

# TCA DEVELOPMENT REPORT

NOV 2008 – MAY 2009

## **DOMESTIC LEAGUE:**

### **Dar International Six a Side Competition:**

Dar International Club organised its annually played six a side competition on the 8th Nov 2008 at the Dar Gymkhana grounds. A total of 8 teams participated in this one day event. Six teams were made up from expatriate players from different parts of the world in Tanzania, with an invitation to one team from Zanzibar and TCA U17 development side. The finals was play by the South Africa select v/s TCA U17. TCA U17 won the toss and decided to field reicting South Africa Select side to 49 runs in 5 aloted overs and managed to chase the score to 54runs with two balls to spare of the last over and emerged winners of this annual event for the second time in a row.



### **Mwalimu Nyerere Cup:**

The annually played Mwalimu Nyerere Cup commenced on 26th Nov 2008 with Top 4 teams participating in A1 league and 6 teams playing the A2 league in a 50 over game with promotion and relegation format in place. This league was temporarily put to halt for six weeks due to the extreme hot weather conditions and was replaced with DRCC T20 league a shorter version of the game.

The Mwalimu Nyerere Cup resumed in mid Jan 2009. A1 group finals was played by Academy Boys v/s Ekta. The academy boys batted first scoring 181 for 8 in the 50 allotted overs and managed to defend their score by dismissing Ekta batting line for 101 runs in 40 overs. In the A2 Anadil Burhani played the finals against Dar Gymkhana Club. Dar Gym won the toss and elected to bat scoring 157. In return Anadil Burhani chased the score to finish the game 41.2 overs for a fall of 6 wicket to emerge winners of the A2 group. Anadil Burhani will now face Upanga club in a play off game.



### **DRCC T20 league**

T20 league started on 8th Dec 2008 with 12 teams participating in two groups running simultaneously with the Mwalimu Nyerere Cup. In group T1 Academy boys played Aga Khan Club in the finals on 22 Feb and became the champions. Academy boys won the toss and elected to bat scoring 113 runs for 8 in the 20 allotted overs.



In defending their score the Academy boys restricted the Aga Khan club to 49 all out in 13 over with Khalil and Hamisi doing early damages by taking fast 5 wickets in the first 4 overs for only 7 runs on the score board. Kassim Nassoro from TCA academy became the player of the series after taking 13 wickets and scoring 86 runs in the event. T2 group games are still in play.

## **TCA Regional T20 Tournament 2009:**

Tanzania Cricket Association organised a regional T20 tournament that was played in a round robin format with the top two teams playing the finals from 7th March to 9th March 2009. Five teams from different regions in Tanzania namely Arusha, Dar es Salaam, Morogoro, Mwanza and TCA Academy Boys participated in this event. The 2 games in the preliminary rounds i.e Dar es Salaam v/s Academy and Arusha v/s Morogoro ended in a tie and bowl out system was used to get a winner. Dar es Salaam and Academy qualified for the finals.



TCA Academy Boys emerged the winners in the regional T20 event, with Dar es Salaam taking second place followed by Morogoro, Arusha and Mwanza.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

The association held its AGM on the 14th Dec 2008 at the Muhimbili cricket academy, whereby the chairmans report and the audited accounts were adopted by all members present.

In Feb 2009, A four men committee headed by ICC RDM for Africa, Cassim Suliman interviewed the short listed applicants for a CEO post, whereby Zully Rehemtulla became the successful candidate and was appointed as the CEO for the Association.

Other relevant staff were further appointed to enhance the administration set up as follows: a) Kazim Nasser - Events & Project Officer

b) Mazahir Patel - Accountant

c) Hasnain Damji - website operator

## **WOMENS TOURNAMENT:**

Tanzania women's team participated in East Africa Women's regional tournament from 14th to 18th Dec 2008 hosted by Cricket Kenya in Nairobi. Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda and the host Kenya participated in this ACA organised tournament.

It was great to see the young girls from Rwanda to participate in this event which is a testimony of a continuous growth of women's cricket in the region.

Uganda emerged winner, while Kenya settled as runners up, with Tanzania taking the third place followed by Rwanda.

In Jan 2009 Tanzania organised and hosted another E.Africa women's triangular series. Each team played each other twice with first two teams playing the finals, giving the E.Africa women's team the opportunity to play more games to enhance their standards. The finals were played by Uganda v/s Kenya and once again Uganda emerged the winners with Kenya taking second place and the host settled for third place..

## **U19 WCQS –AFRICA REGION:**

Tanzania U19 team participated in the U19 WCQS – Africa region, hosted by Zambia Cricket Association in Lusaka from 26-04-09 to 05-05-09. Congratulations to Uganda and Senegal for qualifying for the global U19 WCQS. Most of the games in this event resulted in low scores due to the slow wickets. Tanzanian team coach from Kenya Rajab Ali was not happy to see his team struggling to adapt to the slow wickets which resulted in failure in their batting department. Tanzania managed to finish seventh in this event .



## Development:

The Dev Incharge Zully Rehemtulla along with all the development officers had a meeting on the 12th Dec to assess and summarise the ongoing development program for the year 2008. All the Dev officers were given the opportunity to give their views and opinions for the next step forward. New strategies were charted out in order to make the program more effective for the year 2009.



A two week holiday camp for youths of both genders was organised which started from 23rd Dec 2008 to 7th Jan 2009 just before the schools re opened.



A Junior league was organised for primary schools Starting 8th Feb 2009. Twelve Boys team and eight girls team participated in this league.

Twelve boys teams were divided into 4 groups in a round robin format with semi finals and finals, While girls were divided into two groups with the top team from each group to play the finals.

In Boys category Dar Raptors won against Mapinduzi in the semi finals to secure a place for the finals, while Makumbusho won against Mkwawa to secure a place for the finals.

In the final event Dar Raptors won toss and decided to bat compiling 128 runs for 6 wickets in 20 allotted over game, making it difficult for Makumbusho to chase. Dar Raptor emerged the winner of the junior T20 league 2009.



In the girls finals Victoria played Mkwawa B. Victoria won the toss and decided to field restricting Mkwawa to score of 42 all out. In return victoria managed to chase the score to win the game scoring 43 runs with a fall of 8 wickets



On 22nd March 2009, "Chanzo Cricket" (a modified game for juniors) tournament was organised to celebrate the ICC centenary year. "Catching the Spirit". A total of 300 youths inclusive of umpires and scorers from twenty different primary schools participated in this one day event, out of which twelve teams comprised of Boys and eight teams for Girls. It was great to see the senior national team involvement in this event that actually motivated the youths. T-shirts with ICC centenary logo were distributed to the youths. Lunch and soft drinks were also provided to all participants.



## **UMIPING SEMINAR:**

The TCA Umpiring Seminar were held at Muhimbili Cricket Academy starting 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2009 on three different sessions. \_A total of 28 participants officiating in the domestic leagues from various clubs and TCA development program attended the seminar.The seminar was conducted by Mr.Kazim Nasser, assisted by Dr.K.S.Gupta and Mr. Rajabali Wazir - TCA U 19 coach from Kenya. The response was very positive from all participants and the participants promised to pass the knowledge learnt from these sessions to their counterparts in various clubs.

The sessions would also assist the umpires to have consistency in decision making and \interpretation of the laws and playing conditions of the game



All the participants were updated and educated on all the new laws of the game and were educated on the following topics.

- ICC ODI/T20 playing Conditions effective 1<sup>st</sup> Oct 2008
- MCC Laws of Cricket (2000 Code 2<sup>nd</sup> edition -2003)
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- ICC Code of Conduct
- ICC Anti Doping policy

## **PLACEMENTS OF PLAYERS:**

Skipper Hamisi Abdalla, Khalil Rehemtulla both opening bowlers and Athumani Kakonzi a left arm leg break spinner of the National team left on the 16th April 2009 for U.K to play in the herthfordshire league season 2009, for the Watford Town Cricket Club. This initiative of the player's placement is part of the Associations strategic planning to enhance the standard of the national players on field performance and preparation for the forthcoming ICC WL Div 4 scheduled for June 2010 in Italy.

The trio have been performing well in the league that started in May and won the hearts from their respective club players. During their free time they have been training the youth of the clubs.



Zully Rehemtulla traveled to Arusha to be part of the annual cricket banquet organised by Arusha region cricket committee (ARCC) held on Sat 23rd May 2009 at the Arusha Institute. During this occasion he got the opportunity to meet most of the stakeholders of Arusha region. On Sunday 24th May a very fruitful meeting was held with the whole regional committee, to discuss programmes and strategic planning to enhance cricket development in Arusha region. Soon after the meeting inspection of the grounds were made.



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