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WORLD CRICKET LEAGUE DIVISION V

Dates have been announced for the 2008 World Cricket League Division V Tournament to be held in Jersey. Teams will arrive on 21st/22nd May with the first day's play commencing on Friday 23rd May. Finals will be held on May 31st/June 1st. Further details will be announced in due course.

JERSEY WIN U23 TOURNAMENT



*U23 team receiving the winner's trophy
Photo courtesy of ECC/Cricket Europe*

Jersey has won the ECC U23 Division 2 Championships in Guernsey, beating France by seven wickets in the final. This follows on from victory in the ECC U19 Division 2 Championships held in Jersey last month.

In the U23 final, Jersey won the toss and put France into bat, bowling the French out for 80 in 31.3 overs with Captain Peter Gough taking 5-13 and Danny Blasco taking 3-17. In reply Jersey needed just 16.2 overs to knock off the runs. The loss of opener Sam Dewhurst for 34 fell just two runs short of the target and it was left to Ed Farley (11 n.o.) to score the winning runs.

Bad weather looked as if it might make things difficult for both Jersey and Guernsey to qualify for the final as both Islands' opening matches were abandoned due to the weather with both teams taking only 1 point apiece. This meant that Jersey had to beat Gibraltar and Guernsey had to beat Italy in order

to finish top of their respective groups.

Jersey made 227-6 against Gibraltar at Port Soif, Ed Farley top-scoring with 72. In reply Gibraltar were bowled out for 133 off 44.1 overs with Sam Dewhurst the pick of Jersey's bowlers taking 3-27. Jersey eventually finished top of Group A having played efficient cricket to beat Gibraltar by 94 runs. However, although Guernsey won their match against Italy by 51 runs, the loss of eight wickets, instead of seven, brought their run-rate down from 1.41 to 1.28 and with France sitting on 1.31 after their opening day victory against Italy, it was France who went through to the final with Jersey disappointed not to be facing the Old Enemy again!

Hosts Guernsey took some consolation by beating Gibraltar by 7 wickets to claim 3rd place with Germany taking 5th place and Italy taking 6th.

Player of the Tournament was Iain Latin from Gibraltar and Germany picked up the Spirit of Cricket Award.

For further information on this and the forthcoming U15 tournament in La Manga, check out the ECC website at

VICTORY IN INTER-INSULAR by Andy Bradshaw, Jersey Evening Post

JERSEY got their hands back on the HSBC Inter Insular Trophy after a nail-biting four-run victory away to Guernsey at the KGV Field. And the hero of the hour was none other than the vastly-experienced Steve Carlyon, who came on to bowl two of the final four overs with Tom Minty, who was also introduced with 46 overs gone, at the other end. It was a pressure cooker situation with Guernsey edging steadily toward their victory target of 196 and even after he bowled a wide with his first delivery, Carlyon proceeded to take three wickets for two runs in nine deliveries to win Jersey the match. It was a fantastic end to a great day of cricket to finally banish Jersey's hoodoo of five consecutive defeats to the record books. Jersey's success made it a 100 per cent win record from eight matches played this season. Carlyon said: 'It was so important we won and I'm delighted for everyone. Guernsey have had a fine run against us and it was time to put that sequence to bed!'

Jersey posted a 50-over total of 195 for nine. Guernsey's young bowlers moved the ball around well in the early overs and Gough was first to go caught at slip without scoring. Hague joined Carlyon at the crease and the pair took the score to 84 before Carlyon was stumped. A trio of leg before wicket decisions and 20 tidy overs of spin from Jeremy Frith and Gary Rich slowed Jersey again. Chris Jones, Meeku Patidar, Tony Carlyon ran well between the wickets to pick up the pace again and a late hard-hitting 21 from new cap Jamie Brewster took Jersey to almost 200 before Brewster was brilliantly caught by GH Smit with the ball going over his head just yards short of the boundary. Ryan Driver removed Ryan Bishop with an lbw decision and ten runs later he had taken three wickets as Guernsey slipped to 69 for 3. After Hague trapped Ami Banerjee for an lbw on 104, Jersey then took three wickets with the score on 130. Stuart Le Prevost was caught one-handed diving full-stretch to his right by wicket-keeper James Caunt; GH Smit was run out to a direct throw from mid-off by Tom Minty and then Driver took a low catch at slip to dismiss Gary Rich. The tide was turning



Captain Matty Hague lifts the trophy
Photo courtesy of Jersey Evening Post

Jersey's way but an eighth-wicket partnership of 53 swung the match Guernsey's way again. Andy Biggins played the anchor role as youngster Kris Moherndel hit out to score 33 runs off 29 balls. Carlyon bowled him and three balls later Blane Quéripel followed him back to the pavilion leaving Guernsey with one wicket left and 12 to win off two overs. Caunt completed a good début catching Le Hegarat as he fell to his right. With four balls remaining it was all over, it was Carlyon's third wicket and Caunt's third catch sending their colleagues into great scenes of celebration. Jersey now lead the series 21-17 with 12 draws.

ECC DIVISION 2 U15 TOURNAMENT

The final of the U15 tournament is to be held in La Manga in Spain on 1st September and will be between Jersey and Guernsey. Jersey topped their group, having beaten Germany by 9 wickets, Italy by 83 runs, Isle of Man by 39 runs and France by 166 runs. Guernsey won their group having beaten Cyprus by 193 runs, Gibraltar by 9 wickets, Belgium by 119 runs and hosts Spain by 155 runs. Jersey squad: Joe Mayes, Andrew Rabet, James Faudemer, Charles Perchard, Daniel McAviney, Tim de la Haye, Charlie Payn, Steven Blackburn, Corey Bisson, Michael Harvey, Bradley Rimeur, Aidan McGuire and Thomas Le Lievre. Manager: Chris Minty and Coach: Tom Wherry.

JERSEY CRICKET ANNUAL 2007

As we reported in last month's newsletter, Mark Saralis is now gathering articles for the 2007 Jersey Cricket Annual. Send your submissions and reserve your copy by emailing him.

Mark is also looking for sponsors for this year's Annual so if you or your company is interested, please contact Mark at mark.saralis@jerseymail.co.uk

U11s IN TAUNTON

Seven Jersey youngsters formed part of the Channel Island Team which left the Island this month to compete in the English Schools Cricket Association U11s Tournament in Taunton. Pictured at Jersey Harbour with coaches Steve Blampied and Mark Palmer are:

Back Row:- Curtis Chilvers, Dominic Blampied, Reese Palmer, Stephen Le Maistre

Front Row:- Elliott Corbel, Lee Evans, James Duckett

We will have a full report in next month's issue of Around the Boundary.



Jersey part of the Channel Islands Team

GROUNDSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Jersey groundsmen have again won awards for their work, this time at European level. Ian Vautier at Grainville came second in the 2007 Cricket Awards, European Category run by Cricket World and Pitchcare.com and Ian Le Marquand at FB Fields was runner up. Both have won the National Award in the past, but as a European category was added this year it was decided that it would be appropriate to enter this section, with Jersey now an Associate Member of the ICC. Stephen Wilson of Cricket World said, "The standard of competition was very high this year and the grounds get better each year, so to come 2nd is a fantastic achievement." More information can be found on the pitchcare.com website and in Cricket World Magazine.

TWENTY20 INTERNATIONAL by Ward Jenner

The Jersey senior team make their Twenty20 International debut in Guernsey on 29th September, on what promises to be an exciting and colourful occasion. Timed to coincide with the Lord's Taverners County Cricket Festival, the Island's senior sides meet in the afternoon having watched (and perhaps learned from?) a similar duration match in the morning between Glamorgan and Worcestershire where the big names are all expected to be involved.

The Jersey team's coloured clothing for this match has now arrived and selection has just about been completed - Did we pick the team and then tailor the clothing to fit, or did we order the kit first, then pick a team according to the sizes available? - Time will tell, but there is a rumour that the selectors are looking, not necessarily for batters and bowlers, but for a 32" Long-Leg and a 46" chest! Either way, we hope to be resplendent in our new "Red Pyjamas" and it is hoped that a sponsor will be found, initial research favouring branding ourselves "The Jersey Royals" perhaps? (no chips on our shoulders!)

Condor are putting on a special day-return trip at £20 per head, and the massive tented village at KGV in Guernsey will be likely to host 450 of the great and the good (if they can be found in Guernsey!). It is a major sporting and fund-raising event for the Lord's Taverners.

Some big hitting is definitely on the menu, with the likes of Ryan Driver and Jamie Brewster no doubt slavering at the prospect of gorging themselves on a diet of juicy Guernsey bowling, but in all likelihood GH Smit and Stuart Le Prevost will be looking to respond.

Should be a great day in prospect so why not make it a day out to remember as the Jersey Royals aim to make it an International Whitewash versus Guernsey this summer.

JERSEY CRICKET

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Watching cricket on a Saturday afternoon – What's the point?

This has been a fantastic year for Jersey cricket at all levels, and the game looks set to become even bigger in the Island now that Jersey is now an Associate Member of the ICC and is hosting next year's World League Division V tournament, featuring twelve teams. These are certainly exciting times and the game appears to be in particularly good health right now. Despite this cricket still doesn't seem to appeal to the Island's population as a spectator sport and I'm not sure why. Maybe there are just too many other things going on.

For example as I rushed to watch the afternoon's play at Grainville the other day where there was a crucial Channel Island knockout match, I drove past St Ouen where there was a crowd of surf fans watching surfers, past Corbière where there was a crowd of cold people outside the ice cream van queuing for a mug of hot soup!, past the rugby club where there was a crowd of rugby fans watching a rugby match, past St Aubin's where there was a crowd of yachtsmen watching a yachting competition, past Springfield where there was a crowd of football fans watching a football match, past St Clement's Golf Club where there was a crowd of golf fanatics queuing to get onto the first tee and eventually to Grainville, where there was a crowd of teenagers running around with cans of lager, as by that time it was dark and the game had long since finished. By all accounts there was only the usual handful of spectators there though, so why is it that people don't come and watch cricket matches in Jersey?

I think there is something for all ages and sexes to enjoy. You could for example see a seagull unleashing the contents of its stomach on Brownny, or Dave Le Var and Goldie lovingly rubbing sun cream into each others backs. For the girls the sighting of a scantily dressed Ward Jenner, can be a lasting memory, and one I'm still trying to get out of my head after sharing a room with him in Italy, and if you're a really lucky girl and hang around outside

the changing room you may glimpse Ollie Hughes getting changed. If you're unlucky and get the wrong changing room...well that doesn't bear thinking about, especially if they're playing St Ouen. Richard Gomersall getting a duck can improve the mood of all but the most stubborn of depressions and you will always get a warm welcome from the likes of Keith Dennis, who may well ask you if you fancy a little snifter from the bar.

In fact thinking about it, I'm going to develop a game in which you get points for spotting events, the more unlikely the event the more points you get. For example;

1. Richard Parker eating a cake (10 pt)
2. Martin Waite using a big word (10 pts)
3. Ward Jenner scantily dressed (15 pts)
4. Offer of snifter from KD (25 pts)
5. Dave Le Var and Goldie fondly rubbing cream into each other (35 pts)
6. A seagull scoring a direct hit on Brownny (50 pts)
7. Pete Canham boundary (60 pts)
8. Chris Jones pretending to be James Bond (70 pts)
9. Chris Searson not being grumpy (150 pts)
10. Pete Gough being grumpy (150 pts)
11. Steve Carlyon taking a catch to complete a hat trick. (500 pts)
12. Tony Carlyon getting hit for four and congratulating the batsman on the shot (500 pts)
13. A Suthan catch (750 points)
14. A Gommersall hundred (1000 pts)
15. Someone who is actually playing this game – 1,000,000 points.

Make up your own, it's so much better than cricket I- spy, which can get a bit repetitive.

I spy....something beginning with 'C'.....'Cricket?'.. 'Yep your go.'... 'I spy ...something beginning with C''Cricket?'... 'Yep your go'.. 'I spy ...something beginning with C'.....'Err Cricket?'...Repeat as necessary until KD gets so fed up he does a number five to shut you up and you score 25 points.