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### HOWZAT FOR SUPPORTING CRICKET

Carmarthenshire will hold its first girls cricket coaching camp this summer - with the help of a world champion cricketer.

The one-day camp for girls aged eight to 13 is being held in August with the aim of improving skills and techniques, and to help develop girls and ladies cricket in the borough.

Supported by the English Cricket Board (ECB), there will be a masterclass from England all-rounder Jenny Gunn.

The event is linked to the girls under 13's county team that has been set up as a result of the Lady Taveners competition involving 5x60 school clubs across the area.

Carmarthenshire 5x60 Officer Lyn Brodrick said:

**“It’s the first time we’ve held a camp like this in Carmarthenshire and I think only two other similar events have been supported by the English Cricket Board (ECB) in Wales this year. To have Jenny Gunn coming along to help out is fantastic.**

**“We are hoping the event will show local clubs that there are many girls out there wanting to play and get involved in cricket. We hope that we can encourage more clubs to establish girls’ teams and build on the enthusiasm we’ve seen at our school sessions.”**

Pupils are encouraged to get active and involved in a range of sports and physical activity in school through their 5x60 sessions - a Sport Wales initiative, funded by the Welsh Assembly Government and run locally by Carmarthenshire Council.

Chair of Sport Wales, Professor Laura McAllister commented:

**“It’s pleasing that the popularity of cricket in 5x60 sessions in schools is being harnessed to increase sporting opportunities for women and girls.”**

The camp is being held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at Dafen Cricket Club, 10am-3pm. The cost is £5 per person.

For more information, or to book a place, contact Lyn Brodrick 07785593283 or e-mail [LBrodrick@carmarthenshire.gov.uk](mailto:LBrodrick@carmarthenshire.gov.uk).

Alternatively, send a cheque for £5 (payable to Dafen Cricket Club) to Carmarthenshire Council Sports Development, Ty'r Nant, Parc Trostre, Llanelli, Carmarthenshire, SA14 9UT.

For more information visit [www.sportwales.org.uk](http://www.sportwales.org.uk) or [www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk).

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