

# CRICKET FAR NORTH INC. VETERANS CRICKET.

Chair:
Andrew Maunder
Secretary:
Julian Warnock
Committee Members:
Jason Chetham
Greg Cottrell

Email: veterans@cricketfarnorth.com.au

Cricket Far North Veterans Cricket is a sub-committee of Cricket Far North Inc. tasked with promoting Veterans Cricket in the Far North Zone. They engage with local clubs and associations, expand competitions into other North Queensland zones, and are part of the Queensland Veterans Cricket Association. The Cricket Far North executive supports them in achieving these objectives.

#### **NEWSLETTER APRIL 2025**

This newsletter is to let you know what is happening for the Veterans Season 2025. Thank you to those who have entered their names into the draft.

If you haven't Registered your Expression of Interest in playing in the 2025 season, please do so by clicking on this link.

Nominations close on April 18, 2025.

Draft Evening – save the date: ONLY 2 WEEKS TO GO!

Date: April 26, 2025

**Time:** 6:00 for 6:30 p.m. start

Venue: Saints Clubhouse, Griffiths Park.

Cost: \$10.00 pp for food.

A cash bar will be available during the evening.

- All people who have registered their Expression of Interest in playing will be placed into the Draft.
- The previously appointed captains for each team will then select their teams from the list of players.
- Each player will be named, and the captains will nominate their interest.
- Each player will have a starting price upon which the captains can bargain with the highest bid successful. This price is based on their skill level and if they have represented CFN in the past.
- The captains will have a ceiling capital expenditure which they cannot exceed.
- Let the games begin!!!

#### **Teams and Equipment kits**

- As of April 3, there have been enough players who have registered to have 2 x Over 50 teams and 1 x Over 60 teams. These are minimum numbers however, with just 12 members per team, which needs improving. We would love to see 15 members in each team to cater for absentees.
- There are another 57 people we have on our notifications list who have not indicated whether they intend to play or not.
- We expect that this number will decrease as we now move closer to the Draft Evening.
- We expect that we will have our desired 2 x O50 and 2 x O60 teams by April 18.
- There will be an equipment kit for each team which will include bats, pads, helmets and batting gloves for those who do not have any of these items.
- If you have gear you would like to donate to these kits, please bring them along to the Draft Evening or to your first match.

### **Uniforms and caps**

- Each player will receive a playing shirt and a cap.
- Each team will have a particular-coloured cap.
- Playing shirts will be white, with Cricket Far North and Veterans logos.
- These will be provided at cost.
- As was the case last season, playing trousers will be white, provided by yourself.
- As we will be playing primarily on turf, please make sure you have spikes.

  Just a reminder also, if you didn't play during the summer, check your spikes and re-glue the soles because we have all seen soles coming off in the first few matches of winter.

#### The Proposed Draw:

- There will be one match at Griffiths Park II and the other will be at Walker Road.
- Start time (first ball bowled) Midday, Noon, 12:00 p.m. sharp.
- Matches will be 35 overs maximum.
- Sunday Dates (as at April 6)
  - o May 11 and 25 (Round 1 and 2)
  - May 29 to June 1 Barrier Reef Masters Games (are you in a team? If not, you can organise your own team or join in with others who have already registered a team. Mulgrave and Rotary Old Crocks usually have teams in this event.)
  - o June 8 and 22 (Round 3 and 4)
  - o July 6 and 20 (Round 5 and 6) NOTE: Cairns Show is July 16-18.
  - o August 3 (round 7)
  - o August 8-10 Representative matches in Townsville (see below).
  - August 17 Carnival of 6-a-side matches followed by a season presentation barbecue. Team Champion announced and awarded the perpetual trophy.

Awards to:

- Over 50 and Over 60 batter (Male and Female).
- Over 50 and Over 60 bowler (Male and Female).
- Cricket Far North Veterans' Representative Player of the season.
- Veterans Over 50 and Over 60 players of the season.

## **Representative Cricket**

- We will be playing against Mackay and Townsville in an Intercity Over 50s and Over 55s Competition in Townsville.
- Matches will be played over 3 days.
- Dates are from Friday August 8 to Sunday August 10.
- Format to be decided.
- These matches follow the completion of our round robin fixtures, and teams will be selected on merit from those who make themselves available.
- Uniforms and caps will be available for purchase this season if so desired. Loan uniforms will still be provided.

The committee looks forward to an exciting season and representative competition this winter.

Kind regards

Julian Warnock

Secretary – CFN Veterans Sub-Committee

veterans@cricketfarnorth.com.au

https://cricketfarnorth.com.au/veterans