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TIGER TALES

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Season 2009/2010 Kicks Off with a Bang

Welcome all new players, returning players, sponsors and supporters to the first edition of Tiger Tales, the Southport Labrador Cricket Club's newsletter for the 2009/2010 cricket season.

On the back of last year's success, player numbers and strength are at an all time high and has resulted in the Club having to field an extra two senior sides this year. This has meant the Club will have nine senior teams flying the Tiger flag this season, the equal most amount of sides of any Club in the Gold Coast competition.

Amongst these new teams are the 3rd Grade Colts, a side primarily consisting of Under 17 junior players being given the opportunity to gain valuable senior experience. I encourage all senior players to support these young tiger cubs at training and after matches as they work their way through what will be an extremely important year in their cricketing development.

On the junior cricket front, the Club will be fielding eight sides across the U10s, U11s, U13s, U14s, U17s and the Milo in2CRICKET program. Last season all the age groups performed very well, with the majority finishing midfield on their ladders and the Under 12 side runners-up in the grand final.

The Junior Club is also very lucky to have an experienced group of coaches for the upcoming season, with all of the coaches having previous or current playing experience and include: Craig Gibson (U10s Black), Paul Johnston (U10s Yellow), Dean Johnson (U11s), Greg Robertson (U13s), Campbell Petrich (U14s), Ian Graham (U17s Black) and Mark Bodle (U17s Yellow).

ONCE A TIGER ALWAYS A TIGER!

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Changing topic, for those who are not aware, the Club now has a canteen operating on game days and fully catered meals available of a Saturday night. I encourage members to support this initiative by the Club and bring family and friends back to the tiger den for a meal each Saturday night.

On the field, my message to captains and players is that in any season these early rounds are crucial and it is vital all teams squeeze as many points from these games as they can. It's much easier to get points now than at the pointy end of the season when finals berths are up for grabs. So play hard, play fair, hunt in packs and play like tigers! Good luck to all this season.

Randall Hall
S.L.C.C. President

October Update

SENIOR CRICKET

Despite the resounding success of last year, which saw minor premierships in 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Grade and premierships in 1st and 5th Grade, the 2009/2010 cricket season still poses such promise and opportunities to improve it's hard not to get excited. With the Club entering more teams than ever before into the Gabba Sporting Products competition, combined with the off-season seeing the purchase a new turf roller, the upgrade of our training nets and the securing of 14 new sponsors/affiliates, the Club is probably in the best state it has ever been in terms of player numbers, financial stability and on field success.

This season sees the Tigers entering sides in 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, two sides in 3rd Grade, three sides in 4th Grade and two sides in 5th Grade, all of which are sure to challenge for the premiership in their respective grades. Unlike some other Clubs on the Coast, we are lucky to have an extremely large talent pool with a healthy amount internal competition for spots in the higher grades. While such selection issues are sure to cause dramas and perhaps a touch of controversy throughout the season, it is most definately a good problem for the Club to have.

Generally speaking, this season will see teams selected for each grade the Thursday night before matches commence. Team selections can then be viewed later that night via the Club's website ('Team Selections' menu), which will then redirect you to MyCricket.com. If you have any questions with regard to what team you are playing in, please speak to S.L.C.C. President Randall Hall or selector Ronnie Lee.

Also, please continue to view the Club's website for the latest information, events and updates. If you haven't recieved a S.L.C.C. Member's Handbook either, please contact myself and I will be sure to get you one. All the best for the upcoming season. Go the Tigers!

Jason Gotto
Assistant Secretary

FEATURED GRADE - 3RD GRADE YELLOW (COLTS)

For the first time in many years, S.L.C.C. has entered a side into the senior competition solely devoted to the development of our junior ranks. With the Club's Under 17 sides brimming with talent and potential, and given the recent merger between the junior and senior Clubs, this year proved the perfect opportunity to foster this talent and give them a taste of senior cricket for the first time.

Made up of 11 youngsters and two senior players, with the side's line-up rotating on a game-by-game basis, the Colts will play in the 3rd Grade competition in what will be a challenging experience. Despite this, the Club felt it was important to give these kids the opportunity to transition smoothly into senior cricket, particularly

given the limited number of juniors making the transition in recent years.

Thus far, the fellas have made a great impression on all the seniors, with their commitment at training outstanding. Their enthusiasm is to be envied.

While the boys had a tough introduction in Round 1, coming up against a seasoned Runaway Bay side, there were still many positives to come out of the performance. Congratulations to Jordan Renau who made 36 in his senior debut, an outstanding effort given the side's total was just 75. The bowling was also impressive, with Lincoln Bodle taking 5-37 as our boys rolled the Bay for just 137. As Fitzy said after the first week's play, if they can restrict sides to totals like that every

week the boys will be very competitive.

What we must also remember is this is not only a massive commitment for the boys playing, but also their parents who deserve a big thank you for their efforts in getting their kids to training week in, week out and running them around on game day. It's also a big challenge for Fitzy and Lowey who have volunteered to help the boys out this season and run the team around the paddock. S.L.C.C. would like to thank these two in particular and figure if the boys can put up with them for the entirety of their first senior season, senior cricket will be a breeze from then on!

3rd Grade Yellow: *John Fitzgerald (c), Rob Lowe (vc), Darren Collis, Josh Smith, James Katrakazos, Jordan Renau, Thomas Lumsden, Jarrod Ridge, Liam Bodle, Jacob Schouten, Luke Newman, Lincoln Bodle, Matt Perkins*

PLAYER PROFILE

Full name Wade 'Killer' Kilborn

Born Thursday, November 5, 1981.

Batting style Right-hand bat **Bowling style** Right-arm medium/leg spin

Captain 'Killer', as he is known around the Club, first started his playing career for the Labrador Junior Cricket Club, before playing his senior cricket with both Labrador and Southport Labrador Cricket Clubs. A talented top order batsman, and a handy change bowler, Wade has played a total of 131 first grade games for the Club, scoring 3466 runs @ 20.90, including three centuries and 14 half centuries. After more than a decade in 1st grade, Wade took over the captaincy in 2007/2008. In his first full season as captain the following year, he led 1st Grade to a premiership, as well as the Club to a Club Championship. Other honours Wade has achieved include being selected in the S.L.C.C. Team of the Decade in 2007, as well as being inducted into the S.L.C.C. Hall of Fame, alongside fellow 1st grade 'veteran' Danny Lee.

2009/2010 S.L.C.C. Office Bearers

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Junior Coaching Director	Paul Johnston
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JUNIOR CRICKET

I would like to formally welcome all new players and families, as well as all our returning Tigers, to Southport Labrador Cricket Club for the 2009/2010 cricket season. With Milo in2CRICKET (5-8 yr olds) already underway and going great guns, the remaining age groups' seasons kick off October 10 and it has been fantastic to see all the teams taking shape during the first weeks of training. I wish you all well for the season ahead!

After a busy off season it's time to play cricket, so I encourage all players to represent the Club well and listen to your coaches. I also urge everyone to regularly view our website for the latest Club information and events. S.L.C.C. is a family orientated club and we would love for parents to get involved with your son or daughter's team. Whether this is by helping score, umpiring on match days or helping your team's coach during training, any assistance is greatly appreciated.

Also, if there is anything players or parents require during the season, whether it be extra coaching or if you have issues or concerns within your team or the Club, please feel free to contact me and we can discuss your needs further.

I am sure both players and parents will have an enjoyable season and make some long lasting friendships along the way.

Ian Graham
Junior Vice President

UNDER 10s - Black

The Under 10s is the first year of Club cricket for many a junior player. From here they will hopefully learn and enjoy the game and progress through the junior age groups and eventually into senior cricket. This year I hope is the beginning of another batch of young and talented Tigers. All the best for the coming season.

Craig Gibson
Under 10s Black Coach

UNDER 13s

The 2009/2010 season is already shaping up to be a great year for the Under 13's. As usual, this season has seen us welcome some new players and say good bye to some old players. But I'm sure the group will collectively blend and a fun year to be had will follow. Additionally, we have had four of our players make it through the first selection trials for GC Rep Cricket, which is a great effort. Can't wait for the season to start!

Greg Robertson
Under 13s Coach

UNDER 10s - Yellow

I am once again privileged and very much looking forward to coaching the Southport Labrador Under 10s again this season. With twice the number of players compared to this time last year, we have had a lot of fun at training thus far and I'm looking forward to the boys playing their first game for the year. With so many talented cricketers in the team, I am excited watching them grow into young tiger champions!

Paul Johnston
Under 10s Yellow Coach

UNDER 14s

This has always been the most exciting part of the season (outside of finals); the anticipation of a new year, new players, friendships forming, working each other out, seeing if you have any form left. U14s training has commenced and the boys are forming team bonds already. So welcome to all the new junior players and their families, we are pleased you chose Tigers as the Club for your boys. Thank you and look forward to meeting you all.

Campbell Petrich
Under 14s Coach

UNDER 11s

The Under 11s cricket team is looking forward to the upcoming season and has been training hard for the last 5 weeks. We have many new players this year as the majority of last year's team have moved up an age bracket. At present we still require a few more players, so if anyone knows any children wanting a game of cricket, please contact me. Best of luck to the boys for the coming season.

Dean Johnson
Under 11s Coach

UNDER 17s - Yellow

Welcome to all boys and parents for another season. This will be the last season in juniors for this group of players so let's make it one to remember. Many of the players are also playing afternoon cricket in the senior grades this year, so I also wish each of them the best and hope they transition into men's cricket with great ease and success.

Mark Bodle
Under 17s Yellow Coach

Perpetual trophy awards for 2008/2009:

- Patrons Trophy - Under 12
- President's Trophy - Sam Lickiss
- Bowler of the Season - Michael Graham and Dean Jones
- Batsman of the Season - Jack Lickiss
- Pike/Thompson Trophy - Jarrod Ridge
- Bill Waetford Trophy - Mitchell Morgan
- Half Centuries - James Katra, Paul Morgan (3), Sam Wooles, Sam Lickiss, Jack Lickiss
- 5wickets/Innings - Mitchell Morgan (2), Calum Thatcher

UNDER 17s - Black

As another cricket season approaches, the build up and preparation is still as exciting as ever. The Under 17s are looking forward to the season and have been training well for the past five weeks. With most of the team 14/15yr olds, it will definitely be a challenge for them in 17s age bracket, but I'm sure they will give it their all and be better for it.

Ian Graham
Under 17s Black Coach

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Junior Coaching Director: Paul Johnston Ph.0411618943

Upcoming Events

This October

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| 01 | S.L.C.C. Season Launch | 11 | Plunkett Cup @ Gold Coast |
| 03 | Season 09/10 - Round 1 | 12 | Senior Delegates |
| 08 | S.L.C.C. Committee Meeting | | Association Meeting |
| 11 | Webb Shield @ Kerrydale | 25 | Plunkett Cup @ Gold Coast |

Featured Events

Night at the Trotts @ Parklands Raceway
Friday 23rd October 2009

\$4 per ticket (kids under 14 free). Purchase tickets at the bar

S.L.C.C. Golf Day @ The Colonial Golf Course, Robina
12.30pm, Sunday 29th November 2009

Cost \$75.00pp. Nominations & Money by 14th Nov.

For further information, contact Dion Bryant on 0411 386 765 or Scott Bryant 0423 300 142

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