

newsletter



NWCF 2011 SHOWCASE CLUBS ANNOUNCED

We are pleased and excited to announce that we have finalised the NatWest CricketForce 2011 Showcase Clubs! They are:

Witham CC, Essex - Work includes a new scoreboard, renovation of pavilion inside and out, new picket fencing, new driveway, landscaping and working with the hockey section to improve the whole site

Brompton Ralph CC, Somerset - Brand New Pavilion (subject to planning/timescales), NWCF being used to reduce costs of labour and materials, hedgerows tidied, driveway repaired, general maintenance

Sawley and Long Eaton Park CC, Derbyshire - Park facility refurbish of changing pavilion and main pavilion, painting and decorating, working with other sports (football and rugby)

CURRENT
NUMBER OF
REGISTRANTS

1039

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FIRST SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT SIGNED BY DERBY COLLEGE



Glyn Stenson, Principle in charge of Construction receiving the Service Level Agreement from the ECB's David Leighton

Derby College (Construction Dept), supported by Derbyshire Cricket Board are the first college in the country to sign a Service Level Agreement with the England and Wales Cricket Board as part of the nationally acclaimed NatWest CricketForce programme.

Students from the college have already achieved success with their NVQs through this programme which enables them to complete construction work at a variety of community cricket clubs.

David Leighton ECB National Club Programmes Manager said "It's fantastic to have Derby College fully engaged with NatWest CricketForce. Students from the construction department have really made

an impact on the development and refurbishment of cricket club facilities in and around Derby. With the college on board, more clubs in Derby are able to take on projects they could not previously manage, such as building access ramps and improving changing facilities, which benefit all existing and future cricket club members."



NATWEST CRICKETFORCE GETTING BIGGER AND BIGGER!!

As you will have seen on the front page of the newsletter, the total number of NatWest CricketForce registrants for 2011 has now hit, and flown past, the 1,000 mark. Last year we didn't achieve 1,000 registrations until the New Year so to reach it now, in October, is a fantastic achievement. These figures are showing that NatWest CricketForce is getting bigger and bigger every year and that more and more clubs are seeing the benefit of this great programme. The figures are also a sign that more clubs are seeing the benefits of signing up early and therefore planning early to make theirs a great event. By planning as early as possible you can ensure that the right volunteers and support are in place for a successful NatWest CricketForce.

As part of the ECB's new 'Grounds to Play' strategy from 2010 - 2013 the aim is to have 2,000 registered club by 2013 and it seems, with the start we've had for 2011, that we're well on the way!

NATWEST CRICKETFORCE CELEBRATED AT THE NATWEST OSCAS



On Monday the 18th October volunteers from across England and Wales will descend on to Lord's Cricket Ground for the annual Outstanding Service to Cricket Awards where we celebrate the fantastic achievements of cricket's unsung heroes.

Seven awards are presented during the ceremony and one of these is the NatWest CricketForce award to celebrate the hard work put in by clubs and individuals to make their event work and engage their members and communities. As with each awards, every County Board puts forward a winner from their own awards and a short list is then picked out before the winner is announced at Lord's. The shortlist in the NatWest CricketForce category is as follows:

Addington Village CC, Kent
Lisa Phillimore - Bexhill CC, Sussex
Uttoxeter CC, Staffordshire

We wish all three nominees the best of luck, and we hope that all of the volunteers in attendance have a great day!

CLUB DEV. SEMINARS IN YOUR AREA

The ECB, in partnership with County Boards, is holding a number of evening Club Development Seminars across England to help clubs. The seminars will cover NatWest CricketForce, Volunteers and Facilities and Funding. Here are the dates of the seminars arranged so far:

November

9th - West Yorkshire
11th - Dorset
15th - South Yorkshire
15th - Wiltshire
17th - Essex
18th - Kent
22nd - Cornwall
23rd - North Yorkshire
23rd - Cambridgeshire
24th - East Yorkshire
24th - Warwickshire
24th - Somerset
24th - West Sussex
25th - Norfolk

December

1st - Devon
2nd - East Sussex
8th - Durham

January

17th - Gloucestershire
18th - Gloucestershire
20th - Isle of Wight
25th - Berkshire

For more information please contact your [County Cricket Development Manager](#).

OFFICIAL SUPPORTER FOCUS:

ALLOUTCRICKET

Calling all club cricketers!! Subscribe to AOC and get a free £50 voucher for cricket equipment of your choice!

All Out Cricket, the magazine the players read, became an official NatWest CricketForce supporter in 2010.

To celebrate, AOC are offering all NatWest CricketForce registered clubs a great offer. Subscribe by direct debit to the magazine (12 issues) and AOC will give you a £50 cricket equipment or coaching voucher free of charge. What have you got to lose?

Web link & phone number to buy subs - www.alloutcricket.com/subs or 0844 322 1229

Specific code to monitor purchases - code is **CRICKETFORCE2010** on phone or web.



DULUX COMPETITION



In last month's NatWest CricketForce newsletter we held a competition giving three clubs the chance to win vouchers from Dulux Decorator Centre. Thank you to everyone that entered, we had a fantastic response. The winners are below:

1st prize - £100

Buxton CC, Derbyshire

2nd prize - £50

Southport Trinity CC, Lancashire

3rd Prize - £25

Dunstable Town CC, Bedfordshire

A representative of Dulux Decorator Centre will be in touch to discuss your prizes.

YOUR SUCCESSES IN THE NATWEST CRICKETFORCE FUNDRAISER



The inaugural NatWest CricketForce Fundraiser, held on the August Bank Holiday weekend, was a great success with 150 clubs getting involved. After recently receiving feedback from the clubs that took part it is clear that lots of hard work and energy went into producing a lot of very successful events. See below for some examples of the fantastic fundraising that took place:

Lechlade CC, Gloucestershire - Raised £4,500 by holding a car boot sale and fete which was attended by 2,000 over the weekend

Blunham CC, Bedfordshire - Raised £24,000 by playing a cricket match continuously for 5 days and 4 nights, setting a new world record. Over 1,000 people went to see the momentous match.

Helston CC, Cornwall - Raised over £500 by playing a fancy dress cricket match against their local rivals

Banbury CC - Oxon - This club rejuvenated an old cup competition that had stopped 6 years ago and held a Twenty20 style semi-finals and final day. They raised £400.

Follifoot CC, Yorkshire - Raised £2,200 by hosting a family fun day featuring various activities such as rounders, a climbing wall, a ducking stool, a rodeo bull and much more!

Well done and thank you to all the clubs that took part, and again to those who completed an evaluation!