



# Media Release

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## **Giving young people a 'sporting chance'**

JT are pleased to announce that once again they are supporting The Lord's Taverners annual Summer Celebrity Cricket weekend, which is organised to raise funds for worthy sporting projects in the local community.

The charity weekend, taking place from Friday 24th June to Sunday 26th June, has become well known as one of the main highlights of the Bailiwick's summer sporting social calendar. Events will culminate with the popular Celebrity Cricket match in Herm on the Sunday.

In attendance will be celebrities from the world of theatre, TV and sport including: Chris Tarrant (TV personality); Steve McFadden (Eastenders' Phil Mitchell); Andy Caddick (Former England Cricketer); Struan Roger (actor, Game of Thrones); Felix Francis (Author); Lorraine Chase (TV personality); Ossie Ardilles (Former Tottenham Hotspur footballer and Argentinian International); Paul Miller (Former Tottenham Hotspur footballer); and Rob Andrews (Former English Rugby Union Footballer & Professional Rugby Director at RFU).

JT Deputy Managing Director, Tamara O'Brien, said: "The Lord's Taverners enhance the lives of disadvantaged and disabled young people through sport and recreation. Which is why we're really pleased to continue our long-standing association with them. Funds raised during the weekend will provide sport related activities and much needed facilities for youngsters within our community; the contribution of this vital funding can never be underestimated, and it's a pleasure to support our local community in this meaningful way."

She added: "We look forward to seeing many Islanders at Herm's International Cricket Ground to watch the match, spot some celebrities and enjoy a great day out."



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Over the past 12 months The Lord's Taverners have supported various local organisations and individuals, including funding a replacement mini-bus for Le Murier School. Their fundraising has also contributed to the recent redevelopment programme at King George V Field (KGV) and particularly the Lord's Taverners Pavillion, enabling all children regardless of ability to access activities held there.

Alex Ford, Chairman of The Lord's Taverners in Guernsey said: "Annually we aim to raise as much as possible to fund a number of projects to support disadvantaged children in Guernsey and enable them to enjoy sports activities. Thanks to the continued and generous support from JT over the Herm Weekend, we are able to keep offering local disabled and disadvantaged children opportunities to live fulfilled lives. Seeing a smile on their faces is what keeps us all motivated to push harder year on year."

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For further information, photos, or to set up interviews please contact Pauline Ramskill at Direct Input, telephone 01534 735253 or email [pauline@directinput.je](mailto:pauline@directinput.je)

## **Notes to Editors**

The Lord's Taverners are the UK's leading youth cricket and disability sports charity dedicated to giving disadvantaged and disabled young people a sporting chance. They provide young people, irrespective of background and ability, the everyday opportunity to play cricket and other competitive sports and enjoy physical activities to the benefit of their self-esteem, health, education and future socio-economic potential.

**Friday 24th June** - Duke of Richmond Hotel at 7.00pm for a welcoming drinks reception and dinner - £39.00 per head.

**Saturday 25th June** - St Pierre Park Hotel at 7/7.30pm for Pre-Cricket Dinner. Join the Celebrities and dance the night away to top Island Band City Limits - £47.50 per head.

**Sunday 26th June** - Herm Island, 9.30am or 10.15am, depart Guernsey to Herm to enjoy the Celebrity Cricket Match sponsored by JT with the Herm Lobster Lunch, and the now famous Lord's Taverners Auction. Presentation of trophies and the Trident back to Guernsey at 6.30pm - £90.00 per head.

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