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Top decision makers assemble at Lord's

The leading decision makers in world cricket will gather in London at the ICC Annual Conference from 15th to 20th June at Lord's Cricket Ground.

Senior delegates from the ICC's Full and Associate Members as well as several Affiliate Members will convene in London to discuss and debate issues relating to international cricket. ICC President Malcolm Gray stressed the importance of the six-day Conference to the development of cricket on and off the field.

"The Annual Conference and associated meetings give all of our members an opportunity to contribute to international cricket in a positive manner," said Mr Gray.

"Members will be challenged to embrace new ideas and work together in a united and cohesive manner to focus on the common goal of achieving the best for world cricket."

ANNUAL CONFERENCE PROGRAM

15th June Cricket Committee - Management

16th June Cricket Committee - Management

17th June Associates Meeting

18th June Executive Board Meeting

19th June Annual Conference (am)

Business Forum (pm)

20th June IDI Board Meeting (Monaco)



Malcolm Gray speaks at the 2002 Annual Conference

The Conference begins with a two-day meeting of the ICC's Cricket Committee - Management.

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This is followed by a gathering of the ICC's 27 Associate Members which for the first time includes five representatives of the 47 Affiliate Members.

On Wednesday 18th June the ICC's Executive Board will convene for its second meeting of the year.

The next day all of the delegates will meet for the Annual Conference. This meeting will mark the end of Malcolm Gray's three-year tenure at the helm of cricket's governing body with Ehsan Mani taking over as President for the next two years.

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■ Top decision makers assemble at Lord's continued...

Pakistan-born Mr Mani will be the third President since the ICC constitution was ratified in 1997. Matters in London conclude on Thursday afternoon with the second annual ICC Business Forum. The Board of ICC Development International Ltd (IDI) - the commercial element of the ICC - then moves to Monaco to discuss financial and commercial issues on Friday 20th June.



Lord's Cricket Ground will host the Annual Conference.

ICC BUSINESS FORUM

The second annual ICC Business Forum will provide delegates with exposure to a range of presentations and workshops targeted at furthering their cricket knowledge.



In 2002 presentations were made by the ICC

Anti-Corruption Unit Director Lord Condon, senior representatives of Major League Baseball and the PGA European Tour, a media rights expert and the creator of Hawk Eye technology.

Emirates ElitePanel expanded

The ICC has expanded the Emirates Elite Panel of ICC Umpires, with the addition of three new officials: Billy Bowden from New Zealand, Darrell Hair from Australia and Simon Taufel, also from Australia.

ICC Chief Executive Malcolm Speed said that experience gained from the first 12 months of the Emirates Elite Panel had been taken into account in making the new appointments.

"In its first year of operation, the eight members of the Panel have officiated in 37 Test matches, 133 One Day Internationals including the ICC Champions Trophy in Sri Lanka and the ICC Cricket World Cup," he said.

"There was always the provision to extend the number of umpires on the Panel and having reviewed the first 12 months' workload and associated travelling commitments, we have decided to appoint three new officials.

"The ICC has been monitoring the performance of these three umpires on a regular basis, particularly during this ICC Cricket World Cup, where each of them performed with distinction."



Simon Taufel is the youngest umpire on the new panel

The appointments were recommended by ICC management and approved by Mr Speed and Chairman of the ICC Cricket Committee-Playing, Sunil Gavaskar.

Australia tops re-launched ICC Test Championship

Australia leads the way ahead of South Africa in the new ICC Test Championship table.

ICC President Malcolm Gray said the re-launched table completes a review process of the system that was originally introduced in May 2001.

"When the original ICC Test Championship was launched we stated that it would be reviewed." he said

"That process has now been completed and the revised system means that the table reflects the outcome of every match and every series and provides a fair reflection of the achievements of all ten Full Members."

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The review was driven by ICC Chief Executive Malcolm Speed. "I joined the ICC in July 2001 and have been able to see the system in operation. The original design proposed by Wisden clearly had a flaw as it was only based on the final result of a series. This has now been addressed by the new system," he said.

The new table takes into account the result of every individual Test Match with a bonus awarded for winning a series. It also recognises the strength of the opposition in calculating the points awarded.

The formula used is similar to the ICC ODI Championship table. It means that there are

no longer any 'dead rubber' Test Matches and that in any series both teams have the opportunity to improve or worsen their rating.

The new ICC Test Championship table was not available at the time of publication but the latest table, plus details of the formula for calculating ratings and full scenarios for forthcoming series, are available on the official ICC website www.icc.cricket.org

KEY CRITERIA FOR NEW TABLE:

- · All matches and venues treated equally
- Points for individual matches with bonus for series win
- · All draws treated equally
- Strength of opponents matters
- · Margin of victory not an issue
- · More weight for recent results
- Transparent to the public



Australia captain Steve Waugh



ICC Test Championship mace

Contract disputes may last a year



Australia fans celebrate their team's ICC CWC victory in Zimbabwe

While the ICC Cricket World Cup 2003 has finished on-field, the ICC is now preparing for up to 12 months of hard work off the field to resolve a number of disputes that arose with various members in the lead-up to and during the tournament.

The ramifications of decisions by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) New Zealand Cricket (NZC) and the Board of Control of Cricket in Sri Lanka (BCCSL) as well as alterations to player terms sought by many Boards will now be played out over the coming months.

ICC Chief Executive, Malcolm Speed, said that throughout the various issues that have arisen, the ICC has remained committed to addressing all disputes on their merits.

"The ICC is committed to being fair and impartial in dealing with all the disputes that have arisen and it is now likely to take up to 12 months for these to be resolved," he said.

"The reality is that in recent months a number of our members have taken decisions that potentially put them in breach of commitments they made when acting as part of the ICC.

"As a result I would expect that we will receive claims for compensation from our commercial partner, Global Cricket Corporation, because it believes that the members of the ICC have not delivered all the benefits that they agreed to provide.

"No doubt the members concerned will have their own views on their actions and will be seeking to defend their decisions, particularly when they might have to pay compensation as a result.

"If, through an agreed process, it is established that Boards have not delivered what they promised, they will be asked to meet any compensation claims that follow.

The process is likely to involve either:

- Arbitration by agreed independent arbitrators or through the Court of Arbitration for Sport; or
- Negotiation with the Board's Contracts
 Committee that is in place to deal with
 issues arising from the contract dispute.

The BCCI has already indicated that it regards arbitration as the route it wishes to pursue.

Mr speed added: "I would hope that these issues can be resolved largely away from the spotlight to ensure that they do not become a distraction from the performances that will take place on the field over the coming months."

New slow over rate penalties

The ICC Code of Conduct has been updated to include new penalties for slow over rates.

Teams will still have three-and-a-half hours plus allowances given by the referee to bowl 50 overs and each member of the bowling team will be fined 5% of his match fee per lost over. However, under the new playing conditions, penalties will be doubled for the captain.

If the shortfall in an ODI is more than two overs, the captain will also be charged with a Level Two breach of the ICC Code of Conduct for deliberate time wasting. This will result in a disciplinary hearing with possible penalties of a fine and/or a two ODI ban.

The penalty of reducing the overs for a team batting second that failed to complete its overs in the allotted time has been removed.

The new approach will also apply in Test Match cricket with penalties coming into effect after five rather than two overs.

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■ What next for Kenyan cricket?



Maurice Obumble strikes a boundary in the win over Zimbabwe

Kenya's achievement in reaching the semi-finals was one of the highlights of the ICC Cricket World Cup 2003.

Kenya became the first non-Test playing side to reach the last four, beating Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe - all ICC Full Members - along the way.

The obvious question for all who followed Kenya's progress in the tournament is what happens next for Kenyan cricket?

At the moment Kenya holds One Day International Status which provides a

transitional stage between Associate Membership and Full Membership.

Though Kenya's impressive ICC CWC performances prompted some calls for an immediate upgrade of its cricket status to Test-playing level, the ICC had already been working closely with the Kenya Cricket Association (KCA) to develop a strategic plan preparing the nation for the highest level of cricket competition.

The two-year plan - approved by the ICC Board in Johannesburg in March 2003 - will provide significant funding to Kenyan cricket to help prepare

the country for Test cricket and the administrative responsibilities of Full Membership of the ICC.

ICC Chief Executive Malcolm Speed explained: "At present Kenya plays predominantly 50-over cricket and the domestic competitions and structures are currently not strong enough to prepare players for a full program of international cricket.

"The strategic plan and funding program are designed to focus on helping the KCA in the key areas of elite cricket, grassroots development, finance and administration."

The ICC will closely oversee progress in these key areas. This includes ensuring a more regular international program for Kenya's elite cricketers and providing for an inspection of the progress made in April 2005.

The program will help prepare Kenya's players, administrators and fans for a higher level of cricket. The application for Full Member status will be considered at the 2005 Annual Conference though there can be no guarantee that the nation will be ready to take the huge step up to Test level at this point.



Thomas Odoyo takes a wicket against Sri Lanka

■ ICC Cricket World Cup 2003 A carnival of cricketing achievements



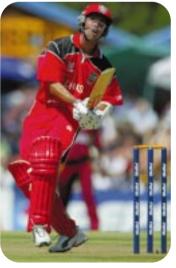
9th Feb, Cape Town Brian Lara hits his highest ever ICC CWC score in the opening match victory over hosts South Africa.



14th Feb, Pietermaritzburg Chaminda Vaas takes a hat-trick with the first three balls of the innings against Bangladesh on his way to finish as the tournament's top wicket-taker. His haul of 23 wickets is a new ICC CWC record.



19th Feb, Paarl Sri Lanka bowls out Canada for a record-low 36 runs.



23rd Feb, Centurion Canada's John Davison hits the fastest ICC CWC century off only 67 balls, Brian Lara responds by racing to 50 in 23 balls - also an ICC CWC record.



27th Feb, Pochefstroom Australia's Glenn McGrath takes new ICC CWC best bowling figures of 7-15 against Namibia. Three days later, colleague Andy Bichel almost matches him with 7-20 against England.

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10th March, Johannesburg Sachin Tendulkar - who in India's opening game overtook Javed Miandad as the all-time leading World Cup runs scorer - breaks his own mark for the most runs scored in a tournament. He went on to compile 673 runs and claims the Man of the Tournament award.



15th March, Durban in the Super Six victory over Kenya, Australia wicketkeeper Adam Gilchrist set a new record for the number of dismissals in an ICC CWC. Having earlier set a new record for the most dismissals in an innings (six against Namibia) Gilchrist went on to take 21 catches in the tournament which, added to his previous 12 catches and two stumpings, put him top of the all-time dismissals list.



23rd March, Johannesburg Australia captain Ricky Ponting leads his side to the trophy with 140 not out, the highest ever individual score in an ICC CWC final.

Spreading the Field

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Around the regions

Europe

The 2003 European 'Imagination' Roadshow, completed a four-week run across the continent. The roadshow, which kicked off in Herning, Denmark on 14th February, travelled by road, sea and air through France, Spain and Morocco before anchoring in Gibraltar for its final leg. Over 2000 school children, parents, teachers and locals attended the spectacular, high-octane sessions, and all found themselves caught up in the enthusiasm and excitement of Bruce Smuts and Mike Flockhart's remarkable double act. Flicx International, long-time supporters of the ICC European Development Program, continued their sponsorship of the initiative.



Enthusiastic children in Gibraltar

A group of volunteers lead by Professor Yamanishi of the Gunma International sportSpeaks club has been working to develop community-based cricket clubs. The group has organised sports education sessions, demonstrations of cricket and other sports and an annual sports Expo which showcases both 'new' and regular sports.

As a result of these activities over 3000 people of various ages have been exposed to cricket in Gunma Prefecture alone and the first school/community based U-15 team has been established.

The aim of the program is to have a Japanese team in the ICC EAP U-15 tournament in 2004 and to host international cricket gatherings in Gunma.



Young cricketers at a sportSpeaks clinic

Nepal

The U-15 Nepal cricket team went on a dream tour to Sri Lanka in late February. The tour provided a unique opportunity for the players and officials to gain knowledge and skills from an established ICC Full Member. The juniors played one two-day match and four one-day matches in Colombo and Gale.

Nepalese officials took the opportunity to visit a number of cricket stadiums, inspect indoor facilities and meet with senior staff of the Board of Control for Cricket in Sri Lanka to discuss upgrading their facilities and improving their Development Program.

Brazil

The Australian Ambassador to Brazil, John Sullivan and Troy Resources NL Chairman John Jones, officially opened the Brasilia Cricket Club nets on 27th March. The two net facilities are located within the Australian Embassy in Brazil and will be vital in helping Brasilia Cricket Club players prepare for

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Interstate matches against Curitiba and Sao Paulo.



Foundations for future success

Lesotho

A team from Crawford College,
Johannesburg visited Lesotho to play
three one-day games against the Lesotho
Under-17 team. The Crawford boys won
the series 2-1, but will be remembered
as much for their off-the-field
contribution as they handed over a large
amount of old cricket equipment to the
juniors. It was a great gesture by the
College and will help increase
participation levels in Lesotho.



Lesotho captain Motsielao Nonyane bowling

Oatar

ACC Development Officer Iqbal Sikander travelled to Qatar to help prepare the national team for the ACC Emerging Teams Tournament in Kuwait and to train the U-13 team for a tournament in Bahrain. Sessions focused on technique, fitness and the mental approach to the game. The ACC Officer worked alongside two local coaches who have been trained

as part of the ACC Coach Development Program introduced earlier this year.

Argentina

The 104th North v South three-day match took place from 7th to 9th March, and ended in a tense and nail-biting draw. Fortunes fluctuated over the three days, and an exciting finale was set up with the South needing 170 to win on the final afternoon. However, an untimely shower of rain reduced the overs available to them and, although making a valiant attempt, they ran out of overs. Coloured clothing was worn for the first time and left-arm spinner, Hernan Pereyra, took the second ever hat-trick in the match's long history.



Hernan Pereyra took a historic hat-trick.

The Argentine Cricket Association and the entire cricket community of Argentina has been deeply shocked and saddened by the sudden death of the current captain of the national cricket team, Guillermo Kirschbaum. The 35-year-old died of complications caused from a severe asthma attack during the early hours of the morning of 13th April.

An inspirational leader, he was captain of his club, Belgrano, and his country for many years. In all, Kirschbaum represented Argentina in over 80 matches, official and unofficial, and was captain on more than 50 occasions.

All images by National Boards

ICC Development appointments

The International Cricket Council has strengthened its commitment to development with the appointment of Martin Vieira as Regional Development Manager for the Americas region and Chris Briers as Development Operations Manager.



New Regional
Manager for the
Americas region,
Martin Vieira

Martin takes up the key ICC role in the Americas after over 30 years' involvement in cricket in Canada as a player, coach and administrator.

He was instrumental in the organisation of the ICC Trophy in 2001 and was the original Americas region delegate on the ICC Development Committee when the Program was launched in 1997.

"I look forward to working with all of the cricket-playing countries in the Americas to help raise the profile of the game and improve the standard of play."

Martin Vieira

"There is a lot of potential for development in the region," said Martin, who will be based in Toronto, Canada.

South Africa-born Chris is a qualified cricket coach and joins the ICC having worked in sports sponsorship. Chris will be based in the ICC's head office at Lord's Cricket Ground, London.

Spreading the Field

■ First ever ICC Development Program Annual Awards

The International Cricket Council's first ever Development Program Annual Award winners were announced in March 2003.

The Development Program Annual Awards have been introduced to recognise the achievements of groups and individuals from Associate and Affiliate ICC Members.

"All of the Global Awards have gone to those that have helped take the 'spirit of cricket' to a wider audience and fostered an interest in the sport in new places," said ICC Development Manager Andrew Eade.



Argentine Cricket Association President Ricardo Lord (left) accepts an award



A Nigerian match in full swing

ICC Development Program Global Awards winners 2002

Best Overall Cricket Development Program

Samoa Cricket Association

Best Junior Cricket Initiative

Indonesia Cricket Foundation

Best Women's Cricket Initiative

Ursula Lewis (Ireland)

Best Cricket Promotional Program

Howzat Cricket Foundation (Nigeria)

Flicx Community Development Award

Israel Cricket Association

Best Run National Body

Argentine Cricket Association

Volunteer of the Year

Leona Ford (Cuba)



Junior cricket in Israe



The award-winning 'Kanga' initiative in Indonesia

Regional Awards Winners: Group Awards:	AFRICA	AMERICAS	EAP	EUROPE
Best Overall Cricket Development Program	Uganda	N <mark>orth Texas Ass</mark> (<mark>USA</mark>)	Samoa	Hellenic Fed (Greece)
Best Junior Development Initiative	Botswana	Alberta S <mark>ch</mark> ools Ass (Canada)	Indonesia	North & South Ireland
Best Women's Cricket Initiative	Keny <mark>a</mark>		Japan	Ursula Lewis (Ireland)
Best Cricket Promotional Program	Niger <mark>ia</mark>	Argentina	Recreational Ass (Japan)	Happy Cricket (Belgium)
Flicx Community Development Award	Lesotho	Cuba	Vanuatu	Israel
Best Run National Body	Uganda	Argentina	Vanuatu	Irish Cricket Union
Individual Awards:				
Volunteer of the Year	Rasheed Patel (Zambia)	L <mark>eon</mark> a Ford (Cuba)	Seb Kohlhasse (Samoa)	Jamie Gonzalez (Spain)
Lifetime Service Award	Abram Lutaya (Uganda)	-	Peter Knight (Fiji)	Soren Nissen (Denmark)

Further details of the ICC Development Program's Regional and Global Award winners are available in the Development section of the ICC website **www.icc.cricket.org**For further information about the portable cricket facilities manufacurer Flicx, sponsor of the community Development Award, visit www.flicx.com

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ICC One-Day International Championship Table

Team	Matches	Points	Rating
1 Australia	46	6269	136
2 South Africa	57	6972	122
2 Pakistan	49	5471	112
3 Sri Lanka	60	6351	106
4 India	58	6047	104
5 West Indies	35	3463	99
6 New Zealand	45	4431	98
7 England	34	3337	98
8 Zimbabwe	44	2844	65
9 Kenya	25	704	28
10 Bangladesh	23	101	4

Developed by David Kendix. All figures correct on 9th May.

The formula used by the ICC to determine match points takes into account the following factors:

- Results from all ODI matches played over the previous two to three years
- Strength of opposition, with greater reward for beating higher ranked opponents
- Greater importance is placed on more recent results, with older matches dropped every 12 months
- All matches have equal status, with no account taken of venue or margin of victory

The match points awarded are then divided by the number of matches played in the valid period to produce a rating. For the full formula visit www.icc.cricket.org

Revamped Cricket Committee -Playing meets in Dubai

The ICC's Cricket Committee - Playing meeting in Dubai from 7th to 8th April was the first meeting of its kind to incorporate representatives directly nominated by current players.

The newly constituted committee contains five members chosen by the players of the Full Member teams and one member nominated by players from the Associate Members.



Angus Fraser will represent the England players

These player representatives must have represented their country at full international level. Their role is to ensure current cricket players are consulted on playing issues and have a genuine voice in the decision-making process.

The other six members are nominated by the boards and must have either represented their country as a full international player or have been an international umpire within the last ten years.

The committee discussed a wide range of cricket-related issues including the technology trials at the ICC Champions Trophy, the volume of cricket, the ICC Code of Conduct and equipment regulations.

CC-P COMPOSITION:

CHAIRMAN Sunil Gavaskar **EX-OFFICIO** Malcolm Gray Malcolm Speed

FULL MEMBERS

England: Angus Fraser (p) West Indies: Michael Findlay (b)

Australia: Tim May (p) New Zealand: John Reid jnr (b)

South Africa: Errol Stewart (p) Zimbabwe: Kevin Arnott (b)

Pakistan: Zaheer Abbas (p) Bangladesh: Faruque Ahmed (b)

India: Dilip Vengsarkar (p) Sri Lanka: Bandula Warnapura (b)

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Holland Roland Lefebvre Kenya Haralil Shah

(p) = Player nominee (b) = Board nominee

■ ICC Cricket World Cup 2003 memories



Over 3000 volunteers gave up their time and expertise for free during the tournament.



A young fan gets the chance of a lifetime to join the captains.



626,845 people from throughout the world attended the 52 matches and the Opening Ceremony.



A record crowd of 32,827 for a cricket match in South Africa attended the ICC Cricket World Cup Final between the champions Australia and India at the Wanderers Stadium.



The World's Largest Cricket Bat was unveiled at the start of the tournament.



Crowds of fans snapped up ICC CWC souveniers.



The opening ceremony was the biggest stadium theatre event ever held in Africa.



Top Barbados band Square One gave cricket fans a taste of what to expect when the ICC Cricket World Cup moves to a Caribbean beat in 2007.

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