

Abergavenny Stalwarts

Warren Butterworth



Warren Butterworth joined the Cricket Club around 1986/87 a native of Oldham, Greater Manchester, a Lancastrian educated at Chadderton Grammar School who moved to Wales with his work around this time with Kaywool Products based in Tredegar. Along with his family Christine his wife and son Gary they settled into the club really well. Christine soon became a member of the Willow Club – the hard working ladies Committee. In 1987 along with Dick Brown he coached the Under13 side that reached the County Final. Warren played some 1st x1 cricket but for the majority of his time played 2nd X1 and was a successful batsman, featuring on a number of occasions in the Three Counties League Handbook. He was captain of the 2nd X1 in 1990 until 1993, this was interrupted in 1990 when he was asked to take over the 1st X1 captaincy following the resignation of Phil Watkins. He provided stability for the side for the rest of that Season. By 1991 his son Gary a Welsh schoolboy cap was playing in the first X1. Having come through the Junior teams. In 1992 through his company sponsorship he introduced the Player of the Month Awards. However, Warren is best remembered for his hard work and dedication to the club as an administrator, serving on the General Committee for many years. He also completed five years as Vice Chairman and in 2010 was elected Chairman of the Club, and for all his efforts was made a Life member in 2011/12. He took over from John Roberts as Cricket Chair in 2015 and continued in that role for 3 years. Currently he is one of the people responsible for the square at Avenue Road and a key member of the ‘Last of the Summer Wine Gang’ The wicket is probably playing as well as it ever has since first laid over 125 years ago. This, thanks to the work he does. His contribution was recognised in 2022 when he was honoured as Clubman of the Year.