



Ballarat Cricket Association – 1st XI Competition Club Affiliation requirements

As part of the Ballarat Cricket Association's strategic planning implementation, key criteria for all Clubs currently competing in, or aspiring to participate in, the 1st XI competition have been developed to ensure a strong competition and sustainability for all Clubs.

Since the amalgamation of the 'Club' and 'District' competitions in 2015 the available grades and formats have varied at Senior level, but the expectation of those competing in the 1st XI competition was to have strength in numbers at Senior level, but importantly at Junior levels also.

BCA By-Law 1 states: The Association shall consist of such clubs, sections, divisions and competitions as the Board of Management in its absolute discretion deems to be appropriate from time to time.

The following is the minimum required for all Clubs wishing to participate in the Ballarat Cricket Association 1st XI competition from season 2020/2021 onwards: -

- Turf wicket facility, or can provide strong evidence of acquiring/building one within 12-24 months (subject to BCA agreement's with external parties and availabilities)
- Senior teams in the 1st XI, 2nd XI & 3rd Competitions, with a 4th team in any other available grade.
- Junior teams in the U17, U15 & U13 age groups.
- Expected, but not compulsory, to field an U11 team and have a presence in one or both Woolworths Cricket Blast programs.

All Clubs are to confirm in writing their intentions and ability to fulfil the above requirements by February 25 of each season upon request from the Association.

Yours in cricket

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President