

Monday 2 December 2013

Victorian All Abilities Cricket Carnival 2014

Important Notice

Cricket Victoria is pleased to announce that the Victoria All Abilities Cricket Carnival is scheduled for Sunday 23 February 2014, at Casey Fields in Cranbourne.

Registrations for the carnival will be by invitation only this season for the following reasons:

- Ground three is undergoing renovations as it is being converted to a turf wicket. This ground cannot accommodate Super League.
- Ground one access is subject to Casey Scorpions management who have determined that this ground is unavailable for use on Sunday 23 February 2014.
- The number of teams seeking registrations has outgrown the facilities available.

The 2013 carnival recorded 22 teams, and the carnival grows on average by 3 teams every year. The carnival is expected to grow to 25 teams for the 2014; however the facilities can currently only accommodate 20 teams (10 Super League teams and 10 Ten Over Tonk teams).

In order to coordinate the fairest opportunities for teams to participate, the following process will determine the participating teams for the 2014 Victorian All Abilities Cricket Carnival.

- Teams can register their expression of interest in participating in the Victorian All Abilities Cricket Carnival 2014.
- Only one Super League and One Ten Over Tonk team will be accepted per club.
- Super League and Ten Over Tonk teams must register an expression of interest here <http://www.cricketvictoria.com.au/get-involved/all-abilities> strictly by midnight, Sunday 5 January 2014. No late registrations will be accepted.
- Super League teams selected for participation will be selected in the following order:
 - The return of 2013 defending champions - Barwon.
 - Teams that complete the registration form including their players names.
 - Teams that helped to establish the carnival in 2006/07.
 - Teams that are known to be of Super League standard.
 - Teams that are affiliated with a Victorian affiliate cricket club.
 - Teams that register their players on MyCricket.
- Priority of Ten Over Tonk teams will be:
 - Teams that complete the registration form including their players names.
 - Teams that established the carnival in 2006/07.
 - Teams that are affiliated with a Victorian affiliate cricket club.
 - Teams that register their players on MyCricket.
- Teams will be notified the outcome of their expression of interest by their registered email on Friday 10 January 2014.



Cricket Victoria with the Victorian Disability Cricket Advisory Committee has considered all options including multiple carnival days, splitting format days and splitting regions.

Consultation with various stakeholders has been undertaken, and deemed this solution as the fairest to players, clubs, host clubs, council, volunteers, sponsors, events staff and the Victorian cricket calendar.

The generosity of the Lords Taverners Victoria, Cranbourne Cricket Club, Casey-South Melbourne Cricket Club and Casey City Council - who sponsor the carnival with their facilities - ensure that all participants can return each year to quality facilities at no cost to teams and participants. Cricket Victoria thanks these stakeholders once again for their kind contribution and support in ensuring that the Victorian All Abilities Cricket Carnival can return to Casey Fields for a seventh consecutive year.

For those that may have concerns about missing opportunities for Victorian Vikings selections; Cricket Victoria - with the Victorian Disability Cricket Advisory Committee - has made changes to the Victorian Vikings selection policy (attached). Participation in the Victorian All Abilities Cricket Carnival is no longer required to determine selection as a Victorian Viking. The selection process will consider players that cannot attend the carnival, and will also undertake a talent identification and trials process.

Cricket Victoria thanks all team managers, coaches, clubs, volunteers and cricketers for their understanding in the change of process for the 2013-14 season and we hope that future carnivals will be able to accommodate the growing interest in the Victorian All Abilities Cricket Carnival.

Long live cricket!

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