

# THIS MONTH'S PLAYER PROFILE -



Jonathon joined Redcar 3 years ago from Normanby Hall. Jonathon is a stylish batsman and one of his fondest memories is when he scored 110\* for the N Hall U-15's against Redcar (which included dispatching a certain C Brown for 44 in 3 overs!) and then went on to score 88 for N Hall 3rds in the afternoon. Jonathon is also renowned for his successful quiz "exploits."

**AGE** 22 **BIRTHPLACE** MIDDLESBROUGH **OCCUPATION** TEACHER

**MARITAL STATUS** SINGLE (BUT ALWAYS GRAFTING)

**NICKNAMES** BURKEY, JB, HEART SIZE OF A PEA, BRANDON FLOWERS (NOT Paddy McGuinness)

**HIGHLIGHT OF CRICKET CAREER –**  
BEING AT NON STRIKER'S END WHEN CALLUM BROWN ORIGINALLY INJURED HIS KNEE

**1 FEATURE ABOUT YOURSELF YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO CHANGE:**  
MY ARSE, APPARENTLY IT'S CONNECTED TO BUCKO'S TONGUE.

### CRICKETING HEROES

- A) ENGLISH IAN BOTHAM
- B) INTERNATIONAL RICKY PONTING
- C) LOCAL DAVE BROWN

**FAVOURITE LOCAL CRICKET GROUND** REDCAR CC

**FAVOURITE FOOTBALL TEAM** MIDDLESBROUGH (when they are at home on Boxing Day)

### FAVOURITE FOOTBALLER

- A) INTERNATIONAL LUIS AMOR RODRIGUEZ
- B) ENGLISH KARL FLETCHER

**FAVOURITE MEAL** PEANUT BUTTER SANDWICH

**FAVOURITE RESTAURANT** ANYWHERE IT'S 2 FOR 1

**FAVOURITE DRINK** PEPSI MAX

# JONATHON BURKE

**FAVOURITE FILM** SHAWSHANK REDEMPTION

**FAVOURITE ACTOR** TOM HANKS

**FAVOURITE ACTRESS** OLIVIA WILDE

**FAVOURITE TV PROGRAMME** TWO AND A HALF MEN

**FAVOURITE GROUP** JEHOVAHS WITNESSES

**FAVOURITE SINGER** BEZ HODGSON

**FAVOURITE COMEDIAN** ROBERT MUNRO ON TWITTER

### What Jonathon makes of his Team Mates

**MOST TALENTED** TYLER EASTON

**THE JOKER OF THE TEAM** MICHAEL SMALLWOOD (If he fancies a game)

**THE BIGGEST SLOGGER** DICK DASTARDLY

**THE BIGGEST PIE BOWLER** DAVID CORPS

**BEST FIELDER** STEVE LAW

**WORST FIELDER** ME, WHENEVER I PLAY AT SALTBURN

**BEST SLEDGER** SANTA CLAUS

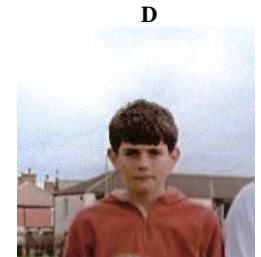
**WORST SLEDGER** ANTHONY SMITH

**MOST INTELLIGENT** BEN HODGSON

**LEAST INTELLIGENT** TAKE YOUR PICK

### Quiz Corner- Name these Redcar Players Past & Present

Only 1 player has scored over 150 in an innings for Redcar this century. Who is he?



We started our return to the NYSD Premier Division 2013 campaign led by our new erudite Skipper Tom Urwin and vice captain evergreen Mick McCabe taking on Stokesley away. We went into the game after a pre-season friendly victory against a strong Guisborough 1<sup>st</sup> team in which Tom Urwin and Sam Berry scored half centuries. However at Stokesley we were dismissed for 98 with new Pro Mohammed Saad desperately unlucky to be run out backing up. The only resistance came from youngsters Tyler Easton (22) and Sam Berry (25). Stokesley made light of victory despite Mohammed Zahid's fine 10 over spell of 1-5 as they finished on 101-1. Our second fixture was at home to Guisborough and we fared even worse and were all out for 65 with Guisbro' Pro Dhammika taking 4-9. They knocked off the target with the loss of 3 wkts. Mohammed Zahid bowling an exceptional spell of 10 overs taking 2-18. Ex Redcar stalwart Martin Hood was unbeaten on 20 at the close for Guisborough. It doesn't get any easier as our next 2 games are away to Champions Richmond and then last year's runners up Darlington.

**Our 2nds** opened their account with a victory over Stokesley 2nds. Chasing 147 to win we looked in trouble at 88-8 but Skipper Steve Law (20no) stayed with Billy Hodgson (39no) and their 59 run unbeaten partnership saw us home. Earlier Dave Corps took 6-43 and Man of the Match Billy Hodgson 3-14. We continued our good form with an excellent victory over a chewy Marske eleven who made 159-9. Andrew "Hoss" Hunter was the star of the show with 7-71. At 80-5 things were in the balance but a stand of 67 between Mitchell Brown (52 no) and Rob Munro (22) saw us home by 4 wkts aided also by a chirpy 33 (7 4's) from swashbuckling Jonathon Cooper.

**The 3rds** opened the season with a home victory against Guisborough 3rds who made a leisurely 118-8 in their 45 overs. Rob Munro carried on from his profitable 2012 season spinning his web and taking 4-16 in 12 overs. We struggled to knock off the runs but a fluent 22 from Jonathon Burke and a tidy 19 not out from Kia Johnson saw us home by 4 wkts. They followed this with another win at Richmond who made 169-9. Rob Munro took 4-26 and Andy Hunter 3-43. We knocked them off for the loss of 5 wkts with a sparkling partnership of 63 in 9 overs from Rob Munro,61no and Jonathon Cooper, cavalier as usual with 37 including 7 4's and 1 six. These 2 wins were followed by a home defeat to Normanby Hall. Redcar made 162 and it says a lot for our coaching strategy as it seems after 6 LBW decisions against us at least we are getting in line! Craig Potter hit 47 and new signing Dave Skipsey 37. Normanby Hall won by 5 wkts with the gregarious Mick Smallwood ambling in with 2 wkts.

### **Quiz Answers:**

**Flamboyant Gordon Kidd hit 152 v Sedgefield for the 3rds in 2007**

**A DAVE DAVIES B STEVE LEE C IAN PATCHETT D MATTY WADMAN**

### **"Great News as Grant is secured"**

We had excellent news last month when we secured a grant for £ 28,000. This will be used for a new outfield cutter, 2 additional new sightscreens (as required by NYSD rules by 2014), the renovation of our practice net facility and improvements to the clubhouse. Suppliers and contractors are being evaluated. We are hoping to commence purchases and work in June. Other financial funds have come from players' sponsorships. As reported last month 21 cricketers raised £3,815 by doing the sponsored walk from Whitby to RCC. Stalwart Mick "Mark Spitz" McCabe also raised a magnificent £450 by doing a 5 mile sponsored swim – completed in 2 hours, 45 minutes and 13 seconds, a great individual effort.

### **Devastating blow to Redcar's return to Premier cricket** **Sean "Shaggy" McGarry out for the season?**

On the Friday night before our first game at Stokesley Redcar's opening bowling attack was cut down in one fell swoop after South Park Rangers midfield dynamo Sean McGarry ended up on the slab at James Cook after breaking his leg in the Middlesbrough Over 35s Football League game.

**GET WELL SOON SEAN**



Latest news from our popular 1996 Aussie Pro Corey Richards is that he has been appointed Assistant Coach for Bangladesh and will be in Dhaka for the next 2 years. Other Aussie news is that our top amateur player from the year 2000 Mark Cosgrove won the Sheffield Shield with his state Tasmania.

### **April Awards**

**Best Senior Innings:** Mitchell Brown's 52 not out for 2nds at Marske.  
**Best Bowling :** Andrew Hunter's 7-71 v Marske for the 2nds  
**Best Performance:** Steve Law & Billy Hodgson's 59 run winning partnership versus Stokesley for 2nds.  
**Club Drunk for April:** Roy Spence  
**Club Skunk for April:** Dave Marshall