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JUNIOR XMAS IN THE PARK

Read about a fun day out for
the MMCC juniors.

200 OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

A deep dive into Premier
captain Matt Golding's MMCC
career



200 CLUB GAINS ANOTHER



200 matches for the Mount Maunganui Cricket Club puts you in some very illustrious company. To play that amount of games shows massive dedication to the game of Cricket and the club.

Matt Golding notched up his 200th game against Greerton in round 6 of the Premier side's BayWide campaign, an achievement he says is very special, especially considering the fact he began his cricketing journey as a junior cricketer at the Mount.

"Personally, I'm very proud to not only have played 200 games for the senior club but also having played all my junior cricket for the Mount as well. Loyalty definitely has a cost, but on the whole I have enjoyed playing here and have met plenty of awesome people on the way."

Loyalty does have a cost, but it also has many rewards. Golding has been a part of 11 successful campaigns for the Premier side. With a whopping seven Baywide cups, three Williams cups and 4 T20 cups. This level of success speaks to him playing a massive part of a great sustained success era for the Mount Maunganui Cricket Club.

Golding's journey with the club has been one he has largely shared with his great friend Pete Drysdale. A fellow member of the '200 club', Drysdale was able to present Golding with his cap on the day.

Pete started by pointing out a feat for Matt that was well worth noting.

"A rare double- 200 games for the Mount Maunganui Cricket Club and 100 games for the Mount Maunganui Rugby Club."

Golding has been a massive part of the Rugby club as well as the cricket club over the years, winning multiple titles with them also.

On top of his two Centuries for the Marlins, Golding says he has many special Memories and experiences from over the years.

"I can recall very fond memories of the 'old club', but more recently we have played some seriously good cricket in the last 3-4 years that have led to a lot of trophies. And as we know, trophies lead to celebrations."

"Some of the celebrations have been equally as good as the cricket itself. But if you are asking for the fondest memory it would be celebrating the T20 final win that rolled on into my stag do. Some highlights include; Craig Baldry and Dave Hancock playing catch/hide and seek in the pool and Ben Pomare's drive down the 6th fairway off a particularly rough lie."

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"It is no secret that golding is a big part of helping some of our younger talent become members of the MMCC. A big portion of the premier playing group is made up of players who came to the club after playing briefly at the Tauranga Boys College. Golding's role as teacher in charge of cricket at Mount Maunganui College has also helped strengthen the pathway through the college into the club's teared system through the grades.

"All clubs change over the course of time as people come and go. Change is a good thing, it challenges traditional, conventional thinking and needs to be embraced. Mount Maunganui as a place is particularly transient and the cricket and rugby clubs are no different."

"We have had a fair bit of turnover in the last few years in the Premier side and are trying to balance winning with giving younger guys opportunities to be successful at the premier level. We aren't always going to get the balance right, but I think embracing youth will set the club up for years to come and ensure we are successful long after some of us older players leave.



CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK FOR THE JUNIORS!

Sunday the 4th of December, the Mount Maunganui club put on a great event for the juniors that saw lots of fun games and activities held. games such a "bowl the senior out" had the young boys and girls having a heap of fun!

A massive thanks to the Junior committee, as well as the seniors that helped facilitate the day.





JUNIOR REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

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- **HARDBALL (DIV 1, INTERMEDIATE)**
- **HARDBALL (COLLEGE)**
- **SUPER SMASH (FORMALLY KNOWN AS SUPERSTARS) IS FOR OUR VERY YOUNGEST PLAYERS FROM 5 YEARS OLD, WHO ARE JUST WANTING TO HAVE FUN AND LEARN SKILLS.**

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