The overall objective is for both teams to play cricket at the highest standard.

The strongest possible team will be selected for the 1st XI UNLESS it leaves the 2nd XI with insufficient batsmen or bowlers.

The 2nd XI will comprise sufficient ability to be competitive but will attempt to offer games to all members.

Players are expected to turn out for the team they are selected for, i.e. we are 1 Club, not 2 squads. When performance dictates, we need to transition players from the 2’s to the 1’s. This will help prevent a huge divide between the standards.

When availability is high, some players will not be selected, and *wherever possible*, this will be on a week-by-week rotational basis. It is recognised that 2nd XI selection is more difficult in terms of having to leave some people out.

Fully paid-up members will take priority for selection. Once new players have played 2 games, and wish to continue to be considered, they must pay their annual subs.

Ideally, players should complete their availability on the website 2-3 weeks in advance. To be considered for weekend selection availability must be shown by 7pm on the preceding Tuesday.

The 1st XI team should be selected during Wednesday. Before it is published the skipper (Manoj) should advise the 2nd XI skipper (Ben WE) of his choices. Ben can then ensure that he can select a competitive team, and any concerns can be ironed-out with Manoj before publication. The target to publicise the teams is Wednesday PM.

Unselected players will obviously be disappointed, but they should not ‘have a go at’ the skippers by personal messaging and certainly not on the Club-wide group. Unacceptable comments will be removed. **Selection concerns should be directed to the Committee**.

The Midweek team will be used to offer places to those who missed out the previous weekend. However, this too is a competitive league and thus this also needs to be taken into consideration.