



**South Melbourne District  
Sports Club Inc.**

Affiliated with the  
City of Moorabbin Cricket Association  
Club No. 62

## **Junior Cricket**

### **Handbook for Coaches, Team Co-ordinators Parents & Helpers**

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## 1. Teams

There are teams fielded in three age groups - Under 12, 14, and 16. For 2004-05 there is a total of 9 teams: three Under 12 teams, three Under 14 twilight teams, one Under 14 Saturday team, one Under 16 Friday twilight team, and one Saturday Under 16 team.

There are approximately 110 boys participating in our community Club cricket, which is great representation from the area.

In addition, Milo cricket for the younger boys and girls attracts similar numbers.

## 2. Age Eligibility

Age eligibility cut-off is 1st September. Player must be under the nominated age as of August 31st.

Boys and girls aged 9 – 16 from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2004 are eligible to be registered to play. Those who turn 9 after 1<sup>st</sup> September cannot be registered to play until their 9<sup>th</sup> birthday. Matches usually start the first or second week of October, so players joining a team prior to their 9<sup>th</sup> birthday cannot be registered until they are 9.

Similarly, players who turn 16 between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2004 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2005 are still eligible to play in the Under 16 competition.

Milo cricket caters for boys and girls aged 5 – 10, although players may move on to Club cricket once they reach 9 years of age.

## 3. Grounds

### i) Training

Training takes place at Oval 20 (Beaurepaire Pavilion), Aughtie Drive, Albert Park, where permanent retractable training nets are located. This is the home of the Middle Park Cricket Club.

### ii) Home Matches

Home matches are played at one of three grounds -

Oval 11 (Clarke Shields Pavilion) – near the Fraser St. Light rail stop Melway 2K H12

Oval 21 adjacent to the Adventure Playground – Melway 2K F9

Lagoon Reserve, Liardet Street, Port Melbourne – Melway 2J F6

## 4. Training

### i) Time

Under 12 – Wednesday 4.30 – 6.00pm until daylight saving commences  
then 5.00 to 6.30pm

Under 14 - Tuesday 4.30 – 6.00pm

Under 16 - Thursday 5.00 – 6.30pm

### ii) Place Middle Park Cricket Club – Oval 20 - nets at end of the ground

### iii) Assistance At least 2 people from each team should be in attendance to assist.



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## 5. Team Selection Policy

SMDSC will endeavour to place players as close as possible to their age in the same team but this may not always be possible, particularly with U/12 teams.

## 6. Matches

- i) Under 12 play Saturday commencing 8.30am
- ii) Under 14 play Friday afternoon/evening commencing 4.30pm and Saturday commencing 8.30am. During October, Friday afternoon/evening matches played Sunday morning 9.00 a.m. until daylight saving commences.
- iii) Under 16 - as for Under 14

Players must arrive a minimum of 20 minutes prior to the start of each game.

One day games commence at 8:15 a.m. and finish 11:30a.m. (approx) 25 overs each and a 10-minute break between innings. The first innings of a team shall not be voluntarily closed until at least 25 overs have been bowled.

Two day games commence at 8:45 a.m. and finish 11:15 a.m.(approx) 40 overs each and a 10 minute break after 20 overs.

In early games the coaches and team managers must keep the players moving, otherwise the match will finish late.

With extreme heat, wet conditions, howling wind, lost time, etc, you can arrange to bowl from one end, consult opposing coach.

All players must wear a hat and sunscreen is a necessity.

Helmets and protectors are compulsory. Keepers must wear a helmet and mouthguard when catching up close to the wicket.

There is an extreme heat policy. See notes in scorebook.

Players require sustenance. Morning/evening tea needs to be provided. Recommend plenty to eat and drink.

There are batting, bowling and fielding restrictions, i.e. number of runs scored, number of overs bowled (refer to rule book). Some rules are highlighted below. If you need clarification on a rule at a match, Brendan O'Sullivan may be contacted on 0417 859 991.

In U/14's and U/12's no over shall exceed 8 balls and players cannot field closer than 11 metres from the bat.

Scoring - A new rule has been introduced stating "In a game where each team has supplied a scorer and the state of the game is in the balance. If, at the commencement of the final over of a game, a certain number of runs or wickets are required to achieve a result, the decision made by the scorers at the commencement of that final over will stand, even if subsequent checking by officials reveals errors."



Batting – batters who retire at less than the compulsory retirement limit must resume their innings **before the return** of batters who exceeded the compulsory limit.

Bowling - fast/medium fast bowlers may not bowl more than 6 overs consecutively, and after completing a spell, may not bowl again until they have rested for the same number of overs as they have bowled in their previous spell.

Nomination of Teams – for home-and-away matches, junior teams shall not be limited to 11 players. More than 11 players may bat or bowl, but a team's innings is complete at the fall of the 10<sup>th</sup> wicket.

Finals Games – provided both team managers are in agreement, finals teams shall comprise 12 players, with a designated bat-only and designated bowl-only player to be named prior to the coin toss.

## **7. Code of behaviour**

The code of behaviour displayed by all SMDSC players and supporters stands our club above all others, for example:

- Do not argue with the umpire
- Control your temper
- Be a good sport
- Encourage all players
- Enjoy the game
- Do not ridicule players, no matter which team they play for

Be aware players do get confused if parents are yelling from the sidelines to run. The coach/umpire in the middle can assist.

## **8. Support Required for Each Team and Season Start**

On match day – coach, umpire, scorer, team manager.

Fixture for all matches is not distributed until after commencement of the season. Clubs are still working out how many teams they will have, which has an effect on grounds. Early season requires much help, especially with communication. Check your email or ring your coach or team manager.

## **9. Players' Clothing and Equipment**

- i) The club provides all equipment, however, most boys prefer to have their own protector.
- ii) You are responsible for the correct cricket apparel - long white pants, white shirt, cricket vest, runners or cricket boots. A monogrammed shirt is included in the registration fee and an SMDSC cap will be provided the first time a boy is registered.
- iii) Lightweight Club jackets are available on order at an additional cost of \$30.

## **10. Team Equipment**

- i) The coach and team manager is responsible for the care of the club equipment.
- ii) Each team will be provided with a kit that will include bats, pads, gloves, protectors.
- iii) A "home" kit will be shared between two teams.



## 11. Manager's Equipment

- i) CMCA handbook with yearly updates
- ii) Scorebook
- iii) First aid kit
- iv) Match balls (used balls must be returned to the property officer)

## 12. Match Reports

SMDSC's registered number with the CMCA is No. 62. This is the number to be entered on Match Reports, along with each individual player number.

Two reports are to be submitted following each game:

- i) Press Report (white)
- ii) Match Report (yellow)

A copy of these reports is provided in the Scorebook. Regardless of whether playing at home or away, a copy of the report is to be placed under the front door at Kerry Boulton (Holdsworth)'s home: 92 Page Street, Albert Park, by 2pm Saturday for faxing to the CMCA as required. (In the case of Sunday games in October, both reports must be dropped in by 2pm Sunday.)

Press Reports will be faxed to the CMCA at two locations – 9527 3151 and 9557 2322. Match Reports will be faxed to 9798 5620.

## 13. Meetings

At least one person from each team is expected to attend meetings when they are called.

## 14. Communication

- i) A list of all players with family names, phone numbers, email and addresses will be provided to each player. If a person does not want to have their address and phone numbers included you must advise the President.
- ii) Email will be the preferred method of communication.

## 15. Insurance

The Club has insurance through JLT Sport, a Division of Jardine Lloyd Thompson Pty. Ltd., who provide a national insurance program for Cricket Victoria. The National Insurance Program provides clubs with a comprehensive level of protection across the following areas:

- Personal Accident cover for [Capital Benefits](#), [Non Medicare Medical](#) and [Loss of Income](#)
- [Public and Products Liability Insurance](#)
- [Professional Liability Insurance](#) for coaches, administrators, umpires and officials
- [Association Liability Insurance](#) - only applicable to incorporated clubs.

Policy coverage details are available via the [www.jltsport.com.au](http://www.jltsport.com.au) website. The JLT Sport website provides an easy to read summary of all the benefits and provides the complete policy wordings which contain the entire policy conditions and exclusions.



## 16. Publicity & Club Newsletter

A newsletter will be published each week with match results and a short description of each game. Each Team Manager/Coach is required to email match results and stories to the Publicity Officer, Angela Mildenhall, at [AMMILD@bigpond.com](mailto:AMMILD@bigpond.com) by 7pm each Sunday.

The newsletter will also contain information for future matches or meetings and will be emailed to those providing email addresses, with hard copies handed out at training each week.

The Publicity Officer will also provide Match results to the local papers.

## 17. Web Sites

Fixtures and Ladders can be viewed on the CMCA web site [www.cmca cricket.com](http://www.cmca cricket.com) SMDSC web site is up and running and being built as this booklet is printed. Check for fixture and other information regularly – [www.smdsc.com.au](http://www.smdsc.com.au)

## 18. Team Photos

Team photos will be arranged early in the season, in conjunction with a family social day and BBQ. Players are required to wear Club cap, shirt and white pants for the photo session.

## 19. Contacts

President:	Kerry Boulton (Holdsworth) nexus@mira.net	0418 580 612	
Under 12 -	Teams Coordinator	Mike Bainbridge	0413 663 449
	Coach & 12E	Craig Palma	0410 290 726
	Co-ordinators 12B	Leon Geldenhuys	0415 410 644
	12D	Demos Diplaris	0412 454 585
		Robert Parsons	0412 566 300
		Bryce Anderson	0418 381 938
	Neil Clelland	0409 250 256	
	12E	Craig Palma	0410 290 726
Under 14	Teams Coordinator	Noel Jones	0418 316 147
	Coach - Red	Brendan O'Sullivan	0417 859 991
	Coordinator - White	Nick Withers	0418 334 604
		John Coldham	0414 238 966
		Charles Tulloch	0414 964 109
		Jason Steger	0419 467 127
	- Silver	Mark Mason	0415 725 761
		Karen Stammers	0409 199 722
	David Currie	0412 313 914	
- Saturday	Graeme Baird	0419 340 747	

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Under 16	Teams Coordinator & Coach - Saturday	Bill Belbin Dave Kranz	0418 309 296 0419 137 498
	Coach - Friday	Sean Geaney	0402 988 200

## 20. Junior Committee

President		Kerry Boulton (Holdsworth)
Registrar/Treasurer		Kerry Boulton (Holdsworth)
Secretary		Noel Jones
SMDSC Committee Representatives:		
		Kerry Boulton
		Marianne Collopy
Team Reps	U/12	Mike Bainbridge/Craig Palma
	U/14	Brendan O'Sullivan/Noel Jones
	U/16	Bill Belbin/Sean Geaney
Property Officer		<b>Looking for Volunteer</b>
Publicity Officer		Angela Mildenhall
CMCA Delegates		Brendan O'Sullivan, Noel Jones
Milo Cricket Co-ordinator		Michael Shaw

## 21. Club Sponsors – Hocking Stuart Albert Park

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