

Selection Report – 14 November 2023

I would like to pass on a bit of procedure that your selection committee has been informally/formally following since the beginning of the season.

First, in regard to selection based primarily on current form, the committee has chosen people “available” at selection time based on where they would most help the club perform. This means, for example, that a MEMBER who normally only plays on Saturdays can be selected if they make themselves available prior to selection. They will be selected just like any other available player. This has not yet been an issue because we have been lucky enough to have someone unavailable at the same time people have become available.

Please remember that our goal is to win pennants and we need the strongest players available each week.

Second, we will have bankers on Wednesday. So far this year this has only impacted a few players because we have had so many people away. As these people come back, it will become an issue. Our first thought was to try and organise a game for the bankers but with last minute pullouts each week, we are running low on bankers. The selection committee will be banking on a rotation. Each player on the Div 4 side, will be banked 2 times to start. After this, each player on the Div 3 side will be banked once each.

If a player is scheduled to be a banker at selection and is then called upon to play due to an unavailability, that week will still count as a bank. Simply being unavailable will not count as your banked day.

Finally, our Div 7 side means that EVERY AVAILABLE MEMBER on Saturday has been getting a game. We have been getting several of our social bowlers to fill in and many of them are close to moving to the dark side and becoming regular members. This is great news for our club and my personal goal is to get enough of them playing that we can field a SIXTH SIDE next year. If you see someone playing in our Div 7 side, please introduce yourself. More members and more sides means that all of us are getting a game every week.

Good luck.

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