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Your monthly update on **KZN Cricket**

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## CEO's Message

**The new cricket season is almost upon us and it again holds plenty of promise and excitement for the Sunfoil Dolphins and KZN cricket.**

The most significant of which is the signing of Chris Gayle and Shaun Tait as our overseas pros for the T20 competition. It is a sign of our ambition and to qualify for Champions League. We also hope to draw more of our fans, suiteholders and school children to Sahara Stadium, Kingsmead to watch these global superstars play for the Sunfoil Dolphins. If all progresses to plan, then these Superstars will play 13 matches for the Dolphins in the T20 competition.

The double round of T20 fixtures mean that the Dolphins will play 6 x T20 home matches at Sahara Stadium, Kingsmead and also a T20 fixture against the newly formed 7th team in PMB.

The next exciting initiative is the rebranding campaign to the Sunfoil Dolphins and the first elements (billboards) have already been rolled out in Durban and PMB. Look out for a whole lot more on radio, TV and print.

The Dolphins are busy with preseason friendlies and recently beat a full strength Cobras team in a 50 over and a T20 match. Our first match is against the Highveld Lions on 29 September 2011, which will take place at the Bidvest Wanderers Stadium (JHB).

The school age group squads have prepared since June and I am confident that the work put in by our coaches this winter will reap dividends at the national weeks in December. We need to continue using ideal winter conditions as a competitive edge in preparing our players.



Our congratulations to Prenelan Subrayen (Glenwood) and Calvin Savage (Maritzburg College) for an outstanding SA U19 tour to England. They represented the Dolphins with distinction with Prenelan delivering a couple of match winning performances.

School principals and MIC of cricket; please look out for our invitation to attend Dolphins matches this season. We want to encourage as many of our schools (primary and high) to take us up on our offer.

Another new initiative is the allocation of suites at Sahara Stadium, Kingsmead to our Premier league clubs so that they could on sell thereby raising funds to improve coaching standards at club level.

Finally, Sahara Stadium, Kingsmead hosts the ODI between SA and Australia on the 28th October 2011. Under the guidance of our new national coach, Gary Kirsten, we look forward to the new energy and ideas he will bring to the Proteas. This match promises to be a humdinger and we hope all of KZN will turn up in numbers. Tickets are on sale through our ticketing office or through Ticketpros.

Finally to all of our cricket players in the province, best wishes for the upcoming season and may it be your best season ever.

**Come on summer, come on!!  
Jesse**



# Now we're cooking!

## Our new tag line linking Sunfoil cooking oil & the Dolphins

A partnership between two iconic KZN brands, both of which share a special interaction in the lives of people across the province, has just been realised! Sunfoil Pure Sunflower Oil, KZN's no.1 selling cooking, together in partnership with KZN's provincial cricket heroes, the Dolphins, is proud to introduce The Sunfoil Dolphins! "The cricket loving fans of the KZN Dolphins are also family people whose hearts are as much at home enjoying a home cooked meal together, as they are when they're cheering on every Dolphins victory at the stadium." said Shoab Moosa, Sales and Marketing Director of Willowton Group, the manufacturers of Sunfoil Pure Sunflower Oil. Jesse Chellan, KZNCU CEO commented, "A key element of this partnership is the strategic fit. Both KZN Cricket Union and Willowton share the vision of making the Sunfoil Dolphins the most recognisable cricket brand in the country and in the time rivalling the Sharks, the Bulls, Kaiser Chiefs and Orlando Pirates as the premier sporting brands in the country. Secondly the Moosa family are ardent and passionate supporters of the Dolphins cricket, so they are cricketing people who understand and support the game."

With the Dolphins cricket team and the Sunfoil brand currently playing a positive role in the lives of people in KZN, the two powerhouses look forward to its fans continuing their support by getting behind the Sunfoil Dolphins team. The Willowton Group proudly manufactures Sunfoil Pure Sunflower Oil. A family owned business that was started 41 years ago. With high-quality brands such as Sunfoil, Sunshine D, d'Lite and NuvoLite to name a few, the Willowton Group competes with the top International players in the South African FMCG market.

With manufacturing facilities situated in Pietermaritzburg, Johannesburg and Cape Town, the business is built on pillars of excellent service, quality and ongoing investment in technology and human resources. The process to find a replacement for Nashua as team sponsor for the Dolphins commenced about ten months ago. "Ideally, we were looking for a KZN based multinational and approached, approximately 10 companies. After several months of negotiations, the shortlist was down to 3 companies, with Willowton being selected as the final preferred partner, commented Jesse. "The synergy between these two great brands couldn't be closer and the added value this partnership brings to the loyal customers who support them is something we are extremely excited about!" Shoab Moosa added. From their homes to the game, the Sunfoil Dolphins will get Durbanites excited with an interactive pre-season marketing campaign that will have loyal fans blow away by all that is in store for them in the 2011/2012 cricket season!



# Sunfoil Dolphins

## Gearing up for a Bumper Season



Imraan Khan

The Sunfoil Dolphins have been gearing up for the upcoming season. The team has been working hard on improving their fitness and skill levels. The team has played a number of friendly matches, some of which have been warm-up matches against the Cape Cobras and Chevrolet Knights. They also travelled to Gauteng, to test their steel against the Highveld Lions. These matches proved to be a good opportunity to put the hard work of the winter months into actual match practice.

# New Canon Camera System

The KZNCU and Sunfoil Dolphins have taken another step towards becoming the leading province and franchise in South Africa with the recent installation of permanent cameras for the purpose of analysis and coaching. The camera system consists of a total of 6 high definition cameras which cover the practice areas used by all teams that come to Kingsmead. This allows coaches and players to view every practice session that is undertaken.

It allows for real-time analysis of technique.

Players can view their sessions immediately after they are done with training. We hope that this innovation will help ensure that we continue on our path to becoming the best!

# Suncoast Dolphins Academy

A good year for the Academy is fast drawing to a close. In the past, the Academy concluded after the CSA Academy Week, but this year the boys who are not involved at the next level will remain on until the middle of October.

The highlight for these youngsters, apart from their personal growth, is the Academy Week, which took place in Kimberley from the 12th to 17th September. The Suncoast Dolphins Academy was undefeated, winning all 5 matches. Well done to the players and the coaching staff for a great effort.





**The KZN fixtures and results are as follows:**

**DAY 1 - KZN vs. Griquas (50 Overs)**

Griquas 78 all out, Bissoon: 3 for 19 & Kishun 3 for 12  
KZN 79 for 3  
Won by 7 wickets

**DAY 2 (20/20)**

**KZN vs. Mpumalanga (am)**

Kzn 144 for 5  
Lacon Allin: 52, Barron: 34  
Mapumalanga  
136 for 8  
Kishun: 3 for 27  
Won by 8 runs

**KZN vs. Free State (pm)**

KZN 133 for 6  
Bowes: 32, Lacon Allin: 30  
Free State  
115 for 8  
Scullard: 2 wickets, Sunkari: 2 wickets,  
Gertze: 2 wickets  
Won by 18 runs

**DAY 3 - KZN vs. Free State (50 Overs)**

Free State 75 all out  
Kishun: 5 for 8, Poole: 4 for 19  
77 for 1  
Bowes: 43 not out  
Won by 9 wickets

**DAY 4 – KZN vs. Titans (50 Overs)**

KZN 204 all out  
Hendrie: 78, Lacon Allin: 58  
Titans  
189 all out  
Kishun: 4 for 25, Bissoon: 3 for 30  
Won by 15 runs

# Coaches Association

Since the launch of the KZNCU Coaches Association back in 2010, we have enjoyed a successful run, with new members joining up each time.

The aim of the Coaches Association is to:

- Up-skill all our active coaches
- To facilitate best practice sharing amongst coaches
- Recognize the value that our coaches add to our cricketing system

By becoming a member you have access to the latest coaching techniques, videos, general coaching tips and complimentary tickets to the domestic ODI, Test match and domestic T20 competition.

Should you wish to become a member of the KZNCU Coaches Association or renew your subscription (if you are an existing member), please contact Sarah Mun-Gavin

on 031-335 4200 sarahm@cricket.co.za.

## Umpires Indaba

The Umpires' Indaba involving umpires that will be standing in all KZNCU Competitions was held on Sunday, 18th September 2011, at Sahara Stadium, Kingsmead.

It was a whole day affair, preparing the umpires for the forth coming season which begins on the 2nd October 2011.

The agenda covered: affiliation, availability, playing conditions of all competitions, application of certain laws, handing out of KZNCU handbook, all relevant forms, documents and umpires' clothing and also standing and travelling fees.

The occasion also gave the umpires an opportunity to meet each other including the new recruits.

Concerns of umpires were noted and addressed at the meeting where possible.

Twenty six umpires attended the Indaba (includes those from Port Shepstone, Umzinto, Stanger, Eshowe and Richards Bay).



Umpire Co-ordinator  
in KZN



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# Youth Sport Skills Development Initiative for KwaNobamba Rural Community



Mr. D.B. Sikhakhane from Sakhisizwe Community Development & Empowerment has praised Linda Zondi, Sane Kuzwayo and his staff for their hardwork, dedication and tireless efforts in initiating cricket development within the community. This is the first time that such a task has been undertaken in the rural area.



A mini-cricket set, which consists of 2 stumps, 2 bats and 3 balls, was given out to the eight schools in the area. And the teachers and children were given training in the basic skills of cricket. Since their visit to KwaNobamba, the community has been able to put together 7 cricket teams.



# 2011/2012 SEASON TICKET

Watch every game live with your Sunfoil Dolphins Season Ticket and get into the Spirit of Cricket!

Get 4 extra PRO20 games PLUS every game at the PMB Oval included!

### Fixtures List

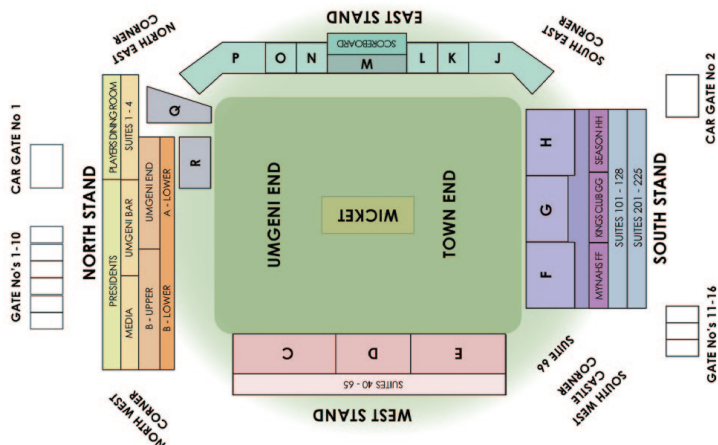
- Australia ODI
- Sri Lanka Test Match
- Domestic 50 (3 matches at Sahara Stadium Kingsmead and 2 matches in PMB)
- Domestic PRO 20 (3 matches at Sahara Stadium Kingsmead and 2 matches in PMB)
- Supersport Series (3 matches at Sahara Stadium Kingsmead and 2 matches in PMB)

Every season ticket comes with a package of value-added Suncoast vouchers.

### Season Ticket Prices - 2011/2012

No increase on last year's pricing

STAND	PRICE
South Upper – King's Club	R1200
North Stand Upper Umgeni End	R850
North Stand Upper – Block B	R850
North Stand Lower A & B	R850
South Stand F & H	R830
West Stand C, D & E	R780
Adult Ground	R520 *
Pensioner Ground	R280 *
Scholar Ground	R270 *



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Only  
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**FREE ENTRY TO THE 5 DAY TEST MATCH**  
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**REGULAR COMPETITIONS TO BE UP CLOSE**  
**AND PERSONAL WITH THE DOLPHIN PLAYERS**

**FULL SET OF AUTOGRAPH CARDS FOR SIGNING**  
**SESSION AFTER MATCHES**

**A SUNFOIL DOLPHIN CAP**

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**YOU COULD STAND A CHANCE OF WINNING THE ULTIMATE CRICKET PARTY**  
**AT SAHARA STADIUM KINGSMEAD**

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**MEMBERSHIP IS SEASONAL FROM SEPTEMBER TO MAY**  
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# Live Buzz



**Imran Tahir**

**Garden Court Umhlanga  
1st Birthday**

Garden Court Umhlanga celebrated its 1st birthday on 23 August 2011. Jesse Chellan (KZNCU CEO) and Sunfoil Dolphin players relished in a culinary experience provided by the top chefs from around the world.

**SA Annual Cricketer of the Year**

Imran Tahir received the SA Annual Cricketer of the Year at the 2011 SA Cricket Annual Launch that took place at Emoyeni Estate on 06 September 2011 in Johannesburg.

**Hashim Amla  
SA Sports Star  
of the Year award**

Proteas star Hashim Amla, who recently won the SA Sports Star of the Year award, joined fellow SA Sports Awards nominees and winners at a special breakfast in Sandton on 02 September 2011, where he was presented with his prize money by Sports Minister, Fikile Mbalula. Hashim has also been nominated for the LG ICC People's Choice Award, which will be presented at the ICC Cricket Awards in London on September 12.



 **Narendra Rangi Singh**  
Congrats to Hashim. U are a Star !!!



# Calendar

DATE	HOME TEAM VS AWAY TEAM	STADIUM	VENUE
<b>SUPERSPORT SERIES</b>			
29/09 - 02/10	Highveld Lions vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Bidvest Wanderers Stadium	JHB
06/10 - 09/10	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Nashua Titans	PMB Oval	PMB
13/10 - 16/10	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Chevrolet Knights	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
20/10 - 23/10	Cape Cobras vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Sahara Park Newlands	CT
15/12 - 18/12	Chevrolet Warriors vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	AXXESS St George's Cricket Stadium	PE
27/12 - 30/12	Chevrolet Knights vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Chevrolet Park	Bloem
12/01 - 15/01	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Cape Cobras	PMB Oval	PMB
26/01 - 29/01	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Chevrolet Warriors	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
02/02 - 05/02	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Highveld Lions	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
09/02 - 12/02	Nashua Titans vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Supersport Park	Centurion
<b>MOMENTUM ONE DAY CUP</b>			
04/11 D/N	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Cape Cobras	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
06/11 Day	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Chevrolet Warriors	PMB Oval	PMB
09/11 D/N	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Highveld Lions	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
11/11 D/N	Nashua Titans vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Supersport Park	Centurion
16/11 D/N	Chevrolet Warriors vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Buffalo Park Cricket Stadium	EL
18/11 D/N	Chevrolet Knights vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Chevrolet Park	Bloem
23/11 D/N	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Nashua Titans	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
25/11 D/N	Highveld Lions vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Senwes Park	Potch
27/11 Day	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Chevrolet Knights	PMB Oval	PMB
30/11 D/N	Cape Cobras vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Sahara Park Newlands	CT
<b>T20 DOMESTIC COMPETITION</b>			
19/02 Day	7th Team vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	PMB Oval	PMB
22/02 D/N	Chevrolet Knights vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Chevrolet Park	Bloem
24/02 D/N	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Nashua Titans	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
26/02 Day	Cape Cobras vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Boland Park	Paarl
02/03 Day	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Chevrolet Warriors	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
04/03 Day	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Highveld Lions	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
07/03 D/N	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. 7th Team	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
09/03 D/N	Nashua Titans vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Supersport Park	Centurion
11/03 Day	Chevrolet Warriors vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Buffalo Park Cricket Stadium	EL
14/03 D/N	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Chevrolet Knights	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
16/03 D/N	Highveld Lions vs. Sunfoil Dolphins	Bidvest Wanderers Stadium	JHB
21/03 Day	Sunfoil Dolphins vs. Cape Cobras	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
<b>INTERNATIONALS</b>			
28/10	SA vs. Australia	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN
26/12 - 30/12	SA vs. Sri Lanka	Sahara Stadium Kingsmead	DBN

## Quote

It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change. (Charles Darwin)