

## **Shipton-under-Wychwood Cricket Club The Fantastic APW Calls it a Day**

Our groundsman Anthony Prior-Wandesforde, described in the latest edition of the Wisden Cricketer as “the best Groundsman in the country”, has decided to call it a day after some 23 years of grounds keeping at Shipton-under-Wychwood Cricket Club. The Club has a fantastic reputation around the county for producing a great pitch and outfield, and this is all down primarily to APW. We would like to take this opportunity to express our immense gratitude for the time and effort APW has made to maintain these high standards for the club and its members. Thank you.

### **A Golden Opportunity to Help**

So, with one door closing, another one opens. We have two professional grounds people (!) at the club who will be able to

oversee the grounds in the evenings, but we are looking for someone with some spare time who can cut the outfield and make general preparations during the week. If this is of interest to you please contact our Chairman Stephen Brain on: 07771802148.

### **Winter Is Upon Us**

Although the cricket has finished, the club is still active throughout the winter with our Club Dinner held at the Cotswold Gateway in Burford on Friday 19th November. We will also be looking to put on a couple of fundraising and social events in the New Year, so as always, please visit our website for all the latest news: [www.shiptoncc.co.uk](http://www.shiptoncc.co.uk).

**Justin Hemming**  
**Hon. Secretary**

## **Milton Community Fund Project Fencing Around the New Play Area**



We have enjoyed the sight of children playing on the new equipment on Milton Green, unfortunately, up close it is not always such a pleasure.

There are two ongoing problems - one of dog fouling providing an unwelcome assault course, almost impossible for an under five to negotiate. Once on a child's shoe or boot, the poo gets transferred to the steps, ramps and ropes, contaminating

the places that smaller children hold and crawl over. Secondly, there is unwanted attention from uncontrolled dogs.

Milton Parish Council has now agreed to fence around the young children's equipment to ensure that the area remains secure and clean.

To make up the £2,500 shortfall in available funding, several events have been planned for 2010/11 including discos, frock swap, children's activity morning and raffle. There will be an opportunity to sponsor a railing/post. Look out for further details. If you would like to contribute in any way, please contact Martin Gibbs on: 01993 832440 or by email to: [martin.gibbs02@btinternet.com](mailto:martin.gibbs02@btinternet.com).

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