



CRICKET SCOTLAND

West Region Newsletter, 34, September 2014

Area Group News:

Rain, fixture clashes and holidays severely curtailed the U14 programme – with, unfortunately, only 1 fixture taking place at this age group.

Initially, it had been planned to have an U14 Inter-Area Tournament Final between the Area Groups in first and second place in the U14 table. However, the planned final was replaced by a Western Warriors U14 Talent Day which took place at Titwood (Clydesdale CC) on Sunday 7th September. This was the first of two planned talent events and thanks must go to the Sports Council for Glasgow's Sports Promotion Fund for their assistance with these events.



There have been a several games in the U12 competition - where the current, and likely final, standings are:

| U12 Inter-Area Development Tournament Standings, 2014 | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Area Group | Matches | | | | | Concessions | | | Points | | |
| | P | W | L | AB | T | Provisional | Reversed | Confirmed | Win | Bonus | Total |
| Ayrshire | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 1 | 41 |
| Clyde | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 7 | 47 |
| Dumfries & Galloway | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 (-1) | 7 | 6 |
| North Glasgow | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 20 | 60 |
| South Glasgow | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 40 | 9 | 49 |
| Lanarkshire | Lanarkshire withdrew from the tournament | | | | | | | | | | |

Club News:

11 Clubs returned the school and community delivery spreadsheet that all Clubs were asked to return. In total, these 11 Clubs have combined to offer over 800 hours of coaching to their local community, with well over 3000 different people participating in the sessions that have been delivered.

21 West Region Clubs have attained, or have retained, Cricket Scotland TOPClub status since the end of the 2013 season.



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.

Recent Meetings: Inverclyde CC, Uddingston CC.

Upcoming Meetings: GHK CC.

Coaching News:

The final touches are being put on the West Region Coach Education Calendar for 2014/2015. At the moment, there are plans to run the following:

- Basic First Aid for Sport course
- Certificate in Coaching Children (UKCC Level 2) course
- ICC Introduction to Cricket course
- Safeguarding and Protecting Children workshop
- UKCC Level 2 assessment day (for candidates on previous UKCC Level 2 courses)
- West Regional Development Centre Coaching Themes workshop



Cricket Scotland is still able to offer support to individual Clubs by running a Kwik Cricket Game Course – and, if there is sufficient interest, an ICC Introduction to Cricket course can be run on a local basis.

The Cricket Society of Scotland:



The first meeting of the West of Scotland branch of the Cricket Society of Scotland takes place on Monday 13th October at Clydesdale CC. The guest speaker is Isabelle Duncan and she will be the first female speaker ever to address the Cricket Society of Scotland!

For further information about the West of Scotland branch please contact either Graham Hollier (graham_hollier@sky.com) or Ewen McConville (ejrmcc@gmail.com).

WDCU News:

For the latest information about the Western District Cricket Union season please visit www.wdcu.co.uk.

WDJCU News:

For the latest news from the West District Junior Cricket Union please visit www.westjuniorcricket.com.

West Regional Development Centre (WRDC):

In total 24 players represented the Western Warriors U15s during 2014.

Owais Shah (Poloc CC) finished as the leading run scorer, with 143 runs @ 47.67, and the highest individual score came from Harry Briggs (Greenock CC), with his 80, against the Eastern Knights.



Haroon Tahir (Ferguslie CC) was the leading wicket-taker, with 9 wickets @ 19.11, and the best individual bowling performance came from Robbie McCallum (West of Scotland CC), with 6-4-3-3, against the Caledonian Highlanders.

Thanks to all the players for their efforts, to all parents / guardians who have assisted with transport and to all those Clubs that have hosted home matches during 2014.

Women's Cricket News:

There will be a girls' development centre running in the west region this winter. The centre is targeted at girls who are U16 and who have played hard ball cricket or have played Kwik Cricket but are looking to play hard ball cricket in 2015.



The development centre will give girls the experience of playing cricket with other girls and it will offer them opportunities to play fixtures against other regions in 2015. Players from the development centres may also be considered for the Scotland girls U17 squad.

All the west region sessions are taking place at Glasgow Club Holyrood (Aikenhead Road, Glasgow, G42 0PD), from 10am – 12pm on the following dates: 19th October, 23rd November, 18th January, 15th March and 26th April. The sessions will be delivered by fully qualified coaches - with equipment being made available to use on the day.

Clubs who would like to nominate girls should contact Kari Carswell (karicarswell@cricketscotland.com or 07981 408 915) directly.

Other News:

Miller Homes is giving local sports clubs across the country the opportunity to win £500. For more information please visit: <http://www.millerhomes.co.uk/press-centre/press-releases/miller-homes-launches-summer-of-sport-initiative-for-third-year-running.aspx/?social=summerofsport2014>.

There is an IOG Foundation Part 'B' course running on Sunday 14th September at Stirling C.C.C. The Part 'B' course covers the end of season renovations and essential autumn work that should be carried out on a cricket square. More information is available at: <http://www.cricketscotland.com/news/article/iog-foundation-parts-and-b/>.

The Cricket Scotland survey requesting feedback on junior cricket and the club game, to help shape the future of the game at grassroots level, will be open until the end of September. If there is anyone who wishes to fill in the survey, but has not been able to access it, they should contact me directly.

The Robertson Trust is accepting applications for its Legacy 2014: Sustainable Sport for Communities Fund until Wednesday 8th October 2014. For more details on this funding strand please visit: <http://www.therobertsontrust.org.uk/index.php/the-legacy-2014-sustainable-sport-for-communities-fund/>

sportscotland have requested that we remind our coaches of their 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. More details are available at: http://www.sportscotland.org.uk/coaching/coaching_get_qualified/coaching-cpd/.

The next newsletter will be during October. 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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