

West Community Development Manager's Update #7, May 2012

Area Group News:

Andi McElnea (Ayrshire) and Robbie Stewart (Glasgow – South) are continuing to make good progress with delivering sessions to primary schools in their respective Areas. Robbie also played a prominent role in the launching of the 2012 Asda National Primary Schools' Kwik Cricket Competition on Monday 23rd April.

The 2012 Inter-Area Competitions get underway this Sunday (6th May). All relevant information is available by contacting your local Area Cricket Development Group and can also be found on the West Junior Cricket website.

Recent Meetings: Ayrshire

Upcoming Meetings: Ayrshire, Dumfries & Galloway.

Club News:

Recent Meetings: Clydesdale CC, Poloc CC, Vale of Leven CC, Victoria CC.

If your Club wishes to arrange a meeting with me, 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. (In general, a Thursday night looks like being the evening that I will be most regularly free during the season.)

If your Club is planning to host a WDJCU Kwik Cricket festival during 2012, Cricket Scotland has a Cricket Factory Banner Zone which we would be willing to bring to one of the festivals. The Banner Zone equipment is designed to help players to develop the fundamental skills of cricket in a fun, and creative, environment. Please let me know if you are interested in having the Banner Zone at your Club's Kwik Cricket festival. (The kit would require the host Club to supply an extra few coaches to help everything to run safely and efficiently.)

Coaching News:

A total of 13 candidates successfully completed the ICC Introduction to Cricket Course in Dumfries on Thursday 19th and Thursday 26th April.

The planned Cricket Scotland "Working with Children Course" has now been re-arranged for Wednesday 16th May. The course will run from 6.30pm – 9pm, at Clydesdale CC. There is no cost for attending this workshop. I have attached a booking form to this e-mail.

Cricket Scotland is able to offer further support to coaches through Club Coach Observations - by meeting with a coach, watching them deliver a coaching session and then providing some feedback around the "How to" and "What to" coaching skills. If you, or any other Club coaches, are interested in making use of this opportunity please contact me.

And, if any Club is interested in running a Kwik Cricket Game Course please get in contact with me and we can arrange a suitable date.

Other News:

7 west-based schools have entered the National Secondary Schools' Cup Competition and 7 schools have entered the National Emerging Schools' Cup.

Primary Schools are still able to enter the Regional Qualifying Tournaments in the National Primary Schools' Cup. There are 3 of these Tournaments running – one in Ayrshire, one in Dumfries & Galloway and one in Glasgow. Any school wishing to enter one of the Regional Qualifying Tournaments should contact me as soon as is convenient to book a place at the events.

The Scottish Saltires begin their CB40 campaign this Sunday (6th May) with a fixture against Surrey at the Citylets Grange, in Edinburgh. There is a special 2 for 1 offer on tickets for Sunday. (And there is also another special offer happening for Monday's game against Nottinghamshire – with anyone who is under 16 only having to pay £2 to attend the game – if they arrive with a thistle or saltire!) For full details please visit: <http://www.cricketscotland.com/cb40-2-1-offer>.

The next update will be early in June. 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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