

Dear Colorado Cricket Enthusiasts,

CCL-EC's vision of the CCL Cougars is documented in the following document that CCL-EC is requesting to be added as Section number 7 of the CCL By-Laws.

CCL-EC will soon call an AGM for getting it approved. The place and date for the AGM will be announced soon.

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7) The Colorado Cricket League's Team

The team that represents Colorado Cricket League shall be called Colorado Cougars. Other names that can be used for the team shall be "Cougars", "CCL Cougars" "CCL Team" or just "Colorado".

The CCL Cougars' team shall only be called CCL Cougars if it is formed through the CCL selection process, as mentioned in section 5 (b) of the CCL by-Laws.

(a) The Team Goals:

CCL Cougars must try to participate annually in the Central Western Cricket Board's Regional Championship. The effort must be made to win the championship and establish itself as a main cricket hub in the region.

Any tournament that CCL is invited to must be represented by the CCL Cougars and if at any time there are not enough players available for the tour or the games only then non Cougars but CCL members will be given an opportunity to play in the CCL Cougars' team. However, such a player shall not be considered a member of the CCL Cougar unless he is included to the roster through the approval of the captain and selection committee. The CCL Cougars member must belong to one of the clubs associated with the CCL.

Any exceptions to the CCL selection policies and/or vision must be approved by the CCL-LMC.

The CCL-SC should promote younger talent with an eye on the future.

(b) CCL Cougars' tours:

If CCL is not hosting the regional championship then CCL management must put an effort to generate enough funds to provide return air-fare and hotel accommodation to the CCL team members, that includes the team management.

If CCL is hosting the championship then CCL must make an effort to provide hotel accommodations to all of the players or to at least those in need or are traveling from more than 50 miles.

(c) CCL Cougars' Finances:

CCL Cougars shall not use the financial resources of the CCL that are built by collecting annual dues from the individual clubs. Such resources are meant to be used to run the league season.

CCL-EC must make every effort to raise funds through sponsorship, advertisement, helping corporations in their diversity trainings and in other ways. Such funds can be used for the CCL Cougars' purposes.

If possible a separate bank account shall be started in the name of Colorado Cricket League to keep track of Sponsorship dollars. Such an account will make book keeping simple as all the CCL Cougars expenses shall come from this account.

(d) CCL Cougar's management:

The Cougars' management shall consist of Captain, Vice Captain, Coach and the Manager. Their roles are described below, but are not limited to:

Role of the CCL Cougar's Coach:

(d-1) Role of the coach shall be:

- Working with the captain and vice captain to devise a game plan.
- Communicate with individual player about team's expectations and his role in the team.
- Conducting practice sessions. Coach shall work closely with the captain and vice captain to plan a detailed practice plan and define team and individual goals.
- Providing his input about a player's performance during the game, during drink, lunch and any other break.
- The coach shall be with the team especially during regional championship games and any other tours that he can be with them.

*** The text in red and underlined is as approved as per the EGM dated 8/14/05**

The CCL Coach can appoint any number of assistant coaches. However, they shall not be considered part of the team management.

(d-2) Role of the CCL Cougar's Manager:

The team manager shall be responsible for the management related issues of the team and its tours. While preparing for the tournament the team manager shall be responsible for arranging practice grounds, nets, equipment, water, food. The team manager is however not required to do all of these things himself. His job shall be to organize and oversee such efforts and make sure these arrangements get done.

The team manager shall be the highest team management post and must be a man of great integrity and repute. He shall head any disciplinary committee to investigate any complaints against CCL Cougars' members during tours or during off season. However, the scope of this investigation must be related to CCL Cougars.

The team manger shall not get involved into the team selection.

Manager is welcome to create his sub team of helpers should he feel the need to do so. However, such personnel shall not be considered part of the team management.

(d-3) Role of the CCL Team Captain:

CCL Captain must be a man who can unite a team made up of very diverse backgrounds and of people from different clubs. The captain must have a very clear and solid vision of the future to make CCL a successful team in the future and must have the courage and ability to implement these ideas.

The captain must be a man who can think beyond his club's and his own biases. He must be man with very deep and keen sense of cricket and an eye for recognizing a hidden talent.

CCL Captain must be invited to selection committee meetings and in such meetings he shall work very closely with the committee to finalize the 14 plus 4 reserved players. In such committee meetings the CCL captain's decision about the inclusion of a player must be honored provided he presents solid bases for the inclusion.

The decision of final playing team shall be solely that of the captain. CCL Captain is advised to make such decision based on purely cricketing reasons before the game and all members are expected to honor his decision. Any effort to create unhealthy scene over team selection can be grounds for the disciplinary action.

CCL Captain represents CCL and must exhibit the character befitting Colorado Cricket League's image. CCL captain must make sure that his players play the game with full sportsmanship that is:

- They walk off of the ground even if they were a target of a bad decision, and such a player does not get involved in arguments with the umpire.
- They do not humiliate umpire's decision while fielding or batting in any way or form.
- Off the field and on tours, players are ambassadors of the league and must exhibit high level of character and integrity.

At the end of each tour or tournament the captain must present his report to the CCL president.

CCL captain must keep vice captain informed about all the decision and actions he took, it is so that in case vice captain has to lead the team he must be aware of the team dynamics.

CCL team captain must be appointed for a longer period of time and must be given the task to work with the CCL selectors and lay foundations for a strong and solid CCL team.

(d-4) Role of the Vice Captain:

Along with coach and captain the vice-captain forms the think tank of the team and must provide his input to the captain and coach if and when needed or asked.

Vice captain shall lead the team in absence of the team captain. However, it must be noted that shall at any time CCL selectors feel that CCL captain needs to be changed then the existing vice captain will NOT automatically become the captain of the team.