Cricket – new scheme is gamechanger claim Cricket Scotland

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This new initiative aims to turn cricket into a mainstream sport in Scotland

All Stars Cricket aims to inspire five to eight-year-old children to take up the sport through a fun first experience.

The eight-week programme costing £40 features one-hour sessions and begins in May.

Boys and girls can develop their skills in a safe and inclusive environment at one of the 50-plus Scottish cricket clubs who will host sessions.

Registration is now open with each child receiving a pack of cricket goodies including a cricket bat, ball, backpack, water bottle, personalised shirt and cap.

There will also be a chance for youngsters to meet current Scotland internationalists as part of the scheme which will be led by trained and vetted activators at each club.

Statistics show that only two per cent of UK children aged seven to 15 named cricket as their favourite sport and three in five youngsters did not name cricket in their top ten sports.

Ian Sandbrook, Director of Participation at Cricket Scotland, said: "We believe All Stars Cricket could be a game-changer for the sport in Scotland.

"The programme will provide children and their parents with an outstanding first step into the sport and help create a generation of youngsters with a lifelong love of the game."
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