

# **POLICY DOCUMENT #5:2006**

## **INTERDISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS**

### **POLICY STATEMENT**

The Club will provide development opportunities for more skilled players by nominating them for possible inclusion in South Perth Cricket Club Inc teams playing in the Junior Cricket Council's Saturday Under-Age Competition and the Inverarity Shield Competition.

### **ROLE OF SPJCC**

In respect of District Junior Cricket, the role of the South Perth Junior Cricket club is one of talent identification. The SPJCC identifies players eligible for u/13's (second season), u/14's, u/15's and u/17's in the following season which we believe have the talent, commitment and attitude to play cricket at a higher level. We then may make recommendations to the District Cricket Club (SPCC) via their Director of Junior Cricket\*. Whilst the selection and running of Junior District sides is entirely at the discretion of the SPCC, the SPJCC aims to work co-operatively with the senior club with the aim of a satisfactory outcome for everyone.

\*SPJCC players may alternatively join any WACA District Club for which they may be selected to play. (While it is clearly obvious that the preference is for players to play District Cricket with SPCC, there are current day examples of SPJCC players playing District Cricket with other WACA clubs).

### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- The Junior Cricket Council requires each WACA District Club, except University, to field one team in each of the Under 13, Under 15 and Under 17 age group inter-district competitions that the Council runs.
- Playing inter-district representative cricket provides the more skilled Club players with a valuable development opportunity because they play against higher calibre opposition than they normally encounter in Club games, and they gain experience on turf wickets.
- Selection for interdistrict representative teams is a significant achievement so nomination for consideration must be based on merit, performance and development potential.
- The Club must ensure that the nomination processes for inter-district teams are transparent, fair and free of bias or nepotism.
- The Club recognises that inter-district representative cricket is more competitive than regular club cricket, but remains committed to the ethos of any game of cricket being "A competitive match played in excellent spirit."

## **DELEGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Inclusion in this Quality Manual provides proof that the Committee has endorsed the Policy. All office bearers, Committee members, coaches, volunteers and members are responsible for ensuring the Club's endorsed policy is promoted and upheld.

In particular the coaches and supporters of interdistrict representative bear a heavy responsibility for role modeling appropriate behaviours and ensuring the developmental goals set out in this policy are achieved.

## **RELATED CLUB POLICIES**

Competitions and Player Development (#3:2006), Coaches and Volunteers (#4:2006)

## **RELEVANT EXTERNAL POLICIES, DOCUMENTS AND LEGISLATION**

WACA Fixtures with Match Rules and Conditions of Play 2002/03