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2024 INFORMATION PACK FOR INTERNATIONAL RECRUITS

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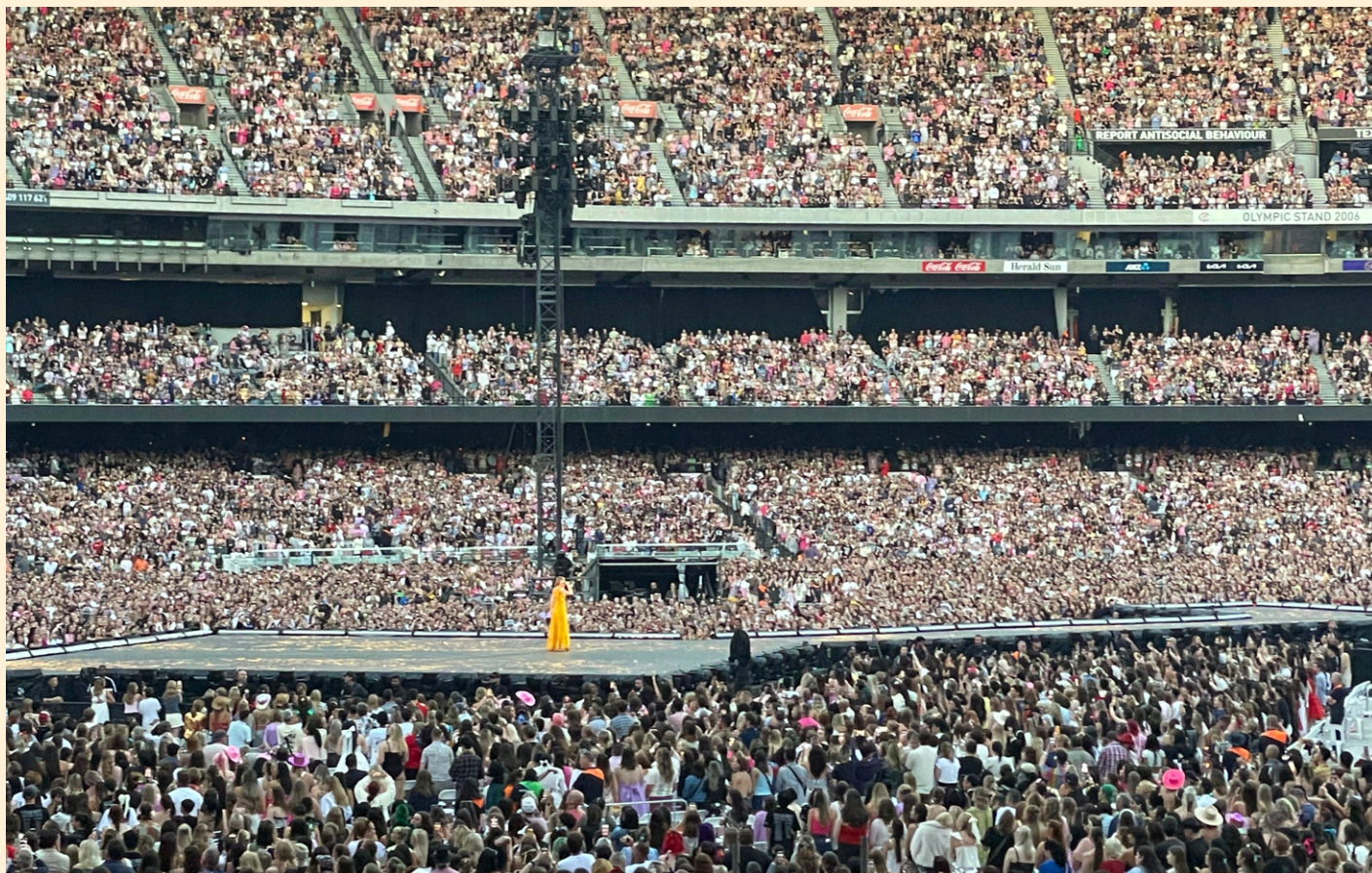
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ABOUT MCC LACROSSE CLUB

Founded in 1896, Melbourne Lacrosse Club is one of the oldest lacrosse clubs in Australia and throughout our 125 years and counting, we have hosted multiple international matches including world championships and Olympic Games demonstration events and boast both international and Australian representatives.

Melbourne Lacrosse Club fields men’s teams in most divisions of the Victorian Lacrosse League, the largest and highest standard of domestic competition in Australia. The season runs from late April until early August with playoffs beginning in mid August and concluding in the first or second weekend in September (depending on scheduling).





Taylor Swift playing to a crowd of 96000 at the MCG

One of the benefits of belonging to the MCC Lacrosse Club is that you have the opportunity to become an MCC member. MCC members have privileged access to attend live sport, concerts and events at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG), as well as the opportunity to dine at the exclusive member facilities, attend functions and browse Australia's premier collections of sporting artefacts and literature.

Even if you are not an MCC member, you can still enjoy the live sports and events at the MCG including Aussie Rules Football, a physical contact sport that is unique to Australia and a must-see for any visitor from abroad. Even more impressive is the size of the venue. It is so large that Taylor Swift (pictured above) recently played to the largest crowd of her career here, a whopping 96,000 people.

Finally, MCC Lacrosse players have a chance to enjoy the facilities at our Annual Senior Presentation Night.



Annual Senior Presentation Night at the MCG



OUR FACILITIES

MCC Lacrosse plays out of the iconic Albert Cricket Ground and more recently, the brand new complex at Beaumaris Secondary College.



THE ALBERT CRICKET GROUND

The Albert Cricket Ground - located between Albert Park and Fawkner Park in St Kilda, 2-3 km south of the city centre - is steeped in history and has been a part of the MCC since 1890. Cricket is played here in the summer months, while lacrosse is the predominant sport during the winter.

Our grounds are kept in pristine condition by the MCC, such that our playing fields are the envy of other lacrosse clubs across the region.

In addition, we have access to the Clive Fairbairn Pavilion, where the club hosts dinners, fundraisers and other events throughout the season.



BEAUMARIS SECONDARY COLLEGE

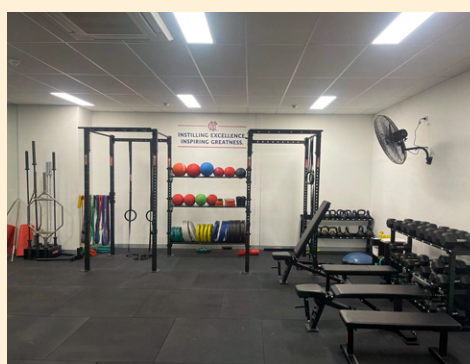
The newly built MCC Beaumaris facility, on the campus of Beaumaris Secondary College (117-135 Reserve Road in Beaumaris), is at the heart of our Junior Development Program.

Junior and Senior training is held on Mondays and Thursdays here, while Junior Boy's games are held on Saturdays.

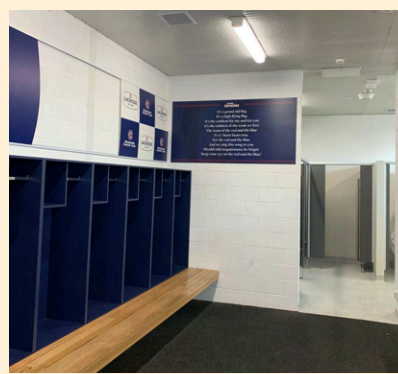
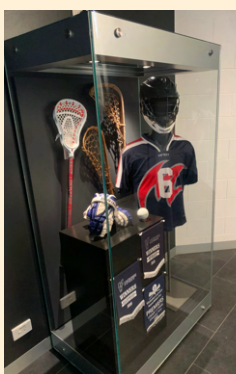
The facilities at MCC Beaumaris are outstanding, with a state-of-the-art synthetic Multi-Purpose Pitch (MPP), brand new change rooms, a weight room and a beautiful function room with full professional kitchen in the MCC Beaumaris Pavilion.



The function room at Beaumaris



MCC Pavilion weight room at Beaumaris



MELBOURNE AND BEYOND

Melbourne - often regarded as the cultural capital of Australia - has so much to offer and whatever you are interested in - whether it be the arts, sports, nature or beach life - you are sure to find in our cosmopolitan city. The city has a diverse range of restaurants, bars, nightclubs, theatres, museums and sporting stadiums, while closer to our Beaumaris facilities, you can enjoy the Bayside beaches of Brighton and Black Rock.



WHAT WE CAN OFFER INTERNATIONAL RECRUITS:

Housing - This will typically be with a team member or a junior family.

Employment - There is a range of roles available across the club including junior coaching, and recruiting clinics at local schools. We also provide assistance in helping players find part time work to supplement their income and lifestyle.

Transport - We will provide access to a vehicle.

Cost of flight - This will be covered.

Not to mention, you will have the chance to be part of one of the most prestigious sporting clubs in the world, make lifelong friends, contribute to the growth of this amazing sport in Australia and enjoy our unique Aussie culture.

TESTIMONIALS



Shane Carroll, 2023

“Playing for MCC was one of the best experiences of my life. Not only is the lacrosse competitive but the club treats you like family. The MCC Community makes sure all your needs are taken care of and there is always someone looking to help you out. The team is full of talent and each player cares tremendously. My off days from training and games were spent at the beach and traveling around Australia. The friends I made and experiences I had will stick with me forever.”

Kevin Blackmur, 2015

“I cannot speak highly enough about my time with the MCC Lacrosse Club. From the moment I committed to playing with them, I felt fully supported every step of the way. The club went above and beyond, assisting with everything from finding housing to setting up essential services like banking and cell phone plans. This level of care ensured that I could focus entirely on my game and integrating into the team.

Joining the MCC family felt like finding a second home. The camaraderie and support among players and coaches were exceptional. It's not just about lacrosse; it's about fostering a sense of belonging and community. I have made lifelong friendships from this experience.

One of the most remarkable aspects of my experience was witnessing the passion for lacrosse in Australia. The enthusiasm and dedication to the sport in Australia is second to none. Despite the intense competition on the field, there was always a sense of sportsmanship and camaraderie among players. Whether we won or lost, the respect and friendliness displayed by both teams were commendable. It's a testament to the inclusive and welcoming culture that the MCC Lacrosse Club embodies.

The schedule also provides flexibility and allows you to explore such a beautiful city and country. You are encouraged to explore and see everything Melbourne/Australia has to offer. It is also helpful that you have an entire team to give you recommendations on what to see.

Overall, my time with the club was nothing short of incredible. I've made lifelong memories and friendships that I'll cherish forever. Playing for MCC Lacrosse was not just about the game; it was an enriching and fulfilling experience both on and off the field.”



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