



## HALSWELL JUNIOR CRICKET CLUB

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### Junior Summer Season 2023-2024 Information

Welcome to the Halswell Junior Cricket Club, and thank you for registering your child for the 2023/24 summer season. We are excited to have you join us to play cricket!

Here are some important dates and general information about playing cricket for Halswell. Each team coach will give you more detailed information specific to your team and grade once the teams have been set and coaches found.

#### IMPORTANT DATES

- ❖ **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October** - Girls Pre-Season Get Together and Warm Up Games
- ❖ **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October** – First Game (Week 1) - first 3 games are grading games.
- ❖ **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October** – Smash Play starts
- ❖ **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November** – No CJCA games at Show Weekend
- ❖ **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November** – Club Fun Day (TBC)
- ❖ **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December** – Last game before Christmas (Week 8)
- ❖ **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February** – First game back after the summer break.
- ❖ **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March** – Last game for the season (Week 15)
- ❖ **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Prizegiving (TBC)

## TRAINING AND GEAR REQUIRED

- ❖ All teams will have a **weekly training** one day during the week after school. The day and time of this is set by each individual team/coach. Once your team has been selected and a coach found this will be arranged.
- ❖ Each team will get allocated a team gear bag that includes bats, balls, wickets etc. This is for the team to share. Players are also welcome to use their own bats, as long as they are within the rules for what is allowed for their grade.
- ❖ **Hard Ball Grades + Super 8s** – All players must wear helmets, gloves and pads while batting, as well as groin protection. Wicket keepers must also wear helmets and gloves. Everything except groin protection (for hygiene reasons) is provided in the gear bag, but players are welcome to also bring their own. Helmets must meet the safety guidelines. Players must have their own box for groin protection.
- ❖ **Uniform** – All players are required to wear the black Halswell Junior Cricket polo top and either black shorts/pants. The polo can be purchased from Anderson & Hill at Barrington Mall for \$40. The club will also provide a Halswell Junior Cricket Club cap to all new players free-of-charge (replacements can be purchased at Anderson & Hill). HJCC hoodies are also available to purchase from Anderson & Hill, but these are optional. Please order these in plenty of time for the start of the season if you would like one. You can also optionally get your child's name printed on the back.

## GAME INFORMATION

- ❖ **Matches are usually played on Saturday mornings**, with the occasional Friday evening game.
  - Kiwi Cricket games start at 9.30am
  - Year 3-8 games start at 9.00am
  - The top year 6, 7 and 8 grades play on Saturday afternoons starting at 12.30pm.
- ❖ **Game venues** change weekly, and draws are normally published weekly on a Tuesday on the Christchurch Metro Cricket website. Draws can also be seen in PlayHQ.
- ❖ **We rely on parents** to help with coaching, umpiring and scoring. If you are able to help coach or help on game days, please let us know.
- ❖ **Match cancellations** – CJCA / Metro Cricket normally publish cancellations by 7.30am on Saturdays. We will also publish cancellations on our Halswell Junior Cricket Facebook page. Your coach should also let you know if there are any cancellations.
- ❖ **Game Rules** – you can find all the game rules for each grade at this link:  
<https://www.cjca.org.nz/about-us/resources-2/grade-rules-2/>

## COACHING INFORMATION

All teams require a coach/manager. These are nearly always parent volunteers. It is a fun, rewarding experience, and does not require in-depth cricket knowledge. All the rules and information about the games are provided. Coaches will do a one-hour practical to get tips and ideas for coaching, as well as an online coaching qualification with NZC.

The coaching practical is compulsory for new coaches, and those moving into hardball, and is on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October from 6-8pm at the Halswell Domain.

There will also be a coaches' induction evening where coaches will also be given the team gear and some key season information. The date for this is currently Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October.

## CONTACT DETAILS

Email: [juniors@halswellcricket.co.nz](mailto:juniors@halswellcricket.co.nz)

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Website: [www.halswellcricket.co.nz](http://www.halswellcricket.co.nz)

### **Soft Ball Grade Convenor**

***Smash Play, Kiwi Cricket, and Years 3-4***

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### **Hard Ball Grade Convenors**

***Years 5-8***

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Please familiarise yourself with our [Code of Conduct](#), which is relevant for players, parents and coaches. This can be found at [halswellcricket.co.nz/policies-procedures](http://halswellcricket.co.nz/policies-procedures).