



ST PIUS X COLLEGE CRICKET CLUB

Welcome to the 2018/2019 Season!!

St Pius X Cricket fields teams in both the ISA and Manly district competitions. There are two open teams (1st XI and 2nd XI) that play in Division 1 and 2 of the ISA competition, which include Sydney schools such as St Patricks College, Oakhill and St Gregory's, as well regional schools such as All Saints, St Stanislaus and Chevalier. Other teams, from U12 up to U16 play in the MWJCA competition, with games played on grounds in the Northern Beaches area, including Manly, Collaroy, Forrestville and, of course, Oxford Falls.

This year, U13's to U16's will play on Saturday morning from 8am to 12noon, and this will be a mixture of one-day and two-day games. In alignment with NSW Cricket policy, the U12's will play a modified junior format, which is based one-day games only, teams of 9 players, and a shortened pitch. MWJCA will be running their U12 competition on a Saturday afternoon from 1pm.



There will be a Cricket Development day on Sunday, 26th August, which will involve a 2-hour training session for the boys to kick off the season. Training for district teams will then commence from the 28th August and will be once a week after school at Oxford Falls (on a Tuesday or Thursday, depending on age group). Junior school boys (Years 5 and 6) will train during their Thursday afternoon sport.

The MWJCA competitions starts on Saturday, 8th September.

This season, the teams that the club is looking to field in the district competition are as follows:

- One or two U16 teams
- Two U15 teams – one in Division 1, one in Division 2
- Two U14 teams – one in Division 1, one in Division 2
- U12 and U13 will be dependent on registration numbers

St Pius Cricket is pleased to announce that we are continuing our relationship with Ash Doolan and Cricket Appeal. While we rely on parents to take on the roles of manager and game-day coach (volunteers always welcome!), Ash and his team will provide coaching services during the weekly training sessions. Cricket Appeal have been involved with St Pius Cricket for a number of years and we are starting to see some great results from this relationship.



Last season, we introduced an U15 Development squad which provided an opportunity for some younger boys to join an U15 Division 1 team as part of a development pathway to the Opens. Depending on registration numbers, it is our intention to continue this concept going forward. Note that while the SPX Cricket Club is run by parents, actual team selections are by Cricket Appeal (district teams) and the school coaches (ISA teams).

If you are wanting to play SPX Cricket and have representative commitments with districts other than Manly, we can accommodate players being released from their SPX team in order to play the minimum number of qualification games for district representation. In this case, first priority for the bulk of the season, including finals, would remain with SPX Cricket.

Please see Woodchatta for registration information, or for further information, please email registrar@stpiuscricket.org.au

We look forward to seeing you on the cricket pitch!

