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## 2009 AGM

The 2009 JCB AGM is on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 6.00pm at Grainville.

All Clubs are required to have at least one representative attend the meeting – please email Nikki Holmes with details of your nominated attendee.

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## ICC GLOBAL AWARDS ANNOUNCED



Jersey picked up the Best Spirit of Cricket Initiative in Partnership with UNAIDS and UNICEF at the Pepsi ICC Development Programme Annual Awards 2008. The Jersey Cricket Board formed a partnership with HMP La Moye to coach young offenders, aged between 16 and 20 years old, over a period of eight cricket coaching clinics.

The scheme is to be repeated this month with Peter Gough again delivering the successful coaching sessions. Peter will also be delivering cricket 'taster' sessions to female prisoners later in the summer.

Representatives of the Jersey Cricket Board will collect the Award at President's Day held at Lord's next month along with prize money of US\$2,000.

This year's judging panel featured current ICC President David Morgan, alongside former ICC presidents Ehsan Mani, Malcolm Gray and Ray Mali.

ICC Global Development Manager Matthew Kennedy said of the awards recipients this year: "It is wonderful to see so many of our Associates and Affiliates being recognised for all the hard work and effort they put into their cricket programmes.

"Everyone who has won and those who were not successful this time round should be congratulated for their continuing effort and dedication to improving cricket in their nation."



Coach Peter Gough delivers a coaching session at HMP La Moye  
Photo courtesy Jersey Evening Post

## HERTFORDSHIRE/CORNWALL

JCB Coach Craig Hogan was pleased with the showing of his players in three matches against touring sides over the past four days.

Jersey were defeated by Herfordshire under-22s/25s last month before bouncing back to defeat the same opponents in a rematch the following day by six wickets. Teenager Anthony Kaye was the star of the show by taking a remarkable six catches in the field. Two days later Jersey lost by 13 runs against Cornwall's full Minor Counties side in a match Jersey could easily have won. Hogan said: 'Cornwall are a very strong side and in the end their experience got them through. We played a few players out of position to see how they would cope and although it was a good test we just missed out on recording a win.'

## JUNIOR FIXTURES (To July - Not including domestic inter schools or league fixtures)

This list is issued to give families advance warning of the fixtures programme – final details tbc

May 3-6	Reigate U12/U13 to Jersey
May 15 – 17	St John's Beaumont U13's to Jersey
May 16	VC 1 <sup>st</sup> XI v ECG in Jersey
May 19 – 21	Sir Thomas Rich U13/14 to Jersey
May 23	VC 1 <sup>st</sup> XI v MCC
May 24	MCC
May 24 – 25	Beechwood Park U11/U13 to Jersey
May 25	MCC
May 24 – 26	VC U14 Festival
June 5 – 7	Port Regis 13's to Jersey
June 6	VC 1 <sup>st</sup> XI v OVCC
June 7 – 12	VC Under 14 tour to Glos.
June 13	VC 1 <sup>st</sup> XI v ECG in Guernsey
June 14	U12 Inter Insular in Guernsey and U15 Inter Insular (tbc)
June 20	VC 1 <sup>st</sup> XI v St Phillips Chambers
June 21	U10 Inter Insular in Guernsey
	U13 Inter Insular in Jersey
June 23 – 30	VC 1 <sup>st</sup> XI Tour
June 26 – 28	Arnold House U13's to Jersey
June 28	U11 Inter Insular in Jersey
	U14 Inter Insular in Guernsey
July 6 – 9	Grace Dieu 13's to Jersey
July 12	U19's v King's Worcester
July 14 – 20	European U19 Division 1 Tournament in Jersey**
July 15 – 16	Richmond U15's to Jersey
July 19 – 24	European U15 Division 1 Tournament in Dundee**
July 20 – 25	Summer School
July 27 – 31	Jersey U13 to Sussex, Arabian Challenge Tournament
July 27 – 31	Summer School
July 27 – 1 August	European U17 Division 1 Tournament in Belfast**

\*\* **NOTE NEW DATES**

## LA MANGA CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE

Last month, 26 of Europe's most promising young cricketers travelled to La Manga Club, Spain to take part in the 11th annual ICC European Centre of Excellence, including Jersey's Alex Noel and Corey Bisson and Director of Cricket Chris Minty. The Centre of Excellence aims to identify and support the most talented young cricketers in Europe by providing them with the resources needed to develop their talents through excellent coaching and support services.

Corey Bisson said "What I found the most helpful throughout the week was the video analysis and the one to one talks and analysis. I believe this helped me so much because if I changed one small movement in my bowling and batting I saw how much of a difference it made in games and net situations." Alex Noel added "Away from the cricket, I felt the speed at which I made friends from other countries astonishing and these friendships allowed us to bond well as a group which had an effect on and off the field. I feel privileged to have been part of such a diverse and incredible cricket programme that allowed me to build my game and make new cricketing friends." Corey and Alex added "We feel very grateful for the chance to go and play cricket in Spain and we would definitely recommend it to any youngsters wanting to play cricket."



*Corey Bisson, Lee Meloy and Alex Noel at La Manga*

## INTRODUCTION TO CRICKET

The JCB in conjunction with ICC Europe recently ran an 'Introduction to Cricket Course'. The course is the first step on the coaching and ladder aims to demonstrate the basics of teaching batting, bowling and fielding in addition to promoting team work, healthy living and fun through the game of cricket. The course was extremely enjoyable and was attended by a variety of people from many different backgrounds including primary school teachers, youth workers, community sports development officers, further education students and cricketers keen on passing on their love of the game. Overall the 2 days demonstrated how simple coaching and enjoying the game of cricket can be and culminated in everybody taking in turns to run, umpire, score and play in a full game of kwik cricket. The Board hopes to run more introductory courses as well as the UKCC Level 1 and 2 courses in the future.



*Introduction to Cricket Course*

## WALKOVERS FOUR ISLANDS CHALLENGE

On 27th June, Walkovers Cricket Club will be playing four Twenty20 cricket matches, in four different Channel Islands in just one day to raise both awareness and funds for Cystic Fibrosis, something that team mate Kevin English suffers from. The first match will begin in Alderney at 7am against Alderney CC and then they travel to Guernsey to begin the game against a GCB/ICG XI at 10.30am. After this match the team travel to Sark to play Sark CC at 2pm. From Sark, TT Divers will take the team back to Jersey to play the last game against an SCF XI at 6pm. After the game a presentation and raffle will be held. In all there could be a possibility of 160 overs bowled (or 960 balls) plus wides, 80 wickets taken and over 1000 runs scored. It should be a great day for Walkovers, Jersey Cricket and Cystic Fibrosis and Walkovers are hoping that people will come and support them from all the islands. They have been greatly assisted by Sky Sports' Cricket AM inviting them onto their show on the 30th May. Sky will be coming over to the island to film the team training.

Walkovers held a sports quiz on the 18th April at the Mayfair hotel and raised £800. There was a fantastic turn out of 135 people including many cricket teams and the winning team were Farmers CC. They generously donated their prize money to Cystic Fibrosis. The team are also arranging an old fashioned bed push through town to raise some more funds.

For further details log onto Walkovers website [www.walkovers.co.uk](http://www.walkovers.co.uk).

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## ANNUAL AWARDS DINNER

The 2009 dinner will take place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September with Alec Stewart OBE confirmed as guest speaker.

Put the date in your diary now!

## INSIDE EDGE

This month we thought we'd rest Sarals pre-season and get to know new Coach Craig Hogan.

### Where are you from? Why Jersey?

I was born in Wollongong and have lived in Albury (6 hours south of Sydney, 4 hours north of Melbourne and 6 hours from the beach!) for the past twenty years. In 2006 my wife Kathy, youngest daughter Lauren and I were living in Devon. Very good friends of ours asked us to come with them to Jersey to visit family. We had a fantastic week, and loved the place! We really liked how much the people of Jersey loved their sport and the facilities are great. It is also a great opportunity to be involved in cricket at an International level.

### What do you hope to achieve as Jersey coach?

Carry on the development of junior players coming through the wonderful program Chris Minty and the JCB have established into quality Senior players. Also, to work with Peter Gough and the other coaches to give as many people as possible the opportunity to enjoy playing cricket. For the Senior team we have the opportunity to compete on the World stage and it is a great challenge to see how far we might progress.

### What is the highlight of your cricket career?

From a playing point of view, playing Australian schoolboys and U19's was a highlight. Also, playing with and against State and Test players in Sydney grade cricket week in and week out was a lot of fun. Coaching and playing in winning premierships with any team is special but the biggest highlight for me is just being involved in a cricket team with a mob of your mates.

### Worst cricket moment?

Being sent in as a night watchman as a 17 yr old on a dark afternoon against Sutherland and Andy Roberts was opening the bowling. I knew I was in strife when I heard the ball hit the keeper's gloves! My most memorable moment was fielding in the slips, 2nd ball of the day, giant slash outside off, genuine snick, straight through my hands hitting me between my handkerchief and loose change. For 2 weeks the above mentioned bowler would have been very proud!

### What will you miss most about Australia?

Just the family and friends!

### What makes a good coach?

You have to be always on the lookout for ways to improve and do things better. The game is changing all the time, you only have to look at

Test cricket and the way it's played today and the developments in the one day and 20/20 forms of the game. It's an exciting time! With the player's fitness, technical skill level and tactical team requirements being constantly challenged I think the traditional role of the coach will change. Players will need to take more responsibility for their own development and the coach will need to work more closely with each individual player as well as the team as a whole. Being able to relate to people and make playing fun will always be vital!

### Who would be in your World XI?

I spoke to Matty Hague about this tricky one and I knew I was in trouble when he couldn't find a place for an Englishman in the whole squad let alone a best XI! I have gone with a one-day line up of current players. Here goes: Ponting, Gayle, Dhoni, AB De Villiers, Petersen, Flintoff, Gibbs, Kulasekara, Muralitharan, Vettori, Johnson, Saralis.

### What's your Ashes prediction?

The Ashes could be close I reckon. The Aussies struggled against the South Africans at home, then got away with a series there but they are playing some young fellas and Brett Lee? The middle order will need to fire. The Poms on the other hand have their own troubles and the 50 odd debacle in the West Indies was a shocker. Not sure they are a united outfit, for the Game's sake I hope so. Current markets have the Aussies at odds on but that's too short for mine and I would need 4's to back the Poms so I'll just be happy to watch the Aussie's win!

### Neighbours or Home and Away?

I like em both as well as Hollyoaks, Benders and Corrie! Bit sad really.

### Describe yourself in 5 words

Happy, sociable, honest, reliable, determined.



National Coach Craig Hogan