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"The Scoop" New monthly bulletin from Herefordshire Cricket

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Herefordshire Cricket would like to continue to update you with all the work that we do within the community, by re launching our newsletters! If you would <u>no</u> longer like to receive updates to your email, you can unsubscribe at the bottom of the page.

In this Newsletter Introduction by Richard Cox Club news Development Team Squad Announced Herefordshire Cricket Awards Chance to Shine and Schools

Hello again everyone,

Welcome to Issue Number 3 of The Scoop! we know many of you are counting down the days to the Cricket Season.

Over the last month hasn't it been fantastic to watch the skill levels of the women's game grow ever greater as they battle out at the Women's Premier League over in India. Indeed, many of the games' players have been household names for some time thanks to England's successes and of course appearances in the Regional Teams and the Hundred. Here in Herefordshire the demand.......Click here for more.

Girls Secondary Schools Cricket



New Leadership Programme

Whitecross and St Marys girls have been working hard on the chance to shine leadership programme and have been assigned tasks in primary schools and for our own primary school's festivals. This is a very rewarding project as we see the girls growing in confidence with their coaching and playing abilities.

ECB U13's Indoor Softball County Girls Competition

The ECB U13s county cup was a fabulous day with some exceptional cricketers attending. Hereford Cathedral School (HCS) ran out winners on a day full of laughter and music. The final deciding match was a brilliant and a close game with HCS finally winning with just 3 balls to spare against a talented Lady Hawkins team. Pete was able to hand out many of our Talent ID forms on a very encouraging day for girls cricket in the county.

If you want to join this programme then please get in touch with us at the office or email <u>Pete Gale</u>

Street Cricket - Fast, Fun and FREE!

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This amazing project has well and truly begun with 8 participants in week 2 and is being delivered at Riverside Primary for schools in the area. This is the first time we have delivered STREET CRICKET in this county. Those attending have shown some good skills and a love for the game. The street programme will continue into next term and well into the summer. It has been a privilege to work with schools that are so supportive of their pupils and their opportunities to try new things. If you want to join this programme then please get in touch with us at the office or email <u>Pete Gale</u>

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Development Squad Announced

Richard Skyrme has announced this season's new **Development Squad**, which includes 11 local players. The squad will be playing 7 fixtures against the likes of Worcester Uni, Warwickshire Development, Cardiff Met and WCCC Academy.

Adam Hines (Barnt Green CC) Alex Hinkley (Brockhampton CC) Ben Clarke (Barnards Green CC) Ben Clements (Barnards Green CC) Cameron Jones (Barnt Green CC) Charlie Williams (Brockhampton CC) Dan Holland (Barnards Green CC) Drew Malik (West Bromwich Dartmouth CC) Dylan Griffiths (Kidderminster CC) Elliot Mason (Ombersley CC) George Stevenson (Burghill Tillington and Weobley CC) Harry Sockett (Burghill Tillington and Weobley CC) Indy Jerram (Brockhampton CC) Jasper Davidson (Harborne CC) Luke Powell (Burghill CC and Kidderminster CC) Luke Tulacz (Brockhampton CC and Halesowen CC) Mohammed Talukder (Dorridge CC) Monty Kennerley (Wormelow CC) Olly Davidson (Harborne CC) Olly Hallion (Barnards Green CC) Ollie Langford (Wormelow CC and Newport CC)

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Reeve Evitts (Kenilworth CC) Roshan Venkataraman (Smthwick CC) Sohail Iqbal (Old Hill CC) **Tom Skerrett (Brockhampton CC)** Zak Shah (Bromsgrove CC)

Development Fixtures

POWERED BY

This season Herefordshire have partnered with NV Play the creators of PCS Pro scorer to cover all NCCA county fixtures and help support the pathway. NV play are ffering a 50% discount on all 3 year Live Streaming licenses if you sign up before the

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Herefordshire Cricket Membership benefits

With the season just around the corner, why not invest in an annual membership, at just £20. As well as helping to support the organisation of cricket at all levels in Herefordshire, membership offers the following benefits:

- The chance to watch high-class NCCA cricket at some of the County's most beautiful grounds, free of charge.
- Free entry for the Showcase game against Glamorgan CCC 1st XI on Sunday 30th July 2023 at Eastnor CC

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- Discounted hire of indoor function room and outdoor facilities at the Herefordshire Cricket Centre in Hereford (N.B. not suitable for adult games)
- Membership handbook
- · Privileged access to corporate or individual sponsorship opportunities

"Members' Only" Prize Draw

As in 2021 and 2022 we will be holding **a Prize Draw to win £100 in cash** (to be drawn at the Showcase game on 30th July. For more details <u>click here</u>.

Family Discount

If you have relatives playing representative cricket at any County Age Group or for either the First XI or Development XI of the National Counties side, there are discounts for annual or life memberships.

Please see form for details. Membership form.

For more news including fixtures visit our website



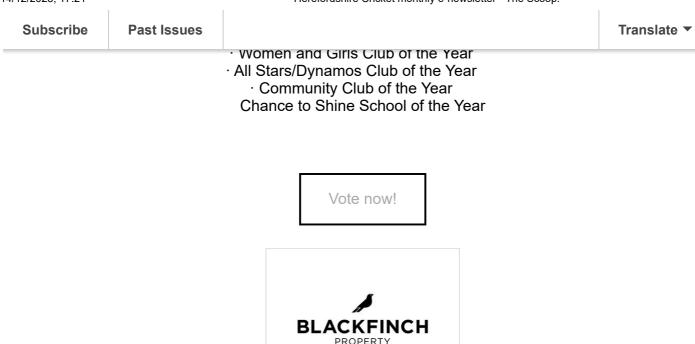
Club Corner

Herefordshire Cricket Awards



Voting is **NOW OPEN** for the new Herefordshire Awards taking place at the Football Club on Friday 21st April. Awards include:

> Lifetime Achievement/Services to Cricket · Groundsman or Grounds Team of the Year



All Stars and Dynamos



ECBs national programmes continue to increase around the county with 9 clubs now registering and Colwall CC leading the way in numbers. Foe a detailed county breakdown <u>click here</u>.

All the clubs running programmes will be eligible for increased support from ECB as a result of their engagement with the national programmes and Herefordshire Cricket looks forward to working with them along the way.

If you are running a national programme this year then please make sure you have invited activators to run your programmes using the clubspark system and ensure they are completing their checklist for DBS, safeguarding and any training required. The **Activators course can only be booked on via Clubspark** and is on Monday April 12th at Pentland Gardens. For any assistance contact <u>Kirsty Sockett</u>. 14/12/2023, 17:21

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Enrol on a Foundation Coach Course today and give something back to your club. An ECB Foundation Coach will be qualified to lead coaching sessions independently and without supervision. More information <u>here</u>.

Next Foundation course is on :

Thursday 13th April 6.00-9.00pm, Sunday 16th 9.30-4.30pm and Wednesday 26th April 6.00-9.00pm at Herefordshire Cricket Centre.

It is now the entry level qualification required to coach cricket.

Closing date for registration is 3rd April

Book Now!!!

Introducing THE BOUNDARY Anti-discrimination training

"The game of cricket is going through a period of significant change and to that end its important that all Counties are able to support Clubs, Players, Volunteers, Parents, and Staff.

ECB have now introduced a new programme called the Boundary Programme which seeks to educate everyone in the recreational game on anti-discrimination.

For more information please see the poster – <u>HERE</u> and click on the QR code to book a place".

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Play Cricket Tidy UP!!



We all know that Play-Cricket is full of duplicate records for players.

This is becoming more of an issue as time passes and particularly concerning for players wanting to progress to higher levels. Often players who play/have played for more than one club are finding they have duplicate records and so their playing CV is not shown in full when coaches/scouts are looking at their performance. This can be a major issue in their progression as a player.

For the 2023 season, it is imperative that as much tidying up is done as possible

More players are moving into the professional game and going onto the NV Professional Database, so it is important that their Play-Cricket data is accurate. If not, their career in cricket could be disadvantaged.

Main Administrator are being asked to:

Check for duplicate players on your club's Play-Cricket site. Verify the records are genuine duplicates with the player concerned before merging.

Add data for ALL players in your team/club giving their bowling style, bat hand, and Date of Birth.

Start by assuming that any player on a Team Sheet for a match will be on Play-Cricket. You can search on 'All Players' within that club as they may not be linked to the squad for the match you're scoring. Eg A player who usually plays for the 2 XI may not be listed in the 1 XI squad but you can still find them within the players for that club. If they have transferred from another club, even after a break in play, then they will be on Play-Cricket.

DO NOT create new players without first searching thoroughly for an existing record. **Check variations in the spelling of names.**

Safeguarding News

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DBS

The process for DBS checks has changed! Approx 1 month before a renewal, volunteers will get an email asking them to log into the DBS portal to consent to their recheck & complete their annual confirmation of roles. This must be done if this is a paid or volunteer role.

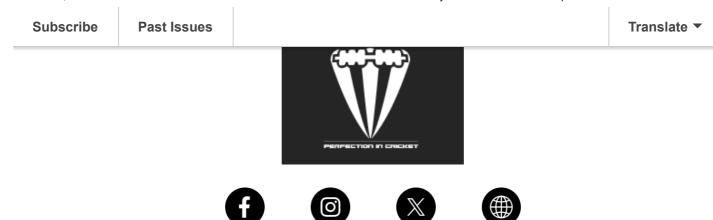
If volunteers have not logged in and consented/reconfirmed their details, then the renewal will not take place & their ECB DBS clearance will expire on the renewal date.

Please ensure this message is passed on to all club volunteers with a DBS in place. Contact <u>Claire Langford</u> for support.

Safe Hands Management System (SHMS)



Thank you to all our clubs that have now accessed the SHMS system. Please ensure that you login in and update anything incomplete. Deadline for this is 1st May, after which you will not be able to play league cricket. **Please contact** <u>Claire Langford</u> for support.



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