

DATE: 13 November 2009
TO: Grade Cricket Clubs and SACUA
CC: SACA Staff
FROM: Shane Bernhardt
RE: Hot Weather announcement

In accordance with the SACA Heat Policy, we have closely monitored the weather during this week as well as reviewed the forecast conditions for tomorrow and Sunday.

As a result of this review, we advise that SACA has decided to cancel cricket in the following grades:-

Saturday 14 November 2009

- Women's A Grade Twenty20
- Women's B Grade Twenty20
- Under 16 Red
- Under 16 White
- Under 14 Red
- Under 14 White

Sunday 15 November 2009

- Women's A Grade Twenty20
- Women's B Grade Twenty20
- Women's C Grade Twenty20
- Men's Under 18 Twenty20 'curtain raiser' matches
- Ray Sutton Shield

In relation to men's senior grades (A, B, C and D) on Saturday 14 November, matches will continue as scheduled. SACA's Heat Policy allows for additional drinks breaks and umpires are encouraged to liaise with team captains and managers to ensure that these are scheduled.

In regards to the XXXX Gold Twenty20 Cup matches on Sunday 15 November 2009, SACA has authorised umpires to ignore Bylaw L2.2 and allow for a scheduled drinks interval at the completion of 10 overs during both innings. Please note that the time 'lost' due to the drinks intervals shall be added to the innings time and therefore not incur any over rate penalties.

GRADE CRICKET MEMORANDUM

We encourage clubs to remind participants to properly hydrate before, during and after the match, to wear appropriate clothing (hats, sunglasses etc) and regularly apply sunscreen. Clubs are reminded to manage regular drink breaks and ensure that all participants (including umpires) have ongoing access to drinks. Likewise, chilled fruit should be made available at lunch and/or tea breaks if possible. We have attached copies of SACA's heat management guidelines and the Drink Up brochures previously distributed to clubs for further information.

We also ask that clubs ensure that all participants are monitored during and after the day's play.

It is extremely disappointing and unfortunate that hot weather has affected us so early in the season. However, in saying this, total consideration in relation to this announcement remains with the safety and well being of our participants.

A message announcing this cancellation will be posted on the SACA website www.cricketsa.com.au as well as the Grade Cricket Inpho Line 1 900 950 598

Can you please ensure that this information is conveyed to the appropriate individuals in your club.

Thanks

Shane