

**DATE:** 16 October 2009  
**TO:** Grade Club Secretaries, Women's and Junior Coordinators  
**CC:** Grade Club Delegates and Coaches and SACA Staff  
**FROM:** Shane Bernhardt  
**RE:** Grade Cricket – Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 October 2009

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# GRADE CRICKET MEMORANDUM

The inclement weather we have experienced over the past five days has caused some havoc for club curators in their attempts to prepare pitches for this weekend.

SACA is greatly appreciative of the efforts of the club curators and pleasingly, we are in a position that a number of matches are a chance of commencing tomorrow.

It is apparent that some of the pitches that have been prepared are reliant on the weather over the next 12 to 24 hours and if further showers fall tonight, the pitches may struggle to dry out in time for play tomorrow. However, any decision in relation to the abandonment of play at these particular grounds will be at the discretion of the umpires in control of the game.

Unfortunately, some grounds are too wet to have the pitch prepared and subsequently, players and umpires in these particular matches do not need to attend the ground. The matches in which the pitch has not been prepared and players and umpires do not need to attend are as follows:-

#### **XXXX Gold A Grade**

Glenelg v Southern District at Park 25 # 1  
Tea Tree Gully v East Torrens at Pertaringa Oval

***Please note:***

- *Following discussions with some curators it appears that selected pitches in the four remaining matches may have a better opportunity of being ready for play if the covers are not placed on them tonight. This will be on a 'case by case' basis and I ask that clubs contact me to advise if they wish to consider this option.*
- *If any of the remaining four A Grade matches are cancelled, we require the home team scorer to contact the Sunday Mail on 8206 2828 and advise them accordingly*

#### **XXXX Gold B Grade**

East Torrens v Tea Tree Gully at Campbelltown Oval

***Please note:***

- *Following discussions with some curators it appears that selected pitches in the five remaining matches may have a better opportunity of being ready for play if the covers are not placed on them tonight. This will be on a 'case by case' basis and I ask that clubs contact me to advise if they wish to consider this option.*

#### **XXXX Gold C Grade**

Northern Districts v Port Adelaide at The Paddocks 1  
Glenelg v Southern District at Camden Oval

**Women's A Grade**

West Torrens v Port Adelaide at Helen Black on Saturday 17 October

**Women's B Grade**

Northern Districts v Sturt at Gordon Brown on Saturday 17 October

East Torrens v Southern District at Helen Black on Sunday 18 October

**Powerade Under 16 Red**

All matches in this grade have been cancelled

**Powerade Under 16 White**

East Torrens v Tea Tree Gully at Charles Campbell Secondary No 1

Prospect v Sturt at Cane Reserve

**Powerade Under 14 White**

West Torrens v Adelaide at Park 25 # 3

***Please note:***

- *For all matches NOT LISTED ABOVE, SACA has been advised that a pitch has been prepared and subsequently players and umpires MUST attend the ground*

In relation to the Ray Sutton Shield Competition, the SACA Grade Cricket Bylaws allow for matches to be moved in this grade (only in this grade) to a hard wicket ground should the umpires deem the pitch unplayable. Players and umpires are required to attend the ground as originally programmed with the exception of the following two matches, which have already been moved:-

**Ray Sutton Shield - Round 1**

- East Torrens v Northern Districts match has been shifted from Campbelltown Oval to Windsor Gardens Vocational College No 1 (turf wicket). Naturally if this ground is unplayable on Sunday, the umpire has the power to move the match to Charles Campbell Secondary School No 2 (hard wicket)
- Prospect v Kensington has been moved from Cane Reserve to Black Friars Priory School (hard wicket)

***Coaches of Ray Sutton Shield teams please note:*** All Ray Sutton Shield players should pack rubber soled shoes in case their match is transferred to hard wicket.

Although this announcement is also available on SACA's Infoline 1900 950 568 and SACA's website [www.cricketsa.com.au](http://www.cricketsa.com.au) , can you please ensure that the information is passed to the appropriate individuals in your club.

Thanks

Shane