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# A MESSAGE FROM THE LIONS CRICKET CEO

**Dear Lions Cricket stakeholders and all cricket lovers,**

I think it's hard not to get over-excited with the potential that 2022 holds! Rapidly recovering from an overwhelming Covid chaotic world, we're all desperate and perhaps a touch over-eager to make up for lost time – rushing head first into all that we do and all we plan to accomplish.

Passion and determination should always be there – never let your fire die. But as this edition is very much a focus on fundamentals, I'd like to caution on the importance of a platform.

Before you take to the field, you prepare right? You attend every practice, you pad up early and you focus your mind: The same should apply in all that you do. Learning your level of preparedness is key to success: Whether it be some alone time to channel your mind, a boxing bag to up your energy or a quiet read through a checklist: Get your fundamentals in place before you take to the field, the boardroom, practice net or classroom.

In my January note, I spoke of four key words: Live, Love; Learn and Lead: All words that serve as the Lions Cricket 2022 foundation. For the youngsters reading this: Do what you love as long as you live, because it's a lot easier to learn from what you love. But know too, that life is a challenge and that for the large majority of successful individuals,

it's been a hard slog to get there – there will be tears in 2022, there will be disappointment but I promise you: If you continue to do the basics right, trust the process and back yourself every minute of every day, you will reach your maximum. Get the essentials right, keep your head, maintain an unwavering work ethic and know that life is a marathon, not a sprint.

I trust you'll enjoy this edition once more as our Pride has compiled some fascinating reads from the foundational levels of cricket, to our valued umpires, coaching tips and so much more.

May you have as much passion in practice as you do come match day, and know that Lions Cricket backs you and appreciates you in your rise to the top!

With much love and support,

**Jono Leaf-Wright**





# AN IMPERIAL WANDERERS WELCOME

## A PLACE WHERE JOZI MEETS

Johannesburg - 2022 marks a significant year for the iconic Imperial Wanderers Stadium. With sanctions imposed in 1970, and the International Cricket Council (ICC) welcoming back South Africa in 1992, this year sees the celebration of the stadium's 30-year post isolation birthday!

The past 30-years have provided millions of fanatical fans with memorable entertainment value forever entrenched in the memory banks. From the hosting of the ICC World Cup, the IPL, Greatest One Day ever, AB's fastest century and of course the 10-hour batting display by Mike Atherton, saving the 1995 Test SA versus England - to mention but a few.

The venue has hosted countless cause-based events aimed at addressing pressing socio-economic challenges. These include the 10th Pink Day in aid of Breast Cancer Awareness; Autism and Gender Based awareness; and poverty alleviation as part of the Jozi Stars inaugural Mzansi Super League season. The oval has hosted multiple non-cricket sports events too such as the Davis Cup, 2010 FIFA Soccer Goodwill match, a local PSL game (Mamelodi Sundowns FC vs Rangers FC in 2006), Cycling, Marathons, Spinathon, annual International Yoga Day, Afrika Tikkun Sport Days and the Neon Run to mention a few.

The list goes on, this time with non-sporting business and lifestyle events such as the 16th Nelson Mandela Annual Lecture, Ethiopian Prime Minister Address, Starlight Helicopter

Launch, Skydivers, Top Billing Auditions, Holi Festival, Cookout, Business Seminars, Workshops, Team Building sessions, Conferences, Weddings, Product/brand Launches and other lifestyle events.

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Aerial View of The Imperial Wanderers Stadium.



# AN IMPERIAL WANDERERS WELCOME

## A PLACE WHERE JOZI MEETS

In the recent months, the venue has converted multiple suites into long and short term office space, offering co-working spaces, virtual offices, BRM retail distribution point and kitchen outlets that now serve the broader Illovo, Rosebank, Melrose and Sandton community with its Uber Eats pick up offering. Then there's the world class medical centre, permanent yoga studio and several retail sport shops added.

"As part of converting the 66-year old iconic venue and celebrating 30-years post ICC isolation, we have embarked on a journey to keep the lights on 24/7/365. Our multipurpose venue strategy offers wellness, entertainment and a market where SA's economy is stimulated through small-to-medium enterprises whether it be a trader selling their own bespoke cuisine, internationally recognised brands or business-to-business trade. Our sole purpose is to breathe energy into our iconic fortress where citizens from all walks of life feel at home" comments Wanele Mngomezulu Head of Marketing, Commercial & Communications.

Mngomezulu continues to say:

**"Part of the year-long celebration is to entrench our new Imperial Wanderers brand proposition #WhereJozimeets".**



"We seek to welcome not only Joburgers but the world at large across all racial lines, religious beliefs, creed, artist, music loves, entrepreneurs and health conscious under three pillars – memorable Entertainment Value, Wellness Centre and Business Hub".

"Our wellness offering includes an array of outdoor activities including stadium cycling tours, walk on the field in a safe environment, regular Spinathon, partnerships with marathon planners and so much more"



# AN IMPERIAL WANDERERS WELCOME

## A PLACE WHERE JOZI MEETS

“Our medical centre includes multidisciplinary medical team, with a holistic approach on patient care. It consists of 11 practitioners, namely, Optometry; Chiropractic's; Podiatry; Hyperbaric Oxygen Chamber; Sports Physician (Doctor); Orthotist and Prosthetist; Biokinetics; Psychology and Physiotherapy. A fully equipped gym”.

“The stadium recently welcomed The Yoga Experience Studio. The Yoga Experience was established in June 2003, made up of a group of men and women that are crazy about yoga and all things concerned with the awakening of higher consciousness. The studio teaches Yoga. Hot Yoga, Vinyasa Flow Yoga and Yin Yoga and strength & core classes”.

“On the entertainment front, we have plenty of lined experiences including various sports and lifestyle events – musical, art on the pitch, comedy nights, camping weekend and fresh produce market”.

“Our Business Hub offering extends from small-to-medium enterprises based at the stadium with regular business networking support, thought leadership and workshops amongst other with like-minded community members”.

The Imperial Wanderers is excited with the journey ahead so says Lions Cricket CEO Jono Leaf-Wright:

“In response to the changing and challenging times faced by South African society, the Lions Cricket board and management intends to create sustainable job opportunities, a business

hub, a wellness centre and of course world class entertainment value through the better use of the 66-year old stadium. We continuously strive towards the redesign of the stadium into a multi-purpose asset which not only seeks to offer the world's best cricket venue but to contribute to the country's urgent requirement for job creation as more than one third of South Africa's youth are unemployed”.

“Lions Cricket believes in the better utilization of its resources for the betterment of our society and the exploration of the multi-purposing of the stadium into a business incubator, entrepreneurial hub, wellness and entertainment venue in South Africa forms part of the fabric of the organizational strategy including the use of cricket as the change agent”.

“We want to give our community the sense that the lights are always on at the stadium and that the iconic Imperial Wanderers which sits in the golden triangle of retail in Africa is truly the place ‘WhereJoziMeets’.” concludes Leaf-Wright





# TIME OUT WITH LIONS DEAF CRICKET

We caught up with Chairperson of Lions Deaf Cricket Sivesh Poonsamy-Muthoo. He takes us through Deaf Cricket, his cricketing journey and what to look forward to in 2022. The first Deaf cricket match took place in 1928, when players in Cape Town challenged the Deaf cricketers of Worcester to a cricket match. It was only in 1976 that Johannesburg formed their own Deaf cricket team, which has been in existence ever since. The first Interprovincial tournament (IPT) took place in 1992, forming the South Africa Deaf Cricket Association now known as Deaf Cricket South Africa. The Lions Deaf Cricket (LDC) currently hold the most IPT trophy's.

Lions Deaf Cricket is affiliated to the Lions Cricket Union where 95% of all committee members are Deaf and all players are Deaf. Any players that want to join Lions Deaf Cricket will need to match the criteria for the hearing decibel requirement as set out by International Committee of Sports for the Deaf to qualify (Hearing Loss of at least 55 dB).

The team currently plays in the Lions Cricket Saturday 5 cricket league playing against hearing counterparts under Wits Lions CC which helps to enhance the standard of Deaf cricket. Lions Deaf Cricket takes part in the annual Deaf Cricket South Africa (DCSA) tournament competing against other Deaf provincial cricket teams and currently house 5 players from LDC that represent Deaf Cricket South Africa. The tournament forms the basis of selection to Deaf Cricket South Africa international tours in line with Cricket SA.

Sivesh Poonsamy-Muthoo, who has been an avid cricket fan for as far back as he can recall, was born fully Deaf;



Chairperson of Lions Deaf Cricket Sivesh Poonsamy-Muthoo.

"Since I was small, I have been playing cricket with my family and most of time with my neighbour and friends and have always looked up to our Protea players. Right now, I am Chairperson of Lions Deaf Cricket including Wits Lions CC, where I also play for both sides. I am an all-rounder where I open the bowling for CGLDC and Wits Lions and first or second change for DCSA. I bat in the middle order. I open the bowling for Deaf Cricket South Africa, and I have been privileged to play in three international tours thus far. I made my debut against India in the DICC Champions Trophy Dubai in 2016."



# TIME OUT WITH LIONS DEAF CRICKET

There are no different rules to hearing cricket and all the ICC rules still apply to Deaf cricket, says Poonsamy-Muthoo, with the only real difference being that Deaf players cannot hear the nick off the bat to the wicketkeeper;

“Because of this, we rely heavily visually. We also cannot hear the cheering or shouting on the field and therefore eye contact with players and the captain is crucial. We use South African Sign Language (SASL) to communicate to one another.

“In terms of the best game that I have played, it was my debut against India in the DICC Champions Trophy in Dubai 2016. I took my first international 5 wickets in that match. The next match against Pakistan I scored my 1st international half century as a number nine batsman. This was my first time playing for Deaf Cricket South Africa and in an international tournament. I was only 23 years old at the time and I am currently still representing team DCSA. In terms of players that inspire me, there

Hasan Ali, Chris Morris, Kagiso Rabada and Dale Steyn. Their performances have made me learn something that I would like to showcase in my own way. Their talents and performance always make me want to strive to do better on the cricket field.”

Lions Deaf Cricket recently attended the annual DCSA tournament however following COVID-19 protocols, as well as inclement weather, the tournament was suspended. In the Saturday 5 cricket league, Wits Lions CC has fielded a strong side winning a few matches despite training being affected due to strict protocols entering the training facilities as well as rain continuing to play a factor with several games being called off.

In closing Sivesh Poonsamy-Muthoo would like to thank the Venter family;

“The Venter family have been the pillar and the stronghold of LDC over the past 40 years. Dionne Venter, Stephen Venter and his two sons Kevin and Colin Venter have been instrumental in ensuring that LDC are the organization they are today. They have all represented Deaf Cricket South Africa where Colin is currently the captain. The family and the Deaf community managed to recruit me and many more other Deaf people to join cricket.”

In terms of fixtures, the 2022 Inter-Provincial Tournament (IPT) will be played in April and Lions Deaf Cricket (LDC) will take part. It will form the selection for the Deaf Cricket of South Africa (DCSA) team preparing for the World Cup 2023. Wits Lions CC will continue to play in SA5 League under Lions Cricket throughout the season.



are many players to whom I look up to, including international players like AB De Villiers, James Anderson, Glenn Maxwell,



# CRACKING CLUB FINALS

## THE BLACK WIDOW T20 DELIVERS

Johannesburg – On Wednesday 23 February, the iconic Imperial Wanderers Stadium hosted the much anticipated Black Widow T20 Club Finals and for the first time in two years, welcomed a select number of fans too.

The competition was a season opener for the Union's affiliated Clubs' with the premier teams competing for various individual and team prizes.

First up were the ladies: Soweto Pioneers CC taking on ENZA Delfos CC, with the latter winning the toss and electing to bat. ENZA Delfos CC scored 130/4 in their allotted 20 overs, thanks to top scorer and Player of the Match Modester Mupachikwa with 76 off 58 balls (10 fours and 1 six). In reply, the Soweto Pioneers C finished 62/4 in the rain affected match with the target revised to 81 off 11 overs, leaving ENZA Delfos CC ladies with the win by 19 runs.

The second final saw ENZA Delfos CC men take on G&M Old Edwardians CC men in a tense yet interesting final. ENZA Delfos CC again won the toss, electing to field and managed to limit G&M Old Edwardians CC to 178/6. Player of the Match Ruan Haasbroek top scored with 83 off 49 balls (8 fours and 3 sixes) and Reuben Du Toit an impressive 46 off 30 balls (5 fours and 1 six). Kwena Maphaka was the standout bowler with figures of 3/17 in four overs. In reply, ENZA Delfos CC posted 156/6, with James Du Toit scoring 47 off 40 balls (5 fours and 1 six) and Cole Abrahams a handy 31 off 15 balls (1 four and 3 sixes). And so it was that defending champions G&M Old Edwardians CC claimed victory once more, by 22 runs.

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**BLACK WIDOW** **LIONS**

**WOMEN'S**

**GROUP A**

- RANDBURG 1ST TEAM
- WANDERERS CHARIOTS
- SANDTON CRICKET CLUB
- ALEXANDRA CRICKET CLUB
- OLD EDS CRICKET CLUB
- JEPPE CRICKET CLUB
- ORANGE FARM CRICKET CLUB
- UJ CRICKET CLUB
- KHOSA CRICKET CLUB

**GROUP B**

- SOWETO CRICKET CLUB
- WITS CRICKET CLUB
- DOBSONVILLE CRICKET CLUB
- DALIKAY CRICKET CLUB
- WANDERERS ATHENAS
- DELFO CRICKET CLUB
- VAA CRICKET CLUB
- RANDBURG 2ND TEAM

**BLACK WIDOW LIONS T20 TOURNAMENT**



# CRACKING CLUB FINALS

## THE BLACK WIDOW T20 DELIVERS

"A huge thank you to Robbie Fuchs and his Black Widow team for the sponsorship of the tournament as well as everyone involved in making the competition an outstanding spectacle," said Reuben Mandlazi, Cricket Services Manager: Lions Cricket.

"The competition is growing in leaps and bounds with great talent arising year on year – and what a treat it was for such talent to be on display at the ever-impressive Imperial Wanderers Stadium. A big thank you to the Lions stadium team lead by Cyril Martin (Stadium management), Wanele Mngomezulu (Marketing and fan experience), Evan Flint (Head Curator) Sherina Desai (Lions Cricket Club Administrator) and so many others:

### **You always produce top class wickets**

In addition, big thank you to the CEO – Jono Leaf-Wright and the entire operations team for all the hard work in making sure that games are played once again.

Lastly, thank you to all the supporters who came out to back their respective teams. Club cricket remains key to producing quality winning teams and ensuring the sustainability of our game. It is through such competitions as the Black Widow T20 that we will be able to field the best team possible come 1st class level."

Head Coach for G&M Old Edwardians CC, Brandon Buckely said that both teams fielded strong sides, resulting in a cracking spectacle of club cricket in Gauteng;

"The quality was evident in the way in which the match swayed in both directions throughout. This was our 4th final in as many years and the pressure was on as our team has changed significantly since 2021 and we find ourselves in a rebuilding phase. It was an honour to play at Imperial Wanderers Stadium and a big thank you to Lions Cricket for affording us the opportunity. I would also like to thank Black Widow for their support and sponsorship. We look forward to representing Lions Cricket in the play-off final against the winning North West based club and hopefully on to the National Community Cup from there."



Black Widow Winners.



# LIONS CRICKET UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

## Appointment to Umpiring Panels and cricket weeks.

This season saw Khatso Ntuli and Roger Burne appointed to the CSA national Umpires Panel, after successfully completing their CSA National Examination.

At the National cricket weeks, held in December, the following umpires were

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### CSA Khaya Majola U19 cricket week

#### Potchefstroom

Zuber Saleh & Andre Sauls

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### CSA Girls U19 cricket week

#### Paarl

Sindy-ann Quaker & Davies Radebe

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### CSA Boys U16 cricket week

#### Pretoria

Joseph Mandibatsira & Jason Smit

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### CSA Girls U16 cricket week

#### Gquberha

Yashika Dinna & Lungisani Ncube

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## All ladies fixture.

On Saturday 4th December 2021 history was made in Gauteng when the Ladies Imperial Premier League fixture was

officialled by lady umpires and scorers, thus all 22 players and match officials were ladies. The lady umpires in this historic fixture were Yashika Dinna & Sindy-ann Quaker.

## Umpiring Landmark.

On Thursday 27th January Brad White officiated in his 150th first class match, umpiring a CSA four-day game between Western Province and the Imperial Lions at Newlands. Brad is the third South African umpire to reach the 150 mark, after Rudi Koetzen (220 matches) and Murray Brown (153).

Before becoming an umpire, Brad played first class cricket. As a left-handed opening batsman and medium pace bowler, he played for SA Schools in 1988, and the SA U21 side in 1989 and 1990. He played 78 first class matches, representing Transvaal (1988 -1995), Border (1996-1999) and Easterns (2000).

Brad started umpiring in 2001. He stood two years of club cricket in Gauteng and won 'Umpire of the Year' there in the 2002-03 season. In 2003 he was appointed to CSA's emerging panel, where he remained for five years, before being promoted to CSA's "A" panel for the 2008-9 season.

His first class debut came in October 2004, and his 150 games have included matches in New Zealand (November 2016), Australia (February 2018), and India (November 2018), as part of CSA's exchange program. Last year he stood in CSA's first class 4 day final.



# LIONS CLUB CRICKET

## 2021/2022

### **Lions Club Cricket structure consists of the following:**

52 clubs based in West Rand, Central and the South of Johannesburg

11 clubs based in Sedebeng. We thus boast a total of 63 clubs.

Clubs divisions are - Mens, Womens, Juniors.

Women's senior cricket takes place on Saturdays, and the mens senior cricket takes place on both Saturdays and Sundays.

Junior Cricket (under 7 to 15) is played on a Saturday morning.

Fixtures are played at government owned club facilities, schools and some privately owned facilities.

The 2021/2 season was a difficult one, where clubs faced challenges born from Covid: The restrictions placed on sport has seriously disabled the club structures. However, having said the above, the resilience showed by clubs is admirable.

Fixtures were put into place and clubs have had to adhere to the Covid protocols (bringing with it new challenges and financial strain). The Lions Cricket clubs worked hard and provided the mental and physical release of the COVID-19 pressures.

Clubs of colour worked extremely hard to maintain their numbers and provided a safe environment for players.

The traditional clubs assisted the challenged clubs and a cross over of cultures took place.

Many clubs and players bloomed under tiring conditions and I have no doubt will continue to thrive in the years to come. We have witnessed the emergence of quality coaches across the board. And administratively, clubs who were lagging, have reflected growth in this space.

We struggle with council-based facilities, as the security placed at these facilities are not equipped to deal with the challenges that are faced daily.

**Lenasia Sports Facility remains a thorn, it can be the best, but without the assistance of the city, we will lose use of this valuable ground.**





# LIONS CLUB CRICKET

## 2021/2022

### COMPETITIONS

#### MALE SENIOR LEAGUES

##### **Black Widow T 20 Competition**

(Premier League Teams only excluding tertiaries)

50 Overs played by all Sunday Teams

35 Overs – played by Under 18 Boys

(includes to seniors over 18 to support the structure.)

35 Overs – played by Under 15 Boys

(includes to seniors over 18 to support the structure.)

35 Overs played by Males on a Saturday

35 Overs played by Ladies on a Saturday

**Junior Cricket played on Saturday Mornings.**

##### **Lions Cricket T20 Knockout Competition**

#### LEAGUES

##### **Enza Premier League**

12 teams – 11 games – Cup and Plate Section 5 games total 16 games

##### **Lions Cricket Premier League**

12 Teams – 11 games - Cup and Plate Section 5 games total 16 games

##### **Lions Cricket Presidents A League**

12 Teams 11 games- Cup and Plate Section 5 games total 16 games

##### **Lions Cricket Sunday One League**

12 Teams – 11 games - Cup and Plate Section 5 games total 16 games

##### **Lions Cricket Sunday Two League**

12 Teams – 11 games - Cup and Plate Section 5 games total 16 games

##### **Lions Cricket Sunday Three League**

12 Teams – 11 games - Cup and Plate Section 5 games total 16 games

##### **Lions Cricket Sunday Four League**

14 Teams – 13 games- Cup and Plate Section 6 games total 17 games

##### **Lions Cricket Sunday Five League**

14 Teams – 13 games - Cup and Plate Section 6 games total 17 games

##### **Lions Cricket Sunday Six League**

12 Teams – 22 games

##### **Lions Cricket Sunday Seven League**

10 Teams – 18 games

##### **Lions Cricket Saturday One League**

10 Teams – 9 games - Cup and Plate Section 4 games total 13 games

##### **Lions Cricket Saturday Two League**

10 Teams – 9 games - Cup and Plate Section 4 games total 13 games

##### **Lions Cricket Saturday Three League**

10 Teams – 9 games - Cup and Plate Section 4 games total 13 games

##### **Lions Cricket Saturday Four League**

10 Teams – 9 games - Cup and Plate Section 4 games total 13 games



# LIONS CLUB CRICKET

## 2021/2022

### Lions Cricket Saturday Five League

10 Teams – 9 games - Cup and Plate Section 4 games  
total 13 games

### Lions Cricket Saturday Six League

10 Teams – 9 games - Cup and Plate Section 4 games  
total 13 games



**Giving us approximately a games per weekend, providing game time to an access of 2000 plus players, coaches, umpires, scorers, ground staff.**

This platform provides training for scorers, umpires and ground staff, leading directly to revenue for the end users.

Furthermore, we have the Imperial Premier Women's League and Lions Cricket Presidents Women's League.

The Lions Cricket Junior Structure consists of leagues under 7 to under 15 – a total of 122 teams and approximately 61 games a weekend.

### So what then are our challenges?

Lions Cricket clubs (of colour) have the challenge of meeting the need of the activity: To do well, the club requires resources, cash, equipment and facilities – all clubs require funding to maintain themselves. A club also requires assistance from council/other to maintain and the upkeep the facility and the financial aid to acquire the services of a good coach/es. Clubs also require transport to carry their members to games, clothing for their players, catering and the services fitness and mental trainers. All these shall come, so long as we continue to work smart, be kind, passionate and dedicated.

In terms of the on-field results from the first half of the season, I believe that they speak volumes of the strides made by the Lions Cricket family.





# LIONS LOGS

## 2021/2022

### LIONS BLACK WIDOW T20 GROUP ONE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
GM Old Edwardians	5	5					31
Delfos Cricket Club	5	4			1		24
Jeppe Cricket Club	5	2	1		2		14
Old Parktonian Cricket	4	2	1		1		14
Soweto Pioneers Cricket	5		2		3		4
Kagiso Cricket Club	5		1		4		2

### LIONS BLACK WIDOW T20 GROUP TWO

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
Smartkids Marks Park	5	5					29
Wanderers Cricket Club	5	4			1		21
Randburg Cricket Club	5	3			1		16
Khosa Cricket Club	5	1	1		3		7
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	5	1			4		6
Glenvista Cricket Club	5		1		4		2

### LIONS BLACK WIDOW T20 PLAY OFF'S

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
GM Old Edwardians	1	1					5
Delfos C C	1	1					5
Wanderers C C	1				1		0
Smartkids Marks Park	1				1		0

### LIONS BLACK WIDOW T20 FINAL (TBC)

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
GM Old Edwardians							
Delfos C C							



# LIONS LOGS

## 2021/2022

### ENZA PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Jeppe Cricket Club	11	9	1		1		52	31
University of JHB	11	8	1		2		56	28
Smartkids Marks Park	11	8	1		2		54	27
Wits Cricket Club	11	7	1		3		44	22
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	11	5	1		5		35	18
Old Parktonian Cricket	11	5	1		5		32	16
GM Old Edwardians	11	4	1		6		23	12
Randburg Cricket Club	11	3	3		5		23	12
Delfos Cricket Club	11	4			7		22	11
Soweto Pioneers Cricket	11	2	2		7		18	9
Wanderers Cricket Club	11	1	3	1	6		16	8
Kagiso Cricket Club	11	1	1	1	8		10	5

### ENZA PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
University of JHB	1	1					6	28
Jeppe Cricket Club	0						0	31
Smartkids Marks Park	1				1		0	27
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	1	1					5	18
Wits Cricket Club	1				1		0	22
Old Parktonian Cricket	0							16

### ENZA PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Randburg Cricket Club	1	1						12
GM Old Edwardians	0						7	12
Delfos Cricket Club	0							11
Soweto Pioneers Cricket	1							9
Wanderers Cricket Club	0				1		0	8
Kagiso Cricket Club	0							5



# LIONS LOGS

## 2021/2022

### Lions Cricket PREMIER LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Khosa	11	7	3		1		51	26
Florida C C	11	6	3		2		44	22
Pirates Cricket Club	11	7			4		44	22
Glenvista	11	5	3	1	3		40	20
Jeppe Cricket Club	11	5	1		4		32	16
Crescents Cricket Club	11	5	2		4		31	16
Joburg Cricket Club	11	3	3		5		27	14
Heidelberg C C	11	4	4		3		26	13
NWU Vaal University	11	3	4		4		25	13
Randfontein C C	11	3	3		5		24	12
Roshnee Cricket Club	11	1	4	1	5		0	0
Alexandra C C	11		3		7	1	1	0

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CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Khosa	1	1					5	26
Jeppe Cricket Club	1	1					5	22
Florida C C	0							22
Glenvista	0							20
Crescents C C	1				1		1	16
Pirates Cricket Club	1				1		0	16

### Lions Cricket PREMIER LEAGUE CUP

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Joburg Cricket Club	1	1					7	14
NWU Vaal University	1		1				2	13
Heidelberg C C	0							13
Randfontein Cricket Club	0							12
Roshnee Cricket Club	1		1				2	0
Alexandra C C	1				1			0



# LIONS LOGS

## 2021/2022

### IMPERIAL PREMIER LEAGUE LOG STANDINGS

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
Delfos C C	5	3	2				19
Randburg C C	4	2	2				18
Wanderers Chariots C C	4	1	2		1		11
Jeppe C C	6	1	1		4		9
Soweto Pioneers C C	6	1	4		1		15
Vaal Women C C	5		4		1		8
Khosa C C	4		3		1		6

### PRESIDENTS LEAGUE LOG STANDINGS

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
GM Old Eds C C	7	2	4				22
Wanderers Athenas C C	5	2	2		1		16
Dobsonville C C	5	2	3				16
Orange Fram C C	5	1	3		1		12
Wits	6	2	1		3		12
Alexandra C C	6	1	3		2		11
University of JHB	4		4				8
Dalokay C C	6		4		2		8



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### Lions Cricket PRESIDENTS A LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Wanderers Cricket Club	11	8	2		1		52	26
University of JHB	11	6	3		2		45	23
Randburg Cricket Club	11	7	1		3		43	22
Khosa Cricket Club	11	5	4		2		40	20
Wits Cricket Club	11	5	3		2		35	17
Delfos	11	4	3		4		29	15
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	11	3	4		4		28	14
Old Parktonian Cricket	11	4	2		5		27	14
Gunn & Moore	11	3	3		5		26	13
Smartkids Marks Park	11	1	4		6		15	7
Kagiso Cricket Club	11	1	2		8		11	6
VUT Cricket Club	11	1	3		7		11	6

### Lions Cricket PRESIDENTS B LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Glenvista Cricket Club	11	8	1		2		49	24
Khosa Cricket Club	11	6	2		2		42	21
Randfontein	11	5	3		3		37	19
NWU Vaal University	11	5	4		2		36	18
Pirates Cricket Club	11	5	2		4		36	18
Roshnee Cricket Club	11	3	4		4		29	14
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	11	3	3		5		26	13
Wanderers Cricket Club	11	4	1		6		25	13
Soweto Pioneers Cricket	11	2	5		4		24	12
GM Old Edwardians	11	3	2		6		23	12
Eldorado Park Ottomans	11	4	2		5		15	8
Riverlea Cricket Club	11	2	3		6		7	4



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### Lions Cricket SUNDAY ONE LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
University of JHB	11	9	1		1		59	30
Randburg Cricket Club	11	6	2		3		46	23
Delfos	11	6	4		1		40	20
Crescents C C	11	5	3		3		34	17
Azad Swaraj Sporting	11	4	5		2		31	16
JHB Cricket Club	11	3	3		5		29	15
Florida C C	11	3	4		4		27	14
Riverlea Cricket Club	11	2	4		5		21	11
Smartkids Marks Park	11	2	3		5		19	20
Alexandra C C	11	2	2		7		18	9
Wanderers Cricket Club	11	1	6		4		17	9
Soweto Pioneers	11	1	4		6		13	7

### Lions Cricket SUNDAY TWO LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Vereeninging C C	11	8	3				58	29
Eldorado Park Ottomans	11	6	3		2		46	23
GM Old Edwardians	11	6	3		2		43	22
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	11	4	3		4		30	15
Wits	11	4	4		3		30	15
Heidelberg	11	3	5		3		27	14
Khosa C C	11	2	5		4		23	12
Jeppe Cricket Club	11	3	3		5		23	12
Kagiso Cricket Club	11	2	4		4		15	8
Midrand Knights	11	4	3		4		19	10
Old Parks	11	1	3		7		12	6
Western Warriors C C	11	1	5		5		9	5



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### Lions Cricket SUNDAY THREE LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
Azad Swaraj Sporting	9	7	0		2		38
Gunn and Moore Old Eds	9	5	2		2		37
Old Lions	9	3	4		2		29
Riverlea Cricket Club	10	4	2		4		28
Soweto Pioneers Cricket	10	3	3		4		25
Sandton Tigers C C	9	2	5		2		24
VUT Cricket Club	10	2	4		4		20
Delfos Cricket Club	10	1	5		4		19
Randburg Cricket Club	10	1	5		4		18
Sopranos Cricket Club	10	4	3		3		18
Azaadville C C	11	2	5		4		17
Azaadville Rhiders C C	9	2	4		3		15

### Lions Cricket SUNDAY FOUR LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
Vereeniging Cricket Club	11	4	5		3		34
Wits	9	4	5				34
Pirates Cricket Club	9	4	4		1		32
Crescents	10	4	4		2		31
Randburg C C	11	3	4		4		26
Randfontein Cricket Club	9	3	4		2		25
Jubelium C C	8	4	2		2		21
Old Lions	9	2	3		4		20
Riverlea	10	2	4		4		18
Sopranos Cricket Club	7	1	5		1		17
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	9	1	2		6		9
Swaneville C C	9		6		1	2	2



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### Lions Cricket SUNDAY FIVE LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
Sandton Tigers C C	11	6	4		1		48
E P Ottomans	11	7	4				46
GM Old Eds	12	6	2		4		41
Randfontein	10	3	5		2		29
Wits	10	3	5		2		29
Dobsonville Cricket Club	11	4	3		4		28
Old Lions	11	4	3		4		28
Jeppe Cricket Club	10	3	2		4		25
Dalikay CC	11	4	5		2	1	25
Cover Drive C C	10	2	6		1	1	21
Swaneville Cricket Club	11	3	4		3	1	20
Florida C C	10	1	5		4		15
HPC Meyerton	10		7		2	1	9
Diepsloot	11		4		6	1	2

### Lions Cricket SUNDAY SIX JUNIORS 35

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
Short Handle Sports	9	7	2				42
Dobsonville Cricket Club	10	3	6		1		31
Dalikay C C	10	5	2		2	1	30
Randfontein Cricket Club	9	3	5		1		29
Delfos C C	10	3	4		3		23
Wanderers Cricket Club	11	2	5		3		20
Orange Farm	8	2	2		4		14
Soweto C C	8		5		3		10
Sandton Tigers C C	11		5		5	1	5



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### Lions Cricket SUNDAY SEVEN 35 OVERS (15 YEARS) LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	6	4	1		1		27
Harrow Kamoso C C	6	4	2				26
GM Old Edwardians	6	2	1		3		16
Joburg Cricket Club	7	2	3		2		18
Jeppe Cricket Club	6	2	1		3		13
Alexandra C C	6		3		3		6

### Lions Cricket SATURDAY ONE LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Randburg Cricket Club	9	5	3		1		39	20
Smartkids Marks Park	9	5	2		2		37	19
BIG Bom Lenasia Cricket	9	3	3		2		32	16
Gunn and Moore Old	9	4	3		2		31	16
Azad Swaraj Sporting	9	4	3		2		27	14
Jeppe Cricket Club	9	3	3		3		25	13
Khosa Cricket Club	9	2	3		4		18	9
Wanderers Cricket Club	9	1	4		4		15	8
Roodepoort Cricket Club	9	2	5		3		15	8
Glenvista Cricket Club	9		1		8		2	1



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### Lions Cricket SATURDAY TWO LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Crescents C C	9	5	3		1		36	18
Gunn and Moore Old	9	4	3		2		31	16
Azaadville C C	9	4	2	1	2		29	15
Glenvista Cricket Club	9	4	4		1		26	13
Wanderers Cricket Club	9	3	4		2		25	13
Sopranos	9	2	5		2		23	12
Delfos Cricket Club	9	2	3	1	3		21	11
Azad Swaraj Sporting	9	1	4		4		14	7
Smartkids Marks Park	8	1	1		6		9	5
Thirsties Cricket Club	8	1	3		3		7	4

### Lions Cricket SATURDAY THREE LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Puntans Hill Sport Club	8	7	1				44	22
Wanderers Cricket Club	8	5	1		2		31	16
Crescents C C	8	5	1		2		31	16
Randfontein Cricket Club	8	3	3		2		25	13
Pirates Cricket Club	8	3	2		3		22	11
Smartkids Marks Park	8	1	3		4		14	7
Joburg Cricket Club	8	1	3		4		13	7
Midrand Knights	8	2	2		4		14	7
Azad Swaraj Sporting	8		2		5		6	3
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### Lions Cricket SATURDAY FOUR LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Puntans Hill Sports	9	7	2				50	25
Riverlea Cricket Club	9	4	4		1		36	18
Old Parktonian Cricket	9	4	4	1	1		31	16
Sandton Tigers C C	9	2	4		3		22	11
Crescents C C	9	2	5		2		21	11
Calypso OMCC	9	2	5		2		20	10
Randburg Cricket Club	9	1	6	1	2		17	8
Sopranos Cricket Club	9	1	5		3		16	8
Midrand Knights	8	1	4		4		14	7
Western Warriors C C	8		3		6		6	3

### Lions Cricket SATURDAY FIVE LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Old Parktonian Cricket	9	4	3		2		32	16
Puntans Hill Sports Club	9	4	4		1		32	16
Wits Lions	9	4	2		3		28	14
Sandton Tigers C C	9	3	4		2		26	13
Sopranos Cricket Club	9	3	5		1		26	13
Riverlea	9	3	3		3		25	13
Roodepoort Cricket Club	9	2	5		2		21	11
Pirates Cricket Club	9	3	2		4		21	11
Noordgesig Cricket Club	9	2	3		4		18	9
Phoenix Warriors Cricket	9		3		6		6	3



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### Lions Cricket SATURDAY SIX LEAGUE

CLUBS	P	W	D	T	L	DF	TOTAL	POINTS CARRIED FWD
Sandton Tigers C CClub	7	4	2		1		31	15
Delfos Cricket Club	7	4	3				29	14
Wanderers Cricket Club	7	3	2		2		19	9
Puntans Hill Sports Club	7	3	2		2		22	11
Old Parktonian Cricket	7	1	2		4		11	5
Khosa Cricket Club	7		4		3		9	4
Dalikay CC	7	1	2		4		9	4
Pirates Cricket Club	7	1	3		3		13	6



# PLAYER STATS

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### ENZA PREMIER LEAGUE

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	CLUBS	Inns	N/O	H/S	Runs	Ave	50's	100's	200's	CT	ST	4's	6's	
Steenkamp	Louren	Smartkids Marks Park	10	2	177	537	67,13	5	1	0	2	0	60	8	91,48
Nicholas	Dylan	Jeppe Cricket Club	10	2	113	421	52,63	3	1	0	2	0	37	2	55,10
Van Tonder	Ruaan	Smartkids Marks Park	10	3	77	374	53,43	4	0	0	3	0	30	2	79,57
Esterhuizen	C	Wits Cricket Club	8	3	108	297	59,40	2	1	0	4	0	36	5	91,10
Waspe	Jonothan	Old Parktonian C C	10	2	106	291	36,38	0	1	0	1	0	26	0	57,40
Patel	Moosa	BIG Bom Lenasia C C	10	0	51	276	27,60	1	0	0	1	0	27	1	49,37
Harte	Gareth	Gunn & Moore C C	9	0	111	265	29,44	0	1	0	4	0	27	4	67,43
Manack	Mohammed	Wits Cricket Club	8	2	66	256	42,67	2	0	0	1	0	26	1	78,05
Abrahams	C	Delfos Cricket Club	8	2	73	239	39,83	1	0	0	3	0	13	11	82,13
Ntleko	Nhlanhla	Soweto Pioneers C C	8	1	56	220	31,43	2	0	0	0	0	20	3	57,89
Strydom	JJ	Randburg Cricket Club	8	2	80	216	36,00	1	0	0	0	0	15	1	53,73
Vorster	Steffan	Jeppe Cricket Club	8	3	89	209	41,80	1	0	0	3	0	13	5	69,90
Mccabe	Brandon	Wits Cricket Club	6	1	90	195	39,00	1	0	0	0	0	18	1	61,90
Hermann	Ronan	University of JHB	5	0	90	191	38,20	2	0	0	1	0	26	1	82,33
Rhoda	David	Gunn & Moore C C	8	1	76	188	26,86	1	0	0	0	0	14	2	76,73
NJanji	B	Randburg Cricket Club	8	0	57	184	23,00	1	0	0	3	0	20	2	66,43
Enslin	Michael	Jeppe Cricket Club	6	0	98	182	30,33	1	0	0	1	0	20	2	79,82
Khelya	Faizel	BIG Bom Lenasia C C	8	2	81	180	30,00	1	0	0	1	0	18	0	61,43
Landsberg	Juan	Wits Cricket Club	6	2	69	178	44,50	2	0	0	2	0	14	1	85,58
Lang	Josh	Gunn & Moore C C	9	2	49	177	25,29	0	0	0	24	0	13	2	58,42
Mogotsi	Karabo	Smartkids Marks Park	5	0	66	174	34,80	1	0	0	0	0	14	0	66,67
James	Anthony	Old Parktonian C C	6	1	44	170	34,00	0	0	0	1	0	22	2	57,43



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### ENZA PREMIER LEAGUE

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	CLUBS	O	M	R	W	Ave	R/O	Best R	Best W	Byes	L/Byes	Wides	N/Balls
Landsberg	Juan	Wits Cricket Club	70,0	6	224	22	10,00	3,00	0	6	0	0	0	0
Tandel	Neel	BIG Bom Lenasia C C	68,0	5	230	21	10,00	3,00	0	6	0	0	0	0
Maartins	Udo	Randburg Cricket Club	69,0	5	278	19	14,00	4,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Patel	Zakwaan	University of JHB	40,0	10	103	17	6,00	2,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Saloojee	Zaid	Smartkids Marks Park	53,0	0	243	16	15,00	4,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Hollard	Jordan	Jeppe Cricket Club	61,0	14	139	15	9,00	2,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Khan	Shaveer	University of JHB	53,0	9	179	15	11,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Maupa	T	Smartkids Marks	45,0	8	139	15	9,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Buthelezi	Mzikhona	Kagiso Cricket Club	43,0	3	234	14	16,00	5,00	0	6	0	0	0	0
Chinouya	M	Randburg Cricket Club	31,0	5	79	14	5,00	2,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Hollard	Matthew	Jeppe Cricket Club	64,0	6	247	14	17,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Metzer	Reade	Gunn & Moore C C	68,0	5	259	14	18,00	3,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Ditta	Y	BIG Bom Lenasia C C	60,0	7	167	13	12,00	2,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Fredericks	Shakeen	Delfos Cricket Club	54,0	5	232	13	17,00	4,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Rhoda	David	Gunn & Moore C C	69,0	6	219	13	16,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Alder	Liam	University of JHB	43,0	8	112	12	9,00	2,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Patel	S	BIG Bom Lenasia C C	46,0	2	181	12	15,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Waspe	Jonothan	Old Parktonian C C	63,0	12	206	12	17,00	3,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Ahmed	Nabeel	BIG Bom Lenasia C C	54,0	13	128	11	11,00	2,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Majaja	Phumele	Soweto Pioneers C C	45,0	4	179	11	16,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Nemeti	Wesley	Randburg Cricket Club	55,0	9	163	11	14,00	2,00	0	3	0	0	0	0



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### Lions Cricket PREMIER LEAGUE

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	CLUBS	Inns	N/O	H/S	Runs	Ave	50's	100's	200's	CT	ST	4's	6's	
Fuller	J	Glenvista Cricket Club	7	1	141	436	72,00	2	2	0	2	0	32	23	149,00
Taylor	C	Pirates Cricket Club	9	2	202	420	60,00	3	0	1	4	0	50	11	121,00
Van Aswegen	JP	Khosa Cricket Club	5	3	125	374	187,00	2	2	0	0	0	39	8	85,00
Hardy	Mathew	Pirates Cricket Club	10	1	86	356	39,00	3	0	0	2	0	43	2	69,00
Wessels	Johan	Heidelberg C C	4	0	139	354	88,00	1	2	0	0	0	25	8	85,00
Roberts	Chad	Pirates Cricket Club	9	1	81	308	38,00	3	0	0	0	0	45	3	74,00
Kimmie	Deen	Florida C C	8	0	57	295	36,00	2	0	0	0	0	30	2	58,00
Doorsamy	D	Glenvista Cricket	5	1	105	292	73,00	2	1	0	0	0	35	7	105,00
Prbert	Caleb	Florida C C	7	0	107	291	41,00	1	1	0	0	0	26	1	44,00
Sempe	Katlego	Florida C C	7	2	65	266	53,00	3	0	0	0	0	19	17	123,00
Klaasen	Ethan	Randfontein C C	6	0	84	259	43,00	2	0	0	1	0	25	5	73,00
Mohammed	S	Crescents C C	8	3	79	247	49,00	1	0	0	3	0	13	14	93,00
Ashwood	J	Glenvista Cricket	8	1	91	211	30,00	2	0	0	4	0	17	9	95,00
Zia	Atif	JHB Cricket Club	5	2	80	210	70,00	2	0	0	0	0	19	13	98,00



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### Lions Cricket PREMIER LEAGUE

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	CLUBS	O	M	R	W	Ave	R/O	Best R	Best W	Byes	L/Byes	Wides	N/Balls
Kimmie	Omar	Florida C C	71,0	10	273	17	16,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Pretorios	B	Heidelberg C C	38,0	3	177	16	11,00	4,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Batty	J	Florida C C	57,0	5	233	14	16,00	4,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Brown	A	Pirates Cricket Club	77,0	7	282	14	20,00	3,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Freeman	Chris	Pirates Cricket Club	59,0	8	223	14	15,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Mabaso	Bonginkosi	Pirates Cricket Club	58,0	6	212	14	15,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Chapmier	Keegan	Khosa Cricket Club	38,0	2	169	13	13,00	4,00	0	6	0	0	0	0
Hafijee	Imraan	Roshnee Cricket Club	34,0	0	206	13	15,00	6,00	0	8	0	0	0	0
Rossouw	D	Khosa Cricket Club	33,0	6	141	13	10,00	4,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
SAMaai	Aamir	Pirates Cricket Club	54,0	1	274	13	21,00	5,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Ahmed	Bilaa	Glenvista Cricket Club	55,0	3	210	12	17,00	3,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Brown	Callum	Jeppe Cricket Club	31,0	5	146	12	12,00	4,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Holmes	N	Pirates Cricket Club	99,0	2	218	11	19,00	2,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Visser	D	Heidelberg C C	41,0	4	172	10	17,00	4,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Akthar	R	Crescents CC	38,0	5	129	9	14,00	3,00	0	2	0	0	0	0
Joseph	Justin	Khosa Cricket Club	32,0	1	130	9	14,00	4,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Van Rooyen	Junior	Florida C C	32,0	1	135	9	15,00	4,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Van Wyk	Martin	Glenvista Cricket Club	44,0	3	141	8	17,00	3,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Bezuidenhout	Etienne	NWU Vaal University	24,0	1	108	7	15,00	4,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Govender	Kyle	Crescents CC	15,0	1	38	7	5,00	2,00	0	6	0	0	0	0
Khalifa	M	Crescents CC	44,0	6	166	7	23,00	3,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Maluleka	K	Alexandra C C	27,0	1	118	7	16,00	4,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Mohammed	Raheem	JHB Cricket Club	10,0	0	32	7	4,00	3,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Pather	Clayton	Glenvista Cricket Club	30,0	0	173	7	24,00	5,00	0	5	0	0	0	0
Uddin	M	Crescents CC	24,0	1	78	7	11,00	3,00	0	3	0	0	0	0
Ullan	A	Crescents CC	37,0	4	150	7	21,00	4,00	0	4	0	0	0	0
Akku	Minaz	Crescents CC	31,0	1	142	6	23,00	4,00	0	3	0	0	0	0



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**Coaching Qualification:** Level 3

### How did you end up in cricket?

In Primary school I did not like to do homework, so I decided to rather attend a cricket session at Jabavu Stadium.

### What motivated you to become a coach?

The love of working with youngsters and wanting to make a difference in their lives.

### Which coach inspired or had an influence on you as a player and why?

Hoosein Ayob. Great motivator and very passionate

### What is your strength as a person and a coach?

I have a heart for the game and I love working with youngsters. I always want to see progress

### How do you keep yourself during calm during the game?

I do not over-think. I smile and think of the last time we performed

### What is your biggest fear?

That one day, there will be no cricket in the disadvantaged areas: It makes such a big difference to so many lives.

### What are your coaching values?

Respect. Teamwork. Honesty.

### What do you enjoy most about coaching?

Making a difference in the community and being myself

### Where do you draw your inspiration from?

The hardships that myself and my family went through whilst I was growing up.

### How has your coaching journey been thus far?

It has been similar to a marathon. Uphill: Tie your laces and work hard. Downhill sometimes: Enjoy the ride for a certain period. Sideways: Keep plugging away. Sometimes backwards: Your hands are tied and you feel like giving up but remember it is not about you but the next star in the making. Sometimes it seems like it will never end. But I do love it.



# THE FUNDAMENTALS OF BATTING

## WITH PETER MOORES

The first thing I say to anybody who wants to play the game and wants to get better is that the skills don't change particularly as you move up the levels – it's the pace at which you've got to do them that changes. That's the big difference. In top-flight sport in general, it's the basics done at pace. And those basics are things you can't get away from.

### FIND YOUR BALANCE

Whether you're batting, bowling or fielding, the first fundamental is balance. As a batter your head should be somewhere roughly inside your shoulders, both eyes level, going towards the bowler. A lot of the amateur batters that I watch are going towards extra-cover.

### FEEL THE RHYTHM

The second basic of batting is alignment and alongside that comes rhythm, which is almost the forgotten art of coaching. Rhythm means you're relaxed – no one can play well if they're uptight. When you first go into bat you're going to be a bit uptight because it's the start of your innings. You've got to find a way to relax to get through that and know that you're only going to focus on the simple things: watching the ball and your balance. As you develop your skills you'll look more at things like playing late, letting the ball come to you, but the key initially is to keep it simple.

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### NAIL THE BASICS

In the world we live in now there's a lot of information out there which I think a club player can get lost in. But if you focus on going towards the ball with your eyes level, and you're letting the ball come to you and you're watching it hard, then you're not going to be a million miles off.

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### MAKE PRACTICE FUN

There's no quick fix to improve your game. To get better it's important to hit a lot of balls so it's necessary for the player and the coach to have fun doing that.

The ability to have fun and hit the ball is part of what you play the game for, and hitting the ball hard is a fundamental to becoming a good player these days.

Whether you're batting, bowling or fielding, the first fundamental is balance. There are two different ways of practising: there's practising to expand your game and there's practising to apply your game. If I'm netting and the focus of that session is on not getting out and playing like I would in a match, that is about application. Then in another session I can free up a bit and see if I can move my game forward.

I'd hate people to think they can't go out and look at different things, you just have to be focused in how you practise them.

### PLAYING STRAIGHT

Hitting the ball back to where it came from, from straightforward throws, is a really nice way of starting off any net. It is probably one of the hardest things to do and it shows everything about your balance and alignment. It gets you to repair your basics and then from there you can expand your game.

Most things 'straight' in sport are difficult. Hitting the ball down the middle of a fairway, for instance: a simple concept but tricky to do.

A challenge you can face in a club net is the quality of bowling, as it might vary a bit. Try and arrive five minutes early if you can and get a few taps before the net session begins.



Nottinghamshire head coach Peter Moores on laying a platform on which to improve your game.



# THE FUNDAMENTALS SEAM BOWLING

## WITH RICHARD JOHNSON

### MAKING THE BALL COUNT

Regardless of whether it swings or seams, the key to bowling with the new ball is making the batter play as many times as you can and making the most of it when it's at its freshest. You've got to work out what type of pitch it is quickly and then adapt to conditions – deciding which length and line is best to bowl at. If it's a bouncy track, it's not a bad thing to get the batter pushed back a little bit with a shorter delivery, if that's part of your tactic.

Some players like taking the new ball more than others. It's a different feel. For some people it can feel a bit slippery out of the hand and they can't control it as well. But there are more wickets to be taken when you have the new ball than not, because the batsman is new and you've got your best chance with a big seam and a shiny, harder ball.

You can only begin to feel more comfortable with the new ball by practising with it as many times as you can.

### HARNESS INDIVIDUALITY

In the modern game it's very much about individuality in your action and working from there. There are basic positions that you coach because that's been researched and it helps, but as a coach you want to encourage

There are positions that some bowlers get into that put their back under strain, so as a coach you've got to make sure their action is safe. If it is, and they're bowling in decent areas and moving the ball, then there's no need to interject. If they are spraying it all over the place or not bowling particularly well then there will be technical things you can probably help with.



Former England and Middlesex paceman Richard Johnson, now regarded as one of the country's premier fast-bowling coaches.

### BUMPER RETURNS

With the bouncer, where you direct it depends on what you're trying to do. If you're trying to get the batsman out, sometimes a higher bouncer could be more effective, or a wider bouncer



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could be more effective, or a wider bouncer where they have to fetch it. But generally speaking a ball directed at the neck is ideal, as brutal as that sounds.

The key with the delivery is you're trying to let the batsman know you're around. We've seen over the winter in Australia their fast bowlers hammered our tail-enders with short balls and it puts a bit of doubt in your mind. If you're getting a bit of a barrage and being forced on to the back foot, all of a sudden a length ball becomes a potent weapon. From a batter's point of view, no one likes the short ball, but some just cope with it better than others. No one wants to see it whizzing around their nose.

### KEEP PERSPECTIVE

From a coaching point of view, it's very important to remember what it was like to be a player. You go through all your coaching badges and your levels and you end up on the other side of the line, but you need to remember what it was actually like to bowl fast every day and how hard it is.

No one is perfect, we're all humans and allowed bad days. You can forget that sometimes as a coach. You can get frustrated and think they should be doing better, but you've got to remember that you were there once and you didn't bowl well every day. Although a lot of coaches probably think they did!

### DRILL!

Set out two lines of cones so you create a track from the top of your run-up all the way through to the batter in a straight line.

Then when you come in to bowl, make sure you stay between the cones when you release the ball and follow through. This will stop you changing direction, jumping into the wicket or falling away at the end, and it will encourage you to run through straight lines to your target.



Kagiso Rabada bowling.



# JACK LEACH'S SPIN BOWLING COACHING TIPS

## 1. THE FUNDAMENTALS

Bowling spin is essentially about being about to land the ball in a good area with spin and shape. For me, it's about how I use my body to do that.

I find having a small delivery stride makes it easier to get up and over my front leg and then I really try to engage my front side, almost like a seamer does, to aggressively bowl the ball. And whatever the surface, I'm always trying to land the ball in a place that's attacking both sides of the bat.

## 2. TIGHT LINES

To a right-hander I'm looking to bowl at off stump most of the time. If it skids on from there it should be hitting the stumps or the batsman's pad. With that line the batsman has to play at the ball so then if it spins you're bringing slip into the game.

To a left-hander my line is usually just outside off stump from over the wicket. If there's rough there then I'll be aiming for it. If there's no rough, or if it's spinning from straight, then I might come round the wicket and attack the stumps, making sure that I'm pitching on middle so that if it straightens I've got a chance of an lbw. If it skids on then slip is in play.

## 3. THE WAITING GAME

I've learnt over the last couple of years, especially playing on spinning wickets, that sometimes it's actually more important to be patient on those wickets that are helpful to you.

## 4. USING THE CREASE

When I come round the wicket to a right-hander I naturally get quite wide on the crease but I'm trying to find ways that I can actually get closer to the stumps, as that changes the angle the ball's coming down at the batsman from and it actually has to spin less to beat them.

I also try to use the depth of the crease, bowling some balls from 23 yards or 22-and-a-half yards. That allows me to bowl a ball of the same length from a different trajectory. This works well when a batter is coming hard at me, or if I notice they play the same sort of sweep shot to every length or trajectory I feel I can beat them in the air and get a top edge.



Temba Bavuma.



# JACK LEACH'S SPIN BOWLING COACHING TIPS

## 5. HONING YOUR RUN-UP

The pace of your run-up is very important and it's worth playing around with because it might be that you can get more from yourself at the crease by speeding it up or slowing it down.

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Graeme Swann had a lovely approach – he used to run in but then still managed to pause and get over his front leg. I've slowed my run-up down – now it's more of a walk into a slight jog and then bowl – because I found if I ran in too quick and then didn't have to do as much work at the crease I didn't get as much on the ball. It's about finding a pace of run-up that allows you to get a lot of energy on the ball.

The length of your run-up is important as well. Mine is nine paces, which is quite short. If my run-up gets too long then I feel like my delivery stride also gets longer and I find it harder to get up and over my front leg and over the ball.

## 6. THE DROP DRILL

Before I went to Australia last winter I was looking to see how I could beat batsmen in the air more than doing them off the pitch. One way to do that is getting drop on the ball.

I did a drill where I put a target eight feet from the popping crease and then a couple of metres away I placed a set of stumps. Then I tried to bowl it over that set of stumps but get it to drop in time to land on the target. Gradually I moved the stumps closer to the target, seeing how close I could get them to each other while still being able to drop the ball down onto the target.

## 7. PLAN IN ACTION

When we played Lancs recently I came up with a plan to Liam Livingstone, who's a good player of spin, that I thought would work to him.

I felt like his strength was hitting down the ground over mid-on so I wanted him to play as square as possible. I dropped mid-on deeper, as I didn't want him to have that easy shot at the start of his innings, and my mid-wicket came quite straight so he couldn't knock it down the ground for one either. Then I bowled one just outside leg stump and he tried to whip it, it caught the edge and slip took the catch.



Somerset and England's left-arm orthodox spinner Jack Leach offers his coaching tips on the art of bowling spin.



# CLOSING NOTE

## COACHING MANAGER

**Dear All,**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your time: I hope the coaching articles have added something to your coaching toolbox.

Please see below the coaching development programs and coaching course schedule for the 2022/23 season.

### LIONS CRICKET COACHING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE
05-08 April 2022	Level 1 Coaching Course	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
29 April 2022	Coaches Forum	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
09-20 May 2022	Level 2 Coaching Course	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
27 May 2022	Coaches Webinar	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
03 Jun 2022	Coaches Forum	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
06-10 June 2022	Level 1 Coaching Course	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
09 July 22	Coaching Webinar	Ms Teams
11-15 July 2022	Level 1 Coaching Course	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
23 July 2022	Coaches Forum	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
15-19 August 2022	Level 1 Coaching Course	Swanneville/ Azadville
22 August-02 September 2022	Level 2 Refresher Course	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
06-16 September 2022	Level 2 Coaching Course	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
15 October 2022	Coaches Conference	Imperial Wanderers
29 October 2022	Coaches Webinar	Ms Teams
20 Jan 2023	Coaches Forum	Imperial Wanderers Stadium
15-17 February 2023	CAP Camp	Imperial Wanderers Stadium



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Please visit the Lions Cricket website for more information.

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Benjamin Disraeli

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Kofi Annan

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