

## **WINNERS OF MANCHESTER PROFESSIONALS CRICKET LEAGUE 2010 ANNOUNCED**

The final fixtures of the Sellick Partnership Manchester Professionals Cricket League (MPCL) took place on 16<sup>th</sup> July at Timperley Cricket Club, with Grant Thornton winning the Cup Competition, and Deloitte winning the Plate competition for the second year running.

Jo Sellick established the league last year for professional service businesses across Manchester to promote cricket as a sport, and to create a platform for networking across the city – as well as raising money for both St Ann’s Hospice and the Lord’s Taverners. This year a total of twenty-eight teams participated in the League, four more than last year – which resulted in a total of 98 fixtures taking place since the beginning of May.

David Hawley, captain of the winning team, Grant Thornton has commented, "This was the first year Grant Thornton entered the Sellick Partnership MPCL. It was a great opportunity to meet new people and interact with other like-minded professionals. The competition was extremely well organised and took the usual hassle of arranging matches and securing grounds away from team captains. We're all looking forward to the start of the 2011 MPCL season and retaining our title..."

Jo Sellick, managing director and keen fan of the sport, has commented, "I am thrilled with the support that the MPCL has received this year, and the commitment of the teams involved – all teams have participated with a real sense of sportsmanship and approached the games in high spirits. We will be hosting the League again in 2011 – and it is my aim for the MPCL to become bigger and better year on year.

"I would also like to congratulate both Grant Thornton and Deloitte on their successes – and I look forward to presenting their awards alongside Alec Stewart at the End of Season Awards dinner in October."

**THE END**