

West Region Newsletter, 60, November 2016

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Club News:



Congratulations to Clydesdale CC as the club was highly commended in the Sports Council for Glasgow Annual Awards event – in the ‘Club of the Year Performance’ category.

East Kilbride CC is looking to recruit a part-time Development Officer. The closing date for applications to be submitted is 16:30 on Thursday 1st December 2016. For further information please follow this link: <http://www.pitchero.com/clubs/eastkilbridecc/news/part-time-development-officer-1721639.html>.



Coaching News:



All seventeen candidates on the ECB Certificate in Coaching Children’s Cricket (UKCC 2) course have now successfully completed their Applied Coaching Module 5. The candidates have one final day with their course tutors (on Saturday 3rd December) before completing a series of coaching sessions in their club environment, in preparation for their final assessment.

Thanks to Colin McDougall and Gill McElnea for delivering a Safeguarding & Protecting Children workshop and a Basic First Aid for Sport course on Sunday 20th November. In total, eleven people from six different West Region clubs took up the opportunity to attend one, or both, courses.

All active coaches holding an ICC Introduction to Cricket / Coach Support Worker course certificate (or higher qualification) are strongly encouraged to join the Cricket Scotland Coaches Association (CSCA), to be able to gain from a range of benefits. An application form, and further information, is available on the Cricket Scotland website, by following this link:

<http://www.cricketScotland.com/participation-news/cricket-scotland-coaches-association/>.



Cricket Society of Scotland:

The next meeting of the west regional branch of the Cricket Society of Scotland will take place at Titwood (Clydesdale CC), at 7.30pm, on Monday 12th December. The guest speaker will be Preston Mommsen.

Preston Mommsen was born in Durban and, as a talented youngster, he represented South African School Boys at both rugby and cricket, and South Africa under-19s at cricket. In 2006 he was awarded a cricket and rugby scholarship to Gordonstoun School in Elgin and thereafter elected to stay on permanently in Edinburgh where he joined Carlton Cricket Club. Having completed a four-year qualification period, he debuted for Scotland against the Netherlands in June 2010. He took over the Scottish captaincy from the injured Kyle Coetzer in the World Cup Qualifiers in New Zealand in 2014 and has retained it ever since. In those Qualifiers, he scored 520 runs at an average of 86.66 and was subsequently named the ICC Associate and Affiliate Cricketer of the Year. He has been one of Scotland’s most consistent batsmen with a total of six international centuries in ODIs, first-class and List A matches.

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



‘Thriving Clubs’ Programme:

For more information about the ‘Thriving Clubs’ programme, which Dumfries CC, Galloway CC, Hillhead CC and Poloc CC are part of, please get in contact with Cricket Scotland’s Head of Participation, Ian Sandbrook: iansandbrook@cricketScotland.com.



WDCU / Senior Cricket News:



For the latest information about the WDCU, and Senior cricket within the west of Scotland, please visit www.wdcu.co.uk or contact Mark Colman, the Executive Secretary: markcolman@aol.com.

Umpire News:

The West of Scotland Association of Cricket Officials (WoSACO) will, once again, be offering candidates who are interested the opportunity to complete the Level One Qualification of ECBACO (ECB Association of Cricket Officials). As usual there will be a series of umpiring classes which will culminate in a final exam. More information, including a contact e-mail address, is available by following this link: <http://www.wdcu.co.uk/umpiring-classes-2017/>.



WDJCU / Junior Cricket News:

The WDJCU AGM took place during November. There were a few changes to the Committee – and a number of changes to the league rules for 2017. For the latest updates please visit the virtual home of junior cricket in the west of Scotland: <http://www.westjuniorcricket.com/>.



The WDJCU Indoor Super 8s Tournament will be happening, as usual, between Christmas and New Year – with the Tournament taking place in the Hutchesons’ Grammar School Sports Hall. There will be U12, U15 and U19 competitions which will culminate with a Finals’ Day on Friday 30th December.

Information, including an entry form, has been e-mailed to Club Junior Convenors. For more information about the Super 8s please contact the Tournament Director Tim Hart: timhart@cricketScotland.com.

West Regional Development Centre:

The Western Warriors U15s have finally been presented with the Cricket Scotland U15 Inter-Regional Championship winners medals and trophy, following their successful 2016 season.

It was a season which saw the team win five of the six completed matches, with one match being cancelled and one abandoned with the team in a very, very strong position!

Congratulations to all those players, and coaches, who were involved in championship victory – and thanks to all clubs, and groundsmen, who hosted home matches during the summer fixture programme.



The West Regional Development Centre winter training squads 2016-2017 were announced at the beginning of November. Congratulations to the following players who have been offered a place in the programmes:



WRDC Squad	
Player	Club
Shahzad Ahmad	Ferguslie CC
Daniel Cairns	Clydesdale CC
John Greene	West of Scotland CC
Ross Heginbottom	Clydesdale CC
Asad Khan	Clydesdale CC
Rafay Khan	Renfrew CC
Taha Khan	Clydesdale CC
Tarun Koteeswaran	Clydesdale CC
Adam Malik	Dumfries CC
Jamie Nowell	Greenock CC
Fletcher Rao	Prestwick CC
Andrew Robinson	Glasgow Accies CC
Sohaib Shah	Poloc CC
Richie Simpson	Ayr CC
David Sturgess	Clydesdale CC
Zakki Tariq	Clydesdale CC
Humza Zulfiqar	Clydesdale CC

WRDC Development Squad	
Name	Club
Cameron Calder	Greenock CC
Sean Fischer-Keogh	Greenock CC
Tom Forrest	Greenock CC
Rohail Jahanzeb	Uddingston CC
Cameron MacLean	Kelburne CC
Muhaymen Majeed	Renfrew CC
Lewis Oliver	Glasgow Accies CC
Abhishek Sinha	Clydesdale CC
Thomas Willmott	Uddingston CC
Reiss Wylie	Kelburne CC

Anyone with any queries about the WRDC should contact WRDC Director Tim Hart on 07825-172-346 or by e-mail at: timhart@cricketscotland.com.

Women's Cricket News:

Rosy Ryan has been appointed as the new part-time West Girls' and Women's Development Officer. Rosy, who can be contacted by e-mail at rosyryan@cricketscotland.com, has begun to identify ways in which she can help to grow and develop the girls' and women's game – and she would be delighted to hear from all clubs about their existing girls' and women's programmes and their plans for the future.



Other News:



Cricket Scotland has continued its partnership with E.ON, to try and provide cricket clubs with a better deal on their energy bills. For more information about this partnership, and how it could help your club, please contact Ian Sandbrook: iansandbrook@cricketscotland.com.

The next newsletter will be published during December. 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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