

West Community Development Manager's Update #4, February 2012

Area Group News:

The Ayrshire and Glasgow (North & South combined) U12 and U14 Area Group winter coaching programmes are now well underway.

Both Ayrshire and South Glasgow have been successful in getting a Community Coach through the Cricket Scotland Summer Squad project.

Recent Meetings: Clyde Sharks (Thursday 19th January), Lanarkshire (Wednesday 25th January), Ayrshire (Thursday 26th January), Dumfries & Galloway (Thursday 2nd February).

Upcoming meetings: Ayrshire, Clyde Sharks and Lanarkshire dates still to be confirmed.

Club News:

Recent Meetings: Clydesdale CC, Greenock CC, Inverclyde CC, Dumfries CC, St Michael's CC.

Upcoming meetings: Ferguslie CC, Victoria CC, Drumpellier CC.

If your Club has still to arrange an initial meeting with me, could you please ask someone to get in contact and provide me with a couple of dates, times and venues that would suit your Club.

Coaching Update:

Cricket Scotland can now confirm that the make-up dates for modules 5-8 of the UKCC Level 2 Coaching Course (postponed in November) will be Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th March, at St Thomas Aquinas Secondary School (in Jordanhill, Glasgow).

An ICC Introduction to Cricket Course will also be running at St Thomas Aquinas Secondary School on Sunday 26th February. (A booking form is attached to this e-mail.)

Umpires (Scottish Cricket Officials Association):

Bill McPate has kindly agreed to deliver an Introductory Course (for umpires). This course is aimed at those still playing but who have to umpire in games where there are no appointed umpires and those coaching, or running, youth sides. The course will take place at Clydesdale Cricket Club, on Friday 16th March, from 6pm – 9pm. (A booking form is attached to this e-mail.)

First Aid

With the help of Gill McElnea, two First Aid courses have been arranged for April. Each course will last 3 hours and the course is suitable for using as one of the pre-requisites required to complete the UKCC Level 2 Cricket Coaching course. The courses will both be running at Clydesdale Cricket Club, on Sunday 1st April, one from 10am – 1pm and the other from 2pm – 5pm. There will be a limited number of places available on each course. (A booking form is attached to this e-mail.)

West Regional Development Centre:

Cricket Scotland Performance Development Manager Craig Wright attended the session on Saturday 28th January. Craig provided some specialist support for the seam bowlers, as well as using the session to have a look at all the WRDC players with regards to their potential involvement in the National U15 programme.

I am also delighted to be able to announce that Head of Performance Andy Tennant has agreed to deliver a specialist coaching session to the spin bowlers. This will take place as part of the planned training session on Sunday 19th February.

Other News:

Head of Community Development, Steve Paige, has asked me to pass on the following information:

- Please have a look at www.ecb.co.uk/development/ecb-coaches-association/ for information about the ECB Coaches Association – a source of excellent support for coaches.
- The Central Registered Body for Scotland (CRBS) has produced a simple Child Protection Policy template for voluntary organisations that complies with the PVG Legislation. The PVG Sample Child Protection Policy is attached. Whilst this very simple two page document is recommended by the CRBS Clubs should ensure that, if there are any further additions required, they make them before adopting the new policy. (The CRBS also has a resources section that can be found by following this link www.crbs.org.uk/InformationResource/tabid/406/Default.aspx and other helpful resources can be found at the Safeguarding in Sport site www.children1st.org.uk/services/117/help-with-policies-and-procedures.)

The next update will be early in March. 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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