

THE HAMPSHIRE CRICKET SOCIETY

SPEAKERS 2021/2022

WEDNESDAY 6 OCTOBER 2021 at ROMSEY GOLF CLUB (2:30PM)

This meeting will be preceded by the AGM at 2:00pm.

JOHN EMBUREY will need little introduction. Members will recall that he was a skilful off-spin bowler with masterful command of flight. He formed a successful and artistic spin partnership with Phil Edmonds from Middlesex, who under the captaincy of Mike Brearley and then Mike Gatting, were serial winners in the 70's and 80's. He played 64 Tests, captaining England twice in that chaotic series against the West Indies in 1988. He played in the famous 1981 Ashes series when, on his recall, he was a key figure in England's win at Edgbaston. It was his dismissal of Allan Border and Graham Yallop in the second innings that left the door ajar for Ian Botham's vivid spell of five for one to end the match. Controversially, he participated in the ill-fated rebel tour to South Africa in 1982/83 which led to a three year suspension in Test cricket.

WEDNESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2021 at ROMSEY GOLF CLUB (2:00pm)

RICHARD ELLISON will always be remembered for his luxurious frizzy mop of hair and his match-winning swing bowling in the 1985 Ashes series, when he took 17 wickets in the final two Tests. Unfortunately, a back injury reduced his effectiveness thereafter. He was, though, a very fine bowler and a handy, aggressive, left-handed batsman. He was an integral part of a successful Kent side during his career. Like Emburey, he joined a rebel tour to South Africa, in 1990. He retired soon afterwards to become Director of Cricket at Millfield School.

WEDNESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2021 CHANGE OF VENUE now at ROMSEY GOLF CLUB (2:00pm)

IAN "GUNNER" GOULD was one of cricket's most ebullient and popular characters in the 1980's. Starting his career at Middlesex, he later moved to Sussex. He thus stood behind the stumps to some of the fastest bowlers of that era in Wayne Daniel, Imran Khan and Garth le Roux. He kept for England in 18 one-day Internationals. He also made one appearance in Test cricket, as a substitute, when he caught Greg Chappell in the renowned Test at Melbourne in 1982/83, which England went on to win by three runs. He then enjoyed a stellar career as an Elite umpire standing in 251 International matches, including 74 Tests. He was once on Arsenal's books which led to his nickname. His highly entertaining autobiography *Gunner – My Life in Cricket* was published last year.

WEDNESDAY 8 DECEMBER 2021 CHRISTMAS LUNCH at ROMSEY GOLF CLUB (1:00pm)

MIKE SELVEY played three Tests for England in 1976, and 1977, making a startling debut at Old Trafford in 1976, in which he dismissed Roy Fredericks, Viv Richards and Alvin Kallicharran for only six runs in his first 20 balls. He was a strongly built fast-medium bowler in county cricket mainly for Middlesex, with whom he won three County Championships and a share in another, as well as two Gillette Cups. His career in county cricket was bookended with appearances for Surrey and Glamorgan. He became a highly regarded cricket correspondent for The Guardian in 1985, a post he held for 31 years. He was also a TMS summariser from 1984 until 2008, and now acts in a similar capacity for Talksport.

WEDNESDAY 12 JANUARY 2022 at TEST VALLEY GOLF CLUB (2:00pm)

STEPHEN CHALKE has been one of the most prolific authors and publishers on the game in the last thirty years. The quality of all his publications is a byword. He has written 20 books about cricket, as well as publishing works by 13 other authors. Of all the publications, no fewer than eight have won Book of the Year awards. Stephen is a most accomplished and entertaining speaker with a wealth of stories based on first hand interviews with countless cricketers who have graced the game since the 1950's. His latest publication is Alan Rayment's second volume of autobiography which is scheduled to be launched at the end of October.

WEDNESDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2022 at TEST VALLEY GOLF CLUB (2:00pm)

MICHAEL BURNS will be a new name to most members. Over the years he has produced two enthralling productions, on the MCC tours to Australia in 1954/55 and South Africa in 1956/57. Much of the footage emanated from the players' own cine films. The film this afternoon is entitled "Shifting Boundaries – English cricket in the 1960's".

WEDNESDAY 16 MARCH 2022 at ROMSEY GOLF CLUB (2:00pm)

ISABELLE DUNCAN is making a return visit to the Society, having previously visited in November 2015. Her address on that occasion was a history of women's cricket. Isabelle will hopefully update her talk to incorporate all the changes in women's cricket since her last visit, especially as the landscape has altered so significantly. She is a member of the main Committee at MCC and has played for numerous men's and women's teams.

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