

Parent / Carer Information

Welcome to Mudgeeraba Nerang District Cricket Club (MNDCC). Our club is one of the oldest clubs in both the Gold Coast and Queensland having been established in 1886.

Club Culture:

At Mudgeeraba Nerang and District Cricket Club (MNDCC) we pride ourselves on developing quality players who demonstrate respect and sportsmanship both on and off the field. We expect high standards of behaviour from our players and parents. At MNDCC we work hard to demonstrate and instil positive culture across our player, parent and coaching groups. Our club tag line is:

#Culture

Bushmen	Understand	Sacrifice	Humility	Membership	Excellence	Nurture
We believe in: Ourselves, our Preparation, our Team Mate, our Game Plan, our Endeavour and Intent.	We understand and respect that we are all different. We unite to achieve more collectively than we can as one.	Club Team Individual, In that order, Forever.	We enjoy success. We respect our defeats and always show respect for the game and those involved.	We enjoy our time and our friendship with: Team mates, Club mates, Opposition and Match Officials	At all times we strive to play this great game to the best of our ability, whilst showing respect and pride in everything we do.	We believe in putting time back in to our juniors, Teaching them our club values and sharing the Wisdom of our experience, so they become the Best Person they can be.

How the club works:

Mudgeeraba Nerang and District Club is run by volunteers and parent helpers. The club has over 330 players across both junior and senior teams. Training occurs during the week with games played across the weekend.

The club house is open on Thursday and Friday nights 5pm – 9pm, and on Saturdays from 9.30am until late. Dinner is available at the club on all three nights, with snacks, refreshments and drinks also available for purchase. **The Deck** is a great place to watch the game and cheer on our Mudgee teams.

A **Social Committee** of volunteers organise a calendar of events across the season, with all events being advertised on the club Facebook page. Events include, music on the deck, Junior Christmas party, 'Pink Stumps' fundraising day, Trivia night, and much more.

A **Junior** and **Senior committee** are established each year to oversee the conduct of club cricket programs, and to ensure support for both coaches and players. The club has designated '**Selectors**' who are responsible for

player selections across **senior** teams and Junior Turf teams (15-17), with teams being announced each Thursday night at the club house, and on Facebook.

A **Uniform committee** supports the design and development of club uniforms and apparel. The Uniform committee provide information on uniform availability and ordering, and coordinate the distribution of player uniforms.

Communication and Information sharing:

MNDCC has both a website and Facebook page:

Website: <https://mndcc.com.au/> **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/34416212627/>

The majority of information is shared via the Facebook page so it is recommended that all parents/Carers access Facebook. Some coaches may set up a separate page for their teams, however please note that standard club info will be available on our main page only.

Team coaches may provide information updates to players and parents at the beginning or end of training sessions or games, so please ensure your availability and participation.

Who to contact:

- The primary contact for parents / Carers is the team coach or coordinator.
- If the team coach is unavailable, you may direct questions to the Junior or senior head of coaching
- General questions can be posted on the club Facebook page
- Email enquiries can be directed to: info@mndcc.com.au
- Information can be requested via the club website – go to the ‘contact’ section and send a message

Image release (Photography and filming):

Mudgeeraba Nerang and District Cricket Club seeks the permission of parents/guardians to utilise images and footage of club juniors participating in club related activities, for the purpose of educational, promotional, commercial or marketing purposes. An image release form will be made available to parents/guardians via the team coach or club representative. We seek your support in signing this form at your earliest convenience, subject to individual family circumstance.

Club Uniform and apparel:

As a club we wear our uniforms with pride. MNDCC normally carry a base stock of all mandatory uniform items, these include:

- U10's (Master Blast) – Player shirt and cap
- U11's through to 6th Grade – Player shirt, Training Shirt & Shorts, Cap
- 1st Grade – Cream playing kit, Coloured playing kit
- 2nd Grade – Coloured playing kit (one day games only)

Mandatory uniform items are included in club fees (one set per player) and are issued once every two years. Uniform items are issued by the uniform committee from the club house (upstairs), at the beginning of each season. Information on dates and times of issue are normally advertised on the club Facebook page.

Additional uniform items and club apparel will be available to order and purchase from our supplier's online shop. Details will be provided on the club Facebook page. Club apparel available for purchase includes:

MNDCC white player pants	MNDCC Socks
Training singlet	MNDCC Beanie
Club polo (stock available at club house)	MNDCC jacket
Club Hoodie (zip up also available)	MNDCC Rain jacket
MNDCC Towel	Extra Playing / training kit

Training:

Training is a critical component of player and team development. All players are required to participate in training sessions which are normally conducted on a week day afternoon at the club grounds. The team coach or coordinator will advise players of training days / times. If a player cannot attend a training session, they should notify their team coach. Players who regularly do not attend training may not be provided with opportunity to participate on game day.

Training kit:

Players should ensure to have all of their necessary uniform and equipment with them for every training session, this includes:

- MNDCC training uniform
- MNDCC cap
- Pads, gloves, helmet, box, bat
- Appropriate footwear, including spikes for seniors
- Drink bottle
- Sun Cream

*All uniform and equipment should be labelled with the players name to avoid loss.

Parent Behaviour during training:

All parents who are not involved in supporting the coach with training drills, should stand clear of the training area, this ensures the safety of both the parent/carer and the players.

If you are not the coach, then please do not coach your child from the sidelines. Please be supportive of your child and understand that if your child is enjoying the game, they are most likely to thrive.

Please be supportive of the coach, and respectful to other parents and players.

On occasion training may finish early due to inclement weather, the coach should not be left caring for your child in your absence so please ensure appropriate supervision for your child during training.

Game Day:

All cricket games are played over the weekend, with times and venues being advised by the respective team coach and via the 'My Cricket' website. Games will rotate across a variety of venues on the Gold Coast in accordance with the draw. Games are normally played as follows:

- U10 Junior training and games are played on a Friday afternoon.
- U11 – U17 are played on a Saturday morning
- Senior games 1st Grade to 6th Grade are played on a Saturday afternoon, with some finals being played across Saturday and Sunday.
- 1st Grade T20 competition – Weekends in September, plus finals.

All players are expected to be at their respective game venues 30-60 minutes prior to game start time (or as specified by team coach). This ensures adequate time for pitch set up, team warm up, and player briefing.

Players should arrive in their training gear, and change in to whites before game commences. Young juniors and female players may arrive in their whites if this is more convenient.

*Junior teams – Parents should make themselves available to assist the coach with team warm up drills.

Parents/Carers should organise appropriate supervision for their child on game days. If you have to leave the ground during the game, please notify the coach and organise another parent/carer to supervise your child as required. On occasion a game may finish early due to weather or other game dynamics, the coach should not be left caring for your child in your absence.

Parent Behaviour during game day:

All parents who are not involved in supporting the coach with training drills prior to the game, should stand clear of the training / playing area, this ensures the safety of both the parent/carer and the players.

If you are not the coach, then please do not coach your child from the sidelines. Please be supportive of your child and understand that if your child is enjoying the game, they are most likely to thrive.

Please show respect for the umpires and do not dispute their decisions. The majority of umpires across junior games are volunteers and parent helpers, they try hard to get it right but on occasion may make a mistake. In the game of cricket there will be good calls and bad calls but it all tends to work out in the end.

*Please be a good role model for your child by being supportive of the coach, and respectful to umpires, players, and other parents.

Wet Weather:

In the event of wet weather, you should assume the game is on unless notified otherwise. Notification of game cancellation will be provided on the 'Cricket Gold Coast We Weather information page'

<https://cricketgoldcoast.com.au/wet-weather-information/>

Additional notifications may also be provided on the MNDCC club Facebook page

What you can do to help:

Our club could not function without the support of parent helpers and volunteers. We welcome and encourage active participation from parents and carers in both training sessions and on game day. You can assist in some of the following ways:

- Provide assistance to the coach during training sessions by helping with warm ups, fielding drills, batting practice, chasing stray balls.
- Help with moving junior players between activity stations, and timing activity rotations for the coach.
- Help with distributing or gathering equipment
- Support the coach and team on game day with warm up activities, and setting up the ground and equipment
- Provide water and fruit breaks for juniors (set up a roster for team parents/Carers)
- Assist with scoring (rotate scoring between parents/Carers)
- Assist with Umpiring (remember to demonstrate fairness and sportsmanship when undertaking this responsibility).
- Organise 'pop up shade shelters' for team and supporters (normally parents share this task)
- Ensure the area is left tidy and all rubbish is removed before you depart

* Please remember that the coach is a volunteer and is giving up their time to support the development of your child. Please respect the decisions made by the coach and support them as much as possible.

Volunteering:

Volunteers are always welcome at the club. If you would like to assist in some way then please speak to your team coach who can refer you on to the appropriate person. Alternatively, you can make contact via the website or speak to one of the club committee members.

Sponsorship:

The club always welcomes offers of sponsorship. If you or your business can help in supporting the club in any way, that would be greatly appreciated. Please make contact with the club President via the website contact page or through one of our committee members.