



# Devon Cricket Board Development Tour



# 2013



## HOW WELL WILL YOU FLY?



'Roots to Grow and Wings to Fly'. A few words which encapsulate everything, we can provide for young people during their development into capable and respected adults. It is a mantra most

commonly associated with parenting, but it is equally applicable to coaching in sport, the ECB Coaches Association uses the last three words to front their coach education programme.

It is significant for players going on this tour because it is around this age that young cricketers assume greater responsibility for making their own decisions, both as individuals and as a team.

I have little doubt that you will have established secure roots through your parents, school, coaches and interaction with friends. The extent to which you benefit from your wings is another matter. There will be a little advice along the way but less than you might be used to, the coaches will assume more the role of navigators – they wouldn't stand by and let you fly into a wall!

In the end how well you fly depends on you and your determination to succeed in whatever you do, remember nobody can do the flying for you. A maxim as applicable to cricket as it is to anything else.

To the players selected for the 2013 tour to South Africa, make the most of the opportunities afforded to you through visiting this beautiful country. The hospitality you receive will be second to none and the cricketers you play against will provide a significant challenge.

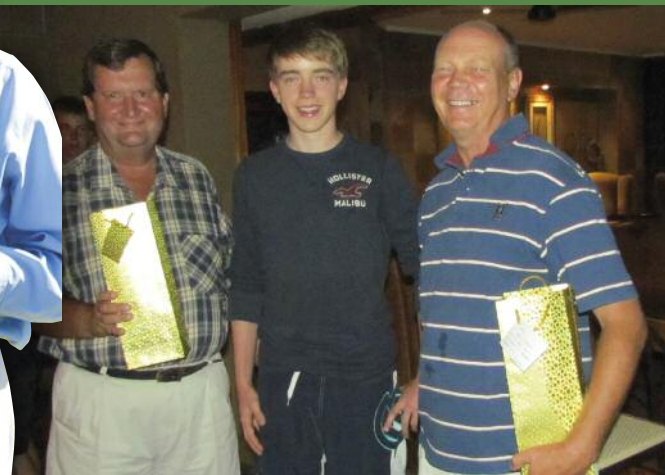
Alan Swift,  
Team Manager

Nabeal Dien (General Manager  
WPCA) a key figure in all our  
visits to Cape Town

## ITINERARY

Thursday 14th Feb	Depart UK	
Friday 15th Feb	Arrive Kruger	
Saturday 16th Feb	Free Day/Practice	Skukuza CC
Sunday 17th Feb	v Nelspruit Day1	Skukuza CC
Monday 18th Feb	v Nelspruit Day 2	Skukuza CC
Tuesday 19th Feb	Free Day	
Wednesday 20th Feb	v Mpumalanga U15 (40 Overs)	Skukuza CC
Thursday 21st Feb	Depart Kruger To Cape Town	
Friday 22nd Feb	v S Suburbs (Day/Night)	Bergvliet HS
Saturday 23rd Feb	Free	
Sunday 24th Feb	v Boland	TBC
Monday 25th Feb	Free Day	
Tuesday 26th Feb	v WP U14 Day1	Vineyard Oval
Wednesday 27th Feb	v WP U14 Day2	Vineyard Oval
Thursday 28th Feb	Free Day	
Friday 1st March	v WP U15 XI	Green Point CC
Saturday 2nd March	Free Day/Evening departure from Cape Town	
Sunday 3rd March	Arrive Devon	

## OUR FRIENDS IN SOUTH AFRICA



Marcus Hoddinott with Jannie Geldenhuys (left) and Frik Rossouw



Shaheem who has been our guide in Cape Town on all our tours – now very much part of the group



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## I CAN'T WAIT TO GET BACK



### Ben toured South Africa in 2012. Here he reflects on the experience.

Well! What can I say? The two weeks in South Africa last February were definitely the best of my life, So far!!!!

They call it the "Rainbow Nation" and it is easy to see why. The scenery, wildlife, flowers, clothing but most of all the personalities of the people we met were so full of colour and joy. It brings a smile to your face

South Africa does have social and cultural differences and offers huge learning and educational opportunity. The encounters with wildlife in Kruger were amazing, so many animals to see and watch, it's purely magical. One highlight was getting, on foot, to within 5 metres of a Hyena. The Safari's are brilliant.

In Cape Town we were lucky to visit Robben Island where Nelson Mandela was incarcerated for so many years, ascend Table Mountain and to appreciate how lucky we are in comparison with the poverty of many township dwellers.

Right, anyway, down to business, the cricket!

The cricket in South Africa is quite different from Devon. The pitches are harder, faster and they turn. The outfielders fly! It's like playing up a level every day. Then there is the heat! In Kruger it can be 40 degrees. It's draining. So important to keep taking on fluids and topping up the sunscreen!

The South African opposition take their sport incredibly seriously, whatever the sport. But Cricket is the sport that brings the best out of them. It's challenging, testing, stretching "Top draw" But so much fun.

I can't find the words to express how much I loved every second of the tour and how awesome it is to have the opportunity to go back for a second time. I am so excited I can't wait to get back.

Ben Green

## STAFF



**GAVIN LANE (SCORER AND FINANCE)**



**MATT COOKE**  
Matt is the DCB Development Officer who toured South Africa as a player in 2003. This tour will be part of his CPD and he will be

looking after all the It requirements as well as assisting Chris and Matt.



**DAVE MOSEBY**  
This will be the second time we have provided an umpire, Graham Pascoe went to South Africa with his wife in 2004 and organised

his itinerary so that he was available for the matches. Dave who is travelling as part of the tour group is a highly respected senior umpire who has played a significant role in the development of the Devon Umpires and Scorers Association.

### CHRIS READ & TIM WARD (COACHES)



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## WET SUMMER POSED A SERIOUS CHALLENGE (DEVON U14s IN 2012)

I am writing this in September at the start of a new school term, and guess what? It's a lovely sunny day, very welcome but the cricket season is over, frustration! This is in sharp contrast to the 2012 summer, which was apparently one of the wettest on record. It certainly felt like it with day after day of gloom, rain and cold which made watching cricket anything but a pleasant experience'

Of course there was some compensation as we all had the opportunity of a lifetime watching the Olympics and Paralympics. We needed something to cheer us and the athletes provided just that, producing stunning performances in the most inspiring of atmospheres. Even an old sceptic like me had to concede that the whole thing was simply amazing. Teaching cricket at a school in Plymouth, which ended up 48th in the Olympic medal list, beating India, Greece and Portugal for instance, was for me a unique and memorable experience.

Back to cricket where the players were faced with wet pitches for nearly the whole season. Everywhere we went we played on slow, green pitches, even late in the season we encountered pitches reminiscent of early season or 'April pitches' as we call them in Devon. Even in July at the Taunton Festival the pitches were difficult to bat on despite some distinctly better weather.

Players had to adapt their game to adjust to the conditions and techniques and mental aptitudes were seriously challenged. In the circumstances a number of players were, not unexpectedly, found wanting.

However the team did not only have the weather to cope with, they also had to

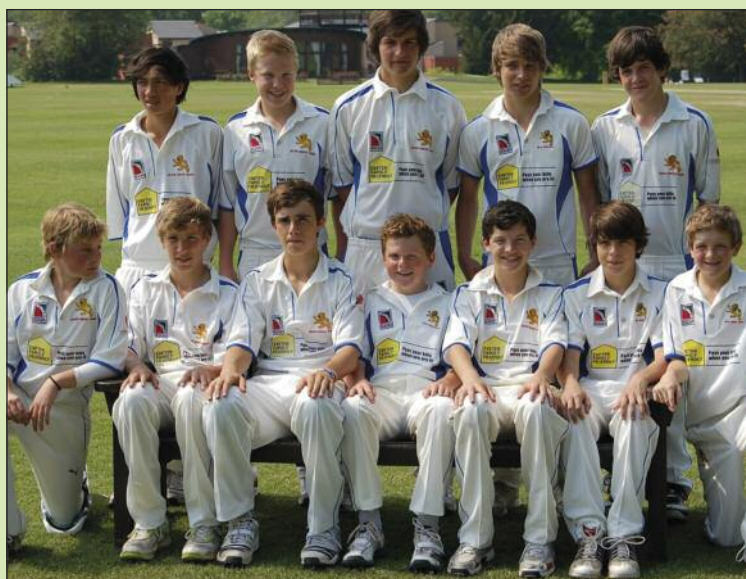
adjust to coping with Jonathan Mears and Coach Nick Watkin, (who incidentally was captain of the 2000 U14s and the first Devon Development side to tour South Africa in 2002). To their credit they coped quite well and improved, both as a team and also as individuals. They finished second in their group, which means that in 2013, they can look forward to playing in the ECB South West Group 1.

There were a number of individual performances of note however Ben Green was outstanding. He experienced South Africa last year and he will return there in 2013 a hugely better player having scored 679 runs at an average of 75. Unfortunately he was unable to bowl as he would normally due to a troublesome injury. Ben will be able to tell his

colleagues what they are going to experience in South Africa. The heat and humidity, different type of pitch bounce, the wind in Cape Town and fiercely competitive opposition.

So like all those Olympians and Para Olympians, rise to the occasion, grab your opportunities with both hands and respond to the challenges of playing in South Africa. Enjoy the beautiful grounds, the magnificent scenery, wildlife and food; embrace the culture and the superb hospitality. Enjoy it lads, and those parents who travel too, it will be for some of you, a once in a lifetime experience, an experience to treasure. Steery, just a thought, I would not wear those pink pads and gloves if I were you!

Mearsy



## WE'VE GROWN IMMENSELY

What a start to the season, Gwent at Blundells, prolific performance and a well-deserved eight wicket victory. The team ethos was high as we travelled to Trojans CC, Southampton. Unfortunately, to our bewilderment no pitch had been prepared. Nor was it covered after the previous days rain! We lost the toss and inevitably batted first. Under treacherous conditions we battled our way to 149-5 off our 45. Despite our efforts the Hampshire batsmen saw their side home safely for a 4 wicket victory.

After almost a month's rain the side assembled at Thorverton CC on a damp and miserable summer's day. Here we met the travelling Berkshire contingent. Once again the toss was lost and once again we batted first under horrible conditions. Yet again our batting line up struggled as the Berkshire bowlers enjoyed a charitable pitch. The task that faced us was huge as we had to defend a below par 121. At 52-2 the game looked over. But all of a sudden a spark of hope as wickets began to fall frequently. Berkshire ended all out for 98.

Pathetic fallacy followed as we arrived at Taunton for the festival. The sun was shining and the team psyche was sky high. It was our last Taunton festival and the team were determined to go out with a bang. During the week we played 5 tough games. Our batsmen of the year Ben Green shone as he churned out 365 runs for the week at an outstanding

average of 91.25! Not a bad week at the office!

Our ECB cup journey continued shortly as we met Gloucestershire at Bovey Tracey. Unquestionably we once again batted first and fought our way to a respectable 181 with Dan Pyle scoring



Toby Codd

his maiden county half century. Luckily the pitch suited our attack and the Gloucester batting order soon crumbled to 109 all out.

Passports in pockets we then head to Wales and yes we win the toss. Wales bat first, reaching 187 -6. Unfortunately we fell short of this target and end 147 all out.

Next, the Cornish awaited. On a damp and dewy morning we batted first. Our top order flummoxed as we trudged our way to 12-3 off 8 overs.

But once again it was Ben Green got us out of trouble as he once again reached his half century. We later won by 48 runs in the late afternoon sunshine.

The final game of the season was against Yorkshire at sunny Exmouth. After meeting the Yorkies at the Taunton festival and being comprehensively beaten we knew that a challenge awaited us. Losing the toss again, Yorkshire enjoying the Exmouth track score 247! We certainly put a up a good team fight, but fell short by 18 runs.

2012 was a season of ups and downs. But we've grown immensely as a team. Some tough games, but you only improve when you play the best. South Africa, although a challenge, will no doubt strengthen us as individuals and as a team!

Toby Codd,  
Captain Devon U14s /2012.

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# PLAYER PROFILES



**BEN STEER, CAPTAIN**



**BEN STEER**

**Club**  
Bovey Tracey CC

**Born**  
13th November 1997  
in Torquay

**Bat**  
Right hand

**Bowl**  
Right Arm Medium

**Re: Devon**  
U10 to U15

**Best Performances**  
101\* v Gloucestershire  
71 v Gloucestershire  
74 v Worcestershire  
4Wkts: v Hampshire

**Other Interests**  
Football, Rugby



**CHARLIE BARRIBALL**

**Club**  
Whitchurch  
Wayfarers CC

**Born**  
20th January 1998 in  
Kingston-Upon-  
Thames

**Bat** Right hand

**Bowl** Off Spin

**Re: Devon**  
U10 to U14

**Best Performances**  
100 v Cornwall  
72 v Cumbria  
54 v Wiltshire  
47\* v Yorkshire

**Other Interests**  
Football, Golf, Tennis



**BRADLEY CAUSEY**

**Club**  
Bovey Tracey CC

**Born**  
24th October 1997  
In Torquay

**Bat** Right hand

**Bowl** Right Arm  
Medium

**Re: Devon** U14

**Best Performances**  
4-28 v  
Gloucestershire  
5-34 v South Devon  
5-34 v South Devon  
5-33 v Plymstock  
48 v East Devon

**Other Interests**  
Football, Music, Table  
Tennis



**TOBY CODD**

**Club**  
Abbotskerswell CC

**Born**  
15th April 1998 in  
Marldon

**Bat**  
Right Hand Off Spin

**Bowl**  
Off Spin

**Re: Devon**  
U10 to U14

**Best Performances**  
123 v IOW  
59 v Berkshire  
4-14 v Gloucestershire  
7-6 v East Devon

**Other Interests**  
Rugby



**FREDDIE FILOR**

**Club**  
Sandford CC  
Chagford CC

**Born**  
6th March 1998 in  
Exeter

**Bat**  
Right hand

**Bowl**  
WK

**Re: Devon**  
U10 to U14

**Best Performances**  
72 v Worcestershire  
63\* v Oxfordshire  
50\* v Dorset

**Other Interests**  
Golf, Hockey



**CHARLES FITZROY**

**Club**  
Chagford CC

**Born**  
8th June 1998 in  
Exeter

**Bat**  
Right hand

**Bowl**  
Right Arm Medium

**Re: Devon**  
U14

**Best Performances**  
35 v Yorkshire  
26 v Cornwall  
25 v Derbyshire

**Other Interests**  
Hockey, Golf, Tennis,  
Football



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# PLAYER PROFILES



**DAN GOODEY**

**Club**  
Plymouth CC

**Born**  
9th September 1997  
In Plymouth

**Bat**  
Right hand

**Bowl**  
Right Arm Medium

**Re: Devon**  
U12 to U15

**Best Performances**  
4-14 v Gwent  
4-16 v Wiltshire  
4-23 v Somerset  
41 v Essex

**Other Interests**  
Basketball, Swimming



**BEN GREEN**

**Club**  
Exeter CC

**Born**  
28th September 1997  
in Exeter

**Bat** Right hand

**Bowl** Right Arm Medium

**Re: Devon**  
U9 to U15

**Best Performances**  
73\* v Hampshire  
105 v Dorset  
96 v Derbyshire  
4-21 v Staffordshire  
U14 in Nat: SF.

**Other Interests**  
Rugby, Hockey, Water Polo, Squash, Tennis



**ALFIE HUXTABLE**

**Club**  
Braunton CC

**Born**  
26th September 1997  
in Braunton

**Bat**  
Right hand

**Bowl**  
Leg Spin

**Re: Devon**  
U10 to U14

**Best Performances**  
5-9 v Buckinghamshire  
3-10 v Dorset  
39 v Dorset  
36 v Hampshire

**Other Interests**  
Football, Golf, Leeds United



**DANIEL PYLE**

**Club**  
Shobrooke Park CC  
Ottery St Mary CC

**Born** 16th September 1997 in Exeter

**Bat** Left hand

**Bowl**  
Right Arm Medium

**Re: Devon**  
U10 to U14

**Best Performances**  
52 v Gloucestershire  
44 v Gwent.  
East Devon League  
U13 Batting Award  
2011

**Other Interests**  
Rugby



**JAKE REDDICK**

**Club**  
Exeter CC

**Born**  
13th September 1997  
in Exeter

**Bat** Right hand

**Bowl**  
Leg Spin

**Re: Devon**  
U10 to U14

**Best Performances**  
82 v IOW  
72 v Lancashire  
4-16 v Somerset  
4-22 v Middlesex

**Other Interests**  
American Football,  
Basketball, Football,  
Tennis



**JAMIE TELFORD**

**Club**  
Exeter CC

**Born** 24th February 1998 in Exeter

**Bat** Right hand  
WK

**Re: Devon** U10 to U14

**Best Performances**  
63\* v Middlesex  
52\* v Hampshire  
52 v Worcestershire  
51 v Somerset  
Player of the Year U11

**Other Interests**  
Hockey (SW Regional  
Performance Squad  
U15)  
Squash (Devon U15)  
Tennis, Skiing



**WILL THOMPSON**

**Club**  
Heathcoat CC

**Born**  
28th October 1997 in  
Surrey

**Bat**  
Right hand

**Bowl**  
Right Arm Medium

**Re: Devon**  
U9 to U14

**Best Performances**  
5 for 9 v Dorset  
69 v Wiltshire  
70\* v Yorkshire  
82\* v Millfield

**Other Interests**  
Rugby, Hockey, Cross  
Country



**DANIEL WOLF**

**Club**  
Paignton CC

**Born**  
5th June 1998 in  
Torquay

**Bat**  
Right hand

**Bowl**  
Right Arm Medium

**Re: Devon**  
U12 to U14

**Best Performances**  
59 v Essex  
2-6 v Berkshire  
4-36 v IOW

**Other Interests**  
Football, Basketball,  
Badminton



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# Devon Youth Cricket Foundation



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## Who are we?

A charitable trust with the simple aims of:

- Helping more children to play and enjoy the great game of cricket
- Helping the talented to become future stars of the game

We support programmes and projects that help players up to the age of 17 in the county of Devon

## What do we do?

We encourage people to become members of the Foundation and feel part of the community of youth cricket in Devon

We run events that raise our profile, raise money for the Foundation and increase our membership

We seek financial contributions, legacies and sponsorship from individuals and companies

We invest in projects and programmes that help us to achieve our goals



*I was lucky enough to have several wonderful years playing youth cricket in Devon and urge you to support what is being done to nurture youth cricket at all levels in the county.*

Chris Read, Nottinghamshire,  
Devon & England,  
Patron DYCF

## How do I join?

To join, download the application form and send it with your cheque to one of the Devon Youth Cricket Foundation team, or post it to Tim Burke, Membership Secretary, Devon Youth Cricket Foundation, Devcor House, 91 North Hill, Plymouth, PL4 8JT  
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Anyone can join: e.g. current & past players, parents, grandparents, friends, coaches, umpires, supporters

## GIVING A LITTLE BACK – KRUGER

Anyone who has been fortunate enough to visit South Africa on any of our previous tours will testify to the wonderful hospitality and warmth of reception which they received.

Reciprocating this hospitality is a daunting prospect so we were delighted when the opportunity came to organise some short courses in and around Kruger. Discussions with Jannie Geldenhuys and Frik Rossouw indicated the need to help local schools in and around Kruger who were finding cricket a difficult game to incorporate into their curriculum. In the rural areas cricket struggles to compete with traditional sports and was hampered by an acute lack of playing facilities and equipment.



The 2007 course run by Matt Theedom and Alan Swift

Matt Theedom and Alan Swift made a special visit to Mpumalanga in October 2007. They ran two, one-day courses at White River, one for teachers and pupils from the rural areas and another for managers and coaches of representative teams. The whole project was well received and over the two days 21 boys and 35 teachers from 19 schools attended.

It certainly presented a few challenges because, apart from the large numbers very few participants had knowledge or experience of cricket, whilst for some English was their third language.

The trip certainly had an interesting ending. Matt and Alan were invited to dinner at the local golf club where they had the dubious pleasure of watching the rugby world cup final in the company of 200+ South Africans!!

Who was it that said winning was not important?



In 2011 Andy Fairbairn and Matt Wood ran a highly successful two-day course for teachers from the rural schools adjacent to Kruger National Park.

Again the course was very demanding for the coaches because virtually all the teachers had little or no background in cricket and English was not their first language. Recollections of the course highlight the enthusiastic participation of all the teachers, their enthusiasm and desire to learn would compare very well with any coach education course back in England.



Matt Wood and Andy Fairbairn with the teachers in 2011



What an action

Something different in 2012 where students from local schools were invited to Skukuza Cricket Club for a day organised by Tim Ward and Chris Read. One significant, and very successful, difference was the involvement of our own players. The task of introducing a new game to these youngsters would be a test even for an experienced teacher or coach. That it went so well and was so thoroughly enjoyable was testament to the enthusiastic and considerate approach demonstrated by our players.

We have no regrets about choosing to do each of the three activities, they were all, in their own way very rewarding. Everyone who participated will have fond recollections of working with some delightful people.



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Overton twins



James Burke



Lewis Gregory

James and Lewis open the batting against a Western Province XI at Newlands in 2006

Adam Dibble



J P Duminy



Vernon Philander



## DELIGHT?

Despite the miserable and damp weather which ruined so much cricket in England during the 2012 season there was an opportunity to enjoy the performances of two South African players in the Tests.

Perhaps 'delight' is too strong a word when describing the success of Vernon Philander and J P Duminy as they played their part in South Africa's deserved victory in the test series. Not too sure whether it is better to be beaten by people you know and like, which was the case here, or the neutral respect you might accord total strangers!

Vernon and JP visited Devon as part of the exchange programme with Western

Province, playing for Budleigh Salterton and Exmouth cricket clubs respectively. In fact they both played for Devon in the C & G Trophy.

Five players from Devon who participated in previous tours played first-class cricket in 2012. The twins certainly grasped their opportunities with both hands during 2012 and were selected for the Under 19 World Cup in Australia.

Of course the success of a development system cannot be judged on the number of players who progress to first-class level. For others, performing well in their clubs is sufficient reward for years spent learning about the game. Hopefully some of these will graduate into Minor Counties cricket with Devon CCC.

If touring South Africa assisted these players to realise their ambitions in the game then everyone who has helped to make it happen will be well satisfied. The principal accolades for their success are due to the players themselves, the rest of us try and help by providing another small layer of experience.

## OH TO BE IN ENGLAND

### HOW LAST YEARS TOURISTS FARED ON THEIR RETURN HOME

*Oh to be in England.....*

Robert Browning's words celebrating the glories of an English spring would have been an appropriate 'call to action' amongst cricketers in 2012. As it was the splendid weather of spring gave way to a generally miserable summer during which much of the cricket was either cancelled or played in weather anything but glorious. Stark contrast indeed to what the players had experienced just two months earlier in South Africa.

On the face of it losing just two games to the poor weather would suggest we were somewhat fortunate, but that still accounted for 25% of our scheduled fixtures. No worse than others, but frustrating nonetheless.

Playing in division one of the ECB Under 15 Cup was, as anticipated, a good challenge for a group of young players who in the previous season had reached the national final. Their only defeat in the group stage in 2012 as U14s came against Hampshire, so performances in the two games against them were always going to be pivotal in the quest to repeat last year's success.

This was exactly as things turned out. Two defeats, both in competitive games of cricket, meant that Hampshire deservedly progressed to the national finals. In truth there were times in both matches when we were in the driving seat but Hampshire grasped the momentum at crucial stages.

The games against Wales were both close encounters between well-matched teams with the spoils being shared. While a



The Devon Under 15's v Somerset 2012

determined innings by Marcus Hoddinott and some clean hitting by Henry Gater ensured a 4 wicket win over Gloucestershire at North Devon CC.

Unfortunately the match against Somerset at Bovey Tracey had to be abandoned after just

two overs, and the away game against Gloucestershire was cancelled due to rain.

Playing in Division 1 is meant to provide challenging cricket and it is credit to the players that we eventually finished second in the group.

ECB COUNTY CUP 2012, SW DIV:1					
	Played	Won	Lost	Cancelled/ Abandoned	Points
Hampshire	8	5	1	2	12
Devon	8	3	3	2	8
Wales	8	2	3	3	7
Somerset	8	2	3	3	7
Gloucester	8	0	2	5	5

Two players, Dominic Bess and Jack Maunder, were selected for the West of England team that attended the Bunbury Festival and Dominic was awarded 'West Player of the Tournament'.

Following the tour of South Africa Jack has attracted the attention of Nottinghamshire and his credentials were enhanced in 2012 by some impressive batting, which gave him an average of 49.6 in the ECB County Cup including a century against Hampshire at Sidmouth.

Alan Swift. Team Manager

A typical scene in 2012!



# TESTING ENCOUNTERS – The 2012 tour

The itinerary was little changed from previous years with one game at Skukuza in Kruger followed by four one day and one two-day game in Western Province and Boland.

## KRUGER

As ever the high temperature and humidity at Skukuza were in sharp contrast to the cold winter days left behind in the UK and their combined effects posed a significant challenge to players right at the start of the tour.

We should have won the two day game at Skukuza CC but a determined batting performance by Nelspruit in their second innings frustrated our bowlers and some uninspired early batting at the start of ours left us 11 runs short of the required target. The game illustrate a lack of familiarity with the strategies needed to secure a win over two days - in particular the skill of taking wickets as opposed to simply restricting the run rate.

We do not have to visit Kruger to find sufficient fixtures of the right quality, we can do that easily enough in Cape Town.

Away from the cricket there is the opportunity to experience the wonderful wildlife of Kruger, and it really is wild, no manicured reserves here. Even more special is the chance to gain a unique insight into what it is like to live and work here through the eyes of our generous hosts - something not possible on conventional holiday visits. Incentives enough to come to Kruger, but add to that the opportunity to meet up with our good friends in this part of the world and the extra travelling is well worth the effort.

## CAPE TOWN

We won our first two games in Cape Town but a visit to Boland followed by two matches against Western Province proved to be testing encounters – exactly what the itinerary was designed to do.

Rain curtailed play on the second day of the two-day match against Western Province U14- the first time this has happened in

Cape Town in eleven years. A pity, because the match was set for an interesting finish.

We were comprehensively beaten by Boland and Western Province U15, where we encountered some very capable young cricketers.

## ON REFLECTION

In assessing performances we need to remember that this was the first time the players had performed outside since the end of last season, also that success and failure can be exaggerated on a short two week tour.

If the players are inspired to attain similar high standards of batting and bowling to those demonstrated by some of our opponents then the 6000 mile journey will be well worthwhile.



The 2012 touring party pictured at Newlands

## KRUGER



Both teams pictured with representatives of VUSWA who yet again helped with transport on the game drives



Paul Kruger Statue



Arriving in Kruger



Welcome to Skukuza by parachutists



Frik Rossouw provides an insight into the Rhino poaching problems in Kruger



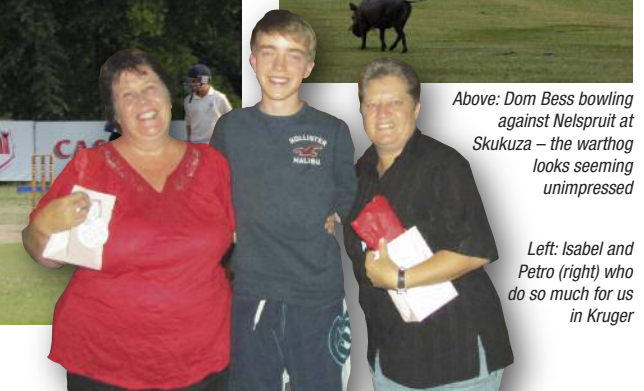
Both teams pictured after the game



Ben Roberts bowling in the game v Nelspruit



Above: Dom Bess bowling against Nelspruit at Skukuza – the warthog looks seeming unimpressed



Left: Isabel and Petro (right) who do so much for us in Kruger



# CAPE TOWN...

Cape Town



Southern Suburbs at Primrose Cricket Club



Two day game at Vineyard Oval



Stumped Maunder



v Boland



Marcus at post match inquisition!



Under pressure



Day/night game at Bergvliet High



The beaches provide a great way of relaxing between matches



The group with Table Mountain in the background



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Table Mountain photo taken from the cable car. Robben Island is clearly visible



Table Mountain cable car



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