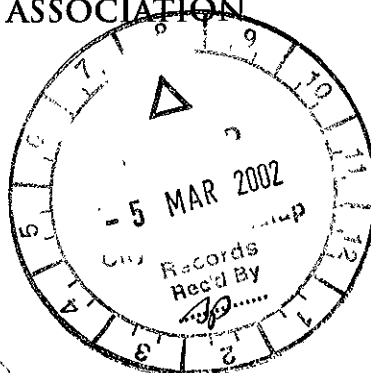


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Mr John Bombak  
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His Worship, the Mayor of Joondalup and Councillors

Dear John

The Joondalup Cricket club has established itself in the City of Joondalup having relocated from North Perth.

It is a very active club and through its work with both adult and junior players, provides a valuable avenue for the residents of the City of Joondalup to be a part of the very vibrant cricket scene in Western Australia.

The cost of relocation has put some financial strain on the club, and while it plans to be self-supporting in approximately two years, until then, it will struggle to maintain its service to the local people.

The Club is therefore approaching the City of Joondalup to ask for assistance for the next two years. Many local authorities do support their cricket clubs either in kind or financially because they recognise the good work done by the clubs in providing healthy activities in their localities especially for the young people.

The WACA is pleased to support the Joondalup Cricket Club's request for assistance and hopes that the City of Joondalup is able to provide some timely help to the club until it establishes itself on a self-supporting basis.

Yours sincerely

*Kath White*

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Sheffield  
Shield  
Champions:

1947-48  
1967-68  
1971-72  
1972-73  
1974-75  
1976-77  
1977-78

1980-81  
1983-84

1986-87  
1987-88  
1988-89

1991-92  
1997-98  
1998-99

One Day  
Champions:

1970-71  
1973-74  
1976-77  
1977-78

1982-83  
1985-86

1989-90  
1990-91

1996-97

1999-2000



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### **Maintenance of turf wickets at the Iluka Sports ground.**

This submission is to request financial assistance from the City of Joondalup for the Joondalup Districts Cricket Club (JDCC) in the maintenance of the cricket wickets at the Iluka Sports Arena at Miami Beach Promenade Iluka.

When the North Perth Cricket club which had a history of over 100 years decided to move because their junior base from their allotted area had been considerable reduced, they looked around and decided the Northern districts was a developing area with potential to perpetuate this old established club well into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The West Perth Football Club had re-located to the Arena at Joondalup which gave the Northern suburbs a senior Australian Rules Football Club and a move by a Senior Districts Cricket Club to the same area would then compliment sport in that area and would be of significant benefit to both the cricket club and the community of Joondalup. A request to the Council to be relocated was made and the Iluka Sports Complex was finally agreed on.

The pending relocation of the JDCC caused the Club to install a dual turf wicket and practice facility at the Iluka oval and the only cost to the Council was \$9000 for assistance in the erection of wire mesh around the practice wicket. The maintenance of these wickets has been carried out by The JDCC at no cost to the Council, but changing circumstances has now caused the Club reassess the situation.

This move was completed in the summer of 2000 and in making this move the Club changed its name to Joondalup Districts Cricket Club to reflect their commitment to the area of Joondalup and Districts.

The Club at a cost of approximately \$80,000 carried out the establishment of turf wickets on the oval and in the practice area. This sort of expenditure has seriously restricted the finances of the Club, which has now caused the equipment to maintain the wickets to be of an inferior standard and in need of replacement.

To function as a senior district club under the WACA umbrella that strongly support junior crickets programs for the districts of Joondalup and be able to provide the best possible facilities and take advantage of a top grade complex financial support will be needed

The JDCC has a policy of developing player from it own district, we field two under 13's one under 15's and two under 17's districts sides, this is done to develop the junior base in our district. We are the only WACA club that has more than one side in two under age district sides, the only reason we do not have two under 15's sides is the lack of grounds. We have had a 40% increase in junior participation in the community clubs from where we draw our junior players from, those clubs being Whitfords, Edgewater, Ocean Ridge, Joondalup, Kinross, and Quinns

From the registration of players in the 6 to 9 year age group we see this increase in participation continuing at least for the next 5 years and possibly beyond, especially with the development of new suburbs in the northern area of the City.

We have made a long term commitment to these clubs within the City of Joondalup and to maintain this youth policy it has and will take a major financial commitment from the JDCC.

The JDCC has had solid junior development in the area, which has produced a number of 16, 17 and 19year old state players. In the 2001-2002 season the Club had Travis Crook and Michael Swart in the state 19's Sam Barnes-Sidal in the state 17's and Clint Tomlinson, Chris Thompson, and Tom Whitlock were selected in the state 16's. To be able to continue this development the club will need top facilities and high profile players to attract the juniors to remain in the district, and to this end the club has

acquired the services of Ryan Campbell a state and international player who is expected to give leadership and high profile to the club.

To continue to have top facilities the wickets and surrounds must be maintained to a high standard, this can only be achieved by spending time and effort on the wicket and have a carefully planned maintenance program for the surrounds.

Maintaining cricket wickets to the high standards needed for districts cricket requires labor and equipment of high quality, the JDCC has had to make do with second hand machinery which has required high maintenance and will have to be replaced in the near future. The wicket curator has with sub standard equipment maintained the wickets to a high standard but, unless there is some injection of finance into this area the high standards will not be achievable in the future.

Recently the Council assisted in the purchase of practice nets; this is the only new equipment we have. The wicket covers have to be dragged by hand out to the wickets. A tractor of some sort and a trolley is needed to stop the wear and tear on the covers caused by dragging them over the ground to and from the wickets. The roller is many years old and is hand operated, the wicket mower is a cast off from the WACA, The verti mower is an antique which has had some maintenance of late, we borrow a line marker from the soccer club, the wicket vacuum is broken and clean up is done with the wicket mower, in general, the equipment is in poor shape and this makes it very difficult to maintain the wickets to the standards required.

It has been a financial juggling act to maintain wicket areas and machinery together with running a senior sporting club. Funds are not easily acquired and it has been hard work raising finance to keep the club on the right side of the ledger. If it had not been for generous assistance from supporters the club could be in a far worse position than now. This supporter assistance cannot be guaranteed in the future.

It was envisaged that with the establishment of the Beaumaris Sports Association (BSA) that some of the funding would come from the profits of the BSA, but, unfortunately the financial requirement of the BSA to first establish itself a self supporting organisation has necessitated the use of any surplus funds to establish equipment and infrastructure to enable it to stand on it's own feet and not become another struggling Sporting Association

which is too prevalent in today's society. This situation will remain for another two years and by that time it is expected that some support will be forthcoming, it would then be a realistic time to re-assess council support and make any necessary adjustments.

The city of Joondalup has given significant support to the development and construction of club rooms of the BSA which, was to establish a strong financial base for the clubs houses at the complex, but at this time no financial assistance has been received by the JDCC and it is not envisaged to be forthcoming in the next two years.

In the 1999/2000 financial year the City provided the JDCC with \$24000 to assist in the erection of the fencing around the practice wickets, Purchase of score board and site screens, this year they provided \$2200 to assist in the purchase of safety nets for the practice wickets. Even though the City has been very co-operative in the management of the complex no other direct financial assistance has been received by the JDCC.

The City Of Joondalup together with the Shire of Wanneroo had a policy on turf wickets inserted into their policy manual in September 1997 where as Kingsway Sports Complex in Landsdale and McDonald Park in Padbury were to receive financial assistance up to the sum of \$20,000 per wicket area to assist user groups in the maintenance of the turf facilities.

The objective was to provide quality cricket facilities to comply with the standards for various user groups.

JDCC is the only senior district club in the metropolitan area that does not receive financial assistance from their municipality to maintain turf wickets, the following table demonstrates the degree of support from other Councils.

<b><u>Cricket Club.</u></b>	<b><u>Municipality</u></b>	<b><u>Financial assistance -</u></b>
Perth	Town Of Victoria Pk.	76k Grounds & wickets Exc.retic.& build.
Fremantle	City of Fremantle	29k Wickets only
Scarborough	City of Stirling	30k Wickets only
Midland Guilford	City of Swan	85k total grounds Exc. Retic
Wanneroo	City of Wanneroo	40k wickets & mowing For 6 Mths.
Subiaco Floreat	Town of Cambridge	Fully maintained by Council at a cost of \$8000 to club.
Mount Lawley	City of Stirling	Fully maintained by Council at a cost Of \$6000 to club


The requirements by Municipalities of the Clubs varies by Councils but grounds maintenance assistance by all Council is consistent.

The Whitfords Suburban Turf Club receive \$20k for the maintenance of the turf wickets at McDonald Park as well as the use of council equipment at a nominal cost.

Joondalup Districts Cricket Club respectfully request Council to give consideration to include Iluka Sporting Complex in the policy for financial assistance this would then allow the senior districts cricket club in the Joondalup area be considered on an equal basis as other cricket clubs.

We seek \$40k to maintain the turf wickets included in this figure would be the mowing, fertilizing, and general maintenance of the ground (excluding reticulation) for the cricket season which runs from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> March. We would see this request being in place for a period of two years to be reviewed at that time and considered in conjunction with any dividends received from the BSA.

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21/2/2002.