

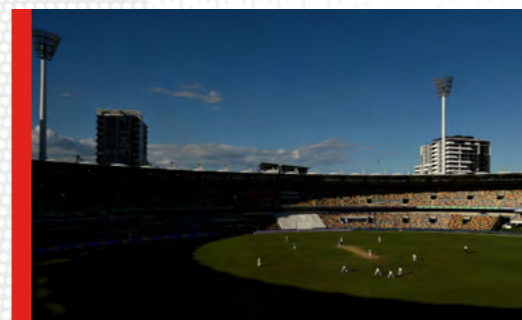
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# ICC ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21

INCLUDING SUMMARISED  
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS



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## CHAIR'S REPORT

### GREG BARCLAY

This has been another challenging period for all our Members, as the effects of COVID-19 continue to be felt around the world. The global pandemic has hit everyone hard – but it is encouraging to see the volume of international cricket being played around the world rising.

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**WE HAVE A LOT TO LOOK FORWARD TO FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR AS WE START TO GET ICC EVENTS BACK UP AND RUNNING, WELCOMING CRICKET FANS BACK INTO GROUNDS AROUND THE WORLD AND CEMENTING OUR LONG-TERM FUTURE.**

**GREG BARCLAY**

Throughout this period, it has been important that we have been able to continue to fund our Members without interruption and provide additional levels of support. This includes the introduction of a Member Support Fund to assist Members who have been unable to fulfil their immediate international cricketing obligations because of COVID-19.

International travel is still challenging and is impacting on ICC pathway events – many of which have had to be postponed. For the first time ever, an ICC Annual Report does not cover a period with an ICC global event. But as I write this, planning for the inaugural ICC World Test Championship Final is well underway, and I'm very much looking forward to watching New Zealand and India go head to head for the right to call themselves World Champions in our longest format.

As Chair of the ICC, my focus is very much on the future, and on working with our Members to shape the sport for long-term sustainability and growth. We are currently considering the post-2023 cycle, which includes event hosting and giving more opportunities to more nations to compete on the global stage.

We are also finalising the global strategy for the sport, which will give us a clear direction of travel to drive growth and secure a vibrant and sustainable future for cricket. This strategy will be of crucial importance to everyone in the game: we are facing significant threats and challenges, and doing nothing to counter them is not an option. We need to take a proactive and bold approach to collectively securing the future of cricket, and I look forward to the whole sport getting behind it.

One project I have personally been involved in recently is as a mentor for the ICC 100% Cricket Future Leaders Programme, which is designed to address the low percentage of women in leadership positions in global cricket and to build a pipeline of new female leaders. We all have a responsibility to make our game truly equitable, and this project will play an important role in doing so.

Cricket is fortunate to have partners who are committed to it over the long term. I want to thank Star Sports, our global broadcast partners, for their continued support, as well as our commercial partners, who play such an important role for us.

Finally, I'd like to thank the ICC staff for their continued efforts over the last 12 months. It has undoubtedly been challenging, but the team has continued to focus on delivering for our Members and showing enormous flexibility around event planning. We have a lot to look forward to for the remainder of the year as we start to get ICC events back up and running, welcoming cricket fans back into grounds around the world, and cementing our long-term future.

**Greg Barclay**  
Independent Chair





## ACTING CEO'S REPORT

### GEOFF ALLARDICE

The last 12 months have remained a challenge for everyone, but I continue to be amazed at the resilience of the world and our sport. We have seen cricket at all levels return around the world, albeit in a slightly different manner to that we have known previously.

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**THE POWER OF CRICKET TO CONNECT HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED THIS YEAR WITH NEW COMMERCIAL PARTNERS. WE ARE INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL FOR THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF ALL OUR PARTNERS AS WE HAVE COLLECTIVELY NAVIGATED THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC.**

**GEOFF ALLARDICE**

Bio-secure environments are our new normal, and we are learning how to stage international cricket successfully with the additional challenges. I'd like to thank everyone who has been involved in making this happen: our Members, the players and support staff, the broadcasters, our commercial partners and of course our fans, who continue to follow cricket with as much passion as ever.

Over the last year, we have continued to connect with the fans, even when there was little international cricket. Leveraging the ICC video archives has given us all a great opportunity to relive extraordinary moments in our history. For example, we looked back at the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2011, 10 years on from India's triumph, and used it as a launchpad to produce more content in languages other than English. More than 52 million views of our Hindi videos were among the nearly 500 million total views for the campaign.

As we count down to this year's ICC Hall of Fame induction, we have also released videos celebrating every single current member of the Hall. For the first time, we have given our fans a voice in acknowledging our best players: more than 6.5 million votes were cast in the ICC Awards of the Decade in December, counting towards 10% of the jury's vote for each individual award, and engagement around the ICC Player of the Month continues to grow.

The power of cricket to connect has been demonstrated this year with new commercial partners. Even in these challenging times, BYJU's, BharatPe and Upstox saw the potential of partnerships with the ICC. We are incredibly grateful for the continued support of all our partners – including Star Sports, our global broadcast partner – as we have collectively navigated the global pandemic.

At the time of writing, we are about to deliver the inaugural ICC World Test Championship Final, which will see India face New Zealand in a one-off game to decide the best team in Test cricket. The ICC World Test Championship was introduced to bring greater context into our longest format, and the final months and weeks of the competition did exactly that – with the places in the final going down to the wire between four teams.

The ICC World Test Championship Final will be the first ICC event we will have delivered since the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2020, and it is a new experience for the ICC team. Operating in a bio-secure environment with limited crowd capacity, it will certainly look very different to a usual global event final, but there's no doubt that some outstanding Test cricket from two of the best teams in the world will engage and connect with fans around the world. Our thanks go to our Members, who have shared their COVID-19 learnings so freely; to the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and New Zealand Cricket for their flexibility in the arrangements; and to the England & Wales Cricket Board (ECB) for hosting.

Last but by no means least, I would also like to sincerely thank the ICC staff for their continued passion and commitment during a difficult period, and for the support they have given me since I assumed the role of Acting CEO.

**Geoff Allardice**  
Acting CEO



# HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR





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The COVID-19 pandemic had a huge impact on the cricket calendar – but there was nonetheless plenty to enjoy and celebrate during 2020-21.



## JUNE 2020

A three-Test series at Southampton and Manchester between **England** and the **West Indies** behind closed doors is confirmed, but Darren Bravo, Shimron Hetmyer and Keemo Paul opt out

The **ICC** approves the use of substitutions if a player shows symptoms of COVID-19 in Test matches

**Pakistan** announces a 29-man squad to face England in its Test and T20I series

**India's** tours to Sri Lanka and Zimbabwe are called off

**Scotland** cancels its T20I fixture against Australia

**New Zealand's** August tour of Bangladesh is postponed

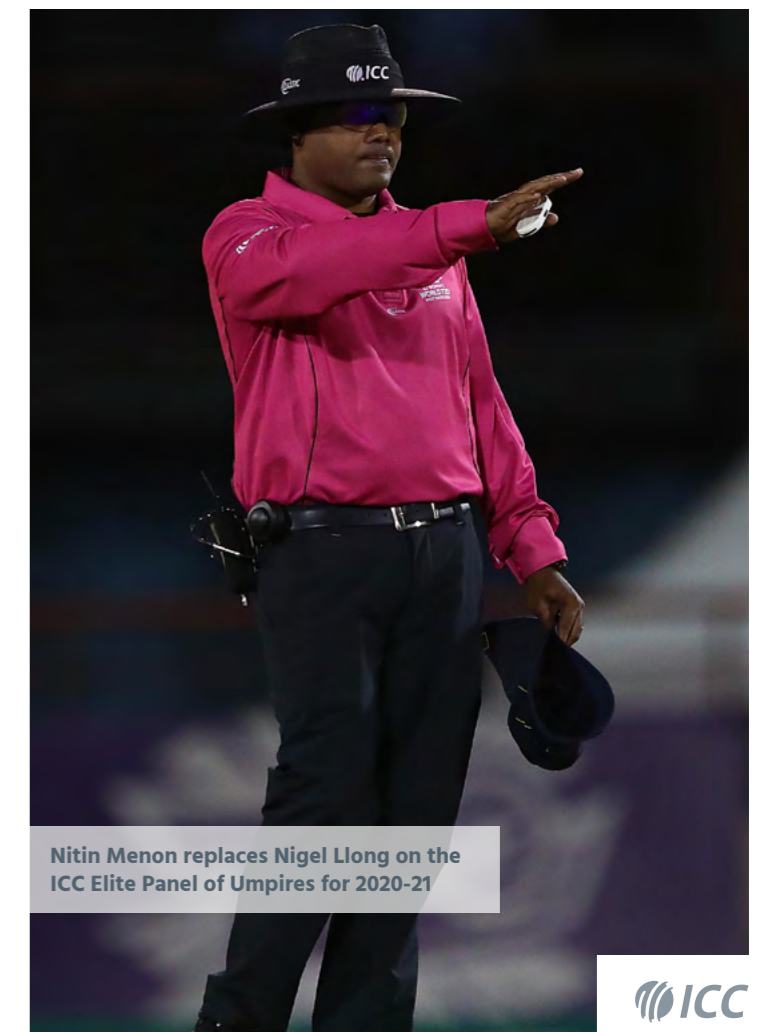
Ten **Pakistan** players test positive for COVID-19 in advance of their tour of England

**Bangladesh** postpones its three-Test tour of Sri Lanka

The MCC announces that **Clare Connor** will become its first female President, succeeding **Kumar Sangakkara** in October 2021

The **England & Wales Cricket Board (ECB)** announces that domestic cricket in England will start on 1 August

**Zimbabwe's** three-ODI tour of Australia scheduled for August is postponed



Nitin Menon replaces Nigel Long on the ICC Elite Panel of Umpires for 2020-21





Ben Stokes becomes the top-rated Test all-rounder after his century helps England to level the Test series with the West Indies

## JULY 2020

**Shashank Manohar** stands down as ICC Chair, and Imran Khwaja replaces him as Interim ICC Chair

The schedules for **Ireland's** and **Pakistan's** series in England are confirmed, with Southampton and Manchester due to host the matches

The **Asia Cup** is postponed until June 2021

The **West Indies** wins the first Test against England as both teams "take a knee" in support of the Black Lives Matter movement

England bowler **Jofra Archer** is dropped for the second Test against the West Indies after a breach of biosecurity protocols

The ICC postpones the **Men's T20 World Cup** until Nov-Dec 2021, with the 2021 edition pushed back to 2022

The ICC announces that the **TV umpires** will call front-foot no-balls in the forthcoming ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Super League

**Stuart Broad** takes his 500th Test wicket as England wins the third Test against the West Indies at Manchester to take the series 2-1

The **2020-2022 ICC Cricket World Cup Super League** gets underway as England wins the first ODI against Ireland by six wickets at Southampton

## AUGUST 2020

The **English domestic season** starts on 1 August with matches in the first-class Bob Willis Trophy

The 2020 edition of the **Indian Premier League (IPL)** is confirmed to take place in the UAE

**Ireland** wins the third ODI against England, chasing 329 to win at Southampton

**England's** white-ball tour of India is postponed until 2021 to avoid a clash with the IPL

The ICC announces that India will host the **ICC Men's T20 World Cup in 2021** and **Australia in 2022**, with the ICC Women's World Cup postponed a year until 2022

The **Zimbabwe v Afghanistan** T20I series is called off due to COVID-19

**Chris Woakes** and **Jos Buttler** inspire England to victory in the first Test against Pakistan at Manchester

**KN Ananthapadmanabhan** is promoted to the ICC International Panel of Umpires to fill the vacancy caused by Nitin Menon's promotion to the Elite Panel

Domestic cricket resumes in **Sri Lanka**, five months after it was suspended due to COVID-19

Women's international cricket returns with the **Austria v Germany** T20I series

India's **MS Dhoni** announces his international retirement

**Cricket South Africa** announces that its women's team will not tour England due to the travel restrictions in place for South African national teams

**Zaheer Abbas**, **Jacques Kallis** and **Lisa Sthalekar** are elected to the ICC Hall of Fame

**West Indies Women** confirms a tour of England for a five-match T20I series in September after both South Africa and India pull out of proposed tours



James Anderson become the first seam bowler to take 600 Test wickets as England beat Pakistan 1-0 in their Test series

## SEPTEMBER 2020

**England** draws its T20I series at home with Pakistan 1-1 with one match rained out

**England** wins its home T20I series against Australia 2-1 as Dawid Malan overtakes Babar Azam to become the top-ranked batsman in the format

**Trinbago Knight Riders** wins its fourth Caribbean Premier League (CPL) title, becoming the first team to go through an entire CPL season undefeated

South Africa's Olympic body takes control of **Cricket South Africa (CSA)** and asks the Board to step aside

UAE players **Ashfaq Ahmed** and **Amir Hayat** are suspended for breaching the ICC Anti-Corruption Code

Australia wins the ODI series in England 2-1 with a thrilling victory in the final ODI at Manchester, with **Glenn Maxwell** and **Alex Carey** scoring centuries

The **IPL** starts in the UAE, with Chennai Super Kings defeating Mumbai Indians by five wickets in the first match at Abu Dhabi

The **Decision Review System (DRS)** makes its maiden appearance in a women's bilateral series in England during the West Indies tour

The proposed **Australia v Afghanistan** Test scheduled for November in Perth is postponed due to COVID-19

Essex wins the inaugural **Bob Willis Trophy** in England, defeating Somerset in the final at Lord's

It is announced that **Pakistan** will tour New Zealand for two Tests and three T20Is in December, with players serving a 14-day quarantine period on arrival

**England Women** completes a 5-0 T20I series win following a frenetic run chase in the final match against the West Indies in Derby



Amelia Kerr helps New Zealand Women snap a 13-match losing streak to Australia, but Australia wins the T20I series 2-1





Meg Lanning leads Australia Women to equal the men's record of 21 consecutive ODI victories in Brisbane

## OCTOBER 2020

Former Bermuda batsman **David Hemp** is appointed Head Coach of Pakistan Women, and **Courtney Walsh** is appointed Head Coach of West Indies Women

**Notts Outlaws** wins the English domestic Twenty20 title for the second time, defeating Surrey in the rain-delayed final at Edgbaston

**Australia Women** equals the men's record of 21 ODI victories in a row by defeating New Zealand by 232 runs to clinch their series 3-0 at Brisbane

The **2020/21 Sheffield Shield** season starts in Australia, with the first four rounds exclusively played in and around Adelaide

The ECB confirms a three-league **County Championship** structure in England for 2021, with a separate Lord's final

**England's** tour of South Africa in November and December is given the government go-ahead

**England's** men accept 15% pay cuts in wake of the financial hit taken by the ECB due to the COVID-19 crisis

**Pakistan** begins its ODI series in Zimbabwe with victory by 26 runs at Rawalpindi

**West Indies** players begin their quarantine period in New Zealand after a 54-hour journey

In the IPL, **Chris Gayle** becomes the first batsman to hit 1,000 sixes in Twenty20 cricket

## NOVEMBER 2020

**Marcus Harris** and **Will Pucovski** set a new Sheffield Shield record with a 486-run stand for Victoria's first wicket against South Australia

**Zimbabwe** wins the final ODI against Pakistan via a Super Over, but loses the series 2-1

**Trailblazers** beat Supernovas by 16 runs to win the 2020 Women's T20 Challenge title in the UAE

Mumbai Indians wins its **fifth IPL title** by defeating the Delhi Capitals in the final

The ICC announces that the **ICC World Test Championship** finalists will be decided by percentage of points earned rather than total points

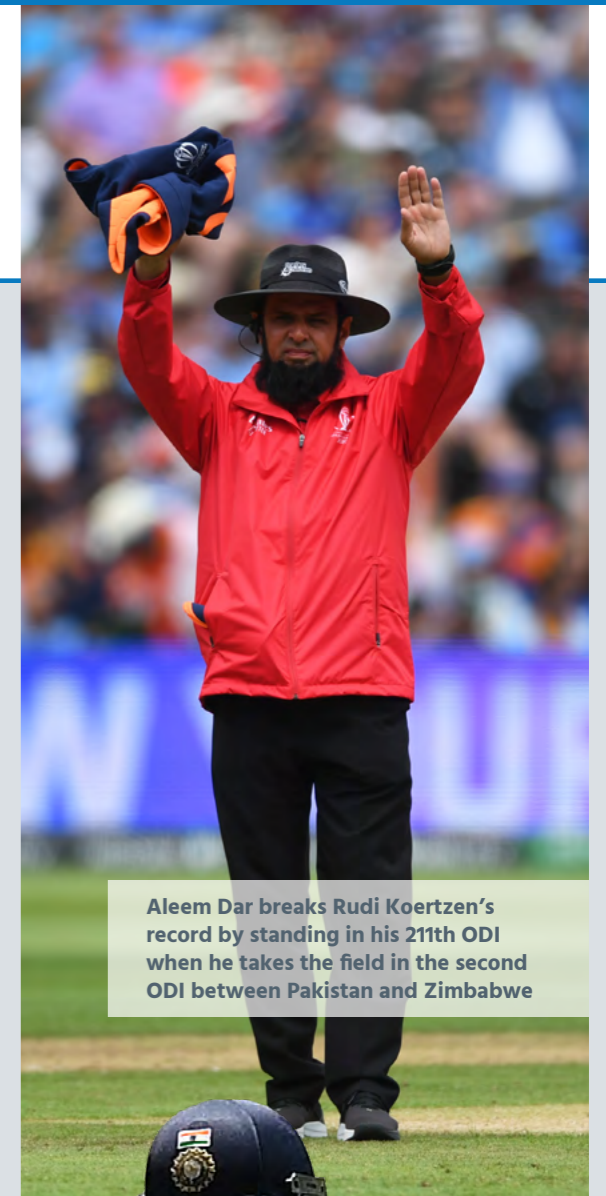
**Karachi Kings** wins the Pakistan Super League, defeating Lahore Qalanders by five wickets in the final in Karachi

The **ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2022** in South Africa is postponed to February 2023

**Greg Barclay** is elected ICC Chair after the second round of voting

**Sydney Thunder** wins the Women's Big Bash League in Australia, defeating Melbourne Stars by seven wickets in the final at the North Sydney Oval

**New Zealand** wins its T20I series with the West Indies 2-0, with the third match ending in a no result



Aleem Dar breaks Rudi Koertzen's record by standing in his 211th ODI when he takes the field in the second ODI between Pakistan and Zimbabwe

## DECEMBER 2020

**David Malan's** 99 not out clinches a 3-0 series victory for England in its T20I series in South Africa

Australia clinches a **2-1 ODI series win** over India, with Steve Smith scoring centuries in the first two matches

**Kane Williamson's** 251 helps New Zealand to victory in the first Test against the West Indies by an innings and 134 runs at Hamilton

**South Africa's** first ODI against England is called off amid a COVID-19 scare, and the ODI leg of the tour is subsequently postponed due to further positive tests

A career-best 174 from **Henry Nicholls** and 20 wickets for the seamers help New Zealand to wrap up an innings victory in the second Test against the West Indies at Wellington, sealing a 2-0 series triumph

**Shoaib Malik** and **Thisara Perera** help the Jaffna Stallions to victory in the inaugural Lanka Premier League

**India** is dismissed for its lowest Test total of 36 as it loses the first Test to Australia at Adelaide by eight wickets

**New Zealand** wins the first two matches of its T20I series with Pakistan to clinch the series, before Pakistan earns a consolation victory in the third match

**Tim Southee** takes his 300th Test wicket as New Zealand defeats Pakistan by 101 runs in the first Test at Mount Maunganui

At Centurion, **Faf du Plessis** scores 199 and his seamers help deliver an innings win against an injury-ravaged Sri Lanka



Ajinkya Rahane's century helps India to level its Test series with Australia with an eight-wicket triumph at Melbourne





Claire Polosak becomes the first woman to officiate in a Men's Test as she is appointed reserve umpire for the third Test between Australia and India

## JANUARY 2021

**South Africa** clinches a 2-0 series win over Sri Lanka by winning the Johannesburg Test by 10 wickets, thanks to a century from Dean Elgar and eight wickets from Anrich Nortje

The **Quaid-e-Azam Final** in Pakistan between Central Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa ends in a tie, with both teams sharing the trophy

**Kyle Jamieson** takes 11 wickets and **Kane Williamson** scores 238 as New Zealand defeats Pakistan by an innings at Christchurch to top the MRF Tyres ICC Test Rankings for the first time

The **UAE** beats Ireland by six wickets in its first ODI at Abu Dhabi before positive COVID-19 tests cause a delay to the series

**India** bats out the final day to draw the Sydney Test against Australia, ending on 334 for five after having been set a victory target of 407

**Joe Root** scores 228 as England wins the first Test on its tour of Sri Lanka by seven wickets at Galle

**Simi Singh** returns the extraordinary figures of five for 10 as Ireland wins the delayed second ODI against the UAE

**India** successfully chases 327 to win the final Test, inflicting Australia's first defeat at Brisbane since 1988 and sealing a 2-1 Test series victory

**Bangladesh** sweeps its ODI series with the West Indies 3-0

**Joe Root's** innings of 186 helps England win the second Test against Sri Lanka and with it the series 2-0

## FEBRUARY 2021

**Australia** postpones its tour of South Africa due to an "unacceptable" COVID-19 risk, which puts New Zealand in the ICC World Test Championship final

Sydney Sixers wins the **Big Bash League** final in Australia, defeating the Perth Scorchers by 27 runs at the Sydney Cricket Ground

**Hasan Ali's** 10 wickets in the match seals victory in the second Test for Pakistan, and its first series win over South Africa since 2003

**James Anderson** and **Jack Leach** help to deliver a 227-run victory for England in the first Test with India at Chennai, after **Joe Root** becomes the first player to score a double century in his 100th Test

**Pakistan Women's** tour of Zimbabwe ends abruptly due to Emirates Airlines suspending its flight operations on the Harare-Dubai route

COVID-19 forces the postponement of three **ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 series**, one in Oman and two in Papua New Guinea

Nine wickets in the match for **Rahkeem Cornwall** helps to script a tight, 17-run win for the West Indies in the second Test against Bangladesh at Mirpur, and with it a 2-0 series win

**Pakistan** wins the deciding match in the T20I series with South Africa to clinch the series 2-1

Centuries from **Rohit Sharma** and **R Ashwin** enable India to win the second Test against England by 317 runs at Chennai and level the series 1-1

**Chris Morris** is the big winner in the IPL Auction – signing for Rajasthan Royals for USD 2.17m

**Axar Patel** takes 11 wickets as India wins the third Test against England inside two days of play at Ahmedabad

**New Zealand Women** wins the third ODI in its series with England, but loses the three-match series 2-1

**Kyle Mayers' unbeaten 210 on Test debut leads the West Indies to complete a successful run chase of 395 to win the first Test against Bangladesh at Chittagong**



## MARCH 2021



England Women, captained by Heather Knight, completes a clean sweep 3-0 in its T20I series against New Zealand Women, dismissing the hosts for just 96 in the final match

**Sean Williams** hits a century as Zimbabwe wins the first Test against Afghanistan at Abu Dhabi by 10 wickets within two days

Sri Lanka's **Akila Dananjaya** takes a hat-trick but is then hit for six sixes in an over by **Kieron Pollard** as the West Indies wins the first T20I by four wickets at Antigua

The **Pakistan Super League (PSL)** is postponed after a number of positive COVID-19 Tests

A century from **Rishabh Pant** and five wickets each for **R Ashwin** and **Axar Patel** in England's second innings seal a 3-1 series victory and a place in the ICC World Test Championship final for India

**New Zealand** wins the fifth T20I against Australia at Wellington by seven wickets, and with it the series 3-2

The **West Indies** wins the third T20I of its series against Sri Lanka at Antigua to win the series 2-1

The ICC announces the expansion of **women's global cricket tournaments** in the next cycle of events

**Geoff Allardice**, the **ICC's General Manager – Cricket**, takes charge as Acting CEO after Manu Sawhney is sent on leave

**Hashmatullah Shahidi** strikes Afghanistan's first Test double-century and **Rashid Khan** takes 11 wickets to set up a series-levelling victory for Afghanistan by six wickets in the second Test against Zimbabwe at Abu Dhabi

**Darren Bravo's** century seals a 3-0 ODI series win for the West Indies over Sri Lanka

UAE players **Mohammad Naveed** and **Shaiman Anwar** are handed eight-year bans for corruption

**South Africa Women** wraps up a 4-1 ODI series victory over India by winning the final match by five wickets at Lucknow

Excellent bowling from **Bhuvneshwar Kumar** and **Shardul Thakur** enables India to clinch a 3-2 T20I series win against England

**Afghanistan** sweeps its T20I series against Zimbabwe, winning all three matches by 48, 45, and 47 runs

**New South Wales** collapse to just 32 all out in the Sheffield Shield against Tasmania, for whom Jackson Bird takes seven for 18

**Lizelle Lee** and **Laura Wolvaardt** score half-centuries to give South Africa Women its first-ever T20I series win over India

The first Test between the West Indies and Sri Lanka at Antigua ends in a draw with a debut century from **Pathum Nissanka** cancelled out by one from **Nkrumah Bonner**

Maiden centuries from **Devon Conway** and **Daryl Mitchell** give New Zealand a massive 164-run victory in the third ODI to clinch a 3-0 whitewash over Bangladesh

**England** successfully chases 337 to win the second ODI against India at Pune to level the series 1-1, but India wins a thrilling third match to take the series 2-1

**Thisara Perera** hits six sixes in an over on the way to a 13-ball fifty for Army Sports Club against Bloomfield Cricket & Athletic Club in Sri Lanka's domestic List A tournament





**Babar Azam becomes the number 1-ranked batsman in ODI cricket, breaking Virat Kohli's 41-month reign in top spot**

## APRIL 2021

The **T20I series** between New Zealand Women and Australia Women is shared 1-1 after the final match is abandoned

**New Zealand's men** wrap up a 3-0 win in their T20I series with Bangladesh

The ICC announces that tied **Women's ODIs** will be decided by a Super Over, and that the "wicket zone" in DRS reviews will now be extended to the top of the bails

The second Test between the **West Indies** and **Sri Lanka** at Antigua ends in a draw and so the series ends 0-0

**Australia Women** wins a world-record 22nd successive ODI by winning the first match of its series with New Zealand at Mount Maunganui, going on to win the series 3-0

**South Africa** levels its ODI series with Pakistan at Johannesburg despite Fakhar Zaman making 193 in a losing effort

**Pakistan** clinches the series 2-1 with victory by 28 runs in the third match at Centurion

The **IPL** gets underway with Royal Challengers Bangalore defeating Mumbai Indians by two wickets

Former Zimbabwe captain and coach **Heath Streak** is banned for eight years for corruption

**Pakistan** wins the final T20I against South Africa at Centurion, taking the series 3-1

Queensland wins the **Sheffield Shield** in Australia, defeating New South Wales by an innings in the final, with Marnus Labuschagne scoring 192

**Zimbabwe** defeats Pakistan by 19 runs in the second T20I between the sides at Harare, its first victory over Pakistan in 16 attempts, but Pakistan takes the series 2-1

The first Test between Sri Lanka and Bangladesh ends in a high-scoring draw, with **Dimuth Karunaratne** and **Dhananjaya de Silva** batting throughout a wicketless fourth day

Former Sri Lankan seamer **Nuwan Zoysa** is banned for six years for breaching the ICC Anti-Corruption Code

**Langton Rusere** becomes the first Black African to officiate in a Test match when he stands in the first Test between Zimbabwe and Pakistan at Harare

## MAY 2021

**Hasan Ali's** nine wickets in the match clinch an innings victory for Pakistan in the first Test against Zimbabwe at Harare

**New Zealand** replaces England as the number 1-ranked ODI team after the annual refresh of the MRF Tyres ICC Team Rankings

The **IPL** is postponed after an increase in COVID-19 cases

Three **ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022** Sub-Regional Europe Qualifiers are called off because of "restrictions and the short timelines" as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic

Pakistan wins its second Test with Zimbabwe by an innings thanks to 215 not out from **Abid Ali** and five-wicket hauls from **Hasan Ali**, **Shaheen Afridi** and **Nauman Ali**

India retains the top spot in the **MRF Tyres ICC Men's Test Team Rankings** after the annual update

The **ODI series** between the Netherlands and Scotland ends with one win apiece

A century from **Mushfiqur Rahman** helps Bangladesh clinch its maiden ODI series victory over Sri Lanka, with **Taskin Ahmed** becoming the first ODI concussion substitute in the second match

The **Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)** announces that the 2021 IPL will conclude in September-October in the UAE

**Ireland Women** wins its T20I series with Scotland Women 3-1 in Belfast after losing the first match



**Praveen Jayawickrama's** stunning debut figures of 11 for 178 give Sri Lanka victory by 209 runs in the second Test against Bangladesh at Pallekele, and a 1-0 series win

## RETIREMENTS

### ALL INTERNATIONAL

Mohammad Amir (pictured bottom left)

Corey Anderson

Elton Chigumbura

MS Dhoni (pictured bottom centre)

Kim Garth (moved to Australia)

Shehan Jayasuriya

Delissa Kimmince

Thisara Perera

Dharmika Prasad

Rachel Priest (pictured bottom right)

Suresh Raina

Marlon Samuels

Upul Tharanga

Sripali Weerakkody

Gary Wilson



### ALL CRICKET

Tim Ambrose

Wesley Barresi

Ian Bell

Ashok Dinda

Alex Doolan

Umar Gul

Harry Gurney

R Vinay Kumar

Shahriar Nafees

Naman Ojha

Graham Onions

Tharanga Paranavitana

Parthiv Patel

Yusuf Pathan

Boyd Rankin

Abdur Razzak

Chadd Sayers

Sudeep Tyagi

Shane Watson

Cameron White

Stuart Whittingham



### TEST CRICKET

Faf du Plessis

### FIRST-CLASS CRICKET

Imran Tahir

Shoaib Malik

Lasith Malinga

### INTERNATIONAL UMPIRING

Bruce Oxenford





## NUMBER OF PLAYING DAYS FOR ICC MEMBERS – MEN

1 JUNE 2020 – 29 MAY 2021

	TEST	ODI	T20I	TOTAL
	7	3	3	13
	17	6	11	34
	19	9	3	31
	52	9	14	75
	31	6	8	45
	17	8	0	25
	17	3	14	34
	39	6	19	64
	16	3	10	29
	36	6	3	45
	42	6	6	54
	14	3	9	26

TEAM	ODI	T20I	TOTAL
NETHERLANDS	2	5	7
SCOTLAND	2	0	2
UAE	2	0	2

MEMBER	T20I	TOTAL
AUSTRIA	4	4
BELGIUM	4	4
BULGARIA	7	7
CZECH REPUBLIC	8	8
GUERNSEY	1	1
ISLE OF MAN	1	1
LUXEMBOURG	8	8
MALAYSIA	4	4
MALTA	3	3
NAMIBIA	3	3
NEPAL	5	5
ROMANIA	4	4
UGANDA	3	3

## NUMBER OF PLAYING DAYS FOR ICC MEMBERS – WOMEN

1 JUNE 2020 – 29 MAY 2021

	TEST	ODI	T20I	TOTAL
	0	6	6	12
	0	0	5	5
	0	3	8	11
	0	0	5	5
	0	5	3	8
	0	0	4	4
	0	9	9	18
	0	3	3	6
	0	0	4	4
	0	8	6	14
	0	0	5	5



# OBITUARIES

## Sir Everton Weekes died 1 Jul 2020

The last surviving of the 'Three Ws', he scored 4,455 runs in 48 Tests for West Indies between 1948 and 1958 at an average of 58.61. He remains the only man to slam centuries in five consecutive Test innings. He coached Canada at the 1979 World Cup and served on the Barbados Cricket Association Board. He was briefly an ICC Match Referee and represented Barbados at contract bridge. He was knighted in 1995.



## Matt Poore died 11 Jun 2020

A right-handed batsman and off-spinner, he played all his 14 Tests for New Zealand in a three-year span from March 1953 to January 1956. He scored 355 runs and took nine wickets in those matches while enjoying a decade-long first-class career for Canterbury.

## Rajinder Goel died 21 Jun 2020

The highest wicket-taker in the history of the Ranji Trophy with 637 wickets, he was unlucky never to have been capped by India. In all, the left-arm spinner took 750 wickets – most of them for Haryana – in 157 first-class matches from 1958-59 to 1984-85, with 53 five-wicket hauls and 17 10-wicket match hauls.

## Khalid Wazir died 27 Jun 2020

A hard-hitting Pakistani batsman, he was selected to tour England in 1954 after just two first-class appearances. He played two Tests on that tour, but scored only 14 runs in three innings. His father Wazir Ali and uncle Nazir Ali both played Test cricket for India in the 1930s.

## Barry Jarman died 17 Jul 2020

He played 19 Test matches for Australia between 1959 and 1969, claiming 50 catches and four stumpings, scoring two half centuries. He became Australia's 33rd Test captain during the 1968 Ashes series when Bill Lawry missed one Test injured. He later served as an ICC Match Referee for 25 Tests and 28 ODIs between 1995 and 2001.

## Wendy Blunsden died 1 Aug 2020

She played seven Tests and eight One-Day Internationals for Australia between 1972 and 1976. A natural leader and all-rounder, she captained Australia in one Test and led her native South Australia from 1969 to 1974.

## Lorna Larter died 10 Aug 2020

She took up cricket at the age of 12 before joining the South Hawthorn Ladies Cricket Club. She made her Australian debut against New Zealand in 1948 in the first women's Test match between the two countries and went on to play a further six Tests for Australia, including her final match during Australia's 1951 tour to England.

## Chetan Chauhan died 16 Aug 2020

The long-time opening partner of Sunil Gavaskar, with whom he shared 10 century stands, he played a total of 40 Tests for India between 1969 and 1981, scoring 2,084 runs. He reached 50 on 16 occasions, and his total of runs without a century was a Test record until Shane Warne bettered it. Later in life he served as a cabinet minister in the government of Uttar Pradesh.

## Jim Stevens died 1 Sep 2020

Umpired the ODI between Australia and England at the Sydney Cricket Ground on 11 December 1979.

## David Capel died 2 Sep 2020

He represented England in 15 Tests and 23 ODIs between 1987 and 1990, and played a part in England's memorable victory in Jamaica in 1990. He enjoyed a long association with Northamptonshire, playing 18 seasons for the county and later serving as their Head Coach. He also enjoyed spells as Assistant Coach of England Women's team and as Bangladesh women's coach.

## Tony Opatha died 11 Sep 2020

He represented Sri Lanka in the 1975 and 1979 ICC Men's Cricket World Cups and was part of the winning side in the inaugural ICC Trophy in 1979. He claimed three wickets in Sri Lanka's victory over India in the 1979 World Cup and later played a significant part in the development of Dutch cricket in the 1980s.

## Johnny Gayle died 14 Sep 2020

Umpired three Test Matches and two ODIs between 1972 and 1988, and later served as President of the Jamaica Cricket Umpires Association for 12 years.

## Sadashiv Patil died 15 Sep 2020

A medium-pacer, he played one Test for India – against New Zealand at Mumbai in 1955, taking a wicket in each innings. He represented Maharashtra in the Ranji Trophy from 1952 to 1964 and played two seasons in the Lancashire League, taking 111 wickets in 52 matches.

## Najeeb Tarakai died 6 Oct 2020

Played 12 T20Is and one ODI for Afghanistan between 2014 and 2019, making his international debut at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2014 in Bangladesh. His highest international score of 90 came during the T20I series against Ireland in March 2017.

## John R Reid died 14 Oct 2020

One of the world's best all-rounders during his heyday in the 1950s and early '60s, he captained New Zealand in 34 Tests – including, most notably, their first three victories. He was a hard-hitting batsman and a brisk seam bowler who played 58 Tests, scoring 3,428 runs at 33.28 while taking 85 wickets at 33.35.

## Wendy Weir died 28 Nov 2020

A left-arm orthodox spinner and strong right-hand middle-to-lower order batter, she played two Tests for Australia and was part of their ODI squad that competed at the inaugural ICC Women's Cricket World Cup in 1973. She also played a crucial role as Australian selector from 1995 to 2008.

## Ross Dykes died 30 Nov 2020

Played 31 matches for Auckland between 1967 and 1977 and served as a New Zealand selector for 13 years.

## Shahid Mahmood died 13 Dec 2020

The left-arm seaming all-rounder toured England with Pakistan in 1962 under

Javed Burki, playing in the Nottingham Test, but went wicket-less in his six overs. He later became the first Pakistani bowler to capture all 10 wickets in an innings when he took 10 for 58 for Karachi Whites against Khairpur in September 1969.

## Eric Freeman died 14 Dec 2020

A thrilling batsman, electric fielder and skilful medium-pace bowler, he played 11 Tests for Australia between 1968 and 1970, scoring his first runs with a six. He was a pivotal member of the South Australian squad for a decade and was also an elite football player in his prime, representing Port Adelaide.

## John Edrich died 23 Dec 2020

He played 77 Tests for England between 1963 and 1976, most often as a fearless left-handed opener, scoring 5,138 runs at 43.54 with 12 hundreds. He made just short of 40,000 runs in a 23-season first-class career. He made 648 runs on the triumphant Ashes tour of 1970-71, and his career-best 310 not out against New Zealand at Headingley in 1965 contained a Test-record 52 fours.

## Robin Jackman died 25 Dec 2020

Making his Test debut in 1981 at the age of 35, he took 14 wickets at 31.78 in his four England appearances, and he also featured in 15 ODIs between 1974 and 1983. His seam bowling brought him 1,402 wickets in a 17-year first-class career, and he later became one of the leading broadcasters in South African cricket.

## Harry Bromfield died 27 Dec 2020

A useful off-spinner for Western Province, he made his Test debut for South Africa in 1961 after the retirement of Hugh Tayfield, who had kept him out of the national side for several years.



# OBITUARIES

He played a total of nine Tests, taking 17 wickets at 35.23. His most notable achievement was taking 5-88 in 57.2 overs against England at Cape Town in 1965.

#### **John F Reid died 28 Dec 2020**

An elegant left-handed batsman, he played 19 tests and 25 ODIs for New Zealand between 1979 and 1986. He scored six centuries and averaged an impressive 46.30 in Test cricket, playing important roles in the series victories over Australia and Pakistan in 1985. He went on to become Chief Executive of Auckland Cricket, and then Cricket Operations Manager and High Performance Manager for New Zealand Cricket.

#### **Colin McDonald died 8 Jan 2021**

A right-handed opening batsman, he played 47 Tests for Australia between 1952 and 1961, scoring 3,107 runs at 39.32, including five centuries. Known for his courage and toughness, his best series was against England in 1958-59, when he posted 519 runs at 64.87. He later served as the Executive Director of Tennis Australia.

#### **Vivalyn Latty-Scott died 9 Jan 2021**

A pioneer of women's cricket, she was part of the first West Indies team to play a women's Test match against Australia in 1976, a coach at all levels of the game and an umpire. She played 10 Tests and six ODIs. She was the first West Indian woman to take five wickets in a Test innings – five for 48 in 41 overs on debut against Australia in Montego Bay.

#### **Don Smith died 10 Jan 2021**

An all-rounder who opened the batting, Smith played three Tests

for England during West Indies' tour of 1957, making his debut at Lord's. He later went on to coach Sri Lanka before settling in Adelaide. He enjoyed a distinguished career at Sussex, where he scored nearly 17,000 runs and claimed 340 wickets.

#### **John Ward died 12 Jan 2021**

A wicketkeeper who once placed a piece of copper pipe in his glove to protect his injured thumb, he was selected to tour South Africa after just two first-class matches. In all, he played eight Tests for Zealand between 1964 and 1968, and was a regular behind the stumps for Canterbury for more than a decade.

#### **Raisuddin Ahmed died 20 Jan 2021**

Former Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) General Secretary and Vice President, who was instrumental in Bangladesh taking their first steps in international cricket.

#### **Roy Torrens died 23 Jan 2021**

He played 30 matches for Ireland before serving as a national selector and becoming President of the then-Irish Cricket Union and Chairman of the Cricket Committee. He managed the Irish team between 2004 and 2016, leading them to victories over Pakistan, England and the West Indies in successive ICC Men's Cricket World Cups.

#### **RT Ramachandran died 4 Feb 2021**

Umpired four ODIs in India between 1993 and 1998.

#### **Said Shah died 5 Feb 2021**

Umpired the Test between Pakistan and the West Indies at Peshawar in November 1997 and five ODIs between 1984 and 1997. After his retirement, he

remained on the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) panel for the training of umpires and referees.

#### **Sam Gannon died 5 Feb 2021**

A fast left-arm fast bowler with a classical action, he played three Tests for Australia in 1977-78, more than 10 years after the first of his 32 Sheffield Shield matches for Western Australia. He took seven wickets on debut and ended with 11 in his career at 32.81 apiece. He later moved into cricket administration and served as Chairman of the Western Australian Cricket Association (WACA) in 2014.

#### **Bruce Taylor died 6 Feb 2021**

The only cricketer to score a century and take a five-wicket haul on Test debut. His international career for New Zealand spanned from 1965 to 1973: in his 30 Tests, he scored 898 runs at an average of 20.40 and took 111 wickets at an average of 26.60, with a career-best seven for 74 against the West Indies in 1972. He later served as a national selector.

#### **Ezra Moseley died 6 Feb 2021**

Making his Test debut for the West Indies at the age of 32, he turned the course of the 1990 series against England when he broke Graham Gooch's hand at Trinidad. He took six wickets in his two Tests and a further seven in nine ODI appearances. His first-class career brought him a total of 279 wickets at 23.31 and he remained in the game as a coach after retiring as a player.

#### **Mike Spring died 22 Feb 2021**

Umpired the Women's ODI between Australia and India at Wellington in January 1982.

#### **Joey Benjamin died 8 Mar 2021**

He took four wickets in his solitary Test appearance for England, which came against South Africa at The Oval in 1994. He played two ODIs on the subsequent tour of Australia and claimed 387 first-class wickets in an 11-year career that began at Warwickshire in 1988 before relocating to Surrey in 1992.

#### **Afzalur Rahman died 10 Mar 2021**

Umpired the Women's ODI between Pakistan and Sri Lanka at Khulna in 2009.

#### **HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh died 9 April 2021**

Married the future Queen Elizabeth II in 1947 and served two terms as MCC President – 1949-50 and 1974-75.

#### **Mosur Ramesh died 14 April 2021**

Umpired the Women's T20I between Singapore and Myanmar on 18 April 2019.

#### **Kamal Ziaul Islam died 3 May 2021**

President of the BCB from 1983 to 1987, he introduced the country's first school cricket competition, which produced many top-class players.



#### **Dean Jones died 24 Sep 2020**

Remembered for his double century in the 1986 tied Test at Chennai, he also pioneered a new style of batting in ODI cricket. He played 52 Tests and 164 ODIs for Australia between 1984 and 1994 and was part of the 1987 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup-winning team. He coached Islamabad United and briefly coached the Afghanistan national team as well as working as a commentator around the world.





# CHAMPIONING WORLD CRICKET





## GOVERNANCE

Greg Barclay was elected as the ICC's new Independent Chair, and there were also changes to the ICC's Board and Committees during 2020-21.

### A new Chair for the ICC

Greg Barclay was elected as the new Independent Chair of the ICC in November – succeeding Shashank Manohar, who stepped down in 2020. Mr Barclay, an Auckland-based commercial lawyer, was previously a director of New Zealand Cricket (NZC), and stepped down from his position at NZC to lead the ICC in an independent capacity.

### Changes to the ICC Board

The elections for the Associate Member representatives for the ICC Board were held electronically in December 2020. Imran Khwaja and Mahinda Vallipuram were both reelected, and Neil Speight was elected. Mr Speight previously sat on the Chief Executives' Committee, and his election to the ICC Board left a vacancy there that was filled by Bashir Badu Ansasiira. Imran Khwaja was also reappointed as the ICC Deputy Chairperson.

### Changes to ICC Committees

In March, Catherine Campbell (New Zealand) and Mel Jones (Australia) were both elected to the Women's Committee as Full Member representatives, and Peter Nicholson was reappointed as Ethics Office for a further three-year term. In addition, the composition of both the ICC Code of Conduct Committee and

the Dispute Resolution Committee were refreshed in early 2021. Details of the various ICC Committees are available on the ICC website: [www.icc-cricket.com/about/the-icc/structure/committees](http://www.icc-cricket.com/about/the-icc/structure/committees).

### Support for Members

The ICC established a Member Support Fund in April 2021, with an amount of USD 5 million to provide grants to Members who are unable to fulfil their international cricketing obligations in the current cycle through to 2023. This support can take the form of a contribution to the increased costs incurred as a consequence of playing cricket during the COVID-19 pandemic.

As part of a long-term commitment to accelerate the growth of women's cricket and women in cricket, 2021 also saw the launch of the 100% Cricket Future Leaders Programme, a mentorship programme to help build a pipeline of female leaders in cricket. Designed to address the low percentage of women in leadership positions in global cricket, the programme will support emerging female talent in cricket across administration, coaching and officiating, broadcast and journalism, as well as marketing, digital and technology and events. More than 300 women applied from 45 Member countries, and the first intake of 20 connected with their mentors in early June. 🌱



## ICC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Director	Designation
Greg Barclay	Independent Chair
Manu Sawhney	Chief Executive
Indra Nooyi	Independent Director
Earl Eddings	Full Member representative Director, Australia
Farhan Yusefzai	Full Member representative Director, Afghanistan
Nazmul Hassan	Full Member representative Director, Bangladesh
Ian Watmore	Full Member representative Director, England & Wales
Sourav Ganguly	Full Member representative Director, India
Ross McCollum	Full Member representative Director, Ireland
Martin Snedden	Full Member representative Director, New Zealand
Ehsan Mani	Full Member representative Director, Pakistan
Haroon Lorgat	Full Member representative Director, South Africa
Shammi Silva	Full Member representative Director, Sri Lanka
Richard Skerritt	Full Member representative Director, West Indies
Tavengwa Mukhlanani	Full Member representative Director, Zimbabwe
Imran Khwaja	Associate Member Director Deputy Chairman
Mahinda Vallipuram	Associate Member representative Director
Neil Speight	Associate Member representative Director

### The following individuals also served as Directors during the 2020-2021 period

Former Director	Designation	Resigned/term ended
Shashank Manohar	Independent Chair	June 2020
Colin Graves	Full Member representative Director, England & Wales	August 2020
Jay Shah	Full Member representative Director, India	January 2021
Greg Barclay	Full Member representative Director, New Zealand	December 2020
Chris Nenzani	Full Member representative Director, South Africa	August 2020
Beresford Williams	Full Member representative Director, South Africa	November 2020
Rihan Richards	Full Member representative Director, South Africa	May 2021
Tony Brian	Associate Member representative & Director	December 2020

## ICC CHIEF EXECUTIVES' COMMITTEE

### Full Member Representatives

Afghanistan	Dr Hamid Shinwari
Australia	Nick Hockley
Bangladesh	Nizam Chowdhury
England & Wales	Tom Harrison
India	Jay Shah
Ireland	Warren Deutrom
New Zealand	David White
Pakistan	Wasim Khan
South Africa	Pholetszi Moseki
Sri Lanka	Ashley de Silva
West Indies	Jonathan Grave
Zimbabwe	Givemore Makoni

### Associate Member Representatives

Bashir Badu Ansasiira
Sumod Damodar
Mark Stafford

### The following individuals also served on the ICC Chief Executives' Committee during the 2020-2021 period

### Full Member Representatives

Afghanistan	Lutfullah Stanikzai, Rahmatullah Quraishi
South Africa	Jacques Faul, Kugandrie Govender

### Associate Member Representative

Neil Speight
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## ICC MEMBERS

### Full Members

Afghanistan	Bangladesh	India	New Zealand	South Africa	West Indies
Australia	England	Ireland	Pakistan	Sri Lanka	Zimbabwe

### Associate Members

Argentina	Cook Islands	Greece	Malaysia	Philippines	Spain
Austria	Costa Rica	Guernsey	Maldives	Portugal	Suriname
Bahamas	Croatia	Hong Kong	Mali	Qatar	Sweden
Bahrain	Cyprus	Hungary	Malta	Romania	Tanzania
Belgium	Czech Republic	Indonesia	Myanmar	Russia	Thailand
Belize	Denmark	Iran	Mexico	Rwanda	Turkey
Bermuda	Estonia	Isle of Man	Mozambique	Saint Helena	Turks & Caicos Islands
Bhutan	Eswatini	Israel	Namibia	Samoa	Uganda
Botswana	Falkland Islands	Italy	Nepal	Saudi Arabia	United Arab Emirates
Brazil	Fiji	Japan	Netherlands	Scotland	USA
Bulgaria	Finland	Jersey	Nigeria	Serbia	Vanuatu
Cameroon	France	Kenya	Norway	Seychelles	Zambia
Canada	Gambia	Kuwait	Oman	Sierra Leone	
Cayman Islands	Germany	Lesotho	Panama	Singapore	
Chile	Ghana	Luxembourg	Papua New Guinea	Slovenia	
China	Gibraltar	Malawi	Peru	South Korea	





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THE PROCESS FOR PLAYER REVIEWS FOR LBWS WAS AMENDED THIS YEAR.

## CRICKET OPERATIONS

The Cricket Operations department faced a challenging time throughout the global pandemic, supporting Members while getting international cricket back up and running.

The 2020-2021 period saw several decisions about playing conditions, the status of international matches and tournament structures at ICC events – a period leading up to the much-awaited final of the first ICC World Test Championship (WTC).

The challenge of completing the first edition of the WTC within the two-year timeframe was huge, with several series cancelled owing to COVID-19. These cancellations meant that the planned system of determining the finalists by total points would not work, which ultimately led to the implementation of the ICC Cricket Committee's fairer proposal of using percentage points to decide the two top teams.

The playing conditions for the event were confirmed as per decisions of June 2018, which included adding a reserve day to make up for lost time over the regulation five days of play. Some other changes also came into play in Tests starting with the WTC Final, having already been implemented in international cricket – including:

- **Short runs**  
The third umpire would now automatically review any call of a “short run” by the on-field umpire and communicate the decision to the on-field umpire prior to the next ball being bowled.
- **Player reviews**  
The fielding captain or the dismissed batsman could now confirm with the umpire whether a genuine attempt had been made to play the ball before deciding whether to initiate a player review for LBW.
- **DRS reviews**  
For LBW reviews, the height margin of the wicket zone was lifted to the top of the

stumps to ensure the same umpire's call margin around the stumps for both height and width.

The Interim COVID-19 decisions from 2020 continued with:

- Appointing home umpires where neutral umpires were previously required
- An additional DRS review per team per innings in all formats
- A ban on using saliva to polish the ball
- The availability of a COVID-19 replacement in Test matches

The ICC Board also agreed to allow Members to take up to seven additional players and/or support staff to accompany the squad of 23 to ICC senior events where a period of quarantine is required and/or teams are accommodated in a bio-secure bubble.

### Women's cricket

Some landmark decisions affecting women's cricket were taken during the period, during which Mel Jones (Cricket Australia) and Catherine Campbell (New Zealand Cricket) were welcomed as the Full Member representatives on the ICC Women's Committee.

It was decided that Test and ODI status would be permanently awarded to all Full Member women's teams, and it was also agreed that all matches at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games would be classified as women's T20 Internationals.

Cricket became the first discipline to announce qualifying teams for Birmingham 2022, as the sport got ready to make a momentous re-entry



to the prestigious multi-sport event – scheduled from 28 July to 8 August 2022. Women's cricket features in the Games for the first time in 22 editions (and cricket for only the second time ever, the first occasion being a men's ODI competition in Kuala Lumpur in 1998).

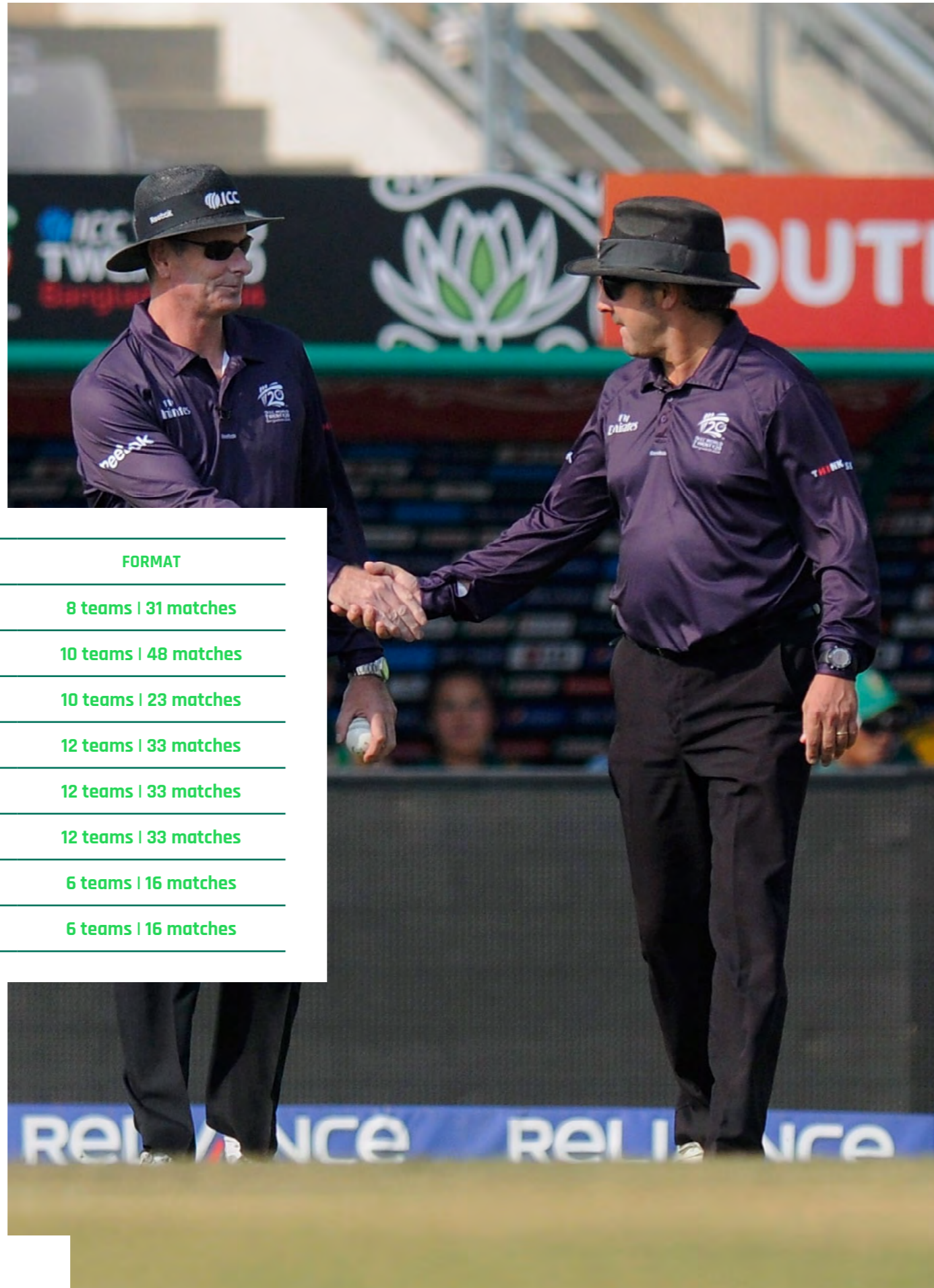
There were also two changes to the women's ODI playing conditions:

- The discretionary five-over batting powerplay was removed
- All tied matches would now be decided by a Super Over

The ICC announced a revised structure of tournaments, ensuring that more teams would compete in both the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup and the ICC Women's T20 World Cup from 2026 onwards as part of the ICC's long-term commitment to growing the women's game globally:

EVENT	YEAR	FORMAT
ICC Women's Cricket World Cup	2025	8 teams   31 matches
	2029	10 teams   48 matches
	2024	10 teams   23 matches
ICC Women's T20 World Cup	2026	12 teams   33 matches
	2028	12 teams   33 matches
	2030	12 teams   33 matches
ICC Women's T20 Champions Cup	2027	6 teams   16 matches
	2031	6 teams   16 matches

The ICC decided to allow provision for reserve days for semi-finals at future men's and women's ICC T20 World Cups, starting with the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2021.



## Emirates ICC Elite Panel of Umpires

India's Nitin Menon became the youngest member of the Emirates ICC Elite Panel of Umpires. The 36-year-old from the central Indian city of Indore replaced Nigel Llong, and his performance in a high-profile India-England series came in for praise from many quarters.

Two more members of the Emirates ICC Elite Panel of Umpires, Richard Illingworth and Paul Reiffel (pictured left), completed 50 Test matches as on-field umpires, to join a list of 20 who have reached the milestone. Illingworth's 50th Test was the first England-Pakistan Test at Manchester from 5 August, while Reiffel reached the landmark in the Boxing Day Test between Australia and India in Melbourne.

## ICC CRICKET COMMITTEE

Anil Kumble	Chairman
Andrew Strauss, Mahela Jayawardene	Past Players
Rahul Dravid, Tim May	Representative of Current Players
Mickey Arthur	Full Member Team Coach Representative
David White	Full Members' Representative
Richard Illingworth	Umpires' Representative
Ranjan Madugalle	ICC Chief Referee
John Stephenson	Marylebone Cricket Club Representative
Kyle Coetzer	Associate Representative
Shuan Pollock	Media Representative
TBC	Women's Committee Appointee
Greg Barclay (Chair), Manu Sawhney (Chief Executive)	Ex Officio
David Kendix	Statistician
Clive Hitchcock	Committee Secretary

## DECISION REVIEW SYSTEM STATISTICS

Correct decisions before DRS	92.82%
Correct decisions after DRS	98.2%
Increase in correct decisions from DRS	5.4%
Decisions reviewed	24.96%
Of which – LBW / CGT decisions	76.5% / 23.5%
Reviews upheld	22.77%
LBW reviews upheld	19.5%
CGT reviews upheld	34.3%
Average time for DRS review	74 seconds
Average time for LBW reviews	74 seconds
Average time for CGT reviews	72 seconds
LBW reviews retained	25.27%



# INTEGRITY

Despite the pandemic, the ICC Integrity Unit persevered in its efforts to protect the integrity and safety of cricket.

Attempts to corrupt the game continued during the pandemic, but constant vigilance and proactive disruption provided the corrupters with little opportunity. Anti-doping testing resumed in tandem with the resumption of cricket, with greater emphasis on the health and safety of cricketers and doping control staff. And the ICC's security team was focused on supporting Members' Boards in developing bio-safe measures to resume cricket both safely and securely.

In a concerted effort to protect the game globally, the ICC Integrity Unit launched an Associate Member Integrity Action Plan, encompassing anti-corruption, safeguarding (protection of vulnerable people), security, anti-doping, discrimination and ethics. This plan is designed to support the development of a framework that provides all 92 Associate Members with access to the integrity-related resources and support they require to protect cricket within their jurisdictions, and in doing so enhance global trust and confidence in the sport.

## Anti-corruption

In the last year, corrupters have been seen to focus increasingly on lower levels of cricket, using new avenues including social media to corrupt the game. In the last 12 months, the Integrity Unit (ACU) initiated 104 investigations. Five individuals were charged with offences under the Anti-Corruption Code, and 12 cases went before a tribunal or reached an agreed sanction.



In addition to its investigations, the ICC has supported and guided its Members to better protect their players and tournaments against corrupt approaches. There has been an increased focus on educating and increasing awareness among Associate Members through educational seminars.

Meanwhile, the popularity and utility of the ICC Integrity App continues to grow. Together with the ACU Hotline and email, the app accounted for 23 per cent of all corruption-related reports and other suspicious activity or concerns. The promotion and development of the app, including translation to other languages, is progressing steadily.

With a steady increase in the number of franchise leagues, the ICC

anti-corruption team remains watchful and alert to the potential for increased corruption, despite evidence suggesting that the primary networks of corrupters are small and mostly include repeat offenders.

## Anti-doping

The ICC implemented a strategic testing plan during the last 12 months despite the slow resumption of cricket, conducting 225 tests on cricketers representing 12 countries. Of the samples collected, 93 per cent were no-notice out-of-competition tests, including testing at bilateral cricket as well as around domestic leagues.

Across the cricketing world, a total of 834 tests were conducted in 2020, a drop of only 26 per cent

from the number of tests conducted in pandemic-free 2019. From this worldwide drug testing in cricket, only two anti-doping violations were issued in 2020, both resulting from testing at the domestic level: R.I. Ahmed of the Netherlands, for the presence of a metabolite of cannabis in his urine sample; and Bangladesh's Kazi Anik Islam, for the presence of methamphetamine in his urine sample.

One important development in 2021 has been the introduction of an intelligence- and risk-based approach to anti-doping. This approach actively looks beyond the obvious, identifying and investigating anomalies and plugging loopholes. The ICC has made significant progress on the collection, recording, assessment and use of

anti-doping information and intelligence, which augurs well for the long-term health of the sport.

The past year also saw an increased focus on education, a core component of the ICC anti-doping programme. Cricket's recently developed education plan, in compliance with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA), aims to support cricket's participants by providing them with the tools they need to understand anti-doping rules and responsibilities while also recognising the roles they play in keeping sport clean.

In January 2021, the ICC's revised WADA-compliant anti-doping rules came into effect, reinforcing cricket's commitment to protecting the integrity and value of sport.

Improved whereabouts rules were also introduced, making the ICC's whereabouts programme more effective and fit for purpose.

## Safety and security

In the year gone by, the ICC security team has focused on the safe and secure resumption of worldwide cricket: providing COVID-related guidance and support, reviewing and advising Members' bio-safe plans, and facilitating the sharing of experiences among Members.

The team has also continued planning and preparing for the safe and secure delivery of ICC events, some of which by their very size and nature carry with them a range of complexities. 🌱





## COMMERCIAL

The ICC announced BYJU'S, BharatPe and Upstox would become major partners until 2023 – and confirmed a major live-streaming agreement with IMG.

Despite the severe impact to the global sponsorship industry resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the commercial team at the ICC was able to garner strong commercial success in 2020-21 – with the addition of three major new partnerships to its portfolio.

BYJU'S, the world's most valuable education technology company, signed on as a top tier partner of the ICC in January 2021. It was shortly followed at that level by BharatPe, India's leading financial services company for merchants and a company that has enjoyed phenomenal growth since its inception in 2018. Upstox, one of India's largest online trading platforms, completed the trio by signing a tier two partnership shortly before the year-end. This trio of three-year agreements once again demonstrate the value that the ICC can offer commercial partners at a time when the public's appetite for sport, both physically and digitally, is arguably at an all-time high.

BYJU'S, BharatPe and Upstox will now play a role at all ICC events over the remainder of the current commercial rights cycle, including the inaugural ICC World Test Championship, the forthcoming ICC Men's T20 World Cup in India and Australia, and the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup in New Zealand. They will enjoy extensive in-venue, broadcast and digital rights across ICC events, as well as launching bespoke campaigns targeted at relevant segments of the sport's wide fanbase.

From a licensing perspective, the ICC also launched an official male grooming line with multinational pharmaceutical company Himalaya. This agreement is in place to the end of 2022. In parallel, plans have been agreed and established to scale the overall ICC merchandise and licensing programme over the coming years.



### New global streaming partnership with IMG

For the first time in its history, the commercial team at the ICC crafted an agreement with IMG to globally live-stream 541 pathway event matches.

The live-streaming deal, which is up until April 2023, will enable fans to watch all qualifying matches to three ICC World Cups: the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023, the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2023 and the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022. Of the 541 matches that will be broadcast, 145 are women's matches, while 80 Associate Members will see fixtures from 41 qualifier events produced and distributed – with more than 50 of those Members enjoying global coverage at an ICC event for the first time.

The coverage will capture several firsts for fans to enjoy, including Hungary, Romania and Serbia competing for the first time ever in ICC Men's T20 World Cup qualification and Finland playing host to an ICC event for the very first time. In the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2023 pathway, eight teams will be making their debuts in international ICC women's events: Bhutan, Botswana, Cameroon, France, Malawi, Myanmar, Philippines and Turkey.

The partnership will also deliver vital content for ICC digital channels, providing the opportunity to deepen engagement with existing fans and attract new fans from around the world. IMG will cover the production costs as well as a paying a rights fee, bringing their extensive experience in this field and giving cricket the best opportunity for global viewership.





## NEW INITIATIVES

The ICC's Digital and Media and Communications teams defied the pandemic to build audiences across digital channels – in a year that also saw the launch of a major new programme to support future female leaders in cricket.

The past 12 months challenged our ability to be creative and agile. Although there wasn't an ICC event during the period, our audience across all digital channels grew substantially. There was an increase in the social media followers of all ICC channels to 83 million, videos were viewed more than 2.85 billion times, there were more than 800 million engagements on all social media posts, and the customer database increased by more than 25 per cent.

### 2011 Cricket World Cup Rewind

The ICC leveraged its investment in its archives and automated clipping platform to revisit two of the most memorable ICC tournaments.

February 2021 marked 10 years since India claimed their second ICC Men's Cricket World Cup title, and the occasion was marked with highlight videos of every game, interviews with key players and a Hindi-specific content plan. The fans reacted with relish, generating more than 500 million video views.

### ICC Awards of the Decade

In a normal year, after hundreds of international matches, the ICC assesses the outstanding performances over the previous 12 months and recognises the ICC Player of the Year.

This year was different: with very little cricket played, there were too few performances to allow the awards to be run in the usual fashion. So to fill the gap and lift the spirits of fans around the world, the ICC decided to celebrate the best players from the past decade. And for the first time, fans had a voice in the selection process: their vote counted for 10% of the voting in the majority of the awards, with the remaining

90% of votes given over to an expert panel. And the ICC Spirit of Cricket Award of the Decade was determined by a 100% fan vote, with fans choosing from a list of the annual winners since 2011. A total of 1.5 million fans voted, garnering 5.4 million votes in total with 45 million views for the content across multiple platforms.

There was an effort to modernise the awards in other ways, too. Instead of presenting the winners with a traditional trophy, the ICC worked with a Mumbai-based artists collective to create unique pieces of artwork celebrating each player. These visually arresting artworks could be shared by fans across social media while also supporting artists in a year when they, like so many others, had been financially hurt by COVID-19.

The campaign also had a significant impact on the players involved.

For **Ellyse Perry**, who swept the women's individual awards, it confirmed what most already know: we are in the presence of arguably the greatest all-round cricketer in history.

For **Virat Kohli**, it cemented him as the foremost men's player of his generation.

For **Rashid Khan** of Afghanistan, it showed that players from relatively new cricket nations can rise to the top of the game (he was presented with his award in front of his other "home" crowd in Adelaide, showcasing the truly global impact of these awards).

And for **Kathryn Bryce** and **Kyle Coetzer**, their wins in the Associate nation category gave them international recognition for their achievements.

For a full list of the winners, see pages 66-69. 🌱



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I WOULDN'T HESITATE IN SAYING [RASHID KHAN] IS THE BEST SPINNER IN THE WORLD IN [T20].

SACHIN TENDULKAR, SPEAKING IN 2018



## ICC PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

The ICC launched the Player of the Month awards in January 2021 following the success of the Awards of the Decade campaign, recognising and celebrating the best performances from both male and female cricketers across all forms of international cricket throughout the year. The campaign engages fans by inviting them to vote every month for their favourite international cricketers, male or female, in all forms of international cricket – and voting numbers have consistently grown during the awards' first five months, with more than 600,000 votes cast over the period.



### JANUARY

India's **Rishabh Pant** (above) won the ICC Men's Player of the Month award for his performances in two Tests against Australia: 97 at Sydney and an unbeaten 89 at Brisbane that led India to a historic series win. South Africa's **Shabnim Ismail** was named the ICC Women's Player of the Month for her performances across against Pakistan, taking seven wickets in the victorious ODI series and then five wickets in the second T20I.

### FEBRUARY

England's **Tammy Beaumont** (below) passed 50 in three ODIs against New Zealand, totalling 231 runs in the process and being overwhelmingly named the ICC Women's Player of the Month. India's **Ravichandran Ashwin** won the men's award for his impressive performances against England: making 106 in the victory at Chennai, taking his 400th Test wicket at Ahmedabad, and totalling 176 runs and 24 wickets in the three-match series.



### MARCH

India's **Bhuvneshwar Kumar** (left) won the ICC Men's Player of the Month award for his impressive performances in India's series against England, and was chosen the winner by fans and the ICC voting academy. The women's award went to South Africa's **Lizelle Lee**, who scored a century and two half-centuries in four ODIs against India to move to the top of the MRF Tyres ICC Women's ODI Batting Rankings.



### APRIL

**Alyssa Healy** (left) showed her class in all conditions and against all types of bowling in Australia's ODI series against New Zealand, scoring 155 runs at an average of 51.66 and a strike rate of 98.72 to take the ICC Women's Player of the Month award. **Babar Azam's** match-winning 82-ball 94 in the third ODI against South Africa was followed by 122 from 59 balls to lead Pakistan's successful chase in the third T20I match against the same opposition, bringing him the men's award.



### MAY

All-rounder **Kathryn Bryce** is the first player from Scotland, male or female, to make it to the top 10 of the batting or bowling lists in the MRF Tyres ICC Player Rankings – and her achievement was rewarded by the ICC Women's Player of the Month award for May. **Mushfiqur Rahim** (left) was deservedly named the ICC Men's Player of the Month for May 2021, after his 125 helped Bangladesh to their first ODI series victory against Sri Lanka.



## 100% CRICKET FUTURE LEADERS

The ICC launched the 100% Cricket Future Leaders Programme in 2020. A continuation of the 100% Cricket initiative, this unique global mentorship programme is designed to support emerging female talent in cricket, and is part of the ICC's long-term commitment to accelerating the growth of women's cricket and women in cricket.

The programme received an overwhelming response, with more than 300 applicants from 45 different countries. A selection panel consisting of Claire Furlong (ICC General Manager, Marketing and Communications), Will Glenwright (ICC General Manager, Development), mentor guide and former Australia captain Belinda Clark AO (pictured right) and Birmingham 2022 Cricket Competition Manager Holly Colvin then selected 40 women from 29 ICC Member countries to be mentored.

"Cricket is a genuinely inclusive sport for all," said ICC Chair Greg Barclay, "but that is not widely reflected in how our game is led globally, so it gives me great pleasure to launch the Future Leaders Programme. This is a practical approach towards solving the underrepresentation of women in leadership positions in our sport, to enable us to build a strong pipeline of future female leaders and ultimately inspire more women to take up roles in cricket. The response from the global cricket community has been fantastic – as you can see from the mentors, who have



enthusiastically committed to bring their knowledge and expertise to the programme – and I am personally looking forward to being part of it."

Claire Furlong added: "The response from the global cricket community and all our Member boards has been fantastic. The first two batches reflect the diversity of our regions and their areas of focus, and all have received outstanding endorsements from their respective Member Boards. The next six months will be incredibly exciting, and we look forward to a productive learning experience for our mentees."

The initial intake is split into two batches, with the first starting in June 2021 and the second starting in November. 🌱

### BATCH 1

Mentor	Subject	Mentee	Country/organisation
Greg Barclay	Governance & Board	Nadia Gruny	USA
Wasim Khan	Management	Joanna Taylor	ICC
Andrea Nelson	Senior management & events	Fizza Abid	Pakistan
Steve Elworthy	Governance & Board	Tracey Pitt	Bermuda
Michelle Enright	Commercial & business of cricket	Ewa Ostaszewska	Ireland
Hilton Moreeng	Coaching	Helmien Rambaldo	Netherlands

Claire Polosak	Match officiating	Vijeylaxmi Narasimhan	India
Sana Mir	Player growth	Benafsha Hashimi	Afghanistan
Divya Gokulnath	Commercial & overall leadership	Anna Shaw	England
Anthony Everard	Fan engagement	Vaishali Jesrani	Oman
Sharda Ugra	Media & journalism	Roberta Morretti	Brazil
Ian Bishop	Broadcasting	Xolile Mabuza	South Africa
Dhiraj Malhotra	Game development & event operations	Caitlin Spencer	Australia
Christina Matthews	Development	Iriho Veronique	Rwanda
Gemma Davies	Digital communications	La Donna Williams	West Indies
Jodie Hawkins	Leadership & senior management	Mariamma Hyder	Kuwait
Lisa Keightley	Coaching	Naome Kayondo Bagenda	Uganda
Karren Rogers	Digital partnerships & fan engagement	Nicole Dunn	New Zealand
Will Glenwright	Development	Rosy Ryan	Scotland
Chris Tetley	Events & development	Charilitah Wambui	Kenya

### BATCH 2

Mentor	Country
Tuba Sangar	Afghanistan
Joan Norton	Australia
Lucy Pringle	England
Stephanie Frohnmayer	Germany
Tammy Chu	Hing Kong
Laura Peacock	ICC
Harini Rana	India
Niamh O'Shea	Ireland
Nicky Britten	New Zealand
Ijeoma Azubuike	Nigeria
Marina Iqbal	Pakistan
Margaret Sibona	Papua New Guinea
Samantha Hickman	Peru
Shivani Mishra	Qatar
Stella Siale Vaea-Tangitau	Samoa
Abbi Aitken	Scotland
Karen Smithies	South Africa
Michell Pereira	Sri Lanka
Amanda Reifer	West Indies
Mary-Anne Musonda	Zimbabwe

## ABOUT THE PROGRAMME

All female future leaders may apply for the 100% Cricket Future Leaders Programme, and successful applicants will be matched with a mentor to support their development growth: unlocking their mentee's potential and helping them to be at their best. The philosophy of the 100% Cricket Future Leaders Programme is to be participant-led, with the ICC acting in support to match the mentees with suitable mentors and provide guidelines, evaluation frameworks and opportunities to network and interact.

The six-month programme includes a kick-off workshop with former Australian captain Belinda Clark AO, followed by monthly check-ins and a three-month review with the mentees and mentors agreeing the frequency and method of communication.

"I have experienced and witnessed some amazing leaders within cricket over the last 20 years," said Belinda Clark. "It is pleasing that these quality leaders are willing to help females starting out on their leadership journey. We have made great progress, but cricket understands that it has a big responsibility to be more inclusive across all areas of the sport.

"I applaud the ICC for undertaking this programme to facilitate greater diversity in all areas of the game, and I encourage emerging female leaders involved in cricket to think about this unique opportunity and submit an application to be involved."



# DEVELOPMENT

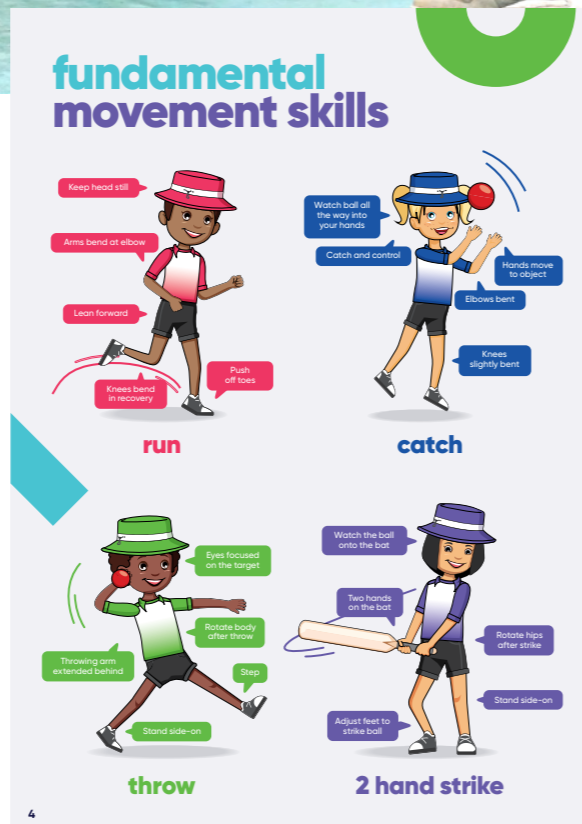
The Development team pivoted towards the creation of products and programmes to assist Members in navigating the pandemic – and helping them to emerge in a strong position to continue the growth of the game.

The pandemic impacted Member-organised cricket in 2020-2021, with only 36 men's T20I matches and nine Women's T20I matches taking place. However, one of the year's highlights came with the return of women's international cricket five months after the ICC Women's T20 World Cup Final. The German women's team made headlines, with captain Anuradha Daddaballapur being the first woman to take four wickets in four balls in T20Is.

## criiio

The criiio cricket programme was officially launched to Members in the first quarter of 2021. Designed as a fun first cricket experience for children aged 5-18, the programme aims to ignite a lifelong love of the game.

The first-of-its-kind curriculum is available in 12 languages, and incorporates child protection and safeguarding protocols developed in partnership with UNICEF so the programme can be safely delivered in school and community groups around the world. A facilitator training programme has also been developed to equip teachers to deliver the curriculum, irrespective of their knowledge of cricket, through a two-hour workshop and a series of facilitator training videos developed in partnership with Associate Members.



To support the delivery of criiio, an online e-commerce site has been set up to enable Members to purchase cost-effective plastic equipment. A total of 1,356 sets were ordered by Members in 2020.

## Training & Education programme

The development of the ICC's first ever comprehensive Training & Education programme continued throughout the year. The ICC Foundation Certificate has now been piloted with eight Members and will be launched to all Members later in 2021. An ICC Level 1 Coach course has been developed and piloted, and is due to be launched shortly; while an online Pitch Curators' course has been piloted in all five regions, with a total of 572 participants taking part over the past year.

The remainder of 2021 will see the development of an ICC Level 1 Umpiring course and the launch of the workforce training programme. This will begin with the first cohort of the ICC Master Educator programme, with Master Educators trained and accredited to deliver ICC Tutor Training courses regionally. The aim is to build an accredited workforce in each of our Member Federations, thus reducing the reliance on fly-in fly-out trainers.

## New IMG partnership

Despite the absence of any pathway events over the past year, ICC cricket will eventually resume to a bigger audience than ever before – thanks to a partnership announced with IMG to live-stream over 480 pathway event matches across three ICC World Cups. The partnership with IMG, which will run up to 2023, will ensure more cricket from more nations than ever before is accessible to fans around the world, shining a spotlight on the outstanding competitive cricket being played by the Members.

## Online webinars

Since March 2020, each region has been hosting a series of online webinars to provide Members with a forum to share

best practices, collaborate on ongoing projects, receive updates from the ICC and hear from external speakers. Over 100 such webinars have now been delivered, and they continue to be well received by Members.

## Commercial strategy

Following the successful delivery of an online commercial strategy workshop programme in the East Asia Pacific region in 2020, a similar programme is now available to support all Members in developing a fit-for-purpose strategic plan. The organisational strategy toolkit was one of the product highlights over the past 12 months, and saw Germany successfully launch their five-year plan earlier this year. Six other Members have been through the process in Europe, and Brazil and Bermuda have also finalised their own strategic plans after having benefited from the ICC product.

## Associate Member Integrity Plan

The Associate Member Integrity Action Plan was launched in 2021 to provide greater support and awareness to

Associate Members. The resource has been developed in recognition that Associate Members are being increasingly exposed to integrity risks including corruption, doping, safeguarding (protection of vulnerable people), safety, discrimination and ethics. Consequently, there is an acknowledged need to better support Associate Members in developing the capacity to combat the growing risks across integrity-related issues.

## Involvement Data Capture & Annual Census

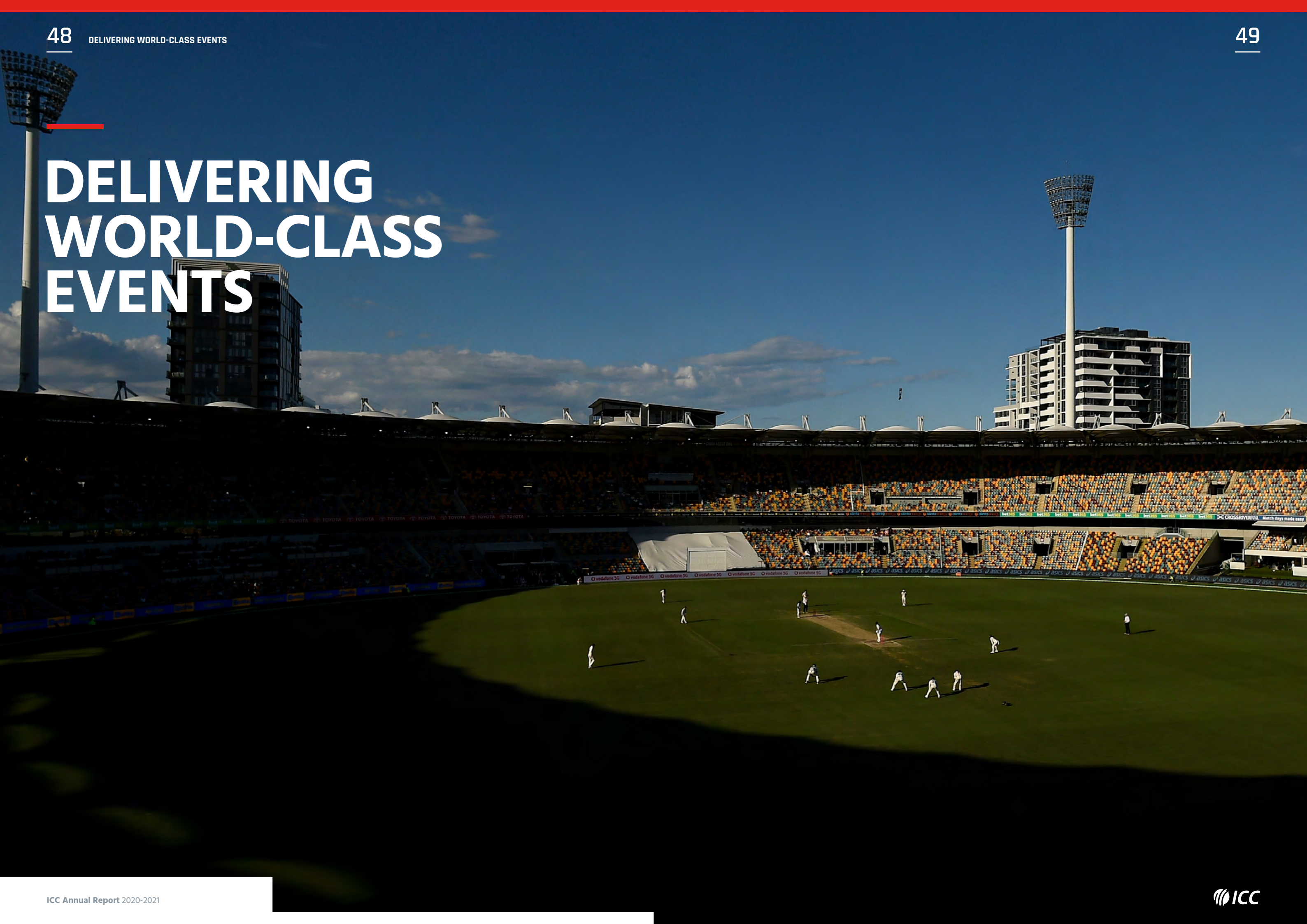
The ICC has produced an Involvement Data Capture Tool to help Members easily capture and analyse involvement participation data. The data is collected as a part of the ICC Annual Census, which determines the distribution of funding for Associate Members to help grow cricket.

The 2019 ICC Annual Census figures were compiled within the last year and showed 1,910,860 men, women, boys and girls playing cricket in the 92 Associate Members – an impressive increase of 20% from 2018.





# DELIVERING WORLD-CLASS EVENTS







# ICC WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP

India and New Zealand are worthy finalists for the first ever WTC final.

The challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic were tackled adeptly to prevent disruption of the first ICC World Test Championship. A rearranged qualification system put in place on the ICC Cricket Committee's recommendations saw India and New Zealand qualify for the inaugural final, due to be held 18-22 June 2021 (with 23 June as a reserve day) at the Hampshire Bowl in Southampton, England.

Rather than total points won, it was win percentage that determined the final placings – which ensured that the actual success rate counted in the end, as not all teams were able to play the same total of series.

India's dramatic series wins over Australia and England lifted them to the top of the table with 72.2 percentage points, after New Zealand ensured its place in the final with 70 percentage points. The finalists were decided during England's tour of India in February and March, with Australia finishing third with 69.2 percentage points and England fourth with 61.4.

The two tours that would ultimately determine the final placings – India in Australia and England in India – provided enough on-field drama and striking performances to make it a thrilling tussle at the top of the table.

## India tops Australia

India's tremendous 2-1 comeback win over Australia after losing the first Test in Adelaide, in which the team was bowled out for a measly 36, will be remembered for years to come. It came courtesy of several surprise performances in the absence of regular captain Virat Kohli after the first Test and the withdrawal of several other first-choice players due to injuries.

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**IT'S EXCITING TO PLAY IN THE FINAL OF THE FIRST WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP. ADDING (THE) CHAMPIONSHIP HAS ADDED CONTEXT TO TEST CRICKET.**

**KANE WILLIAMSON**

The series saw the likes of stand-in captain Ajinkya Rahane, Ravichandran Ashwin and Jasprit Bumrah living up to expectations while others such as Shardul Thakur and Washington Sundar chipped in with bat or ball – and, as per the demands of the situation, often punched above their weight. The gems of the series were two second-innings near-centuries from Rishabh Pant – a 97 that helped salvage a draw in Sydney and a match-winning 89 not out in Brisbane.

Cricket discussions invariably revolved around the bench-strength of the Indian team, even as Australian batsmen Marnus Labuschagne (426 runs) and Steve Smith (313) finished as the top two run-scorers of the series and fast bowlers Pat Cummins (21 wickets) and Josh Hazlewood (17) the two most successful with the ball from either side.

**LEFT:** Kane Williamson led New Zealand to the first ever World Test Championship final.



**ICC World Test Championship results 2020-21**

- England beat West Indies 2-1 (England, July 2020)
- England beat Pakistan 1-0 (England, August 2020)
- New Zealand beat West Indies 2-0 (New Zealand, December 2020)
- New Zealand beat Pakistan 2-0 (New Zealand, December 2020 - January 2021)
- India beat Australia 2-1 (Australia, December 2020 - January 2021)
- South Africa beat Sri Lanka 2-0 (South Africa, December 2020 - January 2021)
- England beat Sri Lanka 2-0 (Sri Lanka, January 2021)
- Pakistan beat South Africa 2-0 (Pakistan, January-February 2021)
- West Indies beat Bangladesh 2-0 (Bangladesh, February 2021)
- India beat England 3-1 (India, February-March 2021)
- West Indies drew with Sri Lanka 0-0 (West Indies, March-April 2021)
- Sri Lanka beat Bangladesh 1-0 (Sri Lanka April-May 2021)

**Another comeback win**

Just as in the series against Australia, India also lost the first match against England after Joe Root set the platform for the visiting side with a double century in Chennai. Centuries from Rohit Sharma and Ravichandran Ashwin, who also grabbed eight wickets in the match, helped India bounce back in the second Test at the same venue.

Left-arm spinner Axar Patel's 11-wicket match-haul took India 2-1 up following a low-scoring match at a renovated Ahmedabad Stadium – rechristened the Narendra Modi Stadium and now with a record capacity of 110,000, the most for a cricket stadium. Rishabh Pant notched a century as India won the final match at the same venue to finish ahead of the pack.

**Kiwis qualify**

New Zealand completed 2-0 series wins over the West Indies and Pakistan during the past year, carrying on the team's fine home run in the Championship and ensuring qualification for its second consecutive final in a men's ICC event, having lost to England in the epic final of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2019 at Lord's.

Seam bowler Kyle Jamieson was the player of the series against the West Indies: his haul of 11 wickets helped to complete two innings victories, with captain Kane Williamson's knock of 251 in the first match and Henry Nicholls's 174 in the second setting the platforms. Williamson was the player of the series against Pakistan with a first-innings 129 in the first match and a masterful 238 in the second.



**RIGHT:** Rishabh Pant led India to an unforgettable series win over Australia; Kyle Mayers marked his Test debut with an amazing unbeaten 210 as West Indies edged Bangladesh.

**ICC WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP TABLE**

RANK	TEAM	PCT (%)	POINTS	SERIES	MATCHES		
					WON	LOST	DRAWN
1	INDIA	72.2	520	6	12	4	1
2	NEW ZEALAND	70.0	420	5	7	4	0
3	AUSTRALIA	69.2	332	4	8	4	2
4	ENGLAND	61.4	442	6	11	7	3
5	PAKISTAN	43.3	286	5.5	4	5	3
6	WEST INDIES	33.3	200	5	3	6	2
7	SOUTH AFRICA	30.0	144	4	3	8	0
8	SRI LANKA	27.8	200	6	2	6	4
9	BANGLADESH	4.8	20	3.5	0	6	1

**BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMERS**

**Most runs**

PLAYER	MAT	INNS	NO	RUNS	HS	AVE	100	50
M Labuschagne Australia	13	23	0	1675	215	72.82	5	9
JE Root England	20	37	2	1660	228	47.42	3	8
SPD Smith Australia	13	22	1	1341	211	63.85	4	7
BA Stokes England	17	32	3	1334	176	46.00	4	6
AM Rahane India	17	28	3	1095	115	43.80	3	6





### The best of the rest

Other teams may not have been in contention, but many of their players were at their best – and new names broke into top-class cricket in style.

West Indies batsman Kyle Mayers' unbeaten 210 on Test debut helped the West Indies snatch a memorable three-wicket victory over Bangladesh in Chittagong. The 28-year-old left-hander became only the sixth player to score a double hundred in the fourth innings of a Test.

Sri Lanka's left-arm spinner Praveen Jayawickrama also enjoyed an unforgettable Test debut, claiming an 11-wicket haul to help Sri Lanka to a 209-run victory over Bangladesh in Pallekele and a 1-0 series win in the two-match series.

Pakistan seamer Hasan Ali was another to hit the headlines, taking a career-best 10 wickets in the match as Pakistan completed a 2-0 win over South Africa. 🏏



**RIGHT:** Pat Cummins led all wicket-takers in the World Test Championship with 70.

### BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMERS

#### Most wickets

PLAYER	MAT	OVERS	RUNS	WKTS	BBI	AVE	5	10
<b>PJ Cummins</b> Australia	14	555.3	1472	<b>70</b>	5/28	21.02	1	0
<b>SCJ Broad</b> England	17	499.3	1386	<b>69</b>	6/31	20.08	2	1
<b>R Ashwin</b> India	13	524.4	1399	<b>67</b>	7/145	20.88	4	0
<b>NM Lyon</b> Australia	14	630.5	1757	<b>56</b>	6/49	31.37	4	1
<b>TG Southee</b> New Zealand	10	390.3	1054	<b>51</b>	5/32	20.66	3	0



# ICC MEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP SUPER LEAGUE

Bangladesh prospers in home conditions to lead the table ahead of England, Pakistan and Australia.

The ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Super League quickly caught momentum soon after the first ball was bowled on 30 July 2020, as teams began their qualification campaigns for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023.

A total of 11 series were played during the period, and a fine run in home conditions propelled Bangladesh to the top of the points table in the 13-team tournament that assures direct

qualifying spots to seven teams (along with hosts India).

Bangladesh's spin attack was at the forefront of a 3-0 series victory against the West Indies, before Mushfiqur Rahim starred in a 2-1 series victory over Sri Lanka – Bangladesh's first against the 1996 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup winners. In between, though, the Tigers ran into a rampant Devon Conway, going down 3-0 in New Zealand.

## ICC MEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP SUPER LEAGUE TABLE 31 MAY 2021

RANK	TEAM	MATCHES	WON	LOST	TIED	N/R	POINTS	NRR
1	BANGLADESH	9	5	4	0	0	50	0.013
2	ENGLAND	9	4	5	0	0	40	0.468
3	PAKISTAN	6	4	2	0	0	40	0.422
4	AUSTRALIA	6	4	2	0	0	40	0.347
5	NEW ZEALAND	3	3	0	0	0	30	2.352
6	AFGHANISTAN	3	3	0	0	0	30	0.527
7	WEST INDIES	6	3	3	0	0	30	-0.876
8	INDIA	6	3	3	0	0	29	-0.252
9	ZIMBABWE	3	1	2	0	0	10	-0.741
10	IRELAND	6	1	5	0	0	10	-1.076
11	SOUTH AFRICA	3	1	2	0	0	9	-0.080
12	SRI LANKA	6	1	5	0	0	8	-0.245
13	NETHERLANDS	0	0	0	0	0	0	—



## ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Super League results, 2020-21

England beat Ireland 2-1  
(England, July–August 2020)

Australia beat England 2-1  
(England, September 2020)

Pakistan beat Zimbabwe 2-1  
(Pakistan, October–November 2020)

Australia beat India 2-1  
(Australia, November–December 2020)

Bangladesh beat West Indies 3-0  
(Bangladesh, January 2021)

Afghanistan beat Ireland 3-0  
(UAE, January 2021)

West Indies beat Sri Lanka 3-0  
(West Indies, March 2021)

New Zealand beat Bangladesh 3-0  
(New Zealand, March 2021)

India beat England 2-1  
(India, March 2021)

Pakistan beat South Africa 2-1  
(South Africa, April 2021)

Bangladesh beat Sri Lanka 2-1  
(Bangladesh, May 2021)

**LEFT:** Blessing Muzarabani's five wickets helped Zimbabwe beat Pakistan.



## BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMERS

### Most runs

PLAYER	MAT	INNS	NO	RUNS	HS	AVE	SR	100	50
<b>JM Bairstow</b> England	9	9	0	<b>503</b>	124	55.88	105.45	2	3
<b>Babar Azam</b> Pakistan	6	6	1	<b>449</b>	125	89.80	102.98	2	2
<b>PR Stirling</b> Ireland	6	6	0	<b>441</b>	142	73.50	99.54	3	0
<b>Mushfiqur Rahim</b> Bangladesh	9	9	2	<b>407</b>	125	58.14	76.64	1	2
<b>GJ Maxwell</b> Australia	6	6	1	<b>353</b>	108	70.60	145.26	1	3

While several series saw one team blank the other, others witnessed the losing team come back strongly – most notably in the very first series of the league.

World champions England started its defence with two wins at home – but in the third match in Southampton, Ireland pulled off a stupendous chase of a target of 329, powered by centuries from Paul Stirling (142) and captain Andy Balbirnie (113). England then lost 2-1 to Australia, which chased a 300-plus score in the decider with centuries from Alex Carey and Glen Maxwell.

Like Ireland, Zimbabwe got one back against Pakistan, winning in the Super Over after the third match ended in a tie. Fast bowler Blessing Muzarabani's haul of five for 49 was the highlight. Pakistan, though, then had the better of South Africa, with left-handed opener Fakhar Zaman smashing two centuries in the series.

It included a valiant 193 in the second match, the highest ever individual score from a team batting second in an ODI and the second highest ever in a losing cause.

Throughout the year, other standout performers included batsmen Jonny Bairstow of England and Babar Azam of Pakistan, and leg-spinners Adam Zampa of Australia and Adil Rashid of England.

Behind leaders Bangladesh, Pakistan, Australia and England all stood on 40 points at the end of May 2021 with a lot to still play for, with each team getting four home and four away series of three matches each. Sides are ranked according to total points earned, with 10 points for a win, five for an abandonment/tie/no result, none for a loss and points deducted for slow over rates. Teams failing to qualify directly through the league will get a second shot through a Qualifier to be played in June and July 2023. 🏏

## BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMERS

### Most wickets

PLAYER	MAT	OVERS	RUNS	WKTS	BBI	AVE	5	10
<b>A Zampa</b> Australia	6	60	303	<b>17</b>	4-54	17.82	5.05	0
<b>Mustafizur Rahman</b> Bangladesh	9	67.3	331	<b>15</b>	3-16	22.06	4.90	0
<b>Mehidy Hasan Miraz</b> Bangladesh	9	73.4	248	<b>14</b>	4-25	17.71	3.36	0
<b>Adil Rashid</b> England	9	86.2	523	<b>12</b>	3-34	43.58	6.05	0
<b>Dushmantha Chameera</b> Sri Lanka	5	46.1	205	<b>11</b>	5-16	18.63	4.44	1



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THE WICKET WAS REALLY GOOD, THE BOUNDARIES WERE VERY SHORT AND THE RUN RATE WAS GOING UP. I WAS JUST HITTING THE BALL.

FAKHAR ZAMAN

LEFT: Fakhar Zaman's two centuries led Pakistan to a series win over South Africa.





## PREPARATION, PLANNING AND SCHEDULING

The pandemic year saw several events postponed or left uncertain – but the ICC showed resilience in challenging times, and is looking ahead to the success of future tournaments.

### ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Rescheduled from 2021 to 2022

Preparations for the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup, rescheduled to 2022, remained on track. A fresh match schedule was announced during an event in Christchurch in December, when the Hagley Oval lights were turned on for the first time in a project brought about by Christchurch's hosting of the event.

Venue packs went on sale, providing access to all league matches at a venue at discounted prices, and a community engagement programme was launched in February 2021, with many high-profile Kiwis attending a successful Auckland event at the North Shore Cricket Club.

A unique effort to garner support from within the fraternity and outside by getting 1,000 champions to sign up also gathered momentum during the period, with the likes of Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern, Deputy Prime Minister Grant Robertson, cricket great Sir Richard Hadlee and New Zealand men's cricket captain Kane Williamson all getting behind the event.

A 'one year to go' milestone and the launch of the volunteer programme saw global pop star Gin Wigmore skydiving on to the Mt Maunganui beach in Tauranga (one of the venues) with the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup Trophy.

Logistics and promotional activities were planned well in advance, with a robust media and marketing plan. Hotels and travel services were contracted and local charity partners were selected. It was decided that individual match tickets would go on sale from 16 August, 200 days ahead of the event.

To allow teams the best possible preparation, the global qualifier for the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2022 was postponed and will now be held in December 2021.



### ICC Women's T20 World Cup Rescheduled from 2022 to 2023

The ICC Women's T20 World Cup in South Africa was moved to 9-26 February 2023 due to the fact that no major women's events were otherwise scheduled to take place in 2023.

This switch will better support player preparation and continue to build the momentum around the women's game beyond 2022.



### ICC Women's U19 Cricket World Cup Rescheduled from 2021 to 2023

The Board agreed to postpone the inaugural ICC Women's U19 Cricket World Cup, which was due to be held in Bangladesh at the end of 2021. COVID-19 has had a significant impact on the establishment and subsequent development of the U19 programmes in many countries, meaning teams would not be able to prepare appropriately for a global event in 2021. The inaugural event will now take place in January 2023.

### ICC Men's T20 World Cup Rescheduled

At its July 2020 meeting, the ICC Board took the decision to postpone the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2020 in Australia to 2022 due to COVID-19. The next Men's T20 World Cup was then planned for India in 2021 – but when the schedule could not be confirmed given the ongoing scenario, the option of India conducting the event in the Middle East, centred on the tried and tested venues of the United Arab Emirates, emerged as a feasible alternative.

The next ICC Men's T20 World Cup is now scheduled to begin in October 2021 in the UAE and Oman. The Australia 2020-qualified teams will now take part in this 2021 tournament, with a new qualification pathway for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 in Australia.

Confirmation of the road to the Men's T20 World Cup 2022 detailed a 13-month qualification campaign involving 86 teams competing for 15 spots across 225 men's T20Is. Qualification was due to begin in April 2021, but COVID-19 caused the cancellation of three sub-regional Europe events and the postponement of five others. The eight events in the sub-regional and regional qualifier level are due to take place before the end of the year.

Early planning for the event in Australia 2022 continued with a focus on marketing and operations for the tournament. Planning also continued for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup Qualifier A and B, which will determine the four qualifiers for the World Cup. They are currently scheduled to take place in February and May 2022 respectively.



### ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2022

The pathway to the ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2022 was announced, with 34 teams due to compete for five World Cup spots across seven regional events in 2021. Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, the seven-team Asia Division 2 Qualifier was cancelled, leaving the Africa Division 2 and five regional qualifiers scheduled to take place before the end of November 2021 to fill the five qualifier spots.

The countdown to the 16-team, 48-match U19 World Cup continued, with event planning in collaboration with Cricket West Indies, a thorough bid process and ongoing identification of venues.

### ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2 & Challenge Leagues

Extensive contingency planning was undertaken with Members to continually review and identify opportunities to reschedule series. To date, no series has been lost, and we have managed to reschedule all planned fixtures and events in these pathways.



# THE SPIRIT OF CRICKET





# ICC AWARDS OF THE DECADE

Ellyse Perry and Virat Kohli took top honours in the ICC Awards of the Decade, which drew 1.5 million votes from around the world.

In December 2020, the ICC invited fans to vote for the ICC Awards of the Decade, a special celebration rewarding the top performances of the last ten years in both women's and men's cricket. The ICC Awards of the Decade replaced the ICC Awards of the Year following the COVID-19 pandemic, which meant there were not enough performances to assess the year's best players.

Fans the world over got to play a part in selecting the top players across cricket of the past decade – and, for the first time, also got the chance to win attractive prizes in the process. The ICC invited fans to register their choices online, another landmark step in the organisation's bid to increase engagement during and outside of ICC tournaments. A total of 1.5 million fans voted, placing a total of 5.4 million votes and resulting in a record 45 million views for the content across multiple platforms.

The ICC Awards of the Decade categories included the Sir Garfield Sobers and Rachael Heyhoe Flint Awards, which celebrate the best overall player from the men's and women's games. The fan vote made up of 10% of the voting, while votes from an expert panel made up the remaining 90%. Fans had 100% of the vote for the ICC Spirit of Cricket Award of the Decade, selecting from a list of past winners since 2011. 🌟



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**VIRAT [KOHLI] HAS ALREADY REACHED A STATUS WHERE HE IS CLOSE TO A LEGEND. HE HAS TAKEN THE TEAM FORWARD – AND THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT FROM A LEADER.**

MS DHONI, SPEAKING IN 2018





### VIRAT KOHLI

Sir Garfield Sobers Award for ICC Male Cricketer of the Decade

ICC Men's ODI Cricketer of the Decade



### RASHID KHAN

ICC Men's T20I Cricketer of the Decade



### ELLYSE PERRY

Rachael Heyhoe-Flint Award for ICC Female Cricketer of the Decade

ICC Women's ODI Cricketer of the Decade

ICC Women's T20I Cricketer of the Decade

### MS DHONI

ICC Spirit of Cricket Award of the Decade



### STEVE SMITH

ICC Men's Test Cricketer of the Decade



### KYLE COETZER

ICC Men's Associate Cricketer of the Decade



### KATHRYN BRYCE

ICC Women's Associate Cricketer of the Decade



# ICC DEVELOPMENT AWARDS 2020

The great work of Associate Members in 17 nations was recognised on the UN's International Day of Sport for Development and Peace.

The ICC Development Awards 2020 recognised and showcased the outstanding work undertaken by the 92 Associate Members to grow cricket in emerging markets in partnership with the ICC during 2020 – celebrating the power of cricket in communities, and highlighting how, despite the challenges of the last 12 months, cricket continues to be a driving force for change and a sport for all.

On 6 April, the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace, the ICC crowned 20 regional winners from 17 countries across four categories: the ICC Development Initiative of the Year, the 100% Cricket Female Cricket Initiative of the Year, the ICC Digital Fan Engagement of the Year and the Cricket 4 Good Social Impact Initiative of the Year.

Two weeks later, the ICC announced the four global winners: Argentina, Brazil, Uganda and Vanuatu, who were chosen by a global independent panel of selected ICC Full Member Chief Executives, current and former international players, industry experts, media representatives and other Members of the cricket family.

The dual announcements received almost 1.4 million video views across all social channels, with over 300,000 engagements and 12.8 million impressions – and overall, media coverage of the ICC Development Awards amassed a reach of over 250 million. 📺



## 100% DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR

**Cricket Argentina – Online Coaching, Umpiring and Scoring Courses (Global winner)**

Federazione Cricket Italiana (Cricket Italy) – Cricketmania

Cricket Namibia – Capacity Building

Cricket Association of Nepal – First domestic event post COVID-19

Vanuatu Cricket Association – Live Stream of the Vanuatu Women's Club Cricket T20 Grand Final & Santo Women's T20 Competition



## 100% CRICKET FEMALE CRICKET INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR

**Cricket Brasil – Central Contracts (Global winner)**

Danish Cricket Federation – Female Participation Programme

Malaysian Cricket Association – Awareness Programmes

Nigeria Cricket Federation – Girls Aspire

Samoa International Cricket Association – Healthy Nanas Programme



## ICC DIGITAL FAN ENGAGEMENT OF THE YEAR

Jersey Cricket Board – Fairway Super Series

Kuwait Cricket – Digital Media/Marketing Campaign

Cricket Namibia – National Promotion of Awards Win

USA Cricket – #TrainAtHome

**Vanuatu Cricket Association – Live Stream of the Vanuatu T10 Blast and the Women's T20 Grand Final (Global winner)**

## CRICKET 4 GOOD SOCIAL IMPACT INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR

Bhutan Cricket Council Board – COVID-19 Response

Persatuan Cricket Indonesia – Digital Cricket for Good

Federazione Cricket Italiana (Cricket Italy) – Environmental Sustainability Project

Cricket Peru – 'Cricket-Ena'

**Uganda Cricket Association – COVID-19 Relief (Global winner)**





# ICC HALL OF FAME

Zaheer Abbas, Jacques Kallis and Lisa Sthalekar joined the greats of the game in August.

The ICC Hall of Fame welcomed three new members in August 2020: all-rounder **Jacques Kallis**, the fourth South African to be inducted; Australian World Cup-winning all-rounder **Lisa Sthalekar**, the 27th Australian and ninth woman to join the Hall; and **Zaheer Abbas**, a stylish batsman of the 1970s and '80s known as the Asian Bradman who became the sixth Pakistani player to enter the Hall of Fame.

Former ICC Hall of Famers formed the majority of the adjudicating panel, with representation from the media, the ICC and the Federation of International Cricketers' Associations (FICA). In all, 93 players have been inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame so far under a system that sees retired players become eligible five years after their last international match. 🏏



"IT'S A GREAT HONOUR TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE ICC HALL OF FAME. IT IS SOMETHING THAT I NEVER EXPECTED WHEN I STARTED PLAYING. I CERTAINLY DID NOT PLAY THE GAME FOR ANY ACCOLADES OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT, I ONLY WANTED TO WIN THE GAMES FOR WHOEVER I WAS PLAYING FOR. BUT IT IS NICE TO BE RECOGNISED WHEN ONE HAS SUCCEEDED IN THE SPORT – IT IS NICE TO BE RECOGNISED BY PEOPLE FOR SOMETHING THAT YOU HAVE ACHIEVED IN THE GAME. IT'S SOMETHING THAT I AM REALLY PROUD OF."

JACQUES KALLIS



"I FEEL PRIVILEGED AND TRULY HUMBLLED TO BE INDUCTED INTO THE ICC HALL OF FAME IN THE CLASS OF 2020, AND I AM EXCITED TO BE IN THE MIDST OF OTHER ILLUSTRIOUS CRICKETERS. I WOULD LIKE TO SAY A SPECIAL THANKS TO MY FAMILY, MY COUNTRY PAKISTAN, MY COUNTY GLOUCESTERSHIRE AND MANY FANS WORLDWIDE WHO HELPED ME ACHIEVE AND FULFIL MY DREAMS BY PLAYING THIS GREAT GAME AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL. THANK YOU, ICC, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE JURY, FOR THIS SPECIAL HONOUR. IT IS A FINE RECOGNITION FOR ANY CRICKETER. THIS GREAT GAME HAS MADE ME THE PERSON I AM. THANK YOU CRICKET."

ZAHEER ABBAS



"I AM DEEPLY HUMBLLED TO RECEIVE THIS HONOUR. NEVER IN MY WILDEST DREAMS DID I BELIEVE THAT I WOULD EVER GET TO JOIN SUCH AN ILLUSTRIOUS GROUP OF PLAYERS. I WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO LEARN FROM THE BEST WHEN I ENTERED THE AUSTRALIA TEAM – BELINDA CLARK, KAREN ROLTON AND CATHRYN FITZPATRICK, ALL OF WHOM HAVE BEEN INDUCTED INTO THE ICC HALL OF FAME, AND RIGHTLY SO. THE GUIDANCE FROM THEM AND OTHER TEAMMATES ALONG THE WAY KEPT ME FOCUSED BUT ALSO ENSURED THAT IT WAS A FUN ENVIRONMENT. THANKS TO ALL MY TEAMMATES. IF IT WASN'T FOR THE SUPPORT OF MY FAMILY, I WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO ACHIEVE WHAT I HAVE."

LISA STHALEKAR





THE INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL LIMITED

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31 DECEMBER 2020



# REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE



This is my third report as the Chair of the Audit Committee, and as always, it is a pleasure and an honour to be presenting it.

This year saw us welcoming new ICC Chair Greg Barclay to the Audit Committee in his ex-officio capacity, while it was the second year on the committee for Ms Indra Nooyi. Their experience provides us with a considerable advantage across all our functions, and we hope to benefit from their presence in every way possible.

The period 1 June 2020 to 31 May 2021 saw the ICC Audit Committee meeting on three occasions. Apart from ensuring that the ICC's internal systems and controls remained effective and responsive to challenging external environments, we also dealt with the issues relating to business contingency planning.

We were apprised by the ICC management on the measures taken to deal with eventualities in an environment where circumstances shift rapidly owing to COVID.

It was good to see continued working on developing the Global Cricket Strategy, despite the challenges posed by the pandemic and the hit that sports events have taken worldwide.

The Audit Committee continued to discuss a number of important issues – including corporate taxation, which remains a high-risk area in a multi-jurisdictional and geographically widespread organisation such as the ICC.

As per the Committee's Terms of Reference, as members, we are required to review the Audited Financial Statements and External Auditor's report and make appropriate recommendations. At our last meeting in March 2021, we reviewed and discussed the report and draft statements for the period from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020. The review included assessing the accounting principles used, significant estimates made, auditor's independence, and the overall presentation of the Financial Statements.

One of our core roles is to assess the objectivity and independence of the External Auditors and highlight any conflicts of interest. We confirm that we have periodically evaluated their performance and independence and the impact of any non-audit services on their objectivity.

At the first meeting each year, we also endorse the Statement of Internal Control (issued by the management) to the Board in order to provide reasonable assurance to the Board regarding the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control framework. This Statement is prepared after due consideration of the results of the audits undertaken by the Internal Audit function, the extent of implementation of audit recommendations, the integrity of ICC's risk management process, the minutes of key ICC Committees, and knowledge gained from any other pertinent reviews performed during the respective period.

Finally, I wish to conclude by expressing the Committee's gratitude to the Chair, Directors, and Management, who have shown the utmost cooperation in working with us and extending their assistance.

For the Audit Committee

**Yuvraj Narayan**  
Chair  
Dubai, 10 June 2021

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## REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR ON THE SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL

### OPINION

The summary consolidated financial statements, which comprise the summary consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2020, the summary consolidated statement of comprehensive income, summary consolidated statement of changes in Members' Funds and summary consolidated statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and related notes, are derived from the complete audited consolidated financial statements of The International Cricket Council Limited ("ICC") and its subsidiaries (the "ICC Group") for the year ended 31 December 2020.

In our opinion, the accompanying summary consolidated financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements, in accordance with the basis described in Note 2.

### SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary consolidated financial statements do not contain all the disclosures required by International Financial Reporting Standards applied in the preparation of the audited consolidated financial statements of ICC Group. Reading the summary consolidated financial statements and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited consolidated financial statements and auditor's report thereon.

### THE AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OUR REPORT THEREON

We expressed an unmodified audit opinion on the audited consolidated financial statements in our report dated 12 April 2021. That report also includes an emphasis of matter section relating to the below:

- i) a legal action against ICC that draws attention to Note 19 (b) to the audited consolidated financial statements. Refer Note 4 to the summary consolidated financial statements for the disclosure of the legal action against ICC.
- ii) ongoing dispute between a Member and the Group concerning a deduction from the distributions made by the Group to the Member that draws attention to Note 20 (d) to the audited consolidated financial statements. Refer Note 5 to the summary consolidated financial statements for the disclosure of the ongoing discussions between a Member and the Group.

The summary consolidated financial statements and the audited consolidated financial statements do not reflect the effects of events that occurred subsequent to the date of our report on the audited consolidated financial statements.

### THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Board of Directors are responsible for the preparation of the summary consolidated financial statements in accordance with the basis described in Note 2.

### AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the summary consolidated financial statements are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with International Standard on Auditing (ISA) 810 (Revised), "Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements".

For Ernst & Young

Signed by:  
**Thodla Hari Gopal**  
Partner  
Registration No.: 689

12 April 2021  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates



## SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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	2020 USD'000	2019 USD'000
<b>SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME</b>		
<b>Event related activities</b>		
Revenue from ICC Events	34,771	602,908
Costs relating to ICC Events	(34,387)	(184,565)
<b>NET SURPLUS RELATING TO ICC EVENTS</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>418,343</b>
<b>Other activities</b>		
Other revenue	9,280	9,690
Interest and investment income – net	5,784	7,156
General and administrative expenses	(34,607)	(46,012)
Finance costs	(2,780)	(2,639)
Foreign exchange gain/(loss)	19	(49)
Net gain on financial assets and derivative financial instruments	3,504	6,171
<b>NET LOSS FROM OTHER ACTIVITIES</b>	<b>(18,800)</b>	<b>(25,683)</b>
<b>NET (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS BEFORE TAXATION</b>	<b>(18,416)</b>	<b>392,660</b>
Taxation	–	–
<b>NET (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(18,416)</b>	<b>392,660</b>
Other comprehensive income for the year	–	–
<b>TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE (LOSS)/ INCOME FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(18,416)</b>	<b>392,660</b>

The attached notes 1 to 6 form part of these summary consolidated financial statements.

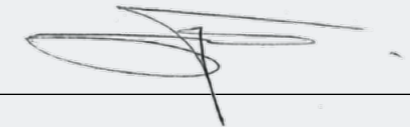
## SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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	2020 USD'000	2019 USD'000
<b>SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION</b>		
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Non-current assets	498,069	617,337
Current assets (excluding bank balances and cash)	198,793	201,925
Bank balances and cash	65,378	90,399
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>762,240</b>	<b>909,661</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Deposit received (non-current)	96,827	96,724
Other non-current liabilities	5,511	6,045
Deposit received (current)	2,631	2,631
Accounts payable and accruals	33,634	50,344
Advances from sponsors	244,620	44,257
Associate Member fund	–	11,399
Other financial liabilities	–	828
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>383,223</b>	<b>212,228</b>
<b>REPRESENTED BY:</b>		
<b>Members' Funds</b>		
Reserves	82,467	77,716
Allocable surplus	296,550	619,717
Total Members' Funds	379,017	697,433
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' FUNDS</b>	<b>762,240</b>	<b>909,661</b>

The audited consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 12 April 2021 and were signed on their behalf by:

**Greg Barclay**  
Chairman



**Geoff Allardice**  
Acting Chief Executive Officer



The attached notes 1 to 6 form part of these summary consolidated financial statements.



## SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PREPARED FROM THE AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL LIMITED AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' FUNDS	Allocable surplus USD'000	General reserve USD'000	Total USD'000
As at 1 January 2019	232,157	72,616	304,773
Total comprehensive income for the year	392,660	-	392,660
Transfers	(5,100)	5,100	-
At 31 December 2019	619,717	77,716	697,433
Total comprehensive loss for the year	(18,416)	-	(18,416)
Transfers	(4,751)	4,751	-
Dividends	(300,000)	-	(300,000)
<b>At 31 December 2020</b>	<b>296,550</b>	<b>82,467</b>	<b>379,017</b>

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## SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PREPARED FROM THE AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL LIMITED AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS	2020 USD'000	2019 USD'000
Net (deficit)/surplus before taxation	(18,416)	392,660
Non-cash adjustments to reconcile surplus to net cash flows	(1,040)	(6,829)
Working capital adjustments	183,486	(101,866)
Payments for employees' end of service benefits, income tax and others	(1,698)	(1,623)
Net cash flows from operating activities	162,332	282,342
Net cash flows from investing activities	1,969	1,676
Net cash flows used in financing activities	(188,202)	(178,232)
<b>(Decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(23,901)</b>	<b>105,786</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	89,279	(16,507)
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER</b>	<b>65,378</b>	<b>89,279</b>

For the purpose of the consolidated statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following amounts:

	2020 USD'000	2019 USD'000
Cash and demand deposits	65,378	90,399
Restricted deposits	-	(1,120)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>65,378</b>	<b>89,279</b>

Restricted deposits relate to the demand deposits placed with a financial institution as a lien against the limits available by the Group for corporate credit cards.

### SIGNIFICANT NON-CASH TRANSACTIONS

	2020 USD'000	2019 USD'000
Adjustment of dividend against advance to Members	300,000	-
Offset of distributions made against the amount due from a Member	-	23,750
Offset of distributions made against loan due from a Member	-	3,137

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# SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## NOTES TO SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### 1 ACTIVITIES

The International Cricket Council Limited (the "Company" or "ICC") is a company limited by guarantee and does not have share capital, it is incorporated in the British Virgin Islands. The registered office of ICC is at Commerce House, Wickhams Cay 1, P.O. Box 3140, Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands. There are currently 104 Members.

The ICC Group's principal place of business is at Street 69, Dubai Sports City, Sheikh Mohammad Bin Zayed Road, P.O. Box 500070, Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

The International Cricket Council Limited ("ICC") is the international governing body for International Test Match, International One-Day and International Twenty20 cricket. The ICC is primarily responsible for all aspects of the day-to-day operations and the development of international cricket. This extensive remit includes management of the ICC Code of Conduct, the playing conditions and all other regulatory functions and services relevant to the international game, provision of qualified and independent Match Officials for Tests, One Day and Twenty20 Internationals and initiating and implementing key policy decisions for the benefit of the game.

#### Financial model: 2015-2023 cycle

In June 2017, the Members approved a financial model for the period 2015-2023 whereby the ICC, amongst others, retrospectively discontinued the contribution cost and test cricket fund, and replaced it with a new model of distribution of surplus (i.e. dividends / distributions) to the Members. As a result, management had reversed the liabilities towards the contribution cost and test cricket fund to the consolidated statement of comprehensive income during the year 2017 and classified the amounts paid to Members as per the new financial model as advances to Members. These advances will be eventually offset against the surplus distributed to Members during the remaining period until 2023..

### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary consolidated financial statements have been derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of the ICC Group which were approved by the Board on 12 April 2021. These summary consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue on 12 April 2021.

The audited consolidated financial statements are available at the Headquarters of the ICC in Dubai Sports City and also on the ICC website [www.icc-cricket.com](http://www.icc-cricket.com). The summary consolidated financial statements are presented in considerably less detail than the annual audited consolidated financial statements for the convenience of readers and are consistent, in all material respects, with the audited consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements have been presented in US Dollars, which is the functional currency of the Company. All values are rounded to the nearest thousand (USD'000) except otherwise stated.

#### CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The aforementioned financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as issued by the International Accounting Standard Board (IASB).

The aforementioned financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention, modified to include the measurement at fair value of available-for-sale investments and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss.

# SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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## NOTES TO SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

### 2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

The aforementioned financial statements comprise the financial statements as at 31 December 2020 of the ICC and its following subsidiaries ("the ICC Group"):

Name of the subsidiary	Country of incorporation	Percentage shareholding		Principal activities
		2020	2019	
ICC Business Corporation FZ LLC (IBC)	United Arab Emirates	100%	100%	To manage the commercial rights relating to cricket events of ICC from 1 July 2015.
ICC Development (International) Limited (IDI)*	British Virgin Islands	100%	100%	To manage the commercial rights relating to cricket events of ICC up until 30 June 2015.
ICC Americas	United States of America	No shares issued. ICC is the sole member.	No shares issued. ICC is the sole member.	To administer, develop, co-ordinate and promote the sport of cricket throughout the Americas region.
International Cricket Council FZ-LLC	United Arab Emirates	100%	100%	To provide administrative services to ICC group companies. From 1 January 2019, this includes managing the ICC Development Program.

The following are the Subsidiaries of IDI:

Name of the subsidiary	Country of incorporation	Percentage shareholding		Principal activities
		2020	2019	
IDI Mauritius Ltd*	Mauritius	100%	100%	To manage certain commercial rights of IDI.

\* IDI and its subsidiary IDI Mauritius Ltd is expected to be liquidated by the end of year 2021. These entities do not undertake any significant commercial transactions.



## SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### NOTES TO SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

#### 3 DISCLOSURES RELATING TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited consolidated financial statements of the ICC Group are available on the ICC Website [www.icc-cricket.com](http://www.icc-cricket.com). For the significant accounting policies and detailed notes to the consolidated financial statements please refer to the audited consolidated financial statements on the Website.

#### 4 CONTINGENCIES

##### ESSEL SPORTS PVT LTD:

In 2007, Essel Sports Pvt Ltd initiated a lawsuit against the Board of Control for Cricket in India ("BCCI") in the Delhi High Court, claiming that the BCCI's decision not to recognise the Indian Cricket League ("ICL") and to take certain actions against those involved with the ICL was unlawful (the "Indian Action"). The Indian Action was at an advanced stage with the parties in the midst of making their final arguments when the judge hearing the case was transferred and the matter was placed before a new judge in April 2019 to be heard afresh. The Indian Action has therefore continued through 2019 and 2020 but has been subject to adjournments and a delay by Delhi advocates (not least due to COVID) resulting in the case continuing into 2021.

A suit has also been filed in England (against ICC, and the England and Wales Cricket Board "ECB") and served upon the ICC and the ECB (the "English Action"). As part of the defence to the English Action, and because of the substantial overlap between the issues raised in the English and Indian Actions, the BCCI, the ICC and the ECB sought an anti-suit injunction from the Indian courts, preventing the ICL from taking any further steps in the English Action (against all of those three parties) until the Indian Action has been dealt with. Such an injunction was granted. The Supreme Court of India (the "Supreme Court") subsequently permitted Essel to proceed with an appeal against the anti-suit injunction granted by the Divisional Bench of the Delhi High Court preventing it from suing the BCCI/ECB/ICC in England pending trial of the underlying Indian action. On 1 September 2017, however, as the underlying suit (namely the "Indian Action") was in the final stages of being heard, the Supreme Court dismissed the special leave petitions and directed that the District Court should hear and decide the underlying suit within three months of the date of the order, without any interference from the Supreme Court. The appeal proceedings (against the anti-suit injunction) have therefore effectively been dismissed and come to an end. As at the date of writing, we remain unaware of any momentum from the BCCI towards settling the Indian Action (and all related proceedings) in a way that is satisfactory to all, but this possibility remains within the control of the BCCI.

External lawyers have been appointed to act collectively for the ICC, the ECB and the BCCI in defending the English Action (including pursuit of and challenge to the anti-suit injunction in India). The advice received from those lawyers is that the ICC and its Members will be able to mount a robust defence of the English Action and consequently no provision has been made in the consolidated financial statements in this respect. In addition, in 2010, the court in England granted a stay on hearing this matter until the Indian action is resolved and this remains the case.

Related to these actions, the ICC Board has agreed to provide an indemnity to Members in relation to all costs, damages and awards that might be made against any of them as a result of the English Action. As at the reporting date, no amounts in relation to such indemnity has been recognised on the consolidated financial statements as the probability of any such outflow looks unlikely.

## SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PREPARED FROM THE AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL LIMITED AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

### NOTES TO SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

#### 5 MEMBER DISPUTES

During the year 2019, the Group had adjusted the amount of USD 23.75 million due from a Member in respect of the withholding tax on Media Rights agreement for the ICC World Twenty20 2016 against their share of distributions as per the directive of the Group's Board of Directors. The decision was based on the Board of Director's assessment of the enforceability of the terms of the Host agreement dated 12 October 2014 between the Group and the Member.

In February 2020, the Member notified the Group via an independent legal counsel that the Member does not accept the offset of the withholding tax of USD 23.75 million and their liability for such taxes (together "the disputes"). The disputes were referred to the ICC Dispute Resolution Committee in April 2020, and proceedings thereof are yet to commence as of the date of authorisation of these consolidated financial statements.

#### 6 IMPACT OF COVID

The outbreak of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID) pandemic, including the government and public response to the challenges, continues to progress and evolve. In addition to the safety measures that have already been put in place, the Group has undertaken a comprehensive contingency planning exercise including evaluating the terms of the contracts with its commercial partners and exploring all options available in relation to future events based on a range of scenarios connected to the pandemic. After careful evaluation of the situation and with the health and well-being of the global cricket family being the highest priority, the ICC Men's T20 World Cup scheduled to be held in Australia in 2020 has been postponed to 2022. Also, all ICC pathway events scheduled in 2020 post the outbreak of the pandemic have been postponed and are continuously being assessed. The decisions have been taken in line with Government and public health authority advice.

We are aware that developments thereof may have an impact on the schedule of future tournaments and thereby the Group's future financial results, cash flows and financial condition.



