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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

JAY SHAH

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the ICC Annual Report 2025–26, which surveys another action-packed year for the International Cricket Council and the sport of cricket.

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The past 12 months have seen preparations continue for cricket’s long-awaited return to the Olympic Games in 2028. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for our sport to reach tens of millions of new fans, and we are already working hard on plans to forge new generations of cricket-lovers around the world.

I was delighted to meet once more with Kirsty Coventry, President of the International Olympic Committee, and with leaders of other major international sporting federations, such as UEFA President Aleksander Čeferin. It was also a great honour to visit Los Angeles, where construction is now underway on the spectacular stadium that will host the Olympic cricket competitions.

I am writing this foreword in England during the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026, which began a few days after the period covered by this Annual Report. Exactly 12 months earlier, the eyes of the cricketing world were once again on England – but this time for the third ICC World Test Championship Final, a highlight of the international cricketing calendar.

I fondly remember ringing the iconic Lord’s bell before the start of the first day’s play – and I congratulate South Africa on an outstanding victory, their first ICC trophy in 27 years.

Congratulations, too, to the Indian teams who won an unprecedented hat-trick of ICC world titles this year in front of record crowds – in the stadiums, on television and online through ICC.tv.

In November 2025, India’s women won their first-ever ICC Women’s Cricket World Cup in front of enthusiastic home crowds. In February 2026, the country’s U19 men’s team claimed the ICC U19 Men’s Cricket World Cup – with star batter Vaibhav Sooryavanshi reminding us that ICC U19 World Cups offer a unique chance to see tomorrow’s stars today. And then in March, India made it three in a row by taking the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026.

We continue to work hard to grow the game worldwide, and the past year saw a number of key first-time achievements for Associate Members: Italy qualified for their first ever ICC Men’s T20 World Cup; Japan won their first ICC World Cup match, at the ICC U19 Men’s Cricket World Cup 2026; and the Netherlands and Scotland both reached the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup for the first time.

Our commitment to growing the women’s game remains a cornerstone of our activities – all of which are supported by our commercial partners, who receive my sincere thanks for their continued support of our sport.

From attending my first ICC Annual Conference as Chair in July 2025 to the ICC Board meetings in Ahmedabad in May 2026, this has been a busy year for governance. My thanks go to my fellow Board members, who have shown both diligence and dedication as we work together to grow the game worldwide.

I would particularly like to welcome Dr Ros Rivaz, who joined the ICC Board as its Independent Director in May 2026. Dr Rivaz has a wealth of experience in executive and non-executive roles, currently serving as Chair of both Companies House and Anglian Water in the UK, and will ensure that the Board continues to steer global cricket through its continued growth and evolution.

All that remains is for me to thank all our Member Boards for their support and collaboration, and the entire team at the ICC for all their outstanding work during 2025–26. Here’s to another fantastic year ahead for the sport we all love.

Jay Shah
Chairman, ICC



CEO'S REPORT SANJOG GUPTA

As our Chairman outlines in his report on the previous pages, this has been another very busy year for the ICC – and a hugely successful one at that.

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The past 12 months saw the delivery of no less than four major ICC events – all of which were played in front of large, knowledgeable and enthusiastic crowds, and all of which drew viewers around the world in record numbers.

In particular, the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 was the most digitally engaged women's cricket event ever staged, attracting 5.2 billion video views on ICC channels. Its huge worldwide reach is evidence that our ongoing fan-first strategy to grow the women's game is reaping enormous dividends, and also shows off the tremendous work done by our Digital team to reach audiences all over the world.

The delivery of these major ICC events relies heavily on the skills and dedication of local organising committees in the tournaments' host nations, and our partnerships with Member Boards bore tremendous fruit this year.

I would like to pay tribute to the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC) for their work on two tournaments this year: the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 and the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026.

Thank you, too, to Cricket Zimbabwe and Cricket Namibia for their collaboration on the ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2026.

The experiences they gained as co-hosts will stand both nations in good stead as they prepare to co-host the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2027 with Cricket South Africa.

Last but by no means least, many thanks to the England and Wales Cricket Board for their continued support of the ICC World Test Championship Final, which in 2025 took place for the first time at Lord's Cricket Ground – as well as for serving as the local organising committee for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026, which will just have been completed by the time this ICC Annual Report is published.

Our preparations now turn to the ICC events set to light up the cricketing calendar in 2027: the ICC U19 Women's T20 World Cup in Bangladesh and Nepal; the first-ever ICC Women's Champions Trophy in Sri Lanka; the aforementioned ICC Men's Cricket World Cup; plus, of course, the fourth ICC World Test Championship Final at Lord's.

Looking further ahead, we are also laser-focused on preparations for the LA28 Olympic Games. It was a privilege to visit Pomona in May for groundbreaking on the site that will host the Olympic cricket tournaments – a real landmark moment on our journey to 2028.

As well as regular communications with the International Olympic Committee and the LA28 Organising Committee, we have also had productive conversations with the organising committee for the Brisbane 2032 Olympic Games, with the aim of cementing cricket's place at future Olympic Games.

The rapid growth of our sport has been noted by the world's leading brands, several of which signed up this year to become ICC Partners. I would like to personally welcome Hyundai Motor Company, Google, Marriott Bonvoy and AB InBev into the ICC fold, and I look forward to working closely with them in the coming months and years.

My thanks, indeed, go to all our commercial partners and broadcast partners, as well as to the 110 Member Boards, my colleagues on the ICC executive and everyone else working together with us as we continue to take cricket into the future.

Sanjog Gupta
Chief Executive, ICC

STRENGTHEN



Finally! India fulfilled a long-held ambition in 2025 by lifting the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup.

CRICKET AND THE OLYMPIC GAMES

Work continues on preparations for cricket's return to the biggest stage in sport – the next edition of the Olympic Games.

Cricket's return to the Olympic Games after a 128-year absence grows closer with every day. At the time of this report's publication, we're just two years away from the umpires calling "Play" for the first time at an Olympic Games since 1900, when Great Britain won gold in Paris at the only cricket tournament in Olympic history.

Cricket's inclusion at the LA28 Olympic Games is a huge vote of confidence from the International Olympic Committee (IOC), both in the sport and in the ICC. What's more, though, it presents a huge opportunity for cricket to expand beyond its traditional strongholds and connect with new audiences around the globe.

The Olympic Games remains the biggest stage in world sport, and a place on the Olympic programme can turbocharge growth among fans and participants. Arriving just four years after the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 brought the sport's biggest names to the USA for the first time, cricket's appearance at LA28 offers a once-in-a-generation chance to broaden the sport's fanbase across continents while inspiring millions of young people to take up the game we all hold dear.

Counting down to 2028

Preparations continued behind the scenes during the past 12 months, following confirmation in April 2025 of the competition format (T20), the number of teams (12, six men's and six women's) and the player quotas (180, or 15 players per squad).

July 2025 saw confirmation of the competition dates. The LA28 cricket tournament will start on Wednesday 12 July, two days before the Opening Ceremony, and is set to end with the women's gold-medal match on Saturday 28 July, the penultimate day of the Games.

October saw a meeting in Lausanne between Jay Shah, Chairman of the ICC,



Knight Riders Sports CEO Venky Mysore, Fairplex President and CEO Walter Marquez and ICC CEO Sanjog Gupta were present for the groundbreaking in Pomona.



Stadium construction is now well underway.



Kirsty Coventry and Jay Shah met in Lausanne.

and Kirsty Coventry, the new President of the IOC. The pair discussed cricket's path to the Olympic Games, the progress made so far and the major role that cricket could play in the continued growth of the Olympic Movement.

Breaking ground

Perhaps the most important moment of the past 12 months came in April 2026, when a groundbreaking ceremony in Pomona heralded the start of construction on the venue that will stage all 28 cricket matches at LA28.

Famous across California as the home of the annual LA County Fair, the top-tier, purpose-built Fairgrounds Cricket Stadium has been designed to showcase the best of cricket to a global audience.

Sanjog Gupta, the ICC's Chief Executive, looked ahead to the sport's bright future as he attended the groundbreaking ceremony alongside dignitaries including Niccolò Campriani, LA28 Vice-President of Sports, and Tim Sandoval, Mayor of the City of Pomona.

"Cricket has already stepped into a new era of global growth powered by improved accessibility, elevated visibility and stronger institutional

support," Gupta said. "The momentum for our game has never been stronger. Strong participation growth across the world and recent 'fan-first' efforts by the ICC to grow key markets will further bolster cricket's march into the Olympics."

The next 12 months will see a host of other landmarks, including confirmation of the qualification principles for the Games.

"The groundbreaking marks an important milestone in cricket's return to the Olympics and is a proud moment for all ICC Members and stakeholders worldwide. We're confident this venue will take centre stage during the Games and leave a legacy for cricket in the USA."

Jay Shah, ICC Chairman



Pink balls may now be used in daytime Tests by mutual agreement of both teams.

CRICKET OPERATIONS

A new programme to support DRS usage worldwide, work to reduce bad light disruptions and a landmark for women's cricket – just some key points from a busy year at the ICC.

Reducing bad light disruptions

The ICC Men's Cricket Committee's February meeting featured discussions on disruptions to the game due to bad light. The Committee made two key recommendations that were then

reviewed and ratified by the ICC Chief Executives' Committee in May.

- Pink balls may now be used in daytime Tests by mutual agreement. This change, which must be agreed before the start of a Test and would mean a pink ball is used throughout

the match, is designed to reduce the amount of time lost to bad light.

- The ICC has agreed to undertake research into how venues and match officials can best harness the lighting technology available to them in order to reduce bad-light disruptions.

Research and development

Following an ICC Men's Cricket Committee recommendation, the ICC is set to work further in partnership with the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) on research and development projects. The ICC also endorsed the MCC as the independent leader in cricketing research and development.

DRS Accreditation Programme

The ICC this year initiated the Decision Review System (DRS) Accreditation Programme, demonstrating its commitment to optimising the use of technology within a sound regulatory framework.

DRS is increasingly ubiquitous across formats, venues and broadcasters.

The ICC has designed the Accreditation Programme to ensure that the use of DRS always meets the highest standards of accuracy, integrity and operational consistency.

The programme establishes a clear and coordinated approach to certifying new and current match technology, while simultaneously supporting the broader use of DRS in international cricket, including pathway events. The ICC has already held productive meetings with DRS systems providers and discussions with potential DRS testing sites.

Pitch monitoring

The ICC Men's Cricket Committee invited Toby Lumsden, Senior Sportsfield Design Consultant at STRI, to deliver a presentation in February on the ICC's proposed new pitch monitoring process. The proposed

process, which is currently under development, uses science and data to deliver largely objective and quantitative pitch monitoring, prioritising venue-specific data and weighting each data set to prioritise the most important elements.

ICC Women's Cricket Committee

Highlights of the ICC Women's Cricket Committee discussions this year included:

- The approval and implementation in December of changes to the Playing Conditions that had been implemented in men's cricket in July 2025, as well as further updates for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 and others set to be introduced after the tournament.
- Confirmation of the qualification pathways for the ICC Women's Champions Trophy 2027, the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2028 and the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2029.
- The schedule for the first ICC Women's Champions Trophy, which will be played in Sri Lanka in February 2027.
- A new iteration of the ICC Women's Emerging Nations Trophy, expanded from eight teams to 10 (five Full Members, five Associate Members).
- Approval of the final return-to-play guidelines for athletes who have gone through pregnancy, with publication in June 2026.

All-female match officials for ICC Women's Cricket World Cups

The ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 was the first Women's ODI World Cup to be officiated entirely by women since the inaugural edition



A new ICC programme aims to optimise the use of DRS technology in cricket.

in 1973 (which was also the first-ever Cricket World Cup, two years before the first men’s tournament in 1975). The achievement was made possible by the ICC’s ongoing work to support, elevate and empower women in cricket, and followed the appointment of all-female panels at the 2022 Commonwealth Games and the two most recent ICC Women’s T20 World Cups. The ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026 was also set to feature an all-female match officials panel.

ICC Match Officials in 2026

The ICC confirmed in May 2026 that the Emirates ICC Elite Panel of Umpires and the Emirates ICC Elite Panel of Match Referees will remain unchanged for the 2026–2027 international season.

The ICC’s Umpire Selection Panel made the decision following a comprehensive assessment, reflecting both the ICC’s satisfaction with the panel’s strong contributions over the past year and its commitment to recognising and rewarding excellence.

One match referee reached a major landmark this year: Andrew Pycroft, who officiated in his 250th ODI in April 2026.

Clive Hitchcock leaves the crease

Clive Hitchcock, the ICC’s Senior Manager – Cricket Operations, retired in November 2025 after 31 years of dedicated service. Clive was the ICC’s fifth employee, starting work at Lord’s in June 1984, and moved to Dubai with the ICC in 2005. Performing multiple roles in his three decades at the ICC, Clive’s influence on global cricket cannot be overstated. Everyone at the ICC thanks him for his exceptional service.



Thailand’s success at the first-ever ICC Women’s Emerging Nations Trophy in November 2025 will be followed by an expanded tournament in 2026.

DRS STATISTICS 2025/26	OVERALL
CORRECT DECISION % (BEFORE DRS)	92.54%
CORRECT DECISION % (AFTER DRS)	98.93%
INCREASE IN CORRECT DECISIONS FROM DRS	6.39%
DECISIONS REVIEWED	24.20%
OF WHICH - LBW	78.18%
OF WHICH - CAUGHT	21.82%
REVIEWS UPHELD	28.40%
LBW REVIEWS UPHELD	25.23%
CGT REVIEWS UPHELD	36.18%
AVERAGE TIME FOR DRS REVIEW	70.0 SEC
AVERAGE TIME FOR LBW REVIEW	70.1 SEC
AVERAGE TIME FOR CAUGHT REVIEW	69.6 SEC
LBW REVIEWS RETAINED	18.93%

Data taken from 29 men’s Tests, 51 men’s ODIs and 165 men’s T20Is



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ICC WOMEN'S CRICKET COMMITTEE

CHAIR	CLARE CONNOR
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FULL MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVES	CATHERINE CAMPBELL, AVRIL FAHEY
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVE	SALA STELLA SIALE-VAEA
INDEPENDENT MEMBER	TBC
PLAYERS' REPRESENTATIVES	SANA MIR, LISA STHALEKAR
COACHES' REPRESENTATIVES	CHARLOTTE EDWARDS, AMOL MUZUMDAR, BEN SAWYER
MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE	MITHALI RAJ
EX OFFICIO	JAY SHAH (ICC CHAIRMAN), SANJOG GUPTA (ICC CEO)
COMMITTEE SECRETARY	SNEHAL PRADHAN

ICC MEN'S CRICKET COMMITTEE

CHAIR	SOURAV GANGULY
PAST PLAYERS	DESMOND HAYNES, HAMEED HASSAN
CURRENT PLAYERS' REPRESENTATIVES	THEMBA BAVUMA, VVS LAXMAN
FULL MEMBERS' TEAM COACH REPRESENTATIVE	JONATHAN TROTT
FULL MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVE	TBC
UMPIRES' REPRESENTATIVE	PAUL REIFFEL
ICC REFEREES' REPRESENTATIVE	SIR RICHIE RICHARDSON
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIVE	SCOTT EDWARDS
MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE	SHAUN POLLOCK
EX OFFICIO	JAY SHAH (ICC CHAIRMAN), SANJOG GUPTA (ICC CEO), WASIM KHAN (ICC GENERAL MANAGER – CRICKET)
STATISTICIAN	DAVID KENDIX
COMMITTEE SECRETARY	FREDDIE YOUNG



INDIA DEFEND MEN'S T20 TITLE ON HOME SOIL

The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 captured the scale, intensity and expanding reach of the modern game.

Anticipation was high for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, and the latest edition of this flagship tournament delivered in spades. After 55 matches in eight venues across two countries, co-hosts India became the first team to retain the trophy,

captivating worldwide audiences and boding well for the format's arrival on the Olympic programme in 2028.

Fans lapped up the action. Overall attendance in India and Sri Lanka exceeded 1.3 million, with strong

crowds for fixtures not involving the co-hosts pointing to the tournament's wider appeal and the success of strategic marketing initiatives.

That engagement extended globally, reflecting cricket's growing appeal. ICC digital channels recorded 647 million video views during the opening phase, more than 50% higher than during the equivalent stage in 2024. The ICC brought the tournament to established and emerging audiences alike by adopting fresh approaches to digital content, involving more than 300 content creators and generating more than 15 billion views worldwide.

Some of the clearest signs of growth came outside cricket's traditional centres. ICC.tv recorded viewership increases of more than 100% in markets as diverse as Germany, Japan and Nepal, while tailored digital content attracted strong engagement in Brazil, China, Indonesia and Italy. Together, such figures show a sport broadening its reach while deepening its relationship with existing fanbases.

India triumph from start to finish

The tournament opened in a blaze of sound and colour at Mumbai's Wankhede Stadium. Live music,



Axar Patel took three key wickets as India steamrolled New Zealand in the final.



"There is nothing bigger than winning an ICC title. Retaining the Men's T20 World Cup on home soil stands as one of the greatest moments in our cricket history."

Suryakumar Yadav, India captain



ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP 2026

Hosts: India & Sri Lanka, 7 February to 8 March 2026

Final: India (255-5, 20 overs) beat New Zealand (159, 20 overs) by 96 runs

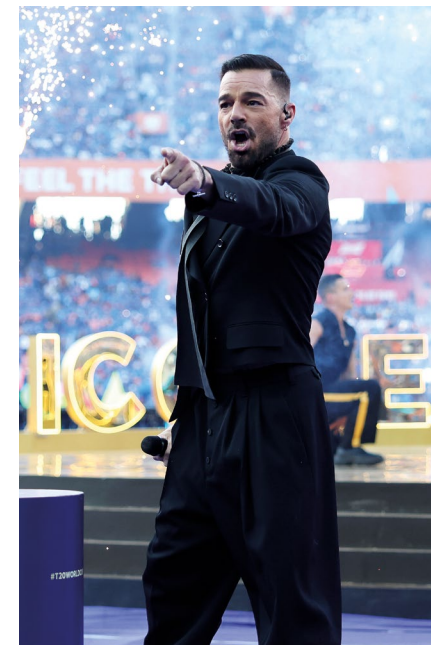
large-scale choreography and pyrotechnics filled one of cricket's most storied venues before the trophy made a spectacular arrival by jetpack – a suitably bold start to the 10th edition of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup.

The sense of occasion had been building before the first ball. The Captains' Carnival, staged in Mumbai and Colombo, brought the tournament's skippers together for a preview of the personalities and rivalries that would shape the weeks ahead. The official song, 'Feel the Thrill', provided an energetic soundtrack.

India carried the momentum from the opening ceremony on to the field with an opening victory, setting the tone for a month of high-intensity and high-quality T20 cricket. New Zealand's journey to the final again underlined their consistency; Nepal, Italy and the USA produced eye-catching performances; while Zimbabwe and co-hosts Sri Lanka advanced to the Super 8s. But this was India's tournament, an emphatic 96-run win over New Zealand in front of 86,824 fans at the Narendra Modi Stadium confirming their claim as the world's best.

Contingency planning

The ICC activated contingency travel and logistics plans in response to tensions in the Middle East during the tournament – supporting the safe return of players, officials, broadcasters and staff affected by disruption to key Gulf transit hubs while maintaining the smooth delivery of the competition.



The final weekend brought the event to a fitting close. Anticipation for the title-deciding match built as Ricky Martin (pictured above) joined Indian performers Falguni Pathak and Sukhbir Singh for a closing ceremony that blended international profile with local energy.

As India completed their triumph, the final also set a new benchmark for digital sport. JioHotstar recorded 72.5 million concurrent viewers in India, breaking the global streaming record set only days earlier during the second semi-final. It was a striking measure of cricket's ability to command attention when elite competition, national emotion and shared fan experience come together.



AT LAST! INDIA TAKE THE CROWN

It was lucky 13 for India on home soil, as Harmanpreet Kaur led the hosts to their first-ever ICC Women's Cricket World Cup title at the 13th time of asking.

The ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 was another huge stride in the inexorable growth of women's cricket. Hosted by India and Sri Lanka, the event saw packed houses at many matches, and the passionate home fans got to celebrate in style when India lifted the trophy for the first time.

Locals' interest was piqued from nearly two months out thanks to the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 Trophy Tour, a 50-day journey that took the coveted trophy around the host countries. And then as the excitement mounted, superstar singer Shreya Ghoshal unveiled 'Bring It Home', the tournament's highly catchy official song.

Fan interest wasn't limited to the host nations. Viewers tuned in from all over the globe to watch the action on TV and online, and the tournament eventually became the most digitally engaged women's cricket event in history – inspiring 282 million engagements and a staggering 5.2 billion video views across all ICC channels.

Independent research by Nielsen later found that the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 generated a total economic impact of USD 139.8 million, while delivering meaningful and lasting

social benefits. Some 85% of younger women (ages 16–30) and 87% of girls (ages 7–15) were more interested in playing cricket after watching matches live on television or via over-the-top media services – a testament to the power of the tournament.

A thrilling tournament

Much of the tournament's success can be put down to the teams and players, who put on an outstanding show for 300,000 in-person fans and millions watching worldwide.

The tone was set by the first match, with a record crowd of 23,000 watching in Guwahati as India recovered from 124-6 to set Sri Lanka a target they ultimately couldn't quite reach.

The group stage saw standout performances galore. England bowled out South Africa for just 69 en route to a 10-wicket win. The Proteas made amends with a stunning three-wicket upset of India. Heather Knight celebrated her 300th international with a ton.

However, the two matches that will live longest in the memory both featured India and defending champions Australia.

ICC WOMEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP 2025

Hosts: India & Sri Lanka, 30 September – 2 November 2025

Final: India (298-7, 50 overs) beat South Africa (246, 45.3 overs) by 52 runs

The teams' group stage match didn't disappoint. Australia pulled off the highest successful run chase in women's ODI history, with Alyssa Healy's 142 – made from just 107 balls – leading the Aussies to a three-wicket win in pursuit of 330.

But when the two teams met in the semi-finals, the record fell again – this time to India, with an unbeaten 127 from Jemimah Rodrigues helping them overhaul a target of 339.

The final pitched India against South Africa. But despite a ton from leading run-scorer Laura Wolvaardt, it was the co-hosts who ran out winners in front of 40,000 fans in Navi Mumbai. Featuring a laser show, fireworks, a drone display and a live performance from Sunidhi Chauhan, it made for a fittingly spectacular end to an unforgettable month of world-class cricket.



"Winning the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup on home soil is a landmark moment for Indian cricket. The heartbreak of the 2017 loss at Lord's fuelled our determination to come back stronger. That is why finally lifting the trophy, with the hopes and expectations of an entire nation on us, made the moment even more special."

Harmanpreet Kaur, India captain



Harmanpreet Kaur catches Nadine de Klerk, giving Deepti Sharma her fifth wicket and sealing the title for India.



"It's a special moment for us as a team, a special moment for the people back home. We've been knocking at the door, getting ourselves into positions... We've gone through the heartache and the disappointment – and the sun is [shining] on us at the moment. Hopefully, this is one of many."

Temba Bavuma, South Africa captain

match ended on day four after ball dominated bat.

For South Africa, it was a long-awaited senior world title – their last had come back in 1998 at the first ICC Champions Trophy. For defending champions Australia, it was a case of what might have been, overhauled at the last despite taking a 74-run first-innings lead. And for the fans, it was another moment to revel in the glories of Test cricket, still cherished by many fans as the purest form of the sport.

A new cycle

Three days after Kyle Verreynne's match-winning punch through the covers brought the ICC World Test Championship 2023–2025 cycle to a close, the 2025–2027 cycle got under way in Galle as Sri Lanka hosted Bangladesh.

At the halfway point (May 2026), Australia sit in pole position with seven wins from eight Tests, chiefly thanks to their Ashes thrashing of England. New Zealand currently occupy second spot ahead of South Africa in third and Sri Lanka in fourth – but with a packed Test calendar over the next 12 months, there's all to play for in the race to Lord's. Bring it on!

ICC WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL 2025

Hosts: Lord's, London, 11–14 June 2025

Final: South Africa (138 & 282-5) beat Australia (212 & 207) by five wickets

PROTEAS PASS THE ULTIMATE TEST

The third ICC World Test Championship Final saw a new name on the mace, with South Africa stunning Australia to take their first senior ICC title in 27 years.

The game's most traditional and storied format saw a match for the ages in June 2026, a battle between two of cricket's leading powers at the sport's spiritual home.

And although the match saw several notable bowling performances, including nine electrifying wickets for Kagiso Rabada and a typically stingy six-fer from Australian talisman Pat Cummins, the difference was made by an opening batsman – Aiden Markram (pictured), who followed his first-innings duck with a flawless 136 that took South Africa to the verge of a deserved victory.

Fans worldwide were gripped by the final, content from which achieved a staggering 2.2 billion video views – more than 2024's marquee Australia–India clash. The sport's newest senior trophy is well and truly here to stay.

Long and strong

Test cricket's landmark final was another spellbinding showcase for the game's oldest format, played once more in front of packed and knowledgeable houses. This was the first year the final had been played at Lord's, and the only disappointment for fans was that the

DOMINANT INDIA CLAIM SIXTH CROWN

Records tumbled at the ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup, which again provided a global stage for cricket's brightest young talents.



Vaibhav Sooryavanshi's 80-ball 175 led India's charge to victory.

India underlined their dominance of the ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup by securing a record-extending sixth title in February. Their emphatic victory over England in the final was built around a landmark performance from 14-year-old Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, a player who has built on his experiences at the tournament by making his mark on the senior game.

The ICC's decision to take the competition to southern Africa highlighted the potential for cricket to grow across the region. As well as providing valuable experience for Zimbabwe and Namibia, co-hosts with South Africa of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2027, the tournament strengthened the game's foundations and inspired a new generation of players and supporters across the continent.

The tournament also proved fertile ground for developing cricket nations and their players to test themselves against the best. Japan celebrated their first-ever U19 World Cup victory, against tournament debutants Tanzania, with Hugo Tani-Kelly having already recorded Japan's first-ever individual three-figure score at a World Cup. Faisal Khan, meanwhile, registered the highest score by an Afghanistan batter in the tournament's history with a commanding 163 against Ireland.



Growing the game

But back to Sooryavanshi, whose remarkable 175 from just 80 balls powered India to 411 – the highest total ever recorded in any ICC World Cup final. Sooryavanshi's performance confirmed his status as one of the game's brightest talents, and reinforced the competition's reputation as a launchpad for future international stars.

The records came thick and fast. Australia's Will Malajczuk registered the fastest century in ICC U19 World Cup history, reaching three figures from just 51 balls against Japan.

Sri Lanka's Dimantha Mahavithana and Viran Chamuditha, meanwhile, produced a 328-run opening partnership that became the highest stand for any wicket across ICC U19 World Cups and Youth ODIs. If the tournament overall is any indication, cricket's future is bright indeed.

ICC U19 MEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP 2026

Hosts: Zimbabwe & Namibia, 15 January – 6 February 2026

Final: India (411-9, 50 overs) beat England (311, 40.2 overs) by 100 runs

"It has created a new belief in what we can do as an organisation and as a country. It has inspired a lot of young kids. The World Cup will leave a long-lasting mark."

Tavengwa Mukuhani, Chair of Zimbabwe Cricket

REACHING THE WORLD STAGE

Multiple debut ICC T20 World Cup appearances were confirmed during a highly competitive cycle of global and regional qualifiers across 2025–26.



“Stepping onto that stage for the very first time will be a milestone for women’s cricket in the Netherlands. We hope it inspires young Dutch players to dream big and believe that they, too, can one day represent a successful national team.”

Babette de Leede, Netherlands captain

ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026 Qualifier

The final four places at the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026 were decided in early 2026 at the Global Qualifier in Nepal.

After a competitive 10-team tournament, two of the places went to Associate Members and one to a tournament debutant, underlining the ICC’s ongoing work to further expand the women’s game. The choice of Nepal as the tournament’s hosts was also made with one eye on growing the game among emerging cricketing nations.

Bangladesh went unbeaten to claim their place, while Ireland confirmed their fifth tournament appearance. Scotland also continued their upward trajectory by qualifying for a second consecutive ICC Women’s T20 World Cup following their debut in 2024.

But the tournament’s standout story was written by the Netherlands, booking their place with victory over the USA. Their long qualification journey had begun with the Europe Qualifier in 2025 – and it will end in June 2026 with their debut appearance at the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup.

ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026

Associate Members wrote their names in cricketing history ahead of the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026, with eight teams booking their spots across four regional qualifiers. The tournament’s expansion in 2024 to 20 teams has opened up more spots for emerging cricketing nations – fostering the growth of the game around the world.

None was more dramatic than the Europe Qualifier, in which all four teams remained in contention heading into

the final round of matches. It ended with glory for Italy and the Netherlands – the Italians qualifying for the very first time.

In the Asia/East Asia-Pacific Qualifier, the UAE beat Japan to seal the final spot, joining Oman and Nepal.

In the Americas, Canada’s unbeaten qualification campaign secured their second consecutive place at the tournament.

And in Africa, Zimbabwe and Namibia were both guaranteed places at the World Cup heading into the final – with Zimbabwe capping a flawless campaign with a seven-wicket win.



A first time for everything: Ireland (above) qualified for the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup, while Italy (left) booked their spot at the men’s equivalent.



“The continued rise of women’s cricket through increased investment and opportunity reflects the growing influence and impact of female athletes on the global stage. This event is shaping up to leave a lasting impact on the sociocultural landscape across the world.”

Sanjog Gupta, ICC CEO



12 captains – but only one trophy... The 10th ICC Women’s T20 World Cup was set to be the biggest yet.

GETTING READY FOR ACTION

Preparations ramped up for the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026 – with the 10th edition set to be the biggest yet.

Women’s cricket has been one of the ICC’s key priorities over recent years – and the high profile of this summer’s ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026 stands as a testament to the ongoing success of the organisation’s mission to grow the women’s game around the world.

Even before a ball had been bowled, the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026 was already shaping up to be the biggest yet – the first to feature 12 teams, with an expanded schedule of 33 matches to be played across seven world-class venues in England.

The two semi-finals were both set to take place at The Oval, with the final returning to Lord’s for the first time since the inaugural edition back in 2009.

Levelling the playing field

The expansion of the tournament to 12 teams showcases the ICC’s commitment to creating a stronger and more competitive global game.

It also reflects the improvement in women’s cricket among many nations worldwide, with greater ICC investment and more opportunities driving the continued rise of women’s cricket around the world.

The tournament will serve as a vital step on the road to cricket’s global bow at the LA28 Olympic Games, where the women’s and men’s cricket tournaments will be of equal size and stature.

The strength of the ICC’s commitment to women’s cricket extends to the record-breaking prize pool for the ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026: a total of USD 8,764,615, a 10% increase on the 2024 tournament. The winners will take home USD 2,340,000, and each of the 12 teams is assured of taking home at least USD 247,500.

Fan favourites

The England and Wales Cricket Board, tournament hosts, were set to deliver on the tournament’s huge promise, with excitement building throughout the year as the opening match grew nearer.

Record pre-tournament ticket sales were evidence of the widespread appeal of women’s cricket, and tournament activations at high-profile locations in each of the host cities were set to introduce new generations of fans to one of the world’s fastest-growing games.

For women’s cricket, the only way is up.



GROW

The ICC continues to expand its female-specific criio programme of soft-ball festivals.

COMMERCIAL

The ICC's events and commercial strategy continued to attract leading international brands, with several new partnerships ensuring an enhanced experience for fans around the world.

New partnerships for 2025–26

A number of major companies signed up to become ICC Partners – strengthening an already formidable commercial portfolio that includes several of the world's most recognisable brands.

Hyundai Motor Company was unveiled as an ICC Premier Partner in December 2025, signing a multi-year deal to join Aramco, DP World and Emirates as top-tier partners. The partnership was brought to life at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, with Hyundai Creta SUVs on display at the stadiums and the brand featured as the sponsor of the iconic matchday coin tosses.

A more sustainable game

Coca-Cola, an ICC Global Partner, helped manage more than 111,000kg of waste during the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026. By encouraging fans to separate waste responsibly and employing composting and co-processing initiatives, more than 85% of waste was diverted from landfill, reducing the tournament's environmental impact.



ICC Chairman Jay Shah and CEO Sanjog Gupta welcomed Hyundai as an ICC Premier Partner in December 2025.

Google signed on as an ICC Global Partner, creating new opportunities for fans to access and enjoy flagship ICC events. Following a successful collaboration during the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025, the scope of the partnership was expanded to men's events. Google Gemini's home screen featured a dedicated 'Explore Cricket' tab during the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, featuring cricket explainers, player profiles and games, while Google Pixel

cameras helped deliver high-quality action and behind-the-scenes content to fans around the world.

Marriott Bonvoy became the ICC's Official Accommodation Partner for all men's events through to 2029. The association gives fans increased access to the company's global network of 10,000 hotels and properties, while the Marriott Bonvoy Anthem Kids initiative gives children the

Partnerships for participation

DP World's Beyond Boundaries initiative, which donates 10 cricket kits for every 100 runs scored at ICC events, again helped create opportunities for young players, with equipment distributed across Assam and Lucknow in India during the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 and the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025.

Unilever once again showed its support of the ICC's criio programme (see page 36) during the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 – helping to run eight festivals in which 2,500 women and girls experienced playing cricket in a fun, inclusive environment.

once-in-a-lifetime experience of walking out onto the pitch with stars of the game. Following a positive start to the partnership, Marriott Bonvoy signed a separate agreement as a Global Partner of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026.

AB InBev also joined the ICC portfolio by becoming the Official Beer Partner for all ICC competitions, with non-alcoholic beer Budweiser 0.0 the lead brand at recent events. During the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, the first major tournament of the partnership, Budweiser's 'In the Hands of Fans' campaign celebrated the role supporters play in creating the atmosphere and excitement of major

cricket events through fan screenings, limited-edition packaging and promotional competitions.

Delivering for fans

Each ICC World Cup provides brands with global marketing platforms, while at the same time expanding cricket's reach and providing unique opportunities for supporters at home and in the stadiums.

The ICC's commercial programme also facilitates collaborations with local organisations in host markets. Ahead of the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026, for example, five million packets of tournament-branded Kettle Chips

crisps were released, offering prizes including match tickets.

The ICC's creator programme continued to help partners connect with fans through authentic, event-led content, too. At the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, more than 100 creator appearances brought campaigns to life, from Marriott Bonvoy's behind-the-scenes hospitality experiences to Budweiser's exclusive pre-match meet-and-greets. At the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025, meanwhile, creators showcased Google Pixel's photography and video capabilities.

"Cricket is among the world's most popular sports, with over two billion fans whose passion is especially evident during ICC marquee events – which offer an excellent opportunity to engage."

Jay Shah, ICC Chairman



Marriott Bonvoy is both the ICC's Official Accommodation Partner and a Global Partner for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026.

BROADCAST

Through broadcast innovations and new rights agreements, the ICC is bringing more cricket to more people around the world.

Broadcast production

The 2025–26 season was another strong year for ICC TV. World-class productions across formats, territories and event tiers combined innovation, editorial depth and scalable production models to strengthen the quality and reach of cricket’s global broadcast output.

A key landmark was the upgrade to full 1080p production for the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026, a substantial gain in picture quality and a clear signal of the ICC’s commitment to premium broadcast standards. Other innovations included the use of Comet Cam unmanned ultra-motion cameras, advanced pitch-analysis visualisations, AI-supported editorial tools, enhanced tracking and new data-led graphics.

- The **ICC World Test Championship Final 2025** inspired a premium presentation built around the prestige of Test cricket and featuring innovations such as the Comet Cam, delivering distinctive super-slow-motion and cinematic replay angles.
- The **ICC Women’s Cricket World Cup 2025** provided a vibrant and inclusive production befitting the rising profile of the women’s game. Innovations included Pitch View (assessing pitch wear), expanded Comet Cam and advanced data-led analysis, supported by a female-led commentary team with strong global representation.

- The **ICC Men’s U19 Cricket World Cup 2026** balanced production efficiency with high-quality storytelling, showcasing the next generation of global talent.
- The **ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026** combined scale, innovation and premium production values into one of ICC TV’s most ambitious operations, with AI-assisted content, ‘trump card’ skill graphics and the aforementioned 1080p production among the key innovations. The tournament also saw a broadened multilingual offering, with remote commentary in Bahasa, Mandarin and Japanese alongside on-site Urdu contributions.

Beyond live coverage, ICC TV sustained a strong non-live and original-programming slate: documentary films, squad-announcement shows and digital features that supported broadcasters and deepened fan engagement across the calendar.

Media rights

The ICC’s Media Rights programme continues to expand cricket’s reach. Broadcast partnerships and marketing initiatives drove record audiences in 2025–26, setting new benchmarks for global cricket viewership.

The current media rights cycle delivered its first ICC World Test Championship Final in 2025, with the ICC’s strategy

of building direct broadcaster relationships yielding great success – including record audiences for a non-India Test.

The Media Rights team also:

- Concluded a tender for South Asian markets and signed new agreements in Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh.
- Established its first direct relationship with a Nepali broadcaster, sublicensing to Kantipur TV for the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026.
- Continued to exploit rights on ICC.tv across continental Europe, Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands, while expanding language coverage.



Broadcast partners 2024–2027

Audio-visual: live and highlights

LICENSEE	TERRITORIES	LINEAR CHANNELS	DIGITAL
Jio Star	India+ (South Asia)	Jio Star Sports Network	JioHotstar
Pakistan TV	Pakistan	PTV Sports	Myco
Ten Sports	Pakistan	Ten Sports	Tamasha
Myco	Pakistan	PTV & Geo Super	Myco, Tamasha & Tapmad
TSM	Bangladesh	Nagorik TV, T Sports	Toffee
E&	MENA	CricLife Max	StarzPlay
Sky Sports	UK & Northern Ireland	Sky Sports Cricket	Skygo, Now TV
SuperSport	Sub-Saharan Africa	SuperSport	SuperSport, DSTV
Willow	USA & Canada	Willow TV	Willow TV, CricBuzz
ESPN	Caribbean & LATAM	ESPN Caribbean	ESPN Play Caribbean
Amazon	Australia	N/A	Prime Video
Sky TV NZ	New Zealand	Sky Sports	Sky Sport Now, Sky Go
Maharaja TV	Sri Lanka	TV1	ICC.tv
Dialog TV	Sri Lanka	TV Supreme, Dialog TC, PEO TV	Dialog
Ariana TV	Afghanistan	ATN	ICC.tv
StarHub	Singapore	Hub Sports 4	ICC.tv
Astro	Malaysia	Astro Sports	ICC.tv
PCCW	Hong Kong	Astro Sports	ICC.tv
PNG Digicel	Papua New Guinea	TVWAN Action	ICC.tv
Kantipur TV	Nepal	Kantipur TV	eKantipur & icc.tv
NOS	Netherlands	N/A	NOS, icc.tv
LICENSEE	TERRITORIES	OTT	
ICC	South Asia: Afghanistan, Nepal, Bhutan & Maldives	ICC.tv	
	Continental Europe	ICC.tv	
	Southeast Asia	ICC.tv	
	Pacific Islands	ICC.tv	

Viewership benchmarks

The **ICC Women’s Cricket World Cup 2025** generated 1.5 billion global viewing hours, making it the most-watched ICC women’s event ever. The final alone drew 432 million viewing hours, more than the ICC Women’s T20 World Cups of 2023 and 2024 combined.

The **ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026** was the most-watched edition ever with 9.8 billion viewing hours, up 71% on 2024 – including more than one billion viewing hours for the India v New Zealand final, also a record. Global reach hit a record 954 million, and at 4.9 million viewing hours per over, the event outperformed 2024 by 56%. In India, four matches beat the 2024 final’s viewing hours, and for the first time, digital consumption exceeded pay television.

1bn+

Viewing hours for the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026 final

Audio production & rights

PRODUCTION:		
LICENSEE	SERVICE	
BBC	Audio world feed	
RIGHTS:		
LICENSEE	TERRITORIES	PLATFORM
ICC.tv	Global	ICC
BBC	UK	BBC
ABC & SEN	Australia	ABC & SEN
Channel 2	India	All India Radio
	Pakistan	Hum 106.2 FM (Shamal FM)
	Sri Lanka	Derana FM
	MENA	Talk100.3, Big 106.2

Other audio-visual rights

LICENSEE	TERRITORIES	RIGHTS TYPE
Stats Perform	Global	Data rights
BBC	UK	Clips
SNTV	Global	News rights



The ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2026 was the most digitally engaged women's cricket event in history.

DIGITAL

The ICC continues to explore innovative ways of reaching and engaging fans through digital platforms and social media channels.

The ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 provided a platform to deliver a range of digital initiatives – including AI insights, creating content in more than 15 languages and leveraging the content creator industry.

Aside from delivering record-breaking engagement across ICC-owned and -operated channels, the ICC worked with partners including JioStar, Google and Marriott Bonvoy to engage more than 300 content creators, providing them with the access and tools to tell unique stories and offer fans behind-the-scenes insights into the

players, atmosphere and action. Their content generated more than two billion views across digital platforms, helping the ICC connect with new audiences and provide fans with exciting ways to follow the action.

The ICC also launched its AI-powered ICC Insights platform at the event – enabling fans to learn more about the players and teams, and curate their own analysis before, during and after matches. Powered by live match data and historical player information, the platform answered more than 400,000 fan queries throughout the tournament.



Notably, a significant proportion of questions related to Associate Members, demonstrating growing interest in emerging cricket markets and the global reach of the tournament.

ICC.tv

ICC.tv continued to provide cricket's global audience with a go-to digital destination. Coverage of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 final, for example, was available on ICC.tv in seven languages, with non-English feeds representing 55% of views. It was supplemented with on-demand content in a further eight languages, including Arabic, Korean and Spanish.

New benchmarks for women's cricket

Fans engaged with the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 in record numbers, making it the most digitally engaged women's cricket event in history and one of the most widely engaged-with women's sporting events ever.

The 5.2 billion video videos the tournament attracted dwarfed the 1.5 billion achieved during the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024, while the ICC website and app were visited by 8.5 million unique viewers, up from three million. Innovative new camera angles and a focus on cinematic and emotional videos helped content go viral, with clips of India's title-winning campaign proving particularly popular.

Tournament spotlights

ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP 2026

14.8bn

video views across ICC channels

Consecutive 24-hour periods of 1bn+ views for the final

5.2m

unique viewers on ICC.tv – with viewership increasing in emerging cricket markets

Germany: +150%

Italy: +137%

Japan: +100%

France: +78%

Nepal: +16%

ICC WOMEN'S CRICKET WORLD CUP 2025

5.2bn

video views across ICC channels

+233% on the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024

282m

engagements

ICC WORLD TEST CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL 2025

2.2bn

video views across ICC channels

+5%

on 2023, despite India not being involved

DEVELOPMENT

From introducing young people to cricket to creating opportunities for Associate Members, the ICC continues to strengthen the foundations of the global game.

Giving young people chances to play cricket

The ICC's criio cricket programme continues to give young people worldwide more chances to play cricket.

Across the 2025–26 season, more than 20 ICC Members delivered schoolteacher training programmes, embedding the criio cricket programme within educational environments to create accessible opportunities for young people to enjoy the sport. There are now nearly 6,000 trained criio facilitators in 120 countries, who have reached more than 790,000 young people in cricket activities – 48% of them female.

Helping to further boost young girls' involvement in cricket, the ICC has continued to expand its female-specific criio programme of soft-ball festivals. Nearly three-quarters of the 5,755 participants had never played cricket before, but 96% went on to play cricket at least once in the six months following their festival, with 46% having played at least four times.

Participant feedback reaffirmed the importance of providing environments optimised for young girls. More than 90% of participants reported that the female-only environment was a key factor in their participation, with nearly 87% highlighting the balance between fun and competition as an important part of their enjoyment.



Women's Cricket Week saw events staged in 44 ICC Members around the globe.

Associate Members on the world stage

Associate Members continued to play an increasingly important role in the global game, both on and off the field.

Of the 1,142 T20Is staged between June 2025 and May 2026, 83% involved Associate Members. Some 81 Associate Members fielded men's teams during the period, while 67 fielded women's teams – increases of 14% and 11% respectively on the previous 12 months.

Uganda Women played the highest number of women's T20Is of all nations in 2025, featuring in 38 matches. Indonesia, meanwhile, continued its rapid development, playing a record 45 men's T20Is in a calendar year while building a new ground and a national cricket academy in Bali.

In a significant year for the region, nearby Timor-Leste became the ICC's first new East Asia Pacific Member in 22 years, while the Philippines women's team made its ICC pathway debut at the ICC Women's T20 World Cup EAP Qualifier. Japan hosted international matches for the first time and their U19 team claimed the country's first-ever victory at an ICC World Cup.

Growing visibility was matched by growing audiences. Across the season, 374 pathway events were livestreamed on ICC.tv, alongside 115 matches from Associate Member tournaments and series. The total view count of 26 million represented an increase of seven million on the previous year, with the top five viewing territories all emerging markets – Nepal, Germany, Japan, South Korea and France.



criio gives young people around the world the chance to play cricket.

Notable Associate Member results

MEN

- **ITALY** defeated Ireland in a T20I – their first win over a Full Member.
- **NAMIBIA** beat Zimbabwe in a T20I.
- **NEPAL** defeated the West Indies 2-1 in a T20I series, their first series win against a Full Member.

WOMEN

- **THE NETHERLANDS** and **SCOTLAND** both defeated Bangladesh in T20Is.
- **UAE** recorded a landmark 2-0 T20I series victory over Zimbabwe, plus two wins in a drawn ODI series.
- **NEPAL, THE NETHERLANDS, SCOTLAND** and **THAILAND** all defeated Zimbabwe at the ICC Women's T20 World Cup Global Qualifier, and **SCOTLAND** also defeated Ireland at the same event.

Pushing women's cricket forward

From the Cayman Islands to Mongolia, the first-ever Women's Cricket Week demonstrated the growing reach of the women's game.

Coinciding with the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025, 44 ICC Members organised activities that collectively engaged nearly 14,000 women and girls – including tournament watch parties in Türkiye, a soft-ball cricket tournament in Bhutan and coaching clinics in Uganda co-hosted with the visiting Canadian national team.

The ICC also continued to provide online abuse protection services during the tournament, helping players use social media with greater confidence by moderating and muting abusive or harmful content.



Olympics inclusion already growing the game

Following confirmation of cricket's place at the LA28 Olympic Games, the first year of the ICC's partnership with the International Olympic Committee's Olympic Solidarity programme established strong foundations to expand coaching and education opportunities. Around USD 590,000 in funding was allocated between 24 programmes across 21 National Olympic Committees.



Training and education

ICC Members are increasingly delivering education programmes within their countries, with more than 800 accredited tutors now amplifying the reach of ICC training. This work is supported by a revamped ICC Learning Management System, which provides its 64,000 registered users with free, accessible resources and guidance in 18 languages.



INITIATIVES

Innovative campaigns, fan engagement initiatives and high-profile activations helped elevate ICC events, strengthen connections with audiences and expand cricket's global reach.

The pinnacle of cricket

The promotional campaign for the ICC World Test Championship (WTC) Final 2025 reinforced Test cricket's status as the game's most demanding and prestigious format. Built around the theme 'The Ultimate Test', the campaign featured legendary players including AB de Villiers and Shoaib Akhtar, and highlighted the unique pressures and rich history of cricket's longest format.

Temba Bavuma of South Africa and Pat Cummins of Australia, the two captains, also joined more than 140 commercial partners and guests at the iconic Abbey Road Studios in London to promote the match and celebrate this year's inductees into the ICC Hall of Fame. The 'A Day with Legends' event was broadcast live, while packages of digital-first content distributed across ICC platforms helped build anticipation for the match around the world.

Fans feeling the thrill

Anirudh Ravichander's 'Feel the Thrill', the official song of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, proved a hit around the world. The music video was viewed more than 10 million times, with the song's catchy hook quickly capturing fans' interest and the energy of the tournament. Hindi and Tamil/Sinhala versions were released to deepen connection with fans in the tournament host nations and across South Asia. World Cup-winning captain Rohit Sharma's role as Tournament Ambassador only heightened excitement in the region.

Women's cricket takes centre stage

A series of high-profile activations positioned the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 as a major global sporting and cultural event. The tournament anthem ('Bring it Home') and campaign film ('Will to Win') brought to life the emotional intensity of the competition, celebrating the ambition, resilience and determination of the world's leading players.

A revamped Captains' Media Day (pictured) served to boost global visibility, with twin events staged simultaneously in Bengaluru and Colombo, while the '50 Days to Go' event brought together leading personalities from the women's game with ICC representatives to discuss the growth and significance of women's cricket.

The tournament's brand identity further strengthened its cultural relevance, with bold geometric shapes and a rich colour palette inspired by the celebration of Diwali. The branding built on the visual identity of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023 while retaining a distinct personality that reflected the vibrancy of the women's game.



Festivals of cricket

Bringing together all participating captains alongside fans, content creators and media representatives, the Captains' Carnival for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 continued the concept's transformation from traditional pre-tournament media events into vibrant celebrations of the game and platforms for wider engagement. Behind-the-scenes storytelling, interviews and creator-led content generated strong engagement across multiple channels, helping to build anticipation and reinforce the global appeal of cricket's flagship T20 tournament.



The success of the event inspired a similar Captains' Carnival for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026,

which was set to take place on Waterloo Bridge in London in early June 2026.



New benchmarks

The ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 broke records before the first ball had been bowled. The 'Catch the Spirit' tournament campaign, a launch event at Lord's in May featuring prominent figures from across women's sport, and in April the UK's largest-ever schools cricket day helped drive interest, with

150,000 match tickets sold before the tournament began – surpassing the previous record for an ICC Women's T20 World Cup. The schools cricket festivals formed part of the tournament's 50-days-to-go celebrations and involved more than 236,000 children from 1,350 schools across the UK, helping inspire the next generation of players and fans.

ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 global reach



11.4bn
collective media reach



28.3m
digital engagements



18,400+
advertisement spots
across 54 national and
regional TV channels

100% CRICKET

Greater female representation in leadership positions, expanded coaching pathways and enhanced support for women's health demonstrated the continued impact of the ICC's 100% Cricket programme.



The 100% Cricket Future Leaders Programme is shaping a new generation of female cricket leaders.

Developing future leaders remained a central focus in 2025–26. The fourth edition of the 100% Cricket Future Leaders Programme (FLP) for Administrators, which launched in 2024, concluded at the ICC Annual Conference in July 2025, providing participants with opportunities to engage directly with ICC Members and senior leaders from across the game.

Through mentoring, professional development and networking opportunities, the FLP equips aspiring women leaders with the skills, confidence and connections needed to progress their careers. Since its launch, many FLP participants have secured

promotions, taken on expanded leadership responsibilities or moved into more senior roles across cricket and the wider sports industry.

Alumni have also gone on to hold board, advisory and mentoring positions, extending their influence within their organisations and communities. Participants are now contributing across a broad range of disciplines, including executive leadership, commercial and operational management, governance, legal services, media and commentary.

The ICC also continued to invest in the development of women coaches

through the second edition of the 100% Cricket FLP for Coaches. Delivered across four ICC pathway events during 2025, the programme provided mentorship and development opportunities for 55 coaches from 32 countries. Its impact was reflected in the delivery of women-only Level 2 coaching courses organised by the ICC in two regions following the programme – the first of their kind.

Supporting women's health

Supporting female athletes' wellbeing remained another priority of the 100% Cricket programme. Continuing an initiative that has been in place since 2023, menstrual health education sessions were delivered at women's regional qualifying events throughout the year, while sanitary products were provided to all participants at the ICC U19 Women's T20 World Cup 2027 Africa Qualifier, helping to address a recognised barrier to participation.

Building on recommendations from players, Members and the ICC's Medical Advisory Committee, the ICC also released new Return to Play Post-Pregnancy Guidelines. The guidelines are designed to help ICC Members strengthen and improve their own policies, combining important contextual information with practical advice and further resources.

CREATING OPPORTUNITIES

An ICC-led initiative to support displaced female cricketers of Afghan descent provides high-performance opportunities and ongoing player development.

Many female Afghan cricketers are unable to continue their careers in their home country – and so in 2025, the ICC Board confirmed the creation of a programme to support their continued development, in collaboration with the cricket boards of Australia, England & Wales and India.

The players' first opportunity came during the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025, when 18 cricketers based across Australia, Canada and the UK travelled to Bengaluru, India, for a high-performance camp. The group had the chance to play together as a team – the Afghan Refugee Women's XI – for the first

time, as well as attend tournament matches and the opening ceremony.

In May 2026, the players came together in Australia for a second camp, featuring fixtures against local teams. A 15-woman squad was then set to tour England during the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026, where they would also have the chance to attend a semi-final and the final.

Alongside these touring opportunities, players now have access to dedicated coaching, strength and conditioning support and physiotherapy services in their home locations, supporting their development throughout the year.



PROTECT



Scotland's qualification for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024 won them the ICC Associate Member Women's Team Performance of the Year Award.



Jay Shah, ICC Chairman, with the ICC Board of Directors, pictured at their meetings in May 2026.

GOVERNANCE

Two new cricketing nations brought the total ICC membership to an all-time high in 2025.

Timor-Leste and Zambia become Members

Two new ICC Associate Members were confirmed at the ICC Annual Conference in July 2025 – Timor-Leste and Zambia, the latter returning to the fold following a four-year absence. This brought the total number of ICC Members to 110, made up of 12 Full Members and 98 Associate Members. You can find a full list of ICC Members on page 46.

USA and Canada suspended

Two Associate Members were suspended during 2025–26. USA Cricket was suspended in September 2025 due to repeated breaches of its obligations as an ICC Member, including the failure to implement a functional governance structure; a lack of progress towards achieving national governing body status with the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC); and significant actions that had

caused reputational damage to cricket. The suspension was an unfortunate but necessary step to protect the long-term interests of the game.

The ICC Board determined that USA’s national teams would retain their right to participate in ICC events, including preparations for the LA28 Olympic Games. The management and administration of USA national teams is now temporarily being overseen by the ICC and its designated representatives to ensure continued support for the players.

Cricket Canada was then suspended in May 2026 due to serious breaches of its membership obligations. Keen to protect the interests of Canadian players, the ICC determined that Canadian national teams would remain eligible to participate in ICC events. Cricket Canada would also be permitted to access ICC funding for approved national team programmes through a controlled funding mechanism with ICC oversight.

New Global Qualifier

The ICC Board approved a recommendation from the Chief Executives’ Committee to establish a Global Qualifier for ICC Men’s T20 World Cups. ICC management has been tasked with finalising a competition structure and qualification pathway for a 16-team Global Qualifier, which would be presented to the relevant committees for consideration.

Bangladesh and Sri Lanka

The ICC Board is monitoring development in both Bangladesh and Sri Lanka, where the respective countries’ governments have appointed temporary committees to run the Member boards.

ICC Board representatives have visited each Member board to engage with stakeholders. In the meantime, neither Member board will have any representation on the ICC Board until the ICC Board is satisfied with the updated position in the respective country.

Franchise cricket

At its May 2026 meetings, the ICC Board expressed concern about the growth of franchise cricket. The Board resolved to form a sub-committee to assess the harmonisation of franchise cricket with the international calendar within the game’s current structure.

ICC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

As at 31 May 2026

Jay Shah	Chairman
Dr Ros Rivaz	Independent Director
Sanjog Gupta	Chief Executive Officer
Mirwais Ashraf	Full Member Director, Afghanistan
Mike Baird	Full Member Director, Australia
TBC	Full Member Director, Bangladesh
Richard Thompson	Full Member Director, England & Wales
Devajit Saikia	Full Member Director, India
Brian MacNeice	Full Member Director, Ireland
Roger Twose	Full Member Director, New Zealand
Mohsin Naqvi	Full Member Director, Pakistan
Dr Mohammed Abdul Samad Moosajee	Full Member Director, South Africa
TBC	Full Member Director, Sri Lanka
Dr Kishore Shallow	Full Member Director, West Indies
Tavengwa Mukuhani	Full Member Director, Zimbabwe
Imran Khwaja	Associate Member Director, Deputy Chair
Mubashshir Usmani	Associate Member Director
Mahinda Vallipuram	Associate Member Director

The following also served as directors during the 2025–2026 period:

NAME	DESIGNATION	DEPARTURE
Geoff Allardice	Chief Executive Officer	June 2025
Aminul Islam	Full Member Director, Bangladesh	April 2026
Shammi Silva	Full Member Director, Sri Lanka	May 2026



Timor-Leste became an ICC Associate Member in 2025.

ICC CHIEF EXECUTIVES’ COMMITTEE

As at 31 May 2026

NAME	DESIGNATION
Naseeb Khan	Full Member Representative, Afghanistan
Todd Greenberg	Full Member Representative, Australia
Nizamuddin Chowdhury	Full Member Representative, Bangladesh
Richard Gould	Full Member Representative, England & Wales
Arun Singh Dhumal	Full Member Representative, India
Sarah Keane	Full Member Representative, Ireland
Graham Parks	Full Member Representative, New Zealand
Sumair Ahmad Syed	Full Member Representative, Pakistan
Pholetsi Moseki	Full Member Representative, South Africa
Ashley De Silva	Full Member Representative, Sri Lanka
Chris Dehring	Full Member Representative, West Indies
Givemore Makoni	Full Member Representative, Zimbabwe
Anuraag Bhatnagar	Associate Member Representative
Gurdeep Klair	Associate Member Representative
Gurumurthy Palani	Associate Member Representative

EX OFFICIO	
Jay Shah	Chairman, ICC
Sanjog Gupta	Chief Executive Officer, ICC (CEC Chair)
Sourav Ganguly	Chair, ICC Men's Cricket Committee
Clare Connor	Chair, ICC Women's Cricket Committee

The following also served during the 2025–2026 period:

NAME	DESIGNATION
Warren Deutrom	Full Member Representative, Ireland
Ross McCollum	Full Member Representative, Ireland
Scott Weenink	Full Member Representative, New Zealand
Rashpal Bajwa	Associate Member Representative
Umair Butt	Associate Member Representative
Sumod Damodar	Associate Member Representative
EX OFFICIO	
Geoff Allardice	Chief Executive Officer, ICC

ICC MEMBERS

FULL MEMBERS 12

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

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS 98

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

INTEGRITY

From the ever-present threat of doping to new dangers of corruption posed by everything from franchise leagues to social media, the ICC is proactively working worldwide to keep cricket clean.

Anti-corruption

The ICC Anti-Corruption Unit (ACU) continues to strengthen its approach to existing and emerging corruption threats through adaptive strategies, enhanced education and integrity initiatives. The unit covered 38 Tests, 112 ODIs and 183 T20Is in 2025–26, plus 25 ICC tournaments and a number of other events around the world.

Investigations and charges in 2025–26

The ACU initiated 39 full corruption-related investigations during 2025–26, with 50 full investigations (some initiated earlier) active as of 31 May 2026. In addition, the ACU conducted several disruptions of lower-level incidents that did not result in full investigations, such as requests for inside information and suspicious offers made via social media.

Charges brought in 2025–26:

- **Akhilesh Reddy** (USA) was charged in November 2025 under the ICC Anti-Corruption Code in relation to the Abu Dhabi T10 2025, and was provisionally suspended from all cricket.
- **Aaron Jones** (USA) was provisionally suspended in January 2026 under the ICC Anti-Corruption Code due to charges relating to the BIM10 tournament in 2023–24 (which falls under the jurisdiction of the Cricket

West Indies (CWI) Anti-Corruption Code) and two international matches.

- **Javon Searles** (West Indies), Titans team owner **Chitranjan Rathod** and team official **Trevon Griffith** were charged in March 2026 with various breaches of the ICC and CWI Anti-Corruption Codes relating to the BIM10 tournament, with Griffith also facing one charge relating to international matches.

Other key developments:

- **Saliya Saman** (Sri Lanka) was banned from all cricket for five years in July 2025 after being found guilty by an ICC Anti-Corruption Tribunal of breaching the Emirates Cricket Board (ECB) Anti-Corruption Code.
- **Rajat Sharma**, a prolific corruptor, was subject to an Excluded Persons Order, which prohibits him from any engagement or involvement in any cricket.

Working in partnerships

The ICC ACU has developed a number of strategic external partnerships to support its work. Partners include:

- **International agencies**, such as the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and INTERPOL.

- **Sport-specific bodies**, such as the Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU), the Biathlon Integrity Unit (BIU) and the International Tennis Integrity Agency (ITIA).

- **International federations**, including FIFA and UEFA.

- **The International Olympic Committee (IOC)**, as part of preparations for the LA28 Olympic Games.

Working across cricket

The ICC Integrity Unit works to foster a culture where integrity and safety are embedded at every level. A risk-based framework is central to the unit’s work, supported by effective education, awareness-building and close collaborations with Members.

The unit presents anti-corruption briefings, tailor-made videos and awareness-raising activities to teams, match officials and others at ICC World Cups, Qualifiers, Global Pathway events, bilateral series and franchise leagues. Between 1 June 2025 and 31 May 2026, more than 2,000 people benefited from an in-person ACU briefing.

Key areas of concern for the unit include:

- **Vulnerable Members and participants** – Corruptors continue to target all formats of the game,

seeking to exploit vulnerabilities across the sport. The ICC Associate Member Integrity Action Plan aims to identify and address vulnerabilities while empowering and supporting Associate Members to protect themselves and their participants. The North American region has been highlighted in the past 12 months as currently vulnerable to corruption and match-fixing.

- **Franchise leagues and sponsorships** – The ACU continues to draw attention to the motives and finances of franchise league organisers, and to Members’ need to conduct due diligence on any proposed league before deciding whether to sanction it.
- **Illegal betting** – The presence of illegal betting continues to grow within the game, as in many sports, heightening the risks of corruption through the use of illegal betting platforms.

Anti-doping

The ICC this year adopted a more sophisticated risk-based and intelligence-led testing strategy to combat doping, shifting its focus from testing volume to quality and impact. This approach has enabled resources to be directed towards higher-risk areas, with nearly half of all tests in 2025–2026 focused on players identified as high risk through the ICC’s anti-doping risk assessment matrix.

The testing programme covered 35 men’s and women’s international teams, including 11 teams representing Associate Members. Testing was carried out across both bilateral series and international events, ensuring broad coverage of the international game while supporting the effective implementation of the ICC’s risk-based testing strategy.

ACU – EVENTS COVERED IN 2025–26

ICC EVENTS	LOCATION	EVENT DATES
ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 Americas Qualifier	Canada	15-22 Jun 2025
ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 Europe Qualifier	Netherlands	5-11 Jul 2025
ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 Africa Division 2 Qualifier	Botswana	20-26 Jul 2025
ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2026 Europe Qualifier	Scotland	31 Jul – 6 Aug 2025
ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2026 Americas Qualifier	USA	9-16 Aug 2025
ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 Europe Division 1 Qualifier	Netherlands	20-27 Aug 2025
ICC Cricket World Cup Challenge League A	Jersey	21-31 Aug 2025
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	Canada	27 Aug – 6 Sep 2025
ICC Women's T20 World Cup Africa Division 1 Qualifier	Namibia	31 Aug – 6 Sep 2025
ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 EAP Qualifier	Fiji	9-17 Sep 2025
ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 Africa Qualifier	Zimbabwe	26 Sep – 4 Oct 2025
ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025	India & SL	30 Sep – 2 Nov 2025
ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 Asia-EAP Qualifier	Oman	8-17 Oct 2025
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	UAE	26 Oct – 5 Nov 2025
ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2026	Zim. & Nam.	15 Jan – 6 Feb 2026
ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 Global Qualifier	Nepal	18 Jan – 1 Feb 2026
ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026	India & SL	7 Feb – 8 Mar 2026
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	Namibia	2-12 Apr 2026
ICC U19 Women's T20 World Cup 2027 EAP Qualifier	PNG	8-13 April 2026
ICC Women's Challenge Trophy 2026	Rwanda	18 Apr – 1 May 2026
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	Nepal	25 Apr – 5 May 2026
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup League 2	Nepal	12-22 May 2026
ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2028 Europe SR Qualifier A	Cyprus	16-23 May 2026
ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2028 Africa SR Qualifier A	Botswana	23-30 May 2026
ASIAN CRICKET COUNCIL (ACC) TOURNAMENTS		
Men's Asia Cup	UAE	9-28 Sep 2025
Men's Asia Cup Rising Stars	Qatar	14-23 Nov 2025
CONTRACTED DOMESTIC FRANCHISE LEAGUES		
Abu Dhabi T10 2025	Abu Dhabi	18-30 Nov 2025
International League T20 2026	UAE	2 Dec 2025 – 4 Jan 2026
OTHER EVENTS		
Pearl of Africa T20 Series 2025	Uganda	17-27 July 2025

Five anti-doping rule violations (ADRVs) were recorded from 1 June 2025 to 31 May 2026. The ADRVs involved players competing in England, India, Italy and the Netherlands, four in domestic cricket and one in international cricket. The five violations comprised four cases involving substances of abuse and one case involving an anabolic steroid. As of 31 May 2026, four anti-doping cases remained ongoing, two in domestic cricket and two in international cricket.

The ICC continued to develop and enhance anti-doping education resources, providing Members with the tools and guidance needed to deliver effective anti-doping education programmes. The organisation also undertook a comprehensive review of its anti-doping framework to ensure readiness for implementation of the World Anti-Doping Code 2027.

Security

The ICC continues to work widely and extensively to ensure its events are safe for all players, officials and spectators. This included risk and security planning for the three ICC World Cup events staged during 2025–26 and the upcoming ICC Women’s T20 World Cup 2026, working with key stakeholders in host nations to ensure the successful delivery of comprehensive security measures. The ICC also supported risk and security assessments across its Regional and Sub-Regional Qualifiers and other Global Pathway events, working with Member boards to adapt arrangements to varied local environments.

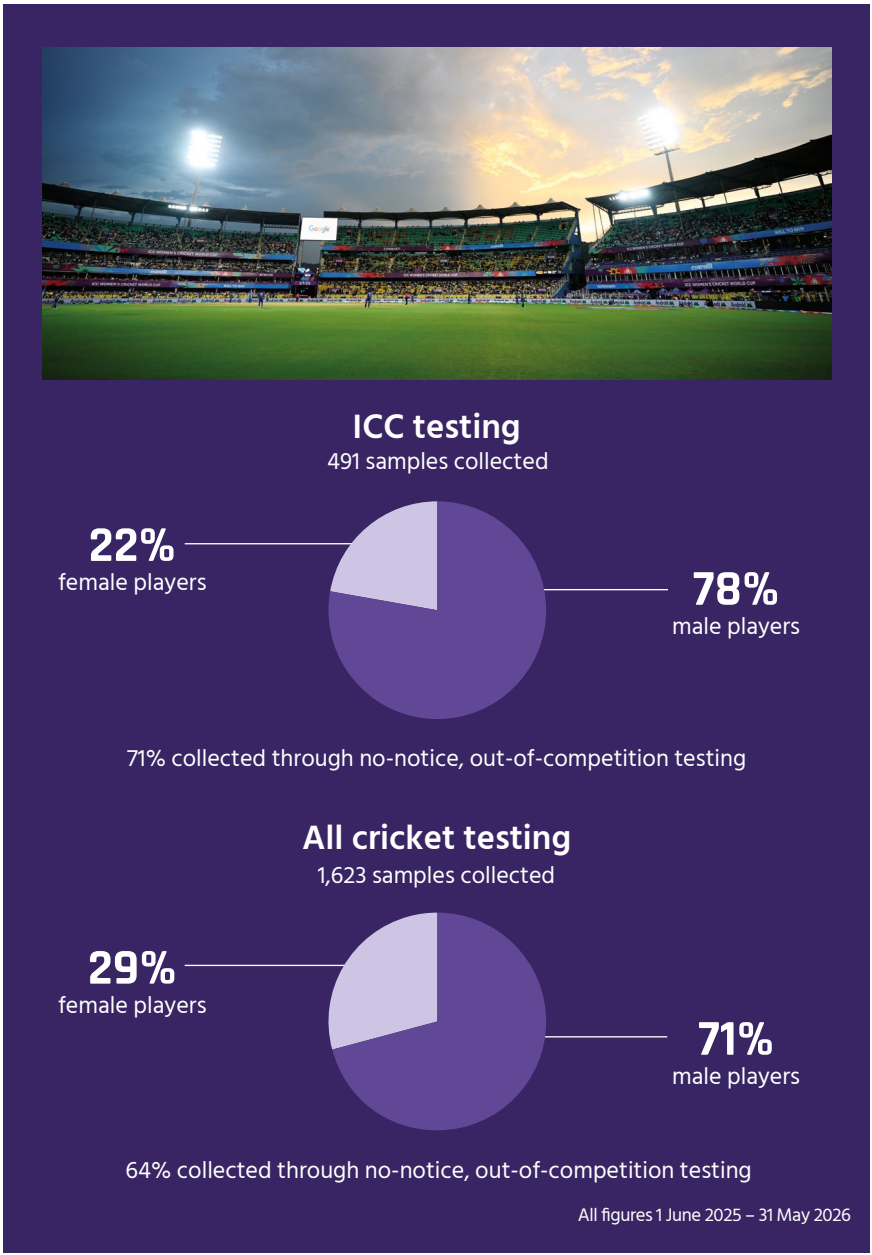
The Iran–USA conflict in February 2026 saw missile and drone activity across the Gulf, a partial closure of UAE airspace and more than 1,800 cancelled flights in the region. ICC Security was pivotal in developing crisis plans and clear messaging, working with the People and Culture team to

keep Dubai-based staff aware and safe, and also coordinating business-continuity measures and stakeholder communications that enabled the ICC to complete a safe and successful delivery of the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup 2026 in India and Sri Lanka.

Safeguarding

The ICC continues to ensure the welfare of everyone involved in ICC events –

guided by the ICC’s comprehensive Safeguarding Regulations, freely available on the ICC website. The ICC advertises its secure safeguarding reporting line through wide-ranging communication strategies, including posters, advisory notes, tournament handbooks and staff handbooks – working closely, where relevant, with local organising committees. The ICC also provides advice to ICC Member boards to support them in developing similar protections and processes.



ICC DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

The awards celebrate the work being carried out in ICC Associate Member countries to grow the game globally, whether through innovative development programmes or inspiring efforts on the field of play.

July 2025 saw the latest round of global winners crowned in the annual ICC Development Awards, established in 2002 to celebrate the innovative programmes created by ICC Members to help grow the game around the world.

Eight Associate Members were chosen from a selection of regional winners in seven categories – including, for the first time, the ICC criiio Cricket Festival of the Year Award supported by Rexona.

The global winners for the current year will be announced in July 2026 and will be covered in next year's ICC Annual Report.

"These awards put a deserved spotlight on the remarkable stories of growth taking place around the world. We join the world in celebrating the passion, hard work and innovation behind these successful initiatives."

Jay Shah, ICC Chairman



ICC Cricket 4 Good Social Impact Initiative of the Year

Global winner: Persatuan Cricket Indonesia for Cricket for Confidence, a national movement to empower schoolgirls from Indonesia's most under-served and remote regions through the game of cricket.

Regional winners

Africa: Cricket Kenya
Americas: Cricket Chile
Asia: Qatar Cricket Association
East Asia Pacific: Persatuan Cricket Indonesia
Europe: Cricket Switzerland

ICC Digital Fan Engagement of the Year

Global winner: Cricket Association of Nepal for their strategic expansion across social media, which resulted in more than 420,000 new followers and a total reach of approximately 117 million people.

Regional winners

Africa: Cricket Namibia
Americas: Bermuda Cricket Board
Asia: Cricket Association of Nepal
East Asia Pacific: Persatuan Cricket Indonesia



ICC Female Cricket Initiative of the Year

Global winner: Bhutan Cricket Council Board for its Inter-School Girls' Competition to boost female participation, and Vanuatu Cricket Association for its Picking Wickets programme offering remote and in-person coaching.

Regional winners

Africa: Cricket Sierra Leone
Americas: Brazilian Cricket Association
Asia: Bhutan Cricket Council Board
East Asia Pacific: Vanuatu Cricket Association
Europe: Cricket España



ICC criiio Cricket Festival of the Year with Rexona

Global winner: Tanzania Cricket Association for their criiio Cricket Festival, which brought together 120 women from their 'From Kitchen to Crease' programme for an inspirational day of cricket and sisterhood in Dar es Salaam.

Global shortlist

Persatuan Cricket Indonesia
 Cricket Association of Nepal
 Saudi Arabian Cricket Federation
 Tanzania Cricket Association
 Emirates Cricket Board

ICC Associate Member Men's Team Performance of the Year

Global winner: USA Cricket for their team's successes during the previous calendar year, with performances that included qualifying for the Super 8s at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024.

Regional winners

Africa: Uganda Cricket Association
Americas: USA Cricket
Asia: Emirates Cricket Board
East Asia Pacific: Japan Cricket Association
Europe: Guernsey Cricket



ICC Associate Member Women's Team Performance of the Year

Global winner: Cricket Scotland for outstanding performances, which saw Scotland qualify for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup for the first time – a massive boost to interest and participation in women's cricket in Scotland.

Regional winners

Africa: Nigeria Cricket Federation
Asia: Emirates Cricket Board
East Asia Pacific: Persatuan Cricket Indonesia
Europe: Cricket Scotland

ICC Development Initiative of the Year

Global winner: Cricket Namibia for Ashburton Kwata Mini-Cricket Programme, a flagship grassroots development initiative that has been integrated into the physical education periods of public schools across the country.

Regional winners

Africa: Cricket Namibia
Americas: Brazilian Cricket Association
Asia: Malaysian Cricket Association
East Asia Pacific: Persatuan Cricket Indonesia
Europe: Hellenic Cricket Federation (Greece)

THE CLASS OF 2025

Seven was the lucky number in June 2025, when a septet of cricketing legends were elected to join the ICC Hall of Fame.

The greats of the game gathered at Abbey Road Studios in London on the eve of the ICC World Test Championship Final to welcome the latest inductees into the ICC Hall of Fame. Seven players from six nations were granted cricket's greatest honour, bringing the total number of ICC Hall of Famers to 121.

"Through the ICC Hall of Fame, we pay tribute to the finest players the game has seen," said ICC Chairman Jay Shah. "On behalf of the ICC, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to each of them and hope they cherish this well-deserved recognition as a defining moment in their cricketing journey."



L-R: Sana Mir, Daniel Vettori, Graeme Smith, Hashim Amla and Matthew Hayden all attended the ceremony in London.



HASHIM AMLA (SOUTH AFRICA)

With 55 international centuries to his name, Hashim Amla is regarded as one of the first three-format greats. The first South African to score a Test triple-century, he ended his career second

on the list of his country's leading Test run-scorers, and captained his side in 14 Tests. He was equally efficient in ODIs, where he is still the fastest to reach 6,000 and 7,000 runs.



MS DHONI (INDIA)

With 17,266 runs, 839 dismissals and 538 matches, MS Dhoni's international numbers reflect not just excellence but consistency, fitness and longevity. No one has captained his country in more internationals. Under his leadership, India won the inaugural ICC Men's T20 World Cup in 2007, led the Test rankings for 18 months and then finally won the 50-over World Cup in 2011.

MATTHEW HAYDEN (AUSTRALIA)

Matthew Hayden epitomised the all-conquering Australian side of the 2000s. He set an Australian record for the highest individual Test score with 380 against Zimbabwe in 2003, and made three centuries as Australia won the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2007. He took adapting to T20Is with ease, topping the run-scorers' list at the inaugural ICC Men's T20 World Cup with 265 runs.



SANA MIR (PAKISTAN)

Sana Mir led Pakistan for seven years, winning Asian Games gold in 2010 and 2014. She retired as her country's leading wicket-taker in ODIs and second highest in T20Is cricket. Both the first

Pakistan woman to top an ICC rankings list (ODI bowling) and the first Pakistan captain to defeat India in a World Cup, she went on to serve on the ICC's Women's Cricket Committee.



GRAEME SMITH (SOUTH AFRICA)

Graeme Smith celebrated his appointment to the South African captaincy with 259 against England at Lord's, the highest score by an opposition batter at the ground – and eventually became the first player to captain his side in 100 Tests. The left-hander ended his career with the most wins as a Test captain (53) while also finishing with 17,236 runs in international cricket.



SARAH TAYLOR (ENGLAND)

Sarah Taylor struck her maiden ODI century against Australia aged just 17. She played a key part in England's ICC Women's Cricket World Cup and T20 World Cup double in 2009, then made 54 and 45 in the semi-final and final as England won the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2017. She set the standard for wicketkeepers, retiring with 232 dismissals across formats.

DANIEL VETTORI (NEW ZEALAND)

With more than 700 wickets and close to 7,000 runs, Daniel Vettori's international career was defined by adaptability, intelligence and understated excellence. He captained New Zealand in 32 Tests,

82 ODIs and 28 T20Is, nurturing the generation that reached the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2015 final. He now coaches in leagues worldwide, serving as a mentor and tactician.



FACTFILE



Five wickets from Deepti Sharma led hosts India to their first-ever ICC Women's Cricket World Cup title.

JUNE 2025

South Africa win the ICC World Test Championship Final, Angelo Mathews signs off in Galle and seven legends join the ICC Hall of Fame.

Mohammad Haris strikes an unbeaten 107 to help **Pakistan** complete a 3-0 whitewash in their T20I series against Bangladesh

The second edition of the Women's Emerging Teams Asia Cup is postponed due to adverse weather conditions and health concerns owing to chikungunya disease in Sri Lanka

England win their ODI series against the West Indies 3-0 as **Jamie Smith** and **Jos Buttler** star in a rain-reduced chase in the final game at The Oval

RCB end their 18-year wait for a first trophy with victory by six runs over Punjab Kings in the Indian Premier League (IPL) final at Ahmedabad

Rob Walter is named **New Zealand** men's coach across all forms, replacing Gary Stead

Seven players are inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame: **Hashim Amla**, **MS Dhoni**, **Matthew Hayden**, **Sana Mir**, **Graeme Smith**, **Sarah Taylor** and **Daniel Vettori**

England score 248-3 in the final T20I against the West Indies at Southampton and win the series 3-0

Mehidy Hasan Miraz is appointed **Bangladesh's** ODI captain for the next 12 months

The Netherlands defeat Nepal in their T20I contest at Glasgow, which features a record three super overs

Tazmin Brits' 101 helps **South Africa** win the deciding third ODI against the West Indies by 166 runs at Cave Hill

Scotland win the tri-nations T20I series on net run rate after they finish in a tie on points with Nepal and the Netherlands

Angelo Mathews' farewell Test in Galle ends in a draw as Bangladesh captain **Najmul Hossain Shanto** scores 148 and 125 not out



Nat Sciver-Brunt's unbeaten 57 leads England to victory in the third ODI against the West Indies at Taunton and a 3-0 series win.



Aiden Markram's 136 seals a five-wicket victory for South Africa against Australia in the ICC World Test Championship Final at Lord's, helped by nine wickets for Kagiso Rabada.

Canada become the 13th team to qualify for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 after an unbeaten run in the Americas Regional Qualifier

Hayley Matthews' innings of 65 leads the **West Indies** to a six-wicket win in the deciding T20I against South Africa at Cave Hill

Ben Duckett's 149 leads **England** to a five-wicket victory in the first Test against India at Leeds despite twin centuries from **Rishabh Pant**

The ICC announces the introduction of stop clocks to control over rates in Test cricket

Warren Deutrom announces he will step down as **Cricket Ireland's** CEO in August after nearly 19 years in the role

Josh Hazlewood's five second-innings wickets help **Australia** win the first Test against the West Indies at Bridgetown inside three days

Najmul Hossain Shanto steps down as **Bangladesh's** Test captain after their 1-0 series loss against Sri Lanka

Azhar Mahmood is appointed acting Head Coach of the **Pakistan** Test team

JULY 2025

Joe Root moves up the Test run-scorers' list, Australia retain the Frank Worrell Trophy and Curtis Campher takes five in five.

Corbin Bosch's maiden Test century and five-wicket haul give **South Africa** victory by 328 runs in the first Test against Zimbabwe at Bulawayo

Australia retain the Frank Worrell Trophy with victory by 133 runs in the second Test against the West Indies at St George's

Akash Deep's 10 wickets and **Shubman Gill's** 430 runs seal a 336-run win for **India** in the second Test against England at Edgbaston

Sanjog Gupta is named the new ICC Chief Executive, succeeding Geoff Allardice

Wiaan Mulder's unbeaten 367, a national record, helps **South Africa** defeat Zimbabwe by an innings in the second Test at Bulawayo

Curtis Campher becomes the first male player in professional cricket to take five wickets in five balls, achieving the feat for Munster Reds against North-West Warriors

Charlie Dean and **Danni Wyatt-Hodge** shine in **England's** nervy last-ball win in the final T20I against India, but England lose the series 2-1

Rushil Ugarkar holds his nerve to give **MI New York** their second Major League Cricket (MLC) title in a last-over victory over Washington Freedom

The Netherlands and Italy book their places at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 via the qualifying tournament in the Netherlands.



Kusal Mendis' innings of 124 leads Sri Lanka to a comfortable victory in the deciding third ODI against Bangladesh at Pallekele.

England win a nervy Lord's Test against India by just 22 runs as **Ravindra Jadeja** just fails to bring a final-day victory for the visitors

Six wickets for **Mitchell Starc** and a **Scott Boland** hat-trick consign the West Indies to 27 all out at Sabina Park and a 3-0 Test series defeat to **Australia**

Four wickets for **Mahedi Hasan** and a half-century for **Tanzid Hasan** give **Bangladesh** their first T20I series win against Sri Lanka

Zimbabwe cricket boss **Tavengwa Mukuhllani** is elected Chair of the **Africa Cricket Association** (ACA)

Bangladesh clinch their first T20I series win against Pakistan after winning the first two matches of the three-match series in Dhaka

India's women win their ODI series in England 2-1 thanks to victory in the third match at Durham, with **Harmanpreet Kaur** scoring 102

Ireland's women seal a 3-0 T20I series win over Zimbabwe with a 51-run win in the third match in Dublin

Joe Root surpasses Rahul Dravid, Jacques Kallis and Ricky Ponting to become the second-highest run-scorer in Test cricket

Matt Henry is **New Zealand's** hero as he bowls a successful last over to defeat South Africa in the tri-series final in Zimbabwe

Centuries for **Shubman Gill**, **Washington Sundar** and **Ravindra Jadeja** seal a draw for **India** in the Manchester Test against England

Ireland's women win the second ODI against Zimbabwe by four wickets at Stormont to take the series 2-0

Australia win their T20I series 5-0 in the Caribbean, with **Ben Dwarshuis** inspiring victory in the final game

AUGUST 2025

Heroics from Mohammed Siraj at Lord's, tons galore in Bulawayo and the USA complete the line-up for the next ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup.

Matt Henry takes nine wickets as **New Zealand** defeat Zimbabwe by nine wickets in the first Test at Bulawayo

Sahibzada Farhan scores 74 to help **Pakistan** seal a series-clinching win in the third T20I against the West Indies at Lauderhill

Mohammed Siraj inspires **India** to a thrilling six-run victory in the final Test against England at The Oval to ensure the series ends 2-2

New Zealand record their biggest-ever Test win as they defeat Zimbabwe by an innings and 359 runs in the second Test at Bulawayo, with three of their players posting scores of 150 or more

Glenn Maxwell's unbeaten 62 not out from 36 balls seals victory for **Australia** with a ball to spare and two wickets in hand in the deciding T20I against South Africa in Cairns

USA become the 16th and final team to book their place at the ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup 2026 in Southern Africa after winning the Americas Qualifier

Trevor Manuel, former South African minister, is named Chair of the 2027 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Organising Committee

Cameron Green, **Travis Head** and **Mitchell Marsh** all score centuries as **Australia** post 431-2 in the final ODI against South Africa, but lose the series 2-1

Pathum Nissanka's 122 in the second match leads **Sri Lanka** to a 2-0 ODI series sweep against Zimbabwe

Oval Invincibles clinch their third successive men's Hundred title in England



Northern Superchargers win the Women's Hundred in England.



Shai Hope's 120 leads the West Indies to victory in the decisive third ODI in Trinidad, their first bilateral series victory over Pakistan since 1991.



Australia's women seal a 2-1 ODI series win against India at Delhi, a match in which a record 781 runs are scored.



The ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 gets under way.

SEPTEMBER 2025

Nottinghamshire take the county crown, Nepal beat the West Indies and the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 gets under way in India.

Bangladesh win their T20I series against the Netherlands 2-0 when rain ends the final match after just 18.2 overs

Pakistan defeat Afghanistan by 75 runs at Sharjah to win the tri-series, which also involves hosts UAE

Centuries for **Jacob Bethell** and **Joe Root** inspire **England** to a record 342-run victory over South Africa in the third ODI at Southampton, but the tourists take the series 2-1

Kamil Mishara's maiden half-century gives **Sri Lanka** victory in the third T20I against Zimbabwe at Harare by eight wickets, and they win the series 2-1

Will Smeed's innings of 94 helps **Somerset** successfully chase 195 to beat Hampshire in the final of the T20 Blast in England

Rain wipes out the deciding T20I of the series between **England** and **South Africa** to leave the series 1-1 after England post 304-2 in the second match, with **Phil Salt** unbeaten on 141

Jordan Cox's maiden half-century for England seals a six-wicket win and a 2-0 victory over Ireland in their T20I series in Dublin

South Africa's women win their ODI series 2-1 against Pakistan, with **Tazmin Brits** scoring centuries in each of the first two matches

Akeal Hosein contributes with both bat and ball to lead **Trinbago Knight Riders** to their fifth Caribbean Premier League title with a three-run victory over Guyana Amazon Warriors

A century by captain **Haseeb Hameed** seals the County Championship title for **Nottinghamshire**, as they defeat Warwickshire in their final match of the season

Mithun Manhas is elected as the 37th Board of Control for Cricket in India President

Varun Chakravarty and **Kuldeep Yadav** share six wickets before **Sanju Samson** steadies **India**'s chase as they win the Asia Cup final against Pakistan

Nepal win the first two T20Is against the West Indies in Sharjah for their first victories against an ICC Full Member, ultimately taking the series 2-1

The **ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025** begins with hosts **India** defeating Sri Lanka by 59 runs on Duckworth-Lewis-Stern (DLS) after recovering from 124-6 to post 269-8



England join Australia, India and South Africa in the semi-finals of the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025.

OCTOBER 2025

Six for Harmer, seven for King, 10 for Noman – and a mighty shock for South Africa from neighbours Namibia.

Australia start their defence of their ICC Women's Cricket World Cup title with an 89-run win over New Zealand at Indore, with **Ash Gardner** scoring 115 from 83 balls

Namibia and **Zimbabwe** qualify for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 by virtue of reaching the final of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup Africa Qualifier in Harare

Mitchell Marsh's unbeaten 103 gives **Australia** victory over New Zealand, and they clinch their T20I series 2-0

Shubman Gill replaces Rohit Sharma as **India**'s ODI captain

India win the first Test against the West Indies at Ahmedabad by an innings, with three batters scoring centuries and **Mohammed Siraj** taking seven wickets

Three wickets each for **Kranti Gaud** and **Deepti Sharma** lead **India** to victory by 88 runs over Pakistan at the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 in Colombo

Bangladesh clinch a clean sweep in their T20I series against Afghanistan with a six-wicket win in the third match at Sharjah

Aminul Islam is re-elected President of the Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB)

South Africa upset India by three wickets in a thriller in Visakhapatnam as **Nadine de Klerk**'s unbeaten 84 brings victory with seven balls to spare

Playing South Africa for the first time, **Namibia** win a last-ball thriller in their T20I meeting at Windhoek

Australia achieve the highest successful chase in women's ODIs as they score 331-7 to beat India by three wickets at the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup

India win the second Test against the West Indies at Delhi by seven wickets and take the series 2-0



Laura Wolvaardt hits 169 as South Africa beat England by 125 runs to reach their first ICC Women's Cricket World Cup final.

Ibrahim Zadran's 95 sets the scene for a 200-run victory for **Afghanistan** against Bangladesh in the third ODI at Abu Dhabi, and they take the series 3-0

Ten wickets in the match for **Noman Ali** set up **Pakistan**'s 93-run victory over South Africa in the first Test at Lahore

Nepal and **Oman** qualify for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 after UAE defeat Samoa in the Asia–EAP Qualifier in Oman

UAE secure the final qualification spot for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 after defeating Japan by eight wickets in the Asia–EAP Qualifier

Shaheen Shah Afridi is named the new **Pakistan** ODI captain, replacing **Mohammad Rizwan**

Richard Ngarava and **Ben Curran** star as **Zimbabwe** record their first home Test win for 12 years with an innings victory over Afghanistan at Harare

England claim a 1-0 T20I series win in New Zealand as two of the matches are ruined by rain

Bangladesh clinch a 2-1 ODI series win over the West Indies with a convincing 179-run win in the third match at Mirpur

Simon Harmer's six second-innings wickets help **South Africa** win the second Test against Pakistan at Rawalpindi by six wickets

India win the third ODI against Australia at Sydney thanks to a **Rohit Sharma** century, but Australia take the series 2-1

Alana King's 7-18 against South Africa sets an ICC Women's Cricket World Cup record and gives **Australia** top spot in the qualifying stage

India complete the highest-ever run-chase in women's ODIs to defeat Australia in the semi-finals of the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025

The **West Indies** complete a 3-0 T20I series victory over Bangladesh with a five-wicket win in the third match at Chattogram

Australia win the first Ashes Test at Perth by eight wickets inside two days, with Mitchell Starc taking 10 wickets and Travis Head striking a 69-ball fourth-innings century.



India win their first ICC Women's Cricket World Cup title, as Deepti Sharma and Shafali Verma play starring roles in their 52-run win over South Africa in the final in Mumbai.



NOVEMBER 2025

The Aussies make a fast start at the Ashes, Afghanistan sweep Zimbabwe and there's another World Cup title for India.

New Zealand complete a 3-0 home ODI series win over England with a tense two-wicket victory in the third match at Wellington

Pakistan win their T20I series against South Africa 2-1 with a four-wicket win in the decisive third match at Lahore

Afghanistan wrap up a 3-0 T20I series win over Zimbabwe with a nine-run win in the third match at Harare

The ICC announces that the **ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2029** will feature 10 teams, and that there will be 12 teams at the **ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026**

India seal a 2-1 T20I series win over Australia as the final match at Brisbane is washed out after only 4.5 overs

Pakistan chase 144 to win the third ODI against South Africa at Faisalabad and take the series 2-1

Meghalaya's Akash Choudhary becomes just the third player to strike six sixes in an over in first-class cricket

New Zealand win the final T20I against the West Indies at Dunedin to clinch a 3-1 series victory

Bangladesh seal an innings victory in the first Test against Ireland at Sylhet, with **Mahmudul Hasan Joy** scoring 171

South Africa win their first Test in India for 15 years with a 30-run triumph in the first Test at Kolkata, bowling the hosts out for just 93 as they chased 124 to win

Pakistan seal a 3-0 ODI series whitewash over Sri Lanka with a six-wicket victory in the third match at Rawalpindi

Mark Greatbatch is elected President of New Zealand Cricket

New Zealand wrap up a 3-0 ODI series win over the West Indies with victory by four wickets in the third match at Hamilton

Bangladesh win the second Test against Ireland at Mirpur by 217 runs and take the series 2-0, with **Mushfiqur Rahim** scoring a century in his 100th Test

Simon Harmer takes six second-innings wicket at Guwahati to consign India to their biggest Test defeat in terms of runs, sealing a 2-0 series win for **South Africa**

Pakistan win their home tri-series with victory over Sri Lanka by six wickets in the final at Rawalpindi

DECEMBER 2025

Starc sets a new record, the Windies hold out against New Zealand and Zimbabwe get a new captain for the new year.

Bangladesh win the third T20I against Ireland by eight wickets at Chattogram and take the series 2-1

South Africa successfully chase 359 to win the second ODI at Raipur, the joint-highest successful chase against India in ODI cricket

Mitchell Starc becomes the leading left-arm fast bowler in Test history when he dismisses Harry Brook in the second Ashes Test at Brisbane for his 415th Test wicket

Justin Greaves' unbeaten 202 leads a heroic rearguard action for the **West Indies**, who draw the first Test against New Zealand at Christchurch by ending on 457-6 after being set 531

A century for **Yashasvi Jaiswal** leads **India** to a nine-wicket victory in the decisive third ODI against South Africa at Vizag to help them win the series 2-1

Michael Nesar's five second-innings wickets propel **Australia** to an eight-wicket win in the second Ashes Test at Brisbane

Rangpur Division are crowned National Cricket League champions after beating Khulna Division by seven wickets in Bogra

New Zealand win the second Test against the West Indies by nine wickets at Wellington inside three days for their first win of the 2025-27 ICC World Test Championship cycle

Lizelle Lee's unbeaten 77 leads **Hobart Hurricanes** to their first Women's Big Bash League title with victory over Perth Scorchers by eight wickets in the final

Nathan Lyon strikes twice in his first over of the Adelaide Ashes Test to pass Glenn McGrath's total of 563 Test wickets

Ishan Kishan's 101 in the final victory over Haryana gives Jharkhand their maiden Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy

Scott Weenink announces he will be stepping down as Chief Executive of New Zealand Cricket

Dasun Shanaka is appointed **Sri Lanka's** T20I captain, succeeding Charith Asalanka

An unbeaten century from captain **Laura Wolvaardt** leads **South Africa** to a six-wicket victory in the third ODI against Ireland, sealing a 3-0 series win

A 30-run win in the final T20I at Ahmedabad seals a 3-1 series win for **India** over South Africa

Australia win the Adelaide Test by 82 runs to go 3-0 up and retain the Ashes in only 11 playing days

Sameer Minhas' innings of 172 leads **Pakistan** to victory in the U19 Men's Asia Cup final against India in Dubai

England win their first Test in Australia since 2011 with a four-wicket victory inside two days in the Melbourne Boxing Day Test

India complete a 5-0 T20I series win over Sri Lanka by winning the final match by 15 runs at Thiruvananthapuram

Bhutan's Sonam Yeshey becomes the first bowler to take eight wickets in a T20I with 8-7 against Myanmar.



Richard Ngarava is named Zimbabwe's Test and ODI captain.



Centuries for Daryl Mitchell and Glenn Phillips give New Zealand victory in the decisive third ODI at Indore as they clinch their first-ever ODI series win in India.

JANUARY 2026

Australia complete an Ashes thrashing, Sophie Molineux takes the armband and the Kiwis stun India in Indore.

Sam Curran's unbeaten 74 leads the **Desert Vipers** to their first International League T20 title over MI Emirates in the final

Australia win the final Ashes Test by five wickets at Sydney to take the series 4-1

Pakistan Television break a 232-year-old record by defending a target of just 40 against SNGPL in the President's Trophy

Atharva Taide's innings of 128 leads **Vidarbha** to their maiden Vijay Hazare Trophy title

Afghanistan defeat the West Indies 2-1 in their T20I series in the UAE, with **Mujeeb Zadran** and **Shamar Springer** taking hat-tricks in the series

Scotland replace Bangladesh at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026

Perth Scorchers win their sixth Big Bash League title with victory by six wickets over the Sydney Sixers in the final at Perth

Sunrisers Eastern Cape win their third SA20 title in four years with a six-wicket win over Pretoria Capitals in the final at Newlands

Centuries from **Joe Root** and **Harry Brook** give **England** victory in the decisive third ODI in Sri Lanka, and a 2-1 series win

The Netherlands and **Bangladesh** confirm their places at the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026

Sophie Molineux is named **Australia** women's new all-format captain, succeeding Alyssa Healy

India complete a 4-1 T20I series win over New Zealand with a 46-run victory in the final match at Thiruvananthapuram, with **Ishan Kishan** striking a century

South Africa win their T20I series against the West Indies 2-1 after the tourists win a consolation victory in the final, rain-affected game at Johannesburg

Pakistan crush Australia by 90 runs to take a 2-0 lead in the three-match T20I series.





Ireland and Scotland book spots at the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2026 via the qualifying tournament in Nepal.

FEBRUARY 2026

India's U19s retain their World Cup crown, Sahibzada Farhan breaks Kohli's record and Italy get off the mark thanks to the Mosca brothers.

Pakistan wrap up a 3-0 T20I series win over Australia with a 111-run victory in the final match at Lahore, Australia's biggest-ever defeat in the format

England defend 129 to win the third T20I on their tour of Sri Lanka and take the series 3-0

Smriti Mandhana and **Georgia Voll** lead **RCB** to their second Women's Premier League title as they successfully chase 204 to beat Delhi Capitals in the final at Vadodara

The **ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026** gets under way with a nervy victory for **Pakistan** by three wickets against the Netherlands at Colombo

South Africa defeat Afghanistan at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 after the game goes to two super overs

Amelia Kerr is appointed **New Zealand** women's captain, replacing Sophie Devine

India qualify for the Super 8 stage of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 with a comfortable victory over Pakistan by 61 runs in the marquee clash at Colombo

Pakistan's women win the third T20I against South Africa at Benoni, but lose the series 2-1

A washout at Kandy in their match against Ireland sees **Zimbabwe** qualify for the Super 8s at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026, with Australia and Ireland knocked out



The Mosca brothers star with the bat as Italy record their first ICC Men's T20 World Cup win with a 10-wicket victory over Nepal at Mumbai.

Pakistan complete the Super 8 line-up at the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 with victory over Namibia at Colombo

India's women win the third match by 17 runs at Adelaide to clinch the T20I leg of their multi-format series against Australia 2-1

Richard Pybus replaces Jonathan Trott as **Afghanistan's** Head Coach

England become the first team to qualify for the semi-finals of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 after beating Pakistan by two wickets at Pallekele

West Indies' women win their third ODI against Sri Lanka at St George's by six wickets to gain their first points in the latest ICC Women's Championship cycle, but lose the series 2-1

Jammu and Kashmir win their first Ranji Trophy title with victory on first innings in the final against Karnataka in Hubli

Sahibzada Farhan breaks Virat Kohli's record for the most runs in a single edition of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup as he makes a century for **Pakistan** against Sri Lanka

Sanath Jayasuriya steps down as **Sri Lanka's** Head Coach after the team's failure to reach the semi-finals of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026



Vaibhav Sooryavanshi strikes 175 as India win their sixth ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup title with victory by 100 runs over England in the final.

MARCH 2026

Healy signs off in style, Finn Allen clubs a 33-ball ton and there's yet another title for India.

Alyssa Healy strikes 158 in her final limited overs match as **Australia** take the ODI leg of their multi-format series against India 3-0

New Zealand's women seal a 3-0 series sweep with a 10-wicket win in the third T20I against Zimbabwe in Hamilton

South Africa's women win their ODI series 2-1 against Pakistan despite losing the final match of the series

India defeat the West Indies in Kolkata to join England, South Africa and New Zealand in the semi-finals of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026

Sri Lanka's women win the third T20I against the West Indies by nine wickets and take the series 2-0

Finn Allen smashes the fastest ICC Men's T20 World Cup century from just 33 balls as **New Zealand** beat South Africa by nine wickets in the semi-final at Kolkata

Sulakshan Kulkarni takes over as **Oman's** Head Coach from Duleep Mendis, who had held the position for 14 years

Jamie Siddons is appointed Head Coach of **Sri Lanka's** women to succeed **Rumesh Ratnayake**, who had concluded his tenure at the end of 2025

India reach the final of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2026 with a high-scoring seven-run win over England in Mumbai, a semi-final featuring 499 runs and 73 boundaries

Brett Randell becomes the first player to take five wickets in five balls in first-class cricket history when he achieves the feat for Central Districts against Northern Districts



Ibrahim Zadran replaces Rashid Khan as Afghanistan's T20I captain.



India defeat New Zealand by 96 runs at Ahmedabad to become the first team to successfully defend their ICC Men's T20 World Cup crown.

Australia give the retiring **Alyssa Healy** a fitting farewell with a 10-wicket win in the Test against India at Perth, taking the multi-format series 12-4

Sri Lanka appoint **Gary Kirsten** as Head Coach of the men's team

Amelia Kerr scores 80 and takes a hat-trick in the third ODI as **New Zealand** win their series against Zimbabwe 3-0

Tanzid Hasan's 107 helps **Bangladesh** win the third ODI against Pakistan by 11 runs at Mirpur and win the series 2-1

Paul Stirling steps down as **Ireland's** T20I captain after a disappointing ICC Men's T20 World Cup campaign

Rwanda's Fanny Utagushimaninde becomes the first woman to score a hundred on T20I debut with 111 not out against Ghana at the age of just 15 years 223 days

Georgia Voll's maiden T20I century leads **Australia** to a 3-0 T20I series whitewash against the West Indies

New Zealand's women win their T20I series against South Africa 4-1 with **Amelia Kerr** striking 105 in the final match at Christchurch

South Africa win their T20I series in New Zealand 3-2 with a 33-run victory in the deciding final game at Christchurch

South Australia win back-to-back Sheffield Shield titles for the first time with victory by 56 runs over Victoria in the final in Melbourne

Canterbury win the 100th edition of the Plunkett Shield on a second tie-break after finishing level on points and wins with Otago

APRIL 2026

New Zealand chase a mammoth target against South Africa, Sarfaraz Khan graduates from captain to Head Coach and there's a new T20I record for Brazil's Laura Cardoso.

New Zealand's women set a record as they successfully chase 347 to win the second ODI against South Africa at Wellington

Australia win the third ODI against the West Indies at Basseterre to win the series 3-0 and complete an undefeated tour

The Bangladesh government appoints former captain **Tamim Iqbal** as the new President of the Bangladesh Cricket Board



Sharmin Akter leads Bangladesh's women to their first ODI win over Sri Lanka by three wickets in Rajshahi, but they end up losing the series 2-1.

Brazil's **Laura Cardoso** becomes the first player to take nine wickets in a T20I with figures of 9-4 against Lesotho in Botswana

Former captain **Sarfaraz Khan** is appointed Head Coach for **Pakistan's** upcoming Test tour of Bangladesh

Wasim Khan announces that he is to step down as ICC General Manager – Cricket at the end of June after four years in the role

Najmul Hossain Shanto's century in the decisive third ODI at Chattogram seals a 2-1 series win for **Bangladesh** over New Zealand

Punjab Kings set a new record with a successful chase of 265 to defeat Delhi Capitals in the Indian Premier League at Delhi

South Africa's women complete a 4-1 T20I series win over India with a 23-run victory in the final match at Benoni

Geoff Allott is named the new Chief Executive of New Zealand Cricket

Sri Lanka Cricket President **Shammi Silva** and the Board's Executive Committee members announce their resignations



Maddy Green strikes an unbeaten 141 to headline New Zealand women's series-clinching win in the third ODI against South Africa at Wellington.

MAY 2026

The Pakistan Super League and the Indian Premier League both reach their conclusions, Bangladesh sweep Pakistan, and the first-ever Test between Ireland and New Zealand ends in victory for the Black Caps.

Monty Desai is appointed Head Coach of Canada's men's team

Peshawar Zalmi win their first Pakistan Super League title since 2017 with victory by five wickets over Hyderabad Kingsmen in the final at Lahore

Nahid Rana takes five wickets to seal victory for **Bangladesh** against Pakistan by 104 runs in the first Test at Mirpur

New Zealand win a rain-affected third women's ODI against England at Cardiff to ensure the series ends in a 1-1 tie

Rajasthan Royals defeat Mumbai Indians to join Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB), Gujarat Titans and Sunrisers Hyderabad in the Indian Premier League (IPL) playoffs

England bowl out New Zealand for 80 to set up a seven-wicket victory in the decisive third women's T20I of their series at Hove and win the series 2-1

New Zealand win their Test against Ireland at Malahide by an innings and 79 runs with more than two days to spare

Virat Kohli's fastest IPL fifty helps **RCB** to retain their IPL crown with victory in the final against Gujarat Titans by five wickets

Vaibhav Sooryavanshi, aged just 15, wins both the Orange Cap and the Most Valuable Player award at the IPL



Taijul Islam takes six second-innings wickets to wrap up victory for Bangladesh over Pakistan by 78 runs in the second Test at Sylhet, winning the series 2-0.



Dr Ros Rivaz is appointed to the ICC Board as an independent director on a three-year term.

RETIREMENTS

ALL INTERNATIONALS

Asif Ali Pakistan
Navneet Dhaliwal Canada
Usman Khawaja Australia
Heinrich Klaasen South Africa
Peter Moor Zimbabwe & Ireland
Nicholas Pooran West Indies
Rubel Hossain Bangladesh
Andre Russell West Indies
Sarfaraz Ahmed Pakistan
Usman Shinwari Pakistan
Rassie van der Dussen South Africa
Chris Woakes England

TEST CRICKET

Angelo Mathews Sri Lanka

ODI CRICKET

Suzie Bates New Zealand
Sophie Devine New Zealand
Glenn Maxwell Australia
Lea Tahuu New Zealand

T20I CRICKET

Mitchell Starc Australia
Kane Williamson New Zealand

ALL CRICKET

Doug Bracewell New Zealand
Piyush Chawla India
Freya Davies England
Lauren Down New Zealand
Tash Farrant England
K Gowtham India
Alyssa Healy Australia
Veda Krishnamurthy India
Amit Mishra India
Mary-Anne Musonda Zimbabwe
Thamsyn Newton New Zealand
Samit Patel England
Cheteshwar Pujara India
Kane Richardson Australia
Mohit Sharma India
Gouher Sultana India
Fran Wilson England



Rassie van der Dussen



Rubel Hossain



Suzie Bates



Alyssa Healy



Andre Russell

OBITUARIES

Robert Anderson died 31 May 2025

A stylish top-order batsman universally known as 'Jumbo', he toured England in 1973 but only made his Test debut against Pakistan at Lahore three years later, scoring 92 in his second innings. Playing all three Tests against England in 1978, he was part of New Zealand's landmark first Test victory at Wellington, the first time they had defeated England in a Test. He ended his Test career with 423 runs in his nine matches and featured in two ODIs.

Wayne Larkins died 28 June 2025

An opening batter known for his strokeplay, he played 13 Tests and 25 ODIs between 1979 and 1991, including the final of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 1979. His finest moment came when he hit the winning runs at Sabina Park as England took an unexpected 1-0 lead on the 1989/90 tour of the West Indies. He spent most of his career with Northamptonshire, ending his career with more than 40,000 runs and 85 centuries in all senior cricket.

Babu Meman died 2 July 2025

An off-spinner who played one ODI during the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 1987, he served as Zimbabwe's National Team Manager between 1992 and 2006. He was instrumental in guiding the side through their early years as a Test-playing nation and later contributed as a selector.

Dave 'Syd' Lawrence died 21 June 2025

An aggressive fast bowler with a fierce competitive spirit, he played five Tests and one ODI for England between 1988 and 1992. His finest moment came in 1991, when he took 5-106 against the West Indies at The Oval, but his international career was tragically cut short by a horrific knee injury sustained during a Test match in Wellington. He later served as President of Gloucestershire CCC and was also named one of the inaugural Honorary Life Vice-Presidents of the England & Wales Cricket Board (ECB).



Gordon Rorke
died 5 July 2025

A tall, pace bowler considered one of the fastest in Australia at the time, he claimed five wickets in the match on debut in Adelaide in 1959 as Australia won by ten wickets and regained the Ashes. He took ten wickets in his four Tests, but his career was plagued by controversy. When bowling, he dragged his back foot so that he could deliver the ball with his front foot several feet over the bowling crease, which led to a review of the no-ball laws.

Bismillah Shinwari
died 8 July 2025

A member of the ICC International Panel of Umpires, he officiated in 25 ODIs and 21 T20Is after making his debut in international cricket in December 2017, overseeing an ODI between Afghanistan and Ireland in Sharjah.

Mike 'Pasty' Harris
died 18 July 2025

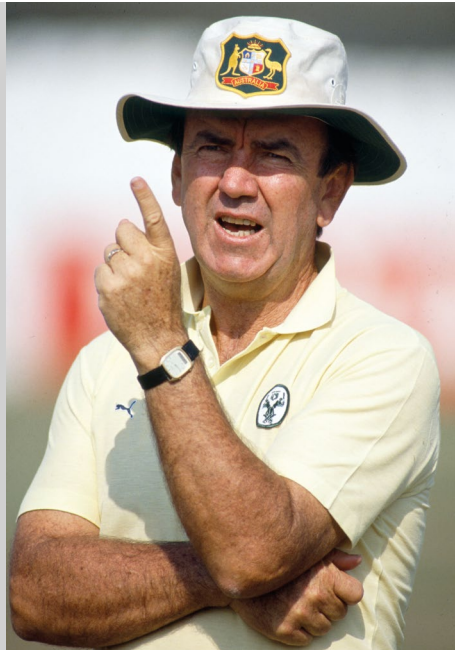
Starting his career at Middlesex, he moved to Nottinghamshire, for whom he was a major force in the county side throughout the 1970s. After retiring, he served as a first-class umpire from 1988 to 2008, officiating in one women's Test and three women's ODIs between 2000 and 2006.

Dilip Doshi
died 23 June 2025

A classical left-arm spinner who spent most of his career in the shadow of Bishan Bedi, he took 6-103 on his Test debut against Australia at Chennai in 1979 and served as the perfect foil to Kapil Dev. He ended his Test career with 114 Test wickets in 33 appearances, including six five-wicket hauls, and added a further 22 wickets in 15 ODIs. He also represented Nottinghamshire and Warwickshire in England, ending with a total of 898 first-class wickets.


Bobby Simpson
died 16 August 2025

A superb opening batter, he played 62 Tests for Australia between 1957 and 1978, scoring 4,869 runs – including 10 centuries – at an average of 46.81. He also took 71 wickets with his leg spin and was renowned as one of the best slip fielders in the game. After initially retiring from playing in 1968, he made a comeback as Test captain in 1978 at the age of 41. Taking over as national team coach in the mid-1980s, he held the job for a successful decade, during which time the team won the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup and regained both the Ashes and the Frank Worrell Trophy.


'Zed' Ndamane
died 19 July 2025

The first black African umpire since unity was forged in 1991 to be selected for the first-class panel, he stood in 8 women's ODIs between 2004 and 2005 and subsequently served as match referee for 14 T20Is in 2022. He also contributed to the sport as Cricket Services Manager for the Gauteng Cricket Board.

Ken Shuttleworth
died 19 August 2025

A tall pace bowler, he played for England against the Rest of the World in 1970 before touring Australia with Ray Illingworth's successful 1970/71 tourists. He took 5-47 on his Test debut at Brisbane, figures that remained the best of his five-Test career, in which he took a total of 12 wickets. He played a key role in Lancashire's success in limited-overs cricket in the 1970s and subsequently returned to the game as a first-class umpire.

Julie Calvert
died 30 August 2025

A wicketkeeper-batter, she represented Australia in six ODIs in 1993 and 1994, scoring 96 runs at an average of 24, with a highest score of 34 on debut against the West Indies at Tunbridge Wells in the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 1993. A life member of Prahran Cricket Club in Melbourne, she remains the club record-holder for most matches played and most runs scored.

Harold 'Dickie' Bird
died 22 September 2025

After a nine-year first-class career for Yorkshire and Leicestershire in which he averaged 20.71 with two centuries, he moved into umpiring. He subsequently became the most famous official in the world, known for his calm, impartial and excellent decision-making. He stood in a then-world record 66 Tests and 69 ODIs between 1973 and 1996, including the first three ICC Men's Cricket World Cup finals. In retirement, he was honoured with a statue at his native Barnsley and served as Yorkshire CCC's President in 2014.


Peter Truscott
died 1 September 2025

An elegant right-handed opening batter, he made a single Test appearance for New Zealand against Pakistan in the third Test of the 1965 series at Christchurch, scoring 3 and 26 and taking one catch. The following year, at the age of 24, he moved to Perth to work in a bank and played no more first-class cricket.

John Jameson
died 13 September 2025

A dominating top-order batter, he played four Tests for England, scoring 214 runs with a highest innings of 82 against India – the country of his birth – at The Oval in 1971. He played two matches at the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 1975 and was a prolific run-scorer for Warwickshire, for whom he shared a then-world record unbroken second wicket partnership of 465 with Rohan Kanhai against Gloucestershire in 1974. After retiring in 1976, he spent four years as a first-class umpire, coached Sussex and served as the MCC's Assistant Secretary.

Kim Elgie
died 16 September 2025

A capable right-handed batter and useful change slow left-arm bowler, he came to Scotland to study for a science degree at the University of St Andrews. While there, he attracted the attention of the Scottish rugby selectors, winning eight caps as a centre between 1954 and 1955. He went on to play three Tests for South Africa against New Zealand in 1961/62, scoring a half-century in the drawn Boxing Day Test at Johannesburg.

Bruce Morrison
died 23 September 2025

A right-arm fast-medium bowler and left-handed batsman, he earned a call-up to New Zealand's team for the second Test against England at Wellington in March 1963. He dismissed England captain Ted Dexter and Peter Parfitt in the same over and scored 10 runs in what remained his only Test. After his playing days he remained involved with the game, coaching and selecting for age-grade, domestic and national teams.

Bernard Julien
died 4 October 2025

An exciting strokeplayer and an effective left-arm swing bowler, he played 24 Tests and 12 ODIs for the West Indies between 1973 and 1977, striking a memorable 121 against England at Lord's in 1973. He was also part of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup-winning team in 1975, taking 4-20 against Sri Lanka and 4-27 against New Zealand in the semi-final, and scoring an unbeaten 26 in the final victory over Australia. He represented Kent for eight seasons, helping the county win seven trophies.

Roger Harris
died 10 October 2025

A right-handed batter who usually opened the innings, as well as a handy right-arm medium-pacer, he played two Tests for New Zealand against England in 1959, scoring a total of 31 runs. A well-regarded senior club rugby player, he appeared on the main ground at Eden Park in three sports: cricket, rugby and athletics.

Wazir Mohammad
died 13 October 2025

The eldest of the four Mohammad brothers to represent Pakistan, he played 20 Tests between 1952 and 1959, scoring 801 runs at 27.62. Known for his solid technique and dependable temperament, he was Pakistan's top-scorer in their famous win at The Oval in 1954, and struck 189 in the victory over the West Indies at Trinidad in 1958. He played first-class cricket until 1964 before retiring and settling near Birmingham in England.

Pam Crain
died 15 October 2025

A right-handed batter and medium-pace bowler, she toured South Africa with England in 1960/61 before playing four ODIs for the International XI at the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 1973.

Jayananda Warnaweera
died 16 October 2025

An effective off-spinner, his 4-25 helped Sri Lanka record their maiden victory over New Zealand in 1992. The following year, he took four wickets in each innings as his team defeated England for the first time. In all, he took 32 wickets at 31.90 in 10 Tests and added six wickets in six ODIs over an international career spanning from 1986 to 1994. Following his playing career, he went on to serve as the curator of the Galle International Stadium, and was also a Member of the Executive Committee of Sri Lanka Cricket (SLC).

Peter McConnell
died 30 October 2025

One of Western Australia's most decorated umpires, he stood in 22 Tests and 68 ODIs between 1983 and 1992, as well as in two women's Tests. Highlights included five Ashes fixtures; the Jubilee Test at the WACA Ground in 1984, celebrating 50 years of women's Test cricket in Australia; and the Bicentenary Test between Australia and England at the Sydney Cricket Ground in 1988.

Somachandra de Silva
died 16 December 2025

One of Sri Lanka's finest leg-spinners, he was part of Sri Lanka's ICC Men's Cricket World Cup team for the inaugural edition in England in 1975 and played a key role in their win against India in the 1979 edition, taking 3-29. The first Sri Lankan to take a five-wicket haul in a Test, he captained the side in two Tests in New Zealand in 1983 and ended with 37 wickets at 36.40 in his 12 Tests, as well as scoring two half-centuries. After his playing career, he served as a coach, team manager, national selector and Chair of SLC.


Barry Knight
died 10 November 2025

A versatile and entertaining all-rounder who performed the 'double' in four successive seasons, he played 29 Tests for England between 1961 and 1969. Over the course of his Test career, he scored 812 runs with two centuries and claimed 70 wickets. After emigrating to Australia, he owned and operated an indoor cricket centre in Bowral, where he became a highly influential coach: more than 25 of his protégés went on to play Test cricket.

Prakash Bhandari
died 19 November 2025

A hard-hitting right-handed batter and a useful off-break bowler, he was the first Delhi player to represent India in Test cricket. His three Tests – one each against Pakistan, New Zealand and Australia – were all played before turning 21 years old, but he enjoyed a fine first-class career spanning nearly two decades. After retiring, he was a long-time member of the Delhi Golf Club and served as the 25th President of the Indian Golf Union.

Khizer Hayat
died 23 November 2025

Having played first-class cricket for Railways for a decade, he moved into umpiring in the 1970s, officiating in 34 Tests and 57 ODIs between 1978 and 1996. He stood in the ICC Men's Cricket World Cups in 1987, 1992 and 1996. After retiring from umpiring, he joined the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB), where he served as General Manager – Umpires and Referees.

Robin Smith
died 1 December 2025

An aggressive middle-order batter, he played 62 Tests for England between 1988 and 1996, scoring 4,236 runs at 43.67 with nine centuries as he willingly took on fast bowling with his signature square cut. He was part of the England squad that reached the final of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 1992, and his unbeaten innings of 167 against Australia in 1993 stood as the England ODI record for 23 years. He represented Hampshire for 22 seasons, five as captain, and helped the county win three domestic one-day trophies.

Ravi Deshmukh
died 20 December 2025

He umpired four women's ODI matches between 1997 and 2011, and later served as match referee for two women's T20I matches in 2013.

Hugh Morris
died 28 December 2025

A left-handed opener who enjoyed a prolific 17-year career with Glamorgan, he retired in triumph as the county won the 1997 County Championship. He played three Tests in the summer of 1991, helping England secure a 2-2 series draw with the West Indies. He also served as the team's Managing Director from 2007 to 2013, during which period they won three consecutive Ashes series and the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2010. He then returned to Glamorgan to spend a decade as the club's Chief Executive.

Mohammad Ilyas
died 12 January 2026

A right-handed opening batter and leg-spin bowler, he played 10 Test matches for Pakistan between 1964 and 1969, scoring 441 runs. His solitary Test century came in the third Test of a 2-0 home series win over New Zealand in 1965, when he scored 126 as Pakistan chased down a 202-run target in Karachi to seal the series. He went on to play league cricket in Scotland and Zimbabwe, before returning to Pakistan in the 2000s and serving on various selection committees.

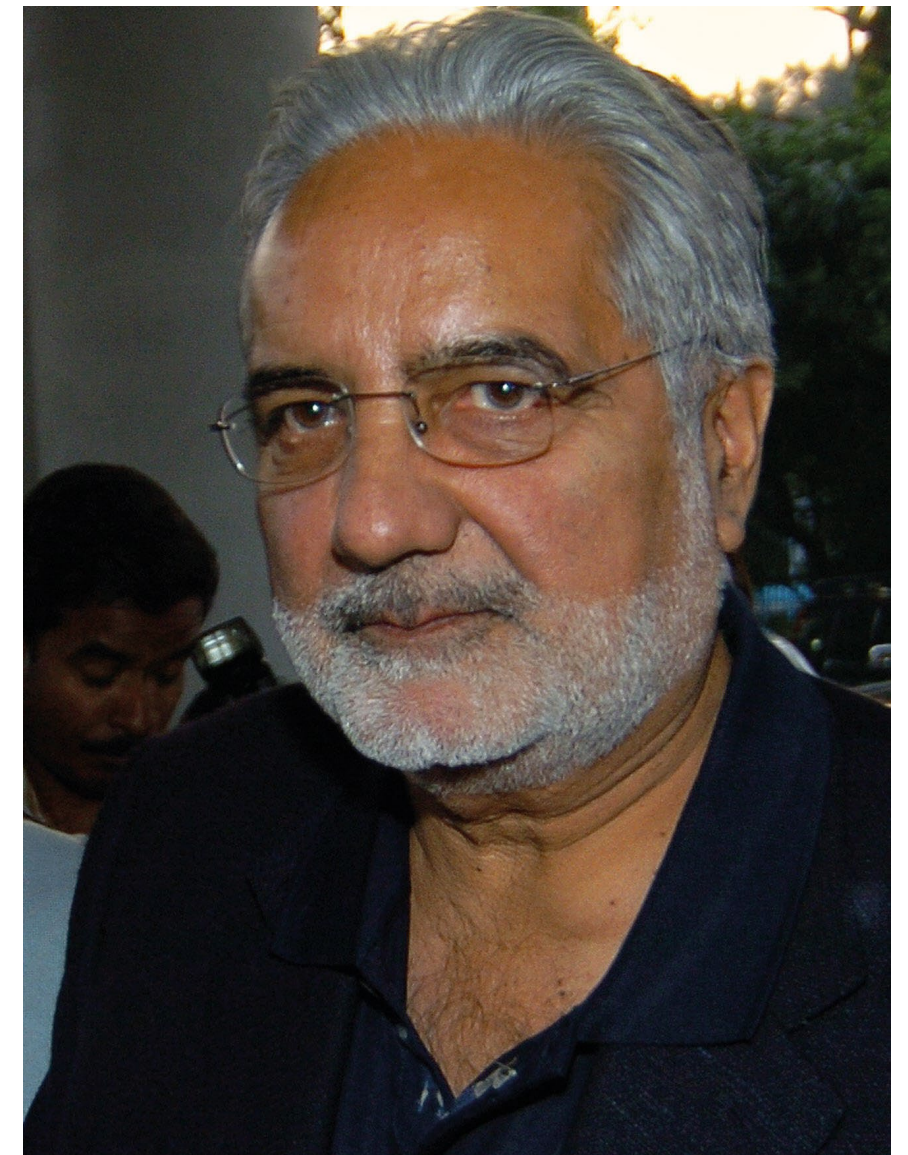
David Collier
died 13 January 2026

Having worked at Essex, Leicestershire, Gloucestershire and Nottinghamshire, he served as the Chief Executive of the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) from 2004 to 2014. During his time, England's men won the Ashes four times and the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2010, while England's women won the Ashes five times plus the ICC Women's Cricket World Cup and the ICC Women's T20 World Cup in 2009.

Norman Gifford
died 21 January 2026

A left-arm spinner of unerring accuracy, he played 15 Tests between 1964 and 1973, claiming 33 wickets at 31.09 with a best of 5-55 against Pakistan in Karachi in 1973. In 1985, at the age of 44, he stood in as England

captain for two ODIs in the Four Nations Cup in Sharjah. He took more than 2,000 first-class wickets and was a key member of Worcestershire's 1964 and 1965 County Championship-winning sides, as well as captaining the club to the title in 1974.


IS Bindra
died 26 January 2026

A key figure in Indian cricket administration, he served as the President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) between 1993 and 1996. He was the Punjab Cricket Association chief for 36 years and played an important role in India securing the joint hosting rights for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 1987.



Tony Pigott
died 1 February 2026

A brisk right-arm bowler, his sole Test appearance came about in peculiar circumstances. He was playing for Wellington in early 1984, when he was called over to Christchurch as England suffered an injury crisis before the second match of their Test series against New Zealand. He even had to postpone his wedding as he took 2-75 in a heavy England defeat. In all, he took 672 first-class wickets. After retirement, he spent two years as Chief Executive at Sussex CCC.

Eric Russell
died 28 January 2026

A tall, elegant opening batsman, he played ten Test matches for England between 1961 and 1967, scoring 362 runs with two half-centuries. His international appearances were spread over seven series and five countries, but he performed with distinction for Middlesex, for whom he played more than 400 first-class matches. He was part of a group that founded the Professional Cricketers' Association (PCA) in 1967 and played a key role in the development of the MCC's Shenley Cricket Centre.

Rab Nawaz
died February 2026

A right-handed batter and right-arm off-spin bowler, he played two first-class matches and umpired two ODIs from 1982 to 1984.

Mike Smith
died 1 March 2026

An entertaining top-order batter, his ODI career comprised all five of Scotland's matches at the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 1999, but his innings of 13 in the opening match against Australia proved to be his highest score.

Trevor McMahon
died 12 March 2026

A polished and often boisterous wicketkeeper, he was selected for New Zealand's gruelling tour of India and Pakistan in 1955/56, playing one Test against Pakistan and three against India. He played his final Test against the West Indies at Dunedin the same season but ended his Test career with only seven runs along with eight dismissals. At the time of his death, he was New Zealand's oldest surviving first-class player and the last born before 1930.

CD Gopinath
died 9 April 2026

A stylish right-handed batter with a sound defence and strong off-side shots, he played eight Tests between 1951 and 1960, scoring 242 runs at 22.00, to go with 4,259 runs at an average of 42.16 in first-class cricket. The last

surviving member of the XI that achieved India's first-ever Test win against England at Chennai in 1952, he took the catch to clinch the victory. Later in life, he served as a national selector and as manager of the Indian team during the 1979 tour of England.

MJK Smith
died 17 May 2026

A remarkably consistent run-scorer for Warwickshire, he made his England debut against New Zealand at Edgbaston in 1958 and went on to score 2,278 runs in a 14-year Test career, including three centuries and 11 fifties. He captained England in half his 50

Tests, including successive tours of India, South Africa and Australia. He remained involved with cricket after his retirement as an ICC match referee, officiating in four Tests and 17 ODIs. A dual international, he also won a rugby union cap for England against Wales in January 1956.



John Maclean
died 16 May 2026

A civil engineering and economics graduate, he kept wicket in four Tests for Australia and two ODIs against England in 1978/79 following the defection of many of the leading Australian players to World Series Cricket. He was a champion schoolboy athlete at Brisbane State High School, playing baseball, soccer and rugby union, before enjoying a decade-long career with Queensland. After retiring, he served as President of Queensland Cricket.

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES 2025–26

MEN

FULL MEMBERS

TEAM	TESTS	ODIs	T20Is
AFGHANISTAN	1	3	22
AUSTRALIA	9	7	23
BANGLADESH	6	15	27
ENGLAND	10	11	21
INDIA	9	9	30
IRELAND	3	0	14
NEW ZEALAND	6	12	37
PAKISTAN	4	13	39
SOUTH AFRICA	7	12	34
SRI LANKA	2	11	29
WEST INDIES	8	11	36
ZIMBABWE	5	2	28

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – ODIs & T20Is

TEAM	ODIs	T20Is
CANADA	3	12
NAMIBIA	7	16
NEPAL	16	20
NETHERLANDS	4	15
OMAN	7	17
SCOTLAND	13	14
UAE	8	28
USA	8	4

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS – T20Is

TEAM	T20Is
ARGENTINA	10
AUSTRIA	37
BAHAMAS	9
BAHRAIN	40
BELGIUM	9
BERMUDA	8
BHUTAN	14
BOTSWANA	16
BRAZIL	11
BULGARIA	15
CAMBODIA	17
CAMEROON	6
CAYMAN ISLANDS	15
CHINA	1
COOK ISLANDS	6
COSTA RICA	4
CÔTE D'IVOIRE	6
CROATIA	17
CYPRUS	20
CZECH REPUBLIC	8
DENMARK	3
ESTONIA	6
ESWATINI	9
FIJI	6
FINLAND	11
FRANCE	19
GERMANY	11
GHANA	4
GIBRALTAR	11
GUERNSEY	18
HONG KONG	16

TEAM	T20Is
HUNGARY	16
INDONESIA	58
ISLE OF MAN	5
ITALY	10
JAPAN	16
JERSEY	11
KENYA	17
KUWAIT	7
LESOTHO	5
LUXEMBOURG	7
MALAWI	24
MALAYSIA	23
MALI	6
MALTA	15
MEXICO	13
MOZAMBIQUE	5
MYANMAR	13
NIGERIA	21
NORWAY	19
PANAMA	2
PNG	9
PHILIPPINES	18
PORTUGAL	7
QATAR	19
ROMANIA	20
RWANDA	24
SAMOA	18
SAUDI ARABIA	5
SERBIA	12
SEYCHELLES	4
SIERRA LEONE	16
SINGAPORE	11
SLOVENIA	10
SOUTH KOREA	14
SPAIN	5
ST HELENA	4
SURINAME	6

TEAM	T20Is
SWEDEN	24
SWITZERLAND	15
TANZANIA	15
THAILAND	11
TIMOR-LESTE	8
TÜRKIYE	4
UGANDA	11
VANUATU	6
ZAMBIA	10



INTERNATIONAL MATCHES 2025-26

WOMEN

TESTS, ODIs & T20Is

TEAM	TESTS	ODIs	T20Is
AUSTRALIA	1	16	6
BANGLADESH		10	12
ENGLAND		16	10
INDIA	1	18	20
IRELAND		5	23
NEW ZEALAND		16	11
PAKISTAN		16	11
PNG		4	23
SOUTH AFRICA		24	18
SRI LANKA		12	11
UAE		8	15
WEST INDIES		11	11
ZIMBABWE		12	20



T20Is

TEAM	T20Is	TEAM	T20Is	TEAM	T20Is
AUSTRIA	11	INDONESIA	16	SCOTLAND	19
BAHRAIN	9	ISLE OF MAN	3	SERBIA	4
BHUTAN	6	ITALY	14	SIERRA LEONE	17
BOTSWANA	13	JAPAN	11	SINGAPORE	11
BRAZIL	19	JERSEY	4	SWEDEN	4
BULGARIA	8	KENYA	5	SWITZERLAND	8
CAMBODIA	3	KUWAIT	7	TANZANIA	24
CAMEROON	12	LESOTHO	12	THAILAND	26
CANADA	9	LUXEMBOURG	4	TURKEY	8
CHILE	3	MALAWI	20	UGANDA	25
CHINA	16	MALAYSIA	28	USA	19
COOK ISLANDS	5	MONGOLIA	8	VANUATU	17
COSTA RICA	3	MOZAMBIQUE	13	ZAMBIA	7
CYPRUS	6	MYANMAR	13	SPAIN	5
CZECH REPUBLIC	7	NAMIBIA	19	ST HELENA	4
DENMARK	12	NEPAL	23	SURINAME	6
ESTONIA	10	NETHERLANDS	26	SWEDEN	24
ESWATINI	5	NIGERIA	15	SWITZERLAND	15
FIJI	7	OMAN	20	TANZANIA	15
FINLAND	9	NORWAY	8	THAILAND	11
GERMANY	10	PHILIPPINES	12	TIMOR-LESTE	8
GHANA	2	QATAR	13	TÜRKIYE	4
GIBRALTAR	7	ROMANIA	4	UGANDA	11
GREECE	14	RWANDA	30	VANUATU	6
GUERNSEY	1	SAUDI ARABIA	5	ZAMBIA	10
HONG KONG	19	SAMOA	9		

AUDIT COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT



It is an honour to present my third report on behalf of the Audit Committee following the Audit Committee Meeting in March 2026.

This period marked the second year of ICC Chairman Jay Shah's valuable participation on the Audit Committee. His extensive experience continues to provide a considerable advantage across all our functions, and the committee benefits greatly from his ongoing presence and leadership.

The ICC Audit Committee met on two occasions between 1 June 2025 and 31 May 2026. The Committee continued to focus on ensuring that the ICC's internal systems and controls are effective and responsive to a challenging external environment, while evolving in line with an ever-increasing need to be more efficient in all operational matters. The Committee continued to discuss a number of important risk areas, including

commercial market consolidation, revenue diversification, corporate taxation and cybersecurity – securing an optimised cyber insurance framework during this period to mitigate evolving threats.

Throughout this period, the ICC management apprised us on business operations, evolving corporate risks and their management, ethics, and code-of-conduct-related processes. To ensure our risk framework remains dynamic, the Committee oversaw critical updates to the Corporate Risk Register to reflect global commercial shifts and macroeconomic realities.

We also welcomed the external auditor, KPMG, which presented its second report following a smooth transition cycle. As per the Committee's Terms of Reference, we are required to review the audited financial statements and the external auditor's report and make appropriate recommendations. At the March 2026 meeting, we reviewed and discussed the external audit report and draft statements for the period 1 January 2025 to 31 December 2025, noting that KPMG anticipated providing a clean, unqualified audit opinion. The review included assessing the accounting principles, significant estimates, the auditor's independence and the overall presentation of the financial statements. As part of our core role, we also evaluated the external auditor's performance and independence, and the impact of any non-audit services on their objectivity.

In strengthening our internal control environment, the Committee reached significant milestones this year. Notably, following an internal self-assessment and gap analysis of the Internal Audit function, we have initiated the process of hiring an external firm to facilitate a coached implementation of the resulting action plans from the internal assessment to align our practices with global best standards. Furthermore, alongside the execution of its regular work plan, a key highlight this year was a high-value, unconventional review conducted by the Internal Audit department to modernize the organisation's travel governance and sourcing framework. Expanding beyond traditional compliance boundaries, this specific exercise targeted cost optimisation and process modernisation in order to drive greater operational efficiencies and achieve enhanced compliance.

The first meeting of every year also requires us to endorse the Statement of Internal Control (issued by management) to the ICC Board to provide them with the necessary assurances regarding the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control framework. This statement was endorsed after due consideration of the results of the audits undertaken by the internal audit department, the extent to which audit recommendations have been implemented, the integrity of the ICC's risk management process, the minutes of key ICC committees, and discussions and reviews carried out alongside other relevant areas of ICC business throughout the 12-month period.

In my closing remarks, I express my gratitude to ICC Chairman Jay Shah, the directors, the Head of Internal Audit and management, who continue to show the utmost cooperation and support in enabling the Committee to achieve its objectives.

On behalf of the Audit Committee

Vijay Malhotra
Chair, Audit Committee
1 June 2026
Dubai, United Arab Emirates



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

ON THE SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL LIMITED

OPINION

The summary consolidated financial statements, which comprise the summary consolidated statement of financial position as at 31 December 2025, the summary consolidated statements of comprehensive income, changes in Members' funds and cash flows for the year then ended, and related notes, are derived from the audited consolidated financial statements of The International Cricket Council Limited ("the Company") and its subsidiaries ("the Group") for the year ended 31 December 2025.

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 IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards) applied in the preparation of the audited consolidated financial statements of the Group. Reading the summary consolidated financial statements and our report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the audited consolidated financial statements and our 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 6 April 2026.

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Management is 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".

KPMG Lower Gulf Limited

Richard Ackland
Registration No.: 1015
Dubai, United Arab Emirates
6 April 2026

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 2025

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	2025 USD'000	2024 USD'000
Event-related activities		
Revenue from ICC Events	706,058	728,474
Costs relating to ICC Events	(159,120)	(231,674)
Other activities		
Other revenue and income	12,753	12,831
Interest and investment income	34,669	35,282
General and administrative expenses	(45,706)	(44,897)
Finance costs	(7,520)	(7,163)
Foreign exchange loss	(52)	(146)
Net gain on financial assets	2,790	1,331
Strategic investment cost	(569)	(20,000)
NET SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	543,303	474,038
Other comprehensive income for the year	—	—
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR	543,303	474,038

The attached notes 1 to 5 form part of these summary consolidated financial statements.
The independent auditors' report is set out on page 91.

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 2025

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION	2025 USD'000	2024 USD'000
ASSETS		
Non-current assets	1,006,367	543,656
Current assets (excluding bank balances and cash)	480,239	743,260
Bank balances and cash	289,836	132,411
TOTAL ASSETS	1,776,442	1,419,327
LIABILITIES		
Deposit received (non-current)	165,228	164,240
Advances from commercial partners (non-current)	21,492	19,937
Deposits received (current)	7,601	8,137
Accounts payable and accruals	49,882	72,789
Advances from commercial partners (current)	391,827	565,761
Associate Member Fund	23,860	15,221
Other non-current liabilities	8,720	8,713
TOTAL LIABILITIES	668,610	854,798
NET ASSETS	1,107,832	564,529
REPRESENTED BY		
Members' Funds		
Allocable surplus	959,046	445,030
General reserves	148,786	119,499
	1,107,832	564,529

The summary consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors and were signed on their behalf by:



Jay Shah
Chairman



Sanjog Gupta
Chief Executive

The attached notes 1 to 5 form part of these summary consolidated financial statements.
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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 2025

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS’ FUNDS	Allocable surplus USD’000	General reserve USD’000	Total USD’000
As at 1 January 2024	—	90,491	90,491
Total comprehensive income for the year	474,038	—	474,038
Transfers	(29,008)	29,008	—
At 31 December 2024/1 January 2025	445,030	119,499	564,529
Total comprehensive income for the year	543,303	—	543,303
Transfers	(29,287)	29,287	—
At 31 December 2025	959,046	148,786	1,107,832

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS	2025 USD’000	2024 USD’000
Net surplus for the year	543,303	474,038
Adjustments pertaining to non-cash and non-operating items	(32,174)	(11,789)
Working capital adjustments	(374,834)	(292,527)
Net cash flows from operating activities	136,295	169,722
Net cash flows from investing activities	21,130	106,222
Net cash flows used in financing activities	—	(275,035)
Increase in cash and cash equivalents	157,425	909
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	132,411	131,502
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 31 DECEMBER	289,836	132,411

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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 2025

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 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 110 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 (“the ICC Group”) comprises the Company and its subsidiaries as indicated in Note 2 to the summary consolidated financial statements.

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: 2024–2027 CYCLE

In July 2023, the Members approved a financial model for the period 2024–2027 aligning it with the ICC’s largest revenue stream, the Indian media rights agreement. The principles of the new financial model are largely in line with the previous model of a distribution of surplus (i.e., dividends/distributions) to Members with amounts paid to Members classified as advance to Members to be offset once surpluses are distributed (i.e., dividends). The current model has incorporated a Strategic Investment Fund and a Contingency Allocation.

The summary consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 6 April 2026.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The summary consolidated financial statements have been derived from the audited annual consolidated financial statements of the ICC Group, which were approved by the Board on 6 April 2026. These summary consolidated financial statements were authorised for issue on 6 April 2026.

The audited consolidated financial statements are available at the Headquarters of the ICC in Dubai Sports City. 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 summary 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 IFRS Accounting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS Accounting Standards).

The aforementioned financial statements are prepared on a historical cost basis, except for certain financial assets and derivative financial instruments that have been measured at fair value.

For the material accounting policies and detailed notes to the consolidated financial statements please refer to the audited 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 2025

NOTES TO SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)

The aforementioned financial statements comprise the financial statements of the ICC and its following subsidiaries (“the ICC Group”):

Name of the subsidiary	Country of incorporation	Percentage shareholding		Principal activities
		2025	2024	
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.
International Cricket Council FZ-LLC (“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.
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 and treasury activities thereafter.
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.

3 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 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 the consolidated financial statements.

4 LOAN IN RELATION TO MEN’S T20 EVENT (STRATEGIC INVESTMENT COST)

As of 31 December 2025, the loan in relation to Men’s T20 event held in USA represents Board approved interest bearing loan of USD 22,000 thousand of which the Group had provided for the amount considered doubtful of USD 20,000 thousand in the year 2024.

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 2025

NOTES TO SUMMARY CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5 UAE CORPORATE INCOME TAX

On 9 December 2022, the UAE Ministry of Finance released the Federal Decree-Law No.47 of 2022 on the Taxation of Corporations and Businesses to enact a Federal corporate tax regime (“CT Law”) in the UAE. The CT Law is effective for accounting periods beginning on or after 1 June 2023.

Article 4 of the CT Law however provides for certain Persons to be exempt from corporate tax in the UAE. In particular, Article 4(1)(i) of the CT Law allows for a Person to be exempt as specified in a Cabinet Decision. Cabinet Decision No.1 of 2026 on Exempting Certain Sports Entities from Corporate Tax (“CD1”) was issued in January 2026 and effective from 1 June 2023. Pursuant to CD1, an International Sports Entity, Sports Entity or Ancillary Entity shall be exempt from CT provided certain requirements as set out in Article 2 of CD1 are met.

Management believes that IBC and FZ LLC meet all the conditions set out in Article 4(1)(i), read with CD1, of the CT Law. Considering all the substantive conditions required to meet the exemption criteria have been met and CD1 is effective from 1 June 2023, no CT provision has been recognized in the consolidated financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024. The Group has further represented this matter to the relevant UAE authorities to ensure that IBC and FZ LLC are granted formal exemption from CT which management expects to receive.

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