## SELECTION POLICY

This policy details the Buckley Park Cricket Club's requirements regarding senior team selection for all playing members.

## **Objectives**

The objectives of selection are to balance the following needs of Buckley Park Cricket Club:

- 1. To select the strongest XI possible for each grade of cricket
- 2. For the club to ensure future success by promoting and developing youth, and
- 3. To be fair and consistent in the treatment of players

Selection will be made in the best interests of Buckley Park Cricket Club and decisions will not be based on personal relationships.

## **Selection Process**

- 1. A match selection committee (SC) comprising of the senior captains and a Chairman of Selectors will select the senior sides throughout the season. Selection will be finalised on Thursday evenings.
- 2. The Chairman of Selector's role is inclusive, but not limited to the following
  - a. to chair and co-ordinate the selection meetings
  - b. to ensure that the Selection Policy is implemented and adhered to, and
  - c. have final say only when consensus is not reached in relation to selection decisions between Senior Coach & Team Captains
- 3. Where required, each member of the SC will be entitled to one (1) vote. Should there be a tied vote for any reason, the Chairman of Selectors will have an additional, casting vote.
- 4. Individual players have the responsibility to inform the SC of their availability/unavailability.
- 5. In the event that the Chairman of Selectors role remains vacant throughout a season the role will be taken on by the Club Captain.

## **Selection Communication**

- 1. Selected sides will be posted on social media by lunchtime on the Friday before a match
- 2. Club captains and vice captains will take responsibility to inform players of selection in their grade
- 3. Players who have been moved between teams will be spoken to by respective captains explaining the reasons why
- 4. Players have the right to address the SC, at a suitable time, to discuss selection decisions. This request by the player to be through the Chairman of Selectors
- 5. If there are late changes to any team, following team announcing up to the start time of a match, the SC will need to communicate to one another before the match, and any changes will be subject to approval by the Chairman of Selectors.

## **Mandatory Selection Pre-Requisites**

1. Players must be registered members of Buckley Park Cricket Club and not a current member of any other 'Saturday' side.

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- 2. BPCC Committee of Management (CoM) may determine a player is not available for selection due to the following reasons (these reasons will be conveyed to the Chairman of Selectors by the club President or Vice-President)
  - a. Financials being owed to the club
  - b. Financial members to take selection policy over non financials at a time as communicated by CoM
  - c. A player subjected to disciplinary action, resulting in suspension by the CoM or NWMCA.

### **Selection Considerations**

- 1. Players will be selected on individual performance and merit
- 2. Attendance at training
  - a. All players are required to attend training sessions scheduled by the Club Coach.
  - b. If a player is unable to attend, it is the player's responsibility to advise the Coach of their situation and attend when possible. A lack of communication will be seen as detrimental to selection, and if a player is missing for an extended period they will come back through the lower XI's.
  - c. Where a player has a legitimate reason for not attending training sessions such as work, family, or medical reasons and has conveyed this to the SC, it is the SC right to exclude their training attendance and select on form and other selection criteria.
- 3. Highest XI selected with priority, starting with the 1<sup>st</sup> XI then 2<sup>nd</sup> XI and 3<sup>rd</sup> XI
- 4. Preference for providing opportunities to younger players throughout all teams, including providing match day opportunities
- 5. Training Attitude
  - a. It is expected that all players will approach training sessions with the same professionalism and attitude that they would approach a game. All players are expected to work hard during training and support each other.
  - b. No player is to leave a training session without notifying the coach prior to their absence.
  - c. Any player carrying an injury and unable to train will be required to assist the coaching group as directed.

## 6. Professionalism

- a. Cricket is a team sport, and it is expected that members will work together at both training sessions and on game day to help set up and pack away all equipment. Equipment is required to be packed away in the storage room at the back of the pavilion, not inside the club or change rooms. It is unreasonable to leave these duties to a limited few. This includes but is not limited to:
  - i. Setting up boundary cones at home games
  - ii. Setting up scoreboards
  - iii. Setting up furniture and returning it after the game
  - iv. Returning club equipment to the storeroom at training and on match day
  - v. Assisting with clean up after training and match days.

#### 7. Attire

a. All players must wear the official club uniform for all games. Players may wear plain white pants.

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- b. It is expected that all players will attend training in official Buckley Park Cricket Club attire. A club training shirt or white cricket shirt and shorts or tracksuit pants is acceptable. Non-Club attire is NOT acceptable, and the required clothing should be purchased immediately. Suitable footwear must be worn.
- 8. Individual qualification for finals
  - a. SC will attempt to balance sides to enable finalists to have qualified players available come finals
- 9. Attendance at social events
- 10. The SC may determine a player to be not available for selection, or dropped from a given grade, due to reasons including, but not limited to:
  - a. Unacceptable player behaviour, whether towards a match official, opposition, teammate, or supporters
  - b. Player not presenting for a selected match
  - c. Players who make themselves available for selection and then withdrawing after team notification, extenuating circumstances excluded.

## **Power to Amend**

This policy can be amended at any time by the CoM, if the CoM, is of the opinion that such an amendment is necessary, including, but not limited to the discovery of a drafting error or oversight, or for any other reason determined to be in the best interests of Buckley Park Cricket Club. The CoM shall not be responsible or liable in any way to anyone because of any such amendment.

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