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The Yorkshire Social Club Invitation

Who are Yorkshire Cricket Foundation?

Yorkshire Cricket Foundation (YCF) are the official charity and community arm of Yorkshire County Cricket Club. We use the power of cricket to break down boundaries and create healthier, happier communities.

What is the Yorkshire social Club?

The Yorkshire Social Club is a project delivered by YCF which aims to provide older adults in Yorkshire the opportunity to watch Yorkshire CCC play at home. This is a fantastic opportunity for your group and members to have a sociable, friendly and relaxed day out together, whilst watching live sport.

We are striving to make cricket, in particular Headingley and our associated out grounds as welcoming and accessible as possible and want to provide your members with a day to remember.

The YCF would like to invite you to Headingley Stadium to watch Yorkshire CCC play in the County Championship. We have a number of tickets available for the following fixtures and would love it if you and your group could attend.

Fixtures and Dates

Date	Fixture	Start Time
Thursday 6 th April	Yorkshire Vs. Leicestershire (Day 1)	11am
Friday 7 th April	Yorkshire Vs. Leicestershire (Day 2)	11am
Thursday 4 th May	Yorkshire Vs. Glamorgan (Day 1)	11am
Friday 5 th May	Yorkshire Vs. Glamorgan (Day 2)	11am
Sunday 25 th June	Yorkshire Vs. Gloucestershire (Day 1)	11am
Monday 26 th June	Yorkshire Vs. Gloucestershire (Day 2)	11am
Wednesday 19 th July	Yorkshire Vs. Sussex (Day 1)	11am
Thursday 20 th July	Yorkshire Vs. Sussex (Day 2)	11am
Tuesday 26 th September	Yorkshire Vs. Worcestershire (Day 1)	10:30am
Wednesday 27 th September	Yorkshire Vs. Worcestershire (Day 2)	10:30am

What does a day at the cricket look like?

For games that start at 11am, typically, the gates will open from around 9:30am (you do not have to be there from 9:30am) which is also when your tickets would be available to collect from the Ticket Office. Spectators are then free to go to their seats or wander round and get some breakfast before the game starts at 11am.

The game will start at 11am and play until 1:30pm (or thereabouts) depending on the state of the game. The teams will stop for lunch which is usually around 45 minutes to an hour at which point spectators can also leave the grounds for lunch or stay with a number of food options available on site.

The game will then start again, with a short 15/20minute break in the afternoon. Play usually lasts until 5/6pm but this is usually controlled by the weather!

Visitors don't need to stay for the entire day. We just want to offer an opportunity for people to come so if people want to stay for just the morning, that's ok with us.

What can spectators bring with them?

Those attending County Championship games can bring their own food and drink into the grounds though there are some restrictions on what can be brought in, for example alcohol and glass bottles. I can provide more specific information before each fixture.

As cricket is outdoors and we can't control the elements, it is important that people bring suitable clothing for the day ahead. This could include blankets and sun cream in the same day! Umbrellas are not permitted in the grounds.

It's important to know that spectators may have their bags searched by a member of the security team as they come through the gates. This isn't anything personal, we just want to ensure everyone within the grounds is safe and well.

Accessibility within the grounds

Yorkshire CCC have invested much into making the grounds as accessible as possible. Since 2015, the Yorkshire Cricket Foundation have held the status of 'Working towards becoming Dementia Friendly' with some staff trained as Dementia Friends. Around the grounds there are disabled access toilets, with security having radar keys for all toilets. There are areas of the stadium suitable for wheelchair users to sit and spectate from. We also operate a buggy service from Car Parks to the gates for those with limited mobility.

What do we need from you?

We appreciate it is early but to ensure we can invite as many people as possible to watch the cricket, we would like to know from you how many tickets you may want per game. Please bear in mind that we do not have an unlimited number of tickets, so only reserve the tickets that your group may use. In previous years, groups of 10-15 have come together to watch the match. If you think you may need more, that is ok with us, we just want to make sure nobody misses out. At this stage, we are limiting each group to two days – if anything changes nearer the time, we will let you know.

If you would like to reserve tickets, please reply to this email with the dates, game and total tickets, clearly stating which organisation you represent.

If you would like to get in touch

If you would like to speak about this more, or require further information please contact Beth on beth.cook@yorkshirecricketfoundation.com or on 07842 315 621.