



England's Under-19s squad in Potchefstroom during their Tri-Series against South Africa and Namibia

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Brook to lead England at ICC Under-19s World Cup

Harry Brook of Yorkshire has been appointed captain of a 15-man England squad for the ICC Under-19s World Cup in New Zealand which starts next month.

The squad includes four players from Middlesex – Savin Perera, Luke Hollman, Ethan Bamber and wicketkeeper Jack Davies; three from Somerset – Tom Lammonby, Fin Trenouth and another wicketkeeper, Tom Banton; and two each from Glamorgan (Prem Sisodiya and Roman Walker) and

Worcestershire (Dillon Pennington and Adam Finch).

Warwickshire opener Liam Banks, Surrey all-rounder Will Jacks and Hampshire all-rounder Tom Scriven complete the 15.

"The players have shown with their performances in the Tri-Series in South Africa over the last couple of weeks that they can travel with plenty of optimism," said David Graveney, a member of the Under-19s selection panel with John Abrahams and Jon Lewis, who will be head coach for the World Cup.

"We have really benefited from the flexibility permitted by selecting a number of over-age players for the Super-4s competition for the country's outstanding Under-17s this summer, which allowed a couple of Under-18s such as Savin Perera and Fin Trenouth to put in the performances that have led to their selection in the World Cup squad.

"This is an exciting opportunity for them, and for the rest of the squad – to travel to New Zealand, and to test themselves against the outstanding players from other countries in this age group.

"It's also worth congratulating Middlesex, Somerset, Worcestershire and Glamorgan, who contribute the majority of the squad, as a reward for the quality of their Academies."

Lewis, the former England seamer who is now assistant coach at Sussex and currently working with the Lions in Australia, said: "I've been receiving regular reports of the team's progress in South Africa from Richard Dawson and the other coaches, and I'm really looking forward to joining the squad ahead of the World Cup."

Lewis will be assisted by Jonathan Trott as batting coach, Neil Killeen as fast bowling coach, and Chris Taylor as fielding coach – his last tournament as the ECB's fielding lead before joining Surrey.

David Parsons, the ECB's Performance Director, said: "Thanks are due to Richard Dawson and to James Taylor for the work they have done on what has been a successful and enjoyable Tri-Series in South Africa for the Under-19s, creating a platform for what will hopefully be an even more successful

World Cup campaign.

"Chris Taylor has been a key figure in providing specialist fielding support to the players on the Men's Pathway and the England team over the past decade and we wish him luck in his new role at Surrey.

"We will now begin the process of appointing both a new fielding lead and permanent Head Coach to the Young Lions programme and hope to have both in place after the Under 19 World Cup."

Squad: Harry Brook (Yorkshire, captain), Ethan Bamber (Middlesex), Liam Banks (Warwickshire), Tom Banton (Somerset, wk), Jack Davies (Middlesex, wk), Adam Finch (Worcestershire), Luke Hollman (Middlesex), Will Jacks (Surrey), Tom Lammonby (Somerset), Dillon Pennington (Worcestershire), Savin Perera (Middlesex), Prem Sisodiya (Glamorgan), Tom Scriven (Hampshire), Fin Trenouth (Somerset), Roman Walker (Glamorgan).

Details

Warm-up matches: v Ireland (Jan 9, Christchurch), v Sri Lanka (Jan 11, Lincoln)

Group matches (all Queenstown): v Namibia (Jan 15), v Bangladesh (Jan 18), v Canada (Jan 20).

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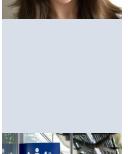


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