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A Season in Review

Ireland v Surrey

Castle Avenue
5th/6th May 2004

A wondrous win which will enter the legends of Irish cricket in future ages. But it was not a legend it was a fact.

Despite the array of stars Ireland chased 262 and won, with 10 balls and five wickets to spare and despite needing a run a ball from 15 overs out. A number of phases of this match can be highlighted wherein lay Ireland's win. The first was the removal of Brown (67 off 49 balls) at 91 by means of a marvellous catch by Morgan at long on in the 18th over. Their 155 for three in 30 overs looked like a score of 300 plus was on the cards. After 40 overs this was still on at 217 for five but less likely. McCallan and White had taken a wicket each and went on to take five between them. With McCallan finished Botha came back and took the last three wickets in three overs for nine runs. So the last 10 overs saw Surrey lose five wickets for only 44 runs - a massive turning point.

The next phase leading to the Irish win was when Jason Molins (58) and Jeremy Bray (52) put Surrey's opening bowlers, Bicknell and Ormond to the sword taking 77 runs off their 12 overs and scored 103 in all in 20.3 overs. Then Gerald Dros scored 45 off 53 balls and Peter Gillespie 28 off 31. The fifth wicket fell at 223 with 39 needed off 43 balls. Kyle McCallan joined Andrew White who had faced just four balls. For many the next 33 balls were the best feature of Ireland's win. These two saw the match out in fine style against the pace bowlers. They hit five fours in the process and White plundered 13 runs off the 47th over to leave two runs in two overs to be scored.

A wide and a single to fine leg by McCallan saw Ireland home in one of the most famous victories in Ireland's 580th match. The Press rewarded Andrew White as Man-of-the-Match.

Ireland v Surrey

Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy Round 2
5/6th May 2004
Castle Avenue

SURREY

J.N.Batty* +	c Bushe	b Johnston	8
A.D.Brown	c Morgan	b Dros	67
M.R.Ramprakash	c and	b McCallan	34
A.J.Holloake	st Bushe	b McCallan	52
J.G.E.Benning	c Johnston	b White	27
Azhar Mahmood	c Bray	b White	13
Nadeem Shahid	c Johnston	b Botha	27
I.D.K.Salisbury	c and	b White	4
M.P.Bicknell	c Morgan	b Botha	16
Saqlain Mushtaq	c and	b Botha	1
J.Ormond		not out	1
Extras		(B 1, LB 6, W 4)	11
Total		(49.5 overs)	261

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Johnston	8	2	35	1	1-42;2-97;3-145;4-194;
Eagleson	8	0	50	0	5-194;6-218;7-228;
Botha	9.5	0	48	3	8-248;9-260;10-261
Dros	4	0	27	1	
McCallan	10	1	51	2	
White	10	0	43	3	

IRELAND

J.A.M.Molins*		b Azhar Mahmood	58
J.P.Bray		b Saqlain Mushtaq	52
A.C.Botha	LBW	b Salisbury	17
G.Dros	c Brown	b Bicknell	45
P.G.Gillespie	LBW	b Azhar Mahmood	28
A.R.White		not out	20
W.K.McCallan		not out	18
D.T.Johnston			
E.J.G.Morgan			
R.L.Eagleson			
J.A.Bushe +			
Extras		(LB 3,W 15,NB 6)	24
Total		(48.2 overs) for 5 wickets)	262

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Bicknell	10	0	55	1	1-103;2-137;3-154;4-221;
Ormond	9	0	48	0	5-223.
Azhar Mahmood	9.2	0	60	2	
Saqlain Mushtaq	10	0	34	1	
Salisbury	8	0	44	1	
Holloake	2	0	18	0	

Toss: Ireland
RESULT: IRELAND WON BY 5 WICKETS
Umpires: N.J.Llong; G.Sharp
Captain*: Wicket-Keeper +



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A Season in Review

Ireland v Northamptonshire

Castle Avenue, Dublin
Sunday May 30th, 2004

The dream provoked in the previous round by the wondrous defeat of Surrey was shattered 21 days later by a win for Northamptonshire. Put into bat Ireland made a respectable score of 263 but, aggressive batting from Martin Van Jaarsveld (93n.o) and David Sales (49) saw Ireland conceded this score with no less than 49 balls to spare.

Ireland started briskly. Jason Molins hit both opening bowlers for fours in their first overs, but then 3 wickets fell and Peter Gillespie (66) then joined Jeremy Bray (76) in what became the highest stand of the Match by either side. Despite two long breaks for rain they put on 115 runs in 28 overs.

Ireland used six bowlers. Only Andre Botha took wickets, three for 51 in his 10 overs. Van Jaarsveld's 93 not out from 81 balls rightly won him the Man-of-the-Match Award.

So Ireland's massive 10 match sequence of victories was at an end.



Jeremy Bray

IRELAND v NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy 3rd Round
30th May, 2004
Castle Avenue, Dublin

IRELAND			
J.A.M.Molins*	L.B.W.	b Jones	9
J.P.Bray		Run Out	76
A.C.Botha	c Louw	b Jones	6
G.Dros	c Brophy	b Louw	7
P.G.Gillespie		b Jones	66
A.R.White	c Swann	b Jones	44
D.T.Johnston	c Sales	b Jones	2
W.K.McCallan		b Jones	22
P.J.K.Mooney		Not Out	8
E.J.G.Morgan		Not Out	13
J.A.Bushe+			
Extras	L-B 5; W 5		10
TOTAL		(50 Overs) for 8 wickets	263

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Louw	9	1	50	1	1-9;2-20;3-37;4-152;
Jones	10	0	56	6	5-178;6-180;7-240;8-240
Brown	10	0	39	0	
Phillips	9	0	53	0	
Swann	10	1	38	0	
Cooke	2	0	22	0	

NORTHANTS			
T.W.Roberts		b Botha	39
J.W.Cook	c Bushe	b Botha	17
M.Van Jaarsveld		Not Out	93
U.Afzaal		Run Out	27
D.J.G.Sales*	L.B.W.	b Botha	49
G.P.Swann		Not Out	18
G.L.Brophy+			
B.J.Phillips			
J.F.Brown			
P.S.Jones			
J.Louw			
Extras	B 1; L-B 5; W 16; N-B 2		24
TOTAL		(41.5 Overs) for 4 wickets	267

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Johnston	9	0	61	0	1-64;2-74;3-124;4-215.
Mooney	6	0	43	0	
Botha	10	1	51	3	
Dros	2	0	12	0	
White	7	0	42	0	
McCallan	7.5	0	52	0	

Toss: Northants
RESULT: NORTHANTS WON BY 6 WICKETS
Umpires: M.R.Benson; G.I.Burgess
Captain*: Wicket-Keeper +



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A Season in Review

Ireland v West Indies

**Bank of Ireland International
Stormont, Belfast
Wednesday June 16th, 2004**

In the first Bank of Ireland International the West Indies won the toss and elected to bat. Ireland started well and had the West Indies at 40-3, with Adrian McCoubrey taking two wickets (2-26). At this stage Brian Lara came to the wicket.

This was the 4th match Lara had played against Ireland - but the first time he got beyond single figures. He made up for that in style scoring his 106 from 99 balls with 4 6's and 12 4's. There had been a huge appeal for LBW against him 2nd ball and before he got into double figures there was also a loud appeal for a catch at the wicket, both however turned down.

The West Indies were bowled out for 242 in the 47th over, with 139 of these coming from Lara and Dwayne Bravo, for the fifth wicket. Andre Botha was the pick of the Irish bowlers taking 3-42

Ireland got off to a brisk start reaching 30 after 5 overs. However, they then began to lose wickets quickly and were never really in contention



Brian Lara in full flow

Ireland v West Indies

**16 June 2004
Stormont, Belfast**

WEST INDIES

C.H.Gayle		b McCoubrey	16
S.Chanderpaul		run out	11
D.S.Smith	c O'Brien	b McCoubrey	4
D.J.J.Bravo		b Botha	45
B.C.Lara*	c McCallan	b White	106
R.L.Powell		b McCallan	14
D.J.G.Sammy	c Morgan	b White	0
C.S.Baugh	c Sub (Wilson)	b McCallan	15
I.D.R.Bradshaw	c O'Brien	b Botha	7
R.Rampaul		not out	6
J.J.G.Lawson		b Botha	1
Extras	(B 0, L-B 4, W 7; N-B 6)		17
Total	(46.2 overs)		242

Bowler	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Johnston	8	1	29	0	1-29;2-33;3-40;4-179;
McCoubrey	6	1	26	2	5-205;6-206;7-224;8-233;
Botha	8.2	0	42	3	9-239;10-242.
Cooke	7	0	23	0	
White	9	0	62	2	
McCallan	8	0	56	1	

IRELAND

J.A.M.Molins*	c Bravo	b Rampaul	18
J.P.Bray		b Rampaul	21
A.C.Botha		b Bradshaw	21
N.J.O'Brien +	c Baugh	b Rampaul	2
P.G.Gillespie	c Gayle	b Sammy	3
A.R.White	c Baugh	b Bradshaw	8
W.K.McCallan		b Lawson	32
D.T.Johnston	c Bradshaw	b Gayle	17
E.J.G.Morgan		b Gayle	9
A.G.A.M.McCoubrey	not out		0
G.Cooke	absent injured		0
Extras	(B 0, L-B 0, W 6; N-B 9)		15
Total	(37.4 overs)		146

Bowler	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Rampaul	6	1	25	3	1-30;2-39;3-47;4-71;5-74;
Lawson	7.4	0	30	1	6-91;7-129;8-145;9-146.
Bradshaw	7	1	22	2	
Sammy	7	0	28	1	
Bravo	6	0	29	0	
Gayle	4	1	12	2	

Toss: West Indies

Result: West Indies won by 96 runs

Umpires: T.Henry, J.Boomer

Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+

thereafter. Jeremy Bray was out for less than 50 for the first time in 5 matches (21) and the only other main contributors in Ireland's 146 all out, being Andre Botha, 21 and Kyle McCallan 32.

Gordon Cooke's return to the Irish side did not last that very long. Firstly his son was hit on the head by a six hit by Brian Lara. Then shortly after that Cooke himself seemed to go over on his ankle and after a 10/15 minute delay while he was treated on the pitch he was brought to an ambulance - where his son was already being treated! It had been feared that Cooke had broken his ankle but it subsequently transpired he had damaged ligaments. He was unable to bat in the Irish innings.



A Season in Review



Niall O'Brien

Ireland v West Indies

Bank of Ireland International
Stormont, Belfast
Thursday, June 17th 2004

The second Bank of Ireland International was delayed by 45 minutes due to rain and once again the West Indies won the toss and elected to bat. Whereas the first match was very much one for the bowlers this game saw the batsmen take centre stage and Ireland claiming another historic victory over a Test Nation by 6 wickets

Dwayne Bravo followed up his 45 with a 100 not out. The hundred was brought up in style with a 6 off the last ball of the innings. Ridley Jacobs on his return to Northern Ireland scored 40 and Devon Smith 42 as the West Indies amassed 292 for 7 in their 50 overs. John Mooney took 3-67 and Trent Johnston 2 for 29.

Ireland got off to an explosive start with openers Jason Molins, 66, and Jeremy Bray, 71, dispatching the bowling to all parts of the ground in a partnership of 111. The team consolidated and progressed towards the target of 293 which they reached in the 47th over. Niall O'Brien guided the way with 58 not out, in partnerships with Peter Gillespie, 25, and Andrew White 32 not out.

Niall O'Brien was voted the Bank of Ireland Man of the Match.

Ireland v West Indies

17 June 2004
 Stormont, Belfast

WEST INDIES			
C.H.Gayle	c O'Brien	b Johnston	31
S.Chanderpaul	c O'Brien	b Johnston	2
D.S.Smith	c McCallan	b Mooney	42
R.L.Powell	c sub (Wilson)	b Botha	33
D.J.G.Sammy	c White	b Mooney	3
R.D.Jacobs +	c Bray	b Mooney	40
D.J.J.Bravo		not out	100
B.C.Lara*	c sub (Wilson)	b Botha	1
I.D.R.Bradshaw		not out	7
R.Rampaul			
J.J.G.Lawson			
Extras	(B 6, L-B 2, W 21; N-B 4)		33
Total	(50.0 overs) for 7 wickets		292

Bowler	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Johnston	7	1	29	2	1-5;2-46;3-118;4-133;
Eagleson	7	2	40	0	5-133;6-264;7-268.
Botha	10	0	67	2	
Mooney	10	0	67	3	
McCallan	10	1	33	0	
White	6	0	48	0	

IRELAND			
J.A.M.Molins*		b Rampaul	66
J.P.Bray	st Jacobs	b Gayle	71
A.C.Botha	c Chanderpaul	b Bradshaw	15
N.J.O'Brien +		not out	58
P.G.Gillespie		run out	25
A.R.White		not out	32
W.K.McCallan			
D.T.Johnston			
E.J.G.Morgan			
J.F.Mooney			
R.L.Eagleson			
Extras	(B 3, L-B 8, W 9; nb 8)		28
Total	(46.5 overs) for 4 wickets		295

Bowler	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Bradshaw	10	0	47	1	1-111;2-163;3-184;4-238
Rampaul	7	0	74	1	
Powell	4	0	18	0	
Lawson	10	0	53	0	
Gayle	8.5	0	39	1	
Sammy	2	0	19	0	
Bravo	5	0	34	0	

Toss: West Indies
 Result: Ireland won by 6 wickets
 Umpires: E Cooke, P White
 Captain*: Wicket-Keeper +



A Season in Review

Ireland v M.C.C at Limavady

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

June 29th, 30th, July 1st 2004

This three day match was in preparation for the ICC's new Intercontinental cup competition and saw three players make their debut. Greg Thompson took over Eoin Morgan's record as the youngest ever player to be capped for Ireland, less than one year after Morgan had achieved that record. Thompson was 16 years and 286 days (58 days younger than Morgan). Gary Kidd and Naseer Shoukat.

Ireland won the toss and elected to bat and Jeremy Bray and his new opening partner Dominick Joyce got the team off to the perfect start with an opening partnership of 151. Jeremy's 116 was his second hundred for Ireland while Dominick contributed 56. Ireland declared their first innings at 321-7 and bowled MCC out for 275. Naseer Shoukat made the perfect start to his international career when he removed Jason Ratcliffe with his fourth ball.

Ireland started their second innings with the aim of setting the MCC a tempting target. Once again Dominick Joyce scored a half century and with Trent Johnston scoring his first half century for Ireland the stand in captain Kyle McCallan declared at 196 for 3. This left the MCC needing 243 in their second innings off a minimum of 58 overs. This they achieved in the 44th over thanks to Asif Mujtaba's unbeaten 117 and M Foster's 80.



Bray sweeps on his way to a hundred

IRELAND v M.C.C.

June 29, 30, July 1, 2004
Limavady

IRELAND		L.B.W.		b Evans		56	c Ratcliffe	b Mujtaba	66
D.I.Joyce			c Ellis					b Pierson	7
J.P.Bray						116			
A.C.Botha				Run Out		41		Run Out	20
W.K.McCallan*	st Patterson			b Evans		4		Not Out	38
P.G.Gillespie		L.B.W.		b Evans		26			
D.T.Johnston	c Pierson			b Mujtaba		42	5)	Not Out	54
J.F.Mooney	L.B.W.			b Kotkamp		18			
Naseer Shoukat				Not Out		4			
S.Ogilby+									
G.J.Thompson									
G.E.Kidd									
Extras B 2; L-B 1; W 2; N-B 9						14		B 3, L-B 5, W 1; N-B 2	11
TOTAL for 7 wickets declared						321		for 3 wickets declared	196

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Kotkamp	10	2	36	1	6	0	31	0
Ellis	9	1	66	0	6	1	38	0
Saleem	6	1	42	0				
Pierson	12	4	44	0	10	0	30	1
Fourie	4	0	24	0				
Evans	11	0	52	3				
Mujtaba	18.2	3	54	2	22	4	89	1

FALL OF WICKETS

First Innings

1-151; 2-220; 3-227; 4-245; 5-265; 6-301; 7-321

Second Innings

1-24; 2-62; 3-117

M.C.C.		c Thompson		b Shoukat	0	c Ogilby	b Mooney	15
J.D.Ratcliffe*			c Johnston	b Thompson	26	5)	Not Out	12
A.W.Evans				b Shoukat	7		Not Out	117
Asif Mujtaba		c Botha		b McCallan	87	c and b	Shoukat	80
M.R.Foster	c Sub (Rankin)			b McCallan	572)c	Gillespieb	Thompson	13
J.A.H.Marshallc	Sub (Rankin)			b Thompson	17			
M.J.Fourie	L.B.W.			b Shoukat	0			
A.D.Patterson+	c Gillespie			Not Out	46			
A.Ellis				Run Out	5			
A.R.K.Pierson				Run Out	1			
A.Saleem				st Ogilby	b Thompson	15		
R.Kotkamp								
Extras B 1; L-B 2; W 4; N-B 7					14		(B W 1, N-B 2)	7
TOTAL					275		for 3 wickets	243

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Shoukat	20	7	46	3	9	2	56	1
Botha	8	5	17	0	2.4	0	12	0
McCallan	19	4	40	2	8.4	0	51	0
Thompson	19.5	2	87	3	9.2	1	55	1
Mooney	6	1	20	0	10	2	49	1
Kidd	11	1	62	0	4	1	17	0

FALL OF WICKETS

First Innings

1-0; 2-10; 3-58; 4-183; 5-188; 6-193; 7-224; 8-245; 9-246; 10-275

Second Innings

1-28; 2-36; 3-217

Toss: Ireland

RESULT: M.C.C. won by 7 wickets

Umpires: D.Caldwell, C.McElwee

Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+



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A Season in Review



Andrew White

Ireland v Holland at Deventer

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
July 13th, 14th, 15th 2004

Ireland began the Intercontinental cup with a trip to Deventer to play Holland, who had just returned from Edinburgh where they drew with Scotland.

Ireland won the toss and put Holland into bat and soon the bowlers were on top taking wickets on a regular basis and bowling them out for 200 in 80 overs. Trent Johnston and Kyle McCallan were the pick of the attack with 4-34 and 2-6.

In reply Ireland scored 388-8 declared thanks mainly to Andrew Whites excellent 152 not out and Trent Johnston's 60. White's hundred was his second century for Ireland and his highest score. The lead was 188 and as it proved more than enough as Holland were bowled out for 141 in their second innings to give Ireland an Innings and 47 run victory.

The main architect in the Dutch collapse was Naseer Shoukat who claimed his first five wicket haul, 5-30, with support of captain Kyle McCallan who claimed a further 3 wickets.

The victory saw Ireland top the European group with 30 points and the only team with a victory.

ICC InterContinental Cup

July 13, 14, 15, 2004
Deventer

HOLLAND									
T de Grooth	c McCallan	b Johnston	10	7)c Bray	b Shoukat	0			
M.W.A.van Nierop	lbw	b White	38	1)ct Ogilby	b Thompson	41			
A Raja	lbw	b Joyce	1	ct Ogilby	b White	18			
B Zuiderent	c Ogilby	b Johnston	24	L.B.W.	b McCallan	13			
L.P.van Troost*		b McCallan	19		b McCallan	25			
D.J.Reekers	lbw	b Thompson	26	L.B.W.	b Shoukat	4			
J.F.Kloppenburg		b McCallan	02)ct	McCallan	b Shoukat	0			
J.J.Esmeijer		b Shoukat	23	c Ogilby	b Shoukat	6			
E.Schiferli	lbw	b Johnston	24	L.B.W.	b Shoukat	7			
J.Smits +		not out	0		Not Out	4			
S.F.Gokke	c Ogilby	b Johnston	0	c Johnston	b McCallan	10			
Extras(B 5,L-B 15,W 5,N-B 10)			35	B 5, W 5, N-B 3		13			
Total		(80.5 overs)	200			141			

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Johnston	17.5	7	34	4	9	2	29	0
Shoukat	17	5	38	1	9	2	30	5
Bray	2	0	4	0				
Joyce	8	1	26	1				
Thompson	12	5	37	1	19	7	42	1
McCallan	11	8	6	2	13.1	3	23	3
White	13	7	35	1	6	2	12	1

FALL OF WICKETS

First Innings

1-18; 2-29; 3-93; 4-97; 5-146; 6-147; 7-148; 8-184; 9-200; 10-200

Second Innings

1-0; 2-54; 3-70; 4-86; 5-103; 6-103; 7-114; 8-118; 9-125; 10-141

IRELAND									
D.I.Joyce					b Schiferli	19			
J.P.Bray		c Reekers			b Schiferli	29			
A.C.Botha		c Smits			b Gokke	42			
A.R.White					Not Out	152			
P.G.Gillespie					Run Out	31			
W.K.McCallan*					b Raja	26			
D.T.Johnston					b Schiferli	60			
J.F.Mooney		L.B.W.			b Schiferli	0			
Naseer Shoukat		c and			b Reekers	4			
S.Ogilby+									
G.J.Thompson									
Extras					B 5; L-B 15; W 1; N-B 4				
TOTAL					for 8 wickets declared	388			

Bowler	O	M	R	W
Schiferli	20	6	70	4
Gokke	12	3	46	1
Reekers	12	1	55	1
Kloppenburg	12	1	60	0
Raja	16	1	60	1
Esmeijer	6	0	33	0
van Troost	9	2	44	0

FALL OF WICKETS

First Innings

1-38; 2-88; 3-102; 4-174; 5-235; 6-359; 7-359; 8-388

Toss: Ireland

RESULT: IRELAND WON BY INNINGS AND 47 RUNS

Umpires: R.J.Bailey (Eng.) J.Thallon (Scot)

Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+



A Season in Review

Ireland v English Cricket Board ("ECB") at Utrecht, Holland

Sunday, July 18th 2004

Ireland's opening game in the European Championships was abandoned without a ball being bowled. This led to a bowl out, which the ECB won 2-1.

Ireland v Holland at Utrecht, Holland

Tuesday, July 20th 2004

Ireland finally saw action in their second match of the tournament in this game against the host nation Holland. Although overnight rain meant that the match was reduced to a 31 over game.



Trent Johnston

IRELAND v HOLLAND

European Championships
20th July, 2004
Utrecht

Ireland					
J.A.M.Molins*				b Reekers	13
J.P.Bray	c de Leede			b Gokke	8
A.C.Botha				Run Out	24
A.R.White	c and			b Van Troost	40
D.T.Johnston	c de Grooth			b de Leede	49
P.G.Gillespie	c de Grooth			b de Leede	5
W.K.McCallan				Run Out	12
P.J.K.Mooney				Not Out	7
N.Shoukat	c Van Bunge			b Esmeijer	11
S.Ogilby +	c Zuiderent			b Esmeijer	0
G.Cooke					
Extras	L-B 9; W 3				12
TOTAL	(31 Overs) for 9 wickets				181

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Schiferli	6	1	28	0	1-14;2-33;3-86;4-107; 5-145;
Gokke	3	0	16	1	6-157;7-163;8-181;9-181
Reekers	4	0	17	1	
Kloppenburg	7	0	47	0	
Van Troost	3	0	23	1	
de Leede	5	0	23	2	
Esmeijer	3	0	18	2	

HOLLAND					
T.de Grooth	c Ogilby			b Shoukat	3
D.J.Reekers				b Botha	17
D.Van Bunge				b Johnston	50
B.Zuiderent	c Molins			b Mooney	36
T.de Leede				b Johnston	16
L.P.Van Troost*				b Johnston	2
E.Schiferli				b Cooke	23
A.Buurman +				b Cooke	3
J.J.Esmeijer				Not Out	4
J.F.Kloppenburg				Not Out	5
S.F.Gokke					
Extras	L-B 5; W 4; N-B 3				12
TOTAL	(31 Overs) for 8 wickets				171

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Johnston	7	0	44	3	1-13;2-29;3-115;4-115; 5-120;
Shoukat	4	1	9	1	6-144;7-155;8-162
Botha	6	0	23	1	
Cooke	6	0	37	2	
White	3	0	18	0	
McCallan	1	0	9	0	
Mooney	4	0	26	1	

Toss: Ireland
RESULT: IRELAND WON BY 10 RUNS
Umpires: J.Thallon; N.Bagh
Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+

Batting first Ireland reached 181 - 9 in their 31 overs with Andrew White and Trent Johnston top scoring with 40 and 49.

Holland lost two early wickets but a third wicket partnership of 86 kept them in the hunt for victory. However, Trent Johnston and the fit again Gordon Cooke turned the game Ireland's way taking 5 wickets between them and restricting Holland to 171-8 at the close of the innings.



A Season in Review

Ireland v Scotland at Deventer, Holland

Wednesday, July 21st 2004

This was the game that Ireland needed to win if they were to become the leading associate nation in Europe. The match was a close affair as was expected but the Irish claimed a 5 wicket victory in the 47th over.

Scotland batted first reaching 200 for 6, with Andrew White returning excellent figures of 3 for 38 off 9 overs. In reply Jason Molins and Jeremy Bray again posted a half century opening partnership, 81, but three quick wickets brought the Scots back into it.

Andrew White, 43, and Peter Gillespie, 32, swung the game back to Ireland and eventual victory, Irelands second in 16 matches against Scotland.



Peter Gillespie

IRELAND v SCOTLAND

European Championships
21st July, 2004
Deventer

SCOTLAND

B.M.W.Patterson	Run Out	40
G.I.Maiden	b Cooke	13
C.J.O.Smith+	Run Out	3
R.R.Watson	Not Out	88
D.F.Watts	b White	7
D.A.J.Rigby	b White	1
C.M.Wright *	b White	8
J.G.Williamson	Not Out	15
P.Hoffmann		
I.M.Stranger		
J.D.Nel		
Extras	B 6; L-B 11; W 3; N-B 5	25
TOTAL	(50 Overs) for 6 wickets	200

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Johnston	5	1	14	0	1-44;2-50;3-100;4-116;
Shoukat	6	0	19	0	5-122;6-151.
Botha	7	0	27	0	
Cooke	9	1	39	1	
Mooney	4	1	12	0	
McCallan	10	0	34	0	
White	9	0	38	3	

IRELAND

J.A.M.Molins*		b Williamson	47
J.P.Bray	c Smith	b Watson	39
A.C.Botha	c Maiden	b Watson	6
A.R.White	st Smith	b Maiden	43
P.G.Gillespie	c Nel	b Watson	32
W.K.McCallan		Not Out	18
D.T.Johnston		Not Out	2
N.Shoukat			
P.J.K.Mooney			
S.Ogilby+			
G.Cooke			
Extras	B 4; L-B 3; W 6; N-B 4		17
TOTAL	(47 Overs) for 5 wickets		204

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Hoffmann	7	1	38	0	1-81;2-93;3-93;4-180;
Nel	3	0	16	0	5-194
Wright	7	0	31	0	
Watson	10	2	32	3	
Maiden	10	3	42	1	
Williamson	5	1	14	1	
Stanger	5	0	24	0	

Toss: Scotland

RESULT: Ireland won by 5 wickets

Umpires: N.Bagh; W.Molenaar

Captain*; Wicket-Keeper+





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A Season in Review

Ireland v Denmark at Utrecht, Holland

Thursday, July 22nd 2004

Ireland batted first in this their final match of the tournament and their innings was dominated by two partnerships. The first being 65 for the second wicket between Jason Molins and Andre Botha and the second, 140 for the fifth wicket between Trent Johnston, 83, and Kyle McCallan, 64 not out.

This left Denmark needing 266 to win off their 50 overs but they never mounted a serious challenge and completed their innings at 156 for 9 giving Ireland a 109 run victory.

The spin twins of McCallan and White kept Denmark well behind the run rate and ended with figures of 2 - 35 and 3 - 34 respectively.

There were two final games to be played the next day and results saw Ireland finish top of the 4 Associate Nations and ranked 1 in Europe for the ICC Trophy 2005.



Kyle McCallan

IRELAND v DENMARK

European Championships
22nd July, 2004
Utrecht

IRELAND					
J.A.M.Molins*	L.B.W.	b Vestergaard		38	
J.P.Bray	c Neilsen	b Hansen H.		2	
A.C.Botha		b Vestergaard		32	
A.R.White	L.B.W.	b Vestergaard		0	
W.K.McCallan		Not Out		64	
D.T.Johnston		b Vestergaard		83	
D.I.Joyce		Not Out		19	
J.F.Mooney					
N.Shoukat					
S.Ogilby+					
G.Cooke					
Extras		B 5; L-B 3; W 16; N-B 3		27	
TOTAL		(50 Overs) for 5 wickets		265	
BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
H.Hansen	5	1	42	1	1-16;2-81;3-83;4-85;5-225
Nielsen	7	1	25	0	
Ore	8	0	63	0	
Vestergaard	9	0	38	4	
Rasmussen	6	0	19	0	
Chawla	2	0	18	0	
T.Hansen	6	0	21	0	
Overgaard	7	0	31	0	
DENMARK					
F.Klokke +	c McCallan	b Shoukat		19	
H.Ore	L.B.W.	b Botha		0	
C.Pedersen*	c Ogilby	b Cooke		18	
S.Vestergaard		b McCallan		33	
M.Overgaard	c Molins	b White		13	
B.Chawla	c Shoukat	b McCallan		14	
A.Rasmussen	L.B.W.	b White		1	
T.Hansen	c Ogilby	b Mooney		15	
J.Hansen	c Botha	b White		0	
H.S.Hansen		Not Out		16	
T.B.Nielsen		Not Out		2	
Extras		B 1; L-B 4; W 20		25	
Total		(50 Overs) for 9 wickets		156	
BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Shoukat	10	3	18	1	1-6;2-36;3-48;4-90;5-96;
Botha	6	0	18	1	6-100;7-110;8-110;9-141
Cooke	6	0	23	1	
McCallan	10	1	35	2	
White	10	1	34	3	
Mooney	4	1	15	1	
Joyce	3	0	6	0	
Bray	1	0	2	0	

Toss: Ireland
RESULT: IRELAND WON BY 109 RUNS.
Umpires: J.W.Holder; W.Molenaar
Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+



A Season in Review

Ireland v Scotland at Castle Avenue, Dublin

Friday, Saturday, Sunday

August 6, 7, 8, 2004

Ireland just needed to avoid defeat to win the European Group of the Intercontinental Cup and head off to Sharja for the semi-finals. However, this was not to be and after three different days Scotland won the match by 8 wickets.

The first day was played in overcast conditions and on winning the toss Scotland asked Ireland to bat and soon had the home team in trouble with 6 of the team back in the pavilion with only 76 on the board. Ireland recovered through Peter Gillespie, 44, Paul Mooney, 32, and Naseer Shoukat, 48, and ended their first innings on 193.

In their first innings Scotland faired no better and on the morning of the second day were bowled out for 167. Naseer Shoukat collected his second five wicket haul for Ireland and was the pick of the Irish bowlers.



Naseer Shoukat

Ireland started their second innings with a 26 run lead and looking for a better start. This unfortunately was not the case and the side was eventually bowled out for 178, thanks to Andrew White, 67, and Trent Johnston 47.

Scotland needed 204 to win and at the close of Day 2 Scotland needed only 87 to win. However there was considerable rain on Day 3 and play eventually

Ireland v Scotland

InterContinental Cup
August 6, 7, 8, 2004
Castle Avenue

IRELAND											
J.A.M.Molins*	c Watson	b Wright	31			b Butt	31				
J.P.Bray	L.B.W.	b Butt	0			c Smith	b Butt	6			
A.C.Botha	c Watson	b Butt	4			c Wright	b Butt	0			
A.R.White	c Watson	b Wright	11			c Watts	b Nel	67			
P.G.Gillespie	c Watts	b Maiden	44			c Smith	b Wright	1			
E.J.G.Morgan	c Smith	b Wright	0			c Smith	b Wright	7			
D.T.Johnston	c Wright	b Nel	4			L.B.W.	b Butt	47			
P.J.K.Mooney	L.B.W.	b Butt	32				b Hoffmann	5			
Naseer Shoukat		b Watson	48			c Smith	b Butt	0			
S.Ogilby+	c Smith	b Butt	0				b Hoffmann	0			
G.J.Thompson	Not Out		1				Not Out	1			
Extras	L-B 13; W 5							13			
TOTAL						18L-B 12; W 1		178			

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Hoffmann	14	3	40	0	15	5	40	2
Butt	15	5	25	4	13.4	3	47	5
Wright	12	1	49	3	13	4	28	2
Nel	10	3	39	1	6	0	30	1
Maiden	5	1	18	1				
Watson	3.4	0	9	1	4	0	21	0

FALL OF WICKETS

First Innings

1-0; 2-12; 3-39; 4-71; 5-71; 6-76; 7-118; 8-187; 9-189; 10-193

Second Innings

1-6; 2-6; 3-48; 4-57; 5-89; 6-159; 7-172; 8-173; 9-174; 10-178

SCOTLAND											
B.M.W.Patterson	L.B.W.	b Johnston	16			c White	b Johnston	9			
D.R.Lockhart	c Shoukat	b Mooney	4			3) Not Out		53			
D.F.Watts		b Shoukat	31			4) Not Out		118			
R.R.Watson	c Ogilby	b Shoukat	23								
C.V.English	c Ogilby	b Shoukat	20								
C.M.Wright*		b Thompson	16								
G.I.Maiden	L.B.W.	b Johnston	5								
S.J.S.Smith+	c Thompson	b Botha	27								
Asim Butt	c and	b Shoukat	5			2) c Ogilby	b Botha	18			
P.J.C.Hoffmann		b Shoukat	2								
J.D.Nel		Not Out	0								
Extras B 5; L-B 10; W 2; N-B 1						18 B 4; L-B 1; W 3		8			
Total						167 for 2 wickets		206			

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	O	M	R	W
Mooney	5	0	18	1	3	0	13	0
Shoukat	19	4	60	5	11	3	43	0
Botha	21.1	7	48	1	12	4	25	1
Thompson	5	2	7	1	10.3	3	36	0
Johnston	9	3	19	2	8	2	34	1
White					9	0	50	0

FALL OF WICKETS

First Innings

1-9; 2-41; 3-66; 4-102; 5-119; 6-126; 7-143; 8-149; 9-153; 10-167

Second Innings

1-27; 2-28

Toss: Scotland

RESULT: Scotland won by 8 wickets

Umpires: P.J.Hartley; S.Tovey

Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+

started at 5.15, leaving Scotland 33 Overs to get the required runs. This they duly did thanks to Fraser Watts who finished unbeaten on 118.



Ireland v Bangladesh

Stormont, Belfast
29th August

IRELAND v BANGLADESH

First Match
29th August, 2004
Stormont

IRELAND

J.A.M.Molins*	c Sub (Tareq Aziz)	b Rajin Saleh	64
J.P.Bray		b Tapash Baisya	16
A.C.Botha	c Tapash Baisya	b Khaled Mahmud	23
A.R.White	c Nazmul Hossain	b Rajin Saleh	12
P.G.Gillespie		Not Out	19
W.K.McCallan		Run Out	2
D.I.Joyce		Not Out	17
Naseer Shoukat			
J.A.Bushe+			
G.Cooke			
A.G.A.M.McCoubrey			
Extras	B 3; L-B 12; W 8; N-B 3		26
TOTAL	(32 Overs) for 5 wickets		179

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Tapash Baisya	7	0	30	1	1-27;2-89;3-120;4-136;5-141;
Nazmul Hossain	6	0	31	0	
Mushfiqur Rahman	2.2	0	10	0	
Rajin Saleh	3.4	0	28	2	
Khalen Mahmud	7	0	41	1	
Manjural Islam Rana	6	0	24	0	

BANGLADESH

Javed Omar	lbw	b White	39
Mohammad Ashrafur	c Botha	b McCoubrey	8
Nafis Iqbal	c White	b Cooke	100
Rajin Saleh*		not out	21
Aftab Ahmed	lbw	b Botha	0
Khaled Mashud+		b Botha	4
Manjural Islam Rana		b Cooke	2
Khaled Mahmud		b Cooke	0
Tapash Baisya		run out	7
Nazmul Hossain		not out	1
Mushfiqur Rahman			
Extras	(L-B 11, W 13;)		24
Total	(32.0 overs) for 8 wkts		206

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Shoukat	7	0	34	0	1-18;2-144;3-162;4-169;5-177;
McCoubrey	3	0	17	1	6-182;7-182;8-204.
Botha	6	0	33	2	
McCallan	4	0	25	0	
White	6	0	43	1	
Cooke	6	0	43	3	

Toss: Bangladesh

RESULT: Bangladesh won by 2 wickets.

Umpires: J.E.McCall; J.Wiseman

Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+

Ireland v Bangladesh

Limavady
30th August

Ireland v Bangladesh

2nd Match
30 August 2004
Limavady

BANGLADESH

Javed Omar	c Bushe	b Cooke	8
Mohammad Ashrafur	ct sub (Mooney)	b Shoukat	22
Nafis Iqbal	lbw	b Shoukat	10
Rajin Saleh*		b McCallan	26
Aftab Ahmed		b McCallan	15
Manjural Islam Rana	ct Molins	b McCallan	0
Khaled Mashud+		not out	51
Mohammad Rafique	ct sub (Morgan)	b Cooke	42
Khaled Mahmud	ct and	b Cooke	10
Tapash Baisya	ct Gillespie	b Cooke	7
Nazmul Hossain		b Cooke	0
Extras	(B 4, L-B 6, W 23; N-B 7)		40
Total	(49.4 overs)		231

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
McCoubrey	10	0	47	0	1-27;2-45;3-51;4-87;5-93;
Shoukat	9	0	32	2	6-116;7-195;8-210;9-230;10-231.
Cooke	9.4	1	55	5	
McCallan	10	0	33	3	
Botha	9	0	44	0	
White	2	0	10	0	

IRELAND

J.A.M.Molins*		b Khaled Mahmud	17
J.P.Bray		b Mohammad Rafique	46
A.C.Botha	ct Nafis Iqbal	b Khaled Mahmud	5
A.R.White	ct Manjural Islam Rana	b Mohammad Rafique	11
P.G.Gillespie		b Tapash Baisya	29
W.K.McCallan	ct Javed Omar	b Manjural Islam Rana	22
D.I.Joyce	ct Khaled Mashud	b Tapash Baisya	3
Naseer Shoukat	ct Tapash Baisya	b Khaled Mahmud	5
G.Cooke		not out	17
J.A.Bushe+	ct Khaled Mashud	b Khaled Mahmud	6
A.G.A.M.McCoubrey		b Tapash Baisya	10
Extras	(L-B 1, W 3; N-B 2)		6
Total	(46.3 overs)		177

BOWLER	O	M	R	W	FALL OF WICKETS
Tapash Baisya	8.3	0	45	3	1-46;2-54;3-76;4-88;5-130;
Nazmul Hossain	10	1	37	0	6-136;7-137;8-148;9-161;10-177.
Khaled Mahmud	10	1	34	4	
Mohammad Rafique	8	0	30	2	
Manjural Islam Rana	10	0	30	1	

Toss: Bangladesh

Result: Bangladesh won by 54 runs

Umpires: D.W.Caldwell, E.Cooke

Captain*: Wicket-Keeper+



The Bangladesh Team



Player of the year – Andrew White



The winner of the Irish Cricketer of the Year 2004 reflects on a year which contained some outstanding performances by the Irish team, in particular with two great wins over Surrey in the Cheltenham & Gloucester Trophy and over West Indies in a match which saw Ireland chase 292 in 50 Overs and win comfortably with more than 4 overs to spare.

Our winner played a significant part in both of those wins, and also in other matches during the year. In the win over Surrey he was declared the Man-of-the-Match with 3 for 43 and 20 not out. He followed this with another fine partnership in the match against Northamptonshire, scoring 44, unfortunately not resulting in a win this time. When it came to the West Indies win he was yet again involved in the final partnership that won the game, this time scoring 32 not out.

This was not enough for him and in Ireland's match against Holland in the new Intercontinental Cup trophy he scored a magnificent 152* which was a very significant factor in Ireland's win by an Innings. This was his first class debut for Ireland. He then went on to contribute to Ireland's fine performance in the European Championships in Holland, which led to Ireland being the top European Seeds for the forthcoming ICC Trophy to be held in Ireland in 2005. In 2004 he scored 440 runs at

an average of just under 50 and took 14 wickets at just over 30.

In his 53 matches to date for Ireland he has scored just under 1,250 runs at an average of just over 30 and taken 50 wickets at an average of 27.5.

On a personal level his outstanding performances led to his being offered a contract to play for Northamptonshire, a contract which included a commitment that he would be made available for the ICC Trophy.

He has also performed magnificently in domestic cricket initially with North Down and then subsequently with Instonians where he won a number of matches off his own bat.

Speaking after receiving the award, Andrew said, "it is a huge honour to receive the award after what was a very special year for Irish cricket. Looking back on the year brings a great sense of pride and satisfaction and although I am getting used to finishing games off, the work of all the players in the big games was superb. The great partnerships in the two big games made life easier for me at the end. It was tremendous for the Sunday Independent and Hyundai to recognise the efforts of the Ireland team over the past number of years and I hope they will be involved for years to come."

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Season Review – Sandra Dawson (Manager)



The ICU Senior women's squad hosted the World Champions, New Zealand, to a 3 match ODI series in Dublin to kick-off their tour of England in July 2004.

Trinity College provide a wonderful backdrop for the first encounter; steeped in history the White Ferns arrived in their formidable black kit and looked every inch of their All Black counterparts. Not quite with Haka, but close, they opened in typical style demonstrating their true professional attitude and approach to the beautiful game of cunning and guile.

Whilst rusty in parts as it was their off-season, they rightly used the three matches to shake off the cobwebs and dust down their willows. The notable Irish performances of Anne Linehan, Barbara MacDonald and Isobel Joyce gave them something to think about. However, the white line fever ethos ensured that they firmly closed the door when a hint of an Irish fightback may have been on the cards.

Without going into detail, the Irish scorecards did improve as the series went on and by the Sunday match in Merrion CC, Ireland had closed the gap to sub 100 runs, which was an improvement on previous performances.

We learnt much about running hard between the wickets and bowling a consistent line and length which was purpose of the exercise and, in order to redress the balance of hemispheres, much is required to close the gap. As a sport competing for national lottery funding, future sponsorship and media attention, perhaps the more tricky task is to attract players from other sports to provide the depth of players within the womens' game. In my opinion, this challenge is equal to raising our profile locally and to and compete regularly at world class standard when we have limited support from government and industry.

Whilst staying positive and objective in the main, we continue to strive for success and, with the goodwill of various ICU mens coaching and administrative staff, we work in earnest towards World Cup 2005 in South Africa.

Sandra Dawson
Manager ICU Senior squad

22 July 2004
College Park, Dublin

Women's International

Result: New Zealand won by 200 runs

NEW ZEALAND

R Rolls	b Grealey	50	McDonald	10	0	55	0
M Fahey	run out (I Joyce)	66	Whelan	8	0	43	0
H Tiffin	b Grealey	28	I Joyce	10	1	65	0
M Lewis	not out	63	Whelan	3	0	21	0
S McGlashen	not out	31	Metcalfe	9	1	48	0
H Watson			Grealey	10	0	38	2
N Browne							
B McNeill							
L Milliken							
S Burke							
R Steele							
Extras	(b, lb, nb, w, p)	40					
Total	(3 wkts, 50.0 overs)	278					

FOW: 1-96 2-165 3-166

IRELAND

C Beggs	c Tiffin b Steele	21	Milliken	8	1	14	3
C Joyce	b Milliken	0	Burke	4	0	14	1
I Joyce	b Burke	0	McNeill	4.1	1	14	1
M Grealey	run out (McGlashen)	7	Browne	5	2	4	0
C Shillington	c Rolls b Milliken	14	Watson	6	3	12	1
E Beamish	c Tiffin b Steele	6	Steele	5	2	6	2
C Metcalfe	run out (McGlashen)	0	Tiffin	4	2	10	0
H Whelan	b Milliken	0					
J Whelan	b Watson	2					
J Day	not out	0					
B McDonald							
Extras	(b, lb, nb, w, p)	28					
Total	(all out, 36.1 overs)	78					

FOW: 1-6 2-11 3-24 4-58 5-70 6-70 7-70 8-75 9-77 10-78

International 2004

Ireland v New Zealand

24 July 2004

Merrion CC, Dublin

International

Result: New Zealand won by 112 runs

Toss: Ireland

NEW ZEALAND

R Rolls	lbw b I Joyce	44	McDonald	10	1	33	2
P Flannery	lbw b McDonald	17	Whelan	9	0	53	0
M Lewis	b McDonald	22	I Joyce	9	0	71	1
H Watson	b Metcalfe	6	Grealey	10	0	40	0
B McNeill	not out	88	Metcalfe	7	0	45	2
H Tiffin	b Metcalfe	34	Herbert	5	0	24	0
N Browne	not out	37					
S Burke							
S McGlashen							
A Green							
R Steele							
Extras	(b 6, lb 0, nb 2, w 16, p 0)	24					
Total	(5 wkts, 50.0 overs)	272					

FOW: 1-30 2-79 3-94 4-109 5-195

IRELAND

C Joyce	c Tiffin b Green	9	Browne	6	0	23	0
C Beggs	lbw b Tiffin	5	Green	9.3	5	15	5
I Joyce	not out	67	Tiffin	4	1	20	1
M Grealey	lbw b McNeill	13	Burke	8	2	22	0
C Shillington	c Burke b Steel	6	Watson	4	0	13	0
E Beamish	lbw b Steele	0	McNeill	5	1	30	1
C Metcalfe	run out	4	Steele	8	2	20	2
H Whelan	c McNeill b Green	0					
B McDonald	b Green	0					
M Herbert	b Green	9					
J Day	lbw b Green	0					
Extras	(b 12, lb 5, nb 2, w 28, p)	47					
Total	(all out, 44.3 overs)	160					

FOW: 1-18 2-47 3-77 4-94 5-94
6-107 7-124 8-130 9-158 10-160



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Merrion CC, Dublin

Women's International

Result: New Zealand won by 77 runs

Toss: New Zealand

Umpires: G Lyons, J Bristow

NEW ZEALAND

R Rolls	lbw b McDonald	23	McDonald	10	2	29	3
P Flannery	lbw b McDonald	16	Whelan	9	1	55	0
H Tiffen	b Grealey	32	I Joyce	6	0	26	0
S McGlashan	b McDonald	4	Herbert	6	0	37	1
H Watson	not out	115	Metcalfe	10	1	39	1
N Browne	c & b Metcalfe	3	Grealey	9	0	44	2
M Lewis	b Herbert	4					
S Burke	b Grealey	10					
A Green	not out	6					
L Milliken							
R Steele							
Extras (b 1, lb 1, nb 1, w 16, p 0)		19					
Total (7 wkts, 50.0 overs)		232					
FOW: 1-38 2-49 3-55 4-128 5-145							
6-168 7-204							

IRELAND

C Beggs	lbw b Milliken	0	Milliken	8	2	39	3
C Joyce	run out (McGlashan)	33	Steele	10	3	26	1
I Joyce	b Milliken	18	Browne	5	1	15	0
M Grealey	b Milliken	2	Tiffen	8	0	39	1
C Shillington	lbw b Tiffen	3	Green	5.1	2	9	2
A Linehan	run out (McGlashan)	29	Burke	5	0	13	0
U Budd	lbw b Steele	3	Watson	4	0	10	1
C Metcalfe	st Rolls b Watson	7					
H Whelan	b Green	9					
B McDonald	c Lewis b Green	0					
M Herbert	not out	0					
Extras (b 4, lb 0, nb 4, w 43, p 0)		51					
Total (all out, 45.1 overs)		155					
FOW: 1-2 2-25 3-31 4-59 5-124							
6-134 7-135 8-148 9-152 10-155							



Coach's View – Peter Johnston

This summer the Irish Women's team competed in the Men's Leinster Junior A League with much greater success, winning more games than we lost. It appears the psychological battle of playing against guys has been won and the girls now have much more belief in their ability. These games are valuable for the squad and give the players the opportunity to face faster bowling and stronger hitters. It also provides us with the chance of rotating the squad and giving everyone an equal chance of selection for capped matches. We then showed steady improvement throughout the season with International games against New Zealand and an ECB Development XI.

The sponsorship from Bosch Domestic Appliances gave these games a professional feel with new one day kit provided and personal achievement awards given in each game. In terms of young players coming through, Jill Whelan and Jill Smythe both made significant strides, while Eimear Richardson also stated a claim and will definitely be a strong All Rounder of the future. The Joyce twins continued to impress also, along with the experienced Miriam Grealey and opening bowler Barbara McDonald. Unfortunately we would lose Isobel Joyce,

potentially our best bat from our World Cup Squad, due to academic commitments. Clare Shillington would continue to lead the side from the front as Captain.

After qualifying as winners of the IWCC Trophy 2 seasons previous, our final preparation phase began in October 2004 with a Training Camp held in Methodist College Belfast. The weekend included Fitness work and Assessment, Nets and a variety of lectures on Nutrition, Sport Psychology, Tactics and conditions in South Africa. Guests on the weekend included Ruth Wood Martin, Tadhg McIntyre, Jonathan Bush, Mat Dwyer, John Wills and Adi Birrell. The Camp was enjoyed by everyone and the girls left pretty tired but knowing they had put the work in.

Training then commenced on a weekly basis, on Sunday mornings at North County with the squad of 18, which was then reduced to 14 in January. As you can imagine the hall was freezing and the girls endured some tough bleep tests in arctic conditions and many a ball stinging their cold hands. Following the Camp, I had managed to gain the support of Adi Birrell and Mat Dwyer to assist in coaching the girls. Andrew McCarter a Sports Therapist

then joined us after Christmas and helped with Core Strength work and Stretching. Optional Saturday sessions also took place in the New Year and this was followed by 3 compulsory training weekends before we left for SA. The squad worked hard on all aspects of their game during these sessions and met up once per week for fitness work. We used plenty of open nets to simulate match conditions at various stages of the game. Mat's son came down to bowl along with a few other guys, in order to get the girls feet moving against faster bowling.

By the time the 11th of March 2005 came, we felt very well prepared but knew that some serious catch up work was needed to get familiar with conditions outside when we would get to our new home, The High Performance Centre at Tuk's University. The standard of fielding and fitness had improved hugely over the Winter. Our goals were clear and attainable, we wanted to finish in the top 6 of the tournament in order to qualify for the next World Cup. We have targeted games against South Africa, Sri Lanka and the West Indies as opportunities to pick up points.



Irish Women's Cricket Team - Goals Heading Into World Cup 2005

In October the Irish Women's World Cup training squad headed to Methodist Collage Belfast, to among other things, set out a plan that would take us up to and beyond South Africa in March. With the help of our coaching staff, manager and sports physiologist we put together a mission statement that became the spearhead of our training sessions.

"The Irish Senior Women's squad are a united group of individuals who's mission is, to work effectively together to play at our best consistently in order to peak at the World Cup 2005"

From this plan we set out specific goals which we felt were realistic and achievable with the funds, facilities and schedules available to us. Without doubt, our most important and focused upon goal has been to insure that we automatically qualify for the next World Cup in Australia

in 2009. The World Cup is the biggest stage in which Lady cricketers can compete. It is of huge importance that Irish cricket can compete and maintain it's position at this level.

In order for Ireland to automatically qualify for the next World Cup we must finish within the top six. This World Cup sees the introduction of a points system in which both winning and losing teams will be able to accumulate bonus points. Therefore, qualification will mean winning a minimum of two games.

We have singled out Sri Lanka and the West Indies as our teams to beat. Sri Lanka narrowly beat us in World Cup 2000 in New Zealand and we have not played them since. However, their results against teams such as Pakistan and the West Indies in recent years suggests that they are well within our reach. As with Sri

Lanka, we have not played the West Indies since the ICC Trophy in Holland in 2003. There we narrowly beat them and feel we can play even better this time round.

As a unit we have also set ourselves goals above and beyond the number six spot. Cricket is a funny game, and although we realize that beating the likes of Australia, New Zealand and England would take considerable amounts of Irish Luck, wins against South Africa and India are not completely out of our grasp.

Our final, and to me our most important goal, is to return home from South Africa knowing we couldn't have trained, prepared and played any harder, leaving no stone unturned. Experiencing a World Cup is an amazing opportunity and I have every confidence that we can compete and achieve our standards and goals in South Africa 2005.

European Championship, Dublin

Under 21 European Championships

Dublin, Ireland
10-12 August

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
ECB XI	3	3	0	0	0	6
Ireland	3	2	0	0	1	4
Scotland	3	1	0	0	2	2
Holland	3	0	0	0	3	0

Results

Scotland (0) lost to ECB XI (2) by 7 wickets

College Park, 10 August.

Scotland 57 (24.0 overs, L Davis 3-13)

ECB XI 58-3 (9.1 overs)

Ireland (2) beat Holland (0) by 98 runs

Rathmines, Dublin, 10 August.

Ireland 258-6 (E Beamish 100, C Joyce 42)

Holland 160-8 (C Hes 71)

Ireland (2) beat Scotland (0) by 180 runs

Malahide, 11 August.

Ireland 275-3 (50 overs, E Beamish 93*, J Smythe 56*, I Joyce 43)

Scotland 95 (29 overs, K Anderson 38, C Joyce 3-21)

ECB XI (2) beat Holland (0) by 219 runs

Phoenix Park, Dublin, 11 August.

ECB XI 307-4 (B Wild 81*, R Still 60)

Holland 88 (L Harper 3-13)

Scotland (2) beat Holland (0) by 7 wickets

Railway Union, 12 August.

Holland 71

Scotland 72-3

Ireland (0) lost to ECB XI (2) by 9 wickets

Merrion, Dublin, 12 August.

Ireland 119 (L Harper 3-18)

ECB XI 123-1 (L Harper 62*)

Squad

Isobel Joyce (Captain)

Miranda Andrews

Lisa Banahan

Emma Beamish

Suzanne Cairns

Cecelia Joyce

Tracey Fleming

Cathy Murphy

Eimear Richardson

Sharon Smyth

Jillian Smythe

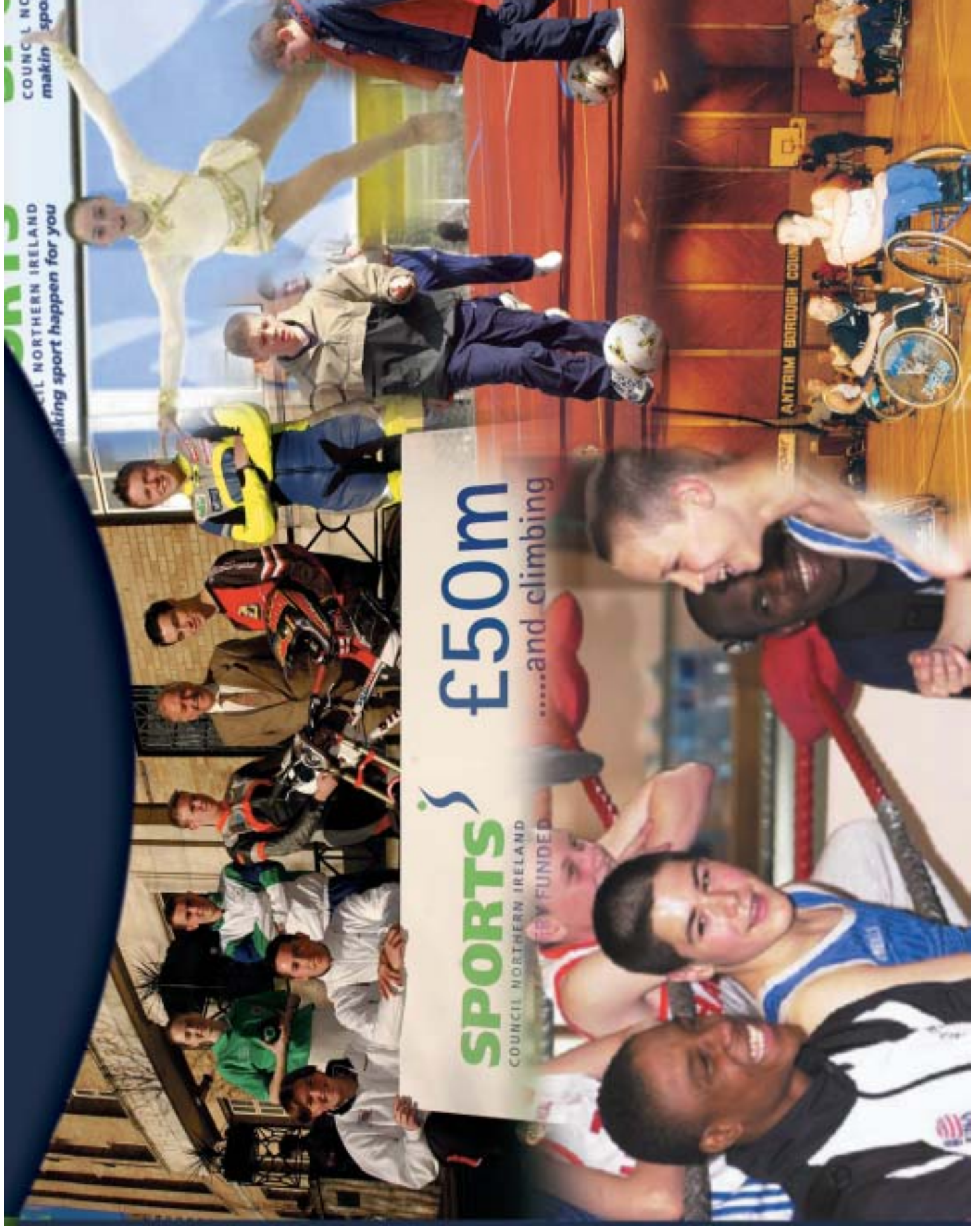
Laura Tierney

Jill Whelan

Coach: Miriam Grealey

Manager: Caitriona Beggs







Eoin Morgan has become the first winner from the world of cricket of the Irish Examiner Junior Sports Award. The young Middlesex all rounder was

a deserved winner of the accolade, and follows in the very famous footsteps of such notables as Roy Keane and Damien Duff, previous recipients of the award.

He was delighted to have received the honour and told CricketIreland, " Naturally I was very proud to accept the Irish

Examiner Junior Sports Star Award for cricket, not only because of all the great sports stars who have received it before me like Damien Duff and Roy Keane, but because I was the first to receive it for cricket in the 21 year history of the awards. Everyone was treated like superstars and it made me feel very special indeed."

So how did the Irish international feel that 2004 went for him? "Personally, it wasn't a very successful 2004 for me, although winning the school's Senior Cup, and being part of both strong Irish Senior and Under 19 teams, I didn't think I played that well. However, one of the positives to take out of last year were my performances with Middlesex, scoring over 300 runs at an average of 47. Playing for my school, CUS is always very special to

me, as they have given me so much support and encouragement since I started there. My 404 runs at an average of 101, and 16 wickets helped us to be successful in the Leinster Schools Cup Final which was a little payback."

Eoin has just been given a 3 year contract with Middlesex and is looking forward to the coming season, " I've got on well at Middlesex and I've thoroughly enjoyed my time there. With my signing a 3 year full time contract, I'm delighted to have the opportunity to play cricket at such a high level. I'm extremely happy there and the coaching I receive is second to none. I'm looking forward to the coming season, where I hope to remain injury free, be chosen for the Middlesex first XI, and hopefully lead CUS to as successful a campaign as last year."



Youth Cricket, 2004: Retrospect and Prospect

The endeavours of the Youth section of the Irish Cricket Union are underpinned by two objectives, increasing involvement in cricket and promoting excellence. The inextricable links between the two main objectives have resulted in the concept of a close season becoming more of an anachronism each year. The extensive programme of winter and spring coaching which is co-ordinated by the ICU complements the excellent coaching programmes which are in place in the constituent cricket unions. Additionally, many of our young players are furthering their cricketing education by going to Australia, to schools in South Africa or to the South African Cricket Academy.

The fruits of all this labour are evidenced by the successes of our teams at the various international events of the past year. Our under 13, under 15 and under 19 teams won their tournaments, and three of our players, Shane Getkate, Neil Hamilton and Gary Wilson, were honoured with player of the tournament awards. The under 17 ECC tournament was hosted superbly by the North West Cricket Union, but for the second year in a row, our players were defeated at this level by Scotland. We owe a huge debt of gratitude to all of our managers and coaches for their selfless commitment and generosity, and in particular we thank Gary Blair who stepped down at the end of the tournament after a number of very successful seasons as manager of the u15 team.

At inter-provincial level, the u13 tournament was staged in Belfast, and a very strong Leinster team was victorious. The u15 team tournament was held in Dublin, with the NCU emerging as the overall winners. Noteworthy at each of these tournaments was the very high level of skill and enthusiasm of the players, and the fantastic support which cricket receives from the families of the players and from the clubs which host tournament games so willingly.

The All-Ireland Club Tournament Finals have developed into great sporting occasions with visiting teams bringing lots of supporters, and the home clubs going to great lengths to entertain their visitors with very lavish hospitality. The under 15 final was won by Clontarf who defeated a very competitive Ballymena side. The under 13 and under 11 finals were contested by Instonians and Malahide, with Instonians winning at under 11, and Malahide winning at under 13. The inclusion of teams from the North West will add another dimension to these tournaments during the 2005 season.

In terms of prestige and consequences, the European under 19 tournament in Dundee in late July is most important event at youth level in the coming season because success will mean qualification for the under 19 World Cup. Our squad will contain some of the players who competed so successfully in the previous World Cup in Sri Lanka, and if there are no major problems with regard to the availability of players who have received

county contracts in England, we should acquit ourselves very well. Our under 17 team will be travelling to Denmark, our under 15s to Holland, and the under 13 tournament is being hosted in Dublin. If our players replicate the feats of recent years, it will be tremendous, but it is far more important that we continue to monitor and to coach our young cricketers so that they are given every opportunity to excel. Tentative steps have been taken with regard to the establishment of Academy-type structures in the NCU and in the LCU, and it is to be hoped that eventually we will be in a position to enlist the services of coaches for the month of August so that the work can be done on the strengths and weaknesses which were identified during the international tournaments.

The National Coach, Adrian Birrell, has shown a tremendous interest in our young cricketers, and he has been instrumental in developing the concept of a Team Ireland whereby all of our teams from under 13 to Senior level play to a common strategy. He has shown by his imaginative selection policies a willingness to promote young players to the Senior Team. The time is now opportune to avail of the raised awareness which will accrue from the hosting of the ICC Trophy, to seek out sponsorship which will enable our young cricketers to continue in the pursuit of excellence and to fulfil their all of their cricketing ambitions and aspirations.

Jim Bennett
Chairman of Youth Cricket





Calypso Summer



European Championships

Under 13 European Championships

Dundee, Scotland
16-18 July

Final Table

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Ireland	3	3	0	0	0	6
Denmark	3	1	0	0	2	2
Scotland	3	1	0	0	2	2
Holland	3	1	0	0	2	2

Results

Scotland (2) beat Denmark (0) by 64 runs

Lochlands Arbroath, 16 July.

Scotland 166-9 (40.0 overs, A Bailwal 39, C Burnett 37*)

Denmark 102 (31.1 overs, A Bailwal 3-16)

Ireland (2) beat Holland (0) by 7 wickets

Forthill Broughty Ferry Dundee, 16 July.

Holland 132-9 (40.0 overs, G

McDonnell 3-23)

Ireland 134-3 (33.4 overs, P Stirling 42, S Getkate 38*)

Scotland (0) lost to Holland (2) by 2 wickets

Lochside Park Forfar, 17 July.

Scotland 122 (39.4 overs)

Holland 123-8 (35.5 overs, T Gruijters 40, A Bailwal 6-23)

Denmark (0) lost to Ireland (2) by 7 wickets

Lochlands Arbroath, 17 July.

Denmark 144-5 (S Ahmed 53)

Ireland 145-3 (S Getkate 70*, G McDonnell 36)

Scotland (0) lost to Ireland (2) by 8 wickets

Forthill Broughty Ferry Dundee, 18 July.

Scotland 130 (39.5 overs, A Bailwal 43)

Ireland 131-2 (28.2 overs, P Stirling 51, S Getkate 44)

Denmark (2) beat Holland (0) by 4 wickets

Dalnacraig, 18 July.

Holland 95 (D Mondoza 3-17)

Denmark 97-6

Under 15 European Championships

Herning, Denmark
30 July - 1 August

Table

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Ireland	3	3	0	0	0	6
Holland	3	2	0	0	1	4
Scotland	3	1	0	0	3	2
Denmark	3	0	0	0	3	0

Results

Denmark (0) lost to Scotland (2) by 113 runs

Herning, 30 July.

Scotland 224-6 (40.0 overs, C

MacLeod 68, S Hart 50)

Denmark 111 (36.5 overs, C MacLeod 3-21, O Hunt 3-21)

Ireland (2) beat Holland (0) by 7 runs

Herning, 30 July.

Ireland 165-8 (40.0 overs)

Holland 158 (39.4 overs, A Kervezee

38, T Fischer 35, N Hamilton 3-24, S Lester 3-31)

Holland (2) beat Scotland (0) by 85 runs

Herning, 31 July.

Holland 122-8 (40.0 overs, K Morton 4-30)

Scotland 37 (35.0 overs, A Kervezee 3-5)

Denmark (0) lost to Ireland (2) by 101 runs

Herning, 31 July.

Ireland 177-8 (40.0 overs, B Ackland 43, S Deb 3-51)

Denmark 76 (34.5 overs, N Hamilton 3-13)

Denmark (0) lost to Holland (2) by 8 wickets

Herning, 1 August.

Denmark 71 (39.3 overs, B Entrop 3-15)

Holland 72-2 (20.0 overs)

Ireland (2) beat Scotland (0) by 4 wickets

Scotland 189-7 (40 overs, H Locke 75, C McLeod 55*)

Ireland 190-6 (39.3 overs, N Hamilton 59*, P Doyle 45)

Under 17 European Championships

Londonderry, Northern Ireland
24-26 July

Table

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Scotland	3	3	0	0	0	6
Ireland	3	2	0	0	1	4
Holland	3	1	0	0	2	2
Denmark	3	0	0	0	3	0

Results

Ireland (2) beat Holland (0) by 116 runs

Bready, 24 July.

Ireland 224-7 (45.0 overs, C

Dougherty 89, A Cowden 52)

Holland 108-9 (45.0 overs, G Thompson 3-13, N Gill 3-19)

Scotland (2) beat Denmark (0) by 3 wickets

Bready, 24 July.

Denmark 160-9 (Z Shah 71, R Cannon 4-12)

Scotland 161-7 (R Cannon 43, K Quershi 4-29)

Scotland (2) beat Holland (0) in a bowl-out (4-3)

Glendermott, 25 July.

Ireland (2) beat Denmark (0) by 14 runs

Limavady, 25 July.

Ireland 100 (24.3 overs, D Rankin 40)

Denmark 86 (24.0 overs, N Gill 4-21)

Holland (2) beat Denmark (0) by 8 runs

Drummond, 26 July.

Holland 130-9 (35.0 overs)

Denmark 122

Ireland (0) lost to Scotland (2) by 74 runs

Limavady, 26 July.

Scotland 160-6 (50.0 overs, R

Berrington 61*, N McDarby 3-35)

Ireland 86 (C Marshall 4-25)

Under 19 European Championships

Oundle, England
19-23 July

Table

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Ireland	3	2	0	0	1	4
Scotland	3	2	0	0	1	4
Holland	3	1	0	0	2	2
Denmark	3	1	0	0	2	2

Results

Scotland (2) beat Holland (0) by 5 runs.

Oundle School, 19 July.

Scotland 184

Holland 179

Ireland (2) beat Denmark (0) by 117 runs.

Oundle School, 19 July.

Ireland 250-7 (50.0 overs, Rankin 97, Wilson 63)

Denmark 133 (McDarby 4-30, Gill 3-35)

Ireland (0) lost to Holland (2) by 3 wickets

Oundle School, 20 July.

Ireland 184 (G.Wilson 48, N.McDarby 36, MGHaznavi 4-24)

Holland 185-7 (D.van Everdingen 67*, N.Gill 3-26)

Scotland (2) beat Denmark (0) by 206 runs

Oundle, 21 July.

Scotland 277-6 (K Farid 68, R

Berrington 48, G Goudie 38)

Denmark 71 (U Mohammed 4-25, Z Bashir 3-20)

Scotland (0) lost to Ireland (2) by 154 runs

Oundle, 23 July.

Ireland 232-8 (G Wilson 88, A Farooq 4-51)

Scotland 78

European Squad

Lee Nelson (Waringstown, Captain)
Ryan Hopkins (Cym, Vice-Captain)
Andrew Balbirnie (Pembroke)
Adrain D'Arcy (Clontarf) (Wk)
Mathew D'Arcy (Clontarf)
Shane Getkate (Malahide)
Micheal Heaney (Belfast Harlequins)
David Mays (Railway Union)
Deam McCarter (Killyclooney)
Graham McDonnell (Leinster)
Joe Sherlock (West Cork Rebels)
Paul Stirling (Cliftonville)
Stuart Thompson (Eglinton)
Coach: Brian Doherty
Manager: Brian Gailey

European Squad

Eoghan Delaney (Clontarf, captain)
James Hall (Waringstown)
Stuart Lester (Armagh)
Robbie Kirk (Instonians)
Jason Milligan (Fox Lodge)
Ben Ackland (Merriem)
Neil Hamilton (Instonians)
Michael Taylor (Ballymena)
James Shannon (Instonians)
Hugo Whelan (Clontarf)
Graham Elliott (Lisburn)
Philip Doyle (Armagh)
Stephen Clarke (Bready)
Coach: John Semple
Manager: Gary Blair

European Squad

Greg Thompson (Captain)
Daniel Campion
Andrew Cowden
Christopher Dougherty
Conor Geraghty
Neil Gill
James Magowan
Fintan Mc Allister
Niall McDarby
Gavin McKenna
David Rankin
Kyle Tonetti
Ian Whitten
Coach: Brian O'Rourke
Manager: Andrew McCrea

European Squad

Gary Wilson (Belfast Harlequins, captain)
Kyle Tonetti (Merriem)
Conor Geraghty (Malahide)
Neil Gill (Muckamore)
Gary Kidd (Waringstown)
Fintan McAllister (Rush)
Niall McDarby (CYM)
Andrew McGinnis (Donemana)
Gareth McKee (Cliftonville)
Simon McMichael (Limavady)
Robert Rankin (Bready)
Richard Stirling (Cliftonville)
Graham Boyd (Donemana)
Coach: Ray Daly
Manager: Roy Torrens
Asst Coach: Brian Walsh



Under 23 European Championships

Scotland
10-12 August
Tournament abandoned as a result of the weather.

Results

Ireland (1) v Holland (1) - no result
Bothwell Castle Uddingston, 10 August.

Scotland (1) v Denmark (1) - no result
Titwood, 10 August.

Scotland (1) v Holland (1) - no result
Cambusdoon, 11 August.

Ireland (1) v Denmark (1) - no result
Cambusdoon, 11 August.
Denmark 59-1 (8.0 overs)

Scotland (1) v Ireland (1) - no result
Bothwell Castle Uddingston, 12 August.

Denmark (1) v Holland (1) - no result
Titwood Glasgow, 12 August.

Squad

William Porterfield
Andrew Riddles
John Mooney
Gary Wilson
Conor Mullen
Boyd Rankin
Ryan Haire
Trevor Britton
Gary Kidd
Greg Thompson
Kevin O'Brien
Dominick Joyce
Conor D'arcy
Coach: Adrian Birrell
Manager: Ian Johnston

INTER-REGIONAL

Under 13

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Leinster	3	2	0	1	0	10
North West	3	2	0	1	0	10
NCU	3	0	0	1	2	2
Munster	3	0	0	1	2	2

Results

Leinster (4) beat Munster (0) by 9 wickets
Saintfield, 30 June.
Munster 39
Leinster 40-1

NCU (0) lost to North West (4) by 1 wicket
Derrigahy, 30 June.
NCU 108 (C Averill 3-15)
North West 109-9 (P Stirling 3-12, C Grieve 3-18)

NCU (2) v Munster (2) - match abandoned
Stormont, 1 July.
NCU 191-9 (P Stirling 47, R McCurry 36*, J Sherlock 3-34)

North West (2) v Leinster (2) - match abandoned
Stormont, 1 July.
North West 66-9

Leinster (4) beat NCU (0) by 31 runs
Shaw's Bridge, 2 July.
Leinster 93-6 (K Allen 3-12)
NCU 62

North West (4) beat Munster (0) by 29 runs
Shaw's Bridge, 2 July.
North West 114-7
Munster 85

Under 15

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
NCU	3	3	0	0	0	12
Leinster	3	2	0	0	1	8
North West	3	1	0	0	2	4
Munster	3	0	0	0	3	0

Results

NCU (4) beat North West (0) by 7 wickets
Railway Union, 30 June.
North West 150-8 (40.0 overs, S Clarke 83*)
NCU 151-3 (J Shannon 62, J Hall 44*)

Leinster (4) beat Munster (0)
Malahide, 30 June.
Leinster 232-8 (T Lawson 68, E Delaney 37)
Munster 160-7 (A Yadav 67, B Ackland 3-28)

NCU (4) beat Munster (0) by 240 runs
Rush, 1 July.
NCU 310-8 (P Doyle 99, R McCarthy 75)
Munster 70 (J Shannon 4-16)

Leinster (4) beat North West (0) by 8 wickets
Clontarf, 1 July.
North West 209-8 (J Milligan 73)
Leinster 210-2 (H Whelan 102, B Ackland 75*)

Leinster (0) lost to NCU (4) by 6 wickets
Balrothery, 2 July.
Leinster 194-8 (B Ackland 48, H Whelan 42, S Lester 3-38)
NCU 196-4 (J Shannon 73, J Hall 49, P Doyle 39)

North West (4) beat Munster (0) by 57 runs
Balbriggan, 2 July.
North West 168 (J Blakiston-Houston 45, C Healy 4-21, D Fogarty 3-30)
Munster 111 (S Caulfield 3-27)

Under 17

NCU beat Leinster by 12 runs
Muckamore, 17 August.
NCU 203-9 (45.0 overs, A Cowden 77, J Maguire 41, J Hall 36)
Leinster 191 (44.0 overs, D Russell 39, N McDarby 39, G McKenna 6-21)

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Cheshire Under 19 beat Irish Schools by 6 wickets
Brooklands, 12 July.
Irish Schools 139 (C Geraghty 51, F McAllister 26, A Ray 3-26, T Young 2-14)
Cheshire Under 19 140-4 (A Day 61*, W Goodwin 44, T Barr 2-20)
13-14 July: v Yorkshire Schools, at St Peter's School, York Tour squad:
G Wilson (MCB, captain)
S Cooper (Bangor Grammar, vice-captain)
F McAllister (CUS)
R Stirling (Belfast High)
R Rankin (Strabane Grammar)
R Johnson (RBAI)
T Barr (Strabane Grammar)
C Geraghty (Belvedere College)
R Flannery (CUS)
G Watterson (Bangor Grammar)
K Tonetti (St Gerard's, Bray)
N McDarby (Dublin High)
C Cargo (Bangor Grammar)

UNIVERSITIES

Southampton, 29 June - 1 July.
Winners: England

Scotland beat Ireland by 97 runs
29 June.
Scotland 289-9 (S Coetzer 84, S Reddy 82, S Gilmour 46, S Wells 3-48)
Ireland 192 (R Haire 41, P Blakeney 38, S Leggat 3-42)

Ireland beat Wales by 2 wickets
30 June.
Wales 294-8 (C Clubb 67, M Martin 63, K Bell 57, A Daniels 35, D Simpson 3-42)
Ireland 295-8 (R Haire 92, J Blakeney 33, P Blakeney 32, S Redpath 32)

England beat Ireland by 37 runs
1 July.
England 256-8 (S Cordingley 89, A Mawson 44, M Smith 40, A Haire 4-53)
Ireland 219 (R Duggan 71, J Blakeney 38, R Towler 4-46)



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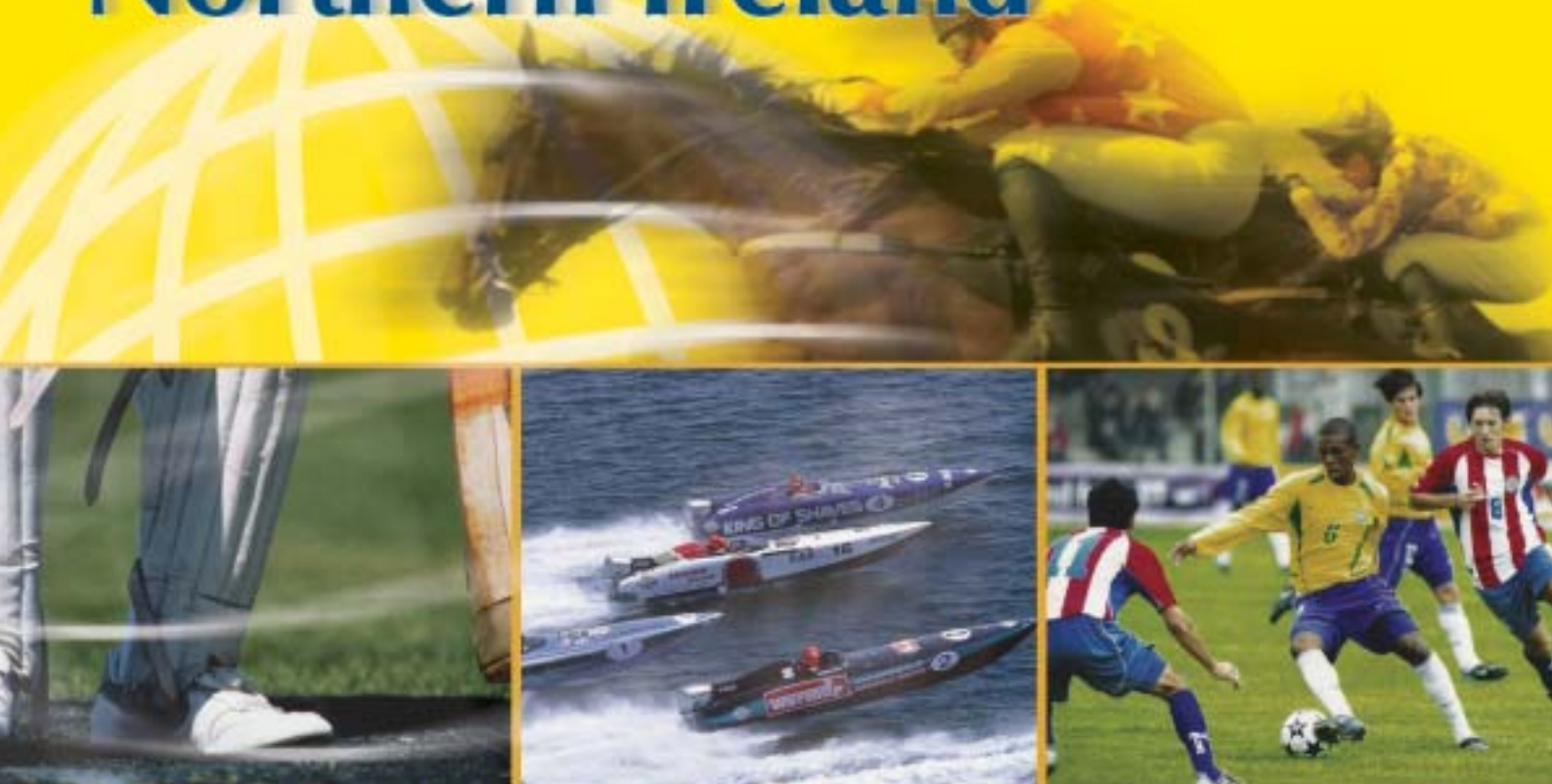
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Ian Lewis

Former Ireland cricket international and well-known administrator Ian Lewis died suddenly at his home in Dublin in November at the age of 69.

A member of YMCA Cricket Club in Dublin, Lewis was one of the leading batsmen in the country throughout a playing career that spanned 36 seasons. In that time, he played 357 senior matches for YMCA, amassing more than 8,500 runs and eight centuries. He also played for some years with Cork County CC at the Mardyke when his work took him to Munster. He made his international debut against the MCC at Lord's in 1955 and won what turned out to be the last of his 20 caps against Canada in Toronto in 1973. He also played 44 times for South Leinster at interprovincial level, scoring 1,127 runs at an average of 32.20.

Perhaps the highlight of his international career came in College Park in 1963 against a formidable West Indies team that included the likes of Charlie Griffiths and Conrad Hunte. Lewis scored 41 out of Ireland's low total of 62, an innings that included two big sixes off legendary Jamaican left-arm spinner Alf Valentine.

In recent years, Lewis turned his talents and dedication to the administrative side of the game in Ireland, representing YMCA on the Leinster Cricket Union for many years. He was made president of the LCU in 1982, a position he held for two years, and in 1989 he was elected as president of the Irish Cricket Union. He continued to support the game long after retiring as a player and followed the national side on many tours and tournaments as far away as Malaysia, Zimbabwe and Kenya. His son, Alan, is Ireland's most capped cricketer and currently an international

rugby referee. Indeed, when his father took ill on Saturday, Alan was in Hampden Park taking charge of the Scotland versus Australia Test.

In October 2004, Lewis's enormous contribution to Irish cricket, both on and off the field, was recognised at the annual dinner of the LCU when he was inducted into Leinster's Hall of Fame.

Lewis is survived by his wife, Ida, son Alan and daughter Nicola. He will also be sadly missed by his many friends at YMCA Cricket Club, Wanderers RFC, the Hibernian Catch Club, Carrickmines Golf Club and will be remembered with fondness at cricket grounds all over Ireland and beyond.

Cecil Cave

A life-long member of Holywood Cricket Club and President of the Irish Cricket Union in 1976.

As president of the ICU, Cecil received a delegation from the Cricket Council which saw Ireland enter a new era in cricket.

Cecil is survived by his wife and three children.



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Ireland's Batting averages (1855-2004)

Qualification - 1,000 runs, average 25.00

Name	Mts	Inns	N.O.	HS	Runs	Ave	100	50
A Masood (1982-1988)	40	55	5	138	1940	38.80	4	11
G McVeagh (1926-1938)	21	36	5	109	1108	35.74	2	7
I Anderson (1966-1985)	86	141	25	198*	3777	32.56	7	13
E Joyce (1997-2001)	45	46	6	87	1238	30.95	0	10
J Molins (1995-2004)	65	67	4	107*	1940	30.79	2	12
S Warke (1981-1996)	114	151	10	144*	4275	30.31	4	28
A White (2000-2004)	53	49	8	152*	1238	30.19	2	4
M Rea (1985-1996)	52	71	3	115	2044	30.05	2	11
A Dunlop (1990-2000)	114	128	20	150	3164	29.29	4	16
J Short (1974-1984)	56	91	5	114	2515	29.24	3	15
J Benson (1993-1997)	59	60	7	79	1528	28.83	0	9
A Lewis (1984-1997)	121	145	20	136*	3579	28.63	4	20
M Cohen (1980-1994)	69	96	8	118	2519	28.62	2	17
S Smyth (1990-1999)	64	76	9	102*	1912	28.53	1	10
J Macdonald (1926-1939)	29	48	6	108*	1196	28.47	1	7
S Bergin (1949-1965)	53	98	7	137	2524	27.73	2	15
R Lambert (1893-1930)	52	83	11	116*	1995	27.70	4	8
J Patterson (1984-1992)	40	50	9	84	1117	27.24	0	6
D Curry (1992-2001)	50	50	6	100	1193	27.11	1	9
G Harrison (1983-1997)	118	132	26	105*	2765	26.08	1	12
K McCallan (1996-2004)	113	99	10	100	2320	26.06	2	8
J Prior (1981-1986)	37	48	4	119	1134	25.77	1	7
P Gillespie (1995-2004)	83	81	10	94	1822	25.66	0	12
J Harrison (1969-1977)	32	58	5	111*	1347	25.41	2	4

Highest Scores

198*	I Anderson	v	Canada	Toronto	1973
167	T O'Brien	v	Oxford Univ	Oxford	1902
157	A Comyn	v	I Zingari	Phoenix Park	1896
152*	A White	v	Holland	Deventer	2004
150	A Dunlop	v	Scotland	Ayr	2000
149	H Mulholland	v	Scotland	Glasgow	1911
148	A Dunlop	v	MCC	Malahide	1996
147	I Anderson	v	Scotland	Glasgow	1976
144*	S Warke	v	Scotland	Clontarf	1985
144	W Pollock	v	Scotland	Glasgow	1922

Most Centuries

7	I Anderson
4	R, Lambert, A Masood, S Warke, A Lewis, A Dunlop

Quickest Century

J Prior	51 balls, 51 minutes v Warwickshire, Rathmines 1982
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Most Catches

	Mts	Ct
A O'Riordan (1958-1977)	72	57
S Warke (1981-1996)	114	54
S Corlett (1974-1987)	73	48

Wicket-Keeping

	Mts	Ct	St	Total
O Colhoun (1959-1979)	87	148	42	190
P Jackson (1981-1994)	87	103	30	133
F Browning (1888-1909)	36	31	22	53
A Patterson (1996-2002)	60	43	10	53

Highest Partnerships For Each Wicket

For Ireland

1st	224	M Rea & S Warke	v Wales	College Park, Dublin	1992
2nd	207	A Masood & D Dennison	v MCC	Lord's	1985
3rd	206	A Dunlop & A Patterson	v MCC	Malahide	1996
4th	224*	A Lewis & G Harrison	v Scotland	Hamilton Cres, Glasgow	1994
5th	175	J Harrison & A O'Riordan	v Denmark	Clontarf, Dublin	1973
6th	201	A Comyn & W Hamilton	v I Zingari	Phoenix Park, Dublin	1896
7th	150	W Hone Snr & W Ashton	v I Zingari	Vice Regal, Dublin	1868
8th	150	S Corlett & A McBrine	v Scotland	Coleraine	1987
9th	96	J Hynes & W Hamilton	v Gents of Canada	Rathmines, Dublin	1887
	96	D Dennison & M Halliday	v MCC	Clontarf, Dublin	1986
10th	100*	P McCrum & J Davy	v Scotland	Malahide	1997

Against Ireland

1st	236	I Philip & B Patterson	Scotland	Malahide	1991
2nd	221	A Wright & R Cunliffe	Gloucester	Clontarf, Dublin	1996
3rd	209	P Willey & D Gower	Leicestershire	Grace Road, Leicester	1986
4th	224	N Riches & F Mathias	Wales	Ormeau, Belfast	1926
5th	177	S Pollock & M Boucher	South Africa	Downpatrick	1998
6th	190	B Tod & A McTavish	Scotland	Raeburn Place, Edinburgh	1936
7th	176	J Henderson & W Edward	Scotland	Perth	1950
8th	187	J Henderson & W Edward	Scotland	Paisley	1954
9th	80	F Brewster & D Newhall	Philadelphia	Nicetown, Pennsylvania	1888
10th	86	W Thorburn & D Chapel	Scotland	Perth	1909

Ireland's Bowling Averages (1855 - 2004)

Qualification 100 wickets

Name	Mts	O	M	R	Wkt	Ave	10M	5I
J Boucher (1929-1954)	60	1597.1	371	4684	307	15.25	7	31
W Harrington (1894-1921)	28	798.4	223	1862	112	16.62	1	8
D Monteith (1965-1984)	76	2414.1	886	5664	326	17.37	7	27
R Lambert (1893-1930)	52	1288.4	331	3286	179	18.35	4	12
E Ingram (1928-1953)	48	1394	514	3038	151	20.11	1	7
S Huey (1951-1966)	36	942.5	293	2314	112	20.66	1	7
A O'Riordan (1958-1977)	72	1950	621	4503	206	21.85	1	7
D Goodwin (1965-1975)	43	1125.4	420	2551	115	22.18	1	6
S Corlett (1974-1987)	73	1892.2	440	5387	233	23.12	0	8
M Halliday (1970-1989)	93	1961.2	474	5819	192	30.30	2	5
K McCallan (1996-2004)	113	1028.5	125	3893	123	31.65	0	1
P McCrum (1989-1998)	74	938.4	147	3426	106	32.32	0	1
G Harrison (1983-1997)	118	1332.5	218	4714	140	33.67	0	3

Best Bowling

9-26	F Fee	v	Scotland	College Park	1957
9-28	T Ross	v	South Africa	Cork	1904
9-113	G Harrison	v	Scotland	Edinburgh	1990
8-32	C Lawrence	v	MCC	Lord's	1858
8-44	D Monteith	v	MCC	Lord's	1973
8-48	S Huey	v	MCC	College Park	1954
8-60	A O'Riordan	v	Holland	The Hague	1970
8-80	R Gregory	v	Scotland	Rathmines	1912
7-11	R Lambert	v	Scotland	College Park	1910
7-13	J Boucher	v	New Zealand	Rathmines	1937
7-15	H Hamilton	v	I Zingari	Phoenix Park	1878
7-18	J Boucher	v	Scotland	Perth	1950



Irish International Averages 2004

Batting

	M	Inn	NO	Runs	HS	100	50	Ave
N O'Brien	2	2	1	60	58*	0	1	60.00
A White	11	12	3	440	152*	1	1	48.88
T Johnston	10	10	2	360	83	0	3	45.00
D Joyce	5	6	2	180	66	0	2	45.00
K McCallan	11	11	4	258	64*	0	2	36.85
J Molins	10	11	0	392	66	0	3	35.63
J Bray	12	14	0	489	116	1	3	34.92
P Gillespie	11	12	1	309	66	0	2	28.09
G Dros	2	2	0	52	45	0	0	26.00
P Mooney	4	4	2	52	32	0	0	26.00
A Botha	12	14	0	256	42	0	0	18.28
N Shoukat	8	6	1	72	48	0	0	14.40
A McCoubrey	3	2	1	10	10	0	0	10.00
E Morgan	5	4	1	29	13*	0	0	9.66
J Mooney	4	2	0	18	18	0	0	9.00
J Bushe	4	1	0	6	6	0	0	6.00
S Ogilby	6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
G Cooke	6	1	1	17	17*	0	0	-
G Thompson	3	2	2	2	1*	0	0	-
R Eagleson	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
G Kidd	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	-

Bowling

	M	Ov	Md	R	Wkt	Ave	5I	S/R
G Cooke	6	43.4	2	220	12	18.33	1	21.83
N Shoukat	8	121	27	385	19	20.26	2	38.21
T Johnston	10	87.5	19	328	14	23.42	0	37.64
A Botha	12	116	17	455	17	26.76	0	40.94
K McCallan	11	122.4	18	448	15	29.86	0	49.06
A McCoubrey	3	19	1	90	3	30.00	0	38.00
J Mooney	4	30	4	151	5	30.20	0	36.00
A White	11	90	10	435	14	31.07	0	38.57
D Joyce	5	11	1	32	1	32.00	0	66.00
G Thompson	3	75.4	21	264	7	37.71	0	64.85
G Dros	2	6	0	39	1	39.00	0	36.00
P Mooney	4	22	1	112	2	56.00	0	66.00
J Bray	12	3	0	6	0	-	0	-
G Kidd	1	15	2	79	0	-	0	-
R Eagleson	2	15	2	90	0	-	0	-

Catches

6	K McCallan
4	A Botha, T Johnston, N Shoukat, A White
3	J Bray, P Gillespie, J Molins, E Morgan
2	G Thompson
1	G Cooke

Wicketkeeping

	M	Ct	St	Total
S Ogilby	6	12	1	13
J Bushe	4	3	1	4
N O'Brien	2	4	0	4

Ireland International Players 1946–2004

For players who appeared prior to 1946, caps obtained from 1946 onwards are indicated in brackets.

J Allen (1948)	1	M Dargan (1954)	1	N Hool (1947–61)	14	D McGerrigle (1999)	7	J Patterson (1984–92)	40
I Anderson (1966–85)	86	J Davy (1997–2000)	26	K Hope (1958–66)	13	J McGonigle (2002)	9	D Pigot (1966–76)	44
N Anderson (1998)	2	P Davy (1995–2002)	44	J Hopkins (1961)	1	W McKee (1946)	1	S Pollock (1939–57)	41(37)
B Archer (1999–2000)	22	K Dempsey (1947)	1	S Huey (1951–66)	36	J McKelvey (1954)	2	C Posnett (1947)	6
C Armstrong (2001–03)	21	D Dennison (1983–87)	24	A Hughes (1979–82)	5	A McQuilken (1961–67)	9	J Power (1994)	1
L Armstrong (1947–53)	11	P Dineen (1962–73)	23	P Hughes (1965–78)	13	N Mahony (1947–53)	9	D Pratt (1963–66)	10
K Bailey (1985–91)	11	N Doak (1993–2000)	32	R Hunter (1957–67)	28	E Marks (1953–57)	6	J Prior (1981–86)	37
R Barnes (1928–49)	14(5)	B Donaghey (1962–67)	3	E Ingram (1928–53)	48(20)	H Martin (1949–68)	39	F Quinn (1936–49)	12(7)
J Benson (1993–97)	59	G Dros (1999–2004)	6	P Jackson (1981–94)	87	A Masood (1982–88)	40	K Quinn (1957–59)	7
S Bergin (1949–65)	53	G Duffy (1953–74)	55	L Jacobson (1947–59)	12	R Matier (1963)	3	B Rankin (2003)	2
R Bernstein (1960–62)	8	A Dunlop (1990–2000)	114	M Jaffey (1953)	2	B Millar (1992–95)	20	M Rea (1985–96)	52
E Bodell (1954–59)	6	M Dwyer (1998–2001)	51	A Jeffrey (1984–89)	11	W Millar (1969)	2	M Reith (1969–80)	44
W Booton (1970)	1	M Eagar (1957)	2	N Johnson (1998)	3	F Miller (1949–55)	16	J Rhodes (1999)	6
A Botha (2001–04)	27	R Eagleson (1995–2004)	65	A Johnston (1990)	3	H Milling (1985–93)	26	M Ridley (1968)	2
J Boucher (1929–54)	60(31)	J Elder (1973–87)	37	I Johnston (1979–83)	15	S Mitchell (1974)	3	A Rutherford (1989–2000)	47
J Bowden (1946–56)	18	D Ensor (1969)	1	T Johnston (2004)	10	R Moan (1970)	1	W Scott (1958)	4
S Bradley (1982)	1	W Fawcett (1956–59)	12	E Jones (1986)	4	G Molins (1996–99)	25	A Semple (1989)	2
J Bray (2002–04)	26	W Booton (1970)	1	A Joyce (2000)	3	J Molins (1995–2004)	65	M Shannon (1984)	1
G Brophy (2000)	3	A Botha (2001–04)	27	D Joyce (2000–04)	43	D Monteith (1965–84)	76	D Shearer (1932–52)	32(14)
J Burke (1953–58)	6	J Boucher (1929–54)	60(31)	E Joyce (1997–2001)	45	J Mooney (2001–04)	14	P Shields (1999–2000)	2
E Bushe (1979–80)	7	J Bowden (1946–56)	18	D Kane (1981)	2	P Mooney (1998–2004)	60	J Short (1974–84)	8
J Bushe (1998–2004)	29	S Bradley (1982)	1	D Kennedy (2002)	1	D Moore (1996–97)	7	N Shoukat (2004)	56
O Butler (1994–2000)	12	J Bray (2002–04)	26	C Kenny (1952–62)	11	E Moore (1991–95)	25	J Simpson (1954)	1
J Byrne (1997)	3	G Brophy (2000)	3	G Kidd (2004)	1	P Moore (1992–94)	2	A Smith (1977–79)	7
N Cantwell (1956–59)	5	J Burke (1953–58)	6	J Kiernan (1957)	1	E Morgan (2003–04)	10	S Smyth (1990–99)	64
J Caprani (1948–60)	7	E Bushe (1979–80)	7	K Kirkpatrick (1962)	2	G Morrison (1947)	4	A Spence (1989–90)	4
N Carson (1998–99)	20	J Bushe (1998–2004)	29	G Kirkwood (1983)	3	G Murphy (1980)	3	M Stevenson (1951–64)	11
J Cochrane (1969)	2	O Butler (1994–2000)	12	G Kirwan (1983)	2	MV Narasimha Rao (1994–95)	6	B Stronach (1951)	1
R Coetzee (2003)	7	J Byrne (1997)	3	R Lamba (1990)	4	G Neely (1997–2003)	22	S Taylor (1991)	1
M Cohen (1980–94)	69	N Cantwell (1956–59)	5	D Goodwin (1965–75)	43	A Nelson (1988–94)	43	G Thompson (2004)	2
O Colhoun (1959–79)	87	J Caprani (1948–60)	7	D Graham (1948)	2	N Nelson (1990–91)	5	N Thompson (1988–92)	18
D Cooke (1994)	1	N Carson (1998–99)	20	G Graham (1954)	1	P Neville (1956–60)	7	R Torrens (1966–84)	30
G Cooke (1994–2004)	62	J Cochrane (1969)	2	U Graham (1992–97)	36	T Newburn (1949)	1	D Vincent (1986–91)	21
A Cooper (1954)	2	R Coetzee (2003)	7	Robin Haire (1986)	3	J Notley (1958)	1	P Waldron (1946–47)	5
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C Corry (1959–66)	5	O Colhoun (1959–79)	87	M Halliday (1970–89)	93	B O'Brien (1966–81)	52	L Warke (1950–61)	34
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		D Curry (1992–2001)	50	C Hoey (1991–95)	42	A Patterson (1996–2002)	60	B Wilson (1956–61)	5
		R Daly (1971)	1	P Hollick (1956–57)	2	M Patterson (1995–2001)	42		
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Introduction

The continued success of our International teams is encouraging, pleasing and one which makes us all proud.

Through this the profile of cricket in Ireland and around the World continues to increase. This is no more reflected than when we are taking to government agencies, companies, both large and small, and they are fully aware of the sport and our achievements.

This makes any presentation easier, as more time is now spent on selling the commercial opportunities which exist within the sport and how they can assist the company in achieving their business objectives.

As I mentioned this time last year the Union would be facing challenges and one of these was commercial income. On the whole we have met this challenge through the securing of 4 new sponsors for Irish cricket, making this stream of revenue the largest amount received since 2001 which included the Australian match.

These companies have been mentioned by the Hon. Secretary but I would like to personally thank them and that it has been a pleasure working with them and helping them maximise their sponsorship.

The way forward

As the success, of our teams, continue we are faced with new financial challenges. Therefore our off field activities have to be and are reviewed, amended to create new and unique opportunities to assist our commercial, self help and grant securing activities.

It is the commercial and self help areas where we are looking to become even more pro-active.

However, this is not to say we are ignoring the sources of Grant income, as the excellent news from the Irish Sports Council for 2005 proves.

a) Sponsorship

The success of 2004 is being built upon and more discussions, proposals and presentations are being held with potential partners. In fact the next few weeks will see me travelling the country to, hopefully, conclude deals with 3 major companies.

Sponsorship is changing. Long gone are the days where a cheque was handed over in return for a couple of advertising

boards and lunch, but we would still accept this.

Companies are looking for a commercial return for their £ or €. We are listening to this and through access to databases, publications, the teams and high profile matches cricket is certainly becoming a viable option.

b) Ticketing

The active promotion of selling advanced tickets to Irish matches has been successful and one which will continue for the foreseeable future. With over 5,000 people attending the Bank of Ireland Internationals in June we now have a database of known cricket followers.

This will be a valuable asset to the Union and will be marketed with information on Membership, C&G & ICC Trophy matches, hospitality and merchandise.

c) Merchandising

On merchandising we have now completed one year of offering replica and leisure clothing. Thanks must be given to Lion Sports and Signature Sports (our kit sponsor) in moving this element forward.

The signs are encouraging and it was rewarding to see so many adults and children at the matches wearing replica shirts. The range is to be expanded this summer and will include Official ICC Trophy clothing. Partnerships are being discussed with major cricket websites to promote the clothing world wide.

d) Membership

With 2005 being a momentous year for Irish Cricket an intensive recruitment campaign will occur. For the first time there will be a glossy application form produced which will be used for direct mailings, inclusion in any correspondence from the office and enquiries

In addition a new category has been created - Junior Membership. With the assistance of the cricket development officers and access to coaching courses we now have a product to bring in the youth element to the Irish Cricket Union.

e) Hospitality

Last year an official hospitality agency was appointed to sell packages at the West Indies matches and there was interest.

We will be building upon this and making hospitality packages a key element at the

Irish matches this summer.

To assist in this and promoting other services to companies, lists of the companies across Ireland are being obtained and will be actively targeted.

Self-help

Whilst the commercial market is one where the focus will intensify the self help projects, the golf days, will continue to become regular activities. The organisers have already been thanked but I would like to add my appreciation for their hard work and excellent results.

These activities are being planned as we speak and dates announced shortly but we have a project in operation now. We have a Women's World Cup raffle with 6 monthly draws to win at least €250 and a Bosch appliance.

The February draw will take place after the AGM and if you have not got a ticket or tickets yet, don't worry I have a small number left for sale - so see me at the end.

I would like to add my own best wishes to the Irish Women's Team team which heads off to South Africa on 11th March for the World Cup and we hope bring the women back a few Test Nation scalps!

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We are fortunate to have two major cricket competitions on which to focus:

- the ICC Trophy this summer and
- the new format of the C&G Trophy in 2006, with 9 matches against English Counties, at least 4 in Ireland.

Added to this is the drive, focus and commitment of the Officers, Committee and Chief Executive to see Irish cricket prosper both on and off the pitch, which leads me to end with this statement:

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Hon. Secretary's Annual Report 2004

2004

While not matching the 10 wins of 2003, this was still a historic year with wins against West Indies and Surrey, our first win against a county in the Cheltenham and Gloucester, an excellent performance in the European Championships, winning three games and only losing on a bowl out against England. The one blot was our disappointing defeat by Scotland, the eventual winners of the Tournament, in the ICC Intercontinental Cup. Our Under 19s performed with great credit in Bangladesh and won the European Under 19s. Our Under 15s and Under 13s were also victorious in their European Championships. Our Senior Women had three satisfactory games against the World Champions, New Zealand, while the Under 21s were only beaten by England in their European Championships.

Off the field, while not the record loss of 2003, the loss of €30,000 is nevertheless very worrying and with a further loss of €50,000 in our Grant from ECB in 2005, we have plenty to be concerned about on the financial side.

The year started in Bangladesh, when a very talented Under 19s participated in the World Cup. There has already been a report in last year's Annual but I would like to put on record an extract from the report of the ICC Development Team to the ICC Development Committee:

"Ireland

Arguably the best Associate side of the tournament with victories over PNG, Uganda and Canada. They fell six runs short of a memorable defeat of the West Indies (eventual finalists) in the round robin stage, and recorded 291/9 in a spirited chase of 340 to beat Australia in their Plate semi-final.

Outstanding performances came from E. Morgan (8th overall in the run scorers), K. O'Brien (11th) and W. Porterfield (17th) who all scored in excess of 200 runs during the tournament. On the bowling side, G. Thompson took 12 wickets at 18.16, including 5/49 vs the West Indies, and finished 10th overall in the tournament bowling statistics.

Ireland's performance was splendid and shows great depth in Irish Cricket and a good prospect for the future progression of the game in Ireland.

The Senior Team started their season with their 10th successive win and what an

occasion to celebrate this special achievement. Victory over Surrey in the Cheltenham and Gloucester Trophy was only the second defeat of a county by Ireland in competitive games; the first being against Middlesex in the 1997 Benson and Hedges competition. The Surrey team with 8 Internationals, in fact all six bowlers were Internationals, was a memorable achievement. Surrey batted first and reached 261 all out. Play was interrupted on 4 occasions and Ireland had to wait for the 2nd day to begin the run chase. Andre Botha 3 for 48 and Andrew White 3 for 43 were best of a spirited bowling performance. Our batsmen all contributed. We were given the perfect start by the Captain, Jason Molins, 58 of 57 balls, and Jeremy Bray, 52, who shared in an opening partnership of 103. Andre Botha kept up the momentum with 17 off 22 balls, when Gerald Dros 45 and Peter Gillespie 28 were both out at 223 for 5. Surrey had a slight hope but Andrew White 20 and Kyle McCallan 18 hit the 39 required in 6 overs. Andrew White with his bowling 3 for 43 and batting 20 not out, was awarded 'Man of the Match'. Mark Ramprakash has the dubious honour of being on both the Middlesex and Surrey teams beaten by Ireland.



Our next game against Northants, also at Clontarf, took place at the end of May and was in some ways a mirror image of the Surrey game. There Ireland won the toss and inserted Surrey and their innings was interrupted on a number of occasions. Here Northants won the toss and inserted Ireland and our innings was interrupted on three occasions before we reached 263 for 8. Jeremy Bray 76, Peter Gillespie 66 and Andrew White 44. The one difference between the two matches was that Northants got started on the first day and although it was ten hours after the first ball was bowled before the game finished, they did reach their target in 41.5 overs.

We then moved to Stormont for the two Bank of Ireland games against the West

Indies. The Stormont ground continues to improve and in front of a large attendance, with a full Bank of Ireland marquee, Brian Lara entertained us to a sparkling 104 from 99 balls - 4 x 6s and 12 x 4s. West Indies scoring 242 all out. Ireland, after a brisk start, collapsed and were all out for 146.

West Indies made just one change for the second game, Ridley Jacobs, who had played with Eglinton, replacing Baugh. West Indies batted first and scored 292 for 7 in their 50 overs, Dwayne Bravo scoring 100 not out in 66 balls with a six off the last ball of the innings for his 100.

Ireland got off to an excellent start with Bray 71, Molins 66 and then a 5th Wicket partnership of 67 between Niall O'Brien 58 not out and Andy White 32, saw Ireland home for a famous victory. Our thanks to Brian Milford and his committee who, working with the Chief Executive, produced an excellent financial result and a splendid occasion to display Irish Cricket to our Sponsors, Bank of Ireland, BMI, Northern Ireland Events Company, Belfast City Council and Northern Ireland Sports Council, all of whom contributed to staging the event.

The International Cricket Council had set up the Intercontinental Cup, a series of 3-day games to be played in four regions with the winners of each region going to Dubai in November for Semi Finals and Final. Ireland, by defeating Denmark in 2003, had joined Holland and Scotland as the European participants. To get used to the format and rules, we arranged a 3-day game against MCC at Limavady which was our next game. This was Ireland's first International at Limavady and the club rightly deserved the praise from all sides for the superb staging of the game.

Ireland batted first with 321 for 7. Jeremy Bray 116, Dom Joyce 56, Andre Botha 41, Trent Johnston 42. MCC replied with 275 all out, two debutants at the opposite end of the age scale, Naseer Shoukat 3 for 46 and Greg Thompson 3 for 87. Ireland declared at 196 for 3 leaving MCC to score 243 in 58 overs. Rain reduced this to 47. In the event, they scored the runs in 43. Asif Mujtaba (Pakistan) not out 117 and M.R. Foster (Victoria) 80 caused the damage but a very useful exercise.

The team then went to Holland to play the first of our Intercontinental games against Holland and then to play the European Championship.

This game had First Class Status. Ireland



won the toss and put Holland in. Holland were all out for 200. Trent Johnston 4 for 34. Ireland scored 388 for 8 wickets with a magnificent 152 not out by Andrew White.

Holland finished the second day at 0 for 1 and were 119 for 5 at lunch on the last day. Then Shoukat with a devastating spell, took 4 wickets and the last 5 wickets fell for 22 runs. Ireland had won by an innings and 47 runs and as Scotland and Holland had previously drawn their game, Ireland had only to draw with Scotland to reach the Finals in Dubai.

There then followed the European Championships. The first game against ECB XI was rained off and in the resultant bowl out ECB XI won by two strikes to one. Our first game against Holland was also reduced to a 31 over game which Ireland won 181 for 9 v 171 for 8. The second game vs. Scotland, Scotland won the toss and batted, scoring 200 for 6 off their 50 overs. Ireland replied 204 for 5 over 47 overs, which is only our second win in the past sixteen 1-day games against Scotland. Our third game vs. Denmark, Ireland won the toss and batted and scored 265 for 5. Trent Johnston 83, Kyle McCallan 64 not out. Denmark in reply could only muster 156 for 9. White 3 for 34. This ended a very satisfactory visit to Holland, an innings win against Holland in the Intercontinental Cup and three wins in the European Championships to give us No. 1 slot in the 2005 ICC Trophy European Rankings.

There then followed the final game against Scotland in the Intercontinental Cup and this resulted in a very disappointing loss to the Scots.

Scotland won the toss and inserted Ireland who were quickly in trouble, being 76 for 6 at one stage before Shoukat 48, Paul Mooney 32 and Peter Gillespie 44 got us to 193 all out. Scotland also struggled on the Clontarf wicket and were all out for 167, Shoukat 5 for 60. Ireland, in their 2nd innings, were soon in trouble but when Andrew White and Trent Johnston had added 70 for the 6th wicket and we had reached 159 for 5, ahead by 185 with 5 wickets standing, Ireland appeared to have got the upper hand. However, in the event we quickly lost our remaining wickets and were all out for 178, leaving Scotland 205 to win. This they did with a splendid 118 not out by Frazer Watts. Rain was Ireland's only hope on the last day but in the end Scotland were victorious and went on to win the Tournament beating Canada by an innings and establishing themselves as the leading Associate in the world.

Bangladesh were competing in the ICC

Champions Trophy in England, starting early September. They agreed at short notice to come to Ireland and Scotland for two warm-up matches in each country. The Irish players had a busy season and many of our players were involved with promotion and relegation games with their clubs. Because the games were not in the original fixture list, the players were allowed to play on the Saturday prior to the first game. This proved a mistake as the Irish never performed to the standard they displayed in the early part of the season.

In the first Gallery Bar International at Stormont, Bangladesh won the toss and put Ireland in to bat. The innings was rain affected and Ireland finished on 179 for 5 in 32 overs. Jason Molins 64. On Duckworth Lewis Bangladesh were set a target of 206 in their 32 overs. They reached their target off the last ball with Nafis Iqbal scoring 100. Our Under 19s had played against Nafis when he scored 80 against our Under 19s in the Semi Final of the Plate.

In the second Gallery Bar International at Limavady, Bangladesh again won the toss but on this occasion decided to bat on a bitterly cold day. At 116 for 6 Ireland appeared in a good position but eventually Bangladesh got to 231 all out with some below par bowling and fielding by Ireland. Gordon Cooke with 5 for 55. When batting, Ireland lost regular wickets and were all out for 177. A disappointing end to the season.

I would like to thank the ICC and ECC for their financial help in staging these games. I would also like to thank Limavady for their contribution.

Some Personal Achievements

On the batting side of those who scored 150+, Andrew White with an average of 48.88 including his 152 not out against Holland topped the list, followed by Trent Johnston on 45, Dom Joyce 45, McCallan, Molins and Bray all averaged 35+.

On the bowling side of those who took 10+ wickets, in first place was Gordon Cooke, with 12 wickets at an average of 18.33 and second was Naseer Shoukat with 19 wickets at an average of 20.26.

New Caps:	D.T. Johnston	644 v Surrey
	Gary Kid	645 v MCC
	Naseer Shoukat	646 v MCC
	Greg Thompson	647 v MCC

at 16 years 285 becomes the youngest capped player for Ireland (58 days younger than Eoin Morgan)

Our Under 23s had a disastrous trip to Glasgow for a European Championships

with not a ball bowled. This was particularly disappointing as many of our players from Bangladesh Under 19s had no opportunity of showing their abilities.

Our Under 19s with Roy Torrens as Manager and Ray Daly as Coach and Brian Walsh as Assistant Coach, won the Tournament but not in our customary manner. We were beaten by Holland who in turn were beaten by Denmark. So our final game against Scotland was the decider, with Scotland the firm favourites. Ireland batted first and a fine 86 by Captain, Gary Wilson saw us post a very credible 232 for 8. Our bowlers were excellent and had Scotland all out for 75 with Gary Kidd 3 for 9 the pick. With Eoin Morgan at Middlesex and Greg Thompson with the Senior XI, hopefully available this year for the World Cup Qualifier in Scotland, we hope to be one of the two Europeans in Sri Lanka in 2006.

Our Under 17s, with Andy McCrea as Manager and Brian O'Rourke as Coach, were beaten by Scotland and for the second year failed to win at this level. This Tournament was well organised in the North West areas. The team also had availability difficulties.

Under 15s at Herning, Denmark, with Gary Blair as Manager and John Semple as Coach, retained their trophy. On the first day we defeated Holland by 7 runs. On the second day the team had an easy victory over Denmark. On the final day we beat Scotland 189 for 7 played 190 for 6 with 3 balls left. Neil Hamilton was 'Man of the Tournament' with a batting average of 57, 2nd in the overall list, and a bowling average of 9.1 top of the list.

Our Under 13s had a clean sweep in Scotland, winning all three games. The Irish Schools had a 3-day trip playing Cheshire Under 19s at Sale. The first game was unfortunately abandoned after 6 overs. The second game, a 45 over affair, Ireland batted first and got to 139 all out having been 89 for 2. This was disappointing, or as the coach so aptly put in his report, 'undignified'. Conor Geraghty 51 made a top class half century. Cheshire passed the total with just 4 wickets down. T. Barr 2 for 20.

The second game against Yorkshire Schools was played over two days. Ireland elected to bat first and the Captain, Gary Wilson, scored an impressive 115 as Ireland posted 241 for 7. Others to feature were R. Rickman 37 and N. McDarley 32 not out. Yorkshire replaced with 210 for 5. N. McDarley 2 for 49, T. Barr 2 for 70. Ireland then posted 190 for 7 with Robert Rankin 85, Conor Geraghty 32. Yorkshire held on for a draw at 160 for 9. G. Wilson 3 for 20, K. Tonetti 2 for 14 and G. Waterson 2 for 28.



The Irish Women's Senior Team as they prepare to leave for the World Cup in South Africa, had three 1-day games against the World Champions, New Zealand. Each result showed an improvement against a very well organised team. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Bosch for their help in staging these games and for their continued support for Irish Cricket and Women's Cricket in particular.

The Under 21s, with Ursula Lewis as Tournament Director and Eddie Lewis as Tournament Referee, was very well staged in the Dublin areas, with the European Development Manager, Richard Holdsworth, present for the final games and presentation. Ireland's first game vs. Holland was won by 98 runs. Another successful day against the Scots set up the final game against England as the Tournament decider. Ireland batted first and could only muster 119 against a strong English team. This was never going to be sufficient and although we got an early breakthrough, England passed our total without further loss. On a high note, Emma Beamish was named 'Player of the Tournament'.

Interpros and Royal Liver

Interpros: North Leinster with four wins and one no result were easy winners, followed by Northern Cricket Union and North West, both with two wins.

Royal Liver: The Royal Liver returned to the North West with Limavady the comfortable winners. Eglinton, in difficult weather conditions, did an excellent job. Royal Liver, after ten years of sponsorship, has decided not to renew their sponsorship. They were an excellent company to deal with and we thank them for their generous support.

2005 will be a huge year for Irish Cricket. Preparations for the ICC Trophy are well advanced with two committees, one in the North under Richard Johnson and one in the South under Alan Hughes, striving to get all in readiness for July. With the sponsorship of Global Cricket Corporation and no account taken of the difference between an amateur game and a World Cup game, it is proving difficult to get decisions. The event will be launched on 10th March when the format and venues will be announced. The response from the clubs has been excellent and augurs well for the future. Our biggest concern is the difficulty in securing the release of our County players and while we are receiving great support from ICC, we still do not know where we stand. At the end of the day, if the weather is fair I am confident the Union and Irish Cricket will rise to the occasion.

The budget for the Tournament has been greatly reduced and based on dollars certainly has not helped, so if we are to leave a legacy it is going to have to come from internal resources. In this regard I would like to thank the Irish Government for their Grant of €314,000 to 10 clubs for Capital Projects and the Irish Sports Council for an extra €40,000 towards preparing the team. There is a timing difference with the Northern authorities but we are confident of a successful conclusion to our applications for support from Northern sources.

Early March will see a visit by Richard Done, the ICC High Performance Manager. The five teams that qualify for West Indies are eligible for inclusion in High Performance. This has to be a top priority but with our Cheltenham and Gloucester commitments in 2006 will put an extra strain on our players and resources.

I would like to thank the ICC for their continued financial support and to ECC for their help, particularly in staging the Youth Championships and also their Annual Support Grant. We are budgeting grants of €78,000 from these sources for 2005, and this gives an idea of ICC importance to the ICU. The ICC are also contributing €750,000 towards the overall expenses of staging the ICC Trophy.

During the Women's World Cup in South Africa, the amalgamation of ICC and IWCC will take place and this will lead to a more professional running of Women's affairs and I take this opportunity of wishing Sandra Dawson, Manager, Peter Johnston, Coach and Claire Shillington and her team every success as the only Associate competing in the World Cup next month.

I am conscious that the Chairman, Hon. Treasurer and Chief Executive are all due to address you this morning and I do not wish to stray into their territories. I would like to mention the Strategic Planning Committee who, under John Caldwell, have started the job of preparing our next five year Strategic Plan. This is a big undertaking and all units of the Union will be involved shortly in consultation in putting this in place, to be launched by the end of 2005.

I would like to put on record our appreciation to the two committees North and South who, working with the Chief Executive, produced two excellent Golf Classics (in the case of the South a wet one) and a substantial profit. Thanks Alfie Linehan and Stan Mitchell for your leadership.

Our continued thanks to our Patrons and hopefully in this special year some more

of our friends will come aboard. Adrian Birrell has the Pathway to the West Indies in place but we do need finance if we are to reach our aims.

ICC are setting up a tier of Elite Umpires for Associates and we wish Trevor Henry, currently in Malaysia, every success.

The ICU will shortly take over the management of the Northern Ireland Cricket Association and we thank our CDOs, North and South, for their strenuous endeavours on our behalf.

We have our three players in Port Elizabeth, Ryan Haire, Kevin O'Brien and William Porterfield and we wish them every success.

On a sad note, we record the death of two very esteemed and well liked Past Presidents, Cecil Cave (1976) and Ian Lewis (1989). Both were highly respected and gave immense service to Irish Cricket. Cecil will be remembered as the President who led the negotiations for our entry to the Gillette Cup, our first competitive competition, while Ian will be remembered for his work in organising supporters' tours to Kenya, Kuala Lumpur and Toronto. Both will be fondly missed.

Today Bob Kerr steps down as our President. Bob was seen throughout the country and performed his duties with great enthusiasm. He is succeeded by Stan Mitchell, former International and selector.

My thanks to the Media for all their support throughout the year. My personal thanks to my fellow Officers and Chief Executive for all their help and support.

The announcement in December by ECB that we are invited to participate in a restructured Cheltenham and Gloucester Tournament in 2006, which will involve 9 games was very welcome news and hopefully will be ideal preparation for the West Indies in 2007.

2005, as already stated, will undoubtedly be the biggest year ever for Irish Cricket. The staging of the ICC Trophy 2005 will test our administrators, North and South. The Women's World Cup in South Africa, the Under 19s Qualifying Tournament in Scotland to participate in next year's Under 19 World Cup in Sri Lanka, the visit of Yorkshire for Cheltenham and Gloucester, not to mention the Intercontinental Cup, all adds up to great anticipation and finally, West Indies 2007.

John P. Wright
Hon. Secretary
February 2004



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News Letter



Our season lasts the year round

Royal Liver Irish Senior Cup 2004

Limavady v Strabane

27 August 2004, Eglinton

Result: Limavady won by 88 runs

Toss: Strabane
Umpires: P Whyte, J Mc Call
MoM: Ian Mc Gregor

LIMAVADY

D Curry	ct P Mc Namme b G Porter	23	T Patton Sen	10	0	36	0
I Mc Gregorst	P Mc Namee b Ma Gillespie	89	M Deans	10	0	48	1
S Smyth	bowled B Rao	13	G Porter	10	1	28	2
R Mc Daid	ct C Patton b G Porter	0	B Rao	10	2	23	2
M Mc Daid	bowled B Rao	0	Mark Gillespie	10	1	57	1
A Christie	ct P Mc Namee b M Deans	46					
S Mc Michael	not out	8					
C Hartin	not out	7					
V Mc Daid							
R Kerr							
J Thompson							
Extras	(b 5, lb 1, nb 0, w 6, p 0)	12					
Total	(6 wkts, 50.0 overs)	198					

STRABANE

T Patton Jun	ct S Mc Michael b R Kerr	0	R Kerr	10	3	20	1
M Gillespie	ct sub (Kilburn) b R Mc Daid	0	R Mc Daid	6.1	1	30	3
P Gillespie	ct S Mc Michael b R Mc Daid	0	J Thompson	10	1	27	2
B Rao	ct S Smyth b J Thompson	26	V Mc Daid	10	3	18	2
Mk Gillespie	ct I Mc Gregor b J Thompson	20	D Curry	6	1	12	2
J Gillespie	ct sub (Burns) b V Mc Daid	5					
C Patton	ct D Curry b V Mc Daid	1					
P Mc Namee	b D Curry	18					
G Porter	ct S Smyth b D Curry	7					
M Deans	ct R Kerr b R Mc Daid	18					
T Patton Sen	not out	2					
Extras	(b 0, lb 3, nb 4, w 6, p 0)	13					
Total	(all out, 42.1 overs)	110					

Semi-Finals

Strabane beat Clontarf by 8 wickets
Clontarf 215-8 (50.0 overs, D Rigby 91*, R O Reilly 44, T Patton Sen 3-26)
Strabane 218-2 (46.4 overs, P Gillespie 114*, B Rao 62*)
Brigade lost to Limavady by 7 wickets
Brigade 114 (39.1 overs, D Cooke 38, R McDaid 4-26, J Thompson 3-21)
Limavady 73-3 (26.4 overs)

3rd Round

The Hills lost to Brigade by 3 runs
Brigade 244-4 (50.0 overs, D Cooke 125*, B Allen 43)
The Hills 141
Strabane beat Phoenix by 7 wickets
Phoenix 80 (T Patton snr 4-10, B Rao 3-17)
Strabane 81-3
Clontarf beat Pembroke by 8 wickets
Pembroke 222-8 (50 overs, P Davy 51, G Molins 3-42)
Clontarf 226-2 (39.0 overs, T Johnston 120*, D Rigby 68*)

Instonians lost to Limavady by 77 runs

Limavady 240 (D Curry 72, I McGregor 67)
Instonians 163 (A White 92, J Thompson 3-22)

2nd Round

Pembroke beat Ardmore by 124 runs
Sion Mills lost to Strabane by 121 runs
Limavady beat Cliftonville by 154 runs
Brigade beat Lisburn by 89 runs.

Leinster lost to The Hills by 6 wickets
Leinster 119 (43.2 overs, J Clinton 3-18, M Dwyer 3-15)
The Hills 103-4 (22.5 overs, P Byrne 61*)

North County lost to Instonians by 5 runs (revised target)

Instonians 269-7 (49 overs, A White 177*)
North County 258-9 (48 overs, C Armstrong 62, A Botha 76, R Strydom 53, B Dale 3-62)

Phoenix beat Downpatrick by 7 wickets
Downpatrick 132 (35.5 overs, R Shilliday 45, P Linehan 38, Godward 4-13)
Phoenix 136-3 (25.2 overs, A Bhandari 66*)

Clontarf beat Bangor by 3 runs (revised target)
Clontarf 292-5 (47 overs, A Cusack 96, D Rigby 96, R Bell 3-68)
Bangor 227-4 (37 overs, M Hutchinson 96, C Yeates 98*, A Cusack 3-29)

1st Round

Ardmore beat Railway Union by 34 runs
Bangor beat Merriion by 9 wickets
Bready lost to Clontarf by 2 wickets
Brigade beat Cork County by 96 runs
Carrickfergus lost to Leinster by 127 runs
Cliftonville beat Drummond by 9 wickets
Donemana lost to North County by 131 runs

Eglinton lost to Phoenix by 9 wickets
Lisburn beat Glendermott by 72 runs
Lurgan lost to Strabane by 57 runs
Sion Mills beat Belfast Harlequins by 178 runs

Limavady walkover v Cork Harlequins

Malahide lost to Downpatrick by 132 runs

Downpatrick 243-7 (R Shilliday 104, P Markey 4-42)
Malahide 111 (S Skelly 3-19, P Lennon 3-22)

Pembroke beat North Down by 70 runs
Pembroke 228-7 (B O'Rourke 113)
North Down 158

Rush lost to Instonians by 1 run
Instonians 251-9 (A White 75)
Rush 250-9

The Hills beat Waringstown by 8 wickets
Waringstown 128 (L Clinton 3-14)
The Hills 129-2 (P Byrne 55*, R Hoare 48)

Irish Senior Cup Records: Club Records

	Ties Won	Ties Lost	Cup Wins	Losing Finals	Semi-final
Brigade	51	21	2	3	4
Donemana	44	22	1	2	6
North Down	40	19	3	2	2
Limavady	39	18	3	2	-
Lurgan	37	20	3	-	2
Downpatrick	33	21	2	-	2
Strabane	30	22	1	2	1
Waringstown	29	19	2	-	1
Phoenix	26	22	1	-	1
B Harlequins	23	20	1	2	-
Merriion	23	23	-	-	2
St Johnston	22	12	1	-	3
Dublin YMCA	21	22	-	-	-
Sion Mills	21	22	-	1	-
Leinster	20	22	-	3	-
Clontarf	20	23	-	1	2
The Hills	19	22	-	-	1
Bready	18	19	-	1	1
Woodvale	18	19	-	-	3
Ballymena	16	15	-	1	1
Eglinton	16	21	-	-	-
Malahide	16	22	-	-	2
North County	16	12	2	-	-
Lisburn	15	22	-	-	1
Pembroke	15	23	-	-	-
Railway Union	14	24	-	1	1
Carlisle	14	17	-	-	1
Cliftonville	13	10	-	1	-
Ardmore	12	17	-	-	1
Bangor	11	16	-	-	1
Instonians	11	11	-	-	-
CYM	10	22	-	-	-
Old Belvedere	9	21	-	-	-
Muckamore	7	6	-	-	-
Coleraine	7	11	-	-	1
Glendermott	5	8	-	-	-
Fox Lodge	5	9	-	-	1
Rush	4	10	-	1	-
Donacloney	4	3	-	-	-
N Fermanagh	2	4	-	-	-
Crindle	1	4	-	-	-
Holywood	1	6	-	-	-
Cork County	1	20	-	-	-
Saintfield	0	1	-	-	-
Univ Coll Cork	0	-	-	-	-
Cork C of I	0	2	-	-	-
Creevedonell	0	2	-	-	-
Cork Harlequins	0	-	-	-	-
Drummond	0	8	-	-	-
Waterford	0	5	-	-	-
Limerick	0	10	-	-	-
Carrickfergus	0	1	-	-	-

Senior Cup Records

Individual Scores

260*	D Curry	Limavady	v	CYM	1998
194	M Harper	Sion Mills	v	Lurgan	1984
182	D Curry	Limavady	v	Donemana	1997
177*	A White	Instonians	v	North County	2004
177	D Curry	Limavady	v	Cliftonville	2004
169	C Kuggeleijn	Pembroke	v	N Fermanagh	1983
168*	R McDaid	Limavady	v	Phoenix	2003
166*	R Lamba	North Down	v	Malahide	1984

Best Bowling

7-37	P McCrum	Muckamore	v	Malahide	1996
6-6	W Kirk	NICC	v	Donemana	1982
6-6	K Carroll	Railway	v	Cork H'quins	2002
6-13	M Jones	Clontarf	v	Limavady	2001
6-13	G Rodgers	North Down	v	Drummond	2001
6-15	J Brown	Glendermott	v	Carlisle	1998
6-19	K Carroll	Railway	v	Ardmore	2001

Highest Totals

394-8	Donemana	v	Phoenix	1991
373-5	Limavady	v	CYM	1998
343-5	Donemana	v	North County	1997
343-6	Merrion	v	Cork H'quins	1996
337-3	Brigade	v	Leinster	1993
334-6	Leinster	v	Lurgan	1997
334-8	Limavady	v	Cliftonville	2004
331-7	North County	v	Donemana	2004



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Provincial Union League & Cup

Leinster Cricket Union

Whitney Moore Keller League A 2004

	P	W	NR	L	BP	Pts	
North County	12	9	2	1	33	229	
Phoenix	12	8	2	2	40	216	
Malahide	12	8	0	4	18	178	
Clontarf	12	4	2	6	31	127	
Munster Reds	12	3	4	5	14	106	
Railway Union	12	2	1	9	18	66	Relegated
The Hills	12	2	1	9	26	74	Relegated

Whitney Moore Keller League B 2004

	P	W	NR	L	BP	Pts	
Rush	12	9	0	3	43	223	Promoted
CYM	12	7	1	4	27	175	Promoted
Pembroke	12	6	1	5	24	152	
YMCA	12	6	0	6	28	148	
Merriem	12	5	1	6	37	145	
Old Belvedere	12	4	0	8	21	101	
Leinster	12	3	1	8	20	88	

Conqueror Senior Cup 2004

Clontarf v Rush

Park Avenue, Sandymount on 24 July 2004

Toss: Rush

Result: Clontarf won by 97 runs

Umpires: G. Black M. Russell

Award: T. Johnston (Clontarf)

CLONTARF

A. Cusack	lbw b Shoukat	27
R. O'Reilly	lbw b Akhtar	34
D. Rigby	not out	90
T. Johnston	st McAllister b Shoukat	102
G. L. Molins	not out	17
I. Synnott *		
A. Cullen		
P. Ryan		
R. Maybury +		
C. D'Arcy		
E. Delany		
Extras	(LB 17; W 3)	20
TOTAL	3 wickets (closed)	290
1st inns: 1-64 2-66 3-263		

O	M	R	W	
Gull	12	3	37	0
Iqbal	12	1	71	0
Akhtar	12	2	35	1
Shoukat	11	2	56	2
Caren	4	0	22	0
Mullen	7	0	36	0
Metcalfe	2	0	16	0

RUSH

C. Doyle	b D'Arcy	5
F. McAllister +	c Maybury b Johnston	12
S. Gull *	b Johnston	20
N. Shoukat	b Johnston	7
S. Iqbal	not out	98
N. Mullen	c and b Molins	14
A. Barnes	lbw b Johnston	4
W. Cross	lbw b Molins	5
A. Caren	lbw b Molins	0
L. Metcalfe	c Maybury b Cullen	0
W. Akhtar	b D'Arcy	9
Extras	(B 5; LB 4; W 6; NB 4)	19
TOTAL		193
1st inns: 1-7 2-39 3-42 4-48 5-73 6-86 7-96 8-107 9-126 10-193		

	O	M	R	W
Cusack	11	1	33	0
D'Arcy	9.3	2	25	2
Johnston	12	3	38	4
Molins	12	0	48	3
Cullen	7	0	28	1
Delany	3	0	12	0

Munster Cricket Union

Munster Senior League Division I 2004

	P	W	L	Pts
Limerick	7	6	1	123
Cork County	7	4	3	107
Cork Harlequins	7	4	3	102
Midleton	7	4	3	97
Cork County 2	7	0	7	7

Senior Cup Final 2004: Cork Harlequins v Cork County

Cork County CC V Cork Harlequins CC
25 July 2004

Mardyke, Cork

Cork County CC won by 7 wickets

Man of the Match: B Koch

Toss: Harlequins

Cork Harlequins

B Koch	c Bracegirdle b Reid	83	Banks	8	2	27	1
C Wilcox	b Bracegirdle	13	Williamson	12	3	37	2
R Gash	lbw b Williamson	12	Power	8	0	26	0
D Moyser	c & b Reid	0	Bracegirdle	12	5	21	3
R Heaslip	b Williamson	0	Reid	12	1	46	4
R Barlow	c Coleman b Reid	7					
Q Classen*	c Duggan b Reid	16					
D Gash +	b Bracegirdle	9					
R Benson	not out	1					
B Perrot	b Bracegirdle	4					
E Hearne	lbw b Banks	3					
Extras		12					
Total	(all out, 52 overs)	160					

Cork County

T Williamson	b Koch	4	Koch	9	2	40	1
K Banks	b Classen	4	Classen	12	4	43	1
R Duggan*	lbw b Gash	72	Moyser	8	1	32	0
K Sorensen	not out	55	Hearne	4	0	21	0
W Bracegirdle	not out	0	Gash	4	0	15	1
M Reid							
R Geoghegan							
C Atkinson							
J Power							
A Yadav							
P Coleman +							
Extras		28					
Total	(3 wks, 37 overs)	163					



Northern Cricket Union

Ulster Bank League Division 1 Section 1 2004

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Bangor	18	14	0	0	4	56
North Down	18	12	0	0	6	48
Waringstown	18	12	0	0	6	48
Instonians	18	10	0	0	8	40
Downpatrick	18	9	0	0	9	36
Cliftonville	18	7	0	0	11	28
Lisburn	18	7	0	0	11	28
Lurgan	18	7	0	0	11	28
Carrickfergus	18	7	0	0	11	28
Belfast Harlequins	18	5	0	0	13	20

Ulster Bank League Division 1 Section 2 2004

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Derriaghy	18	13	0	0	5	52
Muckamore	18	13	0	0	5	52
Ballymena	18	12	0	0	6	48
Woodvale	17	11	0	0	6	44
Cooke Collegians	18	11	0	0	7	44
Larne	18	10	0	0	8	40
Dunmurry	18	7	0	0	11	28
Hollywood	17	4	0	0	13	16
CIYMS	18	4	0	0	14	16
Armagh	18	4	0	0	14	16

Ulster Bank League Division 1 Section 3 2004

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Laurelvale	18	16	0	0	2	64
Millpark	16	10	0	0	6	40
Donacloney	16	10	0	0	6	40
Dundrum	17	10	0	0	7	40
Templepatrick	17	10	0	0	7	40
Saintfield	18	10	0	0	8	40
Academy	18	9	0	0	9	36
Cregagh	16	5	0	0	11	20
PSNI	18	4	0	0	14	16
Donaghadee	18	2	0	0	16	8

Ulster Bank League Division 1 Section 4 2004

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Drumaness	16	13	0	0	3	52
Ards	16	12	0	0	4	48
Civil Service	16	12	0	0	4	48
Indian Gymkhana	16	11	0	0	5	44
Dungannon	16	10	0	0	6	40
Portadown	16	6	0	0	10	24
Victoria	16	5	0	0	11	20
Newry & Mourne	16	2	0	0	14	8
Shorts	16	1	0	0	15	4

Newry & Down Democrat Challenge Cup Final – Belfast Harlequins v North Down

9-31 July 2004, Stormont, Belfast

NCU Challenge Cup Final

Result: North Down won by 19 runs

Man of the Match: D Kennedy (North Down)

Toss: North Down

Umpires: J McCall, W Montgomery

NORTH DOWN 1st Innings

J Montgomery	run out	72	Horwood	10	3	30	2
N Russell	c Andrews b Horwood	6	Black	10	0	55	1
D Kennedy	not out	105	Coulter	10	0	59	0
Ryan Haire	c Wilson b Black	18	Andrews	7	0	35	0
P Shields	c Martin b Horwood	24	Coetzee	10	1	41	0
Robin Haire	not out	4	Patterson	3	0	20	0

M Moreland

A Haire

G McKenna

I Cleland

W Adams

Extras (b 0, lb 2, nb 1, w 10, p 0) 13

Total (4 wks, 50.0 overs) 242

FOW: 1-7 (N Russell) 2-164 (J Montgomery) 3-189 (Ryan Haire) 4-233 (P Shields)

BELFAST HARLEQUINS 1st Innings

G Wilson	c & b Ryan Haire	49	Adams	10	2	35	0
S Dyer	c Ryan Haire b A Haire	35	Cleland	10	2	28	2
C Martin	c Shields b McKenna	68	McKenna	9	0	40	2
W Horwood	c Cleland b Ryan Haire	6	A Haire	8	1	28	1
R Coetzee	c Moreland b Cleland	16	Moreland	6	0	28	0
S Redpath	run out	3	Ryan Haire	7	0	36	2
J Patterson	run out	1					
A Coulter	st Shields b McKenna	1					
S Dunlop	not out	5					
N Black	c Ryan Haire b Cleland	2					
C Andrews							
Extras (b 1, lb 3, nb 1, w 8, p 0)		13					
Total (9 wks, 50.0 overs)		199					

FOW: 1-53 (S Dyer) 2-137 (G Wilson) 3-149 (W Horwood) 4-174 (R Coetzee)

5-188 (C Martin)

6-188 (S Redpath) 7-190 (J Patterson) 8-194 (A Coulter) 9-199 (N Black)

NORTH DOWN 2nd Innings

J Montgomery	c Coetzee b Black	2	Horwood	10	2	40	1
N Russell	b Horwood	1	Black	6	2	25	2
D Kennedy	b Patterson	64	Coetzee	10	1	25	1
Ryan Haire	b Black	6	Andrews	6	1	26	0
P Shields	c Wilson b Coulter	34	Coulter	8	1	25	1
Robin Haire	c Wilson b Patterson	13	Patterson	10	1	21	2
M Moreland	lbw b Coetzee	0					
A Haire	not out	18					
G McKenna	run out	3					
I Cleland	not out	13					
W Adams							
Extras (b 0, lb 3, nb 0, w 8, p 0)		11					
Total (8 wks, 50.0 overs)		165					

FOW: 1-3 (N Russell) 2-3 (J Montgomery) 3-17 (Ryan Haire) 4-84 (P Shields)

5-125 (D Kennedy)

6-126 (M Moreland) 7-126 (Robin Haire) 8-139 (G McKenna)

BELFAST HARLEQUINS 2nd Innings

(Target = 209 in 50 overs)

G Wilson	c & b Moreland	19	Adams	10	3	35	2
S Dyer	run out	0	Cleland	10	1	37	2
C Martin	c Moreland b McKenna	17	Moreland	10	2	19	1
R Coetzee	b Cleland	21	McKenna	10	0	53	2
W Horwood	c & b Kennedy	77	A Haire	5	0	24	0
S Redpath	c Shields b Cleland	1	Ryan Haire	2	0	12	0
J Patterson	lbw b Adams	3	Kennedy	1	0	4	2
S Dunlop	c Ryan Haire b McKenna	27					
A Coulter	b Adams	10					
C Andrews	not out	1					
N Black	c Cleland b Kennedy	2					
Extras (b 1, lb 4, nb 0, w 6, p 0)		11					
Total (all out, 48.0 overs)		189					

FOW: 1-0 (S Dyer) 2-40 (C Martin) 3-40 (G Wilson) 4-70 (R Coetzee) 5-72 (S Redpath)

6-81 (J Patterson) 7-138 (S Dunlop) 8-185 (A Coulter) 9-185 (W Horwood)

10-189 (N Black)



North West Cricket Union

Derry Journal Senior League 1 2004

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Brigade	18	14	1	1	2	29
Donemana	18	14	0	0	4	28
Strabane	18	12	0	0	6	24
Glendermott	18	11	0	0	7	22
Limavady	18	11	0	0	7	22
Bready	18	8	1	4	5	17
Drummond	18	5	0	1	12	10
Eglinton	18	4	0	1	13	8
Ardmore	18	4	0	0	14	8
Sion Mills	18	2	0	1	15	4

Derry Journal Senior League 2 2004

	P	W	T	NR	L	Pts
Ballyspallen	20	17	1	0	2	35
Burndennett	20	16	0	1	3	32
Fox Lodge	20	13	0	3	4	26
Coleraine	20	11	0	2	7	22
Killymallaght	20	9	1	3	7	19
Bonds Glen	20	9	0	3	8	18
Creevedonnell	20	8	0	3	9	16
St Johnston	20	6	0	2	12	12
North Fermanagh	20	5	0	1	14	10
Killyclooney	20	4	0	0	16	8
The Nedd	20	1	0	2	17	2

Northern Bank Cup Final

Donemana v Strabane

30-31 July

Eglinton

Result: Donemana won by 8 wickets

STRABANE 1st Innings

T Patton jnr	c & b McGonigle	14	Shafiq	9	0	33	3
Michael Gillespie	b J McBrine	15	Boyd	6	2	19	0
D Perera	b A McBrine	35	McGonigle	10	2	26	1
P Gillespie	st Dougherty b Shafiq	30	J McBrine	10	3	28	1
Ma Gillespie	b Hepburn	14	A McBrine	6	2	12	1
J Gillespie	ct Hepburn b Shafiq	2	Hepburn	8.1	0	27	3
B Rao	b Hepburn	4					
G Porter	ct J McBrine b Shafiq	21					
P McNamee	run out	1					
M Deans	ct Shafiq b Hepburn	4					
T Patton snr	not out	0					
Extras	(7lb, 3w 2nb)	12					
Total	(all out, 49.1 overs)	152					

DONEMANA 1st Innings

A Shafiq	ct P Gillespie b Rao	129	Patton snr	5	0	29	1
D McGerrigle	ct Deans b Patton snr	17	Deans	10	0	59	3
R Kee	b Rao	26	Perera	9	1	44	0
L Britton	lbw Rao	0	Mark Gillespie	8.5	0	47	1
A McBrine	ct Porter b Rao	60	Rao	10	1	37	4
J McBrine	ct McNamee b Deans	4	Porter	4	0	13	0
D Olphert	ct Patton sen M Deans	4	P Gillespie	3	0	20	0
G Boyd	st McNamee b Mark Gillespie	1					
R Dougherty	b Deans	3					
R Hepburn	not out	2					
J McGonigle	run out	0					
Extras	(9b, 10 lb, 1nb)	20					
Total	(all out, 49.5 overs)	266					

STRABANE 2nd Innings

Michael Gillespie	ct J McBrine b McGonigle	12	Shafiq	10	1	54	2
T Patton jnr	b J McBrine	23	Boyd	3	0	29	0
D Perera	ct McGonigle b A McBrine	45	McGonigle	9	1	41	1
P Gillespie	ct Hepburn b A McBrine	87	J McBrine	10	1	37	1
Mark Gillespie	ct J McBrine b A McBrine	58	Hepburn	8	0	55	0
G Porter	c & b Shafiq	2	A McBrine	10	1	33	3
J Gillespie	ct Hepburn b Shafiq	7					
B Rao	run out	0					
P McNamee	not out	2					
M Deans							
T Patton snr							
Extras	(7b, 8lb, 12w, 1nb)	28					
Total	(8 wkts, 50 overs)	264					

DONEMANA 2nd Innings

A Shafiq	ct Porter b Mark Gillespie	72	Deans	3	0	25	0
D McGerrigle	not out	54	Patton snr	5	0	19	0
R Kee	c & b Mark Gillespie	10	Perera	5	0	18	0
G Boyd	not out	4	Rao	2	0	6	0
L Britton			Mark Gillespie	6	0	40	2
A McBrine			Porter	5.1	0	37	0
J McBrine							
D Olphert							
R Dougherty							
R Hepburn							
J McGonigle							
Extras	(4b, 5lb, 5w)	14					
Total	(2 wkts, 26.1 overs)	154					





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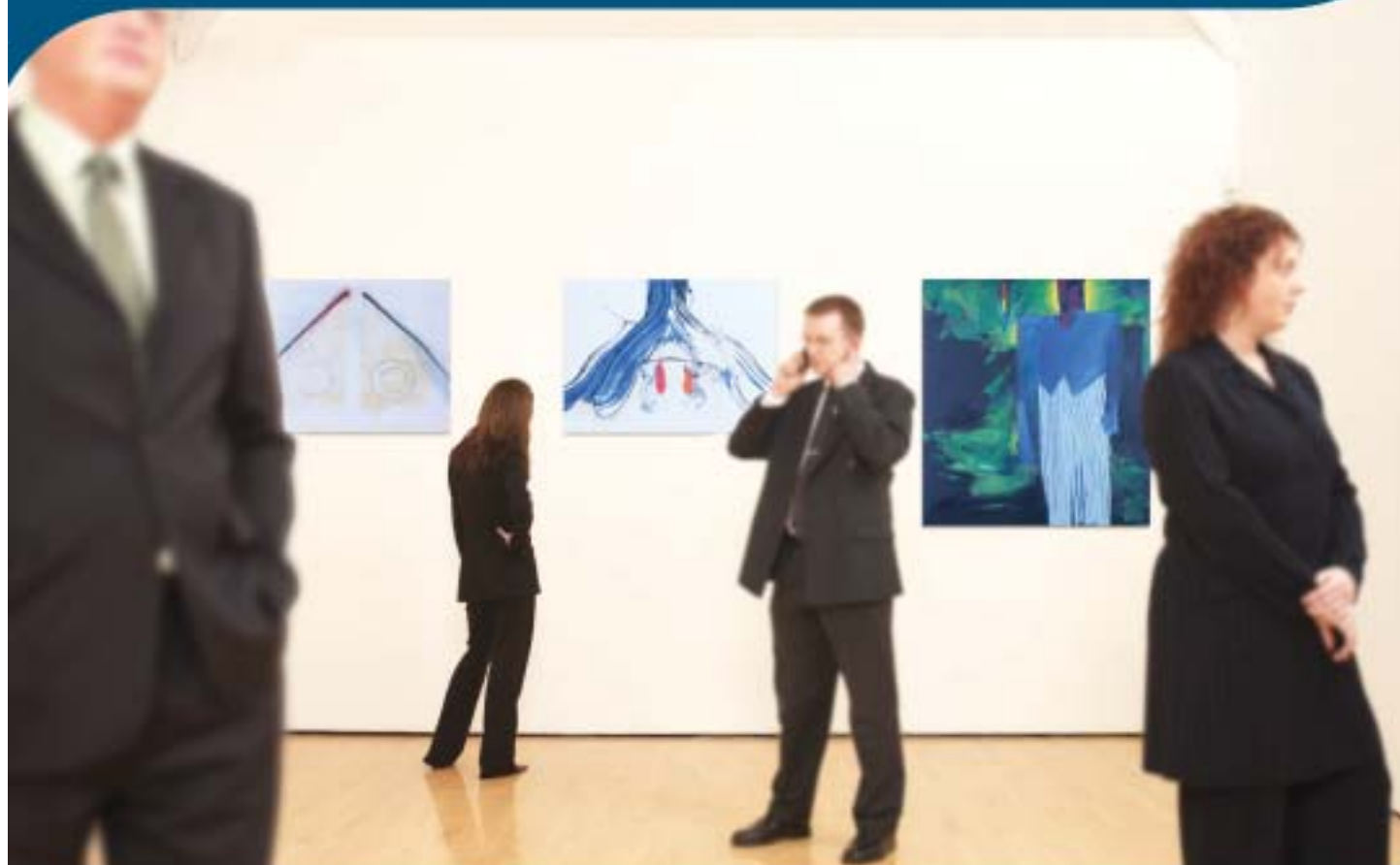
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