

V. Caribbean Sport

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Cricket has symbolic importance in Barbados, which has dominated regional cricket since 1865, and has sent many players to the professional ranks in Britain since 1968. The reason is a system of elite schools based on the British public schools with a Muscular Christian ethic. These stressed the importance of cricket in preparing future leaders, and became part of local political culture. Unlike the British schools, they remained virtually unchanged for over a century, and cricket spread to the lower classes without losing the ethic of its origins. Based on secondary sources: 70 notes.

—Mary Lou LeCompte