

***Disclaimer: These minutes were prepared as a reasonable summary of the essential content of this meeting, not as a transcription.***



**Minutes of the Parks, Recreation, & Culture Advisory Committee Meeting**

**October 19, 2023, 3:15 PM**

**Meadows Room**

**12007 Harris Road, Pitt Meadows, BC V3Y 2B5**

**Voting Members:**

L. Bissett  
H. Campbell  
M. Carpenter  
R. Harmston  
S. Sweet  
S. Williams  
L. Woolley

**Regrets:**

Councillor A. Evans (Alternate)

**Council Liaison:**

Councillor T. Elke

**Staff:**

D. Chamberlain, Director of Parks, Recreation, & Culture (*Chair*)  
J. Callaghan, Special Event & Volunteer Coordinator  
C. McDowell, Manager of Recreation & Culture  
A. Messner, Manager of Parks  
O. Huppee, Parks & Maintenance  
V. Reid, Committee Clerk

---

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

D. Chamberlain, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture, acknowledged that the meeting was held on the traditional territory of the ᑭᓴᓴᓴ (Katzie) First Nation.

The meeting was called to order at 3:16 PM.

**2. LATE ITEMS**

None.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

There was general consent amongst the Committee to approve the October 19, 2023 Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee agenda.

**4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

There was general consent amongst the Committee to approve the minutes from the June 15, 2023 Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee meeting as circulated.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**5.1 City of Pitt Meadows Christmas Card**

J. Callaghan, Special Event & Volunteer Coordinator, provided an overview on the working group sub-committee for the City of Pitt Meadows Christmas Card project as well as upcoming community events.

- Members of the Committee were asked if they would like to provide feedback on the art selection and for those interested, to reply to the email containing the link to card designs, by end of day Sunday, October 22, 2023;
- Remembrance Day Events will be run by the Legion in Spirit Square on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 11 AM;
- Christmas in Pitt Meadows will take place on Friday December 1<sup>st</sup>, from 4:00 – 8:00 PM. The event requires plenty of volunteer help for set-up, during the event and take down;
- The CP Holiday Train will be passing through Pitt Meadows on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 8:55 PM.

*No formal motions were considered.*

*\* M. Carpenter arrived at 3:25 PM.*

## 5.2 Art Gallery Relocation

C. McDowell, Manager of Recreation & Culture, provided an update on the relocation of the Pitt Meadows Art Gallery.

- Demolition has begun at the South Bonson Community Centre to make space for the new, permanent home of the Pitt Meadows Art Gallery;
- The gallery will be located in activity room 1 on the lower level on the building;
- Gallery open hours will be Tuesday through Sunday from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM;
- Anticipating early 2024 for the official opening.

*No formal motions were considered.*

## 5.3 Cricket Delegation

D. Chamberlain, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture, provided an update on Cricket Delegation presentation (Attachment 1) and asked for the Committee's feedback.

- A. Messner provided GIS overlay documents on existing field space that form part of the minutes as Attachments 2 and 3:
  - Edith McDermott Elementary and the space is showing to be inadequate as it comes too close to existing residential homes as well as the school buildings, and playground areas.
  - Pitt Meadows Athletic Park and the space is showing to be encroaching on existing field space that is heavily used by current youth sports organizations.
- Typical cricket games last 8+ hours and have potential for needing additional time/day, which can make scheduling a challenge for Parks;
- There was discussion on whether or not the cricket tee poses a safety hazard with concrete in the middle of the field;
- There was discussion on displacement of existing sports organization that currently operate and play in Pitt Meadows; and
- It was mentioned that adults have the ability to mobilize to find suitable fields for cricket use, whereas youth sport organizations are more of a city priority for allocation.

**MOTION:**

THAT the Parks, Recreation & Culture Advisory Committee does not support the idea of cricket pitch at the Pitt Meadows Athletic Park [“PMAP”] where the Maple Cricket Club has asked, due to a lack of a suitable sized space and which would cause conflict of displacement for the current users of PMAP.

**CARRIED.**

**5.4 Aquatics Feasibility Study Report**

C. McDowell, Manager of Recreation & Culture, presented a report on the Aquatics Feasibility study.

- Consultants presented 4 options and Council will be receiving the report for information purposes only and to review next steps.

*No formal motions were considered.*

**5.5 Pitt Meadows Athletic Park & Harris Road Park Re-design**

A. Messner, Manager of Parks, provided an overview on the re-design for Pitt Meadows Athletic Park and Harris Road Park.

- Survey open until Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023, encourages Pitt Meadows residents to complete the survey.
- The Committee reviewed park information display boards with the proposed park extension plans.

*No formal motions were considered.*

**5.6 2024 Business Plan**

D. Chamberlain, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture, led the Committee in open discussion regarding the 2024 Business Plan for Parks, Recreation and Culture with the following items being captured:

- Parks & Recreation management Staff will be doing a gap assessment of all current program offerings;

- The Community Service Awards will now have a separate event for award presentations;
- The booking process for outdoor spaces will be reviewed and updated as required;
- Arts & Culture will introduce new programs to include Katzie First Nation Arts classes;
- Relocation of the City of Pitt Meadows Art Gallery to South Bonson Community Centre to take place in the beginning of 2024;
- Parks Department will be focussing on:
  - Building and expanding trails and signage for newly named trails [including installation];
  - The permanent addition of disc golf at Bonson Park is underway;
- The application for the building of a water well at PMAP is in progress so that the CPM is not relying on Metro Vancouver to water the sports field.

#### **5.7 2024 Committee Calendar**

D. Chamberlain, Director of Parks, Recreation & Culture shared the schedule of meeting dates in 2024 for the Parks, Recreation and Culture Advisory Committee.

- The committee reviewed the proposed 2024 calendar dates and changed the last meeting from October 31, 2024 to September 26, 2024.

#### **5.8 Terms of Reference & City Committees Policy C102 Update**

Staff provided an update on the Parks, Recreation & Culture Advisory Committee revised Terms of Reference and the City Committees Policy.

*No formal motions were considered.*

### **6. ROUNDTABLE**

The Committee participated in a roundtable discussion. There were no formal motions or recommendations put forward.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 PM.

*The next **Parks, Recreation & Culture Advisory Committee** meeting is scheduled for **January 18, 2024 at 3:00 PM.***

**Certified as correct:**

---

Vanessa Reid, Committee Clerk II

DRAFT



# MCC DELEGATION

PRESENTER'S:

Dr. Nageswara Rao Kolla

Mr. Jayan Jayabal

Mr. Sandeep Nimmagadda

# Mission & Vision

- Established in 2021, a Non-Profit organization
- Current Membership (120+)
- Our mission is to introduce alternate sport in the community - Cricket, the second most popular sport in the world
- Dedicated to train, promote and mentor the local players to participate in Cricket competitions across Canada
- Our vision is to see a local player representing Canada on an international level
- Promote Women & Children taking the sport

[www.bcmaplecricketclub.ca](http://www.bcmaplecricketclub.ca)





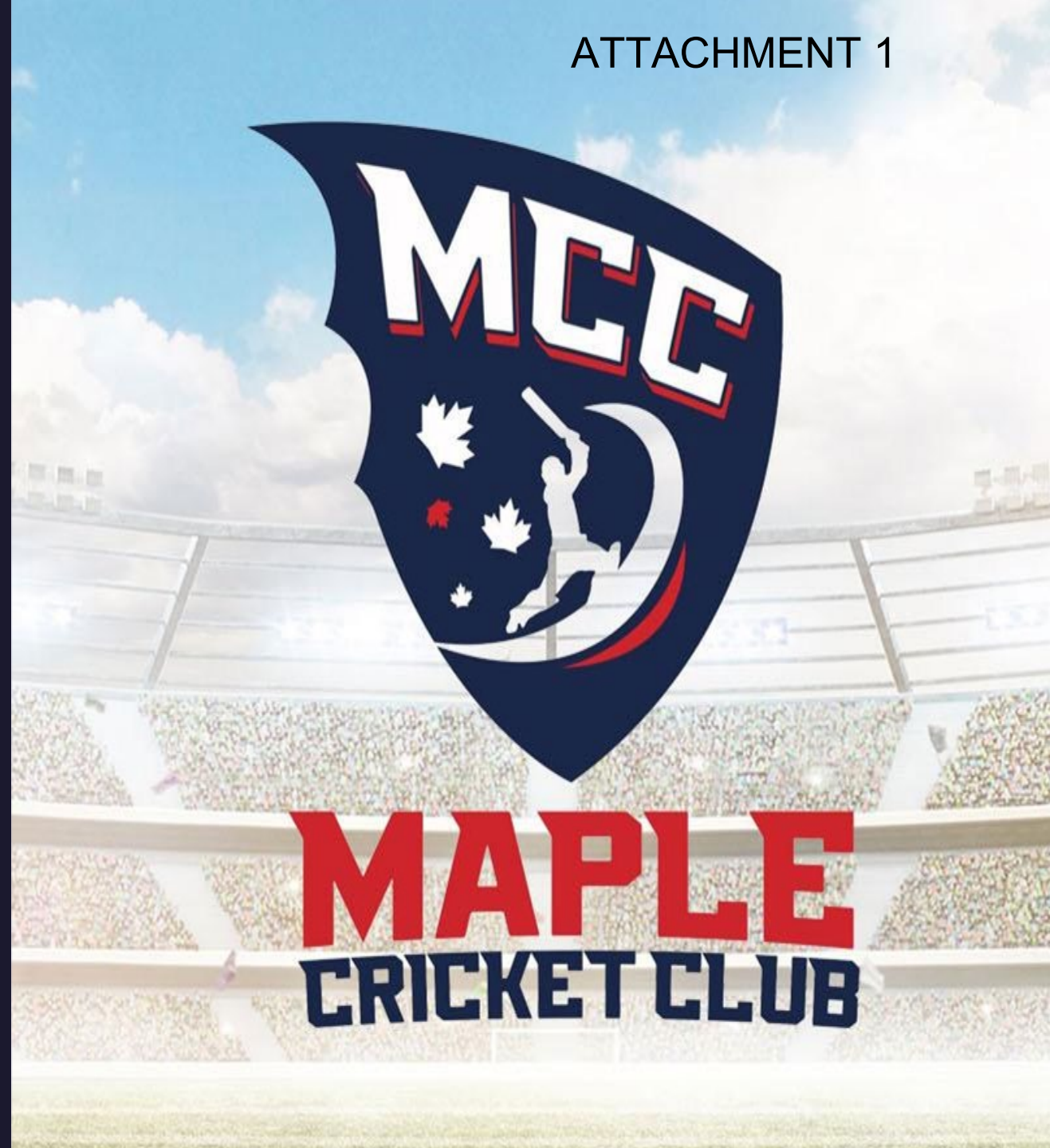
# MCC Board

- Mangal Sindhar  
(President, Local Builder)
- Mandip Trehan  
(Secretary, Local Security Firm Owner)
- Sandeep Nimmagadda  
(Treasurer, Local Pharmacist)
- 8 Trustees & Directors  
(All Local Residents with Various Professions)



# Current Facility

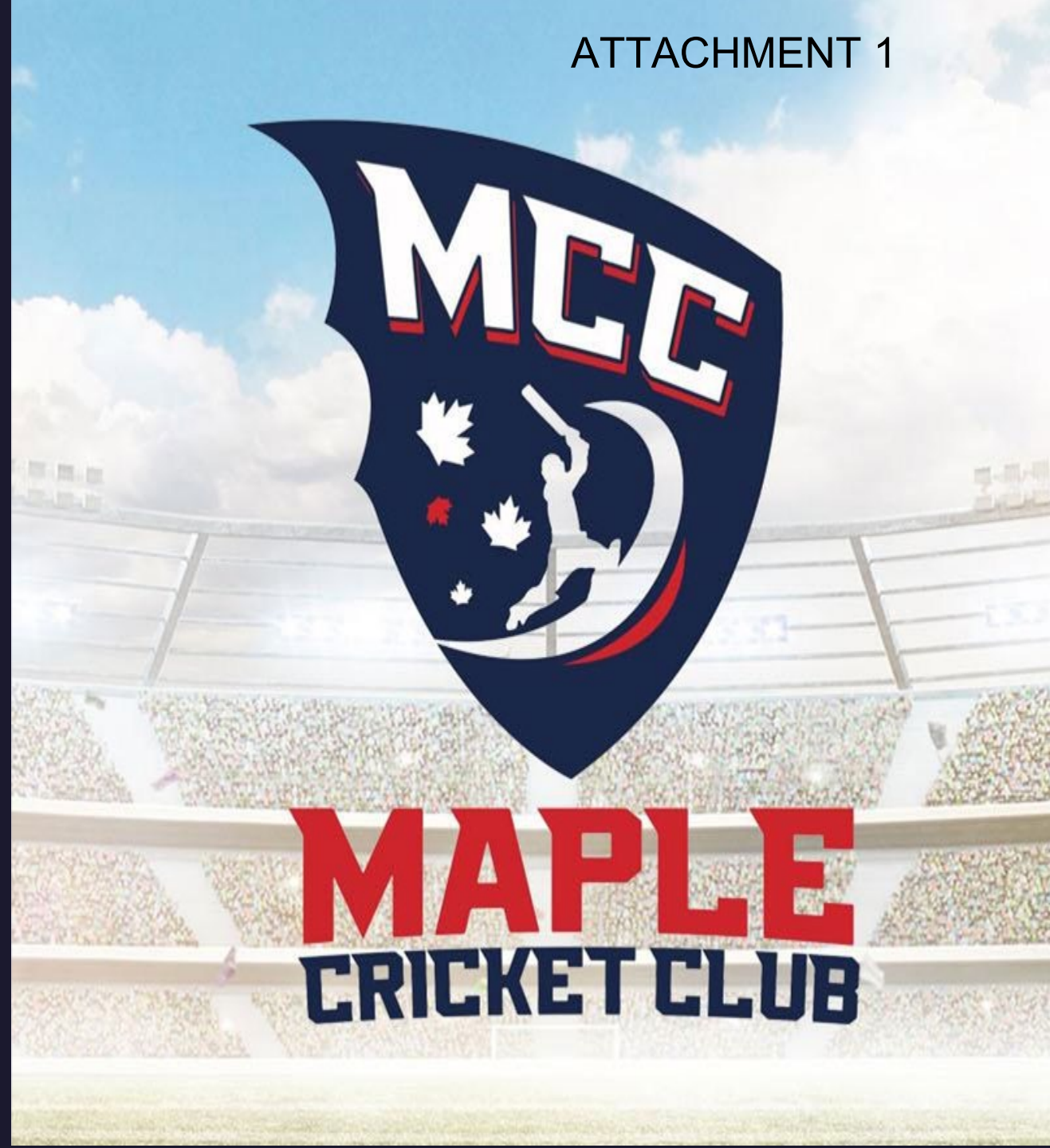
- Selvey Park, 27000 106 Ave, Maple Ridge (Friday & Saturday evenings)
- Drawbacks - Shared & Limited Time
- Lack of Internet & City Water
- Lack of Infrastructure
- Far from local businesses





# MCC Requests:

ATTACHMENT 1



# BC Mainland Cricket League (BCMCL)

- This mega tournament happen on the weekends from May to September with over 110 teams coming from 35 cricket clubs across the Lower Mainland
- Almost 2,000 players participate in this tournament each year at various levels (Elite to Lower)
- There are 39 Cricket fields exist in mainland BC.

City	Cricket fields	Population as of 2021 (Stats Canada)	City	Cricket fields	Population as of 2021 (Stats Canada)
Surrey	12	568,322	Chilliwack	1	93,203
Vancouver	6	662,248	Kamloops	1	97,902
West Vancouver	2	44,122	Langley	1	28,963
North Vancouver	2	88,168	Maple Ridge	1	90,990
Abbotsford	2	153,524	Mission	1	41,519
Burnaby	2	249,125	Okanagan	1	4,258
Delta	2	108,455	Pitt Meadows		19,146
Kelowna	2	144,576	Richmond	1	209,937
Coquitlam	1	148,625	White Rock	1	21,939

# Suitable Fields

Potential Fields (3.6 - 4.4 acres)	Need Pitch
Onni's Park	Yes
Pitt Meadows Athletic Park	Yes





# West Vancouver - Hugo Ray Park

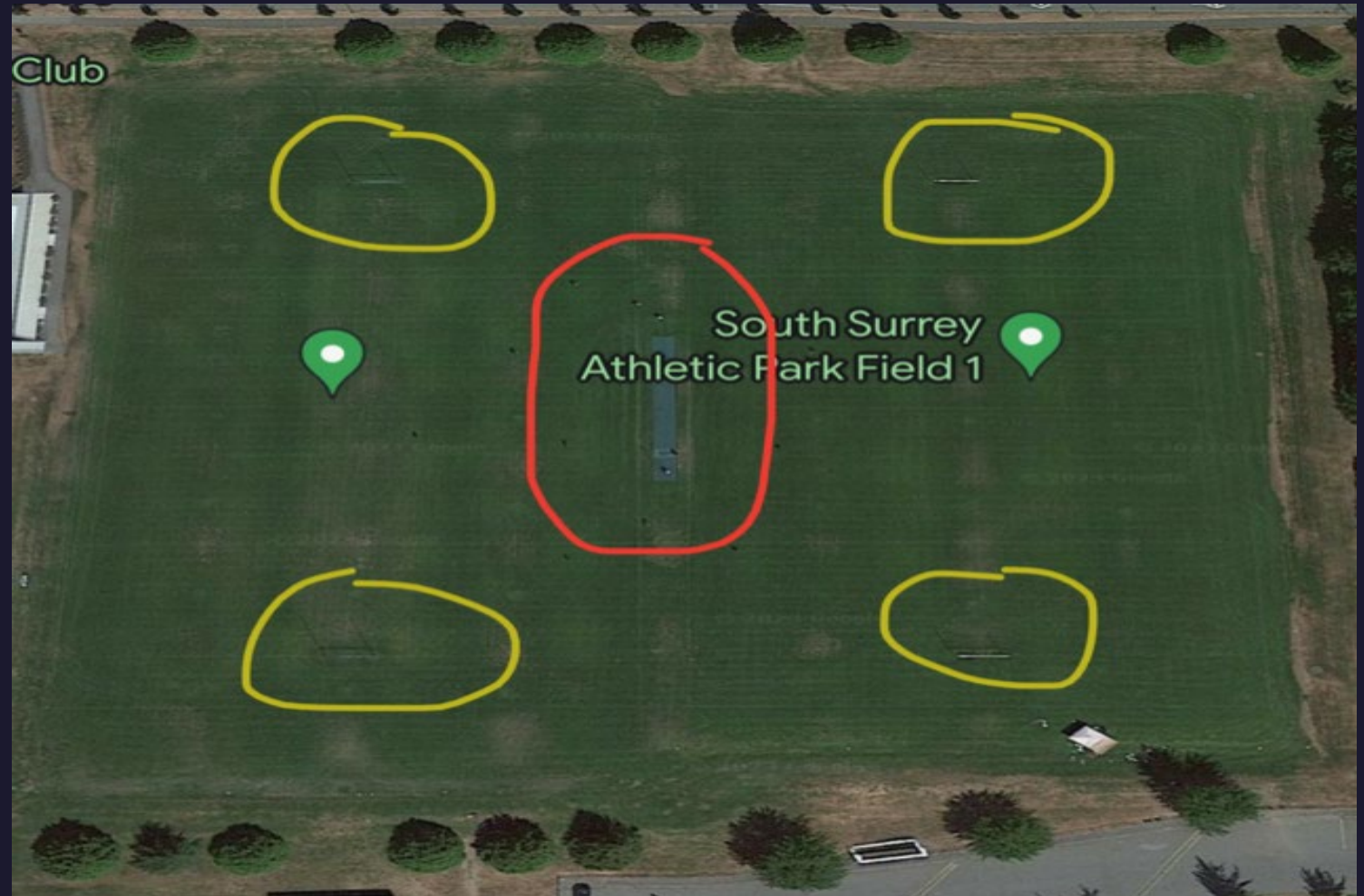
ATTACHMENT 1



# South Surrey Athletic Park Field

Another Example of a shared Cricket field in between 2 Soccer fields

- Cricket pitch circled in Red
- Soccer posts in Yellow





# Typical Cricket Pitch

## Cricket Pitch

- Digging, levelling & asphalt
- Cricket mat and installation





## **MCC- Non Profit Organization:**

- A Cricket field to fulfill its requirements

## **City of Pitt Meadows:**

- Providing its residents with an alternate sport that is rapidly expanding in North America (MLC - USA)
- social club space that may be built in future can be used for private events
- The indoor practice area may be expanded to include practice nets for other indoor sports

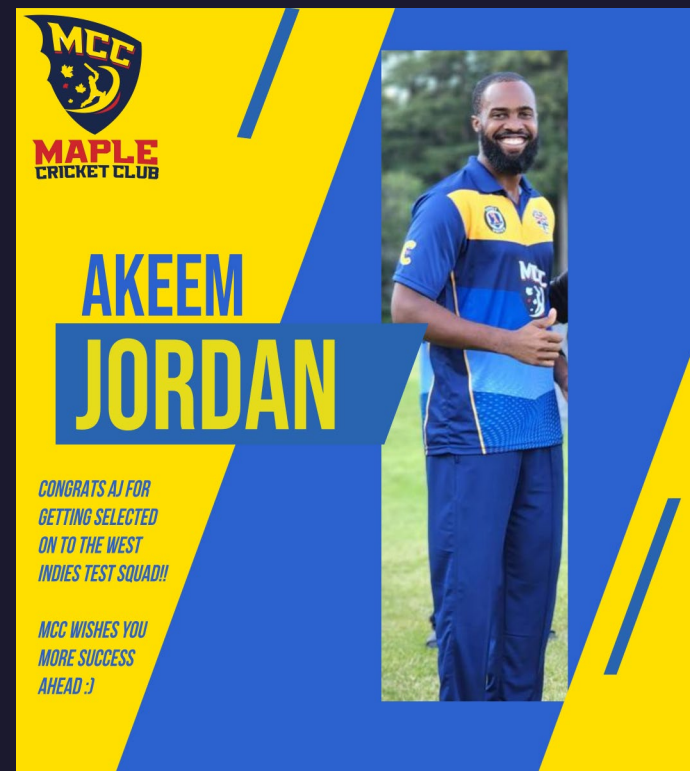


# Grow Local Economy

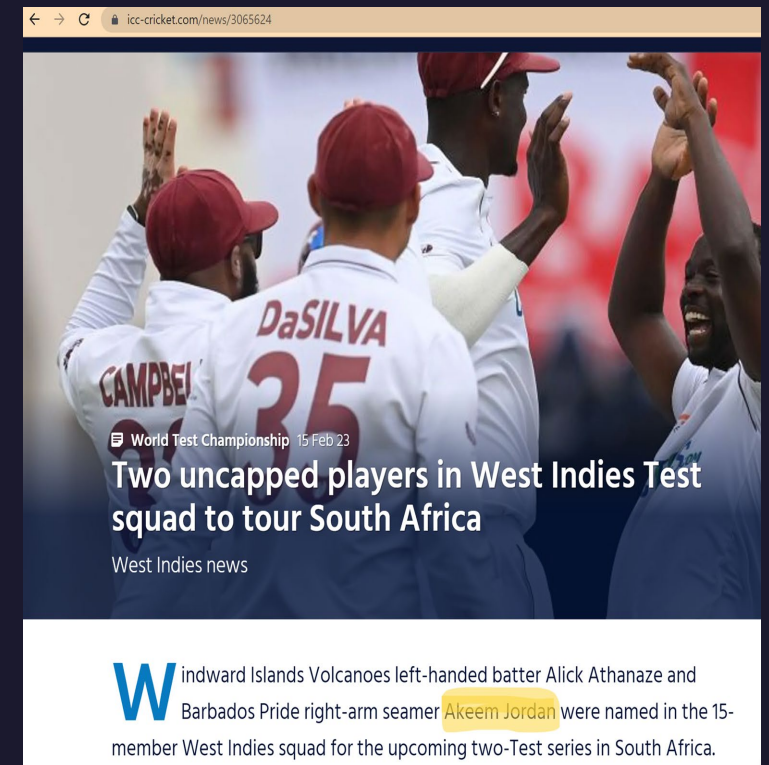
# MCC Player went global!

- We are proud of our MCC member - Akeem Jordan for his selection to the West Indies National Cricket team.
- AJ represented us in the Big Bash and Edmonton T20 for 2022.

## AKEEM JORDAN



## ICC NEWS



# Thank You

Website: [www.bcmaplecricketclub.ca](http://www.bcmaplecricketclub.ca)

Email address:

[bcmaplecricketclub@gmail.com](mailto:bcmaplecricketclub@gmail.com)

Face Book Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100083395254984&mibextid=LQQJ4d>

Instagram Page:

<https://instagram.com/bcmaplecricketclub99?igshid=YmMyMTA2M2Y=>









