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## 2006 TOURNAMENT SPECIAL

Having come to the end of a very busy season we are pleased to give you details of all ECC Championships for 2006. On the two pages we have for this publication it is not possible to go into great detail of the what, why, where and when of each event—it's our intention to give you a flavour of each event which will encourage you to visit our website for fuller details. There is a plethora of photos, scorecards and comments on each Championship and you are free to download whatever information you like. Whilst we are very happy to allow the download of photos please note that the copyright for these belongs to the ECC and, as such, photos are only to be used for your own private use.

### Newest recruit to the umpiring team



Great news from The Netherlands where Hazel Smarius gave birth to Noor on July 14th. Our newest young lady umpire weighed in at 3070 grams and the above photo was taken after 1 week. Apparently some friends gave her a cricket outfit (cute little gloves and leg guards). When asked where her umpire's coat was I was informed that she was born wearing one!! Many congratulations Hazel.



Also, many congratulations to Paul Baldwin who was married to Jane straight after the European Championships in August.

### ECC U23 Championship—Dublin

This was the first event of the season and the officials here were Gordon Black, John Andrews, Rodney Molins and Louis Fourie (all from Ireland).



Gordon & John line up before Scotland took on Denmark

Rodney (above) and Louis (right)



### ECC U17 Championship - The Netherlands

This was the first of our age group Championships where an 'unofficial' umpire exchange took place when Sandy Scotland (from Scotland) and Peter De Boeck (Belgium) were invited to stand alongside local umpires:

Ingeborg Bevers, Willem Molenaar, George Remans and Ashraf Din.



Willem and Ingeborg in action



### ECC U13 Championship - Denmark

Next in line was the U13's held in Copenhagen where an all Danish team of officials took the field: Jorgen Petersen, Shafqat Mahmood, Thomas Kentorp and Claus Olesen.



Plenty of action photos but none featuring umpires—sorry guys.



### Courses for 2006-7

Courses booked for this coming winter:

**Switzerland** - ECC Intro Course / Exam - Nov 10 - 12 - Ken Amos

**Denmark** - ECC GL6 Course / Exam - Nov 10 - 12 - Denis Burns

**Israel**—ECC Intro Course and Exam - March/April - Graham Cooper

If you would like to see your country on this list please contact your local umpire representative and ask for details.

## ECC U19 Championship - Ireland

This was another first for a European Championship where the 2-day format was used. Based on the successful format used in age group cricket in England this format allows for 102 overs per day and allows players to experience the skills needed to bat/bowl over a longer period than the usual 50 overs. We used this event to give further experience to our top umpires where they, too, could learn from this longer format - very rarely do rolling, mowing, declarations, last hour, and changing ends once each side has had one innings!!!, come into play and it was a chance for them to put into practice areas that, hitherto, had only been read about in Tom Smiths. Umpires at this event were: (from top right clockwise): Richard Smith (Germany), Niels Bagh (Denmark), Charlie McElwee (Ireland), Paul Baldwin (Germany) There was also a 'guest' appearance by yours truly on the final day when Paul went down with the bug that had been hovering around the Scottish camp for the week. These 4 umpires then travelled straight onto Glasgow where they met up with 13 colleagues ready for the European Championships Divs 1 and 2.



## ECC Divisions 1 and 2 Championships - Scotland

And so to the biggest and busiest event of the season. Umpires at this event were: Niels, Paul, Richard, Charlie, Gordon Black, Rodney Molins, Michael Carpenter (Jersey), Martin Gray (Guernsey), Steve Tovey (Netherlands), Mark Hawthorne (Ireland), John Holder (ECC), Tim Jensen (Denmark), Sanjeev Kad (Finland), Brian Papworth, Sandy Scotland, John Templeton and Mac Wylie (Scotland).



Sanjeev, Brian, Michael, Mark, Niels and Charlie in action at European Championships

## ECC U15 Championship - Denmark

The umpires here were, again, all local: Jorgen Petersen, Ravi Kandiah, Bent Nielsen and Torsten Orhoj. Again, plenty of action photos but, alas, no umpires!!

## ECC Women's U21 Championship - Netherlands

The second event for The Netherlands following the U17's - umpires here were: Willem Molenaar, Duco Ohm, Erno Ruchtie, G.Inden, P.Muthucumar and Chris Lawman.

## ECC Division 4 Championships - Belgium

And so to the last event of a busy summer - held in Antwerp. Umpires standing here were: Ingeborg Bevers, Richard Eames (Belgium), Louis Fourie, Lee Goldsmith (Germany), Ian Ramage (Scotland) and Mac Wylie.



Ingeborg being asked that so often repeated question!!

## And to finish with.....

Lisa Heggelman (Netherlands) and Helen McConaghy (Ireland) busy at work at the U19's in Ireland.



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