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Comings and Goings

Following our relegation from Division 1, we can confirm the departures of **Richard Atkins** (East Bierley), **Tabbi Bhatti** (Saltaire), **Ahsan Butt** (Hanging Heaton) and **Harry Smallwood** (destination unknown).

Sri Lankan overseas player **Dehiwalage Perera** will not be returning to the club in 2012.

The club wish to thank the above players for their efforts during 2011 and wish them every success in the future.

Whilst the club respects the reasons for players leaving to compete in Division 1, it would be remiss not to mention the continued loyalty from Craig Hitchenor, Mushtaq Ahmed, vice captain Simon Webb, Jonny Reynolds, Tom Smallwood and wicket keeper James Midgley who all remain with the club and are aiming to play a big part in hopefully ensuring a quick return to Division 1.

"**Mushy**" has just completed his 12th season at the club, widely respected throughout the league, it is no secret he will play a massive part in next season's promotion campaign and he remains as committed to Baildon CC as ever.

Simon Webb has been with the club since 2007 and has fulfilled a number of roles with a minimum of fuss. "Webby" will be a pivotal player at the top of the order. The ultimate club man.

Jonny Reynolds has shown glimpses of his potential over several seasons, Division 1 is a tough place to learn your trade and we anticipate a big season for Jonny in Division 2.

Tom Smallwood joined the club in 2010 and has two seasons of valuable first team experience under his belt. Another talented young player, he will be striving to become more consistent with the bat and look to develop his medium pacers.

...ining lights in 2011, in his debut season of first team
and he contributed effectively with the bat down the
order. ... will look to continue his development in 2012.

Craig Hitchenor continues as Captain. The experienced opening bowler enjoyed a decent first half of the season in 2011 before his form tailed off. He will be hoping to galvanise the side and secure a return to Division 1 at the first attempt.



Alex Hewitt joins the club from Pudsey Congs. Alex endured a frustrating season in 2011 at the Britannia Ground and will be looking to return to the form he showed in the second half of 2010 when he made a major contribution to Congs title success. The Club are delighted to have Alex on board and he will form a new ball partnership with Craig Hitchenor. Alex will also add stability to the lower order as we found out to our cost this season when he was one part of a stubborn last wicket partnership which cost us a vital victory against Congs!



Alex Hewitt (picture courtesy of www.pudseycongscricket.com)

Kasir Maroof also joins the club from Yeadon. Kasir, previously with Pudsey St Lawrence, enjoyed a breakthrough season in 2011 scoring 686 league runs for the White Swan outfit. A



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we are excited to have Kasir at the club and he will also
more than useful medium pacer.

Talks are at an advanced stage with an overseas batsman. Watch this space.

Details of winter nets will be posted in the coming weeks.