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BOTSWANA

An Under 13s cricket team from Oxfordshire, England, recently held a match against Botswana's very own Under 13s at the Botswana Cricket Association (BCA) grounds. Another team from the South African region, Lenasia, was present at what was termed the Eastern Cricket Festival during the recently ended holidays. This was another initiative made by the BCA's developmental programme aimed at bringing and improving cricket standards at government schools.

The two had played one match against each other in which the much advanced England team won by a slight margin. Seeking more on-field skills from the overseas side, the Botswana side had then asked for a rematch after learning that the former had extended their days of stay in Botswana.

England won once again but the animosity was lost as both teams claimed to have acquired new skills from their counterparts. The team traveled all the way from England on an appeal made to Oxfordshire by their coach Andrew Martindale. They came accompanied by their parents who also wanted to support their children while experiencing Africa. According to one parent from the England team, they, as parents, had decided to raise money for the kids to come play in Botswana. This was inspired by the passion for cricket and learning that was so visible from their children.

Speaking to the Sunday Standard, Botswana coach, Obert Musiyamanje, claimed that the friendly match was an initiative towards preparing for the upcoming national tours.

"It also helps us in that we are able to measure the performance of our team against a much stronger side, judge where our weaknesses are, and pay attention to detail," said Musiyamanje. Meanwhile, another coach from the England side, Tim Marcon, said he was amazed at the co-operative spirit displayed by the Botswana teams.



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GAMBIA



On the 24th – 27th March 2009, Gambia Cricket Association held an Introductory coaching course, coaching clinics as well as a cricket Jamboree with school Children at Western Division, Brikama in celebration of the ICC Catch the Spirit Centenary Celebrations.

The program started as planned with registration of 21 participants, 15 Teachers and 6 Divisional Sports Coordinators. Mr. Gomez told the participants that this course was made possible because of their Parents body, ICC/ACA, who are sponsoring this course and also made mention that, as part of the ICC Centenary Celebration this year, the Gambia's program of activities for the event was to de-centralize the game in two Regions, namely Western Division and North Bank. He also told the participants that this game is different from other sports, because you have to teach people how to bowl, bat, field and keep wicket. He said because of these reasons they thought it wise to start with teachers to be the first partakers, who in turn will teach their students, the basic's of this game. He told them that the aim is to start the Lower Basic Schools Mini Cricket League, then to the Senior Secondary Schools. He also told the house that the training they will receive, and the follow-up's by the GCA Coaches from the Association, they will put all resources available to make it possible. The Deputy Governor Madam Sainabou, said with the reports in the Newspapers, Television and Radio stations in The Country, the sport is now gaining prominence once again in the sporting arena. She said it is a very interesting and exciting game, which is different from any other sport, and the Cricket Association's effort in trying to revival this sport, by organizing this coaching course in the region is indeed a laudable gesture. She urged the participants to be very serious and adhere to all that will be thought, so that they can pass on the skills learnt, to the students in their various schools. She said she wish them all the best, and she assured the Association, that they from the Governor's office will do all they can to help promote and develop the game in the Western Division.

DAY ONE:

- ⇒ Brief History of Cricket (Video)
- ⇒ Role of A Coach
- ⇒ Fielding Fundamentals and Skills
- ⇒ Batting Fundamentals and Skills
- ⇒ Basic Laws of the Game (Video)
- ⇒ Basic Umpire (Video)
- ⇒ Basic Scoring
- ⇒ Volunteerism

DAY TWO:

- ⇒ Recap / Refresh / Revision
- ⇒ Bowling Fundamentals and Skills
- ⇒ Wicket Keeping
- ⇒ Modified Cricket Game-Bakers Method
- ⇒ (Spirit Of The Game) Video on Aids



⇒ Schools Cricket Club and League

DAY THREE & FOUR:

A Coaching Clinic was held over a two day period being the 26th and 27th of March 2009. The program started with distribution of "What is Cricket" brochures for the students. The game was introduced to the students by playing a cricket video, "Cricket Know the Game" Program 1-4, this was followed by questions and answer from the students. All twenty coaches who attended the Introductory Course was also present for the Clinic. After the introduction the students were taken for the practical session.

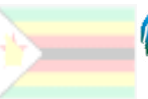
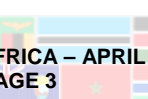


The Clinic was very successful with the new coaches explaining the skills that they've just learnt the past two days; this was very encouraging for me and my four coaches, who also participated in this clinic. On the second day of the clinic, the Students came back with their teachers as promised, were a recap of the previous day's skills was conducted. Some questions were asked, and we took time to answer all of them. The program of activity for the day is as follows:

- ⇒ Recap / Revision
- ⇒ Fielding Fundamentals
- ⇒ Modified Cricket Match & Report Back



At the final closing ceremony which was graced by Mr. Alasan Fatty who deputized for the Director, the Participants agreed that there is need to start a school's league, and they task themselves to give them two months and they will start a school's league in June 2009, without fail and that cricket have come to stay in western division, they will do all they can to teach he game to their students who have showed the interest after the two days caching clinic. Mr. Fatty from the Education regional office in Gambia delivered the closing



remarks for the Director, and thanked the Association for the coaching program as part of the ICC Centenary Celebration, and for reviving the game in the country. A vote of thanks was delivered by one of the participants, Ms. Adama Sowe who challenged the participants, telling them that it is one thing to come for the training, but is another thing to go back and teach the skills to the students, she said that it is left to them as teachers to impart the skills to the students. She assured the Association that they are willing, committed and ready to promote the game in the region as long as we give them the necessary support and organization structure, they will surely deliver, she said cricket has come to Western Division to stay and will never go back. The student also shouted that it will stay, and word is "AA FARA" a Mandinka word meaning "Hit the Ball and tear it".

20 Participants attended the program which was conducted by Johnny Gomez. Coaches that supported this program were as follows:-

- ⇒ Mr. Prince David Johnson ICC Level 1
- ⇒ Mr. Wilfred Riley ICC Level 1
- ⇒ Mr. Mbye Dumbuya ICC Level 1
- ⇒ Mr. Peter Campbell
- ⇒ Mr. Malamin Fofana Intro: Certificate

Gambia Cricket Association held an Administration Course from the 06th – 08th April 2009 at the Olympic House, Bakau and was conducted by Johnny Gomez. 16 participants attended the course which covered the following areas of discussion:-

- Workshop Outcomes
- Aims of the Course / Role of ICC in Africa
- Code of Ethics
- Understanding the need for Organization
- Forming a new Cricket Club or Committee
- Leadership
- Management
- Duties of Committee Members
- The Constitution
- Financial Matters
- Sponsorship
- Communication
- Meeting Procedures
- Workshop wrap-up, Assignments & Evaluation

The Executive Director of the National Olympic Committee Mr. George Gomez, visited on the third day and witnessed the course, and said he was very impressed the way the course was conducted and was pleased with the work done by the participants in their group discussions. For the full story you can go to this Web site: www.thepoint.gm for Sport Report for April 9th, 2009.

MALI

The Malian cricket federation (FeMaCrik) has just successfully staged the 6th Annual schools' cricket competition in Bamako. This year the Urbain Sangaré Memorial Tournament is part of the ICC Centenary celebrations. It began on the 1st April and drew to a climax on 11th April 2009; both the opening and closing matches were covered by local media with reports appearing on the National TV channel and in "Essor" the National daily newspaper. (The newspaper articles are available on-line at the Essor website : l'Essor n°16422 du - 2009-04-14 08:00:00.) There were also



interviews by the BBC Fast Track sports program (Friday 10 April 2009) and Radio Djakafo, (a Bamako-based local radio station.)

This 2009 edition had 13 teams enrolled from seven clubs which were each allocated to one of three sections as follows:

1. Section 1 – Junior School children (U 13): four mixed teams playing 11-a-side 15-over matches
2. Section 2 – Middle/High School Girls (U16): six teams, playing 11-a-side 15-over matches
3. Section 3 – Middle/High School Boys (U16): three teams playing 11-a-side 15-over matches.

The following table gives details of the winning teams and runners-up in each section, as well as the individual players who were rewarded (Best Batsman, Best Bowler & Best Player) in each section. As well as an award for the Best Coach, this year saw the first awards for the Best Umpire and the Best Scorer. The final and highest award was the Player of the Tournament. Each winning team received medals, certificates, cricket kit and a trophy presented by local dignitaries and guests. Individual winners received separate medals, certificates and prizes. FeMaCrik was especially honoured by the presence of representatives of the Burkinabé Embassy, local Civic Authorities and a large delegation from the Sangaré family.

Section I

Champions 2009 :	Les Pharaons de Kariba	Kariba Boité CC
Runners' up:	<i>Les Kalanso Titans</i>	<i>Kalanso CC</i>
Other teams :	L'Equipe Mixte de Kariba Les Petits Génies	Kariba Boité CC Petits Génies CC
Best Batsman :	<u>Kalou Wagué (Pharaons)</u>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>
Best Bowler :	<u>Madiyara Fissirou (Equipe Mixte)</u>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>
Best Player :	<u>Modibo Sissoko (Pharaons)</u>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>

Section II

Champions 2009 :	All Stars	All Stars CC
Runners' up:	<i>Dynamic Girls</i>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>
Other teams :	Les Sweetest Girls Les Grandes Géniales (Les Tigresses) (Les Samas)	CSABK CC Petits Génies CC Kodonso CC LFDS CC
Best Batsman :	<u>Aicha Koné (All Stars)</u>	<i>All Stars CC</i>
Best Bowler :	<u>Néné Koné (All Stars)</u>	<i>All Stars CC</i>
Best Player :	<u>Aicha Koné (All Stars)</u>	<i>All Stars CC</i>

Section III

Champions 2009 :	Phénix de Kariba	Kariba Boité CC
Runners' up:	<i>Kalanso Warriors</i>	<i>Kalanso CC & All Stars CC</i>
Other teams :	Les Grands Génies	Petits Génies CC
Best Batsman :	<u>Sory I Cissé (Warriors)</u>	<i>Kalanso CC</i>
Best Bowler :	<u>Seyba Doucouré (Phénix)</u>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>



Best Player :	<u>Seyba Doucouré (Phénix)</u>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>
Best Coach :	<u>Bréhima Doumbia</u>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>
Best Scorer :	<u>Miss Chimène Essi Koteckene</u>	<i>Kariba Boité CC</i>
Best Umpire :	<u>Amagana Guindo</u>	<i>ECE Djélibougou CC</i>
Player of the Tournament	<u>Miss Aicha Koné (All Stars)</u>	<i>All Stars CC</i>

Les All Stars: FeMaCrik 2009



Les Pharaons: FeMaCrik 2009



FeMaCrik wishes to thank all its Sponsors and supporters, in particular Garage Tony Victor and the direction of the Korofina Sports Association (ASKO) for the use of their grounds and facilities. Finally, our greatest thanks go to all the young Malian players of the future who took part in the tournament and for therefore made it possible.

TANZANIA

Tanzania celebrated the ICC Centenary year on Sunday the 22nd March 2009 through its on going development program at grass root level. The Association's development committee organized a one day Chanzo Cricket Tournament involving 12 Boys Teams and 8 Girls team each with 13 players from different schools to mark this memorable ICC - Century of Cricket.

Apart from the great fun that the youths were having, the involvement of senior national players in this occasion was a great motivation for the youths. The Association provided the youths with transport, water, juice, biscuits and lunch along with T shirts with ICC centenary logo for keeps to some 300 youths. This occasion was highly supported by both electronic and news paper media to achieve additional awareness and promote the cricket sport in Tanzania.

A twenty minute programme of the occasion was aired on EATV. Trophies and individual awards were also presented to the winning teams and individual players as follows:

From the boys group of 12 teams, Mkwawa primary emerged winners while Uzuri primary school settled for the runners up trophy.

For the individual awards Mast David Yombayomba from Victoria primary school was presented with the best bowler award, Mast Lazaro David from Uzuri primary school taking the best Batter award and Mast Salum Juma from Mkwawa primary school got hold of the best all rounder award of the event.





In the girls group of 8 teams, Mwalimu Nyerere primary school emerged winners, while Utulivu Street girls settled for the runners up trophy. For the individual awards, Asha Mohamed of Utulivu street girls was presented the best bowler award, Hanifa Mohamed of mwalimu Nyerere taking the best batter award and Ester Wallece from Victoria primary school got the best all rounder award of the event.



Apart from this ICC Centenary year celebrations, Chanzo cricket Bonanza is played annually and been a key element to identify talents at early age in playing, scoring and umpiring the game and to assess the development officer's capability in training the youths in the on going development process. Report By: Zully Rehemtulla

ZAMBIA



Zambia hosted the Pepsi ICC-Africa U19 World Cup Qualifiers Tournament from the 27th of April – 05th of May 2009.

8 Countries participated in this Tournament and were as follows:-

1. Botswana
2. Kenya
3. Namibia
4. Nigeria
5. Sierra Leone
6. Tanzania;
7. Uganda
8. Zambia

The Tournament was a great success and was also part of the ICC Centenary Catch the Spirit Celebrations.



The finals were played on the 04th of May 2009 which noted the following results:-

Zambia Vs Tanzania

Zambia won the toss, elected to bat.
 Zambia scored 133/10 in 44.2 overs
 Tanzania 42/7 in 30.4 overs.
 Zambia won by 63 runs! D/L method.

Namibia Vs Kenya

Kenya won the toss, elected to field.
 Namibia 150/7 in 42 overs.
 Kenya 18/0 in 6 overs.
 MATCH RAINED OFF- NO RESULT

Nigeria Vs Botswana

Botswana won the toss, elected to field.
 Nigeria 65/ 10 in 28.2 overs.
 Botswana 68/4 in 24.3 overs.
 Botswana won by 6wickets!

Uganda Vs Sierra Leone

Sierra Leone won the toss, elected to field.
 Uganda 94/10 in 41.3 overs.
 Sierra Leone 35/8 in 20 overs.
 Uganda won by 48 runs! DL Method

Final Positions:-

- 1: Uganda
- 2: Sierra Leone
- 3: Namibia
- 4: Zambia
- 5: Kenya
- 6: Botswana



Pepsi ICC Africa Under 19 World Cup Qualifier Tournament Division 1-Lusaka Zambia 2009. The Picture Shows L to R: SITTING: Kutub Gulamabbas (Kenya), Sabbash Modi (Kenya) (Umpire's Coordinator), Graham Mc Millan (Tournament Referee/ICC Africa Senior Development Officer), Rafiq Vali Mohamed (Malawi) and David Odhiambo (Kenya); STANDING: Windon Lambe (Zambia), and Dave (Kenya) and Rockie D' Mello (Kenya). Not on Picture: Isaac Oyioko (Kenya) Pictures. ©: Jean Mandela (Zambia)



7: Tanzania
8: Nigeria

An Awards Presentation was held on the evening of the 04th of May 2009 after which participants; officials and guests enjoyed dinner and drinks.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE UGANDAN CRICKET TEAM FOR A BRILLIANT WIN!

ICC-AFRICA

The ICC-Africa RDM was recently hosted in an interview by the BBC. The interview was broadcasted live throughout Africa via the SABC Africa Channel.

The RDM, during the interview informed BBC that Cricket in Africa is moving into a new direction to sustain the game at all levels. He went on to explain that the introduction of Tournaments and Events is of high priority and execution of various courses is a major tool for the membership to excel into a new level of cricket administration. Africa being one of the fastest growing Cricket Continent will have a major contribution to Global Cricket.

REMINDERS

ICC CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS 2009 CATCH THE SPIRIT WEEK – ALL COUNTRIES:

We look forward to receiving feedback; reports and photos on your catch the spirit events.

CRICKET ALL ROUNDER ACADEMIES – ALL REGIONS – MAY 2009

ICC-AFRICA U17 FINALS – AUGUST 2009 – HOST: KENYA:

Ghana; Kenya; Namibia

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