



## White Knights Baldvis Cricket Club

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# Senior Cricket Selection Policy

The purpose of these guidelines is to assist in the selection of teams entered by the White Knights Baldvis Cricket Club in fixtures of the Peel Cricket Association or other applicable competitions.

## 1. Selection Committee

Those with responsibility for the selection of senior teams include:

- (a) Chairperson of Selectors
- (b) A & B Grade Selector
- (c) C & D Grade Selector
- (d) E & F Grade Selector
- (e) Female Grade Selector
- (f) Male Head Coach
- (g) Female Head Coach
- (h) Team Captains

## 2. Player Lists

The selection committee will maintain a list of players who have registered their interest in playing regularly for the club's senior teams (referred to hereafter as regular players).

The selection committee will maintain a list of players who have indicated that they would like to play from time to time, but not so often to be considered regular players (referred to hereafter as fill-in players).

### 3. Selection Process

The steps to be followed by the selection committee when selecting senior teams for any given match will be as follows:

- (a) Feedback on individual player performances from the previous week's game and suggested changes (inclusions & exclusions) to be provided by the Captain (and/or head coach) of the applicable grade to the grade selector by **6.00pm Monday**.
- (b) The availability of all regular players for the upcoming weeks fixture should be finalised by **12.00pm Tuesday**. It is the Captain's responsibility to follow up with any player who has not provided their availability on the club poll.
- (c) The grade selector and Captain shall collaborate to finalise teams for the upcoming fixture ensuring that both the Team Selection Guidelines as detailed in **Section 4** and the Player Selection Hierarchy as detailed in **Section 5** are adhered to. The preferred time for this to be completed is **6.00pm Wednesday** however the final cutoff time shall be **5.30pm Thursday**.
  - i. If a consensus is reached the team is finalised
  - ii. If a consensus is not reached the rationale from both the selector and the Captain on their team preference is forwarded to the Chairperson of Selectors. The Chairperson of Selectors is to make a determination based off this feedback and the team will be finalised.
- (d) Prior to the announcement of selected teams, the grade selector and Captain shall advise and provide feedback to all players who have been promoted or demoted.
- (e) The Chairperson of Selectors shall provide finalised team listings to the Social Media Coordinator no later than 7.30pm Thursday.

If there is a requirement to adjust the teams due to one or more players of the finalised team lists becoming unavailable, any empty position is to be filled in accordance with the guidelines set out in **Section 4**. This may involve moving players between teams, which as a general rule, will be a preferable option to having players playing in less than ideal positions contrary to the principles set out in **Section 4**.

### 4. Team Selection Guidelines

When selecting all teams pursuant to **Section 3 (c)**, the Selection Committee should observe the following guidelines:

The Selection Committee should feel free, subject to the points below, to select teams with a view to field the best twelve from the list of available players. The Selection Committee should ensure, as best as possible that each player that is selected is capable of playing a meaningful role in that side, specifically that the player will have the opportunity of either:

- i. Batting in one of the top seven batting positions;
- ii. Being one of the five or six main bowlers;
- iii. Keeping Wicket

If a player will likely be playing a lesser role than that set out above, it is preferable that the player be selected in a lower side.

If there is any other reasonable option available (such as moving another player who could fulfil a greater role or recruiting a fill-in player – in circumstances where there is a shortfall of regular players) then the Selection Committee will (time permitting) consult with the Captains of the affected teams.

Selectors cannot select themselves into a grade under their control. If applicable, the Captain and either the Grade Selector responsible for another grade or the Chairperson of Selectors will determine where the selector shall play.

## 5. Selection Hierarchy

In determining which players should be selected where too many players are available, the selection committee should observe and adhere to the following selection hierarchy:

1. Regular Senior Players (Including underage players not playing juniors)
2. Regular Senior Fee Paying Junior Players (Including Development Squad members)
3. Fill In Senior Players
4. Regular Junior Players
5. Fill In Junior Players

After the mid-season break, the number of matches played by a player will be a contributing factor when selecting teams. Preference will be given to players that have been regularly selected, subject to other considerations including personal circumstances, new members, etc...

Conditions specified in the **Senior Fee Schedule and Payment Policy** will be applicable to all player selections made throughout the season.

## 6. Finals Selection

A player must be financial to be considered for finals selection as detailed in **Section 7** of the **Senior Fee Schedule and Payment Policy**.

## 7. Role of the Chairperson of Selectors

The Chairperson's role will be to oversee selections, provide support to the grade selectors, offer feedback and suggestions relating to particular selections, ensure the selection policy is adhered to and to provide a casting vote on selections when a consensus between the selector and Captain has not been achieved.

## **8. Expectations the Club has of its Players**

- (a) Players are expected to respond promptly to requests from Captains to indicate their availability for the upcoming game. Any player who has not confirmed their availability by the time stated in this selection policy may be treated by the selection committee as being unavailable and may not be selected.
- (b) Apart from exceptional circumstances, all players must make themselves available for selection for all grades. Although they may, in some cases, want to remain in a particular team, this is not a matter for their choice.

The Selection Committee will attempt to make allowances where possible for particular individuals wanting to play with certain players or in a certain team, but that cannot be guaranteed.

All players must be prepared to play in whatever team he or she is selected in. If he or she is not prepared to do so, then they will not be eligible for selection for that round. Future occurrences will result in the player being regarded as a fill-in player and the player will not be guaranteed selection moving forward.