

# Devon Youth Cricket Foundation



Supporting Tomorrow's Cricketers in Devon

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## A busy year for Youth Cricket in Devon

What a great summer for the Foundation and what a great year for Youth Cricket in Devon.

We only formed the charity in 2010 but 2011 was the year when we really established ourselves:

- Over 150 members now belong to the Foundation, and we hope they will continue to support Youth Cricket in Devon for many years to come
- The **Membership Package** is outstanding for only £5 for children and £10 for adults you get:
  - 2 Tickets to a Somerset County Championship Game
  - 10% discount at Somerset County Sports and Devon County Sports
- For an application form go to [www.devoncricket.co.uk/dycf](http://www.devoncricket.co.uk/dycf)
- We gained approval to operate a Gift Aid Scheme
- We raised over £9,000 to invest in Youth Cricket in Devon
- Once again we ran the Summer Draw for the DCB Youth Association; 36 clubs

participated raising an additional £3,600 for Youth Cricket in Devon

- We made our first investments in coaches seeking the Club Coach Level Qualification; we want to invest more as these coaches have such a big impact on their clubs and local community
- We opened our Just Giving webpage and we now have a YouTube site
- Our first Golf and Cricket Festivals took place in May and June raising over £3,800 between them.

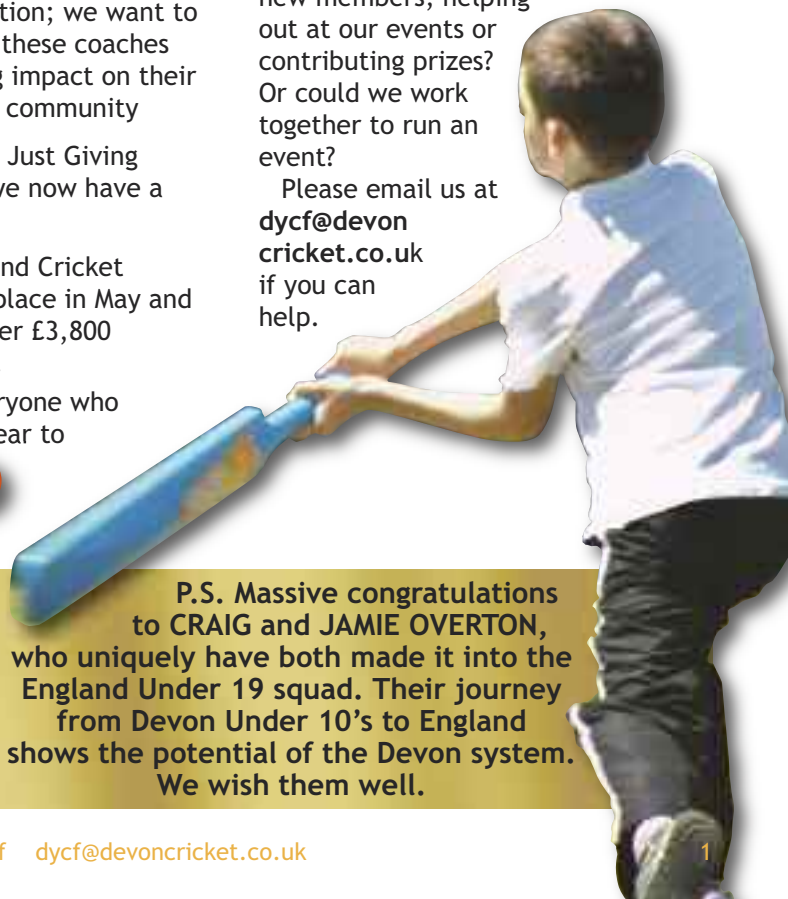
Thank you to everyone who supported us this year to make it possible for us to:

- Help more young people to play the great game of cricket, and

- Help the talented to become future stars of the game

We are now planning for next year. Can you help us by joining or finding new members, helping out at our events or contributing prizes? Or could we work together to run an event?

Please email us at [dycf@devoncricket.co.uk](mailto:dycf@devoncricket.co.uk) if you can help.



**P.S. Massive congratulations to CRAIG and JAMIE OVERTON, who uniquely have both made it into the England Under 19 squad. Their journey from Devon Under 10's to England shows the potential of the Devon system. We wish them well.**



# Devon Youth Cricket Festival

Bovey Tracey CC 26th June 2011

## An enormously successful day for the Foundation and Youth Cricket in Devon

Nearly 100 children from 11 teams played in the Kwik Cricket competition - Under 13 girls included teams from Sidmouth, Lewdown, Plympton and Bovey, plus an All Star team comprising girls from Bovey and Torbay. The Under 9's involved teams from Ipplepen, Lustleigh & Moretonhampstead, and Bovey Tracey.

The lead coaches for the Kwik Cricket competition were Ben Ayres (Bovey Tracey, Girls) and Alan Boon (Ipplepen, Boys), both of whom are DYCF supported Club Coaches; thank you.

The Foundation XI (including Andy Caddick, Matt Wood, Nick Folland, Julian Wyatt and Keith Brown) won the match against Devon Under 19's on the last ball with 2 wickets to spare.

Over 350 people came during the day and 70 people signed up to join the Devon Youth Cricket Foundation.

Will Katene and his team of coaches from the University of Exeter helped many youngsters improve their skills at the Cricket Factory.

Particular thanks to the generosity of Nigel Cousens and the staff of the The Boathouse Tavern & Grill at Dawlish Warren, and Andy Maunder of Lloyd Maunder Butchers, we raised £1,600 for the Foundation.

Devon Cricket League donated the cricket balls and Bovey Tracey CC made us so welcome; thanks.

The great pictures shown here were taken by Andrew Longstreet and there is a wonderful video by Phil Bayliss on You Tube at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BvWIXaTIMWg>.



## Looking for a great Christmas present?

### Look no further...

The Devon Youth Cricket Foundation 2012 calendar is now available at £5 each (+ £1 p&p).

The calendars have 12 beautiful pictures featuring some of Devon's most picturesque cricket grounds and will brighten your lives through the dark days of winter.



Email [dycf@devoncricket.co.uk](mailto:dycf@devoncricket.co.uk) to order your calendars for your family & your club  
Order just £5 each +p&p  
Immediate delivery

## Reaching their peaks

A team from Everything Everywhere (Orange and T-Mobile) led by Jason Degg (Devon Under 11 Coach and DYCF supporter and member) conquered the grueling Three Peaks Challenge and raised nearly £1,500 for the Foundation on the way. The challengers (Colin Cox, Daniel Thompson, Pete Wilson and Nikki Tatton) had to scale the UK's three highest mountains, Ben Nevis, Scafell Pike and Snowden in just 24 hours.



**An incredible achievement; thank you.**

## Devon Youth Cricket Foundation Club Coaches

This year we supported the costs of qualification of six coaches at the prestigious Club Level

I would seriously recommend the club coach workshops and qualification to anyone wanting to take the next step and what better way than through the support of the Devon Youth Cricket Foundation. **Ben Ayres, Bovey Tracey CC**

I think it's vital that clubs with junior sections have a Club Coach on their books, not only to develop young cricketers but also to support other coaches, volunteers and parents that are the backbone of our game. **James Bogue, Countess Wear CC**

Being a Club Coach has enabled my local club to offer quality coaching to its members and, in turn, this has increased membership and encouraged other adults to follow the coaching path. This increase in expertise has had a positive impact on the club's performance and also resulted in greater links with the local community. **Alan Boon, Ipplepen Cricket Club**



**We want to support more people to qualify for this award**

**If you are interested please contact Matt Theedom at [Matt.Theedom@ecb.co.uk](mailto:Matt.Theedom@ecb.co.uk)**

### DEVON YOUTH CRICKET FOUNDATION GOLF DAY

Our inaugural Golf Day was organised superbly by Keith Benton and Charlie Woolnough at Teignmouth Golf Club. By the end of a wet and windy day 24 teams had played some mixed golf, enjoyed a great dinner and, with the help of an auction, raised £2,200. We will be running another golf day in 2012. If you want to enter a team, email us now at [dycf@devoncricket.co.uk](mailto:dycf@devoncricket.co.uk) to book your place. On the left are the DYCF Golf Day Champions: Ian Butterworth, Geoff Yates and Keith Benton. Posing with Chris Read in his team are Craig Greenwood and Glynn Ballman. Are those cricket spikes Chris?



During the course of the year we have been supported by a host of companies and people and we simply wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to them all. So if you have helped us during 2011, thank you.



## Devon Youth Cricket Members and Supporters

Thank you for your support of the Foundation; the work we do is critical to getting more players playing the great game and helping the talented to become future stars.

But we need more members and also more volunteers to help us at events. If you can help us (even if only donating 1 hour of your time, or getting just one friend to sign up) please email us at: [dycf@devoncricket.co.uk](mailto:dycf@devoncricket.co.uk)



### National Champions

The Devon Under 15 Girls travelled to Wolverhampton CC on the 30th August to claim a victory in their National Semi-Final against Sussex, before celebrating a tremendous achievement on the following day where they defeated Warwickshire in a nail-biting encounter to win the national title.

### And lastly, well done to all our young cricketers

This has been an amazing season for youth cricket in Devon.

Devon Under 14's were the runners up in the National ECB County Cup and the Under 11's won the Taunton Festival - both incredible achievements which reflects well on the hard work put in by the players, management and parents, all set in the unique context which is provided by the youth cricket set up in Devon.

At club level, Sidmouth's Under 15's made it into the Regional Finals of the ECB NatWest competition where they came a very creditable third and congratulations must go to all the District teams for a great competition this summer. The winners at all age groups were: Under 9s - South, Under 10s - East, Under 11s - East, Under 12s - East, Under 13s - East, Under 14s - East, Under 15s - East, Under 15 Girls - North. Well done to all of them.

Another notable event was the Kwik Cricket tournament run at Heathcoat CC which involved more than 120 youngsters from schools from Tiverton and the surrounding area.

And finally, well done to the senior County team who are the Minor Counties champions; winning with a team containing a number of players who have come through the youth set up in Devon.

