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IT'S FUN TO PLAY AT THE YMCA...ALL YOUR YM NEWS...

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The Summer of 2014...

by The Editor

Welcome to the new YMCA Cricket Club newsletter, a monthly round up of all that is happening at Claremont Road, news, fixtures and results from all the mens, women's & youth teams.

Each month we will have featured writers commenting on all cricket matters in YMCA, making sure you will not miss any of the action on and off the pitch.

Up-to-date fixtures and results and the **NEW YMCA Fantasy League**, which has proved very popular <http://ymca-dublin.fantasyclubcricket.co.uk/>

This summer YMCA have entered 5 senior men's teams & 2 women's teams into the Cricket Leinster Leagues.

Introducing the Captains;

- 1st XI -Albert Van der Merwe
- 2nd XI -Angus R.Dunlop
- 3rd XI -Callum P.Donnelly
- 4th XI -Derek E.Dockrell
- 5th XI -Karl J.Medcalf

- 1st XI -Emma Flanagan

Then there is the numerous youth teams both boys & girls, from U11s to U19s, the famed YM Academy and the **YMCAs** for beginners.

You can also keep in touch with our social media sites;



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YMCA Fantasy Club Cricket

Play the NEW YMCA Fantasy League online for all Club players, who will you select..?

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1984 Cup Winners...30 Years Ago

At the recent Annual YMCA CC Dinner held in the Wanderer's FC, the 1984 Cup winning team were the guests of honour, as the President Heatley Tector announced each player as those named walked out to a rapturous applause from all members and guests.

Unfortunately, the Dinner and celebration of 30 years since the players became the first YMCA team to capture the title came months after the sad passing of John Dudley Ridgeway. Along with the late Stan McCready and the absent Eamon Masterson, the rest of the cup winning squad were present as they reminisced on that successful season.



1984 RECORD

League, Wiggins Teape & Cup Comps.

PLAYED 20, WON 13, DREW 4, LOST 3

Cup Run:

- 1st Rd – Bye
- 2nd Rd – beat Carlisle @Claremont Rd
- Semi-Final – beat Railway Union @Claremont Rd
- Final – beat Leinster @Kimmage

Leinster Senior Cup Winners 1984 (pictured above)

The Players;

Back row: **M.Ridgeway, A.R.Dunlop, E.Masterson, J.D.Garth, J.D.Ridgeway, K.R.Bailey.**

Front row: **N.D.Kilroy, I.G.Burns, C.W.Davis, D.A.Lewis, A.J.Stewart**

Insert – **J.S.McCready**

John Dudley Ridgeway

Last November '13 the Club lost one of its' Greatest's servants when John Ridgeway passed away. John was a member of the 1984 team that won the Cup and his passing leaves an enormous void in Claremont Road.

'Ridge' was one of the select few who played, captained the 1st XI and then became President of the Club.

His career in senior cricket spanned from 1957 to 1992, a marvelous record of 35 years and 442 matches.

He was a member of the YMCA teams that won the 1965 Leinster Senior League, the 1977 Wiggins Teape League and the aforementioned 1984 Leinster Senior Cup.



YMCA FANTASY CLUB CRICKET



'Albie'
€8m to buy



'Cookie'
Only €3m !

FANTASY FACTS

57 Teams Entered

JJ CASSIDY

47%

Most Selected Player



FANTASY CRICKET RULES



- €30M to spend on your team
- Weekly Updated Points
- Monthly Transfer Window
- Monthly Team & Individual Prizes Up For Grabs !
- Select 2 Batsmen, 2 Bowlers, 1 All-Rounder & 1 Wkt-Keeper

1. SIGN UP
2. PICK YOUR TEAM
3. FOLLOW THE SCORES
4. MANAGE YOUR TEAM & TRANSFERS

Cricket Leinster

LIVE MATCH CENTRE

WHO'S IN YOUR TEAM?



PLAY ONLINE NOW !!!

<http://ymca-dublin.fantasyclubcricket.co.uk/>

WHERE & WHEN

CLAREMONT ROAD, EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT 25TH APRIL TO 27TH JUNE 6PM-7PM

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YMCATS

The YMCATS is aimed to encourage boys and girls between the age of 5-8 to take up the game of cricket and learn the basics of the game from a young age. The qualified coaches will teach the children using the ABC's, which are Agility, Balance, Co-Ordination and Speed. Each week there will be different games and challenges for the children to take part in.

Where:
YMCA Cricket Club,
Claremont Road,
Sandymount
(hockey pitch)

When:
Every Friday night 25th April-
27th June.
6pm-7pm.

How Much:
€80 for 10 weeks.

Contact:
To book a place, Please
contact Rob O' Connor at
0877582972
or rob@rocshot.com




YMer To Watch...

Name: Rory M McGovern (Age 14) **School:** Gonzaga School

HS in Senior Mens Cricket: 73* YM 5ths v Civil Service 3rds (04/05/14)

Favourite Test Team: Australia

Favourite Test & Irish Player(s): Jos Butler, Michael Clarke & Paul Stirling

Favourite YM Player: James Meier

Favourite Ground (apart from YM): North County, Merrion or Bready CC

Other Teams Played for: Railway Union CC, Star of the Sea BNS & Leinster U11s & U13s

Player News for 2014

After the loss of Reinhardt Strydom to Malahide CC and the limited playing opportunity for both Jeremy Bray, (who has been appointed the Danish National Cricket Coach) and Trent Johnston in his dual role as Head Coach of the Irish Women's Team & Ireland Academy Fast Bowling Coach, the Club are delighted that both PJ Moor & Tom Fisher have joined YMCA CC.

PJ Moor was born in Harare and is a former Zimbabwean U19 International, who played at the 2010 World Cup in New Zealand.

An Irish passport holder and eligible to play for Ireland he played for Belfast side CIYMS in 2013. Has also played for Mashonaland Eagles & Mid-West Rhinos in his native Zimbabwe and made his 1st class debut in September 2010. He is a top order bat and off-break spin bowler.

Born in Masterton, New Zealand, left hand bat and occasional wicket-keeper **Tom Fisher** has been a prolific scorer of runs in Leinster Cricket winning both the Marchant Cup in 2009 & The Richard Bruton Batting Cup in 2013.

Previously played for Railway Union CC & Terenure CC.

Has represented both his native Canterbury at U19 level and his adopted country at Ireland A level in 2012.

Clare Shillington has recently moved from Malahide CC to Claremont Road and has 120 caps for Ireland Women.

Has played in 4 World Cups including the recent T20 World Cup in Bangladesh. Clare won both the 'Cricket Writers Award' and the 'RSA Women's International Player' in 2012.

With two women's teams now in YM Clare's experience will help greatly with the revival of women's cricket at Claremont Road.

2014 also sees the return of **Bobby Gamble** who returns to YM after a winter playing Grade 1&2 down under for Freemantle District CC in Perth, Australia.

A New recruit himself in the 2013 season, Bobby came from Plumtree CC in the Nottingham premier league & also had a year on Nottinghamshire CCC 2nd XI.

After taking 36 wickets for the Club last summer, Bob has started the new season very well and has been rewarded with a call up to the Irish U19 squad which plays the Northern Knights later this month in Bangor CC.

He will play alongside fellow YMer **Jack Tector** who has been named Captain of the Irish U19 side.

Further down the age groups all-rounder **Harry Tector** and wicket-keeper **Sam Murphy** are currently in the Irish U15 training squad.

And another **Tector**, **Tim** is named in the Irish U13 squad alongside **Mike O'Reilly** and **Stuart Jackson**.

And least we forget playing alongside Clare Shillington at the recent T20 World Cup in Bangladesh were top order bat **Emma Flanagan** and all-rounders **Lucy O'Reilly** & **Jenny Gray**.

NEW PLAYERS



PJ Moor

A new signing from NCU side CIYMS.



T.D.L. Fisher

Former Railway Union & Terenure CC



Flanagan, O'Reilly, Shillington & Gray

Irish Internationals

Who Are We ?

A green oasis in a busy Dublin village, YMCA Cricket Club has been offering healthy, sporting competition to young and old since 1890. In that time, YMCA CC has established itself as one of the premier clubs in Ireland, having won the Leinster Senior Cup on 10 occasions, the senior league five times and having provided a host of men's and women's internationals to the national teams.

The club's players and coaches have won numerous Cricket Ireland awards, including Coach of the Year in 2013, and was shortlisted for the prestigious Club of the Year award in the same year.

While YM has a long and proud history, it has been in recent seasons that the youth academy of the club has really come to the fore. Led by a number of dedicated members and professional coaches, the academy has yielded no fewer than 30 provincial and national trophies for the club since 2005. But more importantly it has turned the Claremont Road ground into a hive of fun activity for hundreds of children and teenagers from April to September every year.

The fruits of that concentration on youth are now becoming apparent as many of those girls and boys who have come through that system have graduated to senior cricket and some have gone on to represent Leinster and Ireland in age-grade and senior levels.

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What do we have to offer you?

Corporate social responsibility (CSR) is a growing aspect of any modern business strategy with most companies recognizing the bottom-line benefits of being identified with a worthwhile community project.

As a sports club providing a healthy alternative for young people, we have developed over many years a strong spirit of cooperation within our local community while fostering a safe and friendly atmosphere with a family ethos.

In addition, we can offer a number of opportunities to potential sponsors to maximize return on investment.

These include;

- Shirt sponsorship
- Ground sponsorship – boundary boards and front gate signage with public visibility
- Corporate days – our elite players including Ireland Internationals, can be made available for golf outings, social events, coaching days, press conferences and other functions.
- Advertising space on our club website (more than 2,000 page impressions per week)
- Invitation to senior representatives to attend club social occasions, match days and other opportunities for networking.
- CSR with visibility – Claremont Road is the 'Home of Irish Women's Cricket' with several international matches being played there each season. The ground also hosted other high-profile matches including the Leinster Senior Cup Final in 2012 & 2013.



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Dates For Your Diary:

**YM RACE NIGHT @Wanderers FC,
Merrion Road, @ 8 pm**



Fixtures: Cup Games

1st XI v Pembroke – RSA Leinster Senior Cup 1st Rd @Claremont Rd

Sat 31st May

2nd XI v Malahide – RSA Leinster Senior 2 Cup 1st Rd @Claremont Rd

Sun 1st June

3rd XI v Clontarf – RSA Middle Cup 1st rd @Castle Avenue

Sun 8th June

For all fixtures visit www.ymcacedublin.com