

Chris Hora's funeral took place on Friday 1st July. The church service took place at St Mary's Church, College Road, Bromley where Richard Collens read Psalm 23 and Neil Bradford gave a splendid rendition of Rudyard Kipling's 'If'. The occasion was marked by some sharp suits on display, and some very rank singing in church, despite the Vicar (who Bradders said looked like Dick Emery) trying to summon up enthusiasm by explaining that Chris was once a choir boy there. The crematorium was more refined with Neil Bradford, Paul Schmidt, Geoff Atkinson, Richard de Mel, Keith Stockbridge and Neil Markell all acting as pallbearers. Kelly gave a eulogy which embraced Chris's love of the club, his tour antics and gave an insight into his family life. Afterwards, the wake was held at the club where a Jim and Trudi special tea awaited those returning and a hog roast was served later in the evening. A free bar meant all could enjoy a good evening at the club although hopes of restraint being shown by the 1s who were due to play Upchurch in the League in the next day, were very much dashed!! However it didn't seem to affect them too much - a big 20 points followed the next day. There has been a suggestion that Chris is inspiring them to greater things this year and a plea from Bradders to set a chair out with a cardboard cut-out of Chris on the boundary is being taken seriously!!

His ashes are due to be buried on the pitch on Saturday 16th July at 8:30pm, or when the sun is just about setting. Kelly has asked for this to be a celebration so wear what you like, bring a glass out to the pitch and Schmidtty and Julian will say some prayers before the burial. Chris asked specifically for Bradders to mark out his run up so he can be buried next to the marker. A debate is taking place on whether this should be the three yard version!! All who are back at the club in time are very welcome.