

Chiang Mai Cricket Foundation

Newsletter, November 2007

Prospects Ahead

The new cricket season is about to start and it is going to be a very busy year here in Chiang Mai.

The wet season passed with out any serious flooding so the cricket ground was spared from any water damage and the pitch is being prepared for the upcoming International matches that are scheduled to be played in Chiang Mai and Bangkok in December and January.

Under 15 teams from six Nations will come to Thailand in December to compete in the ACC Challenge Cup. Half of the pool games will be played in Chiang Mai. There will be 3 matches at Gymkhana Club and 3 matches at Prem Center, from 8th to 13th December.

January will see Under 19 National teams coming to Thailand for the ACC Cup when matches will again be played at Gymkhana Club and Prem Center as well as matches in Bangkok. We are confident that some Chiang Mai boys will be in the Thai National team.

In mid February Thailand will play its Regional Championships in Chiang Mai.

Thailand Under-15 Squad

We are delighted that 3 of our Chiang Mai boys were invited to be part of the Under 15 National squad training which held at Prem Center. They have a good chance of being selected in the squad that will travel to Nepal next month.



**Jatsada Boonsuwan (Ti Lek), Montfort; Tawat MuangKaew (Tor), Sahagon 2;
Itsarapab Deenumjeud (Dam), Chol Pratahn Paetaek**

Sawasdee Cricket

Sawasdee cricket was introduced into Pong Noi School with the teacher being very enthusiastic about cricket. Unfortunately he was transferred away to another school outside of Chiang Mai and the new Sports master is not so keen. Just one of the many difficulties we face here trying to develop cricket.

A Sawasdee Cricket Tournament for grade 6 children is planned for 24th November.

Thailand Ladies Team

With the development of a Thailand National Ladies cricket team it is hoped that some of the very good young lady cricketers will force their way into this team.

Umpires Course

Ajarn Warawut, Eric Little, Richard Bartholomew, Steve Potter and Paul Thomson, all from Chiang Mai, attended an Umpires and Scorers Course in Bangkok recently and all did well. Subject to satisfactory field performance over the next 12 months they will be appointed

ACC/CAT Level 1 Umpires. These new accredited Umpires will be of considerable assistance during coming busy year ahead. David Walker was one of the course presenters.

Coaching Course

Gan, Chai, Bank and Tong, together with new Chiang Mai coaches Marco and his wife Jum, attended an ACC/CAT Level 1 Coaching Course at Prem center recently. Peter Dawson was a spectator for most lectures and even took part in some field sessions. Eric Little was unable to attend. There were a total of 22 people, including five members of the Thailand Ladies team, on the course which was led by Roger Binny, Dr, Paes and Mohideen Kader.

All present agreed that it was an excellent course, well organized and very well presented, and that they learnt a lot about the finer points of cricket and how to coach it, especially at junior level.

Donations

The CMCF is hugely grateful to the visiting teams and individuals who made generous donations to our funds and to everyone who supported the Sixes raffle, auction, masseuse, hair dresser and bar - not forgetting those whose performance of the field earned them a 'duck' fine. All or part of the proceeds from these activities is passed on to CMCF. Please be assured that this money will be spent for the benefit of junior cricket in Chiang Mai.

As always, we would welcome your money to be able to keep developing our young cricketers and to introduce new players.

If you feel able to help, our bank account details are:

Bank:	The Siam Commercial Bank
SWIFT Code	SICO TH BK
Branch:	Tha Phae
Address:	17 Tha Phae Road, Chiang Mai 50000
Account number:	501-2-85440-3
Account name:	CMSCA

When donations are sent, please advise Peter Dawson (peterdaw@cm.ksc.co.th), so he can acknowledge receipt of the money. Thank you.

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