

Coaching Times**Friday Practice**

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| Mini Cricket (6 to 9yrs): | 14h45 – 15h45 |
| U/10 – U/13: | 16h00 – 17h30 |
| U/14 – U/19: | 17h30 – 19h00 |

Players are expected to be ready for practice at least 10 minutes prior to the starting time. Latecomers will not be allowed to join the practice as this disrupts the coaching. There will be occasions when a player cannot avoid being late. In such cases a “late slip” will be issued by the Convenor of Managers provided he is phoned before the practice starts.

It is important that parents understand that there is no supervision for latecomers and they will not be allowed to join coaching

Code of Conduct

It is the duty of all involved to maintain the spirit of the Game. This involves respect for the umpire, opponents, the captain and team. Neither the team nor parents must question the decision of the umpire. Abusive language towards anyone is not acceptable. Likewise sharp practices such as appealing knowing the batsman is not out or distracting the opponent persistent clapping or unnecessary noise. **Parents are reminded that they are the role models for behaviour. If there are issues, which upset them, these must be taken up with the Chairperson and not on the field of play during the game. Even the most knowledgeable must avoid this behaviour.**

Complaints

Complaints of a serious nature should be directed in writing to WPC Youth Committee

Committee Members

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| Chairperson: | Charles Fourie - 076 533 4894 |
| Manager Convenor, Mini Cricket: | Les Apolis - 084 745 8683 |
| Selection Convenor: | Mogamad Buffkins - 072 360 9492 |
| Match Secretary: | Mustapha Obaray - 084 774 4438 |
| Membership: | Winston Travis - 082 455 4386 |

Other than coaching, **all positions officially held** are voluntary. This enables costs to be contained and makes this superb facility more accessible.

NB: Non Members are requested to please drop off / collect their children via the Laidlaw Entrance. Non members are not permitted to utilise the Club's facilities and are reminded that Junior Members may not host guests.

WESTERN PROVINCE CRICKET CLUB**Junior Cricket Section
INFORMATION BROCHURE****2011/2012 Season**

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General Membership

Although general membership of the Club is open to all, the Junior Cricket Section must limit the number of cricket playing members in each age group. This is set by the Committee and is based on the number of teams entered into leagues and on the availability of fields. If a member does not attend practice, without an apology, **he will not be eligible for selection. When matric has been written junior youth moves up to senior section regardless of age**

The Junior Cricket Levy for **2011/2012** season is **R700**. Please note that this fee covers the coaching every Friday, balls, pitch preparation, **rental of additional fields and equipment**. In addition, the junior must become a member of the Western Province Cricket Club (**R475**). Please contact the Membership Office to arrange this.

Membership to the **mini cricket and U/10** are accepted on a first come, first served basis. **U/11** and above must apply and be invited to attend a practice and qualify, before being accepted into the Cricket Section.

The Club strictly enforces the **“No Pay = No Play”** policy. If the subscription and section levy has not been paid the use of the Club’s facilities is prohibited.

Junior Members are required to present their membership card to the Team Manager at the start of each practice session. The card is used to update the register, which in turn is used for team selection. Therefore no card = no selection. The card must be collected at the end of practice.

Membership cards are strictly **non transferable** and may not be used by any other person, including a child’s parent.

Lost cards can be replaced for a fee of R55 via the Membership Office.

Availability for Selection

All juniors who enrol for Friday afternoon coaching must be available for selection every Saturday of the season. This means that if a junior plays for their school on Saturday’s they are not permitted to participate in practices or matches of the WPCC Cricket Section.

Age Groups

The youth structure in the Province operates from January to December. The cut off date is 31st December E.g.: A player turning 16 in the year is not allowed to play U/15 at any stage during the year.

Selection Policy for Youth Cricket

Mini Cricket (6 - 9 Yrs)

All players must be given an opportunity to play with rotation of batting and bowling.

U/10 – U/11

There is no “A” or “B” in these age groups. All players must be given an opportunity to play for the Club enforced by rotation of batting and bowling. **Common sense must prevail when dealing with youngsters who are learning the game. Opportunities can be paced over a few matches.** Both teams play in the Premier League, therefore they will rotate weekly to play the stronger opposition.

U/12 – U/19

“A” Team: This is the strongest team and is made up of specialist players, namely opening bowlers and opening batsmen, wicket keeper, and all rounders. It is important not to limit any player’s horizon, but rather to nurture talent.

“B” Team: Emphasis must be placed on rotation. Every player must be given an opportunity to play. The “B” team managers have a more demanding duty in that they must identify cricketers who have reached a high enough level to break into the “A” team. These cricketers should make up the core of the “B” team.

The selection Co-ordinator (Mogamad Buffkins) oversees this process. Complaints must be directed to him. If necessary he will direct it to the Committee.

Selection Hierarchy: Players for the U/19 are selected first. In the event of a withdrawal a replacement will be taken from a lower team down to U/15 where 65 over games are played. The chairperson of Youth Cricket has in conjunction with the selections convenor an “ex Officio” position in terms of selection.

Matches

Matches are played under the auspices of WPCA who are responsible for the fixtures. All teams meet at the clubhouse on Saturdays at 7h30 before proceeding to the venue as a group. This is important as often there are changes (cancellations, change of venue etc) overnight making it difficult to contact everyone

Dress Code

White Club shirts or sweaters, NO T-shirts with words and NO school shirts.
White trousers/Club kit. **Shorts for up to U/13** and longs for U/14 and over.
White trainers. No boots or colourful trainers.
White floppy hat or Club cap.
White knee length socks.

Protective Clothing: The use of a **helmet** is compulsory **for batting and fielding within 10m. Wicket-keepers must wear helmets when “standing-up”**