

British Officers Cricket Club (BOCC)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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TOPIC	QUESTION
About Cricket	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is cricket? Really? https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cricket
About Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• When was the club started?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The British Officers Cricket Club was formally established in 1925 as part of the British Officers Club, playing continuously at Haverford College until September 1939 with the start of World War II. It was restarted in 1986 by British Officers Club members Alfred Reeves, Peter Stone and Alan Stuart (all deceased).○ The first match of the revived club occurred April 27th 1986 versus the Pickwick Club.
About Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is the cricketing season for BOCC?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The BOCC plays from the beginning of April through to the end of October.
About Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Where do you play?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Our home ground is contained within the Evansburg State Park located in Collegeville, PA.○ We also visit other local teams as part of league and friendly fixtures as well as touring further afield from time to time.
About Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How often do you play?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ During the season typically there are typically two matches a weekend and sometimes three.
About Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is the governance structure of the club?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The BOCC places no restriction upon membership, save that of gentlemanly conduct. Club management is democratic and bound by its Constitution. The BOCC

	<p>strives to uphold the notion of cricket first, team second and the individual last.</p>
About Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Are you associated with International Cricket Council (ICC)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ICC expelled the United States of America Cricket Association in 2017. Governance of American cricket has transitioned to USA Cricket. BOCC is affiliated with this organization through our participation in the Greater Philadelphia Cricket League
Becoming a member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How do you join the club? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ If interested in playing, come to nets at our ground at Evansburg State Park on Wednesdays after 5:00 pm in the season. After two net sessions, you may apply to join the club using the form attached and receipt of appropriate fees by the Club Treasurer.
Becoming a member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How much does it cost to join the club? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Playing Membership is typically \$250 (after July 1 - \$175) (includes Club shirt, cap and tie and a subsidy towards club social functions). Other membership options are available including for students or unemployed.
Becoming a member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Can I become a non-playing member? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Yes. If you wish to support the club in a non playing capacity you can do so as a Vice President. Fee is discretionary, although at least \$25 is customary.
Becoming a member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How can I schedule a game with BOCC? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To Schedule games with the BOCC or for general questions and/or Inquiries, please send an email to the Fixtures Secretary at fixtures@bocccricket.com.
Becoming a member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I want more information, how do I contact someone at BOCC? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Please contact the club captain via email skippers@bocccricket.com
Playing Cricket at BOCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What formats of cricket do you play? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We play 40 overs, T-20, Social games - 25 to 35 overs

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All games are played with real cricket balls and equipment on a large cricket field wearing full whites ○ Short formats allow colored uniforms
Playing Cricket at BOCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Which leagues do you play in? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We play in the Greater Philadelphia Cricket League which operates in the Philadelphia metro region and offers 40 over, 20 over and 10 over competitions during the season.
Playing Cricket at BOCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Does the club play social cricket? (see formats) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Yes, we play social cricket and we also play in the yearly Philadelphia International Cricket Festival. We also do yearly tours to Canada (Toronto) and Florida (Sarasota).
Playing Cricket at BOCC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What is your team selection policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ You must be a paid member to be eligible for selection for any game. All players can be selected for social games and based on performance/ability possibly for league games. ○ The league team selections along with any social games are done on Wednesday evenings for the upcoming weekend games. ○ The league selections are done by the league Captains and the Club Captain. The criteria used for selection is based on performance, participation in club activities, discipline/practices and players' availability. ○ Social team selections are made with an emphasis on club member participation as well as providing opportunities for youth and improving players to transition to league cricket by showing potential and with strong performances.
Junior Cricket	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I have children who want to learn and play cricket, does BOCC teach cricket to juniors? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Yes. We have the area's largest and most developed junior cricket programs. Please go to https://philadelphiayouthcricket.squadfusion.com/welcome for more information and to register

