



SABRES SCOOP



Official newsletter of the Newcastle City and Eastern Districts Cricket Club

July 2016

New committee

Welcome to another year of cricket with the best club around – Newcastle City Sabres. A new committee was recently elected and they are:

President: John Hodgson

Vice President: Trevor Van Kemenade

Junior Vice President: to be filled

Secretary: Julie Vitnell

Treasurer: Adrian Mannel

Committee: Ryan Van Kemenade, Jordi Van Kemenade, Bryce Garrett, Steve Garrett, Mark Conway

Support Officers:

Assistant Secretary: Penny O'Shea

Assistant Treasurer: Greg Hook

Grants Officers: Nick Fagan and Frank Walsh

We wanted to say a massive thanks to Colin Tegg for his contribution to the club for the last 1000 years but most recently for leading the club to the successful place it is. Hopefully he will stick around and continue to be a fixture around the club.

Sponsors needed – would you like free rego?

The committee has already met and the first order of business is to confirm existing sponsors and gain new ones to support our club. Providing the opportunity for people to play cricket in this area would be extremely difficult if it were not for the fantastic help from our sponsors. We will have new playing and training shirts this year and it is a great opportunity for new sponsors to get on board and be represented on our shirts.

How can you help? There are opportunities at many levels for sponsors to get on board and support the club. Importantly, if you are instrumental in gaining sponsorship, (subject to Committee approval), of **\$1000** or more, you will have your player's registration paid for the year! This also includes the NAB and Commonwealth Bank 'introducer' programs. Simply consider looking to use these banks to get a home loan, (or refer family and friends), and you will be supporting your club AND possibly be eligible for free registration for the 2016/17 season. More information can be obtained if required. But hurry, sponsorship needs to be confirmed by **15 August** to be entitled to receive the free rego offer. (Home loan offer will continue throughout the season). Contact the committee for more information.

Equipment needed

The club is looking to refit a few pieces of dated equipment over the next few years. We are asking the playing group to see if they can help the club out with any of these items. If you know someone or can help yourself, the club is happy to view this as sponsorship and will negotiate a way to make the arrangement mutual. Items needed include:

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| Storage Container | New Covers x2 | Training Poles | Fertilizer |
| Line marker | Fairway Mower | Nets for training | Ropes for marking circles and putting up nets |
| Air Compressor | Drum mower | Chairs | Rebound net |

Further information can be obtained from the Committee or email newcastlesabrescricket@gmail.com

Pre-season Training

Training is starting on 28 July - please check [schedule](#) or go to website for further details. This schedule includes indoor and outdoor sessions as well as players’ meetings and bonding sessions – stay informed!

Registrations

This season the committee is trialling a new system for registrations. A minimum upfront payment of \$250 is required before the season starts with full payment made by 15 November unless suitable arrangements have been agreed with the Treasurer. Upon payment you will receive a playing shirt with training shirts coming later. There is also an opportunity to start paying your rego from now in small increments if needed. Please contact John Hodgson on 0420 663 699 if you have any questions.

Over 35s

We also have an over 35 competition starting soon and are looking for players. At this stage the competition format is still developing but it looks like it will be a 20/20 event on a Friday evening. It will consist of a round robin of 4 games and a final, so a maximum of 5 games on the year. Current and former players are encouraged to get involved, however it is open to anyone interested. Please contact John Hodgson on 0420 663 699 if you are interested. We are also looking for a captain and organiser for this team.

Stay in touch

This is the first of what will become regular communications from your club committee. Communication is the key and ‘Sabres Scoop’ will be the key communication tool we will use this coming year. Our new club email address is newcastlesabrescricket@gmail.com – this will be monitored regularly and is the best way to get in touch with the committee. If you know of any player or supporter who did not receive this email, please encourage them to send their details to be added to the list. If you received this email and would like to be removed from the list, please reply and ask to be removed.

Yours in cricket,

John Hodgson (President) and Committee

Newcastle City Sabres thank their sponsors and supporters

