhall
		Penkridge	v Fordhouses
17th July	League	Fordhouses	v Rugeley
		Old Wulfs Tettenhall	v Penkridge

Under 15 Fixtures

Age Group Secretary /Administrator	Dave Unitt		
Week Commencing	League/Cup	Home	Away
1st May	Cup	Aldridge	v Wolverhampton
8th May	League	Fordhouses C&R Hawks	v Penkrige v Aldridge
15th May	League	C&R Hawks Aldridge	v Penkrige v Fordhouses
22nd May	League	Aldridge Fordhouses	v Penkrige v C&R Hawks
5th June	League	Aldridge Penkrige	v C&R Hawks v Fordhouses
12th June	Cup	C&R Hawks Aldridge/Wolverhampton	v Penkrige v Fordhouses
19th June	League	Penkrige Fordhouses	v C&R Hawks v Aldridge
26th June	League	Penkrige C&R Hawks	v Aldridge v Fordhouses
3rd July	Cup Final	TBA	v TBA

2016 ROLE OF HONOUR

U9's Cup Winners - Wightwick and Finchfield

U10's League Winners - Wolverhampton

U10's Cup Winners - Wolverhampton

U11's League Winners - Cannock

U11's Cup Winners - Wolverhampton

U13's League Winners - Fordhouses

U13's Cup Winners - Fordhouses

U15's League Winners - C&R Hawks

U15's Cup Winners - Himley

