
Indo-Pak Cricket Club
Microsoft Cricket Club
Seattle Cricket Club
North West Cricket League

September 8, 1997

To:

Mr. Craig Larson,
Director – King County Parks.

Dear Mr. Larson:

Subject: Need another cricket field in King County, preferably Marymoor park.

We the representatives from the above mentioned organizations would like to make an application for additional cricket fields in the county of King, state of Washington. Please find here with additional information regarding that request.

Justifications

- Increasing number of cricket teams in the county legitimately associated with existing cricket leagues:
 - British Columbia Mainland Cricket League - BCMCL (Over 30 years old)
 - North West Cricket League - NWCL (now in its third year grown to 7 teams from 3 in the Pacific Northwest)
 - Increasing number of serious players migrating from Commonwealth countries to the Pacific North West, who are now permanent residents and or citizens of the USA.
- Inability to host national and regional cricket events due to lack of cricketing fields in the county.
- Promote diversity in sports reflective of the future generation.
- Additional facility will promote a greater exposure to the citizens of the USA.

Objective

- Additional cricket field in King County in support of the existing demand.

Current needs of 7 North West teams playing in two nationally recognized league:

- Season begins April end and finishes end of September. With only one field at Fort Dent Park, this equates to 40 available weekend days for league matches.
- Number of teams in King County
 - 4 representing Seattle Cricket Club
 - 2 representing Microsoft Cricket Club
 - 1 representing IndoPak Cricket club
- Teams playing in the BCMCL league will have to host 9 home games per team. Four Northwest teams in the BCMCL league. This will mean 36 home games in BCMCL league
- Teams playing in the NWCL league will have to host 7 home games per team. There will be 3 North West teams playing in the NWCL league. This will mean 21 home games in the NWCL league.

- Total home games needed to support existing league matches for North West cricket teams = 57 weekend days per season. This does not include invitational, re-scheduled and promotional games.

What are the teams willing to do

- Teams will maintain the cricket pitch. I.e. the batting and bowling areas.
- Teams will adhere to the rules and procedures governing the use and maintenance of King County parks.
- Willingness to share the cricketing outfield with other existing sport facilities.

History of Teams

- Microsoft Cricket Club
 - Played cricket within Microsoft campus beginning the early 90's.
 - Founding members of the NWCL
 - Currently one team expected to be expanded into two teams, one to play in NWCL and other to play in BCMCL.
- Seattle Cricket Club
 - Started in BCMCL League 1968, there were only 13 teams in the league. SCC started with one team.
 - Currently they have 3 teams in the BCMCL League and 1 team in Northwest Cricket League.
 - Lack of field resources is discouraging natural growth of the club.
 - Visiting teams from the following countries and States: Canada, New Zealand, England (18 year olds from Madalen - Oxford), South Africa, India and Hawaii, Colorado, California.
- Indo-Pak Club
 - Team formally formed this year.
 - Planning to join the NWCL next year.
 - This team also participates in other games in support of bringing the community together.

We hope that the above information will provide the necessary information needed to help the county decide on making more facilities available for cricket in the Pacific Northwest. Please do not hesitate to let us know if you need more information. You can contact Krishnan Iyer at 705 1964 and / or Email = KrishnaP@Microsoft.Com

Sincerely,

P.S: The original with signatures is with King County - No document scanners or in 1997

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Enclosures: Articles on cricket in America and other documents.