**ROLE OF CONVENORS/SELECTORS**

**BAY OF PLENTY AGE GROUP**

* Convenor is the ‘chairman of the board’. Need to lead selectors through the selection process
* Selectors all to have equal input into selection discussions
* Sub areas don’t need equal representation in squads. The selectors are choosing a Bay of Plenty side irrespective of where players are from. The best team is to be selected!!!
* Final responsibility for the selection does rest with the convenor. (Hopefully though all the selectors will be in agreement)
* Don’t be afraid to debate the various elections you make (in a civil manner). It is good in a selectors mind to talk though the reasons for selection/non selection of players.
* Remember that results are not always a clear indication of performance,
* e.g. batsman scoring runs against a poor attack
* Batter scoring runs when no pressure is on
* Bowler getting wickets against lower order players
* Bowlers not taking wickets against good batters e.g. 6/2/15/0

**SELECTING A BAY OF PLENTY TEAM**

**What sort of player are we seeking?**

1. **Ability to succeed at the Level**
* Some players succeed at tournaments against the weaker teams. Evaluate their ability against strong opposition
1. **Potential in the Future**
* Technique?
* Willingness to learn and develop?
* Desire to succeed?
1. **Playing qualities**
* Fielding athleticism

focus

* Batting desire to make large scores

 sells wickets dearly

positive

wide shot range

able to play off both front and back foot

runs well between wickets

* pace bowling bowls fast, attacks the batsman

 ability to move the ball in the air and/or off the pitch

* spin bowling spins the ball

 keeps batsman under pressure

* medium pacers accuracy

 variations

 ability to bowl into the wind

* wicketkeepers glovework

 footwork

 ability to stand up

* fitness ability to last the tournament
1. **Leadership**
* A captain who reads game

 who players will respect

 handles players properly

 is positive and encouraging

1. **Personal Qualities**
* Team player
* Disciplined
* Focused-gives 100%
* Ability to handle pressure

**…….but**

* *Can I harness this player’s ability?*
* *Can I handle this player?*
* *Can I change this player’s attitude?*
1. **Other things to consider**
* **Know the tournament rules when selecting a team, e.g. limit on pace bowlers overs, overs rate**
* **Think about the future, i.e. what players will still be eligible next year – this may influence marginal selections**
* **Remember every team needs batsmen who can anchor an innings – your specialist batsmen should all be ‘dashers’**

**NOTE:** selectors should consult me before choosing a player from a younger age group. It is recommended that players only attend one age group tournament.

**The Ideal Team?**

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3 specialist batsmen preferably one who could bowl if needed

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7 all rounders 2 medium pave

8 1 spin

9 wicketkeeper the best, preferable able to bat

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11 bowlers 2 pace

12 1 spin

 **Must include a captain who is a leader**

**Selectors should:**

* Speak to coaches and managers – ask them who they rate
* Be seen as much as possible