

## West Community Development Manager's Update #14, December 2012

### Area Group News:

Four Area Groups have submitted applications to Cricket Scotland for the 2013 Summer Squad Project.

Recent Meetings: Ayrshire, Dumfries & Galloway.

Upcoming Meetings: Ayrshire, Dumfries & Galloway.

### Club News:

Recent Meetings: Ayr CC, Kilmarnock CC, Greenock CC, Hamilton CC, Hillhead CC, Inverclyde CC.

Upcoming Meetings: Glasgow Accies CC, Hamilton CC, St Michael's CC.

Could all Clubs please make an effort to return the TopClub pdfs – if they have not already been returned. (We are aware that some of the boxes do not work as they were intended to. However, please fill these sections in as completely as is possible before submitting the forms.) Thanks to the 11 Clubs in the west that have submitted their TopClub documentation.

If your Club wishes to arrange a meeting with me (about TopClub - or anything else), 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.

### Coaching News:

There are 17 candidates currently attending the Coach Award (UKCC 2) coaching course. 7 people (from 5 Clubs) attended the Winter Skills Update workshop, which was delivered on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November. Cricket Scotland is able to offer support to coaches through Club Coach Observations. This is focussed on meeting with a coach, watching them deliver a coaching session and then providing some feedback around the "How to" and "What to" coaching skills. If any Club coaches are interested in making use of this opportunity please contact me. And, 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.

### Cricket Society:

The guest speaker addressing the Cricket Society of Scotland in December will be Kevin Hand. The Glasgow meeting will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at Clydesdale CC. For more information about the Cricket Society in the west of Scotland, please contact either Graham Hollier ([graham\\_hollier@sky.com](mailto:graham_hollier@sky.com)) or Ewen McConville ([ejrmcc@aol.com](mailto:ejrmcc@aol.com)).

### Umpiring:

Thank you to Jim Connell for delivering an excellent quiz to the West of Scotland Association of Cricket Officials (WoSACO), on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November, at Clydesdale CC. For more information on the activities of WoSACO, please contact the secretary Jim McClymont ([jbmcclymont@gmail.com](mailto:jbmcclymont@gmail.com)).

The Level 1 Umpires Course will be getting delivered in Glasgow in 2013 - commencing in January. The course will be running on consecutive Thursday evenings, in the back lounge, at Clydesdale CC. For more information please contact the Course Instructor Billy McPate ([billy.mcpate@virginmedia.com](mailto:billy.mcpate@virginmedia.com)).

### WDJCU Indoor Super 8s:

The entry form for the 2012 WDJCU Indoor Super 8s Tournament was e-mailed out to Junior Convenors on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. The Tournament will take place, as usual, in Hutchesons' Grammar Schools' Indoor Sports Hall. The Groups Stages will run from 27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> December, with the Finals' Day on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>. The closing date for entries is Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### West Regional Development Centre:

So far this winter there have been three West Regional Development Centre (WRDC) Winter Training sessions – with one more planned before the end of the year.

### Women's Cricket News:

Congratulations to Galloway CC who Cricket Scotland's November Indoor 6s Competition, held at Gytes Leisure Centre in Peebles.

As part of the on-going support to girls' and women's cricket, Cricket Scotland is considering launching regional training sessions in the new year. Ideally, the sessions will be for U16 girls who have played (or trained) regularly throughout 2012. (However, if there are girls who are much younger but have displayed impressive levels of enthusiasm for the game they will also be considered.) Could any Clubs who have girls that they think should be considered for any potential regional training sessions please e-mail Kari Carswell ([karicarswell@cricketscotland.com](mailto:karicarswell@cricketscotland.com)) with names and contact details - before Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December.

### Other News:

The AGM of the Western District Cricket Union (WDCU) will take place on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm, at Poloc CC. Could all Clubs please ensure that they have returned the 2013 WDCU Competition Entry form to Frank Johnstone ([francisjohnstone@btinternet.com](mailto:francisjohnstone@btinternet.com)). The deadline for returning this is Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2012. Could all Junior Convenors please ensure that they have filled in the "Club league and cup registration" form on the West Junior Cricket website (<http://www.westjuniorcricket.com/>) to confirm the age group competitions that their Club wishes to enter in 2013. The form is available by following the link, at the bottom of the main menu, on the home page of the site.

Congratulations to Steve Taylor who won the Sports Council for Glasgow's Senior Volunteer of the Year Award at the Sports Council's Annual Awards, held in Glasgow City Chambers, on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November.

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

Kind Regards.

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