

# Action from the previous race

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Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) comes alive under the stars tonight with an Open Track Night for cars.

Open Track is one of the most popular and highly subscribed events at "The Home of Motorsport in the Middle East", and this weekend's event is expected to attract car enthusiasts from all over Bahrain as well as from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Oman and the UAE.

Those taking part will be able to enjoy a drive around BIC's 2.55-kilometre Inner Track under BIC's state-ofthe-art floodlighting system.

Today's action will be held from 4pm until 11pm.

Guests will be able to choose between taking part for the whole night at BD105. They can also choose a drive for half the night at BD75,

and a single session drive at BD40. Friends or family members who would like to accompany a participant as a passenger in their car may do so at an extra fee.

Today's Open Track for cars will be run to the highest of international safety standards. although participants will still be able to push their vehicles to their very limit. All those taking part in the Open Track must first bring

their cars for scrutineering before being allowed to move forward. They must also own a valid driver's licence and must be wearing appropriate clothing along with closedtoe footwear.

Discounts are available for all those who book their participation in advance. Registration can be done online at www.bahraingp.com or call the BIC Hotline on +973-17-450000.

# De Villiers finds sweet spot on S. Africa return

Paarl, South Africa

A de Villiers feels he is hitting the ball as sweetly as he ever following his recent break from the South African side, an ominous sign for bowlers ahead of a busy season across all three formats.

South Africa were given a glimpse of what they have been missing as De Villiers flayed Bangladesh's attack with stunning ease on his way to a career-best oneday international score on Wednesday.

He smashed 176 from 104 balls, including seven towering sixes, as South Africa sealed the three-match series with a game to spare following a 104-run victory.

"I'm hitting the ball as well as ever and it felt that way out there, I could feel the ball coming off really well," he told reporters. "It's just nice to contribute."



De Villiers had been on a self-imposed exile from the side, but announced last month he would be available again in all three formats as South Africa prepare to welcome India and Australia for respective test series in the coming months.

"I just needed a couple of months away with the family, which I got," he said.

"I watched all the games the guys played and I've been in contact with them. It felt like I never really left, but I did miss being on the park and playing." (Reuters)

# **IMMAF 2017: Cutmen confirmed**



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nternational Mixed Martial Arts Federation has announced the final list of internationally certified Cutmen, who are confirmed for the World Championships held in Bahrain.

IMMAF 2017 World Championships will take place at Khalifa Sports City Arena from 12 to 19 November, as part of Brave International -Combat Week.

Bahrain is the only nation other than the United States of America to host the World Championships for Amateur Mixed martial Arts. Fighters are expected from approximately nations during the

Cutmen ensure the safety of the athletes during the bout and tend to the fighter between the rounds. Throughout the

world championships the cuts team will be supervised by Joseph Clifford and the longest serving cutman to the UFC, Bob Plant. The team will also be responsible for athlete hand wrapping.

Nine global graduates of official IMMAF certification have been selected from across six IMMAF member nations.

### Cuts team selection for the 2017 IMMAF World:

Nicola Vicarey - UK Jessica Isacsson - Ireland Deborah O'Sullivan - Ireland Liam Bowes - Ireland Syarul Afidah – Malaysia Afidah Yusof – Malaysia Angelo Tarantini – Italy Paulo Benedito - Portugal Jose Genaro - Mexico

### **Supervisors**

Bob Plant – UK Joseph Clifford - Ireland

## **CBA Division D: Indian Super Kings beat GT Abdulaal**

Indian Super Kings defeated GT Abdulaal by 2 wickets in CBA Division D match.

GT Abdulaal, who went to bat first, scored 83/9 in 20 overs. Indian Super Kings scored 84/8 in 16.3 overs, with Shiva becoming the top scorer with 34 runs.

### In other matches:

Alpha Fire Bahrain 128/7 in 18.4 overs (Dilian 39, Rafeeq 3/27) beat Bharath Legends 127/4 (Deepu 52, Rovinder 2/20) by 3 wickets.

Bulls 89/5 in 10.5 overs (Sunil 29, Sharyar 3/22) beat Young Blaster 86/10 (Shlor 36, Binoj 3/23) by 5 wickets.
Masters CC 144/6 (Faisal 41,

Nishad 46, Saneesh 3/25) beat Rangers 110/8 (Basheer 29, Jibin 38, Sakir 2/2) by 34 runs.

Bahrain Indian Challengers 128/10 (Mustafa 34, Rajesh 26, Sanjeev 3/17 ) beat Hempel Paints 68/10 (Kashif 10, Rajesh 3/19) by 60 runs.

ALghad Cargo 124/8 (Anil

25, Salman 3/24) beat Arabian Oryxes 109/5 (Taha 31, Zafran 31, Jerin 2/17) by 15 runs

Mudabar 54/3 in 10 overs (Hasham 24, Zeeshan 1/14) beat Azeem CC53/10 (Bilal 20, Rahil 3/5) by 7 wickets

Asma 182/6 (Sohaib 59, Abhi 3/15) beat Matrix 102/10 (Jagan 57, Ranjith 5/26) by 80

Liaison 114/9 in 19.2 overs (Saad 21, Hamza 2/15) beat Bassali Tigers 112/6 (Hamza 29, Riaz 2/18) by 1 wicket.

Zayani Motors 132/8 in 19.2 overs (Saqur 38, Waziq 22, Raji 4/23) beat Tornado Riders 131/10 (Manu 50, Imrar 3/17) by 2 wickets.

Pak Hawks 98/3 in 12.1 overs (Waseem 44, Aqeel 34, Kartik 2/18) beat Lantern Lions 96/9 (Kalpesh 19, Tayyeb 2/12) by 7 wickets.

Shafig Glass 119/5 in 19.1 overs (Naem 56, Faisal 2/29) beat Spartans 118/8 (Atif 39, Yasir 3/13, Nabeel 3/22) by 5 wickets.