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JERSEY PLAYERS SELECTED FOR TOP LEVEL COACHING PROGRAMMES



Ed Farley recently attended the ICC Europe Men's Academy at the ICC Global Cricket Academy at Dubai Sports City. This year Matthew Maynard, ex-England batting coach joined the coaching team. Maynard said "the different conditions available at the Academy are great for the players and coaches alike, the different pitches ranging from sub-continent to Australia wickets preparing the players for different conditions is a real positive. We will be working on batting and bowling skills for the players, with the One Day International aspect of manipulating different skills for different forms of the game."

Maynard is thoroughly looking forward to his role: "The academy environment is always a very rewarding experience, the players we have are a good range of experienced and youth players and with the training programme in place it should be great for all those involved."

Steve Blackburn was one of just eleven players from eight different countries who have just returned from the ICC Europe Emerging Players Programme in La Manga. The Programme caters for talented

European players who are performing at a high-level for their age group. The players were subjected to high level coaching mostly centred around 1:1 skill development work. Programme Manager, ICC Regional Performance Officer, Philip Hudson said "The EPP has an essential role to play in developing and educating young players. It creates a unique opportunity to develop their skill levels in the three key areas of batting, bowling and fielding. We also introduce Strength and Conditioning principles, mental skills training, and aim to increase match awareness through high intensity centre wicket practice. Players return to their countries with a greater awareness of their game and further understanding of the development areas they need to work on"

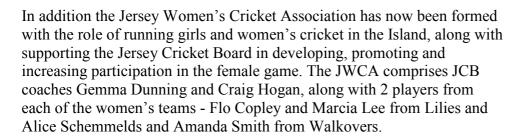


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GIRLS ALLOWED!

The Jersey Cricket Board is delighted to welcome Gemma Dunning to the coaching staff at Jersey Cricket. Gemma is currently completing her Level 2 qualification and has been engaged to deliver cricket coaching on Community courses, in Primary Schools, to the girls in Secondary Schools and provide coaching for the new Jersey Women's Cricket Association. Chris Minty, CEO of the JCB said, 'We have been working hard to develop Girls and Women's cricket in Jersey and Gemma's appointment will enable us to build on the foundations already in place and, hopefully, produce additional clubs and a National Team. We are very grateful to ICC Europe for supporting us with this project and I'm sure that Gemma's enthusiasm will create a good deal of interest in the game.'



With interest in women's and girls cricket on the island rapidly increasing, 3 girl only sessions were provided over half term by JCB Female coaches Gemma Dunning and Flo Copley. These sessions were incredibly popular, between 20-25 girls attended each day and the girls came away having had bags of fun, picked up new cricket skills and having made new friends! Following the success of these sessions, the JCB are extremely excited to be planning a similar program to be run during the Easter break. For more information please contact Gemma on 07797846681 or by email gemma.dunning@jerseycricket.net



Above: Coach Gemma Dunning with Alec Stewart

Below: Girls half-term coaching (Photos courtesy of Jersey Evening Post)





SCORES AND UMPIRES COURSES

5 scorers successfully passed their recent scorers exams so congratulations go to Vishal Dattani, Matteo Pallot, Chris Duncan, Lee Attree and Gavin Lees. In addition 12 umpires candidates are eagerly awaiting the results of their recent Umpires Level 1 exams. Those biting their nails are Julian Burrows, Chris Duncan, Jimit Parikh, Abhishek Nagar, Adeel Shaheed, Yezdi Patel, Suthan Selvachandran, John Gregory, Flo Copley, Vishal Dattani, Lee Atree and Gavin Lees.

JJCA 1ST TAKE INDOOR CRICKET TITLE

JJCA 1sts beat Rathbones OVs by three wickets to take the Division One crown in the NatWest Indoor Cricket League. Despite 50 from Peter Gough, Rathbones were dismissed for just 91, with JJCA reaching their target in 11.1 overs. The only other side who could clinch the title, Infrasoftech Walkovers A, went down to Farmers/Caesareans by 6 runs, after failing to reach 136. JJCA 1sts finished the season 18 points in front, with Farmers clinching third place, three points above Rathbones.

JERSEY SPORTS COUNCIL AWARDS

Peter Gough was shortlisted for Jersey's Sports Council Sportsperson of the Year Award. 25 year old Gough was appointed Captain of the National team in April 2010. Jersey won their first ever European Division 1 tournament in 2010 beating teams from Ireland, Scotland, Netherlands, Italy and Denmark in the process. Peter also captained his club, Rathbones Old Victorians to an unprecedented 'treble' - winning the Premier League, the Knock Out Cup and the Channel Islands League. He also won the NatWest Player of the Year Award. The Jersey Cricket Team were also shortlisted for the Perpetual Team Trophy Award as unbeaten champions of the European Division 1 tournament.

ELITE COACHING PROGRAMME

The Jersey Cricket Board has, with support and assistance from BlackRock (Channel Islands) Limited, established an elite coaching programme run by National Coach, Craig Hogan. The programme provides high performance coaching for a carefully selected group of young players.

Chris Minty, Chief Executive Officer of the JCB advised 'We are looking to produce players who will, as they progress, be winning cricket matches for Jersey – and we are very grateful to BlackRock making it possible.' Craig Hogan, National Coach said 'These young players will be challenged by the programme which is designed to push boundaries in the technical, tactical, mental, physical and life choices of modern day cricket. We are looking to these players to have a major impact in future ICC Tournaments. BlackRock's support is invaluable in allowing these players to be the best they can be.'

Ed Bellew of BlackRock said "We are delighted to have helped launch the Langford Academy this winter, we have supported junior cricket on the island for a number of years and it has been great to see so many young players enjoying the game, thereby ensuring a very healthy future for cricket in Jersey."

HONG KONG NEWS

The last issue prompted our first ever complaint which we are happy now to put straight. A Mr Richard Gomersall of Hong Kong emailed to say "It has been brought to my attention that I have not been mentioned in the "Around the Boundary" communication for 3 consecutive issues. Here are my 2010/11 statistics, perhaps this will illicit an appearance?" We are happy to reproduce Mr Gomersall's bowling figures below. Fans of Mr Gomersall can gain further information at www.hkcc.org.

Bowling

Overs 46 4

Maidens 2

Wickets 16

Runs 284

Best Bowling 5-28

Average 17.8

Strike Rate 17.5

Economy Rate 6.1* (* Mr Gomersall helpfully adds the postscript 'V.small grounds'



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2011 AGM

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Advance notice that the 2011 AGM will take place on June 8th.

Please make a note in your diaries. Further information will follow in due course.

There are times, I'm sure, that you may consider that the human race is considerably flawed and the world would be a better place without it. You only need to watch the news to wonder where we are heading. It seems that good will and old values are a thing of the past and that everyone is out for themselves and will pursue their own goals, no matter what consequences befall those they have to tread on to achieve them. The news however does give a rather biased view and it is easy to overlook the other aspects of human nature such as kindness, compassion and altruism that are seldom reported. It is therefore important to highlight such virtues and use them as an example to us all that there is more to life that the pursuit of our own needs and that happiness can be found from helping a fellow in distress. I witnessed one such act at Edgbaston last summer in England's Test series against Pakistan and feel that rather than let it fade from the memory it should be immortalised as a modern day Good Samaritan story and a reminder that despite much evidence to the contrary there are nice people out there who will help a stricken "neighbour" without an expectation of some sort of reward....well not much anyway.

It happened on the third day of the Test. Anderson had been taken off and was having a rest.

With one wicket down and nine to get, the 16/1 about Graeme Swann getting five wickets seemed a tasty bet.

One wicket quickly followed and soon he had four and surely it was only a matter of time before there were more.

The fifth, which came after a little while, brought about a broad smile, and the punter excitingly felt within his pocket, frantically searching for the winning docket.

Minutes later it was evident something was wrong. His pockets were empty. The bet had gone.

Luckily the commotion was heard by this guy who couldn't stand to see another man cry.

He remembered a pink slip he had seen, neatly folded on the floor, by the latrine. He disappeared with great speed to the very spot where he had recently peed and happened upon that winning bet, although by this time it was rather wet.

He picked it up and returned it with good cheer to the punter, who by this time, was crying in his beer.

The punter exclaimed "I will forever be in your debt, you have saved the day and returned my bet,

When I return from cashing my docket I will show my gratitude by lining your pocket."

A short while later he returned with a bound and bestowed on the Good Samaritan the sum of a pound.

The Samaritan smiled and said it was ok, helping someone out had made his day. He did however consider, he had to admit, that next time he would keep it rather than give it to that tight git.