

# LITHGOW DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION Inc



The General Manager  
Graeme Faulkner  
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Dear Graeme,

We refer to correspondence that we received acknowledging the ground bookings for the Lithgow District Senior Cricket Association 2019/2020 season, also advising the costs per field per day for using the grounds.

In past years we have paid a bond and a ground fee for the Tony Luchetti Sportsground. The additional charges seem to be exorbitant for the money that we are able to charge our players.

The association are unable to fundraise by selling food etc at the grounds due to the number of players that attend the games being minimal unlike football and soccer where the matches are played in the same location and we do not have a gate charge that could also assist in paying for ground fees. The association does not make a profit and after the fees and sponsorship collected, we usually break even.

If the association is required to pay for each field each day, we feel that the competition would not go ahead as the sport would become too expensive to play. We have a lot of older junior cricket players that also play in the senior competition that we would also lose as parents would not be able to afford the ground fees which would not be conducive for cricket in Lithgow and would ensure that the already struggling sport had no new players coming through.

The association tries to give back to the community by supporting the Lithgow District Junior Cricket Association by supplying the balls to each junior team each week, if the association was required to pay ground fees, this support may not be able to be continued.

The association has been a active sporting body in the Lithgow & district community for the last 120 years, like all sporting association we struggle for numbers each year.

We would like to request that the additional ground fees be waived and the only fee applicable be the \$1249 hire charge plus refundable bond for the Tony Luchetti sportsground.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss further or require additional information.

Kind regards,

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