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Welcome to Cricket on Ice 2023

on Lake St. Moritz, Wednesday 15th – Saturday 18th February 2023

St Moritz Cricket Club are pleased to announce that plans for the 35th edition of the Cricket On Ice Trophy have been put in place and the event will take place on the frozen lake in St Moritz starting Wednesday 15th February and end on Saturday 18th February 2023.

Der St. Moritz Cricket Club freut sich, bekannt geben zu können, dass die Pläne für die 35. Auflage der Cricket On Ice Trophy stehen. Die Veranstaltung wird auf dem zugefrorenen See in St. Moritz stattfinden und am Mittwoch, den 15. Februar beginnen und am Samstag, den 18. Februar 2023 enden.

Le St Moritz Cricket Club a le plaisir d'annoncer que les plans pour la 35^{ème} édition du Cricket On Ice Trophy ont été mis en place. L'événement se déroulera sur le lac gelé de St Moritz à partir du mercredi 15 février et se terminera le samedi 18 février 2023.

Teams / Mannschaften / Équipes

The teams that will compete in the four-day Twenty20 format 2023 Cricket On Ice Trophy are [St Moritz Cricket Club](#) (hosts), [Old Cholmeleians](#) (Highgate, London), [Lyceum Alpinum](#) (Zuoz), [Roggenhorn Cricket Club](#) (Klosters, Switzerland), [Guards Cricket Club](#) (London, England), [Gussets Cricket Club](#) (London, England), [German Cricket Club](#) (Munich, Germany) & [Stokers Cricket Club](#) (London, England).

Schedule / Zeitplan / Programme

Wednesday 15 th February	10am - 12.50pm & 1.10pm - 4pm
Thursday 16 th February	10am - 12.50pm & 1.10pm - 4pm
Friday 17 th February	10am - 12.50pm & 1.10pm - 4pm
Saturday 18 th February	10am - 12.50pm & 1.10pm - 4pm

Please get in touch with the organising committee if you have any questions, or check our homepage www.cricket-on-ice.com. It would be a pleasure to welcome you on the lake, offer you refreshments and a chair in the sun from where you can watch the matches in the champagne climate of St. Moritz!

Bei Fragen wenden Sie sich bitte an das Organisationskomitee oder besuchen Sie unsere Homepage www.cricket-on-ice.com. Es wäre uns ein grosses Vergnügen, Sie auf dem See zu begrüßen, Ihnen Erfrischungen und einen Stuhl in der Sonne anzubieten, von wo aus Sie die Spiele im Champagnerklima von St. Moritz verfolgen können!

Pour toute question, veuillez contacter le comité d'organisation ou consulter notre page d'accueil www.cricket-on-ice.com. Nous serions très heureux de vous accueillir sur le lac, de vous offrir des rafraîchissements et une chaise au soleil d'où vous pourrez regarder les matchs dans le climat champenois de Saint-Moritz !

Yours sincerely / Mit freundlichen Grüßen / Cordialement

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About Cricket on Ice

The picture-postcard Swiss resort of St. Moritz is famous for the beauty of its ski slopes and the adrenalin rush of the Cresta Run, but for sheer quirkiness few sporting occasions can beat its February cricket festival on the ice of its frozen lake! This testament to the sport's eccentricity began in 1988, when a group of Britons challenged the students of the international boarding school Lyceum Alpinum Zuoz to a game, since which time it has become an integral part of the cricket calendar, attracting international players and high-flying businessmen from all over the world.

Cricket is a way of life, a game like no other in which one man, the batsman, is pitted against eleven opponents. But the bowler, too, when he stands alone before the man with the leg pads and the wooden bat, knows how much his aim may determine the success or failure of his team. Not without good reason, the captain has charged the bowler with the task of confronting the batsman who stands transfixed before him, eyes glued on him and almost motionless save for the ritual, gentle beating of the ground with his bat.

Cricket is renowned primarily as a sport for gentlemen and it may seem that what matters most of all is keeping those long, elegant white trousers free of grass stains. However, those who want to play the game seriously (and which English game isn't played in earnest?), will deploy considerable strength, agility and toughness, as well as tactical intelligence. Wielding that bat and reacting to spinning balls are skills not learned overnight and even learning the art of fair play, in which every clever move by your opponent is acknowledged with polite applause, needs years of experience.

On Lake St. Moritz, the game is a little different. Instead of whites, the players wear warm tracksuits. The ball is made of hard rubber, because traditional leather would become wet, heavy and unpredictable on the snow. The pitch is artificial grass. Under the weathered mixture of synthetic and natural snow, the ice creaks! In summer, players tread the meticulously prepared grass with a ghostly silence. Every step crunches on Lake St. Moritz. Whether the players score their runs enthusiastically or with nonchalance, their performance can be checked acoustically.

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Event tickets

No entry ticket is required to watch Cricket on Ice.

Professional pictures and filming

The media are invited to take pictures and to film at any time. Enjoy the show! Please be aware of the risks which are involved in a cricket match. Between the innings, the organiser is offering a 15 minutes time-gap for close-up shooting. Pictures and video material can be requested after the event from the organizers or visit www.cricket-on-ice.com for downloads.