



Clubs Matter

Developing Cricket Clubs and District Development Groups within Derbyshire

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Welcome to the 2nd edition of Clubs Matter; this months hot topic...volunteering

How often do you as a team manager or a coach of a junior or maybe even a senior team turn up for a game to find everything needs doing, from the covers being taken off to the bar being unlocked, to warming the team up? How often do you see the parents or guardians of the kids in your team just drop them off or sit round the boundary. Now is the chance to get them involved. The ECB have an on-going scheme called 'Be Involved', it is a booklet full of advice on how to get more volunteers in to cricket, for more advice on helping your

clubs future, go to www.ecb.co.uk or for advice on youth volunteering in Derbyshire go

www.do-it.org.uk.

For those people who are already helping out at your club, why not give them the chance to be rewarded for all their hard work and effort. The ECB are launching there Outstanding Services to Cricket Awards (OSCA's), a chance for hard working volunteers to get rewarded. So mention to the parents or guardians how they can help in the running of a successful and happy club. They can be everything from a umpire to an IT specialist to the Bar Manager. Many hands make light work.

The NatWest OSCA's scheme is designed to recognize and reward the hard work of some of the unsung hero's of our sport. The OSCA's this year are being held at Lord's on Monday the 13th of October. With 6 different nomination categories ranging from young volunteer to life-time achiever. The NatWest OSCA's is an integral part of the ECB's volunteers in cricket strategy. So if you think a special someone or even a hardworking group deserve some recognition, log onto the DCB website homepage and you can download a nomination form from there. www.dcbcricket.com

COVER POINT

DCB Website– Under the club development section of the website is a 'General Information' section. This is a section where any club can put any relevant or interesting information.

Please contact the DCB office for more details.

Player Nomination Forms for District and County

Trials– Closing dates 18th July 2008, please visit the website for more information www.dcbcricket.com

Nomination Categories are; Young Volunteer, Another Way, Behind the scenes, Building partnerships, NatWest Cricket Force, Lifetime achiever

Coaching and The ECB coaches Association So as a member of your cricket club, you want to do just more than play, why don't you try coaching. Give something back to your club. You don't have to be a cricketing genius to coach, all you need is the enthusiasm and the knowledge that the course tutor's give you. For more details on coaching courses in your area visit the DCB website.

Once you have passed your coaching course, you are entitled to join the ECB Coaches Association. What's the point I hear you say, well as a member of the ECB CA you get a number of benefits; Coaches Insurance, Coaching DVD, ECB Yearbook, Membership Card, Licensed Clothing and Equipment, Technical Bulletins and subsidised access to County, Regional and National Events.

The DCB works with the ECB Coaches Association because as the game's governing body it is in our best interests to make sure all qualified coaches get the best support and ongoing development to further develop the standard of the coaching in the county and the standard of the game. So join today. Just visit www.ecbca.play-cricket.com and reap the benefits of a being a member of the ECB's Coaches Association.

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