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BAULKHAM HILLS CRICKET CLUB

SEASON 2025/26

TEAM MANAGEMENT GUIDE



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WELCOME

This document is produced to assist team management with the running of teams. If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to contact any one of the Management Committee.

The team officials (coach, manager, senior captain or vice-captain) are responsible for the duties listed in this manual. They may delegate some of these duties on a weekly basis. However, it is important to the running of the Club that all team duties are performed.

We value your commitment to our club, be it as a junior coach or manager or a senior team captain, vice-captain or manager. Baulkham Hills Cricket Club trusts the season will be both enjoyable and rewarding for you, as well as a successful one for the team.

1. CODE OF CONDUCT

Baulkham Hills Cricket club expects all players, captains, coaches, managers, parents and spectators to adhere to its Code of Behaviour. PDCA also has a Code of Behaviour. Failure to adhere to these requirements could lead to serious consequences, including suspensions. The Code of Conduct is available on the website www.baulkocricicket.com.au

2. CHILD PROTECTION.

The Law provides that all volunteers who work with or supervise children (those under 18 years of age) must complete the Working With Children Check.

Anyone who has some involvement with players under 18 years of age MUST complete the check and have your check verified by the Junior or Senior Registrar.

This applies not only to junior team coaches and managers, but to all senior captains and vice captains, as they may have young players in their team or filling in as a reserve.

Junior coaches and managers, please send your Working With Children Check details to the Junior Registrar, and senior captains please send it to the Senior Registrar.

The Working With Children Check is mandatory!

3. GENERAL

Team Officials Meetings

At least ONE representative of **EVERY** team must attend Baulkham Hills Cricket Club these meetings. The meetings are held at the Baulkham Hills Sports Club, Renown Road, Baulkham Hills (across the road from Ted Horwood Reserve). They commence at 7.30pm.

Each meeting will include information pertaining to the running of the club that is of relevance to captains and coaches, a section for general questions and feedback for members of the club, concluded with specific training for captains and coaches. The training component of each meeting will vary each meeting and will address specific topics relevant to that part of the season. New balls are to be collected from Equipment Officer Terry Webb at each meeting.

Meeting Dates for Season 2025/26:

Tuesday 9th September 2025

Thursday 16th October 2025

Thursday 4th December 2025

Tuesday 3rd February 2026

Tuesday 3rd March 2026

We welcome all ideas and suggestions. Please feel free to express them at these meetings or to any member of the Executive at any time.

Our club website (www.baulkocricicket.com.au) provides all the details you need to know about the club!

Injuries

All injuries should be reported to Secretary Rick Thomas (0409 150 703) as soon as possible. Cricket Australia provides insurance cover for all registered players. See the club website for details.

Problems or Incidents

We hope you don't have any problems, but if so, please contact:

President:	Phil Woods	0402 981 313	president@baulkocricicket.com.au
Secretary:	Rick Thomas	0409 150 703	secretary@baulkocricicket.com.au
Senior Registrar:	Joe Macrae	0435 413 483	seniors@baulkocricicket.com.au
Junior Registrar:	Pat Mamo	0413 557 210	juniors@baulkocricicket.com.au

or any of the Management Committee.

Baulkham Hills Sports Club

Our major sponsor is Bankstown Sports Club. We receive great support from Baulkham Hills Sports Club, both financially and with the use of the club facilities. In return, we require all players over 18 years of age and all managers and coaches to be members of the Baulkham Hills Sports Club. Parents are also encouraged to join. It is free of charge, gives you a discount on all purchases, and gives you birthday rewards.

4. SEASON 2025/2026

Clothing:

All players MUST wear a Baulkham Hills playing shirt and cap/hat. Clothes can be purchased at Junior Blasters on Friday nights. Correct cricket attire must be worn (no black shoes or socks!)

Rules:

The PDCA rules are available on their website (www.parradca.com), under "PDCA Rules and Policies" There are many documents here that will be valuable to team officials. Bookmarking the URL <https://www.parradca.com/pdca-rules-policies> is recommended.

The draw is also on the website. There will be ground clashes from time to time, so please check to ensure you are aware of the ground at which your match will be played. We will contact you to provide details on any changes. This information can also be found on the PDCA website.

The rules give details of such items as; the restrictions on overs that can be bowled by players 18 years and younger, overs played in matches in both juniors and seniors and the start and finish times of games.

Junior Stages:

Junior cricket is split into three different stages as per Cricket Australia's guidelines for junior formats. Each format brings its own changes to the rules of the game. To assist with these stages, we have implemented Stage Coordinators who specialize in their chosen stage of cricket. Please see the below contact details so you know who to contact should you run into any trouble. You will find a breakdown of the rules for each stage attached to this management guide.

Stage 1: Under 10's and Under 11's

Stage 2: Under 12's and Under 13's

Stage 3: Under 14's, Under 15's and Under 17's

Wet Weather

Teams must attend the ground, even if it is raining. Games should be assumed to be on unless BHCC advise you otherwise. Tell your players the same. Quite often it is dry in one area and raining in another. Failure to attend your game unless contacted by the club will result in a forfeit result. This can include a fine to the team and a deduction of competition points.

All Teams: Team declaration sheets are to be completed by all teams prior to the game starting and shown to the umpire present. Team officials are required to take a photo of both team lists, as exchanged at the toss and retain this until the end of the season.

Seniors: The toss shall be taken 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start of play. If a team is not in a position to complete the toss and exchange Team Declaration forms, then the team who is in position shall be deemed to have won the toss and will determine which team bats and bowls. A team must have 6 players present to be deemed as in a position to complete the toss.

All Senior Teams and Stage 3 Juniors:

You can nominate 12 players for each game. Any 11 can bat or bowl in each innings and the same 11 do not have to be used in the second innings. Names listed **MUST** be as they appear on PlayHQ.

Note: For senior games, any players under the age of 19 years old must have their age stated next to their name on the team sheet.

Stage 1 Juniors -Teams will consist of up to nine (9) players each. If either team has less than 9 players the match will proceed as the primary purpose of this format is to provide a game of cricket for the players. **Note:** Only 7 players can field at the same time.

Stage 2 Juniors – Teams will have 9 players per team (maximum 11 can be named in the team). 7 players per team minimum are required to play the game and 11 players per team maximum are to be allocated to a team. Only 9 players can be on the field at any given time, only 9 can bat and up to 11 can bowl. **Note:** Any non-batter(s) must bowl in the first 15 overs and any non-bowler(s) must bat in the first 5 overs.

For further details on Stage 1 & 2 cricket please consult the relevant stage rules on the PDCA website

<https://www.parradca.com/pdca-rules-policies>

Registrations

Only players who have been registered with PDC and PlayHQ can play. Teams who use unregistered players will lose the points gained and the captain can face a substantial suspension. **No excuses!**

Players **must not in any circumstances** play under someone else's name. Severe penalties are in place for those who offend for both the player and the captain.

All new registrations must be submitted to the relevant person:

Senior Registrar: Joe Macrae: 0435 413 483 or seniors@baulkocricket.com.au

Junior Registrar: Pat Mamo: 0413 557 210 or juniors@baulkocricket.com.au

All new registrations must be in by the Tuesday night before the round in which you want them to play. This is because new registrations must be submitted to PDCA for approval prior to the player being accepted to play. We require the players full details (name, date of birth, etc.) and their last playing statistics to be provided. Late Registrations (seniors) are subject to strict grading rules.

Reserve Players

Senior teams who are short and require a fill-in **must** contact Joe Macrae as soon as possible to try to arrange a fill in. **Don't leave until the day before to call him or you may be disappointed!**

There are strict restrictions for junior reserve or fill-in players. Please contact Pat Mamo before using any fill-in players for juniors.

Playing Dates

All games are played on Saturdays (mornings or afternoons), except for the senior and stage semi-finals and finals, which are played on Saturday and Sunday.

Seniors play 14 rounds. This season it is 7 x 1-day games and 7 x 2-day games. Each team plays all other teams in their competition twice, both home & away. Most teams have two (2) byes, for which they **MUST** umpire. A failure to provide umpires for all the allocated games will result in your team being fined by the Association and lose of competition points.

Stage 3 (U14 – U17) play 13 rounds - there are 7 x 1-day games and 6 x 2-day games. Some junior competitions have a bye.

Stages 1 and Stage 2 (U10 – U13) play 19 rounds. All games are 1-day games, either T20 or T30 format. Some junior competitions have a bye. Stage 1 (U10's and U11's) do not play finals.

Stage 1 games will start at either 7:45am or 10:15am. Due to ground shortages, two games will be played at one ground, back-to-back. Please make sure you check the fixture on the PlayHQ web site.

Season playing dates are below:

DATE	SENIOR Round	Stage 3 Round (U14 – U17)	Stages 1 and 2 Round (U10 – U13)
Sep 20	1	1	1*
Sep 27	1	1	2*
Oct 04	No Games		
Oct 11	2	2	3*
Oct 18	2	2	4*
Oct 25	3	3*	5*
Nov 01	3	4*	6*
Nov 08	4	5*	7*
Nov 15	4	5	8*
Nov 22	5*	6*	9*
Nov 29	6*	7*	10*
Dec 06	7	8	11*
Dec 13	7	8	12*
Dec 20	8*	9*	13*
Dec 27	No Games		
Jan 03	No Games		
Jan 10	9*	No Games	
Jan 17	10*	No Games	
Jan 24	No Games		
Jan 31	11*	10*	14*
Feb 07	12	11	15*
Feb 14	12	11	16*
Feb 21	13	12	17*
Feb 28	13	12	18*
Mar 07	14*	13*	19*
Mar 14 & 15	SF	SF	SF**
Mar 21 & 22	GF	GF	GF**

*: One-day matches

** : Note: that if no play at all occurs on the Saturday (completely wash-out or cancelled), then the Sunday might be used as a reserve day for Stage 2 finals. Only Stage 2 play finals, not Stage 1.

Player Umpires

Seniors are required to umpire when they have a bye. Please ensure your team provides umpires for all the games when you have a bye. There are normally two (2) byes per team, one in each round. **Junior and Senior Teams** who do not make the semi-finals or finals are required to provide umpires for the finals. **Be ready! And you get paid!**

Failure to umpire will result in a fine from the PDCA (more than \$250 per game) and your team will not be awarded 10 competition points. BHCC do not pay team fines.

When umpiring games, you are in fact considered an official umpire and have the same power as an official PDCUA umpire. Should you experience problems with player behaviour, warn the captain and player. Should the problem continue, report the incident to BHCC and it will be reported to PDCA, who will take action.

Should you not have an umpire attend your game, please contact Secretary Rick Thomas, so that we can inform PDCA.

Umpires at junior games **must** wear a vest (BHCC will provide) and this is to identify who is allowed in the field during play. Ensure parents present understand they are not to enter the field of play, unless they are the designated umpire.

The player umpire roster is on the PDCA website, or can be found from our website. Allocations will be known shortly. If you need assistance with the game locations, then please contact Joe Macrae.

PARRAMATTA DCA - PLAYER/UMPIRE APPOINTMENTS 2025/26			
CLUB	TEAM	ROUNDS	GRADE TO UMPIRE
BAULKHAM HILLS	B5	5 & 12	B4
BAULKHAM HILLS	B10	3 & 10	B9
BAULKHAM HILLS	B11	1 & 8	B9
BAULKHAM HILLS	B13	2 & 9	B12
BAULKHAM HILLS	B16	1 & 8	B14

Results & Scoresheets

All teams must enter their match results and scoresheets on to the PlayHQ website. **Full scoresheets must be posted on PlayHQ by 8pm on the Tuesday following the completion of the match.** Each team is responsible for entering its own full scoresheet.

If there are any issues when entering these scores. please contact Pat Mamo or Rick Thomas immediately. They can either assist or notify the Association of the issue to begin a resolution. Do not leave it until the last minute, to allow time to be assisted!

Failure to observe this rule in its entirety shall, at the discretion of the Competition Committee, may render the offending team liable to a penalty of a loss of all competition points gained in the match or five (5) points whichever is the higher and be levied a fine of \$50 for each infringement. It is quite simple and takes a short time!

THE PDCA Competition Committee will be enforcing this rule this season. So, be warned!

Assistance with access to the website or passwords should be directed to our Webmaster Rick Thomas (webmaster@baulkocricicket.com.au)

Social Media

We love to hear how our teams are going, including impressive individual performances or exciting games/results. If you want to send any updates or information from your team's games, please send details and a photo (perhaps of the team or the relevant individual) to Joe Macrae or Rick Thomas and we will consider posting it on our social media accounts to share with our club members.

5. EQUIPMENT

New cricket balls are available at Team Officials meetings. All teams should collect the balls from the Equipment Officer at these meetings.

Should you be unable to attend the meetings, balls can be obtained by ringing the equipment officer and arranging a time to collect them. **DO NOT** just turn up, as Terry may not be home and **DO NOT** leave it until Saturday!

During the season, it is advisable that the used and new balls are not left lying in the kit. They will disappear. Keep them separate and only bring out for practice or when needed.

Replacement of equipment. Should you need new stumps or other equipment, please contact the Equipment Officer, Terry Webb on 0419 445 921 or email to equipment@baulkocricicket.com.au

6. Junior Blasters: Friday 6:15pm-8:00pm

Senior teams must provide at least three (3) players to assist our Blasters Co-ordinators each Friday night, as rostered. Junior Blasters is a skills program for 5 to 8 year-old children. Where it is affected by wet weather, team officials will be notified no later than Friday 5pm and the roster amended.

Location: Charles McLaughlin Reserve, Corner Chapel Lane and Crestwood Drive, Baulkham Hills

2025/26 ROSTER

DATE	WEEK	TEAM
17 th October 2025	1	A Grade
24 th October 2025	2	A Reserve
31 st October 2025	3	B5
7 th November 2025	4	B10
14 th November 2025	5	B11
21 st November 2025	6	B13
28 th November 2025	7	B14
Christmas and School Holiday Break		
7 th February 2026	8	U15s
14 th February 2026	9	A Grade and A Reserve
21 st February 2026	10	B5 and B10
28 th February 2026	11	B11 and B13
7 th March 2026	12	B14 and U15s

7. GROUNDS

Your team is allocated a home ground for the season. You should play most of your home games at that ground, but sometimes this is not always possible. Ground locations are on the PlayHQ website in the draw details or on the PDCA website. **Note:** there may be ground changes due to fixture clashes or Council closures. BHCC will attempt to advise you of any changes in advance of game.

Keys will be provided for grounds where they are required for access to toilets or changerooms. Make sure you lock up after each game and **clean up any rubbish**. Don't leave it lying around.

Only one (1) car allowed inside Ted Horwood near canteen. **DO NOT PARK ON THE NETBALL COURT ASPHALT!**

8. INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

The following individual awards are presented for each team, at the Senior and Junior Presentations.

- **Batting Award** (Best Average)
- **Bowling Award** (Best Average)
- **Fielding Award.** The method for calculating the winner is left to the discretion of the officials for each team. A popular impartial method is a points system per innings or match.
- **Encouragement Award** (Under 10 – Under 13). The winner of this award is left to the discretion of the officials for each team.

Individual performance awards are allocated for any player who:

- a) scores a century;
- b) takes 7 wickets in an innings;
- c) takes 10 wickets in a match; or
- d) takes a hat-trick

The balls used in (b), (c) or (d) should be given to the Club for mounting on the trophy.

QUALIFICATION FOR AWARDS

		Batting Average	Bowling Average
1. Seniors:	Teams without byes	250 runs	25 wickets
	Teams with byes	225 runs	22 wickets
2. Juniors	Traditional	150 runs	15 wickets
3. Juniors	Modified	75 runs	7 wickets
4. All Teams	Must have played five matches with the team		
5. All Junior Teams	If there is no qualifier, awarded to highest aggregate.		

9. SEASON END

- Return the kit to the Equipment Officer Terry Webb promptly after the last game.
- Make sure the kit is clean.
- Season stats will be downloaded from PlayHQ. **Ensure all match details are complete and correct, or awards may not go to the correct player!**
- Advise nominations for Fielding Awards (all teams) and Encouragement Awards (U10-U13).
- Submit your team's Annual Report (via email).
- Advise team of date and time of Presentation.
- These functions should be carried out as soon as possible after the team has completed their competition.

10. ANNUAL EVENTS

A number of events are held annually. These include:

- **Junior Team Photos:** Saturday 14th February 2025 at Ted Horwood.
- **Junior Double Wicket:** Sunday 22nd February 2026.
 - For U11-U17 ages. Split into two (2) groups (U11/U12/U13) & (U14/U15/U17).
- **Senior Presentation Dinner:** Friday 15th May 2026
- **Junior Presentation Day:** Sunday 17th May 2026
- **Annual General Meeting:** Tuesday 23rd June 2026

Further details will be advised in advance of each event

11. CLUB CONTACTS

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Other Committee Members

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