ECB Level 2 Coaching Course

This is the last opportunity for level 1 coaches to attend the ECB Level 2 course as all courses are being replaced by the UKCC 1 and 2 courses. The level 2 will be valid until 2009 and can be converted to the UKCC level 2 through attending additional upgrade modules before then. This course is held over the Easter weekend and there are support modules to attend listed below which are included in the course fee. The cost is only £100 which will be approximately half the cost of the new UKCC Level 2 course. Please contact the Cricket centre on 01202 470852 to book your place. To receive your certificate you will need to update your first aid and child protection training.

Dates; Friday 14th to Monday 17th April (Easter weekend)

Venue; Bryanston School

Cost £100

Closing date, 25th March

Minimum attendees 8 maximum 18

Module 1 - Video Analysis

Date; Saturday April 1st 2pm to 5pm

Venue; Bryanston School

Cost £10

Closing date, March 30th

Module 2 - Technical Modelling 2

Date; Saturday 8th April 2pm to 5pm

Venue; Bryanston School Cost £10 Closing date, 1st March



Groundsmanship Course

Maintenance and management of the Square and Outfield

Level 1 Part A Sherbourne School Sun 2nd April 2006
Level 1 Part B Sherbourne School Sun 3rd Sep 2006
For Further information see enclosed booklet
Focuses on the practical skills required to prepare and
maintain a sports surface







DORSET CRICKET ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER



March 2006

Roger Bosher e-mail: rogerbosher@dorsetccc.com.

Dear Secretary,

As we are on the brink of another season I thought about time that I sent another Newsletter, so here it is.

As you will see there are various contributions from Umpires , Coaches , County Side both young and old. I hope you enjoy reading it ,and I urge you when you have finished it to pass it on to somebody else in your club.

Dorset Association of Cricket Coaches

Derek Hopkins has recently been appointed Chairman of the DACC and has already been very active in helping to arrange a fantastic event for the Association members. On **Wednesday May 3rd Kevin Shine** the Somerset Coach has agreed to give a presentation To Dorset Coaches on the subject of coaching young fast bowlers. This will be at the Dorset Cricket Centre from 7pm and will be free to members. If you are not a member please phone Andy at the Dorset Cricket Centre to receive a form. Kevin Shine is of course applying for the England fast bowling Coaches position and his appearance is subject to this. With this Newsletter is a summery of forthcoming Coaching Courses, please return the booking form ASAP to avoid Disappointment

Dorset 50 +

Lowton Leads

Guy Lowton From Shaftesbury cc was elected as the new Dorset 50+ Captain at the recent AGM, he takes over from Keith Balmer who has done the job for the past six years. He inherits a more than useful side with plenty of experience in shape of Barry Lewis, Buddy Langford Dave Porter, Trevor Shales, Paul Nation Steve Webb Mick Geller & Andy Jarvis.,

as well as some young blood with Dave Abbott and Phil Williams knocking on the door.

We have 16 fixtures arranged 7 of which are the ECB games.

All the home games are at Dean Park ,but we open up on the 30th of April at Dorchester as part of the 150 year Anniversary

Nets begin Fri April 21st & Fri 28th at Bryanston School, 6.30 Start.

Any Players not yet 50 are welcome to attend the nets and to play in the friendly fixtures fore more information contact: **Roger Bosher 01305 848105**

Dorset C.C.C. 2006 The Coaches Angle

In October last year I was named as the Dorset C.C.C. Coach for 2006 which instantly stimulated many thoughts and feelings all of which were quickly overridden by a huge sense of pride. I suppose I felt this way for a couple of reasons the first one being that I grew up in Dorset and came through the system to represent the county aged 16 before moving on to Hampshire and secondly it is the first time that a full time coach has been appointed by the Committee which makes it all extra special. My first job was to set up

communication with the players and this was done through Sean Walbridge, the County Manager, who helped me circulate feedback letters to everyone who played last year with key questions on performance and areas that need improve-

Secondly I planned monthly training days which will take been put in over the years by

place right up to the season and these started on 29th December 2005 at the Rosebowl.Each day starts at 10am and finishes at 3pm and includes the key stages in player development and preparation. These stages

clude; Physical, Technical, Ta ctical.Mental and Lifestyle. I am pleased to report that to date the response of the players has been fantastic and believe that they all recognise the long term benefit of structured sessions, not only for their individual approach, but also how the team will benefit through decent preparation. Gradual fitness testing is being introduced in the form of SAO drills and specific batting, bowling and fielding techniques are being implemented with the aid of video analysis.

Academy and some U/17 players have been attending and more than holding their own which all bodes well for the future and is testament to all the good work that has

the respective Coaches and Managers in the County. A big thanks to Phil Norton, Julian Shackleton and Sean for all their help in making the first two sessions a big success.

So the hard work has started and I am certainly under no illusion that this will be a quick fix and firmly believe that it will take a huge team effort to reverse our fortunes. We must create an environment that sits comfortably and one that is almost indestructible. It will be our belief as a unit that we will improve and compete and ultimately win. Off the field Sean and I have put in a huge effort through the press to raise the profile and awareness of the Club in the attempt to attract some Sponsors. We have had some response and hope to have something in place for the start of the new season. If any one within the County feels that they can assist in this area please do not hesitate to contact me. Finally I would like to wish

all Coaches a fulfilling year and very much look forward to meeting you all at the various meetings during the season.

Richard Scott Dorset C.C.C.



DORSET CCC

Preparations for the 2006 season are well under way. For those of you not aware we have brought in Richard Scott as Coach and this move is already proving highly beneficial. Richard is a Level 3 Coach and is a former Hampshire. Gloucester and Dorset player. We have had 2 squad get together and have a further 3 planned. He has been working with the squad on a technical and physical level and have received a tremendous response.

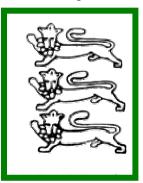
Along with the 1st XI players we have invited the Development XI and certain members of the Under17's to attend the sessions. Our aim is to start a production line of Dorset talent who can progress through the youth ranks into the Development XI and into The 1st XI. Ultimately we would like to act as a vehicle for youngsters to progress into County cricket.

I'd ask everyone where possible to come and

support the County side. The players appreciate the support we currently get but it would be even better to see a packed Dean Park full of Dorset supporters cheering the team on.

Sean Walbridge

Dorset CCC Team Manager.



DACU&S

We are very pleased to report a successful training season with positive results in recruitment; we are just entering the examination process and wish all involved the every success.

The opportunity to meet with club captains in early April is welcomed and we trust that it will give all an opportunity to understand the concerns of others

in a joint endeavour between the League and this Association, the forthcoming establishment of the Code of Conduct will, it is hoped contribute towards better relationships and understanding between all concerned in Dorset cricket.

Funding is being sought to enable the purchase additional IT equipment in order that we may expand our training program including one evening introductory courses on the Laws of Cricket

Any matters of concern or interest regarding Umpiring may, in the first instance, be addressed to the Hon. Secretary: Michael Hopkins: 01202 699586 or mphdec@ntlworld.com

Message from the League Secretary

Date for your Diary

On Tuesday 11th April At the crown Hotel Blandford (Sealy Suite) at 7.30 pm A Meeting with League Officials, members of the Umpires Association and the Captains of premier and 1st division (Saturday Competition) to discuss law interpretation, Captains and umpires reports, players conduct etc. Clubs' attendance is mandatory, absentees will be fined.

BALLS

If clubs have not already been contacted, Michael Williams will be telephoning for there "League "Ball requirements. And the telephone numbers (the latter information intended to make contact between clubs easier in the event of a cancelled fixture

Dorset CCC 1ST XI 2006 Fixtures Comp) – Dean Park

Friday 14 April – Squad Practice Match (F) - Dean Park

Sunday 23 April – Hampshire 2nds (F) –

Rose Bowl

Sunday 30 April – Wales (1 Day Comp) –

Dean Park

Sunday 7 May – Berkshire (1 Day Comp)

- Falkland

Sunday 21 May - Cornwall (1 Day

Comp) – Dean Park

Sun-Tues 28-30 May - Devon (Champ) -

Bovey Tracey

Sunday 4 June - Devon (1 Day Comp) -

Sidmouth

Sun-Tues 25-27 June - Shropshire

(Champ) – Dean Park

Sunday 2 July - Semi Final (1 Day

Sun-Tues 9-11 July - Cheshire (Champ)

- Nantwich

Sun-Tues 23-25 July - Berkshire

(Champ) – Dean Park

Sun-Tues 6-8 August – Oxford (Champ)

Banbury

Monday 16 August - One Day Final -

Sun-Tues 20-22 August – Wiltshire

(Champ) – Dean Park Sunday 3 September - One Day Final

Reserve Day

- * Sun-Tues 10-14 Championship Final - Dean Park
- * Please note the Championship Final is likely to be played over 4 days.