



## **MENARA CRICKET CLUB**

MENARA CRICKET CLUB (MCC) is the newest team to join the JCA and is playing its maiden season in the JCA 2009-10 league.

MCC takes its name (Menara) from the residential complex (Menara Kelapa Gading Condominium) where most of its players reside.

Over the last few years, the enthusiastic Indian residents (expats working in Jakarta) of the Condominium had been playing tennis ball cricket every Sunday morning. This habit became so intoxicating that every member began to eagerly wait for the next Sunday to come by. Even the rains couldn't dampen the passion of this bunch of enthusiastic cricketers and rain-cricket was on, on rainy days.

Such was the passion for the game, that in 2008 we finally decided to launch our own team and play with the 'big boys' of JCA.

The first step was to get hold of a good cricket kit from India, which we did in Sept 2008.

Next was to decide on the name of the Club. After a lot of deliberation (and some fancy name suggestions), we settled on "Menara" as it appropriately links us to the place where we all stay and had fun on Sunday mornings. Some of the enterprising members volunteered to do the Club Logo, Slogan (Jai Ho) and Wardrobe for MCC. By May 2009, MCC was all set to get itself registered with JCA.

Even now during the JCA league season, when MCC is not playing league matches, we try and catch up on our fun cricket with tennis ball.

MCC is like a big family which is pursuing its passion of playing some serious cricket along with maintaining the Sunday morning fun cricket.

Jai Ho