



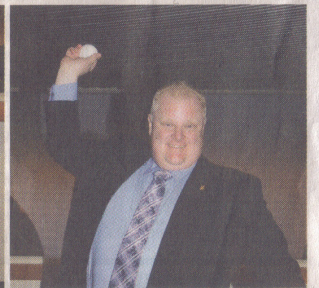
# Batting For The City!

By Binoy Thomas

Toronto: Cricket has become so much a part of the political language this season that just like how our politicians used to get newer haircuts (McGuinty) and other image improvements, don't be surprised if some of them employ coaches on how to hold the bat straight. As evident from these photos here, everyone is experimenting with the willow. Discovery: A bit ironical, but Jim Flaherty and Mayor Rob Ford, both known for their leaning to the Right politics are left-handed batsmen! Ford goes even further, trying to bowl and keep wicket. At least, this football coach is willing to try new things, both on the field and in the chamber, unlike the 'socialists' who love to sit on their fannies and talk and talk and talk while taking the city deeper and deeper into the hole.

Mayor Ford will be seen on the pitch with Minister Flaherty (if he is still the Minister then) at an upcoming cricket event - CIMA Canada Mayor's Trophy 2011 to be played at the Sunnybrook Park in Toronto, on June 25. Amal Ratnayake, Deputy President of CIMA, a body of Chartered Management Accountants that is co-presenting the trophy along with the City of Toronto, said, "MPP Christine Elliott and Minister Flaherty have been very supportive of CIMA community initiatives and we look forward to welcoming them as special guests at the Mayor's Trophy." It's not quite guaranteed they will stick around the wicket once the elections are done.

Photographs by Bashir Nasir



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## Rob Ford set for CIMA Mayor's cricket cup in June

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Toronto Mayor Rob Ford balances a cricket ball at City Hall surrounded by Ranil Mendis, Peter Karunaratne and Ken Jeffers. Picture by Bashir Nasir

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James M. Flaherty Canada's Minister of Finance poses with cricket bat. Picture by Wimal Itthalawela

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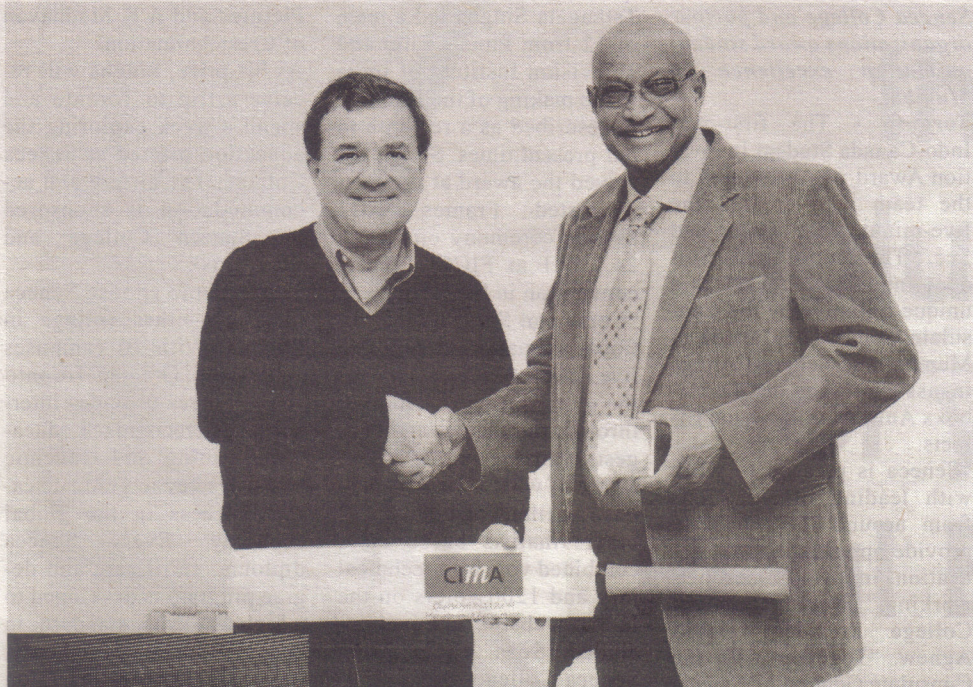


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