

# IMPORTANT NEWS FOR CUMBRIA CRICKET CLUBS



## Cumbria Cricket Board 2010 OSCA's

### OSCA's 2010

It's that time of the year again where we need to think about the hard work that volunteers have been doing in Cricket Clubs within our county. It's no exaggeration to say that cricket clubs and their players would be nowhere if it weren't for the time and effort of volunteers. From Chairmen, to coaches, to tea ladies, they are all integral to the running of a successful cricket club. Due to this it is equally important that we put the hard work in to ensure that these volunteers are recognised and rewarded for their efforts.

The **Cumbria Cricket Board** OSCA's are our way of reaching out and doing this.

In the words of England's Alistair Cook "Every cricket team has its unsung heroes and there are thousands of people involved in the sport who make a big contribution to the success of a club simply by preparing a pitch, keeping score or making teas.

"Without the countless hours of hard work by volunteers, many cricket clubs would not be able to function and the OSCAs is a great way of ensuring that they get the recognition they deserve."



2010 Young Volunteer winner Niall Holmes with England opener Alistair Cook

### EVENT DETAILS

This years **Cumbria Cricket Board** OSCA's event will take place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July at Barrow Cricket Club. Cumberland CCC is playing Cambridgeshire in a 3 day fixture. Many of the Nominees from Cricket Clubs, leagues & officials will be joining board members, invited guests at the game for lunch and the award ceremony

### NOMINATIONS

We're hoping for large numbers of nominees in each of the categories. An independent panel will meet to select the winners for each category. The CCB winning nominations are then sent to the ECB for consideration for the National NatWest OSCAs on the 4<sup>th</sup> October. Please circulate to club members, committees etc and make every effort to send us a nominee for each of the 7 categories from your organisation.

### Further Details :-

[www.ecb.co.uk/oscas](http://www.ecb.co.uk/oscas), or [cumbriacb.play-cricket.com](http://cumbriacb.play-cricket.com)

The deadline for sending the nominees names to us is **Monday 5th July 2010**

If you require further information please don't hesitate to contact the board office on **01539 560066**,  
e:mail [cumbriacb@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cumbriacb@hotmail.co.uk) or [malcolmjwood@aol.com](mailto:malcolmjwood@aol.com)



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## Nomination Categories and Judging Criteria

**Behind the Scenes** - Someone invisible who your club couldn't do without

**Building Partnerships** - A volunteer that has created sustainable partnerships with schools, voluntary organisations, other sports and the local community

**Leagues and Boards** - Dedication with results is what we're looking for here! This can be an individual or a group

**NatWest CricketForce** - This is for a volunteer or group of volunteers who have made an outstanding contribution to the 2010 event

**Outside the Scorebox** - This award is looking for an official who has visibly increased the quantity of officials in their county

**Young Volunteer** - This volunteer must be between the ages of 16 and 25 as of the 4th October 2010

**Lifetime Achiever** - We are looking for an individual who has made an outstanding difference to cricket for a sustained period

***The judging criteria differ from each other as each category differs from each other significantly, but there is a minimum standard that all of the nominations must show:***

- Evidence in the nomination form of the criteria having been achieved
- Evidence that the person has had a positive and sustainable impact on their club/organisation
- A demonstration of the volunteer going 'beyond the call of duty' and exceeding expectations for the good of the club/organisation/game of cricket
- An ongoing commitment to the club/organisation and it's members

Full details of the Judging Criteria is available to view and download from the ECB website - [www.ecb.co.uk/natwestoscas](http://www.ecb.co.uk/natwestoscas)



OSCA Winners at the Lords – 2008 CCB Representatives



# 2010 OSCAs Nomination Form



<b>Nominee</b>			
Name			
Address inc. postcode			
Contact No.		Mobile	
Email			
D.O.B. ( <i>Young Volunteer only</i> )			
Name of Club/League/ Board			
Category			
Reason for Nomination <b>150 words maximum</b>  (Please consult the Judging Criteria document for suggestions on what to include)			

<b>Nominator</b>			
Name			
Address			
Contact No.		Mobile	
Email			
Club			



## **NatWest OSCAs - The Pyramid**

### **NatWest OSCAs focus**

- To recognise those who give of their time freely to the game of cricket
- To value and to thank every volunteer – male and female, young and not so young, able and disabled at club, county and national level

### **Aims of the NatWest OSCAs programme**

- To recognise and thank volunteers
- To promote and develop volunteering in cricket
- To contribute to the future of the game

### **How the NatWest OSCAs work**

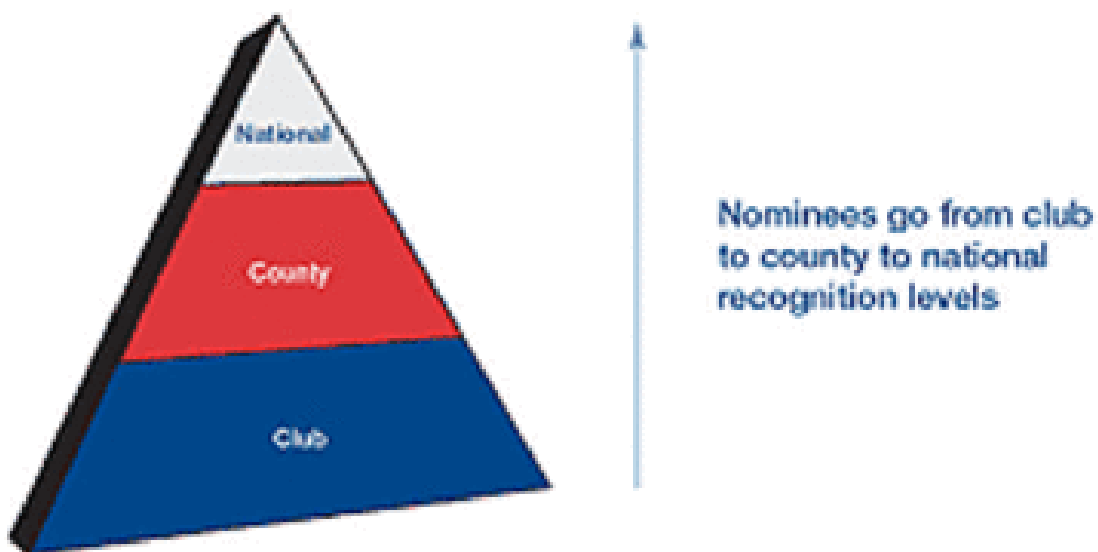
- Volunteers from all levels of the game are nominated using an online form
- The nominator will describe why their nominee is worthy of recognition – in 150 words!
- The County rep and his/her team will decide on who from their county will attend the event at Lord's
- A panel of outside judges will select the overall OSCA winners

Every nominee will be an NatWest OSCA winner and as such will receive a certificate.

Much as we would like to invite all those nominated to the event at Lord's – we are unable to do so. We do however very much hope that all clubs will hold their own mini OSCAs event in order to recognise their nominated volunteers.

We would also urge the County Boards to celebrate all of their OSCA nominees by holding an awards evening or similar.

Our aim is for nominees to go from club to county to national level...



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