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BOTSWANA

The 25 & 26th October 2011, saw a group of Teachers from various schools in and around Francistown undergo a Basic Course in Cricket run by the Botswana Cricket Association Northern Region. Twenty three schools were represented in the two-day Course with a large number of women constituting the greater number of participants. The Course was run By the Northern Region Based Cricket Officer -Clement Chipanga.

The first day had the participants going through the Introduction of Cricket the role played By the Cricket Governing Bodies i.e. International Cricket Council, Africa Cricket Association and the Botswana Cricket Association to enhance cricket development globally. Basic cricket rules, Equipment used in cricket were all explained to the group and the three versions of the game. The course also focused much on looking into the three main aspects of the game that is Batting, Bowling and Fielding. The practical part saw the group go out onto the field to experience the real atmosphere of playing cricket and had a feel of the use of the cricket equipment.



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The Zimbabwe Women's Team on invitation of the Botswana Cricket Association arrived in Gaborone on the 14th of October 2011 for a four day tour which included two T20 matches and two 40 Over matches against a young Botswana Women's Team.

Match 1 played on the 14th of October was a T20 match played under lights at the BCA Oval, which for many of the Zimbabwean girls was also a treat as there are currently no floodlit grounds in Zimbabwe. Botswana were put in to bat and there were no surprises as an awestruck Botswana team were rattled for only 15 runs on the board by a very experienced bowling attack. The Zimbabweans wasted no time in making their runs in 2 over's and earning themselves not only a 9 wicket victory but also a well-deserved rest after their long bus journey from Harare.

Match 2 played on the 15th of October was a 40 Over match. The Zimbabwean ladies took full use of this opportunity to get some batting time in the middle and amassed a total of 322 runs for the loss of 4 wickets. Botswana went in to bat and the young girls seemed to have recovered from their sensational collapse in the T20 and put in a gutsy effort to bat out 37 over's before being bowled out for 78.

Match 3 played on the 16th of October was also a 40 over format and batting first in stifling heat, Zimbabwe made 277- 3 before being called in at the 33rd over for lunch because of the heat taking its toll on batters , fielders and also one of the umpires who had to be replaced momentarily. Botswana going into bat after lunch mustered up 63 before being skittled out in the 28th over.

Match 4 was played on the 17th of October and was a reduced match of 15 over's. Botswana batted first and put on 48 runs for the loss of 5 wickets with all in the batting order chipping in. Things started shakily for Zimbabwe when a wicket was lost in the first over but the girls soon passed the score in the 5th over securing a 9 wicket victory.

Image 1: Zimbabwe and Botswana Women at the BCA Oval 1



Image 2: Zimbabwean captain Sharne Mayers (L) and Botswana captain Shameelah Mosweu (R)



The Botswana Cricket Association conducted a 4 Day Teacher Training Course at the BCA Oval from the 26th to 29th September 2011. 22 teachers were invited from the various districts around Botswana. BCA Head Coach, Arjun Menon was the presenter for this course.



Ghana

Ghana Cricket Association held its CAP Effective meeting Seminar on the 03rd of October 2011 at the Achimota Oval in Accra, Ghana. 8 Participants attended the course which was conducted by Prince Eugene King. The Seminar comprised of three sections; Characteristics of Meetings, Meeting Types and Procedures and Meeting Processes.

Characteristics of Meetings: In the first session, emphasis was placed on tips for effective meetings, outcomes and examples of ineffective meetings



and the need to spend less time in meetings. The participants discussed the need for proper planning to enable shorter but more effective meetings.

Meeting Types and Procedures: The second session dealt with types of meeting and the requisite procedures. The Resource Person elaborated on the different approaches for different types of meetings. Examples were general meetings, management or the executive committee meetings and sub-committee meetings. It was explained that, with the exception of General Meetings which are open to all members of a club and stakeholders, the others are restricted to particular members. So Executive Committee meetings are restricted to elected officers or Board members with a specific mandate as per the guiding constitution. Sub-Committee meetings focus on specific tasks and these groups report to the Executive Committee.



Participants and Resource Person studying the Effective meeting modules

Meeting Processes: This section discussed the various procedures that meetings adopt. These comprise of deciding on courses of action, resolutions, decisions to implement programmes, roles and responsibility of the chairperson and secretary, use of minutes or records of proceedings, dealing with dominant and difficult people, listening and conflict skills.

After completion of the three sections, participants agreed that meetings are very important operational methods for associations and clubs to function and communicate key decisions. In conclusion, the participants have acquired requisite skills to plan and facilitate shorter but more effective meetings.

As part of the efforts to build good relationships among the North West African Cricket Conference (NWACC) and Africa as a whole, the Ghana Cricket Association (GCA) hosted the Baba Raji Faisal Cricket Club (BRFCC) of Nigeria in a three - match tour from 20th - 24th October 2011, at the Achimota School, Cricket Oval in Accra, Ghana. The series of international friendlies served as a preparatory training tour for the BRFCC ahead of the Nigeria Cricket league.

The Ghana Cricket Association also used the event as means to maintain performance levels following the recent end of the Accra T-20 League. The three-day friendly international revived the traditional sporting competition between Ghana and Nigeria with the Spirit of Cricket dominant despite the intense rivalry. It brought together national team stars such as Nigeria - Sean Phillips, Endurance Ofem against Ghana - Obed Harvey, Peter Ananya, Vincent Ateak following recent encounters at the ICC Africa Regional Division tournaments.



BRFCC played three matches against Ghanaian teams Mafro Cricket Club, Foresters Cricket Club (FCC) and an Indian Select side, "Accra India XI."

(Left) Baba Raji Faisal Cricket Club (center) Indian Select Side (right) Mafro Cricket Club



On day 1, Oct 21, a T-20 match was played between BRFCC and Mafro Cricket Club. Mafro club won the match by 32 runs scoring 143-9 in 20 overs as against BRFCC 111-10 in 19.2 overs.

On day 2, Oct 22, BRFCC took on the Foresters Cricket Club in a 50 over match which was won by BRFCC. The scores were 226-6 in 49.3 overs as against FCC 105-10 in 32.3 overs to handover 121 runs win to BRFCC.

On day 3, BRFCC played the Indian side in a 25 limited overs match. BRFCC won the match by 102 runs scoring 171-6 in 25 overs as against Accra India XI 69 runs all outs in 11.1 overs.

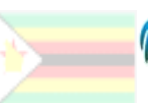
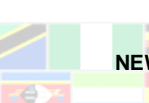
This well organized friendly was ideal preparation for both countries in line with pending international tournaments and in line NWACC's formation to promote cricket in the African region. The GCA and the BRFCC proposed to make this friendly an annual event



KENYA

The Cricket Administrators course on Governance was conducted on the 08th of October 2011 in Nairobi and brought together 15 participants from diverse backgrounds of the capital. They included teachers, cricketers and representatives from the government's district sports offices.

The course – the final one of the four CAP programs scheduled for the year, enlightened the attendance on the governance structures not only in cricket federations but across several sports disciplines which by and large use similar guidelines.



The understanding of the workings of the structures in sports organizations found itself at the centre of discussions; emphasis was placed on the importance of proper administrative structures which often go hand in hand with successful sports management.

The course content went on to define the Board as the group given the responsibility of setting the federations direction and strategic goals while monitoring performance against the goals set. It further identified the CEO as the person accorded the mandate to manage other staff and volunteers as is required to achieve the goals set in the strategic plan.

It covered the role of by-laws in the structures of operations and also mentioned them as regulations that deal with particular issues that don't necessarily need to be part of the constitution of an organization but rather specific rules that govern day to day operations. The by-laws can be changed by the Board when they deem it necessary in keeping with the changes in operational needs of the association.

The quality of the governance structures in place can have a significant impact on the running of a club or a federation. The structures are also subject to high levels of scrutiny. This makes it very important for those involved in governance and management of clubs or federations to develop good governance skills to be able to cope with the demands of the tasks that they have to perform.

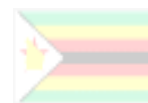


PRESS RELEASE: EACC Finals Postponed

The finals of the East Africa Premier League and East African Cup have been postponed due to a waterlogged outfield at Nairobi Gymkhana Club.

Rwenzori Warriors were due to take on the Nile Knights in the final of the EAPL while the Knights were also scheduled to tackle Kongonis in the EAC Final a day later. Torrential rain in Nairobi has led to the postponement of both matches with the competitions committee looking to reschedule in early December.

Cricket Kenya Chief Executive Tom Sears said: 'Obviously we are extremely disappointed that we have had to reschedule the finals but it is far better to postpone and ensure we have an exciting climax to the competitions rather than resort to sharing the titles or a bowl off. 'We have had over six inches of rain in the last 48 hours in Nairobi and following an inspection of Nairobi Gymkhana by



the umpires and consultation with the teams competing in both finals we have taken the decision to reschedule the finals until later this year.

'There is no prospect of play for either game with the outfield completely waterlogged. These competitions have generated a great deal of interest so it is important we take steps to ensure they reach a proper conclusion.' Rescheduled dates for the finals will be announced as soon as possible.

Rift Valley province was the latest venue of the Level A umpires course held from the 21st – 22nd of October 2011 which was also well attended by 20 participants - a similar group of participants who had been recently educated on scoring and part of this teaching fraternity had also been involved at the introductory level on umpiring.

The morning session on the opening day covered laws that dealt with the requirements of a scorer, the different sizes categories of the balls and allowable bats as well as the stump and bail sizes, the maintenance of the playing area and less applicable sections of follow-on and declaration of innings.

The afternoon sitting centered on discussions on agreeable practice on the field before and during matches, the results, appeals, a few other uncommon dismissals and the restrictions on the role of a wicketkeeper.

To assist and ensure the participants arrive as close to their goals as necessary a 70-minute session was carried out collectively with the group where questions and answers were discussed in relation to the different sections of the laws.

The course was concluded on the second day with the participants learning quite a bit on the measurements of the creases on the field of play, the different application that pertains to the protected area of the pitch, the ability to access the fitness on weather, ground and light for play.



Part of the course activities took the action pitch where it all happens within the game

Co-facilitator David Asiji discusses points on his take on the section of the law dealing with a wicket-keeping



MOROCCO

Cricket grows in Morocco - Cricket has been introduced in a school in FEZ city which was held on the 21st of October 2011. Morocco now has cricket in schools of Rabat; Sale; Temara; Marrakech and FEZ and it continue to grow as it is planned to take cricket into the other cities and villages of Morocco as well.



Other new from morocco – Morocco held its first girls match on the 02nd of October 2011 which was reported to be a great success as such.

NAMIBIA

Namibia has a number of CAP courses planned to be held in and around Namibia. CAP courses will be presented by Jona Ambuga, the newly appointed Development Coordinator as follows:-

14 – 15 Oct	South	Presenting CAP 1, 2, 3
21 – 22 Oct	Coast	Presenting CAP 1, 2, 3
28 – 29 Oct	Central	Presenting CAP 1, 2, 3
11 – 12 Nov	Central	Presenting CAP 4, 5
18 – 19 Nov	South	Presenting CAP 4, 5
24 – 25 Nov	Coast	Presenting CAP 4, 5

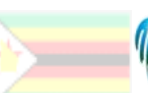
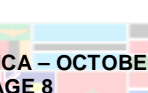
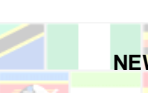
With Jona on board and a request from UNICEF to get regions self sufficient and ensure sustainability, CAP courses was the natural step after introducing Coaching courses and having the teachers running leagues first.

More than 70 teachers have been trained to be Kwata Cricket coaches in the past 5 to 6 months in Namibia – south, central and coast.

SWAZILAND

The Swaziland Cricket Association 2011 Senior Leagues continues. In recent matches of the League which was held on the 16th of September 2011, the following results were noted:-

Checkers XI vs Highlander: Checkers XI won the toss and chose to bat first and scored 166 runs lost of 7 wickets. Rafik Haji scored 38 off 44 balls Thair Patel 37 runs off 19 balls Waheed Akhtar 4 wickets off 22 Runs in his 4 overs. In reply Highlander scored 128 runs all out, Javed Ahmed scored 45 off 32 balls and Azim Ahmed Scored 35 off 35 balls Rafik Haji 2 wickets off 19 runs in his 4 overs Thair Patel 2 wicket off 35 runs in his 4 overs. Checkers XI won by 3 Wickets



SWD C.C vs. Radio Shop C.C: SWD C.C. bat first and scored 137 runs lost of 6 wickets, Alex 55 off 67 balls and Stefan Scored 26, Idrees took 3 wickets off 27 runs, Radio Shop scored 138 runs in 14.5 Overs lost of 4 wickets, Rdioshop won by 6 wicket



Checker's Captain Rafik Haji Hitting the ball



Highlander's Javed waiting for hit the ball



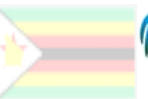
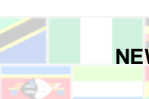
SWD C.C. Captain Steven Uys setting Field.



UGANDA

EAST AFRICA PREMIER LEAGUE AND EAST AFRICA CUP 2011

The East Africa Elite League tournament has created a lot of excitement in Uganda in just its first edition. The Tournament was hyped even more by the presence of Supersport, which partnered with the tournament organizers to have some of the games televised live. Uganda has been very



lucky to benefit from this as it has had 3 games televised live. The 2 Ugandan teams namely Nile Knights and Rwenzori Warriors' prowess in both the East African Premier League and Cup may have come as a shock to the EA Elite League organizers; what they guessed would be makeweight teams have proved to be amongst the best of the bunch. Both teams have qualified to play in the finals of the Tournament due in Nairobi on 29th and 30th October 2011.



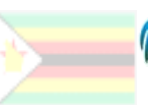
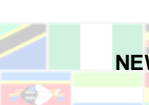
Left: Warriors star, Roger Mukasa goes for a big one. Right: A Warriors player is run out

NATIONAL CRICKET LEAGUES 2011

The Women's and Men's National Cricket Leagues are running concurrently. The Women's League comes to a climax on 29th October 2011 with the semi finals due to take place at Lugogo and Kyambogo Cricket Ovals. The winners from both semi finals will converge at Lugogo Cricket Oval for the finals. The Semi finals and Finals will be played on a T20 basis. The defending Champions, Africa Cricket Club will hope that luck is on their side as they take on Wanderers Cricket Club in the first semi final at Kyambogo Cricket Oval.



Left: Africa CC players consult with their coach Right: Tornado CC players walk on to open the batting against Africa CC





Akello Scovia dispatches a delivery to the boundary against Africa CC

CRICKET WITHOUT BOUNDARIES VISIT

The team of 9 volunteer Coaches headed by Michael Reeves, arrived in the country on 2nd October to carry out coaching visits in some Districts. The Districts that benefited from their visit are Masindi, Tororo and Iganga Districts, where they carried out coaching activities and also run courses. They also played games in the districts that they visited. Their sessions attracted several Schools and one can say that their visit was very fruitful to Uganda Cricket. Their visit was under the theme "Bowling AIDS out of Uganda". They departed for England on 16th October 2011 after a successful 2 weeks' visit.



Above: A CWB member poses with youngsters from Masindi District



Left and Right: CWB Volunteers take members through the various drills



ICC-AFRICA

The ICC-Africa Regional Office hosted its first ever Senior Woman's Elite Academy which took place from the 14th – 17th of October 2011 in Johannesburg, South Africa

The aim of the Academy was to motivate and enhance Woman's participation in cricket within Africa as this will then set a new foundation for Girls and Woman's with regards to cricket development within the region.

A total of 20 Woman from all over Africa attended the Academy and underwent extensive cricket coaching under the experience and expertise of ex-South African National player - Peter Kirsten who was the head coach for the Eastern Titans Franchise as well as the South African 'A' Team. He was accompanied by an assistant trainer coach named Ephraim Nyawo of the Eastern Academy.

The RDM-CEO of ACA-ICC commented that this most important event was staged in order to motivate the girls and woman cricket within the continent and will also encourage the members to institute mass participation of woman cricket within their countries.

The 4-day Elite academy consisted of the following aspects:-

- * Counselling session
- * Batting drills
- * Fielding drills
- * Bowling drills
- * Fitness assessment
- * Field practise
- * Catch practise
- * Session on mental aspects of cricket
- * Coordination and reflex sessions
- * Match on the final day to test their skills



The Elite academy for woman has been a vigorous test of cricketing skills on all participants and has certainly proved successful and will continue to be hosted on an annual basis.





ZIMBABWE (FULL MEMBER)

Final Castle ODI Challenge, at Queens Sports Club

Result: Zimbabwe won by one run, with one ball remaining

Malcolm Waller played the innings of his life which led Zimbabwe to a one run victory with a ball to spare against New Zealand in the last match of the Castle ODI Challenge played at Queens Sports Club (QSC) on Tuesday. Although the victory concludes the series 2-1 in favour of the visitors, Brendan Taylor salvaged some pride from the team's performance.

Brendan Taylor was named Man of The Series after two back-to-back centuries and a half century with a total of 310 runs in the series. "It is an awesome feeling and a nice way to end the way we did. We will salvage a bit of pride from it and we will take a lot out of this. We have a little bit of momentum now. From start to finish, the guys were positive in their approach. The crowd always turns up, this one is for them and everyone who has shown up in the past," said the Zimbabwe skipper.

"It feels good to come out winning in this game. Taking it right through the end was very good, especially having Elton [Chigumbura] striking it the way he did. I was a bit nervous at times, but Elton took the pressure off with the big hits," said Waller, who was named Man of The Match.

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REMINDERS

CAP COURSE MODULE 4 – October 2011

Kindly send in all reports on these CAP Module courses held within your respective countries. We have to date still not received some of the countries Module 1; 2 & 3 Reports – this will work against your countries compliance therefore kindly send them in most urgently

AIDS DAY CELEBRATION

Kindly send in your reports of the days events

UMPIRES CONFERENCE

24 – 27 November 2011

U17 REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

POSTPONED TO 2012

ACA U19 AFRICA LADIES T20 TOURNAMENT

05-12 December 2011 – Dar-es-salaam, Tanzania

Participating countries: Botswana; Kenya; Mozambique; Rwanda; Tanzania & Uganda

SENIOR WOMANS TOURNAMENT

16 – 20 December 2011 - Uganda

Participating countries: Kenya; Namibia; Nigeria; Sierra Leone; Tanzania; Uganda

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