

NorCal Helping Hands
CRICKET CARNIVAL

Rules and Regulations

- Date: **September 24th 2022**
- Venue: **Arroyo Park, 2000 Shasta Dr, Davis, CA 95616**
- Time: **7:30 AM onwards**
- Each team that registered on time will be provided with a complimentary tournament t-shirt with a unique color of their choosing.
- Each team will be provided with a lunch pack provided by our sponsor Benaares Fine Indian Cuisine as preferred when registering.
- All participating teams are requested to be at the ground by 7:15 AM. Fans and families are encouraged to take part in the festivities as well.
- Captains of each team must report to the registration desk **15 mins before their game for the coin toss, if not they forfeit their game to the opponent.**
- The tournament will be governed by the tournament committee. The tournament committee of the NorCal Helping Hands Lions Club shall be the sole judge to decide on any matters that require arbitration and their decision would be final.
 - **Tournament Committee: Kavindu Dhanapala (916-420-7876), Pasindu Wanigasooriya (916-892-8621), Daham Walgama (415-859-0421), Dhakshan Potuhera (916-271-2596), Chamin Danduna (916-840-6222)**
- Game timings and grounds are subject to change, Tournament committee will be the final decision maker. Game format will not be changed on the tournament day.
- Neutral umpires shall be appointed to officiate the matches of the tournament. Teams are required to volunteer a player to stand in as leg umpire for the league games at matches of the group they're not a part of.
- Trophies will be awarded for Winning and runner-up teams as well as individual trophies for the Best Batsman and Bowler.
- Cricclubs app would be used for scoring. Visit [NORCAL HELPING HANDS CRICKET CARNIVAL 2022](#) to view the CricClubs profile and tournament info including team rosters, tournament schedule and points table.
- Uniform: Teams are requested to wear the sponsored tournament T-shirt which will be provided to all players free of charge and will be unique to each team. The provided t-shirt may be paired with a dark blue, gray or black trouser or short for a professional look at the tournament.

- This tournament is for a good cause, please play in the best sporting spirit and enjoy the games.
- Forfeiting, tantrums, sledging, and threatening to walk out are highly discouraged. Umpires have the final say in the matches and any issues requiring intervention are judged by the tournament committee and their decision is final.
- The tournament committee has the full right to disqualify players or teams if players of a team or team are in violation of the rules or obstructing and causing disruption to the timely and cordial conduct of the matches and tournament.

Playing Rules:

- A maximum of 5 Overs are allowed per inning and the bowling team should complete their allotted 5 Overs within 20 minutes.
- Maximum of 2 overs are allowed for each bowler per game.
- The wicket-keeper can be changed during the game and can bowl.
- Wides and no balls will be called in accordance with the standing cricket rules. The batting side shall be awarded 4 runs for each No ball or Wide and the ball shall be counted as a legal delivery.
- There is no free-hit for No-Balls.
- If a complete team fails to report to a match 15 minutes before scheduled time, the team will forfeit the game.
- A batsman will have to retire once he has scored 30 runs. The retired batsmen may return to bat after the rest of the wickets have fallen in the order that they retired.
- By-Runners are not allowed for any batsman under any circumstances. If a batsman is injured during the course of play the batsman has to retire. A substitute batsman cannot take his/her place on the team. The retired batsman may return after any subsequent wicket has fallen to continue batting given that he/she is fit enough to play.
- Players cannot be swapped out during the course of a match without reason, fielding substitutes are allowed but a bowler needs to have been on the field for the previous over before he/she comes on to bowl.
- Interchanging players between teams is not allowed.
- Bowlers may take a run-up of a maximum of 5 yards to bowl but cannot throw (chuck) the ball. A bowler may include a runup to bowl with a round arm action either underarm or overarm. If a female player wishes to chuck/throw the ball without a round arm action, she may choose to do so by informing the umpire in advance.
 - A female bowler who chooses to chuck/throw the ball **cannot** include a runup before bowling the delivery.
- The Leg umpire will determine if a bowler is chucking and provide a first warning. Subsequently, if the same bowler is called for chucking the leg umpire will call a no ball.
- Bouncers are NOT allowed. Balls bowled over the shoulder and full toss over the waist will be considered a NO ball.
- More than two bounces before the popping crease will be called a Dead Ball and the ball will have to be re-bowled. If a bowler continues to bowl 2 consecutive dead-balls the

Captain will need to replace the bowler for the remaining number of legal deliveries to be bowled.

- No LBWs and No Leg byes are allowed. If the ball hits the batsman before a connection is made with the bat the ball will be counted as a legal delivery and the batsman will not be allowed to score on that delivery. The umpire will need to make the determination of whether the batsman legally played the ball using his bat and determine if runs can be scored or not.
- Pads are NOT allowed while batting, keeping, or fielding, however any personal protective gear (abdominal protection or gloves may be worn).
- The bowler is permitted, before releasing the ball, to attempt to run out the non-striker. Whether the attempt is successful or not, the ball shall not count as one of the over. If the bowler fails in an attempt to run out the non-striker, the umpire shall call and signal Dead ball as soon as possible.
 - However batsmen are encouraged to uphold sportsmanship and not leave the non-strikers crease before the ball is bowled and bowlers are encouraged to warn the non-striker instead of running them out in the spirit of sportsmanship.
- Unless otherwise specified, All ICC T20 standard rules apply.
- Umpires decision is Final.

Ground and Pitch Dimensions:

- Distance between the wickets is 20 yards.
- Distance from the center of the pitch to the boundary line is 45 yards.

Tie-breaker rules:

League points table: (First Round)

- The team with the highest net run rate places higher on the points table.
- If the net run rates match, the team with the most number of boundaries place higher.
- If the boundaries are tied, the team with the most 6s place higher.
- If the 6s are tied, the team with the most 4s place higher.
- If every tie breaking option is equal, finally, a toss will decide the higher place.

Semi Finals and Final:

- In case of a tie in the knock-out rounds (Semi Finals and Finals) there will be a super over (per ICC rules) to decide the winner.
- As stated in ICC rules, the team that batted second will bat first in the Super over.
- In case of a tie in the super over:
 - The team whose batsmen hit the most number of boundaries (fours and sixes) combined from its two innings in the main match and the Super Over shall be the winner.
 - If the total number of boundaries hit by both teams is equal, the team whose batsmen score the most number of boundaries (fours and sixes) in its innings in the main match (ignoring the Super Over) will be the winner.
 - If still equal, the two teams will be declared joint champions.

Team Rankings and Qualifications to the Semi-Finals:

- Total of 10 teams are participating in the tournament.
 - Groups: 10 teams are divided into 2 groups (Group A and Group B) with 5 teams per group with each group playing on 2 different pitches as specified on the schedule.
- Each team plays with the other 4 teams in their group in the league stage.
- All the teams will be ranked based on points and/or Net run rate during the league phase.
- There will be a total of 20 league games played.
- Top 2 teams from Group A and Group B will qualify for the Semi Finals.
- Win = 3 Points, Tie = 1 points, Lose = 0 points
- At the close of the league stage if the points result in a rank tie between two teams the tie breaker rules mentioned above will be considered to choose the qualifying team.

Semi Finals and Final: Both the Semi Finals and the Final will be played on pitch A.

- Semi Final 1 = Group A Team 1 vs Group B Team 2
- Semi Final 2 = Group A Team 2 vs Group B Team 1
- Final = Winner SF 1 vs Winner SF 2

- **Schedule, format, live scoring and league points table will be on the website:**
<https://cricclubs.com/NorCalHelpingHandsCricketCarnival/>
- **Matches can be rescheduled to different grounds/times by the tournament committee.**
- **Tournament committee has the final say in all matters during the tournament.**

Other Information:

- Abdominal guards are highly recommended even though the tournament is played with a tennis ball.
- Teams should get their own bats. Balls will not be provided by the tournament committee.
- Any regular wooden cricket bats are allowed. No other type of bats will be allowed.
- Matches will be played with a Penn soft tennis ball. Balls will be provided for all teams. 1 team will be provided with 1 ball for all of their league matches for which they are responsible to keep safe. New balls will be provided for the Semi Finals and Final.
- Teams are encouraged to refrain from bringing their own alcoholic beverages for the event as it is a charity fundraiser the organizing committee will have a beverage booth available at the venue to raise funds for charity.
- All teams are encouraged to bring sufficient water / gatorade to keep cool and hydrated. Limited quantity of water and gatorade will be available for sale at the venue.

- All teams are encouraged to bring their own tents / chairs to keep cool, shady areas will be allocated for the teams to set up camp and rest between games.
- All players are morally responsible for ensuring that they play within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws. Captains are accountable for their team's actions.
- Please use the trash bags near your field to dispose of any trash.
- Please use restrooms/porta-potties' available at the fields.
- Please refer any on-site questions or information requests to the registration desk that will be available at the venue.

Remember we are playing for a cause, so come and enjoy the game of cricket and play for charity. If you would like to volunteer and be a part of the organization or donate further please contact one of the organizers.

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