

Returning Player Registration

Dear Falcons,

Welcome to another upcoming year of junior cricket. We are now mobilising to prepare for the season ahead and it all starts with registration.

Registration

The club will be taking junior cricket registrations up to August 9th. Players who fail to register within the registration window risk losing their position to other players seeking to join Fulham. For players returning to Fulham from last season, the registration and fee payment process is online. When registering please select the age group that applies to your child. Any player movements between age groups will be assessed on an individual basis. Players will not be forced out of an age group to make way for other players moving up or down. For players that do move age groups there will be an adjustment of fees.

If you have trouble entering your child's cricket ID and password **DO NOT** create a new registration. Contact the junior coordinator to have your password reset. You will subsequently receive an email from MyCricket to reset your password.

In the event we are oversubscribed in an age group, priority will be given to families who have contributed to volunteering efforts around the club. e.g. scoring, canteen, umpiring. Folks who volunteer are invaluable and deserve to be rewarded with a position at Fulham.

For new or past players wishing to join the club selection will be based on the following factors for any available positions:

- 1. Siblings of existing players at the club
- 2. Previous players at the club
- 3. Children who have participated in Woolworths Cricket program
- 4. Age, e.g. a 9-year-old will be given priority over a 7-year-old for U10s.

The fee structure is also aimed to reward families that contribute significant efforts into the junior program, as well as offer discounts for siblings and folks who pay early. The discounts apply as follows:

- 1. Coaches will be entitled a 50% discount voucher for one player of the team they coach.
- 2. Families with multiple players are entitled to a \$20 discount voucher each additional sibling, e.g. a family with 3 players will receive 2 discount vouchers.
- 3. A \$20 early bird discount voucher will apply to fees that are paid before start of Term 4.

For families entitled to sibling discount vouchers please send your request to the junior coordinator along with the names of your children.

All discount vouchers are redeemable as food and drink cards that can be used to purchase food and drink on training nights and game days.

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Payment of fees in one, two or three instalments is also available to those that wish to do so. This will ease the burden of paying fees in one lump sum. Those choosing to pay multiple instalments **MUST** ensure their credit card details are entered into MyCricket.

It is also worth noting the school sports voucher has increased to \$100 and is available to children up to and including **year 7**. A voucher can only be claimed once in the calendar year, and cannot be split into two \$50 claims. To claim a sports voucher please provide the details requested in the online registration process. N.B. the 11-digit Medicare number includes the reference number of the child.

Cricket Programs

Once again, we will be fielding U10, U12, U14 and U16 teams for boys. The movement of players due to age groupings may challenge the ability to fit all players into teams, as we are constrained by availability of ovals and coaches. Selection of players will be based on family value to the club, not just player ability.

In addition to boys cricket we plan to field one or two girl's U12 cricket teams. Girls cricket was a great success last year, so we hope to build on that.

Volunteers

The club is seeking people who would like to become more involved on a regular basis to assist the junior program in reaching its potential. Running a junior program properly for 100+ juniors is not sustainable for 2 people. The club is seeking folks to assist in the following areas:

- 1. Organise the canteen for training and game day.
- 2. Help behind the bar at training
- 3. Woolworths cricket programs
- 4. Manage girls cricket
- 5. Organise social events

We require all volunteer applicants to undergo background checks and screening prior to or during any appointment. Australian Cricket's Commitment Statement to Safeguarding Children and Young People can be found at <u>Fulham website policies</u>.

Coaches

Quite simply - without coaches we have no junior program. Folks interested in becoming a coach will need (**by law**) to hold the equivalent of a Working With Children Check (WWCC) and acquire a Level 1 coaching certificate. Both of these are NIL cost. It just requires a few hours of effort. Those who already have a DSCI clearance do not need to apply for a WWCC until the DSCI check expires. Coaches will also need to abide by the culture and spirit of cricket that applies at Fulham. Fulham juniors has a good brand name and we would like to keep it that way. For further details about coaching contact the junior coordinator.

We look forward to seeing you all again in the coming months for another great season.

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