



NEWSLETTER

October 2022

Age Group Presentation Day



The achievements of teams and individuals in Cricket Shropshire County's Age Group programme were celebrated at a special ceremony held at Prestfelde School.

It was the first time in a number of years the Shropshire County Age Group awards were presented at a separate event from the annual awards night.

It also featured the presentation of certificates to youngsters who have been part of Cricket Shropshire's first Young Ambassadors Programme over the past 18 months.

Thanks to former Worcestershire ace Jack Shantry who presented the boys' awards and also did a Q&A session for the different age groups.

For a full round ups see the Board website [HERE](#).

Umpiring courses



Looking to become a qualified umpire for the 2023 season? The Shropshire Association of Cricket Officials is planning courses through the Autumn and Winter.

The Stage One course gives an overview of the Laws of the Game and how to apply them, and introduces the principles of field craft and match management.

That course will in the New Year once the new Laws and availability of tutors has been confirmed.

The Stage Two course is due to be held on six consecutive Thursday nights at Allscott Sports and Social Club from November 3 until December 8 with each session running from 7.30-9.15pm.

Anyone interested in taking one of the courses should contact Mike Sheehy via mikeandvalsheehy@talktalk.net in the first instance.

Safe Hands Course

A Safe Hands Course for Club Safeguarding Officers has been arranged.

It will take place at Whittington Cricket and Bowls Club in Bainswood Road on Saturday, November 5 from 10am until 1pm. This will be the last Safe Hands course in 2022 – there will be more before the start of the 2023 season.

Details and booking [HERE](#).



CRICKET SHROPSHIRE



Dynamos Festivals



We've had a brilliant Summer of Dynamos Festivals in 2022 – with 29 teams taking part at venues across Shropshire.

The aim of the festivals is to give youngsters from the Dynamos programme, boys and girls aged 8-11, their first taste of competitive cricket in a fun and safe environment.

Cricket Development Administrator Maisie Rushton added: "We already have a couple of dates pencilled in for next year so if any club would like to host or attend, please let me know."

Full report on the Dynamos Festivals is available on the Board website [HERE](#).

You can contact Maisie via maisie.rushton@shropshire-cricketboard.co.uk



Coaching courses



There are still a few spaces left on the ECB Coach Coach course which is being run by Cricket Shropshire in November – but you'll need to book soon.

The ECB Core Coach Course – the equivalent of the old Level Two qualification – is taking place each Sunday during November at Ercall Wood Academy in Wellington, Telford.

For full details and how to book, see [HERE](#).

If anyone has any queries about coaching courses they can contact Maisie Rushton via maisie.rushton@shropshirecricketboard.co.uk

West Midlands Coaching Conference

Cricket coaches from across Shropshire can attend the West Midlands Coaching Conference next month.

It is taking place at Edgbaston on Saturday, November 19, and is open to all qualified coaches at a cost of £10.

The one-day event will be an excellent opportunity to discuss the latest ideas and meet with like-minded coaches through a series of workshops as well as networking breaks and lunch.

Coaches from Shropshire, Herefordshire, Staffordshire, Warwickshire and Worcestershire will be in attendance.

To get more details of the workshops planned during the day and for how to book, [CLICK HERE](#).



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Women's Softball Cricket



Women's Softball Cricket in Shropshire continues to grow in popularity – with lots of new teams and players taking part.

There were 16 festivals held throughout the Summer with 111 teams attending – a mix of new and existing clubs playing and hosting.

The Strategic Leisure Super 10s was another big success stories – 14 teams taking part this year in contrast to nine last Summer.

The Board now look forward to a jam-packed Autumn and Winter including County Age Group Girls Skills and Assessment, Girls and Women Softball UV cricket and Women's Softball Indoor league at Shrewsbury School, Wrekin College, and Ellesmere College.

Keep an eye out for further stories on all our Autumn and Winter activity.

If anyone has any questions about Women & Girls cricket they can contact Katie via katie.rushton@shropshirecricket-board.co.uk

Full report on Women's Softball can be found [HERE](#).

Women's Hardball Cricket

This Summer saw a big growth in Women's Hardball cricket in Shropshire with a new eight-a-side Sunday League introduced.

This supplemented the existing mid-week league which has been running for a number of years – and this year saw the addition of an extra team as Pontesbury's Ladies became involved for the first time.

The mid-week league ended at the beginning of September with St Georges taking the title.

The Strategic Leisure Sunday Super 8s League saw seven teams take part in 16-over pairs matches with the top four teams progressing to a Finals day in September.

A full report on the Summer activities can be found on the webiste [HERE](#).



Women's Softball Officiating

An initiative by Cricket Shropshire and the Shropshire Association of Cricket Officials has been highlighted nationally as an example of best practice.

The aim of the initiative is to get more women involved in officiating to go alongside the growth in the Women and Girls' game in the county.

The Association of Cricket Officials (ACO) online update Over and Out featured the scheme in its latest issue.

It says: "Shropshire ACO, led on this project by Tim Barber, has been leading the way with Shropshire Cricket Board to promote Women's Softball Officiating."

There are plans to continue the initiative through the Winter indoor programme and on to hard ball cricket next year.

For more information and to read how some of the participants have enjoyed the experience so far, please click are earlier story [HERE](#).



Shropshire Disabled Cricket Association

The Shropshire Disabled Cricket Association (SDCA) Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 16, at St Georges CC in Telford starting at 7:30pm.

Agenda and minutes will be sent out nearer to the event.

Any queries contact Secretary Graham Furber via graham.furber@yahoo.com

First Aid course

AFirst Aid course is being held next month. It will take place at Wellington Cricket Club on Wednesday, November 9, starting at 6.30pm.

For full details and to book, [CLICK HERE](#).

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