The City of Joondalup's new Venue Hire Fees and Charges Policy

On 1st January 2024, the City of Joondalup introduced its new <u>Venue Hire Fees and Charges</u> <u>Policy (VHFCP)</u> and this will take effect for the 2024-25 cricket season.

Under the previous VHFCP system, junior sports clubs typically received a 100% subsidy from the City for the use of grounds for training and matches. Clubs were also not charged for use of storage at grounds or for the use of floodlights.

New VHFCP Changes and How It Impacts JKCC

Under the new VHFCP, JKCC is classed as Category C and we will receive a 75% subsidy on new fees from 1st January 2024 to 30th June 2025. Fees for storage and floodlighting also commenced on the 1st of January. Unfortunately, this means a new cost to JKCC of \$25 per player for the 2024–25 season.

From 1st July 2025 onwards, the subsidy reduces to 50%. This means an increase again next season. The club will continue to minimise the effect of these increases as much as possible.

The tables below show how the fees are made up for the 2024/25 season.

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Age Group	Club Fee	Cricket Aus Fee	Cricket WA Fee	Total
5-8 Years	*\$87	\$41	\$17	\$145

^{*}Club Fee included ground hire fees and team photo

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Stage	Age Group	Club Fee	Cricket WA Fee	Total
Stage 1	Yrs 4-6 (U10-12) Yrs 4/5 Girls Yrs 6/7 Girls	*\$240	\$15	\$255
Stages 2 & 3	Yrs 7 & above Yrs 8/9 Girls Years 10/11 Girls	*\$280	\$15	\$295

^{*}Club Fee included ground hire fees and team photo

What other cost pressure are impacting JKCC's Junior Cricket registration fees for the 2024-25 season?

- For the 2024-25 season, there will also be a planned increase in administration costs for cricket competitions in which all North-West cricket teams participate. Last season the cost was \$12.50 per player, for 2024-25 there is an increase to \$15 per player.
- However, there will be no association fee this season, which will cover the cost of the team photos.
- Finally, the club also needs to account for price increases in equipment used for matches and training, notably cost increases for cricket balls.

How are we Trying to Minimise the Impact of these Cost Increases?

As we move into the 2024-25 season and beyond, the club committee will continue to:

- Lobby the City of Joondalup (Mayor, councillors and administration) to review its VHFCP to keep junior sports affordable for all.
- Continue to regularly check and adjust venue and facility bookings to minimise hire costs
 of these throughout the season.
- Seek support from businesses and private community members to support the club through sponsorships and donations, supporting junior cricket.
- Apply for government grants the club is eligible for, to fund specific initiatives or purchases.
- · Keep registration fees and prices charged for uniforms and other items as low as possible.

Families should also note that you may be eligible for KidSport funding to assist your junior athlete to play sport. For information please contact juniorsregistrar@jkcc.com.au or head to https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/funding/sport-and-recreation-funding/kidsport.

If you have any questions, or would like to discuss the increases, please feel free to contact us.

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