



CRICKET SCOTLAND

West Region Newsletter, 37, December 2014

Area Group News:

Clyde have made plans to run a winter training programme and South Glasgow's U12 winter training programme has begun.

All Area Groups have been given until the end of December to confirm whether or not they wish to enter the 2015 U12 Inter-Area Competition.

Recent Meetings: Dumfries & Galloway.

Upcoming Meetings: Dumfries & Galloway.

Club News:

If your Club wishes to arrange a meeting with me (about Club Development), 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: Clydesdale CC, Inverclyde CC, Uddingston CC.

Upcoming Meetings: Irvine CC.

Coaching News:

Congratulations to the 9 candidates, from 5 different clubs, who successfully completed the ICC Introduction to Cricket course on Sunday 22nd November. An article about the course can be found at: <http://www.cricketscotland.com/news/article/coaching-course-success-west/>.



The following Coach Education & Development opportunities are available over the next month or so:

- Talent Max workshop, Thursday 4th December, at Clydesdale CC.
- WRDC Coach Support Workshop, Sunday 7th December, at Hutchesons' Grammar School.
- Certificate in Coaching Children (UKCC Level 2) course, starting on Saturday 13th December.

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 too.

Cricket Force:

Cricket Scotland will be launching Cricket Force very soon. This is an exciting club development initiative – and details will be made available on the Cricket Scotland website when the project goes live.

Cricket Scotland Non-Turf Pitch Fund

Please find some information about a Cricket Scotland non-turf pitch fund attached to the e-mail that this newsletter was sent with.

Talent Max Programme:

The launch of the Talent Max Programme will take place on Thursday 4th December – from 6.30pm to 9.30pm, at Titwood (Clydesdale CC).



Full details are available on the Cricket Scotland website: <http://www.cricketscotland.com/news/article/cricket-scotland-launch-talent-max/>.

The Cricket Society of Scotland:



The winter programme of speakers addressing the West of Scotland branch of the Cricket Society of Scotland is now underway. Monday 8th December is the date for the next meeting where the guest speaker will be Iain O'Brien who represented New Zealand in 22 Tests between 2005 and 2009.

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 from the Western District Cricket Union please visit www.wdcu.co.uk.

WDJCU News:

The annual WDJCU Indoor Super 8s Tournament will take place from 27th – 30th December. The closing date for entries has been extended until Sunday 7th December 2014 – with full details of the Tournament being released shortly thereafter.



West Regional Development Centre (WRDC):



The WRDC is offering Club Junior Convenors and Area Group Coaches the opportunity to come and observe part of the WRDC session on Sunday 7th December and to gain an insight into the running of the WRDC.

Women's Cricket News:

There were 12 players present at the west region Girls' Development Centre training session on Sunday 23rd November, at the Glasgow Club Holyrood. There will be three sessions in the new year – on 18th January, 15th March and 26th April. Anyone wishing further details should contact Kari Carswell (karicarswell@cricketscotland.com) directly.



Other News:

As a small project for the winter, I am hoping to compile a list of records for events that have happened in all WDJCU competitions – both indoor and outdoor. If you think a player or team within your Club may hold a record, please can you get in contact with me with the details. To start with I am looking for: highest team score, lowest team score, highest individual batting score, best bowling figures, details of any hat-tricks. However, I am really keen to hear about any interesting events. Ideally, I would also like a copy of a picture of the scorecard or a link to a web article etc.

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

Finally, there have been so many moving tributes recently – but I will finish with some words from Richie Benaud:

“A boy, just beginning. 25 years of age. Baggy Green number four zero eight. His father’s best mate. Son, brother, fighter, friend. Inspiration. Phillip Hughes. Forever, rest in peace.”



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