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News and events in Hungarian cricket

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## Cricket Matters

### The HCA Newsletter, Summer 2014

Welcome to our Summer edition of our Cricket Matters Newsletter.

Much has happened in the last couple of months and many more events and projects coming up this summer and autumn.

Our Facebook and Twitter pages have been ever so successful with Facebook coming up to 1200 'like's and Twitter passing the magic 1000 followers!

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#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### August

###### **2nd Aug**

Development Day - GB Oval

###### **16-17th Aug**

Women's Mini-tournament - GB Oval

##### September

###### **13th Sept**

Hungarian T20 Cup starting

###### **6th, 7th & 20th Sept**

Touring teams visiting Hungary

###### **19th & 20th Sept**

Sport Choosing Days

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## EVENTS IN DETAIL

- The **Development league** is taking place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August, calling for all Hungarian men, women and all juniors to participate (for the men's team, contact Hudetz Andras, for the women's contact Fanni and for Juniors contact Andrew Leckonby)
  - **Women's international T20 mini-tournament** is going to be held on 16-17<sup>th</sup> August at GB Oval – calling for all female cricket players to participate!
  - **Sussex junior summer camp** is well under way and judging by the posts on Facebook it's a great success this year again
  - Cricket Serbia has invited the Hungarian native cricketers to take part in friendly games with a new native team on the 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> Aug in Bácski Monostor – if you're interested, please contact Takacs Gyuri!
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## NEW PROJECTS

- **The school cricket/handball program is starting in September, we are looking for Hungarian speaking coaches and a project coordinator for these paying positions** – for further details please check <http://hungary4cricket.com/en/altalanos-iskolai-krikettkezilabda-program-projekt-koordinatort-es-edzoket-keresunk>. Special training will be provided on 13-14<sup>th</sup> September by a superb English coach from Cricket4change for those who are selected for this program
  - Looking for **translators from English to Hungarian** to translate cricket coaching materials to advance the cause of Hungarian native cricket – please contact Gabi if you're able to contribute
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## NEWS

- Our one and only **Ken Baines** is leaving on the 25<sup>th</sup> July for England, a big THANKS for all he's done for Hungarian cricket!!!
- The summer started with a **Community Day at GB Oval** where volunteers from almost all teams participated in rejuvenating our clubhouse and grounds. It was a great way to bring people together and take ownership of the home of

Hungarian cricket – thanks to all of you who came out to help and worked hard!

- The **Pan-European T20 Tournament** held at GB Oval has been a great success with the Maltese team taking the cup – thanks to our voluntary umpires and scorers Colin from Wales and Alan from Malta
  - Our national team participated in the **Romanian Continental Cricket Cup**, it was a great weekend of cricket with a nice win by the hosts, well deserved 2nd place for the Hungarian team, and great effort by Russia, Serbia and Bulgaria
  - In the first week of July we were glad to receive two decent **English touring teams** in Budapest. Though the age group was totally different (Hertfordshire arrived with young uni guys, while New Victoria was more of a senior team) it was a great opportunity for our cricket community to play 6 games against British teams. We put together 6 different teams to participate: the National 11, native players, women and even juniors, all having fun.
  - We've held a large number of **cricket promotion events** all over the country for both children and adults, our team of cricketers who provide these sessions are becoming a well-oiled machine, undeterred by the sun and rain! This is where we've been since May:
    - Budapest - Sport choosing days for children (40.000 kids)
    - Zanka – disabled children's Olympiad (800 kids)
    - Herceghalom – English sport day at a secondary school (200 kids)
    - Kispest – children's summer camp (50 kids)
    - Zuglo – 14<sup>th</sup> district public servants' day (800 kids and adults mixed)
    - Balatonaliga - corporate sport and family day (about a 1000 adults and kids)
    - Kecskemet – children's sport/media/art summer camp (500 kids)
  - A great 25-minute **TV program** was made by **DigiSport** with some of our Juniors showcasing cricket – you can watch the video here:  
<http://www.digisport.hu/video/20854>
  - The new **Late Cut** video has also been published by **ICC Europe** showcasing our cricket/handball cooperation program that will start in September in primary schools in Budapest – you can watch the video here:  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fyWm-0KpJbo> - a big thanks to Ben and Rick from ICC Europe for supporting our program!
  - The **Umpiring Fieldcraft course with Keith Healey** ECC umpiring tutor organized by Steve Anthony provided a great opportunity for our umpires to improve their skills and re-sit their exams – a big thanks to both Steve and Keith for making it happen
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