



Welfare Matters

Supporting Club Welfare Officers within Derbyshire
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Safe Hands

There have been no updates to the Safe Hands resource this year. The Safe Hands workshop which was piloted earlier this year will remain the same for new Club Welfare Officers but the ECB are going to pilot a Safe Hands refresher course based on case scenarios for the CWO's who have already undergone training.

The ECB suggest that any existing CWO's needing to update their Safe Hands qualification wait until January 2012 when the refresher course should be up and running.

ECB E-Safety Guidelines on Communication and Interactive Technologies

The internet, mobile phones, gaming, social networking and other interactive services have transformed the way in which we live. The new technologies offer tremendous opportunities to reach, communicate and engage with those involved in sport including members, supporters and players however as with any environment there are also risks. The ECB is keen to promote the safe and responsible use of communication and interactive communication technologies within cricket and have produced a series of guidelines as a support to clubs. The focus is on empowering children with the skills and knowledge they need to use interactive communication technologies safely and manage the risk, wherever and whenever they go online. All clubs should read these guidelines by visiting <http://static.ecb.co.uk/files/035kb-11298.pdf> The DCB have developed an abridged version of the guidelines which clubs are welcome to use as a guidance document when creating their own policy on e-safety.

Training Programme

We recently contacted clubs asking for feedback on training that is required by their club members. We have had a moderate response to this request but if we are going to put together a training programme we need to know in which area of the County the training is required.

If any of your Club members need welfare training please contact either Jacqui Hendrick jacqui.hendrick@derbyshireccc.com or Mick Glenn mick.glenn@derbyshireccc.com giving contact details for the candidates and the course/s which they need to attend.

We currently have two SPC courses planned on the 18th and 20th October but these are now fully booked. There will be another SPC course running later in the year.



CRB Verification

The format of CRB forms will remain the same as will the posts requiring vetting checks. It has come to our notice that some clubs have had difficulty in defining which posts require vetting checks. All clubs should have received a document clarifying which posts require vetting. We do plan to produce a guidance document for new CWO's to help any possible misunderstandings.

Welfare Contacts

Despite our best efforts there are still blank spaces in our Club Welfare Officers' database. If there are any changes taking place in your club with regard to welfare please contact Jacqui Hendrick on 01332 388111 or on the email address below.

