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## ALL YOUR UMPIRING NEWS AT A GLANCE

It seems like only a few weeks since our last edition but nearly 4 months has elapsed and what a busy time we have had.

In this edition we cover events such as: the ECC Indoor Championship: the ECC Tournament Officials Conference: the ECC Umpire Seminar: Paul Baldwin and Niels Bagh umpiring in the Intercontinental Cup match between Kenya and The Netherlands: plus other important ECC news. Please note that most items mentioned here are fully

### Tribute to Trevor Henry



Trevor Henry

Picture by Barry Chambers

It was in this space, in our last edition, that we congratulated Trevor on being appointed to the U19 World Cup in Sri Lanka—little knowing that he was destined not to attend due to illness. As many of you will know by now, Trevor passed away not long after the article was issued. Many tributes have been paid to Trevor from his friends and colleagues from all over the world and all that we can add to these is that Trevor will be missed by everyone and we can only surmise as to what might have been in store for Trevor within the umpiring fraternity. Our best wishes go to his family and friends.

### ECC Umpire Seminar—Antwerp 2006

This inaugural event took place, in Antwerp, during the weekend of April 7th—9th where over 30 umpires experienced a fascinating series of presentations and discussions.

Presentations/discussions covering such areas as: ECC Tournament Regulations: Field craft: ICC Code of Conduct: Spirit of Cricket: Driving European Cricket Forward: How others see us: ECC Umpire Education Programme—The Story so far...: all contributed to an action packed weekend. A wide range of presenters, including John Holder, contributed to the weekend—each giving their unique qualities to the presentations.

We hope that this will become a major event in our calendar—if not annually, then certainly, every two years.

#### Pre-session entertainment



#### Group photo



Presentation on 'How others see us'

### Niels Bagh and Paul Baldwin in Kenya



A first was achieved for the ECC when two of our Umpires officiated together in the recent Intercontinental Cup match between Kenya and The Netherlands. Whilst both had umpired in previous Intercontinental Cup matches they had always stood with umpires from other Regions. This was the first time that Europe had supplied both officials.

A full report on the whole event can be found on our website under 'We're only here for the cricket', where Paul gives a day by day account of the proceedings.

**Pictures: Niels (top)  
Paul (below)**



## Courses for 2006

Recent Courses held in the Region:

<b>France</b>	- ECC/ACU&S GL6 - Dennis Stones - 7 attendees
<b>Norway</b>	- ECC Introductory - Ray Holyer - 10 attendees
<b>Hellas</b>	- ECC/ACU&S GL6 - Ken Amos -13 attendees
<b>Denmark</b>	- ECC Introductory - Denis Burns -9 attendees
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<b>Belgium</b>	- ECC/ACU&S GL6 - Graham Cooper -9 attendees
<b>The Netherlands</b>	- ECC Introductory -Ken Amos - 9 attendees
<b>Finland</b>	- ECC Introductory - Dennis Stones - 9 attendees

## ECC Tournament Officials Conference—Lord's 30th March 2006

The 2nd event of this type was eagerly attended by the majority of our Tournament Referees and Tournament Organisers. The idea behind this meeting is to ensure that all Referees and Organisers fully understand the ECC procedures for running Championships. Whilst full details are always available on the website it is an extremely useful exercise to get them all together in the same room to discuss common issues and achieve a consistency amongst events. With 10 summer Championships being run during 2006 it is vital that everyone complies with the agreed procedures. It is also an extremely important exercise in Referees and Organisers meeting (possibly for the first time) before the Championship takes place.

## ICC Tournament Referee Training—Lord's March 31st 2006

This was first event of its kind within the ICC Development Program and was designed to train Referees with a view to setting up an ICC Associate and Affiliates Tournament Referees Panel. The idea was taken from the Umpires Panel set up in 2005 and it is hoped that, through this Referees Panel, ECC Referees will get the chance to referee in global ICC events.

## ECC field jacket/blouson

Good news on the blouson front—it is now in stock and raring to be unleashed on an unsuspecting public at this summer's Championships. Pictured here (sorry about the 'model') the blouson will be available for purchase by umpires selected for an ECC event. Both warm and water repellent (in light showers) at €50 or £35 it represents good value for money. In order to save postage blousons will be taken to each event and can be purchased there and then. Please note that this blouson may be worn in your local league/cup matches but please ensure that when worn at our Championships it is clean so that it truly reflects the high standard of field dress that the ECC endeavour to maintain.



## ECC European Indoor Championship 2006

Eight ECC Umpires arrived at Lord's in February for the Indoor Championship along with Ray Holyer their Umpire Manager. Experience carefully blended with 'youth' gave our umpires a golden chance to enhance their skills and learn from their colleagues. The Indoor game is much faster than the outdoor variety and, as such, needed the umpires to be quick of mind and well as quick of body. Some found the going tough to start with but by the end of the weekend had climbed a very steep learning curve to great effect.

Congratulations to Hazel and Richard who umpired the Final between Denmark and Hellas, which Denmark won.

We hope that everyone fully enjoyed the experience and will take their new found skills to the great outdoors.



Action from this year's Indoor Championship

## The Devils vs The Angels

The Devils challenged the Angels to a game of cricket.

'But we've got all the cricketers' said the Angels, 'It will not be a fair contest'. 'Yes' replied the Devils, 'But we've got all the umpires!'



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