



Riddell Cricket Club
Riddell Recreation Reserve
Sutherlands Rd.
Riddells Creek 3431
Victoria Australia

SENIOR TEAM SELECTION POLICY

1. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to provide criteria and a process for selecting teams for senior cricket for the Riddell Cricket Club (The Club).

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

Players are members of the Club, and are not guaranteed selection in a particular team. Players (other than captains or vice-captains) must be available for any team playing on a day for which they are available.

If a player has advised they have a preference for a particular type of cricket (e.g. one day grade) this will be considered by the Selection Committee where possible and in the context of the criteria stated in this policy and the best interests of the Club.

2. SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee will consist of the Senior Coach and Captain of each team. The Selection Committee will make the official announcement of teams on the Thursday night prior to the match commencement. The teams will be subsequently posted on MyCricket website.

The Club may appoint a Chairman of Selectors to assist the Selection Committee with the process of selection.

The Chairman of Selectors roll is inclusive but not limited to;

- To chair the selection meetings,
- To ensure that the Selection Policy is implemented and adhered to,
- To coordinate the availability of players in conjunction with the Senior Coach,
- To communicate the promotion/demotion of a player when this cannot be done by the appropriate Captain or Coach,
- To liaise with the Senior Committee about any selection issues that may arise.

3. SUSPENSION

A player that is suspended either by the Club or Association will be not selected during their suspension.

4. UNAVAILABLE FOR SELECTION

Players must advise their Captain, if unable to play in the next round. Players are requested to do this as soon as possible and not to leave this until Thursday selection night.

Players are assumed available to play if they do not advise of their unavailability as required above.



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5. SUBSCRIPTIONS

Players will be eligible to be selected for play in the home and away season provided they are registered and have paid all prior years' Subscription money before Round 1.

Payment of the current season subscription will be a factor for the Selection Committee to consider, and financial members may be preferred over un-financial members.

6. TRAINING

Players are expected to attend at least one training session per week. Players are to advise their captain or the Senior Coach of inability to train in any week.

7. CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

The Selection Committee will balance the selection criteria to the best of its ability.

Criteria used by the Selection Committee for team selection includes (but is not limited to):

- **Team Balance** Teams will be selected in priority from 1st XI through to the final XI.
- **Player Ability** A player's natural ability will be taken into consideration when choosing the appropriate level that they play.
- **Current Form** A player who performs above or below their current grade will be considered for promotion or demotion.
- **Training** Where two players meet the other selection criteria, a player who has a better training record may be preferred.
- **Youth** Younger players who have the potential to play in higher XI's should be given preference in selection.
- **Attitude** A player approach to training and games will be taken into consideration.

8. COMMUNICATION WITH SELECTION DECISIONS

Any player may request an explanation of selection decisions from his team Captain or the Chair of Selectors (where appointed). The captain of a team which drops a player will inform the player of the reasons for the decision, preferably prior to announcement of the teams.

Any player/member who is unhappy with the selection process should take their concerns to the Senior Coach in the first instance.



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9. JUNIOR SELECTION IN SENIOR MATCHES

Junior players selected to play senior cricket can only be selected on the following basis:

1. Parental permission is obtained,
2. A junior players' responsibility is to junior cricket first and foremost. Our philosophy is that juniors should compete at their age-appropriate level in the first instance. Playing senior cricket as a junior (although a great experience) is a privilege and not a right.
3. A junior player should not take the place of a fully financial non junior player in a senior side on a regular basis.
4. The senior grade a junior player is to be selected for will be based on ability. This will be determined by the Selection Committee in consultation with the relevant Junior Coach.
5. Junior players should not play more than two games per weekend.

10. POLICY REVIEW

This policy will be reviewed at the committee meeting in August each year to ensure it remains relevant to club operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

This policy may be amended where required during the season in the event of very special circumstances.

SIGNATURES:

Signed: *Susan McNair*

Susan McNair, Club President

Date: 6 September 2022

Signed: *David King*

David King, Club Secretary

Date: 6 September 2022

Enquiries regarding this policy shall made to the Club President