



AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE
**MELBOURNE
CRICKET CLUB**



FROM THE PRESIDENT



MICHAEL HAPPELL

Congratulations on your election to membership of one of the world's great sporting clubs.

The invitation to join the Melbourne Cricket Club (MCC) comes at a time when patrons are enjoying some of the best sporting facilities anywhere in the world. With a vibrant social atmosphere and an event schedule at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) to rival all others, MCC membership is well worth the wait.

The MCC Reserve has a capacity of almost 23,000 and there are many places to enjoy something to eat and drink with family and friends.

These include the Members Dining Room, Long Room, Jim Stynes Grill, Terrace Café, Tower 6 Grill and Pizza Bar, Stumps Tavern, the bistro-style Hugh Trumble Café and a host of other bars with casual eating options.

Whilst you'll be proud to belong to a club boasting such facilities, it is important to note that as a newly elected Provisional member, on days when the attendance of Full and Restricted members and their guests is forecast to be high you may have no access or limited access to some parts of the Members Reserve.

All MCG event days will be placed in one of four categories according to the expected demand from members and their guests to attend that event. These categories will determine what access you as a Provisional member will have to the Members Reserve, including access to reserved seats, dining room tables, visitor tickets and Long Room or Balcony passes for your guests.

Purchasing visitor tickets allows guests to attend an event with you. A Balcony pass allows guests to be seated on levels 2 and 3 and access the Frank Grey Smith Bar with you, whilst a Long Room pass allows you to introduce adult guests to the Long Room (subject to dress code and being over 18 years of age) in addition to the above areas.

A wide range of club functions and events are available for new members, although for some of the more popular ones, Full and Restricted members may be given priority to book.

The club also supports and promotes the activities of a wide range of sports. They represent the club in their various fields of endeavour.

These sporting groups under the club's banner comprise of baseball, bowls, cricket, croquet, football, golf, hockey, lacrosse, netball, real tennis, squash, target shooting, tennis and Melbourne Football Club.

Since its foundation in 1838 the club has been mindful of preserving its heritage for posterity. Our collection of sporting artefacts, artworks and literature is a superb reminder of how the MCC and its ground developed

PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP

EVENT CATEGORY	ACCESS TO MCC RESERVE	RESERVED SEATING AVAILABILITY	MEMBERS DINING ROOM BOOKINGS	JIM STYNES GRILL BOOKINGS	LONG ROOM OR BALCONY PASSES FOR GUESTS	VISITOR TICKETS (PER MEMBER)
1	NO ACCESS FOR PROVISIONAL MEMBERS					
2	LEVELS 1 AND 4	LEVEL 4	NO	YES	NO	NONE
3	LEVELS 1 AND 4	LEVELS 1 AND 4	NO	YES	NO	2
4	ALL LEVELS	LEVELS 1 AND 4	YES	YES	YES	2

The categorisation of event days will be determined prior to the commencement of both the AFL and cricket seasons and are subject to change.

in parallel with the city of Melbourne and its sports-minded citizens.

The MCC Museum and library are outstanding facilities for all members and both can be visited on event days free of charge. The MCC Museum complements the National Sports Museum, a huge entertainment complex that showcases a range of sporting subjects, including Australian football (including the Australian Football Hall of Fame), basketball, boxing, cricket (including Australian Cricket Hall of Fame), cycling, golf, horse racing (including the Champions – Thoroughbred Racing Gallery), netball, Olympic and Paralympic Games, rugby union, rugby league, soccer and tennis. It also tells the MCG story, features the Sport Australia Hall of Fame and includes an extensive interactive area and cinema. Please note that the NSM will be closed from August 16, 2019 reopening in February 2020 to allow an extensive redevelopment to take place.

In combination, these features and facilities provide great value for the sports enthusiast and we look forward to welcoming you as a new member of the Melbourne Cricket Club in the near future.

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President

EVENT CATEGORY	GUIDE: EVENT DAYS IN PAST 2018/19 MEMBERSHIP SEASON
1	FIVE AFL HOME AND AWAY GAMES. DAYS 1, 2 & 3 OF TEST MATCH
2	SIX AFL HOME AND AWAY GAMES
3	19 AFL HOME AND AWAY GAMES. T20 INTERNATIONAL AND THE BBL MELBOURNE DERBY
4	15 AFL HOME AND AWAY GAMES. DAYS 4 AND 5 OF TEST MATCH. ODI AND ALL OTHER DOMESTIC CRICKET MATCHES



BENEFITS OF MCC MEMBERSHIP

- Free admission to the MCC Members Reserve for Category 2, 3 and 4 events at the ground under conditions outlined in this brochure.
- The right to introduce visitors on specific match days and on non-event weekdays.
- Possibility of access to special events like soccer, rugby union and rugby league, generally at a subsidised admission fee.
- Three club electronic magazines per year and regular news updates via website, email and social media.
- Access to various Members Reserve dining and bar facilities on specific event days. Note: access to the Frank Grey Smith Bar, Long Room and making Members Dining Room bookings is only permitted for Category 4 events. Members and guests may also dine at the club for lunch on all weekdays.
- Invitations to attend a wide range of club functions and events suitable for all interests and age demographics.
Note: there may be some functions and events only available to Full and Restricted members.
- The opportunity to join the club's sporting sections such as baseball, bowls, croquet, football, golf, hockey, lacrosse, netball, real tennis, squash, target shooting and tennis.
- The opportunity to join any of the club's special interest groups such as the Long Room Wine and Food Society, Militarily Veterans Group, Bridge Club, Young Members, Women of the MCC and the XXIX Club, which plays social cricket matches locally, interstate and overseas.
- Discounted admission to the National Sports Museum and free admission to take an MCG Tour.
- The ability to purchase a broad range of MCC merchandise.

ACCEPTANCE AND PAYMENT CONDITIONS

The offer of membership must be taken up by August 31, 2020. After that time, the club will assume that you do not wish to take up our offer of membership.

To ease the financial burden of joining, entrance fee payments can be staggered over the milestones of being offered each stage of membership (i.e. Provisional, Restricted and Full) and the subscriptions for various membership categories reflect a person's age and ability to utilise club facilities based on their place of residence.

A late payment fee of \$40 applies if fees and subscriptions are not paid by November 30, 2019. You are encouraged to exercise your right to join the club as soon as possible.



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