



West Region Newsletter, 51, February 2016

Club News:

Cricket Scotland is in the process of updating the current Club Accreditation Scheme, known as TOPClub. As part of this, a national review meeting has been arranged for Monday 14th March, in the Tay Room, at Bells Sports Centre, Perth. The meeting will run from 7.15pm – 8.30pm. Each of the four regions in the country (CAFD, East, North and West) has been invited to send one representative to this meeting to provide some valuable input into the update. If you are interested in attending on behalf of the west region please e-mail me at: timhart@cricketscotland.com.

Congratulations to Kilmarnock CC and Weirs CC, who have each retained 'Active' status, and to Vale of Leven CC who have obtained 'Active' status, as these clubs have now joined the list of west region clubs which have Cricket Scotland Club Accreditation for 2016. The accreditation will be valid until 30 September 2016.



Thanks to all those clubs who have been in contact to arrange a meeting about club development. As always, if your club wishes to arrange a meeting with me (about club development or any other club matters), 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, Kelburne CC, Kilmarnock CC, Vale of Leven CC

Upcoming Meetings: Ferguslie CC, Galloway CC, Glasgow Accies CC, St Michael's CC, Weirs CC

Coaching News:



The next Coach Education & Development opportunity will be an ICC Introduction to Cricket Course. This course will be running at Eastwood High School, from 10am – 4pm, on Sunday 3rd April. A booking form is attached to the end of this newsletter.

Cricket Society of Scotland:

The next meeting of the west branch of the Cricket Society of Scotland will take place at Titwood (Clydesdale CC), starting at 7.30pm, on Monday 14th March 2016. This meeting will take the format of the annual dinner.



The guest speaker is Kevan James - a capable left-handed middle order batsman and left-arm seamer who forged a successful career with Hampshire. His career spanned the twenty seasons of the 1980s and 1990s. With Hampshire he won the Natwest Trophy in 1991 and the Benson & Hedges Cup in 1992. However, Kevan's main claim to fame is that he is the only player in the history of the first-class game to take four wickets in four balls and score a century in the same match. He achieved this feat, at the age of 35, for Hampshire against the Indians at Southampton in 1996, his last three victims being Sachin Tendulkar, Rahul Dravid, and Sanjay Manjrekar; he then went on to plunder 103 off the Indian attack!

For further information about the West of Scotland branch of the Cricket Society of Scotland, or to book a ticket for the annual dinner, please contact Graham Hollier (graham_hollier@sky.com) or Ewen McConville (ejrmcc@gmail.com) who are the Joint Secretaries.

Funding & Governance Workshop:

A bespoke Funding & Governance workshop has been designed by **sportscotland**, especially to offer support to cricket clubs throughout the country. The workshop will be delivered in the west of Scotland on Monday 29th February, from 7pm – 8.30pm, at the **sportscotland** offices in Glasgow. An application form is attached to the end of this newsletter.



Umpire News:

The West of Scotland Association of Cricket Officials are holding their Annual Dinner at Ralston Golf Club, on Friday 11th March, starting at 7.30pm. There will be two guest speakers: Bruce Dixon (President Elect of Cricket Scotland) and Alastair Storie (a Sports Psychologist, entertainer and former Scotland Internationalist). The cost for the evening is £25 per person. Anyone wishing further information, or wishing to book a place at the dinner, should contact Jim McClymont the organisation's Secretary / Treasurer: jmbmcclymont@gmail.com or on 07504-702697.



WDCU / Senior Cricket News:



The WDCU has released its Premier Division (and Reserve) and First Division (and Reserve) fixtures for the upcoming season. The new season will begin on Saturday 30th April, with the season culminating in the National Play-Off on Saturday 3rd September. To see the fixtures, and for the latest information about the WDCU, please visit: www.wdcu.co.uk.

WDJCU / Junior Cricket News:

The WDJCU has released all its fixtures for 2016. There are an incredible 439 scheduled league matches – in addition to the U13 League Cup, the U18 Frank Smith Trophy and U10 Kwik Cricket festivals. Full details are available on the West Junior Cricket website (www.westjuniorcricket.com).



West Regional Development Centre (WRDC):



There was an exciting addition to the WRDC Winter Training Programme on Sunday 7th February. Thanks to partnership working with C.H.S Training, and some vital funding support from the Sports Council for Glasgow, the WRDC and the WRDC Development winter training squads were given the opportunity to attend a Basic First Aid for Sport course. In total, seven players took up the opportunity offered – with all seven successfully completing the course.

Women's Cricket News:

The Girls' West Regional Development Centre (RDC) winter programme will begin on Sunday 21st February, from 11.30am – 1pm, in the Hutchesons' Grammar School Sports Hall. In total, there will be three sessions - with the other sessions taking place on Sunday 13th March and Sunday 24th April. Attendance is free and any girls aged under 16 (there is no lower age limit – but players should have some experience of playing and / or training regularly) are welcome to attend these softball, skill development sessions. Anyone wishing to book into the sessions can still do so – by contacting Kari Carswell directly: karicarswell@cricketScotland.com.



Other News:

The west region junior 'Player Development Pathway' document has recently been updated. The update reflects the recent changes to the west junior leagues – and highlights the female playing opportunities which are on offer. The document is available to download from the West Junior Cricket website: http://www.westjuniorcricket.com/index.php?option=com_rubberdoc&view=category&id=5&Itemid=35

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

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Club Funding & Governance Workshop



Workshop Application Form

Through a partnership with **sportscotland**, who are the National Agency for Sport, Cricket Scotland is delighted to be able to announce that a bespoke workshop has been arranged for cricket clubs.

The workshop will cover who **sportscotland** are and their corporate objectives for the next 4 years, along with providing guidance on club governance requirements. The bulk of the session will concentrate on **sportscotland**'s funding programmes and what can be funded. The workshop will be concluded with information on other services that can be utilised by clubs.



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E-MAIL ADDRESS	
CONTACT NUMBER	
CRICKET CLUB	

COURSE VENUE	sportscotland, Glasgow (G40 1DA)
DATE OF COURSE	Monday 29 February 2016
TIME OF COURSE	7pm – 8.30pm
COST	Free

To book onto this workshop please return this form, by Thursday 25th February, to timhart@cricketscotland.com or using the following postal address:

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ICC Introduction to Cricket Course



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COURSE VENUE	Eastwood High School, G77 6NQ
DATE OF COURSE	Sunday 3 April 2016
TIME OF COURSE	10am – 4pm
COST	£35

Candidates should: wear clothes suitable for running about in,
wear trainers suitable for indoor use,
bring a packed lunch with them.

Please make cheques payable to "Cricket Scotland LTD" and return, along with this form, by Monday 28th March 2016, to the following address:

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