

Something ‘wicket’ this way comes

State of Indiana employees part of Cricket Tournament Sunday, Sept. 9

INDIANAPOLIS -- For the first time ever, State of Indiana employees are taking to the field and pitch to take their best whacks around the wickets in one of the world’s most popular – and unique – games.

A squad of state employees representing multiple agencies will be part of this Sunday’s annual CRIC Indy Corporate Cricket League Tournament. CRIC Indy League is “a corporate community based grassroots organization in Indianapolis,” according to <http://www.cricindy.com/about-us/>.

The round-robin style event runs from 8 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9 at the Chuck Klein Softball Complex and pits bowlers and batsmen from top area businesses against one another for bragging rights and much, much more.

The complex is located at 4702 Rockville Rd. The event was originally scheduled for Saturday,

Sept. 8, but expected inclement weather led organizers to reschedule.

Though the team members will certainly go “all out” in an effort to win the tournament, an overarching goal is to bring professionals from disparate corporate backgrounds together “to unwind, socialize and popularize their organization,” the CRIC Indy website states.

The result is the building of “a social networking platform” that promotes diversity in the corporate world and fosters professional connections, according to CRIC Indy.

A happy byproduct of bringing cricket to the forefront of the Indianapolis recreational sports scene is a contribution to wellness.

“We would always value the participation and involvement of participants, sponsors, vendors and all the people around us to elevate this community to build a happy and healthy lifestyle within the corporate community and promote cricket to the next level,” according to CRIC Indy.

The heart of the tournament, however, is of course its participants who appear ready to handle even the best

Bunsens. Check out the list of participating teams [here](#).

Indiana Department of Revenue Commissioner Adam Krupp serves as an advisory member of the CRIC Indy League. Krupp was integral in fielding the State of Indiana employees squad.

In preparation for their tournament debut, the players have been taking swings and practicing regularly.

Cricket, a sport that began in England and dates to medieval times, remains popular across the world though its rules, intricacies, and perhaps charm, often aren’t common knowledge on this side of the pond.

If you don’t know your gullys from your long offs, [click here](#) for a cricket crash course.

Whether you’re a regular Sir Garfield Sobers or a novice who’s never heard of a googly, a howzat or a doosra, the games are sure to be a great time for all involved.

The State of Indiana squad is calling on fellow state employees to fill the stands and act as the “12th man,” cheering the team on from the sidelines this Sunday.

It’s sure to be fun and missing out, as they say, “just wouldn’t be cricket.”

Learn more at <http://www.cricindy.com/>.

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Indiana Department of Revenue Commissioner Adam Krupp (far right) helped organize a State of Indiana employees’ cricket team. The squad takes the field this Sunday at the Chuck Klein Softball Complex in Indianapolis.