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Bromley Bulldogs Cricket - Pathway from School / Club to County

Bromley District Cricket (BDC) runs representative Cricket teams at U10, U11, U12, U13, U14, U18 and U13 Girls and they are known as the Bromley Bulldogs.

All age groups play league matches against the following 3 areas as part of the Kent Area Competition: Bexley Bashers / Greenwich & Lewisham Thamesiders / Northern Warriors.

All age groups play additional friendly fixtures against other areas e.g. Surrey Inner London, Cambridgeshire, Essex and local clubs. We aim for a minimum of 8 fixtures for each age group played from April through to the end of August. We aim to get players playing in a similar number of games subject to availability.

It is hardball cricket at all age groups.

To be eligible to play cricket for the Bromley Bulldogs the player must fulfil one or more of the following criteria - belong to a Bromley Borough cricket club, attend a Bromley Borough school or his / her household pay their Council Tax to the London Borough of Bromley.

Any player that was in a Bromley Bulldog squad in the summer will automatically be invited to attend assessments for the following season, although this in no way guarantees selection for the following season's squad.

Players may **not** play for two teams in one season. The exception to this is that a Bromley Bulldogs player may play for his / her club or school and for their County. Present Kent ruling states that boys who play for Kent must play an age group up for an Area game. Any Kent girls playing in the Area competition will continue to play an age group lower.

Players **must** play for one of the 8 Areas within Kent to be eligible for nomination for Kent County assessments. There is no pathway to Kent through London Schools.

Players playing for London Schools will not be considered for selection for Bromley Bulldogs.

Players may not attend assessments for more than one county during the same academic year.

From autumn 2017, at U11, there will no longer be a nomination procedure or assessment. The U11s will participate in a festival playing fixtures against other Kent Area teams and the Kent U11 squad will be selected based on performances within the Area Cricket Programme. It will be an open team policy to allow as many U11s as possible to experience County cricket.

Any player not selected for the Kent squads, reverts back to the relevant Bromley Bulldogs Area team with peers of their own age.

Should parents wish to provide play-cricket / school statistics to support their child's Bulldog's assessment, please email any documentation to admin@bromleydistrictcricket.com

For more information regarding the Kent Performance squads:

Boys: <https://www.kentcommunitycricket.co.uk/kent-teams/performance-boys>

Girls: <https://www.kentcommunitycricket.co.uk/kent-teams/performance-girls>

Bromley Bulldogs Pathway and Timeline

including the interface with Kent County

July / Aug

All clubs, schools and parents are asked to nominate players that show talent and potential to become a Bromley Bulldogs player.

Emails are sent to all players nominated by their school, club, coach or parent to invite them to attend assessments.

Aug

Bromley Area Development Manager, Match Managers and Lead Coaches agree nominations for Kent County U12 – U15 assessments. Nominations for U17 assessments are sent to Kent County by clubs. Nominations are based on a number of factors including that summer's performance and attitude, along with technical, tactical and fielding performance.

At U14s, players will be selected at County trials for the U14 boys County squad. There will be a pre-season tour which will allow the squad to be 'match' ready for the ECB competition. A second group of players will be selected for an U14 County development squad who will attend the Taunton Festival.

Sept/Oct

4 weeks of Kent County assessments for U12 – U14 nominated players. There is a fee involved.

Open training session for girls U11 County squad.

Sept/Oct/Nov/Dec

All nominated players will be invited to attend indoor trial assessments for the Bromley Bulldogs. There is a fee payable (see appendix).

Players for the U10 age group will be asked to attend a whole term of assessments, where they will be evaluated over the whole term. Players for the U11 – 14 age groups will be asked to attend open assessments from September – October half term, when the most talented players will be selected to train with the previous season's Area Squad from November to mid-December.

Any player not selected mid-October will be given feedback and will be offered the option of booking an alternative training session for the remainder of the autumn term – there is a fee payable (see appendix).

Oct

One off assessment held for players who are not attending the term long assessment, feedback will be given. There is a fee payable (see appendix).

Results of the Boys U11 – U15 assessment sessions announced. Any player not selected for the Kent squads, reverts back to the relevant Bromley Bulldogs Area team with peers of his own age.

Nov

4 weeks of Kent County assessments for U17 nominated players. There is a fee involved (see appendix).

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Players nominated for Kent assessment sessions will be advised of the outcome of the assessments by the County.

Assessments for Girls U12 – U17 County Squads

Dec

Results of the Boys U17 assessment sessions announced. Any player not selected for the Kent squads, reverts back to the relevant Bromley Bulldogs Area team with peers of his own age.

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Area Cricket Programme fixtures published on Bromley District Cricket website.

Selections are made for all Bulldogs squads. Players and parents are advised by email within 14 days of the final assessment session. We aim for squads of 16 at U10 level and 14 at all other age groups. Feedback is given to each individual who does not make the squad to discuss with their Club coach. Selection is based on a number of factors including that summer's performance (to be provided by parents/carers) along with technical, tactical and fielding performance.

Jan/Feb/Mar

All players selected for Bromley Bulldogs squads will attend squad coaching sessions in preparation for the season. There is a fee payable (see appendix).

All players selected for Kent County squads will be invited to attend indoor coaching followed by some outdoor coaching sessions. There is a fee payable (see appendix).

Mar

Player availability for fixtures requested. All players are asked to purchase the Bromley Bulldogs shirt and cap. 1-off match fees for the season are payable (see appendix).

April/May/June/July/August

Bromley Bulldogs Area fixtures played.

Nov

Bromley Bulldogs end of season awards night

Appendix

Fees

The fees listed below are based on the Area fees for 2017. All fees are subject to change and alteration depending on the venue hire costs, number of weeks of the trials/training sessions, any increase to the costs of the clothing, cost of match balls, and pitch hire fees etc.

Approximate costs involved in Area Cricket based on 2017 figures...

Trials and training Sept – Dec	£175.50
Training Jan – Mar	£138.75
One off trial	£15.00 (not required if attending full trials)
Match fees	£45.00
Cap	£13.50
Shirt	£16.95 – £26.95 depending on size required

Term long assessments and training costs may be split into 2 instalments and arrangements can be made by ringing the BDC office.

All fees for County Squads are set by Kent, and will be advised upon selection for the squads.

In cases of financial hardship please contact the Area Development Manager on 07960 417198.