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Super over star Jofra Archer kicks off nationwide Winners' World Cup Trophy Tour

ICC Men's Cricket World Cup Winner Jofra Archer was at former club Horsham CC yesterday (06/10), inspiring local kids to say 'cricket is a game for me' as the famous trophy embarks on a nationwide winners' tour this month.

The fast bowler was at his former club to celebrate a remarkable year of cricket with new fans and former teammates. As part of his visit, Archer chatted with junior club members and All Stars children, took part in a Q&A, and posed for photos with the local community.

England and Sussex CCC cricketer, **Jofra Archer** said: "Winning the World Cup was an amazing experience and as a team we want to make sure we share the trophy with all the fans who supported us. It's great to come back to my old club and celebrate with the guys I used to play with and newcomers to our game.

"It's amazing to come back to a place that supported me so much when I first started out in the Sussex leagues. Seeing new juniors at the club now inspired to play cricket because of my bowling and England's achievements is very humbling."

World Cup heroes Jos Buttler, Chris Woakes and Eoin Morgan will also be joining the tour this month as the trophy visits some of the clubs, schools and cricket communities that helped develop the England players from grassroots stars to World Cup winners. Players will be involved in coaching All Stars Cricket sessions, taking part in Q&As, and meeting club members and newcomers to the sport.

Speaking about the tour, winning captain **Eoin Morgan** said: "It was a dream come true to the lift the World Cup trophy in July and it is great to have the opportunity to share that moment with as many fans as possible. Joining the fans at The Oval the day after the final was incredible and this tour will allow the players to continue the celebrations.

"It is important we make the most of the positivity around cricket to encourage more people to play the game. As a team we were inspired by the videos of support and celebration we saw across social media. We want this tour to inspire future England cricketers from the clubs we'll be visiting and who knows, they might even lift the World Cup themselves one day."

The trophy will be on a 15-stop nationwide tour designed to visit thousands of fans, with the aim to inspire the next generation of cricketers as an extension of ECB's strategy, Inspiring Generations.

Chief Executive Officer of ECB, **Tom Harrison** added: "We're excited to be able to use the World Cup trophy to inspire kids across the country that wanted to pick up a bat and ball after watching the dramatic final at Lord's.

"To win a World Cup on home soil is an incredible achievement and we're

determined to take advantage of the cricket buzz that has been generated as a result of this triumph."

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