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BARNES PRINCE CRICKET ACADEMY EXPECTS TO UNEARTH A WEALTH OF TALENT AT THE FIRST COACHING CLINIC SERIES FOR YOUNG CRICKETERS

Local cricketing icons, Ashwell Prince and Vincent Barnes have launched the **Barnes Prince Cricket Academy**, a realisation of their dream to develop and grow youth cricket in South Africa and create opportunities for young cricketers to hone their skills across all disciplines of the game.

The **Barnes Prince Cricket Academy (BPCA)** is aimed at all cricketers, regardless of age, gender, or skill level, and is committed to providing access to global best-practise cricket coaching and analysis.

The core objective of the BPCA is to improve cricketing knowledge and technical skills as well as physical ability in bowling, batting, and fielding. It aims also, to develop the mental strength of the cricketer who has the potential to play at national and international level.

Whilst not to let the grass grow under their feet, Barnes and Prince have announced that the BPCA will be hosting a series of cricket coaching clinics in 2023/2024, the first of which takes place on 12 and 13 December 2023, at Wynberg Boys Junior School. The clinic is aimed at young cricketers (boys and girls) between 9 and 13 years of age.

Vincent Barnes and Ashwell Prince, along with guest coaches and technical staff, will conduct the clinic, and will be joined at future events by other provincial, national and club cricketers and coaches.

Vincent Barnes and Ashwell Prince not only share a long history as fellow cricketers, but also share a firm belief that the Western Cape has a wealth of sporting talent, but that talent needs opportunity.

"We believe that the Barnes Prince Cricket Academy, the quality experience and expertise of our coaching team, and our network of support would play a significant role in unearthing and developing South Africa's next generation of national and international cricketers, says Barnes.

Barnes and Prince are overwhelmed by the support received from the cricketing community as well as national and international media houses and cricket enthusiasts, at the announcement of our first BPCA Cricket Coaching Clinic.

"We are encouraged by the attention given to our development programme and the interest from corporates to support our talent identification and sports development programmes, is exciting," says Prince,

The inaugural Barnes Prince Cricket Academy Clinic takes place on 12 and 13 December 2023 from 15:00 to 16:30 at Wynberg Boys Junior School and is open to Girls and Boys between 9 and 13 years of age. Bookings can be made via Quicket.

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