



**WARRINGAH
CRICKET CLUB**
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PLAYERS HANDBOOK SEASON 2011/12

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On behalf of the Warringah Cricket Club Committee, I want to welcome everyone to the Club.

I would like to introduce you to this year's Committee and Captains:

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| President: | Rory Wightley |
| Vice President: | Ian Bassett |
| Secretary | Simon Cleary |
| Treasurer | Paul Chapman |
| Club Captain | Brad Lewis |
| Chairman of Selectors | Paul Dolby |
| Management Committee: | Brett Curry |
| | Jason Costain |
| | Tom Kelly |
| | Tristan Rajah |
| | Scott Ryan |
| Club Coach | David Gainsford |
| Assistant Coach | Bob Rollins |
| Training coordinator | Greg Rollins |
| 1 st Grade | Danny Reynolds |
| 2 nd Grade | Ian Bassett |
| 3 rd Grade | Billy Lloyd-Green |
| 4 th Grade | Geoff Tucker |
| Frank Gray U24s | Tim Bourke |
| Tim Creer Green | Doug McGrath |
| Tim Creer White | Greg Boyer |

This booklet is important because it provides information that you will need this year. These include the playing fees, Coach's expectation and training days, the draw, club song, sponsors and the clothing policy. If you have any questions please see me and I will do my best to assist you or put you in touch with the person that can help.

This booklet is your guide to for all events during the season of 2011/12, please ensure you read and understand it fully.

Rory Wightley
President



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CODE OF CONDUCT

Introduction

The game of Cricket has traditionally strived to maintain and promote the highest levels of conduct and sportsmanship. We are all familiar with the saying “It isn’t cricket” which implies that a certain type of behaviour is unacceptable. This document is to provide all members of Warringah Cricket Club a set of guidelines that are expected to be carried out by players, umpires, and supporters associated with the club. These guidelines are relevant during match days (on and off the field), training, club functions and at any other time when representing Warringah Cricket club.

The guidelines include, in part, the Players’ Code of Conduct as per the NSW Cricket Association, and will be enforced by the committee of the Warringah Cricket Club, and/or by the Judiciary Committee of the NSW Cricket Association where necessary. Players and spectators in breach of these guidelines can expect to receive penalties varying from a caution through to suspension, depending on the severity and the nature of the breach.

Objective

The Club objective is to ensure that all players representing Warringah Cricket Club play cricket in the true spirit and traditions of the game so that the game can be enjoyed by all, including spectators, opposing players and umpires.

Code of Conduct

(Incorporating the By-Laws of the NSW Cricket Association)

No person bound by this Code of Conduct shall engage in disorderly or improper conduct or behaviour. Disorderly or improper conduct or behaviour includes, but is not restricted to, a person:

- a) Assaulting or attempting to assault, or abusing, either orally or physically, an umpire, player or spectator
- b) Disputing, as distinct from questioning, an umpire’s decision, or reacting in an obviously provocative manner towards and umpire
- c) Using crude or abusive language, or hand signals or other gestures
- d) Engaging in any form of conduct or behaviour detrimental to the spirit of the game or likely to bring the game into disrepute
- e) Refusing to supply that person’s name and that person’s address when required by another person who is lodging a report
- f) The captain of a team shall ensure that the players (including the person acting as 12th man) comply with the Code of Conduct. The captain of a team breaches the Code of Conduct if a player in that team engages in continuing disorderly or improper conduct or behaviour.



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Racial and Religious Vilification Code

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No person who is participating in a match under the jurisdiction or auspices of the NSW Cricket Association or its affiliates shall engage in any conduct, act towards or speak to any other person in a manner which offends, insults, humiliates or vilifies such person on the basis of that person's race, religion, colour, descent or ethnic origin. The captain of a team shall ensure that the players (including the person acting as 12th man) comply with the Racial and Religious Vilification Code.

Disciplining of Members

Members found to be in breach of the Code of Conduct or not following the guidelines set out under the Expectation of Players, will be subject to Section 18 of the Rules of Warringah Cricket Club Inc – "Disciplining of Members".

Any issue brought to the Management Committee as such, may result in:

- i. A warning in the nature of a reprimand to the member
- ii. Suspension of any or all privileges attached to membership of the Club for a specified period
- iii. Suspension or disqualification of the member from membership of the Club for a specified period
- iv. Expulsion of the member from the Club
- v. Any other form of action deemed appropriate by the committee



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Warringah Cricket Club - Expectation of Players

The Committee of Management of the Warringah Cricket Club has set down these guidelines for all players, umpires, and supporters, representing Warringah Cricket Club.

The Spirit of Cricket

Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action, which is seen to abuse this spirit, causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play, not only rests with the captains, but with all players alike.

Drug and Alcohol Abuse

Alcohol:

(a). Players are not permitted to participate at club training or represent the club on the playing field under the influence of alcohol. There is NO exception to this rule.

Players found to be in breach of this WILL be subjected to Section 18 (Disciplining Members) of the Rules of the Warringah Cricket Club Inc.

(b). Players under the age of 18 are not permitted to drink alcohol at club functions, including training and match days/nights.

Players assisting under-age players to gain access to alcohol is considered, by the committee, to represent a serious breach of the Code of Conduct, and will be subjected to Section 18 (Disciplining Members) of the Rules of the Warringah Cricket Club Inc.

Drugs:

(a). Players are not permitted to participate at club training or represent the club on the playing field under the influence of recreational drugs, or drugs considered to be illegal in accordance to Cricket Australia. There is NO exception to this rule.

Players found to be in breach of this WILL be subjected to Section 18 (Disciplining Members) of the Rules of the Warringah Cricket Club Inc.

(b). Players are not permitted to possess or use recreational or illegal substances at club functions, including training and match days/nights. There is NO exception to this rule.

Players found to be in breach of this WILL be subjected to Section 18 (Disciplining Members) of the Rules of the Warringah Cricket Club Inc. with a view to expulsion. Players may also be reported to external authorities depending on the severity of the breach.



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Playing Days

Match Day Expectations:

Players are to arrive at the ground at the time designated by their captain, dressed in their club clothing. When playing away, a car pool may operate from Weldon Oval. Departure time from the ground varies depending on the travelling time. At home games there are various duties that need to be done. These include laying boundary markers, removal of covers from playing area, setting up the scoreboard, the sightscreens, and any sponsors' banners. After play, the covers need to be put away properly, and the sightscreens dismantled and put away.

Umpiring Decisions:

The umpire's decision is final and should be accepted immediately, whether batting or fielding. A bowler is entitled to ask the umpire why he turned the appeal down, but should accept this explanation, if one is given, and immediately play on. The use of offensive language, generally in the form of a disparaging and abusing remark to an umpire, is not acceptable.

Walking:

When there are no neutral umpires, a batsman **must** walk if he is in no doubt that he has been dismissed fairly. Placing pressure on your teammate, who is acting as umpire, can place doubt in his mind and lead to unnecessary friction between the two teams.

Upon being dismissed:

The actions of the dismissed batsmen, in failing to leave the crease promptly on being given out and then banging his bat on the ground or throwing the bat on returning to the pavilion, including audible foul language, is unacceptable.

Post-Match Drinks:

Players are encouraged to have a drink and friendly chat with the opposition after a match, either home or away, but should also make every effort to return to the Weldon Oval clubrooms in time for the after-match presentations.

After-Match Presentations:

After-match presentations are held in the clubrooms as soon as possible after the last away team returns to Weldon Oval. Awards are made to the best player of each team, as well as the "Player of the Round" and the "Clubman of the Round". **All players should make every possible effort to attend these presentations.**

Training, Selections and Off Field Activities

Training Expectations:

All players are expected to attend training at the designated times during pre-season and the regular season. It is understood that work and family commitments can clash with those of the cricket club, but every effort should be made to attend training. Your captain, or the practice captain, should be informed if you are unable to attend training.



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Training Attire:

Tracksuit pants, club shorts, or appropriate training shorts (**no boardshorts**), training cap and the club's training shirt should be worn at all training sessions.

Player Availability:

All players are expected to be available for all games throughout the season. Exceptions can occur, but wherever possible, plans involving weekends without cricket, should be scheduled outside the cricket season

Selection Criteria:

Where a player is unavailable for selection, he should not consider himself a certainty to be selected as soon as he makes himself available again. It is quite possible that he will not be selected in any grade upon his return.

Covers:

Players are expected to assist with the laying of pitch covers on the evening before home games. Generally speaking, this occurs at about 5:45 pm on Friday evenings but may change due to inclement weather. If you cannot make it due to other commitments, phone your captain.

Social Functions:

Throughout the season there are several functions organised by the Social Committee. Key functions include a Trivia Night and the Annual Presentation Night, but there are many others. It is expected that players will make every effort to attend club functions, and where possible, invite as many of their friends as possible.

Racism

Racial Vilification:

Refer to the "Racial and Religious Vilification Code" outlined on page 2. Under **NO** circumstances will the club tolerate breaches of this code. The committee will deal with Warringah players in the appropriate manner, if an official NSWCA report is not made. Likewise, if a Warringah player is subjected to such abuse, the club will take the matter to the NSWCA under the correct guidelines and ensure the matter is dealt with in the appropriate manner

Fees

Subscriptions:

All subscriptions should be paid as soon as possible after the season commences. A discount applies if subscriptions are paid in full prior to 1st November. Subscriptions are announced at the AGM at the start of every season.

Afternoon Tea Levy:

An annual levy is charged to provide afternoon tea at Weldon Oval. This system ensures that Warringah Cricket Club provides players, umpires and supporters with a varied and plentiful supply of food for afternoon tea. The levy is set by the committee at the start of each season.



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Clothing Levy:

An annual levy for the supply of official club clothing is set every season. Club clothing usually includes playing shirt, training shirt, polo shirt, training cap and white cricket pants. The retail value of the clothing package varies from season to season, and the levy is heavily subsidised by the club, representing a substantial saving to each player.

The Code of Conduct for Warringah Cricket Club Inc was last amended September 2005.



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ANNUAL CLUB FEES

Fees for Season **2011/12** are due **NOW** and **MUST BE PAID IN FULL** before the **1st ROUND**

ALL FEES MUST BE PAID IN FULL BY 24.09.11

Any player who has difficulty in paying fees by 24.09.11 must speak to the Club Treasurer Paul Chapman before the start of Round 1 and a PAYMENT PLAN may be arranged

Season Players Fee Structure

| | |
|------------------------|------------------------|
| <u>SENIORS</u> | <u>15.11.10</u> |
| Membership | \$500.00 |
| <u>STUDENTS</u> | <u>15.11.10</u> |
| Membership | \$450.00 |

Pathway Program Fee Structure

*A player is **eligible to be deemed a Pathway player** if he is **18 years or under as at 31 August** in the year of season commencement;*

Prior to Round 2 of the Sydney Shires competition, MWDC is to nominate players 56 to 60 ("**Fringe Grade Pathway Players**") from the WCC selected squad subject to:-
the nominated players being **17 years or under as at 31 August '11**; and
the players agreeing to the nomination; and
the players being in WCC 3rd grade or below

The fee structure for the Pathway Program is as follows:-

- 1) The fees for a **Pathway player** (see definition on the next page) will be capped at \$400 for MWDC and \$450 for WCC; and
- 2) The fees for a Pathway player will be allowed to be paid in a staged payment scheme if the player is initially selected in MWDC 5th grade or WCC 3rd, 4th & 5th grades; and
- 3) A Pathway player initially selected in MWDC 4th grade (and above) is not eligible for a staged payment scheme i.e. he must pay the full capped fee (\$400) by Round 1; and
- 4) A Pathway player initially selected in WCC 2nd grade (and above) is not eligible for a staged payment scheme i.e. he must pay the full capped fee (\$450) by Round 1; and



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5) A Pathway player initially selected in WCC 3rd grade may pay the staged payment scheme for Round 1, but if he is not nominated as a **Fringe Grade Pathway Player** (see definition on the next page) prior to Round 2 he must then pay the full capped fee (\$450) by Round 2; and

6) A Pathway player initially selected in WCC 3rd grade and subsequently nominated as a Fringe Grade Pathway Player may continue on the staged payment scheme; and

7) If the Pathway player is eligible for the staged payment scheme he must initially contribute a fee of \$100 (equivalent to 5 games) to the club (MWDC or WCC) in which he plays his first game of the season. This fee will contribute to covering clothing, insurance etc for the clubs. Once 5 games have been played by the player, he will then be charged another \$100 for a further 5 games. Once the player is ready to play his 11th game for that club, he must contribute the remainder of the respective fees for the club which he is playing up to the capped amount (see item 1 above); and

8) If the player moves between clubs, he will be required to commence a staged payment scheme with the new club and pay \$100 before the first game. The payment scheme will then continue to be implemented as per item 7 above;

9) Fee payments are to be undertaken with respective club treasurers by either cheque or electronic payment; and

10) The Pathway player's season roster will be coordinated at the conclusion of the season. The number of games played for WCC and MWDC teams during the season will be calculated and any amendment to the fees (against the initial the paid fees) will be then split pro-rata between the respective clubs.

Please note above fees includes:

- Clothing, Playing shirt, Training shirt, Club shirt & Club shorts & white hat
- Afternoon Tea Levies.

Fees are to be paid via internet banking. Details are:

Bank: Bendigo Bank
BSB: 633-000
Account: 142205061
Account Name: Warringah Cricket Club Incorporated

When completing your transaction ensure you include full name in the narration field. It is your responsibility to pay your fees by the due date. You will be considered non-financial and not available for selection if your fees are not paid in full by the due dates.



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CLOTHING POLICY

While we are at training and on games days the club expects all its members to be professional about our cricket, this includes our behaviour and the way we look. Hence the club has and will be enforcing a clothing policy. The club this year is including the club shorts and with the all the other clothing subsidised the club expects all players to follow the following policy:

Training

Training Shirt, Club shorts

Game Day – 2 day games

Arrive to the ground

Club Shirt & Club Shorts

Warm up

Training Shirt & Club Shorts

2 day Game

Playing Shirt and WCC pants

Game Day – 1 day games

Arrive to the ground

Training & Club Shorts

Warm up

Training Shirt & Club Shorts

Game

Club Shirt and WCC pants



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GAINSY'S EXPECTATIONS

Quality practice doesn't need perfect wickets, nets, equipment & opponents. It needs you to do the right things well.

Training routines:

- Wednesday training is compulsory, Tuesday optional
- Start time for pathway players is 4pm (finish approx 5:30pm), start time for all other players 5pm onwards
- Each player to jog a lap of Weldon & stretch for 10 mins before joining net session.
- Every training will finish with a '**Captains Run**' approx 20-30 mins. This will most of the time be a fielding session (up to captain what they want to do) **training does not finish when the net session is over!**
- **Train with a purpose** eg simulate match situation when batting, bowl to a field, get coaches to help with part of their game etc.
- Train as you play, ie no fast bowlers bowling spin & vice versa. If bowlers are tired go to do catching practice. Batsmen, do the same or help a mate with some throw downs
- Challenge each other, batsmen ask the bowler what his field is & bowlers look to bowl to it. Bowlers to 'hunt in packs' work together in nets to get the batsmen out, share ideas & plans. Spinners to do this also.
- Each player to catch at least 60 catches per session. Wicket keepers 120 per session. This can be spread out over the training. If done in groups no more than 6 people in a catching drill.

Enjoy it. Enjoy your mates. But at practice, do it properly, both for yourself & your team mates. Don't waste anything. Do everything as well as you can, & encourage others to do the same. Don't accept poor practice methods from anyone. Be busy, look for extra things to do & make every practice worthwhile.



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OTHER DATES TO REMEMBER

| DATE | SOCIAL EVENT | VENUE |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2 nd Oct | NRL Grand Final Bonding Session | Harbord Hilton |
| 2 nd Dec | Annual Golf Day | Bayview Golf Club |
| 17 th Dec | Christmas party | Hopefully new clubhouse |
| 26-Jan | Australia Day 6-a-side tournament | Frank Gray Oval |
| TBA | Presentation Night | Pittwater RSL |



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Warringah Cricket Club Victory Song

Cos were a mighty bunch of cricketers
And each one is a star
And if you want to find us
You'll find us at the bar
And if you what to join us
You'll have to join the queue
And then you'll be a member of the mighty Warringah crew

Cos we are mighty team of legends
We can do it all
From batting, bowling, fielding
Your wicket will surely fall
Now the game is over
You can head off west
Cos once again you have failed the mighty Warringah test

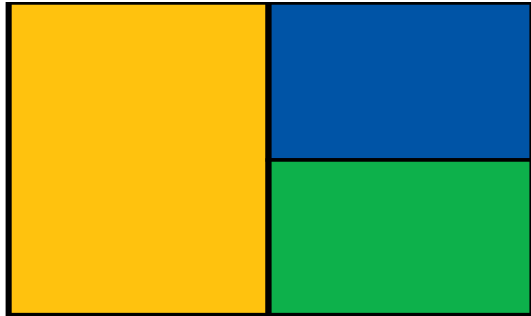
Cos were a mighty bunch of cricketers
And each one is a star
And if you want to find us
You'll find us at the bar
And if you what to join us
You'll have to join the queue
And then you'll be a member of the mighty Warringah crew



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