



Our vision is a simple one:

To make Bishops the most sought after independent cricketing school in SA!

In sport success is most often defined as winning. We however define success as the player's ability to follow his natural growth path. Our goal is to accelerate this process and we therefore believe that we need to create the infrastructure to make this happen. Winning is important but it is secondary to learning and developing. Winning must always be the consequence of the team consistently doing the right things at the right times.

In line with our vision a number of initiatives have been launched:

Facilities

The new state of the art Steffan Coutts-Trotter Indoor Cricket Centre was completed mid-2013. This facility comprising of a hi-performance centre with four lanes. One lane will be used as a dedicated bowling-machine lane, with a workstation and TV screen on the rear wall for coaching analysis purposes. The second lane, will be equipped with PitchVision. Using technology that is similar to "Hawkeye". This will provide coaches and players with statistical data to assist in skill and technique improvement as part of the broader development of our cricketers. Lanes 3 and 4 will be used for normal net sessions.

Donovan Murray, and his team, has been a revelation and we can already see a visible improvement in the general condition of our fields and our pitches. The improvement of our cricket nets (turf and synthetic) is our next project with special focus on the bowler landing areas.

Coaching

Neil Carter has been appointed as the Bishops Cricket Professional and will also manage the Steffan Coutts-Trotter Indoor Cricket Centre. Neil is a seasoned professional cricketer having played 111 first class games, 177 List A games and 100 T20's. He made his debut in the 1999/2000 season and has represented the Cape Cobras, Boland, Matabeleland Tuskers, Middlesex and Warwickshire. Neil also represented Scotland in the T20 format of the game. Neil is an ECB level 3 coach with years of coaching experience in all the various age groups. Neil's mandate is to develop the general skill level of all our players and coaches, not just at the College but also at the Prep.

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As Professional coach Neil Carter will be responsible for the appointment, coaching and management of student and other external coaches. (This will be done in conjunction with the Heads of Cricket at the College and the Prep.)

Establishing and maintaining a sustainable cricket outreach programme with schools from previously disadvantaged areas.

Programmes have been set up with two previously disadvantaged communities. *Tygerberg CC* in Ravensmead will benefit from an annual cricket equipment drive which will see Bishops Cricket assisting in the collection and purchasing of cricket equipment for the club. *Heathfield Primary* will benefit from using Bishops facilities and coaching expertise for specialised coaching sessions in the Steffan Coutts-Trotter Indoor Cricket Centre under the watchful eye of Neil Carter, the Bishops Cricket Head coach.

U18 Bishops Cricket Festival

Hosting the very prestigious KZN Independent Schools Festival every 4th year. This festival will rotate between Hilton College, Michaelhouse, Kearsney College and Bishops.

Securing an anchor sponsor for Bishops Cricket:

A Cricket Fundraising Committee has been tasked to secure the financial sustainability of the cricket programme at Bishops by raising the required funds.

Yours in Cricket

Willem Steyn

Head of Cricket: College

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