

## **West Community Development Manager's Update #33, August 2014**

### **Area Group News:**

Rain, fixture clashes, holidays and Area Groups pulling out of the competitions have severely curtailed the 2014 programme.

However, there are still a few weeks left before the cut-off date (Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> August) and I believe that several of the Area Groups are making plans to catch up with postponed fixtures.

The U14 competition will still have some sort of Final / Finals' Day – on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> or Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September. However, I am considering a couple of different options for the format of this day.

### **Club News:**

Thank you to the 10 Clubs (Clydesdale CC, East Kilbride CC, Ferguslie CC, Glasgow Accies CC, Hillhead CC, Poloc CC, Renfrew CC, Uddingston CC, Weirs CC and West of Scotland CC) that returned the school and community delivery spreadsheet that all Clubs were asked to return by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> July.

If your Club wishes to arrange a meeting with me (about any aspect of Club Development), could you please ask someone to get in contact and provide me with a couple of dates, times and a venue that would suit your Club. I hope to meet with all Clubs during late September / October / early November.

Recent Meetings: Inverclyde CC, Uddingston CC.

Upcoming Meetings: GHK CC.

### **Coaching News:**

A final cut-off date of 19<sup>th</sup> December 2014 has been set for anyone wishing to complete an assessment for any previous UKCC Level 2 Coaching Course. Anyone interested in being assessed must contact me by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2014. (Please remember that passing the assessment part of the course is only one element that needs to be successfully completed for a candidate to receive their final qualification.)

If any Club is interested in running a Kwik Cricket Game Course please get in contact with me and we can arrange a suitable date.

### **WDCU News:**

For the latest information about the Western District Cricket Union season please visit [www.wdcu.co.uk](http://www.wdcu.co.uk).

### **WDJCU News:**

For the latest information about the West District Junior Cricket Union season please visit [www.westjuniorcricket.com](http://www.westjuniorcricket.com).

### **West Regional Development Centre (WRDC):**

Following today's washout, the Western Warriors have now completed their fixture programme in the U15 Inter-Regional Championships. The Warriors finished in second place – behind winners Eastern Knights and ahead of the Caledonian Highlanders. Congratulations to all players who have represented the team during these championships and thank you to all Club that have hosted home / trial fixtures.

Unfortunately, the weather was also the winner as the U14 Triangular festival (also featuring Belfast U14s and Edinburgh U14s) was cancelled. However, thanks must go to Prestwick CC for doing so much to help to organise the event and to try and get cricket played.

### **Women's Cricket News:**

Cricket Scotland will be running a Girls' Kwik Cricket event on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August at Doo'cot Park, Perth. For more details about this, or any aspect of women's cricket, please contact Kari Carswell ([KariCarswell@cricketscotland.com](mailto:KariCarswell@cricketscotland.com)).

#### **Other News:**

On the back of the Commonwealth Games, Novus Solutions are looking to donate £1000 to a sports club from Glasgow. <http://www.novussolutions.co.uk/news/novus-grand-giveaway>

**sportscotland** have requested that we remind our coaches of the **sportscotland** coach development pathway. This pathway aims to provide CPD support for coaches of all levels. If this is something you are interested in please contact me, as all nominations for cricket coaches in the west must come through me. For more details of the pathway please follow this link:

[http://www.sportscotland.org.uk/coaching/coaching\\_get\\_qualified/coaching-cpd/](http://www.sportscotland.org.uk/coaching/coaching_get_qualified/coaching-cpd/)

Details of the **sportscotland** Coaching, Officiating and Volunteering Awards 2014 can be found by following this link: <http://www.sportscotland.org.uk/coaching/awards/sportscotland-coaching,-officiating-and-volunteering-awards-2014/>.

For Glasgow-based Clubs, the Sports Council for Glasgow are also requesting nominations for their Awards ceremony. <http://www.scglasgow.org.uk/> In recent years, cricket has been well represented at this ceremony and the Sports Council have been very supportive of the Glasgow-based cricket Clubs.

A nationwide 'Cricket-a-thon' is being held in aid of the STV Appeal on Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 August. Cricket Scotland is encouraging as many people as possible to take part in the event to raise funds for the charity, which helps children affected by poverty in Scotland. To be part of the event, all participants have to do is make a donation to the STV Appeal and pick up a bat and ball in a location of their choosing – such as their local cricket club, a specially organised event, or their own back garden. Donations can be made at events or via [www.justgiving.com/stumpuptoplay](http://www.justgiving.com/stumpuptoplay).

The next update will be during September. If you think that you may have something of interest that could be included in this update please get in contact with me.

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