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## **Pollard and Warner burst into All-Star XI**

Dominant performances from big-hitting duo catch eye of selectors

**Delhi, 20 October 2009** – The eye-catching performances of Trinidad & Tobago's Keiron Pollard and NSW's David Warner has earned them selection in the latest round of the Airtel Champions League Twenty20 (CLT20) All-Star XI.

The All-Star XI was updated after the completion of last night's League stage, with Delhi's Dirk Nannes and Victoria's Andrew McDonald among the others to force their way into the team.

Pollard has been one of the standout players of the tournament. His match-winning 54 from 18 balls against New South Wales in the League stage is the performance of the Airtel Champions League Twenty20 so far. He leads the tournament with a strike rate of 203.39 and along with RC Bangalore's Ross Taylor has cleared the boundary 11 times.

NSW Blues opener Warner made it impossible for selectors to leave him out after a pair of explosive innings in the League stage. The left-hander smashed 63 from 41 balls against Trinidad & Tobago and followed up with a whirlwind 40 from 16 balls against Somerset to help NSW book a semi-final appointment against the Victorian Bushrangers.

Delhi Daredevil Dirk Nannes is another to earn place in the second selection of the XI. Nannes sits second on the wicket-takers' list with nine, including five dismissals in his previous two matches. His 3-19 in last night's match against Cape Cobras at Feroz Shah Kotla Stadium was instrumental in ensuring Delhi recorded a win in their final match of the tournament.

The CLT20 All Star XI is a team chosen by ESPN Star Sports commentators containing six batsmen, four bowlers and one wicket-keeper based on the Group and League stages of the tournament.

Today's selection is the second of three that will occur before the final All-Star XI is named after the Airtel Champions League Twenty20 Final on 23 October. The XI will be next updated after the Semi Finals.

To be considered for selection in the All Star XI, a player must be ranked in the top 20 for batting (runs scored), top 15 for bowling (wickets taken) or among the top four wicket-keepers (dismissals).

If a player is listed in more than one category, selectors have the flexibility to name them in either group.

All the statistics for the tournament can be found on the Airtel CLT20 website, [www.clt20.com](http://www.clt20.com).

The full CLT20 All-Star XI is as follows:

**CLT20 All-Star XI**

Virender Sehwag (Delhi Daredevils)  
David Warner (NSW Blues)  
JP Duminy (Cape Cobras)  
Ross Taylor (RC Bangalore)  
Jacques Kallis (RC Bangalore)  
Keiron Pollard (Trinidad & Tobago)  
Denesh Ramdin (Trinidad & Tobago) wk  
Dwayne Bravo (Trinidad & Tobago)  
Andrew McDonald (Victorian Bushrangers)  
Dirk Nannes (Delhi Daredevils)  
Anil Kumble (RC Bangalore)

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