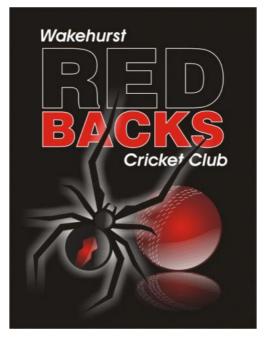
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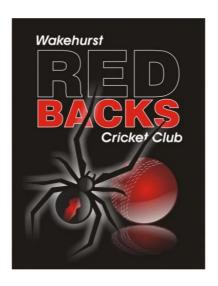


Your committee has much pleasure in submitting for your consideration and approval the Annual Report for the 2016/2017 season.

President: David Nimmo

Secretary: Deanne Hutt

Treasurer: Adam and Jane Stenner



WAKEHURST REDBACKS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

(ABN: 71 887 994 585)

Annual Report

For the year ended 30 April 2017

This is the 36th Annual Report of the Wakehurst Redbacks Cricket Club Incorporated.

We are a Cricket Club based on Sydney's Northern Beaches playing in the Manly Warringah Cricket Association (Seniors) and the Manly Warringah Junior Cricket Association (Juniors). We have a proud history and over 500 players across in 2CRICKET, T20 Blast, Sixers Girls Cricket League (SGCL),

Juniors (Under 9 to Under 18) and Seniors.

The Preamble – The Spirit of Cricket

Taken from the MCC's Laws of Cricket 2000 Code 4th Edition - 2010

Cricket is a game that owes much of its unique appeal to the fact that it should be played not only within its Laws but also within the Spirit of the Game. Any action which is seen to abuse this spirit causes injury to the game itself. The major responsibility for ensuring the spirit of fair play rests with the captains.

1. There are two Laws which place the responsibility for the team's conduct firmly on the captain.

Responsibility of captains

The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within the Spirit of the Game as well as within the Laws.

Player's conduct

In the event of a player failing to comply with instructions by an umpire, or criticising by word or action the decisions of an umpire, or showing dissent, or generally behaving in a manner which might bring the game into disrepute, the umpire concerned shall in the first place report the matter to the other umpire and to the player's captain, and instruct the latter to take action.

2. Fair and unfair play

According to the Laws the umpires are the sole judges of fair and unfair play.

The umpires may intervene at any time and it is the responsibility of the captain to take action where required.

3. The umpires are authorised to intervene in cases of:

- Time wasting
- Damaging the pitch
- Dangerous or unfair bowling
- Tampering with the ball
- Any other action that they consider to be unfair

4. The Spirit of the Game involves RESPECT for:

- Your opponents
- Your own captain and team
- The role of the umpires
- The game and its traditional values

5. It is against the Spirit of the Game:

- To dispute an umpire's decision by word, action or gesture
- To direct abusive language towards an opponent or umpire
- To indulge in cheating or any sharp practice, for instance:
 - a) to appeal knowing that the batsman is not out
 - b) to advance towards an umpire in an aggressive manner when appealing
 - to seek to distract an opponent either verbally or by harassment with persistent clapping or unnecessary noise under the guise of enthusiasm and motivation of one's own side

6. Violence

There is no place for any act of violence on the field of play.

7. Players

Captains and umpires together set the tone for the conduct of a cricket match. Every player is expected to make an important contribution to this.

2016/2017 Office Bearers

Life Members

Bob Philpott *	Warwick Brady	John Kleem	Bruce Gotting
Bob Lind *	Tony Rainey *	Neville De Brincat	Arman Cosentino
Gary Fitzsimmons	Danny LeMoy	Simon Crombie	David Sheedy
Warren Staples	Matthew Murray	Ross Denny	Adam Stenner

^{*} deceased

Patron

Shawn Bradstreet

Committee

President: David Nimmo
Secretary: Deanne Hutt

Treasurer: Adam and Jane Stenner

Vice President - Juniors:Kieran YoungVice President - Seniors:Kevin HumeVice President - Womens:Deanne Hutt

Registrar: Matthew Murray

Coaching Coordinator: Ross Denny

Gear Steward: Warren Staples

Newsletter / Publicity:Deanne HuttKevin HumeSponsorship:David NimmoLaurie ZanellaStatisticianDavid NimmoRoss Denny

Annual Report Bernadette Chang

MWJCA Delegates:

David Nimmo Kieran Young

Ross Denny

MWCA Delegates: Kevin Hume Matthew Murray

General Committee: Brett McLennan

2016/2017 Age Coordinators

Age Group Coordinator

Girls Cricket Deanne Hutt

in2CRICKET (Under 4-6) David Nimmo

T20 Blast David Nimmo

Under 9 Bernadette Chang

Under 10 Brett McLennan

Under 11 Laurie Zanella

Under 12 Stuart Banham

Under 13 Kieran Young

Under 14 Tim Ryan

Under 15 Jeff Cook

Under 16-18 Julie Williams

Seniors Kevin Hume



2016/2017 Team Officials

Team	Coach	Manager
Under 13 Girls SGCL	Greg Hough	Sharon Lacey
Under 17 Girls SGCL	Greg Hough	Shane Guyot
T20 Blast Huntsmen (Fri)		Belinda Marshall
T20 Blast Trapdoors (Fri)		Sean Moran
T20 Blast Girls (Fri)	Felicity Trinh	Jenny Pittar
T20 Blast (Sat)	Tim Ryan	Julia Ryan
Under 9 Funnelwebs	Mathew Keen	Bernadette Chang
Under 9 Huntsmen	Gareth Newman	Kevin Wesson
Under 9 Tarantulas	Andrew Lee	Cathy Bell
Under 10 Red Div 1	Andrew Condon	Adam McWhinney
Under 10 Green Div 1	Michael Moulds	Jason Taylor
Under 10 Black Div 2	Darrin Batchelor	Andy Fallon
Under 11 Red Div 1	Laurie Zanella	Karen Youle
Under 11 Green Div 1	Scott Ellery Mark Herman	Stephen Cole Zia Cole
Under 11 Black Div 1	Clayton Crabtree	Annemarie Lidgard
Under 11 Orange Div 2	Michael Betts	Ben Rourke
Under 11 White Div 2	Alex Hayes	Dale Hayes Andy Poole
Under 12 Red Div 1	Stuart Banham Ed Larson	Lukshan Kathriarachchi
Under 12 Green Div 2	Kieran Young Ed Nockolds	Melissa Hume
Under 13 Red Div 1	lan Bassett	Brett McLennan
Under 13 Green Div 2	Simon Smart	Shaun McPhee
Under 14 Red Div 1	Tim Ryan Nick Johnson	Deb Kasmar
Under 14 Green Div 2	Stuart White	Vanessa White
Under 15 Red Div 1	Andrew Melville	Jeff Cook
Under 16-18 Red Div 1	Simon Molyneux	Julie Williams



Honour Roll - Club Awards



Junior Cricketer of the Year "Philpott Award" Jet McDade

Batting: 388 runs at 43.11, highest score 88
Bowling: 5 wickets at 4.6, best 3/11
Fielding: 7 catches, 5 run-outs, 2 stumpings





Junior Rising Star - "Bird Family Award" Tai Addison

Batting: 233 runs at 23.3, highest score 51 off 28 balls
Tai has been awarded the inaugural Bird Family Rising Star
Award on the basis of his selfless attitude, encouragement
of team spirit and intensity of play.

Female Cricketer of the Year Annabel Hutt

Batting: 177 runs at 35.4, highest score 35*
Bowling: 13 wickets at 11.46, best 3/7
Fielding: 2 catches, 2 run-outs





"Bob Lind" Special Achievement Award Gavin Franklin

Club record for 4th Grade – third best bowling figures in the history of Wakehurst club at 8/38





Honour Roll - Club Awards





"Ross Denny" Club Person of the Year Deanne Hutt

For outstanding service to the club since 2011 as a manager and club secretary as well as coordinating the growing opportunities for girls cricket at a club and association level.

"Murray Family" Coach of the Year lan Bassett - Under 13 Red Division 1





Senior Cricketer of the Year Andrew Davies

Batting: 552 runs at 50.18, highest score 103
Bowling: 22 wickets at 9.18, best 5/21
Fielding: 9 catches



Batting: 243 runs at 17.36, highest score 62 Bowling: 14 wickets at 21.29, best 3/34 Fielding: 4 catches, 1 run out





Honour Roll - Premiership Teams



Under 12 Red – U12 Division 1 (Joint winners)

Coaches: Ed Larson and Stuart Banham Manager: Lukshan

Kathriarachchi

Mason Ballard Michal Banham Andrew Boulton

Jordan Challoner Jacob Chang Declan Curry

Edward Hutt Raveen Kathriarachchi Luke Larson

Sentarou Murata-Davison Jasper Vajdic Josh Watkins

Oliver Wright

Under 13 Red – U13 Division 1

Coach: Ian Bassett Manager: Brett McLennan

Jack Atkins Josh Bassett Josh Cooper

Matthew Gribble Scott Herman Matthew Humphrey
Charlie Johnson Oscar Lambkin Hunter McLennan
Mitchell Norton William Sarkies Hershwin Sharma

Andre Terleckj

Under 13 Green – U13 Division 2 (Joint winners)

Coach: Simon Smart Manager: Shaun McPhee

James CondonKai ConnorsAlicia HumphreyAnnabel HuttTom LarsonDaniel McPheeAbi PowellNicholas RoacheEmma SmartLuke SmartHarry SoleAaron SprottMia WaddingtonBen WrightJasper Young



Honour Roll - Premiership Teams



Seniors 4th Grade Black Widows - Alan Lee Shield

David Brown
Peter Candotti
Toby Kovacs
Ian McKern
Doug Wright

Cameron Brown Mike Dunn Matthew Martin Thomas Rodwell Michael Wright

Luca Candotti Michael Kovacs Adam McKern James Wright

One-Day B Grade - Matt Little Shield

Rhys Brooks Andrew Davies Matthew Moore Cameron Powell Sebastian Candido Thomas Fourie Hamish Moore Andy Pradana Josh Capiron Corbin Jennings Jack Pocklington

Cricket NSW Academy and State Representative Honours

NSW Metro Women's Team – Under 15 Sarah Turner

A huge congratulations to Sarah who was selected to play for the NSW U15 Metro team in the State Championships for the 2016/17 season.

Cricket NSW Academy

The Cricket NSW Academy is a State-wide program responsible for the identification and development of talented male and female cricketers. The following Wakehurst players were selected and participated in the program during the 2016/17 season:

Under 13 – Gemma Lacey Under 14 – Annabel Hutt Under 15 – Sarah Turner

NSW State Challenge

The U15 Female State Challenge was played from 3-4 October 2016 in Campbelltown. The following Wakehurst players were selected and participated in the competition:



Annabel Hutt Sarah Turner



Representative Honours



Congratulations to the following Wakehurst players who represented Manly in Junior and Senior Representative competitions in 2016/2017.

Under 11

Creak Shield

Andrew Boulton

U11 Presidents Cup

Jeremy Scarf Dylan Vlatko

Under 12

Cawsey Shield

Matthew Humphrey
Sentarou Murata-Davison

U12 Presidents Cup

Mason Ballard Kai Connors Joshua Cooper Charlie Johnston

Under 13

Gee Shield

Lachlan Johnson Logan Nicey

U13 Presidents Cup

Cormac O'Donnell

Under 14

Moore Shield

Kale Gabila Oliver Melville Zac Thomas

U14 Presidents Cup

Thomas Arrand Noah Kasmar Martin Longford Luke Richardson

Under 15 Weblin Shield

Ned Barnett Bailey Kenzie
Joel McGregor Brynn Mendel
Lachlan Molyneaux
Josh Park

U15 Margaret Peden Shield

Natalie Guyot Alicia Humphrey
Annabel Hutt Lauren Pilling
Abigail Powell Abby Taylor
Emma Smart Mia Waddington

U15 Presidents Cup

Oliver Campbell Ben Cook Liam Dinan Luka Vajdic

Under 16

U16 Presidents Cup

Sean Nimmo

Telegraph Shield

Lachlan Charles

Cricket Australia Award

Congratulations to Deanne Hutt for winning Cricket
Australia's inaugural Junior Cricket Champion of the Year,
A Sport for All Community Cricket Awards, held in
Melbourne at the MCG on 26th April 2017.
This is an outstanding achievement, recognising Deanne's
significant contribution to Wakehurst Redbacks Cricket Club
and the Manly Warringah Junior Cricket Association.



2016/2017 Team Award Winners

Team	Batting	Bowling	Sportsperson
Girls SGCL Under 13 Under 17	Stephanie Hughes Lauren Pilling	Emily Horstead Abigail Powell	Gemma Lacey Alicia Humphrey
Under 9 Funnelwebs Huntsmen Trapdoors	Aidan Boulton Dylan Thompson Jackson Murray	Luka Karcher Oscar Hansen Matthew Dixon	Lukas Banham Nathaneal Newman Tate Martin
Under 10 Red Green Black	Matthew Melville Flynn Taylor Ashleigh Karcher	Max Thompson Myles Nockolds Ben Postma	Liam Morony Danny Thompson Luke Watts
Under 11 Red Green Black White Orange	Freddy Youle Jeremy Scarf Dylan Nockolds Sebastian Lahm Alex Cooper	Carlo Zanella Joshua Challoner Sam Arcus Ashton Touw Lachlan Rourke	Nick Layton Dylan Vlatko Oliver Beck Callum Skinner Matthew Bull
Under 12 Red Green	Edward Hutt Jet McDade	Jordan Challoner Ty Pounsett	Andrew Boulton Tai Addison
Under 13 Red Green	Hunter McLennan Kai Connors	Andre Terleckyj Alicia Humphrey	Josh Cooper Annabel Hutt
Under 14 Red Green	Luke Richardson Jan Barnard	Logan Nicey Leighton Shaw	Cormac O'Donnell Euan Loh
Under 15 Red	Joel McGregor	Oliver Melville	Ethan Joseph
Under 16-18 Red	Lachlan Molyneux	Cohen Mantle	Alex Ganski



International and State Representatives



Test Players

Jackson Bird Australia

First Class

Shawn Bradstreet NSW (including captaincy)

Jackson Bird Tasmania

Australian Junior Representatives

Peter Banbury Australia Under 19
Jackson Bird Australia Under 19
Aiden Bariol Australia Under 16
Sarah Turner Cricket Australia XI

U18 National Championships (Female) - Tasmania

U15 Australian Women's Training Squad

U15 Australian Women's Development Squad

State Junior Representatives

Shawn Bradstreet NSW Under 19
Peter Banbury NSW Under 19
Michael Cosentino NSW Under 19
Jackson Bird NSW Under 15

NSW Under 17

NSW Under 19

Aiden Bariol NSW Under 15 All Schools

Saskia Horley NSW Women's Under 15

NSW Metro Women's Under 15

NSW Metro Women's Under 18

Sarah Turner NSW Metro Women's Under 15

NSW Schoolgirls





President's Report

On behalf of the Wakehurst Redbacks Cricket Club, I would like to welcome to all the first time players and their extended families to our proud cricket club. We trust you all enjoyed your experience with the Redbacks and hope this will be the first of many seasons to come. To all the returning players, great to see you back and enjoying another season of cricket.

A big thanks to all of you who played your part as volunteers, especially the age coordinators, coaches, assistant coaches, managers, scorers, captains and everyone who assisted their teams in making this season such an enjoyable one. Without your contributions, our club could not function and our boys and girls would not be able to play. All Wakehurst Redbacks teams played the game in wonderful spirit, showed good sportsmanship and were great ambassadors for our club.

It has been another great season for the Wakehurst Redbacks, with the Mighty Redbacks winning the junior club championships for the second year in a row. This is a great achievement and shows the strength of our junior teams.

Well done to all Redbacks players this year and congratulations to our five premiership winning teams on their outstanding seasons. Baggy reds are coming your way.

Under 12 Red - Division 1 Premiers Under 13 Red - Division 1 Premiers Under 13 Green - Division 2 Premiers 4th Grade Senior Team One Day B Senior Team



We had a total of 31 teams participate for the 2016/17 season consisting of 25 junior teams (T20 Blast to U16-18s and 3 x Girls teams), 6 senior teams (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 2 x 4th and One Day B Grades). Our player numbers overall were slightly down on previous years, although with the Ashes coming and the growing opportunities for girls we expect an increase in numbers over the next few years.

Changes this season included the U8 age group moving from Kanga to T20 Blast and the introduction of a locally run U13 Girls competition for the first time. Many junior boundary sizes were reduced, resulting in a lot more 4's and 6's. The MWJCA is looking to introduce further changes in the coming seasons to improve experience for all junior cricketers.

This season we are introducing a new perpetual award thanks to the generous contribution from the Bird family. The Bird Family Junior Rising Star will be presented to an U13 player who shows great promise or sportsmanship. We have also named two existing perpetual awards after Life Members, naming the Clubperson of the Year after Ross Denny and the Seniors Rising Star after David Sheedy. Both men have made major contribution to the Wakehurst Redbacks

President's Report (Contd.)

Cricket Club over many years and currently hold senior positions in other local cricket bodies.

We were again able to offer opportunities for all ages from In2Cricket (4 – 6 year olds) introduction to basic cricket skills, to average cricket in the form of T20 Blast (formerly Kanga), U9's, U10's, to traditional cricket starting in U11's, all the way through to the U16-18's and our Seniors teams. Again, our Twilight Cricket was held on Friday nights throughout February. A number of U11 to U16-18 teams also played in the Manly Mini Bash T20 tournament on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in February.

Well done to all our players who won awards and those who played representative cricket.

There were so many great individual achievement during the season, almost too many to mention. A large number of 50's, a lot of centuries in seniors and a hat trick.

Congratulations to Bailey Kenzie (U16-18) who scored 102 in round 2 against St Pius. Our seniors that scored hundreds were Andrew Gordon (2nd grade) 122*, Matthew Varjavandi (2nd grade) 101*, Adam McCormick (3rd grade) 100, Toby Kovacs (4th grade) 117*, Giles Park (4th grade) 110, Andrew Davies (One Day B grade) 111 and Tim Ryan (One Day B grade) 174*. Xavier Ryan (U14) got a hat trick in round 7 against Harbord.

We would like to acknowledge and thank our club sponsors for their support this season.

Our major sponsor **THE BELROSE HOTEL** were fantastic support to the club again this season. The Hotel provided us vouchers for our players and allowed us to utilise their facilities for meetings and functions. **THE BELROSE HOTEL** also hosted our junior team preseason get togethers and many seniors attended the hotel following Saturday afternoon games.



The **COMMONWEALTH BANK** sponsored the Wakehurst Redbacks for the second season. Please contact Peter Taylor, Branch Manager of Commonwealth Bank Frenchs Forest on for all your banking needs.

Again this season, **SYDNEY CRICKET COACHING** (**Mark McInnes**) provided financial sponsor for club this season. If you looking for some quality private cricket coaching, please get in contact with Mark. Thanks Mark for your continued support of the Wakehurst Redbacks.

President's Report (Contd.)

The Wakehurst Redbacks welcomed several new sponsors this season.

Thanks to **FOCUS PHYSIOTHERAPY** at Allambie Heights for coming onboard. Sally and Ron Postma who have extensive sports experience and love cricket. Wakehurst Cricket Members pay a flat rate.



Also new to the club this season is Brett Curry at TIMEOUT TRAINING. They have a membership plan to suit your individual needs and their Semi-private training membership has a proven track record for getting results. TIMEOUT TRAINING is located in Aquatic Drive in Frenchs Forest.

GUZMAN Y GOMEZ in Manly again provided meal vouchers for our player's awards.

Finally, thanks to our hard working committee for volunteering their time and commitment to helping run this great club.

Our Secretary, **Deanne Hutt**, has again done lots of work behind the scenes to keep our club running. Being one of largest, if not the largest club in the area, it takes a lot volunteer hours and I was very pleased to see Deanne's contribution to the Wakehurst Redbacks and girls cricket in the Manly area has been rewarded with a Cricket Australia award for the "Junior Cricket Champion of the Year". Well done Deanne, you deserve the recognition for your efforts.

Adam and Jane Stenner once again did the role of Treasurer from country NSW. Adam was rewarded for his many years of service the club with Life Membership of the Wakehurst Redbacks at the end of last season. Well deserved Adam and thanks to you both for your help this season.

Kieran Young was Vice President of Juniors for the 2nd year this season. Kieran continued to attend the MWJCA monthly meetings on behalf of the club and spent many hours sorting out junior teams at the start of the season, arranging gear and assisting at club open nights.

Kevin Hume continued the role of Vice President of Seniors this season. Kevin has done a fantastic job this season getting our senior teams on the park and coordinating training sessions. Thanks again Kev.

Our long-time registrar, **Matthew Murray**, continued in role again this season. Matt has done a great job over the years and every year continues to provide. Our Gear Steward, **Warren Staples**, continued in the role again this season. Thanks for your help again this season Warren.

President's Report (Contd.)

Thank you **Laurie Zanella** for managing the Toyota Raffle and taking over the sponsorship role, bringing on a number of new sponsors this season.

Bernadette Chang joined the committee this season and is responsible for putting together this Annual Report. Thanks for your contribution Bernadette.

Ross Denny updated our club records again this season and we benefited from his vast cricket knowledge at our committee meetings.

Thanks to our Club Patron, **Shawn Bradstreet**, for your continued support of the Wakehurst Redbacks.

I would also like to say a special thanks to my children, **Heather and Sean Nimmo** for getting out of bed early every Saturday morning to help run our in2CRICKET program this season. I hope you enjoyed the 10 weeks and would love to see others help in the future. We were again lucky to have the experienced **Tony Pecar** assist with in2CRICKET. **Harry Scott** assisted for the second year, with odd appearance from **Andrew Gordon**.

Another great season finished. We look forward to next season and a home Ashes series.

David Nimmo



2016/17 Committee members

Back Row: Kevin Hume, Kieran Young, David Nimmo, Ross Denny, Matthew Murray
Front Row: Warren Staples, Deanne Hutt, Bernadette Chang
Absent:: Laurie Zanella, Brett McLennan, Adam & Jane Stenner

Treasurer's Report

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30 April 2017

	2016-2017	2015-2016
	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 May 2016 Income	31,444,90	22,022.69
Registration Fees (Juniors/Seniors/in2Cricket)	58,222.00	62,658.37
Shirts, Hats and Caps	3,429.90	6,185.00
Twilight Cricket/Raffle	270.00	680.00
Toyota Raffle Fund raising.	3,375.00	0.00
Commissions Received - Club Photos	0.00	389.18
Sponsorship	11,200.00	11,500.00
Bank Interest	15.26	31.17
NSW Cricket Rebate T20 Blast Girls	0.00	500.00
	76,512.16	81,943.72
Expenditure:		
MWJCA - Team Registration Fees	9,857.00	10,520.00
MWJCA Insurance	0.00	875.00
NSWCA - SGCL	0.00	678.50
MWCA Seniors Registration Fees	5,300.00	5.950.00
MWCA Senior Umpires	2,750.00	1,330.00
T20 Blast	1,204.00	0.00
Girls Summer Comp	1,854.00	0.00
Shirts, Hats and Caps Purchases	8,186.75	12,560.00
Equipment Purchases (Including Balls)	22,156.50	24,607.66
Level I Coaching/Umpire Courses/LBL - Reimbursement	0.00	120.00
Lionel Watts Combined Sporting Facility Levy	1,457.64	1,399.27
Postage, Printing and Stationery (incl man of match awards)	4,462.74	3,604.06
Refunds	780.00	1,685.00
Captains Refunds	1,837.00	0.00
Thank you gift	0.00	217.52
Trophies	6,122.49	5,163.66
Advertising/Domain/Web Registration	2,741.89	1,139.44
Team Photos	1,276.00	0.00
Twilight food, prizes	60.55	505.00
Thank You Night	1,400.00	1,061.40
Junior Food/Drink	0.00	181.00
Senior Premiership Celebrations	250.00	0.00
Senior Food/Drink/Presentation Night_	1,966.90	924.00
_	73.663.46	72,521.51
	34,293.60	31,444.90
Comprised:		
Westpac Account	\$4,574.48	\$28,984.65
Commonwealth Account	\$29,143.97	\$2,000.00
Cash	\$575.15	\$460.25
Balance as of 30 April 2017	\$34,293.60	\$31,444.90

compiled by Honorary Treasurers Adam and Jane Stenner (assisted by David Nimmo)

The Foundation of the Redbacks

The founding of the Wakehurst Redbacks was initiated at the family room table of Bob and Penny Philpott. Bob was the founder of the Redbacks and our inaugural President in the 1981/82 season. Bob co-opted friends, fathers of newly recruited players and anyone else who was prepared to lend a hand, to help him get the Redbacks off the ground.

Back in 1981, the Philpotts were having lunch one late winter Saturday at their home with a couple of their son's friends. The boys who were aged about 8 or 9 were talking about playing cricket in a team, and in a competition. Theirs and Bob and Penny's enthusiasm grew as the meal went on and Bob said: "Ok, you get a team together and I'll coach you". They talked about a name for the team at lunch and the kids wanted a spider as it would be a bit menacing to the opposition. In fact the Funnel-web was their first choice, but the adults said that could be a bit vicious so they all settled on the Redback!

By the Monday afternoon the boys had gathered a team and a meeting was held that same week with all the interested kids and their parents.

And so club history was made - the start of the Redbacks. The Redbacks registered in the Manly-Warringah Cricket Association in 1981 ready for their first cricket season. The first kit was bought from the registration fees and a donation from Bob's friend Mike Pawley.

With Bob as President, a committee was formed with Warwick Brady as the Secretary and Jo Gotting the Treasurer. Warwick was also the official scorer. All involved became a very happy social group where each week after practice, the Mums. Dads and kids all got together for a barbecue. Some great and lasting friendships were formed as a result.

Bob had an outstanding ability to create and build teams, clubs and groups. His other achievements include the creation of the Balgowlah Rugby Club in the 1960s and the Forest Youth Theatre Company in 1985. Bob Lind was involved in

those early days coaching junior teams and he would go on to become President in 1987 for 14 consecutive seasons.

So if this new club wanted to look like they meant business, the Redbacks had to have a logo. Penny worked in publishing and design and created the logo herself at home. The Redbacks logo was then screen printed onto the caps and the back of the shirts. In following seasons when more teams were formed, new badges were made that were sewn onto the shirts. To-

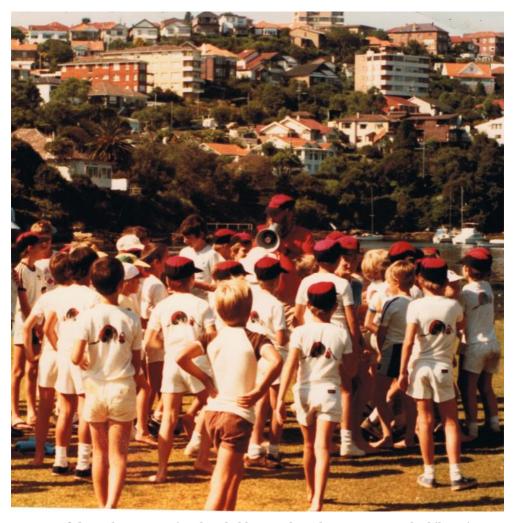


The Foundation logo created by Penny Philpott

The Foundation of the Redbacks

day we still sew the foundation logo on to all our caps and the sleeves of our shirts in respect of the club history.

Now, almost 35 years on, the Wakehurst Redbacks has flourished, growing into the wonderful club we have today, thanks to the efforts of Bob Philpott and the many great volunteers who have followed.



One of the early presentation days held at North Harbour Reserve. Bob Philpott is in the middle with his signature megaphone.

in2CRICKET



MILO in2CRICKET is an entry level program designed for 4 - 6 year olds to learn basic cricket skills.

Our in2CRICKET program this season was run at the field in Hews Parade, Belrose on Saturday morning for 10 weeks prior to Christmas.

Players are taught fundamental cricket skills (batting, bowling, throwing and catching) through different and fun drills. No actual games of cricket are played.

We had 31 boys and girls participate in the Wakehurst Redbacks in 2CRICKET this season and some were lucky enough to go on the ground during a lunch break of the January Test at the SCG.

Thanks to Heather and Sean Nimmo for being there every week to help teach the kids. Tony Pecar and Harry Scott also assisted throughout the year.

Please look at our website, www.wakehurstredbacks.com.au for further information on the in2CRICKET and other types of cricket offered at the Wakehurst Redbacks.





Milo T20 Blast



The Wakehurst Redbacks again participated in the MILO T20 Blast program this season.

The T20 Blast program on Friday afternoons was on the synthetic ground at Melwood Oval, Forestville. The Friday night sessions were open to 6-12 year olds.

T20 Blast on Saturday morning replaced Kangas and was for players under 8 years of age. These were played at Beacon Hill, Warriewood and Hews Parade after Christmas.

It runs for 90 minutes, includes all equipment and takes place at the same location every week, on either a Friday night or Saturday morning.

The games were played with soft balls, on small fields spread right across the oval. We had both boys and girls only games running, with music playing and a dedicated skills zone for players to pick up how to play cricket.

Our T20 Blast this season ran for 14 weeks in total, with 7 weeks before and 7 weeks after Christmas. We had 32 boys and 8 girls participate in the T20 Blast this season

Thanks to everyone who helped run the T20 Blast teams and games.

David Nimmo T20 Blast Coordinator



T20 Blast – Huntsmen & Trapdoors (Fri)

Throughout the season, all of the trapdoor players had a great time and their cricketing skills definitely improved. The team comprised of a wide range of ages. However, accommodations were made where necessary and everyone was able to challenge themselves and develop.

The Big Blast format provided a great introduction to cricket and to the Redbacks club. I know that many of the kids are keen to have another go next year which is fantastic. Many thanks to the parents for their support, the 6ers staff for their coordination....and great music choices and to the Wakehurst Redbacks administration for all of their support and guidance.

Sean Moran

Participants in the T20 Blast Friday night competition were:

Oliver Anderson Theo Anderson Alex Batchelor Sami Horne Ioshua Iones Cody Junghans Kai Junghans Rvan Llovd Harry Loneragan Blake Marshall Archie McGregor Beau Moran Murray Moran Caleb Newman **Kyle Ormiston** George Russell Harry Russell Joshua Seeto Harry Stock **Iacob Watts** Casper Walker Max Walker Hamish Wood



T20 Blast – Hunstmen & Trapdoors (Ctd.)





T20 Blast – Girls (Fri)

T20 Blast Girls Manager's Report

The Wakehurst Redbacks participated in the MILO T20 Blast girls program run by Cricket NSW at Melwood oval on Friday nights. The club is very grateful to Jenny Pittar who managed the Wakehurst team. In fact, Jenny and the club also took under their wing many other girls who registered for other clubs. Thank you Jenny - you did a fantastic job organising the girls and encouraging all participants. The club started the season with 6 regis-

tered girls but soon grew to a total of 17 girls across 5 clubs.

Cricket NSW afforded the girls many opportunities over the cricket season including on ground experiences during the SCG test match, the Sydney Sixers double header at the SCG and on ground appearances at North Sydney oval during the Women's BBL matches.

A big thank you to Felicity Trinh for providing coaching for the girls - you were an inspiration to them and they loved developing their skills.

T20 Blast Girls Coaches Report

It wouldn't be a true cricket season without ridiculously hot weather or constantly rained out weekends. The 2017 season for T20 Blast has been continuously interrupted but I believe I can safely say on behalf of all the girls – we truly have had a blast!

It was fantastic to see the increased number of girls attending training before the game on Friday afternoons, allowing their cricket skills to develop at a rapid pace. Every girl gave their 100% in attention and participation during training whilst remembering to have some fun with their teammates. Cricket, of course, is a team sport, so it was fantastic to see every girl branch out of their comfort zones and connect with their teammates. The great aspect about T20 Blast is that it gives the kids a taste of our beloved game; and I'm

sure all the girls have thoroughly enjoyed learning the rules in the relaxed and energetic environment, assisted by the pumping dance music!

The following girls participated for the entire cricket season. Congratulations to Annica Pittar, Lucinda Coolee, Jemina Seward, Asia Boles, Emily Dear-

don, Shae Hiskett-Jones, Eva Handes, Jasmine Franks and Piper Crookwell. These girls have led the way by encouraging participation especially amongst the younger aged girls.

Other girls joined the team midway through the season or played just before Christmas. Congratulations to Natalie Perry, Franky Poate, Melanie Davis, Holly Coupland, Lila Jones, Amelie Potts, Annabel Potts, Charlotte Sole, Stephanie Davies and Sara Maxwell. Also, thanks to Annabelle and

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Elenaor Dowbiggin for joining in with the Redback girls in the 2nd half of the season when their teammates from Collaroy moved on to play in the under 13 Manly Warringah girls competition.

The girls who joined the T20 Blast competition in 2017 have shown significant development in their batting and bowling skills. There are no greater skills than leadership and constantly displaying enthusiasm, which many girls in this T20 Blast team has displayed.

There is much promising talent amongst this young group of girls and I hope they continue to pursue cricket as a sport in the following years. I am confident that as long as the passion of cricket continues to burn within them, we have some future Australian cricketers from the Wakehurst Redbacks.

It has been my pleasure coaching and building the foundation for these budding cricketers. Thanks for an (interrupted but) incredibly fun 2017 season girls and I hope to see you once again next season.

Felicity Trinh Wakehurst T20 Blast Girls Coach



T20 Blast – Funnelwebs (Sat)

The T20 Blast Funnelwebs were the only Wakehurst team participating in the Saturday morning competition and therefore had a mix of kids from different schools and ages. Despite their ages, ranging from Kindergarten to Year 2, all of the boys got on famously and had a great time. It was a wonderful group of kids, very polite, respectful and most importantly lovers of cricket!

The parents were also a great group of

people and were always willing to help out at either training or on a Saturday or just show their support by cheering on the kids.

The season was divided into two halves, pre-Christmas where we played games at Beacon Hill and Warriewood and after Christmas where we were based at Hews Parade for all our games. The first half involved the kids getting to know

each other and me getting to know them. We played very well considering this was the first time most of the kids had played organised cricket, winning more than we lost and everyone contributing to the team.

A highlight of the Christmas break was an opportunity for players who were available to play on the SCG at the lunch time break of the first day of the Sydney Test. Rohit, Matthew and Archer were 3 lucky boys who got to have a run around on the hallowed turf of the SCG. All in front of 20,000 fans who had been whipped into a frenzy after watching David Warner smash an un-

beaten 100 in the first session of the test match. A feat that has never been accomplished in the 100+ years of test match cricket in Australia. What a day! After Christmas the team became a formidable foe for any opposition team, some big scores were racked up and some excellent tight bowling. The wides dropped significantly giving the opposition less "free-hits" which is the key to restricting teams to a low total under the T20 Blast rules. All of the players contributed to some fine wins.

We had a core group of boys coming to training on a Tuesday and it was great to see the kids develop their skills throughout the year. A special thanks to Julia our manager who do a great job through the season and to all of the people who helped on a Saturday or at training.

Archer Ryan – Archer had already played a

season of T20 Blast and with two older brothers who love their cricket he was ready to go from ball one. Batting well from the start of the season Archer had some powerful shots and was also an excellent runner between wickets. His loud calls showed a good example to the rest of the team and made running easier for the whole team. His bowling was a mixed bag of leg spinners and pace, starting out a little wild Archer refined his bowling throughout the season and was bowling beautifully by seasons end.

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Cauley McKee – Cauley was one of the older boys in the team and therefore bigger and stronger which he put to good use. One of the quieter boys in the team he didn't say too much and was a great kid with friendly smile and great attitude. He had a nice batting technique and when he broke out he could really hit the ball a long way. His bowling was a highlight of his performances through the season, he had a beautiful high action and bowled with great accuracy and pace when he was bowling at his best.

Charlie Lord - Charlie was one of the regular attendees at training and a super keen cricketer who put all of his energy into the both training and games. He was always asking questions and was also willing to offer advice for any of the other players when they weren't sure about something. He was a very good batsman, high elbow and good technique to anything that was pitched up. He hit some beautiful straight drives. His bowling was also excellent when he was on-song, his best deliveries were when he stood tall and stayed side on, he peppered the "corridor of uncertainty" making it very difficult for the batsman to hit.

Euan Thompson – Unfortunately Euan didn't manage to last the full season finishing up after only a few rounds. A great kid to have around he was always looking to have fun and added a little ray of sunshine to training and showed some promise with both his batting and bowling.

Henry Black - Henry was a key member of the team, he was super keen on game day always wanting to bowl and

bat as soon as he could. He had an ex cellent range of shots with the bat especially through the on-side behind square leg where he managed to hit many fours from both free-hits and in general play. His bowling was also very consistent especially his length that was full making it hard for the opposition players to hit.

Matthew Judson - Matthew was always one of the keenest cricketers in the team, I can't think of a single occasion he missed training or a game. He formed a great tightknit core group with Archer, Rohit and Nate at training. He wore his heart on his sleeve which showed how much he cared about his batting and bowling. He had an excellent defence with the bat, rarely letting through anything that was on or near the stumps. His bowling improved throughout the year, with more practice he will no doubt become an excellent bowler.

Nate Cole - Nate is one of the keenest cricketers I have come across in the many years I have been involved with junior cricket teams. No doubt the backyard battles with his older brother and a steely competitive streak have contributed massively to amazing batting and bowling skills. He was a superstar with the ball, express pace was his mode of operation and he was a cut above most of the other bowlers in the competition. His balls were regularly at the wicket-keeper before the batsman were swinging their bat. His was also a great little batsman, a wide range of shots and an excellent runner between wickets.

Rohit Jayaram – Rohit was another of the core players that was at every (Continued on page 32)

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training session and game resulting in a great improvement in both his batting and bowling throughout their season. He was great to have around at training, always happy and friendly to his fellow players. His batting started slowly but by the end of the season he had a wide range of shots and really improved his running between wickets. Regularly batting with Matthew the two of them had a few mix-ups at the start of the season but turned into a finely tuned machine. Likewise his bowling improved out of sight, with practice he concentrated on his technique become a very consistent bowler.

Will Davies - Will joined the team halfway through the season but was an immediate hit with his express bowling, excellent bowling and great attitude. He skills were undoubtedly honed via battles against his next-door neighbour Nate. I could only imagine how hard fought some of those games might have been. He was an excellent batsman from his first innings, he had great technique and the ability to hit the ball to the boundary (or over it). Just like Nate he had the ability to bowl some very quick deliveries taking the opposing batsman by surprise. There is nothing better than seeing a fast bowler coming in off the long run (his was especially so) and sending down some "heat".

Ishan Raval – Ishan was another late starter and was a quiet achiever, it is always hard to join an existing group of players but his easy-going nature helped him immensely. His batting was rock solid, a nice defence that rarely let through deliveries. His bowling needs some more practice but with a full season he will undoubtedly improve.



Sixers Girls Cricket League

Under 13 Wakehurst Redbacks SGCL

Congratulations to all the wonderful U/13 Redback Sixers who played during the 2016 Spring and 2017 Summer seasons and were part of the inaugural Manly Warringah under 13 Sixers competition.

The Spring season consisted of 4 teams and ran for 8 weeks and we had an enthusiastic team of 8 regular players (Stephanie Hughes, Caitlyn Pryor, Emily Horstead, Lillian Oosterhoff, Gemma Lacey, Edie Hunter, Caitlin MacDonald & Natalie Perry) and 3 fabulous reserves (Lilly Bachelor, Caitlin du Preez and Ashleigh Karcher).

Thanks to Felicity Trinh who stepped in as training coach and shared her love and knowledge of the game. She helped the girls continue to develop their batting, bowling and fielding skills whilst having lots of fun. The team were always very supportive of



each other and great sports as they happily helped out other teams when they were short of fielders.

The Summer season saw some changes with an expanded 6 team Manly Warringah competition and the Redbacks welcomed 4 new team mates – Lulu Ryals, Maya Nicey, Chelsea McLerie and Rhea Jayaram who joined Stephanie, Caitlyn, Emily, Lillian, Gemma and Edie – giving us a team of 10. Greg Hough kindly stepped in as training coach and Paula Robinson managed game day. Our new additions complemented the existing team beautifully and were

fabulous in their friendly, helpful, positive approach to everything.

Despite the "shemozzley" weather conditions which ranged from heat waves to washouts, the Redbacks shone and continued to improve. The team even managed to make it to the Grand Final of the summer competition. A tremendous effort. I'm so proud of the encouragement and support they gave to each other every



Under 13 Girls with Lauren Smith

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game. They are an inclusive, enthusiastic, talented bunch of cricketers who always gave their best.

Thanks to our wonderful, supportive group of parent volunteers who helped out so willingly each week and to Declan McLerie our scorer. Thanks also to Deanne Hutt for her guidance and the work she does behind the scenes. Hope to see everyone back next season!

Sharon Lacey - Manager

Players for the spring and summer season were:

Emily Horstead – Emily was one of the youngest and smallest members of the team but what she lacked in stature

she made up for with wonderful attitude and enthusiasm. A terrific allround cricketer and one to watch in the future. Congratulations to Emily for being selected in the Catholic School Polding team for the 2017/18 season. Emily took the most wickets for the team (8) with best bowling figures of 2/3. Emily was the winner of the team bowling award with a combined average over the spring and summer competition of 11.38.

Caitlyn Prior - Caitlyn was a terrific team member and mentor for the team. A future team leader, Caitlyn was an important member over both the spring and summer season with a top score of 19* and best bowling of 2/3. Caitlyn had the 3rd best batting and bowling averages for the team and put in 100% every game.



A very wet Grand Final!

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Natalie Perry – Natalie played for the team during the spring competition and is a terrific athlete with much potential. A left-hander that added a lot to the team. Best bowling of 2/13 and top score of 7*.

Gemma Lacey- Gemma is a tremendous cricketer, role model and leader. She embraced the role of encouraging and leading the younger less experi-

enced girls both on and off the field. Gemma played in the Manly Warringah girls u/13 representative team for the 2016/17 season and brought all her skills learned to the games each and every week. Gem-



ma was the top scorer with 97 runs in the summer season and 43 in the rain affected spring season. She also had the best bowling average for the team. As a result of her impeccable attitude and having the best batting and bowling averages, Gemma has been awarded the Sportsperson award for the team.

Lillian Oosterhoff – Lillian had a great first season of cricket, playing in both the spring and summer competition. Lillian put in 100% effort each and every game and was a very valuable member of the team. Lillian took two valuable wickets for the team and scored some very useful runs. Congratulations Lillian.

Stephanie Hughes – Stephanie was new to cricket but improved every week to become a very important member for the team. Stephanie has a very good bowling action and was unlucky not to take more wickets. But it was Stephanie's improved batting that caught the eye. Player of the match in the summer semi-final with a vital 7*. Stephanie is the winner of the batting

award for the team. She always placed a high price on her wicket ending up not out in 6 of her innings.

Edie Hunter-Edie also played in both seasons and like Emily what she lacked in size she made up for in atti-

tude. Edie took 3 wickets over the seasons with best figures of 2/14. Edie was terrific in the field and had a top score of 11*. Edie was a very popular team member, always ready to encourage all her team mates. Well done Edie.

Caitlin MacDonald- Caitlin played during the spring season and was a very valuable member of the team. Stepping in on the first game as wicket-keeper having never played before! Caitlin put in 100% effort each and every week and improved tremendously over the 7 matches played. Caitlin's top score was 5*.

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Lulu Ryals- Lulu joined the team for the summer season and what a great contribution she made, taking 2 wickets at an average of 9.50. A terrific athlete, Lulu slotted perfectly into the team and became a vital member. The weather impacted the summer season but Lulu's potential could be seen with just a few games played.

Maya Nicey- Maya was also a new addition to the team for the summer season. Maya instantly made an impact with her effort and enthusiasm and was a very important member of the team. Maya was one of the most enthusiastic at training, keen to improve. And improve she did. Her bowling improved each and she took 2 wickets with best bowling figures of 1/8. Maya was unlucky at times with the bat and with the wet weather was not given many opportunities with the bat.

Rhea Jayaram- Rhea was also new to cricket and to the team for the summer season. Rhea had a terrific attitude and was a great team player. As with the other new members, terrible weather impacted Rhea's opportunities but the team looks forward to having Rhea play again next season. A great effort Rhea.

The team would also like to thank the reserves during the season: Lily Batchelor: A great asset to the team, with a great attitude. Ashleigh Karcher: An excellent cricketer with highest score of 12 and best bowling of 1/1.

Caitlin du Preez: A great team member with best bowling of 1/8.

Awards winners are:

Batting award: Stephanie Hughes Bowling award: Emily Horstead Sportsperson award: Gemma Lacey



Under 17 Wakehurst Redbacks SGCL

The Redbacks women's team turned out for a third competitive season in 2016-17 in the U17s Sixers Girls Cricket League aligned with the Sixers WBBL competition. Again, the season was split into Spring (pre Christmas) and Summer (post Christmas) competitions, with a number of private school teams participating in the Spring Competition.

The side had a couple of new players in the team, with Natalie Guyot joining from the Under 13 competition and Carmody Cooley playing cricket for the first time.

The Spring Comp would end with us on top of the table, having completed the season undefeated. A solid semifinal win against West Pennant Hills earnt the team a grand final against long term rival and very strong Castle Hill. Unfortunately, the girls could not keep up the momentum and lost the game to finish second.

The Summer competition looked to be a hard fight, with a talented Forest team joining the competition as the weaker private schools left the comp. Unfortunately, due to the heat and rain, the competition turned out to be a bit of a fizzer, with the team only competing 3 games. Because there were not enough games played, the finals were not played.

We had a great bunch of ladies playing in this team and a number of them also played in other teams for the club and in MWJCA representative teams through the season. Our cricket was played in the right spirit and I'm sure all enjoyed it. A big thank you to all the parents who brought the girls to the game every weekend, and made sitting on the boundary for the season very enjoyable.



Abby Taylor and Annabel Hutt with Lisa Sthalekar

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The team members for 2016/17 were:

Carmody Cooley

Carmody was new to cricket this season, making her debut in the tough summer competition. Carmody turned out to be a natural medium paced bowling, using her height to great effect and bowling with amazing line and length for a player new to the game. Best bowling figures of 2/1.

Natalie Guyot

Nat did a great job at wicket keeper throughout the season, letting through very few byes by always getting behind the ball even against the faster bowling. Nat has a great defense when batting. Nat ended up being not out in 4 of her 6 innings (the outs 2 were run outs).

Renee Hough

The younger half of the sister act demonstrated great enjoyment of the game. Renee was another great improver with both bat and ball, and lifted the spirits of the team with her sense of humour and persistence. Renee ended the season with a batting average of 10.

Olivia Hough

The older half of the sister act became a consistent batter, often opening the batting with determination. Her bowling was also very consistent and reliable. Olivia is the oldest player in the



U17 Girls Wakehurst SGCL team after playing on North Sydney Oval during WBBL innings break

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team, and helped make the new players feel welcome to the team. Scored 77 runs in the season.

Alicia Humphrey

Alicia continued to increase the pace and accuracy of her bowling considerably over the season. She bowls with speed, and the bounce she gets by bowling with her height makes her extremely awkward to face. She is a very popular member of the team, showing great team spirit and always encouraging the team out in the field. Alicia was the teams Sports Person of the Year.

Annabel Hutt

Annabel was the most consistent player across the team, with her batting, bowling and fielding setting an example for the team to follow. Given a tight game, Annabel could always be relied upon to bowl the last over, and she had a great ability to keep the ball pitched up at speed while under pressure. Her highest score was 35no.

Lauren Pilling

Lauren converted from wicket keeper to a very dangerous bowler for the benefit of the team. With bat in hand, Lauren took the attack to the opposition and was the team's most consistent run-scorer, with plenty of scorching boundaries. Lauren was the batter of the season with a combined average of 45.3.

Abi Powell

Abi showed great leadership throughout the season, encouraging her team mates constantly and always trying her best to get wickets and score runs. Abi's bowling can only be described as fast, with her bowling troubling even the best batter in the competition. Abi was the teams best bowler, with 12 wickets throughout the season.

Abby Taylor

Abby is another consistent member of the team, being a reliable contributor with the bat and ball. Her ever smiling face is a welcome presence in the team. Abby finished the season with a batting average of 13.



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Award winners:

Batting: Lauren Pilling **Bowling**: Abigail Powell

Sportsperson: Alicia Humphrey



U9 Funnelwebs

What a great season of cricket for this team! Every boy tried their hardest and really supported each other, which is crucial in this game. The boys clearly love their cricket and only the continual rain could stop them! It was great to see every boy asking to bat first or bowl 3) first, even at training.

As a team the boys are a very strong bowling unit, with a great combination of good technique and 100% effort. The team took 50 wickets over the course of the season, with excellent straight bowling, some dazzling spin, a few classy run-outs, lightningfast stumpings and the odd diving catch.

There were a number of big batting partnerships (40+ runs) which is particularly impressive given that often a pair would

only get to face 3 overs. The boys delivered some very strong batting totals, regularly scoring well over 100. In one game, the boys scored 0-173....a fantastic team effort! This season the boys really worked hard on their calling and their running between the wickets and this certainly helped them score plenty of runs.

This all translated into plenty of wins and all these great results were made possible by a combination of 3 things:

- 1) Always putting in a big effort at training (it was hard to get them to stop!)
- 2) A real team contribution from the mums and dads (especially our manager, Bernadette) Making sure we had fun!

As the coach, I always walked off the





Lukas Banham

Lukas was always eager and gave 100% at training and in

every match. Showed excellent batting technique and seemed to really enjoy wicket keeping. Could always be relied upon in the field and was always alert and backing up, saving plenty of runs for the team.

Aidan Boulton

Aidan scored over 150 runs for the team this year and amazingly only got out once! He was also a part of the biggest partnership for the season (73 runs from only 3 overs, with Luka). By the end of the season he was also bowling some very good off spin.

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Andrew Boyle

Although Andrew could only play for the first half of the season, he continued to show great technique in all areas. In particular, he was bowling at a level well above what you would expect in U9's. In one match he took 1 wicket for 0 runs from his allotted overs!

Rohan Chang

Rohan's batting really stood out (he scored over 100 runs in the season). He showed great technique, figured in some big partnerships and hit a lot of boundaries (even hitting two big sixes in the one over). It's always encouraging to see Rohan padded up and ready to go, even if he's not batting for another 30 minutes!

Lachlan Formica

A strong bowler, Lachlan was one of the leading wicket-takers this season. He also made great progress with his batting, consistently hitting more 4's as the season progressed, including a great square cut, followed by a strong on-drive in the one over.

Corey Frew

Corey worked hard on both his batting and bowling at training and it really showed on game day. In particular, he consistently took wickets later in the season as he bowled straight and on a very good length. Hit some strong shots as he started stepping into the ball as the season progressed.

Finn Greenland

Finn is a great contributor in all aspects of the game. He could be relied upon to score runs, hitting plenty of 4's and being a part of several big partnerships, plus he took several important wickets for the team with his left-arm bowling.

Always positive, he kept his team mates entertained in the field.

Ben Hawker

Ben always gave 100% and this helped him to continually improve. In particular, he found that bowling around the wicket really suited him and the opposition found it tough to score off his bowling (plus it earnt him a few wickets!)

Luka Karcher

Luka was one of the team's leading wicket-takers this season (in one game he took 2 for 0!) With the bat Luka scored over 100 runs this season and shared the highest partnership (73 runs!) with Aiden, hitting all but 2 of the balls he faced for boundaries.



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Alex Keen

Alex scored over 100 runs this season, hitting a number of powerful 4's and showing excellent running between the wickets. Alex's bowling really improved as a result of his hard work at training. Plus, his diving effort to complete a caught and bowled was one of the best catches of the season!

Cody Larson

Cody showed real development in his game over the season. He was very solid in his batting and his bowling continually improved, taking 2 wickets in one over! Cody showed a natural talent as wicket keeper, stopping everything that came to him.

Oliver Mair

Oliver focussed more on his pace bowling and it certainly worked for him this year. With the bat Oliver hit several powerful 4's and was a part of some big partnerships. In the field, Oliver would often fire in some strong returns, putting pressure on the opposition batsmen.

Matt Keen

Coach

Season Awards

Batting - Aidan Boulton Bowling - Luka Karcher Sportsperson - Lukas Banham



U9 Huntsmen

The step up from Kanga cricket to Under 9s was always going to be a big jump, especially considering many of the team were 7 when the season began. Despite this big jump, the team never looked or felt out of place in the Under 9 grade and more than held their own, including a couple of strong wins and very close losses.

As well as the amazing coaching from Gareth Newman, and Management by Kevin Wesson, Grant Thompson also provided major contributions to practice and game day.

All the team can be proud of their development over the season, with some highlights below:

Samuel Whiley

this season. Great consistent line and boundaries were season highlights. length bowling and powerful hitting was seen every single game. Samuel can George Wesson probably take the award for the best George is a talented athlete who was pair of hands in the field.

Curtis South

bounce in his step and a focus on the from nothing. game. This meant that he was consistently backing up throws and providing Oscar Hansen ets right till the end of each game.

Angus Robb

oping an impressive cricketing eye. He at bay. consistently made smart decisions such as when to go for the big shots and



when to play it safe, when to run between wickets, when to have a shot at the stumps from the field etc. One of his highlight performances was behind the stumps with the keeping gloves on.

Lawson Wilson

Lawson carried on where he left of from the season before. His fast ball is Samuel's batting and bowling jumped probably still the fastest in the team, to a whole new level from last season to and some of his stand and deliver

always up there as one of the higher scoring batsmen and wicket takers. Almost as defining as his numerous Curtis was always one of the most posi- boundaries and wickets was some of tive and energetic team members. While his near misses. These include a couple most others faded towards the end of dropped catches where he covered games on those hot and humid days, huge ground and put his body on the Curtis always had a smile on his face, a line to try and create an opportunity

loud and clear calling between the wick- Oscar was the team's Mr consistent with the ball in hand. The stats probably show he delivered the least number of wides and was one of the most eco-This year, Angus took his very high nomic bowlers. A strong defensive batnatural talent to another level by devel- ting technique usually kept the wickets

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Dylan Thompson

consistently one of the top performers. Whether it be some beautiful boundaries, wicket to wicket bowling, or exceptional fielding to save boundaries or restrict runs.

Max Watson

Max was one of the team's quiet achievtimes. His improvement from last season to this season was huge, especially line and length bowling.

Saburou Murata-Davison

This was Sabourou's first season of cricket, not that you would have known it within a couple of weeks into the season. He quickly became one of the Sportsperson - Nathaneal Newman team's most consistent performers with bat, ball and fielding, including proba bly the best run out of the season.

Nathanael Newman

From hitting regular boundaries, to mixing classy leg spinners with searing Dylan is one of the most technically Yorkers, to taking leaping one handed sound players in the team, making him catches, Nate is a class all-rounder. As well as having fantastic individual talent he always focused on being a team player first and foremost.

Trent Crabtree

Like Saborou this was Trent's first season playing cricket. His confidence and technique came on in leaps and bounds ers. Conceding very few wickets when through the season. He quickly develbatting and taking wickets at important oped a strong straight bat technique that worked well to protect his stumps.

with regards to delivering consistent I look forward to the team reuniting next season.

Award winners

Batting - Dylan Thompson Bowling - Oscar Hansen



U9 Trapdoors

The Trapdoors had a fantastic season, enjoyed by the team and the parents alike. The team played hard all season and won more than they lost, and most of the losses where in very close games. What was most impressive was the enthusiasm of all the players and especially the way they pulled together as a team, always encouraging each other and playing to the end. Highlights included thumping victories, wins off the last ball and wins by a fraction of a run. All of the parents deserve special thanks for their encouragement, coaching and scoring, but of course special thanks go to our wonderful manager Cathy.

Matthew Dixon

Matt had a great season taking lots of wickets and scoring freely in the 2nd half of the season. Fast in swingers are Matt's stock delivery and

these proved way too good for many teams, a particular highlight was hitting the top of middle stump on the last ball of a game to clinch victory. Matt also has a classical left hander technique and hits the ball with great timing.

Tate Martin

Tate was one of our star players taking plenty of wickets and scoring lots of runs. Maybe our fastest bowler, he took plenty of wickets right through the season. His batting was also very strong with plenty of runs while rarely getting out, and with plenty of boundaries.

Dylan Holman

Dylan was extremely keen and always tried his hardest in games and at practice, he was always working to learn new skills. Towards the end of the season Dylan showed himself to be a very solid batsmen and was often used as an opener. With a straight bat and ability to get in line with the ball he was hard to get out, and his attacking shots are developing well.

Harrison den Brinker

Harry developed really well during the season. He is an aggressive batsman with a good eye who got the team plenty of runs. His bowling also came on really well, by the end of the season he was bowling impressive off spinners.

Harry also brought a huge amount of enthusiasm in the field, always chasing the ball down, and performing brilliantly several times as wicket keeper.

Hamish Bell

Hamish is a really solid player with bat and ball. With the bat he was extremely hard to get out and picked up plenty of runs, mainly due to a solid straight bat technique and ability to keep his eye on the ball. His bowling was also extremely accurate and he got good outswing that deceived plenty of opposition players. His fielding was always energetic and Hamish was one of our most energetic and reliable players.

Owen Liang

Despite being one of our smallest players Owen showed a huge amount of courage against the opposition fast bowlers, always getting behind the ball and defending stoutly. Owen was one of the most difficult of our batsmen to dismiss, but was also happy to have a big swing at the loose balls. He also

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impressed as a wicketkeeper, willing to dive around and do whatever was needed to stop the ball.

Harry McCracken

Being able to land a leg spinner in the right area and spin the ball a long way is a rare skill at any age, Harry is already doing that regularly. Harry took plenty of wickets but would have taken more if opposition batsmen had been able to hit the ball at all. Harry was also a strong batsmen with great technique and it is hard to think of a more enthusiastic and involved team member.

Jackson Murray

Jackson is a very strong batsman with a very solid technique and good swing bowler, he was a key all-rounder in the team's success. By the last game of the season Jackson was hitting sixes for fun, but scored big runs all through the season. He also bowls good out swingers that picked up plenty of wickets, and took a couple of stunning catches in the field

Arvin Shojaei Tabrizi

Arvin is blessed with a beautiful left handers technique and easy style that even opposition coaches complimented. He also has good timing and hit plenty of strong shots. Arvin was also an enthusiastic team member, fielding with plenty of energy, and with a bit more practice he can bowl a mean inswinger.

Beau Hiscoke

Beau was one of the stand out players throughout the season. One of our best batsmen he hit plenty of boundaries and was always hard to get out, he has a solid technique and great timing. Beau was also a useful bowler, one of our most accurate and reliable, and took his fair share of wickets. Beau is also a great fielder and took some good catches.

Henry Cook

Henry was one of our most enthusiastic players and developed into a really solid player through the season. His batting technique was extremely solid and correct, he showed a straight bat and good footwork, always standing up to the fast bowlers. Henrys bowling also developed well during the season, he finished the season bowling very accurately with good loop and spin.

Award winners

Batting Jackson Murray **Bowling** Matthew Dixon **Sportsperson** Tate Murray



Under 10 Red

As I wrote in my report last year – boys, you are all brilliant.

Back for another season together we again made great progress in both our skill development, cricket awareness and sense of "team". All but 2 of the team returned for our 3rd summer together and the side was bolstered by exciting off season signings; Thomas Stoddart, Chase McLennan, Luke Loughman and Cameron Bashford.

We had another fun and very rewarding season. As a team, we scored well over 2,000 runs and our bowling and fielding resulted in us bagging over 100 wickets, including a 15 wicket haul in round eight! The boys appetite for the game grew as the season progressed and their general enthusiasm and team spirit saw us perfect some mighty post-wicket celebrations!!!

At "Fortress McFarlane" and "Forest Primary" we were unstoppable and our hard work on the training ground before Christmas set us up for a fantastic season. The boys understanding of the value of their wicket really came to the fore in round three where we amassed 114 runs without losing a single wicket – a truly impressive effort. With only the two losses amid a rain interrupted post-holiday break we finished second on the table.

Our season was not just built on the coachability of the boys alone. Again, it was the fantastic support of all the Mums and Dads who regularly attended training and matches that made for a terrifically supportive team environment throughout the entire season.

For the 3rd year in a row special thanks to Chris "Beachy" Melville who

helped a lot with training and Wojciech "Snapper" Korczynski who captured our season with some great photos.

A massive shout out to Team Manager Adam "Macca" McWhinney, who made sure everything ran smoothly, from allocating the weekly scoring and orange duties, to making sure we all turned up at the right venue at the right time each week. Thanks Macca for all your hard work, it made the season. Every member of this wonderful cricket team made significant progress with their game this season and had numerous personal achievements that they can be really proud of. Here are the highlights of what was truly a great season;

Cameron Bashford

An aggressive batsman who found form early in the season typified by an unforgettable pull shot for six in round four at French's Forest Primary School in a 14 run individual haul. A truly memorable shot that most would pay money to see again! Also an integral part of our bowling line up, Cam was a regular wicket taker.

Jack Condon

Jack's mid-season bowling action change paid dividends in the second half of the season with a much smoother action and under Beachy's batting tutelage, Jack began to play some great front foot drives including two fours in a 12-run innings against Beacon Hill Victory.

Toby Korczynski

Toby continued on from last year and showed a great natural feel for wicket keeping and as a regular volunteer behind the stumps always did a great

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job. A consistent batsman who valued his wicket highly and frustrated many an opposition fielding side with his aggressive running between wickets, amassing 16 runs in round eight, including two fours.

Luke Loughman

A great addition to the team, with regular and consistent contributions with both bat and ball. Luke's bowling improved as he began to use a consistent run up and his height to generate good pace and bounce as a new ball specialist. Batting highlights included an innings with two fours, 10 runs and without the loss of his wicket in round four.

Chase McLennan

Chase's bowling improved throughout the season regularly taking wickets all of which were enthusiastically celebrated. Always busy at the crease and eager for the run Chase's batting highlight came later in the season with a 10-run haul without loss in our season return in January 2017. His all-round cricket skills improved significantly over the season making Chase a highly valued teammate.

Sam McWhinney

Our Mr. Reliable with the ball, Sam could always be counted on to contain batsman and with outstanding line and length bowling deserved to take more wickets. His consistent run up and effortless action means Sam has a lot of potential to bowl faster in the next few years. With nice hands through the ball Sam's 11 run solo effort without losing his wicket was a stand out for his season.

Matthew Melville

Another great season from Matthew excelling at different times with bat, ball and in the field. A feature of which was his rocket arm from the deep which caught many an opposition player short of their ground. His top score in round eight of 15 runs included a massive six! His natural talent, intense focus and passion for playing the game with his mates means Matthew will have many, many more great seasons.

Liam Morony

Liam was a different cricketer this year. His renewed confidence showed in his batting and his bowling really developed with a new faster action on show. A regular opener, Liam ensured our innings consistently started well, led by fantastic front foot attack and defence, always with a high elbow and head over the ball. A top score of 13 runs in round seven was an innings to watch as our usually steady Liam cut loose.

Noah Pitkin

Definitely our most improved bowler. Building on well set foundations from last season, Noah regularly bowled fast and accurately and was duly rewarded with plenty of stump rattling wickets. Athletic in the field, he took some great catches throughout the season and one was one of our most consistent contributors with the bat.

Thomas Stoddart

An exciting off season signing bringing some sound cricketing skill to the side. A feature of Tom's season was his focus on his bowling, smoothing his run through the crease and releasing at the top of his action. Expect to see Tom

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bring some real bowling heat in season 17/18. No slouch with the bat, Tom's best knock was in round five of 10 runs, including a four, without losing his wicket.

Max Thompson

Just like last year Max was always in the game. His all-round cricket skills continued with his bowling being especially strong as he learned to vary his line and length more and as a result was rarely dominated by opposition batsman. The season highlight was a memorable batting innings in the 6th round where Maxy smashed five fours – a real run fest!

Arlo Thompson

A leg spin bowler of great potential. While most are trying to bowl as fast as they can, Arlo "The Sheik of Tweak" Thompson focused on bowling some great leg spin spells, using his flight and bounce to deceive batsman. And it seems lessons were not learned in season 15/16, you do not give Arlo a chance to run you out. He's deceptively quick across the ground and he rarely misses the stumps when a run-out is on.

none. We definitely need a team song for Archie to lead in season 17/18!

Awards

Batting Award: Matthew Melville Bowling Award: Max Thompson Sports Person Award: Liam Morony. The quiet achiever of the team and proof that if you listen, learn and then apply yourself diligently at training you will become a much better cricketer over the summer. Liam's work ethic is unrivalled and his batting, best exemplified by a rock-solid defence, and bowling, mastering the art of the leg cutter by seasons end, are two examples of why Liam is most deserving of our Sports Person Award this year – well done Liam.

A most enjoyable season for me personally as coach of this great group of boys and I look forward to next season and the exciting move up from average cricket. And boys remember, you all still need to tidy your rooms as payment for the parents winning the last Parents v Kids fielding challenge of the season. Cheers, Condo

Andrew Condon Coach - U10 Red

Archie Truscott

Just like last season Archie always had an encouraging word for his team mates especially when we were in the field. A diligent cricketer with bat and ball and always up for a post-wicket celebration, especially after he took a couple of skiers in the same match at Kitchener Park (the look on his face on the first one was priceless). Archie's enthusiasm and esprit de corps is second to



Under 10 Green

Firstly on behalf of Michael and myself I would just like to thank all the boys for a terrific year of cricket. Well done each and every one of you for your tireless efforts. At the beginning of the year we started off with several groups of boys that a few short months later had transformed into a pretty awesome cricket team.

A huge thank you to Michael (Super Coach) for his momentous task in helping this team come together and for instilling his cricketing knowledge each and every week upon the boys. Next a big thank you to all the parents who turn up week after week to training, to the games and for each of you doing your part, from warming up the batters to lending a helping hand in training.

By the end of this year we will have hopefully all formed lasting friendships, both the boys and the parents. Next season is a big change for the boys with a lot more "normal" cricket rules coming into play, I hope they are all up to the challenge and will return next year with the same vigor and enthusiasm they have demonstrated through this year.

So let me finish up by offering a round of applause to you all, Michael, the parents but most of all the boys and hope you all enjoyed it as much as I did and will keep the memories for years to come.

Jason Taylor (Manager)

Keegan Webb

Keegan unfortunately missed a few weeks through injury, but was very consistent throughout the season. He never took a step backward when batting and was one of our best wicket keepers. His enthusiasm and sportsmanship were always of the highest order and an inspiration to the team.

Dylan Nixon

Dylan quietly compiled a heap of runs and wickets throughout the season. He scored freely all summer and his bowling became very accurate, picking up quite a few wickets in the second half of the season, often when we needed them most.

Michael Roache

Michael also missed a few weeks through injury but he trained hard and showed plenty of commitment during all matches. His sportsmanship and teamwork were strong and he contributed well with the bat and ball.

Hugo Gaudry

Hugo's batting improved a lot this season and he often scored quite a few runs and he ran well. His bowling was also very accurate. Mr Cricket had a great season, all round.

Myles Nockolds

Myles' bowling is always great to watch and his contribution to wicket taking was very strong. He also batted and fielded strongly and kept the team morale very high.

Owen Moulds

Owen's commitment to the team was again, very high. His bowling was very accurate and often kept the scoring to a minimum. Rock solid defence and loud calling when batting and some good run outs were great to watch.

Stefan Barnard

Stefan is a great all-rounder and was (Continued on page 52)

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our strongest fielder. He took some unbelievable catches, at critical times. He also scored quite a few runs and was lightning quick between the wickets.

Jack Britton

Jack B hit strongly, bowled fast and accurate and made his presence felt in every match he played. A great team player, he often scored our runs or took our wickets when they were needed.

Aiden Wyse

Aiden was one of our most consistent players over the summer and often cranked the ball to the boundary. He was also very solid behind the stumps and in the field, keeping the run rate down.

Jack Evans

Always full of enthusiasm, Jack E provided great inspiration to the team. He batted very consistently, moved freely when fielding and took 3 wickets in a match, mid-season. He didn't miss a

game either.

Flynn Taylor

Flynn was another one of our big hitters and scored a heap of runs throughout the season. His bowling also worried quite a few batters and he was sharp in the field too, taking some great catches.

Danny Thompson

Another quiet achiever in the team, Danny scored a lot of runs during the season. Always very determined and showing full concentration, he had a great season and was a pleasure to coach.

Harry Lyons

Harry played the first half of the season and took a number of wickets in that time. He always exhibited full concentration and guarded his wicket carefully.

Batting Award: Flynn Taylor **Bowling Award**: Myles Nockolds **Sportsperson Award**: Danny

Thompson



Coach: Michael Moulds Manager: Jason Tylor

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Under 10 Black

What a fantastic season for the mighty Blacks! We had a number of players who hadn't played cricket before and to finish third on the ladder is a fantastic achievement and reflection on everyone's enthusiasm and skill. On any day, the Black's were as good as any in the comp, and to have coaches from other teams comment about the skill and sportsmanship of the team is something you all should be proud of. Some of the games we lost were by the smallest margin; I think one game was lost by 0.25 and another by 0.5!

I set out the season with a few goals for the team; to display sportsmanship, be a better player at the end of the season and to enjoy their cricket. Every player was competitive and loved nothing better than winning a game but was also respectful of each other and the opposition. Even a few guestionable umpiring decisions were accepted in the spirit of the game, which is a credit to the team. I can honestly say every player improved throughout the season through listening and putting into practice what they learnt in the nets. One of the perks as coach was being on the field with the team and listening to the chat that went on. I know they enjoyed their cricket and playing with each other and Santa was busy at Christmas by the amount of new cricket gear that turned up after the holidays.

One of the most pleasing things was the inclusiveness and encouragement of each other. They played as a team and all got on so well with each other. Each player made an even contribution to how well the team went, and there were some great skills on display.

Thank you to all the parents and fami-

lies for support and encouragement of all the players in the team each week which no doubt made them want to play at their best. Special thanks to our manager extraordinaire Andy for keeping the team pointed in the right direction through the season. Thanks also to Stuart Sang and Nigel Watts for scoring and Pete Karcher for standing in as coach.

Each player had many personal achievements they should look back on with pride. Congratulations on a great season.

Moutisim

The twins love their cricket and are always enthusiastic whether it be bowling, batting or fielding. Mouti bowled consistently well all year and we could always count on him for at least one wicket in his first over every match he played. Mouti was one of our wicket keepers who had a safe pair of hands behind the stumps. Mouti always concentrated when batting and focused on his shots which saw him bat well throughout the season and was extremely difficult to get out.

Zulfiqar

Zulfi had a fantastic year which saw him improve with every game. Always smiling, Zulfi consistently troubled the opposition batsmen with fast pace and good length which made him very hard to play and he took some great wickets throughout the season. Zulfi's batting improved greatly throughout the season and he always concentrated fully when batting and worked on his technique to play some terrific shots. The boys are all rounders who will continue to improve the more they play.

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Lily

Lily was a first time cricket player who loves the game. Not only did she play with the Black's on a Saturday morning, she backed up on a Saturday afternoon with the Wakehurst u/13 girls team as well as school trials. Lily was extremely difficult to get out when she batted and by the end of the season was playing really good shots leading to runs. Lily concentrated hard when bowling and was rewarded with a number of wickets. Always thinking and

watching the batsman. she looked always for stumping batsman the while she bowled and off pulled great run out in one of the early games to win the match in the last over.



Billy has been a determined and focused player all year with boundless energy and frighteningly quick in the field. Billy has a great eye and throwing arm and would get the ball back into the stumps before the batter even thought about running. Billy is a determined bowler and has developed a fast bowl with a great action and when he got into full swing he would get at least one wicket each over and very unlucky not to take a lot more. Billy batted consistently well during the season and loved testing the fielding

side by pushing quick sneaky singles, even on balls where it looked like a run wasn't possible.



Caitlin

Caitlin had a great season and was easy to coach as

she always listened and put in to practice what she had learnt. Using her height to full advantage Caitlin developed an outstanding bowling technique which always troubled the opposition batters. She really thought about her bowling and would change between over and around the wicket when she thought she would get the best results. Caitlin has a great batting technique, and when she got her eye pulled off some great shots. Caitlin also played on a Saturday afternoon in the u/13 girls comp.

Dejan

Dej is the 'Warnie' of the team who improved throughout the season. Dej has a great quick bowling action but loved to confuse and fluster the batsman by changing to spin halfway through an over. In the field, Dej loved chasing the ball and threw himself around trying to take a catch or stop runs. Dej kept the opposition fielders on their toes when batting as he was always looking for the quick singles and pushing the run count along. That said, Dej loved hitting massive fours around the field and in one innings, Dej batted with Luke to have the highest run total in an innings with a combined total of 39 with no outs.

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Noah

A listener who was always willing to take advice and improved his entire game throughout the season. was super sharp in the field pulling off the catch of the year and well as an extremely accurate arm getting the ball back to the stumps. Noah's determination should be admired and congratulated after having a couple of weeks where he thought his bowling wasn't as good as it could be, he worked really hard in the nets at training and slightly changed his action to become one of the most accurate bowlers in the team. Noah always concentrated when batting and frustrated many opposition bowlers as he was so difficult to get out.

Ashleigh

Ashleigh is a passionate cricketer who loves the game and always put in a full effort in whatever she did. Ashleigh loved bowling around the wicket to trouble the opposition batsmen and took a number of wickets during the season. Ash has a great batting technique and is very focussed, pulling off some great shots throughout the year including a large numbers of fours. She made the most of each innings and was constantly looking for runs off every ball. Ashleigh was one of our wicket keepers this year and was extremely safe behind the stumps with a great set of hands. Ash also played in the U/13 girls comp on Saturday afternoon.

Cody

Cody improved throughout the season but especially bowling which saw him develop lightning pace that was rarely off the stumps and saw him rewarded with a number of wickets. Later in the season Cody managed to get the ball to swing at the batsman which made it extremely difficult for the opposition to score runs off his bowling. Cody is another with an accurate arm which saw a number of run outs from his throws at the stumps. Another player who was solid with the bat, Cody was extremely hard for the opposition to get out and towards the end of the season started pushing quick singles with his aggressive running.

Jack

A quiet achiever who really came into his own with his fast bowling and fantastic batting technique becoming a great all rounder for the team. Jack played his cricket in a very controlled fashion which was beneficial and calming for the team. Jack's bowling was consistent throughout the season and was hard for the opposition batters to make any progress. Jack was a speed merchant in the field and quick to chase down any balls that came his way. He developed in to a very solid batsman and is another who focused on his batting technique which has given him a great foundation for next season.

Ben

The zip zip man of the team. Ben is a ball of energy and was everywhere in the field chasing everything down and backing everyone up which saved us runs. Ben has an accurate eye and loved nothing better than running opposition batters out. Ben is a quick, accurate and determined bowler with a great action which saw him take many wickets throughout the seasons and unlucky not to take more. His lightning pace always troubled the batters, and his bowls were rarely off the

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stumps which made it difficult for the other team to score runs off him. Ben showed great form with the bat and his speed saw him grab a number of double runs throughout the season.

Andrew

Another first time cricket player who loves the game, Andrew has improved with every game and always put into practice what he had learnt and was a pleasure to coach. Andrew uses an unorthodox bowling technique which saw him get a number of wickets during the season and it was fantastic to see him develop and improve. Andrew has focussed on the technical aspects of batting to become one of the safest batters of the team who was very hard for the opposition to get out. I have no doubt Andrew will continue to improve the more he plays to become a great all round cricketer.

Luke

The player with the cheekiest grin, you never knew what you were going to get when Luke played but you didn't want to miss the action. Luke is a great team player who loved nothing better than belting the cover off the ball when batting and when he got into full swing pulled off some massive shots included sixes. He is a fast bowler who threw down lightning bolts each ball and the opposition didn't like facing. Luke always showed great sportsmanship throughout the season, played in the spirit of the game and always encouraged and congratulated his teammates.

The team awards this season go to: Batting award: Ashleigh Karcher Bowling award: Ben Postma Sportsperson award: Luke Watts

Thank you again to all the players and families. I have really enjoyed coaching the Black's and getting to know everyone and their families. I hope to see everyone out in the middle next season.

Darrin





Under 11 Red

After a relatively slow start to the season the Under 11 Division 1 Red team got their act together and played some great cricket leading into the semifinals. Our quest to win back to back titles was dealt a blow by the weather at the seasons end as we lost the opportunity to play off in the final. However the core of the team, along with 3 boys from the Green Div 1 team, did succeed in winning the mid-week Under 11 Div 1 T20 Manly mini bash 04 title defeating a very strong Forest side in the final in a tight match.

This season was the first taste of traditional cricket for all the boys and they all acquitted themselves very well. The roles played by the boys evolved during the season as we found our rhythm as a team. The boys are all good mates on and off the field which as the season went on reflected in a positive way in their performances and the overall team results. All the boys improved out of sight as the year went on which was really pleasing to see.

It was great to have such a caring group of parents encouraging the boys from the boundary during the season and chipping in to calm down some of the boys when things didn't quite go our way. A special thanks to Karen Youle for doing a fantastic job as the



team manager and keeping us all grounded. Thanks also to Werner Rademan for regularly helping out with training, Niranjan Holla for his faultless scoring in the regular season and to Jennifer and Werner Rademan for scoring in the T20 mini bash.

In summary the U11 Division 1 Reds were part of a 14 strong team competition with most games played being against strong opponents and tightly contested, we played 12 games, won 9 and lost 3, finishing 3rd on the table before the rain intervened with only 1 week of the final series resulting in play and a further drawn game. In the T20 mini bash the team played 5 games, won 4 including the final and lost 1. There is tremendous potential in this team for next season if they can stay focused and continue to work on their skills.

Jamie Anderson

Jamie A brought plenty of positive energy to the team. He truly did play as an all-rounder including being an effective wicket-keeper when required. Jamie scored 64 runs in the regular season at an average of 13. He also bowled some great overs of outswing pace during the season taking 4 wickets but deserved to take more. Iamie was one of our best fielders taking some key catches and being involved in several run outs. When given the opportunity he set the tone for the team with his aggressive running between the wickets with bat in hand. His outright speed and energy meant he was always creating chances in the field and setting a benchmark for the rest of the team.

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Bob Moran

This was Bob's second season of cricket and whilst he did not get many opportunities with the bat he still contributed in a big way to the team. He was always positive on the field and happy to help the team even if that meant fielding at fine leg for periods of time. Bob was our most under-rated bowler and often bowled early in the innings taking 5 wickets for the season at an average of 15. He bowled a couple of great economical spells at key times which went a long way to helping win matches. Bob's easy going nature made him a pleasure to coach and very popular amongst the team.

Ryan McWilliams

Ryan's promising season was cruelled by injury meaning he was only able to play in 7 games. The team missed his busy style of cricket and his contributions with both bat and ball, not to mention his quick wit in the field. He took 4 wickets at an average of 12 and bowled some very economical spells. Ryan also scored 41 runs for the season with the bat at an average of 10 with most of his runs coming from hard hit boundaries. He also enjoyed a couple of stints as wicket keeper taking some great catches. Ryan loves his cricket and we look forward to getting him back fit and healthy next season.

Thomas Chappelow

Thomas was another true all-rounder in the team who loved being out in the field and always keen to be in the thick of the action. Thomas showed his commitment when he was struck on the face going for a caught and bowled off a rifled straight drive, returning to the game after going to hospital with a

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Thomas scored 110 runs off the bat, including 15 boundaries and 1 six, at an average of 22 with one exceptional innings of 45 not out in the last regular game which went a long way to getting the team into the playoffs. He also took 9 wickets at a team best strike rate of 22 balls per wicket taken. Thomas also enjoyed keeping and contributed with several catches and run out assists in the field. The T20 mini

bash was a perfect format for Thomas as he loved the pace of the game and using his speed and agility in the field. In this format he contributed with both bat and ball scoring 57 runs in total and taking 2 wickets.

Eshaan Holla

Eshaan continued to develop as a bowler

opting to focus on his spin bowling this season giving the team the "Spin Twins". He worked hard at training perfecting his action and concentrating on bowling consistent line and length and extracting good bounce from the wicket. All the hard work paid off as he bowled several exceptional spells during the season tying the batsmen up in knots. Eshaan was our equal leading wicket taker for the regular season with 10 wickets at an average of 19 and an economy rate of 4.4 runs per over. He did not get many opportunities with the bat however when reguired he batted well with a top score of 10. Eshaan was another one of our players who loved the T20 mini bash

format taking 5 wickets and contributing with a memorable catch and run out assist in the final.

Sauray Holla

Saurav relinquished his title of the "Spin King" to become one of the "Spin Twins". He bowled with great accuracy and was one of our most economical bowlers for the season. Whilst not able to extract the same bounce and turn as his brother Eshaan, Saurav made up for this with his consistent line, rarely bowling on or outside the leg stump.

He took 6 wickets for the season at an average of 16 and an economy rate of 3 runs per over, very tight bowling for a spinner! Saurav also only had a small number of opportunities with the bat, the highlight being a well constructed top score of 11

which included a couple of nice boundaries. Saurav also worked hard on his fielding efforts and showed good improvement in this part of his game. He also enjoyed bowling in the T20 mini bash tournament being our highest wicket taker with 6 well deserved wickets from some wily spin bowling.

Nick Layton

Nick had another excellent season and was recognised by the rest of the boys for his sportsmanship. His calm, friendly manner and willingness to put the team first was a great asset to the team culture. He stepped up to be our main wicket keeper and had an excep-(Continued on page 58)

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tional season with the gloves, being involved in 20 dismissals for the season including a couple of memorable game changing catches. Nick also had 6 dismissals (4 catches and 2 run-out assists) in one innings of a T20 match. He scored 63 runs for the season with the bat with a highest score of 19 and averaged 9. Nick's bowling opportunities were limited as he did such a great job with the gloves however he did manage to snare 1 wicket. He also contributed with the bat in the T20 mini bash and was outstanding with the gloves in the final.

Freddy Youle

Freddy had a break-out season with the bat, taking on the opening position

on a regular basis, often getting the team off to a good start and taking the pressure off the other batsmen in the team. He was a pleasure to coach and always willing to learn and improve his technique. Freddy scored 209 runs off the bat at an average of 30 with a top score of 42 not out and hit 32 boundaries. He scored 25 or more runs 5 times during the season. Freddy also partnered Carlo in an undefeated 103 run opening stand scored in 15 overs in a 30 over game. He also took 3 wickets at an average of 24 and made the fielding position of point his own taking several excellent catches and contributing with a direct hit run-out early in the season. In the T20 mini bash format Freddy scored 51 runs at an average of 17 and also took 2 well de-



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served wickets from his medium pace bowling.

Nicholas Rademan

Nicholas was a new addition to the team this year and had an immediate impact with his energy and enthusiasm for the game. He was warmly welcomed by the rest of the team and became an integral part of the bowling attack along with some important middle order batting contributions to help win games. Nicholas was regularly opened the bowling and had a very successful season taking an equal team high 10 wickets at an average of 17.5 and an economy rate of 3.8 runs per over. He bowled some very good spells of swing and seam bowling during the course of the season and is also working on his spin bowling. Nicholas scored 66 runs off the bat at an average of 16.5 including a highest score of 23 not out. He also regularly contributed in the field including several good catches at key times in games. Nicholas also excelled in the T20 mini bash format taking 5 wickets and scoring 33 runs at an average of 16.5. He was awarded the player of the match in the final for his excellent all-round performance.

Oliver Allesch

Ollie is the type of player who wears his heart on his sleeve and always gave 100% for the team. Some of his fielding efforts in the deep were sensational. He made some impressive improvements to his batting during the season scoring 75 runs at the healthy average of 25 and a top score of 23 not out. He became the rock of the batting line up only being dismissed 3 times during the season contributing to a couple of

game-winning middle order partnerships. Ollie also bowled some fast and accurate spells during the season and ended up taking 7 wickets at an average of 15.7 and an excellent economy rate of 3.1 runs per over. He was a good talker in the field and often urged the team to improve their efforts and focus on getting the next wicket and was one of our best fielders especially with run out attempts. Ollie also produces some good team cricket in the T20 mini bash with both bat and ball.

Liam Howells

Liam was also new to the team this year and was also warmly welcomed by the other boys. He was pleasure to coach and worked very hard on his game all season. His bowling and fielding improved out of sight and he was a great talker on the field always chipping in to raise the spirits of team members. Liam scored 23 hard earned runs with the bat and always gave his best. He bowled some great spells taking 4 wickets at an average of 22 and an economy rate of 5.2 runs per over. He was very athletic in the field and enjoyed roaming the boundary cutting off boundaries. Liam also enjoyed the T20 mini bash competition chipping in with 2 wickets and executing some very impressive fielding including one great catch when fielding at gully.

Carlo Zanella

Carlo (also known an Carlos Braithwaite) had another outstanding season in all facets of the game. When focused he is pivotal to the team doing well with his all-round performances providing positive energy to all the other boys. He led from the front with his batting scoring 240 runs at an aver-

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age of 34.2, hitting 35 fours and 2 sixes, with a highest score of 47 not out and scoring 25 or more runs in an innings 4 times. Carlo often applied himself to play more controlled innings to help the team out of difficult situations which was pleasing to see He partnered Freddy in an undefeated 103 run opening stand scored in 15 overs in a 30 over one day game. He was our equal leading wicket taker for the regular season taking 10 wickets at the excellent average of 11 runs per wicket and very impressive economy rate of 2.5 runs per over, regularly bowling very tight and economical spells. Carlo was also one of our best fieldsmen always looking for a run-out opportunity and being involved in a number of run out assists and taking several key catches. He also excelled in the T20 mini bash format scoring 100 runs at an average of 25 and taking 4 wickets, also being awarded an Encouragement Award in the final.

Thanks also to Ben Youle (Freddy's younger brother) for helping out towards the end of the season when we were short on numbers. Loved your work with the ball (2 key wickets) and in the field!

The team awards this year went to: **Batting award**: Freddy Youle **Bowling award**: Carlo Zanella **Sportsman award**: Nick Layton

Thanks again to all the boys for putting in such a big effort all season and also to all the parents for their contribution each week. It was rewarding as a coach to see all the boys demonstrate a high level of commitment to the team and play some really good cricket.

Laurie Zanella. Coach



Under 11 Green

The boys embraced playing traditional cricket for the first time, but the changing match formats proved challenging, with best performances in the 2-day format.

Overall skill levels continued to improve, with many emerging as true all-rounders. The season saw many solid wins, and most of the boys had a signature batting innings with many forced retirements. Wickets were a little harder to come by, and there were a few too many close losses, mostly due to high sundry totals.

The boys can be extremely proud of the sportsmanship showed by the team, which was often acknowledged by opposing parents and players. Well done!

Team performances

Joshua Ashley: "Mr 47 not". Josh had a sensational season with the bat, starting with a first ball 6 to open his account. Amazingly he scored back to back 47 retired not out's. His aggregate 237 runs came at an average of 33.86, and 70% of his runs were boundaries including 3 sixes. We do believe he has retired from keeping to focus on his wrist spin.

Llewyn Bourke: "Mr Determination". As new player to the team Llew quickly became popular with his team mates. His first innings of the year showed that he is a gritty defensive batsman. Llew predominantly featured as a bowler who, throughout the season, bowled with determination but without luck. His bowling technique improved with momentum through the crease.

Joshua Challoner: "BP". The Quiet Achiever, for the second year running. Josh he had another impressive season with the ball, with 11 wickets at 11.5 and best figures of 4/1. His steely demeanour at the crease resulted in many not outs, a season total of 93 runs and an average of 31. Josh will make an impressive all-rounder with improved catching.

Tom Cole: "Mr Focussed.... I'll get there". Tom was challenged with some early season run-outs, but managed to post a solid 92 runs at an average of 23. Tom bowls with swing and pace, and was unlucky to only take 4 wickets, with many balls just missing the stumps (he has volunteered to varnish the stumps next season). To complete his allrounder status, Tom takes the team award for best catch of the year, positioned at point.

Ashton Ellery: "Mr 110%". Ash is a challenging batsmen and accurate bowler. He was unlucky to not grab a bag of wickets, or have a large score this season. Highlight of the season was a quick fire 14 to win a low scoring match in the second last over.

Matt Herman: "The Hitter". Matt was in the team's top 3 boundary hitters and hit the only other 6 for the team. His aggregate 85 runs were mostly boundaries. Matt's bowling continues to improve; every second over was a maiden.

Oliver McCracken: "The Slinger.... revisited". Another good season with the ball, with 6 wickets at an average of 15. Olly was rewarded with second best team figures of 3/15. Unlucky with the bat early in the season, he improved in

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the second half and managed a high score of 39 when he employed the horizontal bat.

Saxon Sarkies: "Mr Relaxed". Saxon followed up last season's excellent bowling performance with 8 wickets at an average of 14 (just pipped for the bowling award). Match formats and poor arithmetic by the coach limited his batting, however, another good allrounder with a season high score of 29.

Jeremy Scarf: "Mr Technical....revisited" Jeremey cherished his wicket and only had 3 dismissals, scoring a total of 156 runs at an average 52, and the team's highest individual score of 57 not out. Bowling was fast and furious, but did not get much reward, with 6 wickets at an average of 16.5.

Dylan Vlatko: "No 'I' in Team". Dylan

showed true team spirit by supporting his team, even when a prolonged injury kept him away from play for several weeks. The injury to his left arm and hand inhibited him from showing his best bowling form, and match formats limited his batting time. He did show another all-round talent with a high score of 36 not out.

Lachlan Winlaw: "The Improver". Lachie was new to the team this year and added to the left arm bowling stocks. Initially seen as a bowler, he later hit his straps with the bat and scored a high score of 27. The team may have found a new wicky.

Congratulations to Dylan and Jeremey for selection in the Under 11 MWJCA Representative team.

Season Awards:

Batting: Jeremy Scarf Bowling: Joshua Challoner Sportsperson: Dylan Vlatko



Under 11 Black

Congratulations to the Under 11 Division 1 Wakehurst Black team who put on a great fight as brand new division 1 cricket team. This was a tough assignment with the transition to traditional cricket but the team stepped up against some high quality opposition over the course of the season. Though most of the boys were new to "proper" cricket they showed a lot of spirit, enthusiasm and team encouragement both on and off the field, and kept their heads and spirits high when "out was out".

Training at times may have been a bit fragmented and hectic, but the boy's all focused on the game once they were on the field. As the season progressed they picked up a lot from the opposition teams around game play, fielding placements and on-field encouragement and celebrations of success. Training mainly focused on the basics of batting, bowling, fielding, catching, with regular games out in the middle.

Thanks to the support of all the parents in helping the season run smoothly with special thanks to Annemarie for doing a fantastic job as team manager, and to Chris for scoring many of the games with help from Sarah & Loretta early on. It was great to have all the parents involved on a weekly basis and providing support and encouragement to the boys during the games. I believe it really helped the boys. Thanks also to all the parents that came regularly to help with training.

In summary the U11 Division 1 Black played 13 games, won 1, drew 3 (due to rain), but put in their best efforts across all the games. The focus was to

perform as a team and it was pleasing to see a consistent contribution and participation to the team from all the boys. It was important that they enjoyed each game through their individual performances and had fun at the right times. Each of the boys made important contributions to the team in many ways. It was a shame that 3 of the last 4 games were washed out, the boys were keen to finish the season with a few more team points and to refine their skills.

Sam Arcus

Played 13 Games, Scored 40 Runs, High Score 11, Took 6 Wickets, Best Bowling 4/14, Not Out 1 Game.

A great team player, Sam proved very capable with the ball and was our highest wicket-taker for the season taking 6 wickets with a best of 4/14. He backed this up with some dependable batting and was always ready in the field taking two excellent catches.

Jasper Barlow

Played 13 Games, Scored 66 Runs, High Score 16 (not out), Took 3 Wickets, Best Bowling 1/7, Not Out 4 Games.

Jasper proved he can stick around with the bat in times of need, shown by being not out over 4 games, scoring carefully with consistent and much needed runs. Jasper also possessed a safe pair of hands in the field taking 4 catches and being instrumental in two runouts.

Matthew Bassett

Played 11 Games, Scored 106 Runs, High Score 29, Took 2 Wickets, Best Bowling 2/8, Not Out 2 Games.

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Matthew was one of the teams' top scorers, and a great opening batsman who would eagerly take the bat to the opposition for some quick runs with plenty of boundaries. Matthew also showed great skills with a few solid sessions behind the wickets as keeper.

Oliver Beck

Played 11 Games, Scored 103 Runs, High Score 23, Took 5 Wickets, Best Bowling 2/23, Not Out 4 Games.

Oliver was one of the quiet achievers in the team and played his cricket in a very controlled fashion. He bowled with a consistent steady rhythm all season, taking 5 wickets overall. He also contributed with the bat scoring over 100 runs, making a great all-rounder.

Rvan Crabtree

Played 13 Games, Scored 44 Runs, High Score 24, Took 1 Wickets, Best Bowling 1/8, Not Out 1 Game

Ryan brought a lot of enthusiasm to all he did on and off the field. He was a consistent contributor with both bat and ball and particularly enjoyed wicket keeping. Ryan's batting improved markedly during the season as he worked on his strokes and technique.

Will Hamilton

Played 12 Games, Scored 20 Runs, High Score 8, Took 0 Wickets, Best Bowling 0/7, Not Out 2 Games

An enthusiastic team player with a great attitude, Will was always on his toes out in the field and took some great catches. Will saw a significant improvement in all aspects of his

cricket as the season progressed.

Dylan Nockolds

Played 12 Games, Scored 115 Runs, High Score 22, Took 1 Wickets, Best Bowling 1/7, Not Out 2 Games

Dylan had a great season with the bat with many steady innings and was our top scorer for the season. Dylan is a very capable all-rounder and a well-liked team member. He also proved himself to be an economical bowler using a combination of spin and pace to keep the opposition on their toes.

Joshua Pryor

Played 13 Games, Scored 35 Runs, High Score 8, Took 3 Wickets, Best Bowling 1/9, Not Out 2 Games

Joshua also proved he can be dependable with the bat in times of need. Many times the team fell away as he anchored the innings at the other end. Joshua could also keep the opposition runs to a minimum with some great bowling. Joshua and Jasper made a great batting pair.

Austin Stapleton

Played 13 Games, Scored 72 Runs, High Score 16, Took 2 Wickets, Best Bowling 1/17, Not Out 2 Games

Austin proved a capable opening batsman, especially when paired with Matthew, the two took to the opposition bowlers with confidence. Austin also provided solid wicket keeping on many occasions and proved a safe pair of hands out in the field.

Hamish Wallace

Played 13 Games, Score 87 Runs, High Score 23, Took 3 Wickets, Best Bowling

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1/10, Not Out 4 Games

Hamish was a team member who excelled on the field as well as with the bat and ball. He was always in the thick of the action pulling off some great catches which gave the team a great lift. A dependable bowler, Hamish would also help keep the opposition totals down with good lines and length.

Cooper Wigney

Played 13 Games, Score 4 Runs, High Score 1, Took 2 Wickets, Best Bowling 1/13, Not Out 2 Games

In his first season of Division 1 cricket Cooper has come on in leaps and bounds with his bowling this season. Bowling off a longer run-up has given Cooper better speed and this helped increased his accuracy. Cooper also has a solid safe set of hands in the field taking two great catches. With continued improvement, Cooper should get better rewarded next season as his skills improve.

The team standouts this year are:

Batting: Dylan Nockolds Bowling: Sam Arcus Sportsmanship: Oliver Beck

Thanks again to all the boys and their families. I really enjoyed the experience of coaching the team and hope to see them back for another great season with the Wakehurst Redbacks next year..

Clayton Crabtree Coach



Under 11 White

The U11 Div 2 Whites started the season with a mixed squad of 12 energetic players that included a few star performers and some first timers. We ranged from 6 to 10 years of age and various skill levels. We trained each week on batting in the nets and bowling as straight as possible without the temptation to bowl the occasional spinner. This year as with the last was all about teaching the correct techniques and encouraging them to apply them consistently. We spent a lot of time on running between wickets as we seemed to lack judgment and communication when batting in our pairs. We also tried to concentrate on our line and length when bowling as for the

first time all the players were expected to bowl a full length pitch.

It was encouraging to see all players contribute to the best of their ability and enjoy playing cricket with their mates which is what it is all

about at this level. We could see a noticeable increase in the skill level we obtained at the end of the year and should help launch the players into the next year's competition with no more average cricket.

We would like to once again thank all the parents for their support during the year and efforts to get their players to training on a weekly basis as we feel this greatly improved the boy's skill level and it showed on the field as the season progressed. We would like to especially thank Lien and Rob for stepping up and providing the teams the most support with scoring and training.

Jake Haves

Jake was a very handy batsman and improved consistently with his bowling over the year claiming quite a few scalps. He was a strength in the field and threw down the stumps frequently. He loves his cricket and should go well in the future.

Sebastian Lahm

Seb was always enthusiastic and keen to get a piece of wicket keeping even though I tell him each week I need him to bowl. His batting is showing visible improvement with good technique and

> should improve as he grows with the sport. Seb was a consistent top scorer for our team this year. He looks forward to playing cricket each week and has a big future.

Callum Skinner

Callum had a solid

year in all aspects of the game. Always a reliable performer with the bat and ball and is a great team player. He proved very handy behind the stumps and was up for any task you set him. A pleasure to coach.

Rama Chadda-Harmer

Rama's bowling particularly improved this season as his bowling found more accuracy and troubled more batsmen at the crease. He is a solid batsman

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Ethan Potts

Ethan applied himself to the game well as the season progressed and showed marked improvements in his bowling and batting. He enjoyed playing with his mates and showed a lot of enthusiasm towards training and on Saturdays. He should trouble the scorers with his cricket skills in the future.

Jonathon Fyfe

Jonny showed big improvements notably with the bat this year. His bowling should improve greatly as he spends more time in the game. We expect him to trouble the scorers with some big hitting in the future when he opens those shoulders up and gets full contact with the bat.



Tom Poole

Tom's was a handy player with the ball and the bat. He has improved greatly over the season and will be a gun allrounder if he concentrates and continues to progress.

Bayley Poole

Bailey, one of our youngest players this year, may be small in stature but is a talented player with great potential for the game. He has a good bowling arm that troubled many batsmen this year. Bailey was one of the top wicket takers this year and if he continues to apply himself to the game will develop into a great all-round player.

Henry Davis

Henry showed great enthusiasm to the game often engaging in some good banter behind the stumps as our relief keeper. He loved to rotate the strike some times at his and his partner's peril. He had a great season and has a great future in the game as he matures.

Kai Chew

Kai was very enthusiastic and has further developed his unique bowling style into a handy leg spin at times. He was a pleasure to coach and we hope he continues to improve.

Ashton Touw

Ashton's bowling improves year by year. When it counted Ashton's bowling proved very challenging to many batsmen and was one of the top wicket takers this year. He always put his heart into training and enjoys his cricket with his mates.

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Fin Davison

Fin continued his role as one of our better wicket keepers this year and was also a big improver with his bowling. He always shows great team spirit and continually encourages his team members to perform better. His batting showed great improvement and contributed well to his battings pairs scores.

We look forward to a strong off season of training with their Dads ready for a cracker of a season in 2017-18.

Bowling - Ashton Touw Batting - Sebastian Lahm Sportsman - Callum Skinner



Under 11 Orange

The Oranges team was very similar to the 2015/16 Oranges and that really helped. There were some welcome new faces too and a new Manager in Ben Rourke. As always there was a lot of help provided by the dads and mums which Ben and myself really appreciated. We had a couple of good wins and towards the end of the season it all started to come together with only the rain halting our charge up the competition table. The 2016/17 Oranges continued to build on their solid previous season with the number of 'extras' given reducing and some really handy batting partnerships forming. The improved running between the wickets was a real highlight.

Chris New

Our star opening bat played for the first half of the season before accepting a lucrative offer to pad up for a rival team! Chris had to leave due to school sport commitments and he left a big gap in the top order. His steady form and cool head were missed. As was his enthusiasm and handy medium pacers. There'll always be a place for Chris in the Oranges if he wants to come back to the bush leagues!

Will Gordon

Will was again very good with the bat and much improved with the ball. He lost his opening partner Chris but soldiered on to have some great knocks with the bat. His bowling really improved and he took a number of wickets – drawing the opposition batsmen into playing risky shots. Showing



real signs of a developing cricket mind.' C'mon let's go' for season 2017/18!

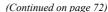
Bailey Rusten

Bailey showed that defending well and picking your shots is the way to really help the team. He was like a wall at the crease, frustrating the bowlers. He and Matt formed a great partnership. His bowling was dependable as ever with lots of straight low deliveries causing headaches. Well done on some big improvements this season Bailey! With your dad teaching you to bowl you'll be knocking middle stumps out in no time!

Matthew Bull

Matthew was a first time cricketer who by the end of the season was a solid

bat and bowl. What really pleased me about Matt was his enthusiasm at training. He was always the one trying his best and encouraging others to do so too. I hope he continues his cricket journey and keeps practicing in the off season. He wins the award for best bowl to not get a wicket when he bowled





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one between middle and off stump! Words were had with the groundsman after that one!

Danny Ryan

Grrrr! Danny was also a first time cricketer and didn't he learn how to smash an errant ball?! His solid build is made for the big tonk and Danny looked to take advantage at every opportunity. Whilst bowling wasn't his favourite thing he loved to wicket keep and proved he is a great gloveman. Given the skill shown by his dad in the Father v Son game it's clear this apple has fallen well away from the tree.

Lachlan Davey

Lachie D was a return Orangeman and his bowling was a real standout this season. When he slowed down he was able to direct some accurate slinger style deliveries that often cut away of the seam. He had a real knack of delivering a crucial wicket when we most needed it. Solid batting with Danny too, like his dad he's the complete package.

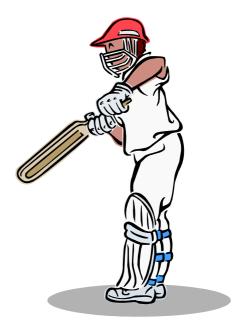
Lachlan Rourke

As a new member of the team Lachie R set about proving himself and it wasn't long before his commitment and enthusiasm made him one of the most valued members of the team. A real allrounder, Lachie R was brilliant with the

bat (keeping up with Alex's running between wickets is hard work!) and his bowling was amazing. His leggies dumbfounded the batsman (and the umpire at times) and when he decided to bowl at pace he usually knocked over the pegs! His thirst for cricket knowledge really impressed his coach so I'd say he has a big future with the Redbacks. Having a dad who manages the team so well will no doubt help too!

Josh Clear

Whilst Josh left us early because of school commitments he made a real impression as a dependable bowler, a solid batsman and importantly – a brilliant fielder. Josh took some really crucial and difficult catches in the outfield which many of his teammates would have struggled with. His left handed batting also contributed many runs



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and he proved he was a tough cookie by batting on when hit by a loose delivery. A gritty character and he's welcome back to the Oranges any time.

Alex Cooper

What can I say? He terrified the batsmen with his pace, he smashed the opposition bowlers around the park with some inventive shots and he was always committed in the field with some great diving efforts. I think his batting really shone this season as he developed his running between wickets so that he always scored a lot of runs and chanced the arm of the fielders. C'mon Taity!

James Legovich

James had to wait until the last game of the season to take his first wicket but what a delivery it was – a tricky slower ball on off stump that left the batsmen swinging at thin air! James tried really hard this season and I could see the improvements in both his batting and bowling. He was a valued fielder who always ran hard. Keep up the practice James and you'll be taking more of those wickets!

Thomas Betts

Thomas was Mr Consistency this season. He was always able to get a wicket or two in every game and always did well with the bat. A real quiet achiever. His improvement with the bat really showed and by the end of the season he was hitting 4's and in the Twilight Game he tonked his first 6. What a proud moment it was to see the ball sailing over the mid off boundary. All that beach cricket over the summer really helped his game! He was always enthusiastic and tried to be a leader

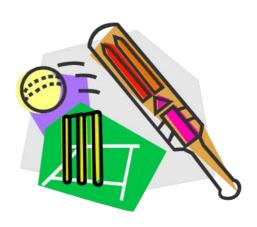
which really helped his dad!

Zane Hiscoke

Zane came to the Oranges a little late in the season and wasn't he a welcome addition! With Chris and Josh departing we needed a good bat to fill the gap. And Zane delivered in spades. His power and precision were unrivaled. When he had his eye in he regularly high scored. He was the only Orange to hit a 6 in a regulation game! Whilst he'll admit his bowling isn't his strong suit – he showed promise with the leather. Hopefully he comes back to the Oranges to keep smashing the runs in 2017/18.

Season Awards

Batting – Alex Cooper **Bowling** – Lachlan Rourke **Sportsperson** – Matthew Bull



Under 12 Red

Under 12 Division 1 Joint Premiers 2016-17

Go the Mighty Redbacks !!! Under 12 Division 1 Joint Champions and Mini-Bash Champions

Despite the washed out finals, we had a strong year, having to defend last year's premiership meant we were the team to beat, with all opponents saving their best line ups to play us. The boys only lost one game all year. The mini bash grand final was washed out not once but twice!

Again, the boys lifted in the big games, especially against last year's finalists

and eventual joint premiers this season, Forest Green. Having dropped a 20/20 game when the batting order was reversed, the pressure was on against a side with 8 representative players (we have 3 this year, although results suggest this should be more next season!!). In a dominant batting performance against a representative level bowling attack, Wakehurst scored 4/237 from 50 overs, with Jordan (28), Raveen (38),

Andrew (60no), Eddie (48no) all rising to the occasion with their top scores of the season. After a strong start to the bowling, all looked lost when a 130 run partnership for Forest led to tough times in the field. But the momentum was wrestled back, with good spells of bowling by Sentarou, Michal, and Raveen containing the scoring of the rampant partnership, for Andrew to then demolish the middle order with a master class of fast, full outswing bowling. A great win which defined the

season and eventually won them the premiership. Such a shame the final against Forest was washed out, after another strong batting performance in week 1 in which the Reds put a big grand final score of 170 on the board...

In the Reds, whilst we fight hard to win, we also try to ensure everyone gets an equal go. This consistent approach has paid dividends with all boys making genuine match winning performances with both bat and ball. This season 12 of 13 players had a top score of 20 or more and 12 of 13 players had best bowling of a 2-for or better. You are all genuine individual champions.



However the other hallmark of the team is the strong camaraderie. This is very much a champion team. Although they come from 8 different schools and only met via the WRCC, they are now close mates and welcomed Raveen and Mason into the fold this season. The spirit in the side makes the difference both on and off the field. The boys developed their love for the game, but "do it for their mates" when

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things aren't going their way on the field.

In a team of 13 champions, there were many highlights:

Mason Ballard - The fastest bowler in the team and with accuracy and reliable outswing. Would have taken a lot more wickets except most of the oppo-

sition batsmen weren't good enough to nick him!! 8 wickets at 14.0 and best bowling of 2/4. Trains hard and was great fun. Proved to himself that once he gets "in" with the bat he can pile on the runs. with a top score of 46 against Seaforth.



Michal Banham - Ever reliable behind the stumps, taking key catches in big games to finish 3rd in the fielding. Let though very few byes, has proven he has outgrown the need for a backstop. Switched from pace to spin with great results this year. Reliably lands the ball on a challenging length, was a "go to" bowler against opposition rep players, dismissing the opposition's best batsmen or top scorers on many occasions. Finished equal second in bowling aggregate with 8 wickets at 14.6 and best bowling of 2/7. Had the misfortune of being run out by his partner twice in 6 innings, which cramped his style with the bat.

Andrew Boulton - The most elegant of all-rounders. Times the ball like no one else, with the leading aggregate of 216 runs at an average of 54.0. Scored his maiden fifty for the club and two more in representative cricket. Andrew lifts in the big games, with many highlights in the year especially sensational batting and bowling against Forest, including top scoring in the grand final. However his biggest smile was reserved for a 20/20 game versus 3rd

placed Peninsula, hitting two consecutive free hits for towering sixes. Devastating bowling, taking 7 wickets at 10.6 with best bowling of 2/2.

Iordan Challoner

- An ultra accurate pace bowler that can put an entire over on the

top of off stump, like Jackson Bird he gets them to nibble around. He led the bowling averages with 7 wickets at 6.00. His best bowling of 4 overs, 3 maidens. 3 wickets for 4 runs sums up his miserly bowling - the only runs were a nick past slip for four. Could easily have been 4/0!! Australian selectors should take care not to compare his batting to Jackson Bird's, as Jordan can bat, delivering with his top score of 28 against Forest's rep-filled bowling attack. A back foot player with crisp pulls and cuts, Jordan is a boundary hitter through technique and timing not power. He also added a classic looking front foot cover drive this year, finishing with 90 runs at 12.9.

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Jacob Chang – Voted by the team as joint winner of the U12/1 classic catches with a superman one-handed sideways leap off his own bowling to take an absolute screamer. Improved batting this season saw him post a new personal best top score of 32, making a solid contribution of 125 runs at an average of 17.9 The "Changaaa" bowled well without reward, putting fast outswing just outside off stump.

Declan Curry -Declan's medium pace has developed well, with rampant seam movement and a good length helping make him one of the Red's key bowlers. Surprised himself but no one else by coming second in the bowling aggregate with 8 wickets and 3rd in the bowling averages of 11.6 A fine score of 24 with the bat shows he is developing into one of the sides opening batsman, finishing with an aggregate of 58 runs at 11.6.

Eddie Hutt – Dominated the opposition with the bat, once walking out to opposition players saying "Oh no, I think this is the guy averaging 153?" He was and they couldn't get him out either!! A very stylish left-hander with a penchant for reverse sweeps. Finished the season with an aggregate of 191 runs at the team leading average of 63.7 and a highest score of 48no. Handy left arm paceman, taking 5 wickets at 15.6 with best bowling of 2/8.

Raveen Kathriarachchi – A great addition to the team, our new opener Raveen made a solid contribution with the bat scoring 80 runs at 20.0 including his top score of 38 in the game that mattered most. The left hander prized his wicket and drove opposition

fielders and bowlers to crazy with the left right combination, on one occasion only for Raveen to retire not out and left handed Eddie to then walk in!! A key bowler with big turn, our mystery spinner was tasked with targeting the oppositions key batsmen, taking 5 crucial wickets at 25.8 and best bowling of 2/10.

Luke Larson - The IPL beckons for this 20/20 king, playing devastating innings including once hitting 3 sixes and 4 fours to plunder his season high score of 39 runs off less than 20 balls to finish the important 20/20 game against 4th placed Forest Blue. Reliable pitched up pace bowling also made him the side's premier death bowler. Equally handy in the longer formats, finished 4th in the batting with 107 runs at 26.8 and 4 wickets at 22.3.

Sentarou Murata-Davison - A future leader, he has a keen tactical sense and captained the grand final. A key batsman, 3rd in the aggregate with 171 runs at 34.2 and a top score of 48. The best fielder any of us have seen for some time, the leading fielder with 4 direct hit run outs, 7 catches and a stumping. Keepers got sick of Sen hitting the stumps from the outfield. which he did 2-3 times almost every game. His run outs were certainly not a fluke!! Turned the key match of the season in a "man of the match" winning tight bowling performance against Forest Green, he took wickets when he pitched it up.

Jasper Vajdic - Went one better than Jordan and got the team's best bowling figures of the year with 4 wickets for no runs!! A key opening batsmen who is talented at working singles and ac-

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cumulating runs with the minimum of risk, with 5 not outs for the season. . Top score of 22 retired not out opening against Collaroy. Ever present in the field, with 2 run outs. Finished with 41 runs at 13.7 6 wickets at 15.2.

Josh Watkins - A natural first slip fielder, finished second in the fielding taking 8 catches, mostly a sharp slips or keepers catches. Was voted by the team as joint winner of the U12/1 classic catches with a full length dive to take a sharp one hander at slip. Mark Taylor would be proud. A reliable keeper, also won sledge of the year with "More blocks than Minecraft!" Contributed at key times with the bat with 92 runs at 15.7, including a top score of 40 retired not out. Converted to medium pace this year with tidy returns of 4 wickets at an average of 14.0.

Oliver "Waffle" Wright – The leading wicket taker for the season with 9 wickets at the 4th best average of 12.1. Waffle is the most improved bowler and good reward for his much

fuller length this year - this is what happens when you pitch it up boys! Cemented his spot as a big hitting middle order batsman with a 55 not out against Harbord Spinners, his first 50 for the club and the 2nd highest score for any Red this season. A solid 130 runs at 21.7.

A big thanks to all the parents and grandparents who donated their Saturday mornings to get the boys to the ground, helped with setup, scoring and umpiring and most importantly provided support. Thanks especially to those dads that helped out at training and informal net sessions, providing valuable coaching to their sons and others. Wear your baggy reds with pride boys.

Batting Award: Eddie Hutt, 191 runs at 63.7, HS 48no **Bowling award**: Jordan Challoner, 7 wickets at 6.00, best bowling 3/4 **Sportsman award**: Andrew Bolton for being 2nd in the batting and bowling averages; 216 runs at 54.0 and 7 wickets at 10.6



Under 12 Green

The U12 Greens were a new team for the season comprising players from the U11 Green & U11 Black teams from the previous season as well as taking in 4 new players. There was an immediate bond between all the players and the sense of cameraderie in the team stood the kids in good stead throughout the season.

Training sessions on Fridays were always keenly attended and allowed us to fine tune whatever aspect of the game we felt would be most important prior to the game on Saturday. It also helped to focus the kids minds on the game the next day and we invariably had an enthusiastic team turn up for Saturday's game.

This, in turn, led all the players to perform well beyond our expectations. There was great sportsmanship on and off the field - supporting each other and taking great delight when a teammate bowled or caught a member from the opposition. They would also acknowledge good play from the opposition, congratulating players who had batted out their overs or scored good runs.

The team's bowling improved out of sight with extras making less and less of a contribution to the opposition teams score sheet as the season progressed. The kids also had the cricket sense to realise where to bowl to a batsman to limit his/her scoring potential and they took great delight in keeping a batsman on strike if he/she

wasn't scoring.

It was on the back of their batting, however, that the team built their success. Easily outscoring the other teams in the completion, we were one of the highest scoring teams in any grade of the Manly Warringah Association - scoring an impressive 1,607 runs even before the finals. The team scored over 200 runs three times during the sea-

son, twice in two day games and once in a one day game where they also restricted the opposition to just 43 runs with only 9 off those coming of the bat.

The team were incredibly disappointed when the finals were rained out as we felt we had the measure of the 2 teams ahead of us. In the end we finished 3rd on the ladder on 48 points, only

3 points behind the season premiers! It was a great pleasure to be associated with the U12 Greens and to see everyone's cricket ability improve throughout the season. Our Saturday mornings seem a little empty now that winter is here.

We'd like to thank all the parents as well as they turned up every Saturday, hanging around to cheer the team on through their highs and lows, sunshine and rain. With special thanks reserved for our scorers Judy Gombos and Robert Thomas who took up the challenge of the score book with aplomb.

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Natalie Guyot

Natalie was a late arrival to the team and immediately made an impact with her maturity and enthusiasm. She made her presence felt on the field with her encouraging cries to pick up another wicket. Although reluctant to bowl Natalie showed some promise and should persevere with her bowling as we think she could make some real improvements in that area. It was with her batting however that Natalie really showed her worth. Batting with real intelligence and always mindful of the game situation, Natalie always valued her wicket while at the same time keeping the scoreboard ticking over.

Rhvs Nockolds

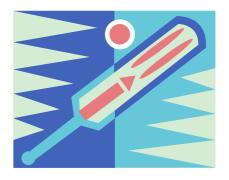
Rhys is a work in progress with big improvement in all aspects of his game this year. Often asked to do the heavy lifting in the bowling department, Rhys tirelessly persevered even when luck didn't go his way. His bowling accuracy and line and length steadily improved as the season progressed and he was rewarded with a breakout performance in the tenth round taking 3 for 17. Not always given the chance to bat early in the innings, Rhys always valued his wicket and consequently often carried his bat. Rhys mastered the cut shot early in the season and used it to good effect making it his go to scoring shot. Combined with his good judgement of when a run was on ensured the scoreboard kept ticking over whenever he was at the crease.

Aiden Hume

Another one of our strong allrounders, Aiden seemed to always make an impact on the game. Threatened with deportation back to Perth after his East Coast visa expired at Christmas, Aiden put it all behind him to put together his best performances with both bat and ball. One of our better bowlers, Aiden regularly took wickets and always made the batsmen think carefully with his sliding left arm medium pacers. Aiden's zen like preparation before batting often paid off with runs flowing from his bat and several scores in the 30's. A great season from Aiden who can build on the improvements he has made in his game in the years to come.

James Thomas

His own harshest critic, James is alwavs looking for ways to improve his game, and improve he has. James has been steadily working on his batting defence and straight drives and only needs to allow himself the freedom to really swing at the ball to see a really big score. We saw a glimpse of his batting potential when he scored 36 from 42 deliveries against Beacon Hill. His bowling too has improved as the season progressed and James regularly took wickets through the season. James has improved both his bowling accuracy and pace, although he should probably rethink his perseverance with his patented combination of finger spin with pace bowling.



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Ishan Shah

With talent aplenty Ishan started the season with a bang blasting a quick fire 19 of 24 balls! And he followed that up a few games later with more good runs. We often looked to Ishy to go out and score quick runs when things needed speeding up. However Ishan lost his way with the bat late in the season and needs to learn to get himself set before going for the big shots. It was a different story with his bowling though, with steady improve-

ment as the season progressed, taking a memorable 4 for 13 against Beacon Hill. His economy rate improve to the point that the opposition couldn't get more than a couple of runs an over from him by the end of the season.

Jamie Leong

The biggest improver in the team. When we first met Iamie he reminded us of a Thunderbird and looked very uncomfortable with both bat and ball, but as the season progressed he loosened up and became more confident in his own abilities. Jamie's batting improved to the stage that if the situation needed someone to anchor an end and bat for a long period he was able to do so comfortably. While his slow wobblers managed to prise out more than one batsman who thought all his Christmases had come at once only to play all over the ball and see the bails fall. We hope that Jamie returns for another season to continue on his cricket education.

Alexander Yates

"The Magician", channelling Glen McGrath, Alexander turned out to be one of our more effective bowlers. Relying on the tried and tested method of bowling a good line and length, he invariably frustrated the opposition batters often leading to their demise, consequently, Alexander regularly took wickets through the season. In the field he also shone with a very safe pair of hands that didn't let many opportunities slip through his fingers. Although not a natural batsman, Alexander improved to the point that he

could be relied upon to stick around and support his batting partners to score vital runs. His best score of 11 came in the famous run chase against the eventual premiers, Cromer, who thought they had the game wrapped up after they has scored 254 only to get the scare of their life when our boys replied

with a plucky 208 of 48 overs.

Jet McDade

Jet started the season with a bang, scoring a sizzling 43 runs and taking part in 3 run outs and one stumping as the keeper. This was an early indication that we had a very valuable player on our hands and Jet went on to score an incredible 388 runs with a couple of scores in the 80's and several other half centuries. Jet was also our wicket keeper most games and took many memorable catches behind the stumps as well as being involved in 5 run outs and two stumpings. A true all-rounder, Jet also turned his hand to bowling when we could lure him out from

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behind the stumps, taking five wickets from just ten overs. Jet is always keen to be involved and loves nothing better than being at the centre of the action.

Ty Pounsett

One of our most valuable all-rounders, Tv was the team's highest wicket taker who could be relied upon to take wickets in most games. Ty was our go to guy to tighten up the bowling from one end when the opposition looked like getting on a role. Ty regularly opened the batting with either let or Tai A and formed a good understanding with both to get the team off to a flier more often than not. Tai had a great season with the bat as well with a score of 43 to his name and many other good scores through the season. Ty was also our gun fielder who was especially dangerous when fielding in the deep. often catching the batters out of their ground with his pin point throws from the boundary.

Tai Addison

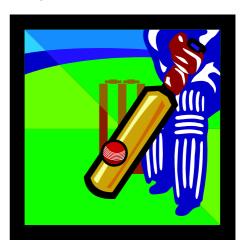
Our second highest run scorer, Tai made good runs through the season and made a high score of 51 in round 6. Tai's bowling improved through the season and his short spells of wickedly fast bowling often resulted in wickets not to mention scaring the opposition batsmen. He memorably split a bail in half in the final game of the season and got to take home the two pieces as a trophy. Tai also took on the role of team leader and became the voice of the team, often exhorting his team mates to keep the pressure up on the opposition. A good sport, Tai would always congratulate other players for their performance and on more than one occasion went to the aid of an opposition player who was injured. Tai was a great asset to the team and it is hard to imagine the team without him in it.

Felix Young

Felix continued to work on his batting technique this season, improving on his stoic defence and trademark pull shot. Despite a horror run of ducks mid-season Felix managed to recover his composure to finish the season in good form. Usually batting in the tail, Felix was sure to frustrate the opposition bowlers looking to wrap things up, often walking off after helping the team bat out their allotted overs. Not a natural fielder Felix found his preferred position at Mid On and made it his own, stopping many a straight drive through the season.

Nathan Lindeque

Nathan was a new member to the team and to WCC but his easy going nature saw him settle easily into the team. Always enthusiastic, Nathan was



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regular at training and worked hard on all aspects of his game and as a result both his batting and bowling improved as the season progressed. Nathan was one of our better fielders and could be relied upon to catch anything that came his way while his strong throwing arm invariably saw the ball returned over the stumps from the boundary. Nathan really impressed with his commitment to the team and even came to support his team mates when he was out injured.

Season Awards

Batting – Jet McDade **Bowling** – Ty Pounsett **Sportsperson** – Tai Addison



Under 13 Red

Under 13 Division 1 Premiers 2016-17

The majority of the 13 Reds came from the U12 Reds who came from the U11 Reds, who came from the U10 Reds, who came from the Under 9 Whites ... We only had one new member to the team this season, Andre Terleckyj who fitted into the team seamlessly and added significantly to our bowling stock (the reason why is discussed further below).

I've said this year in and year out, but I'll say it again; what a great bunch of kids we have. Each and every one is friendly, courteous, good fun and good natured. Each of them are unique and

contributed to the team in their own way, but collectively they make a close and cohesive team. Most importantly, they all love playing cricket and playing it together. Again this was demonstrated by extremely high attendance levels at training and games. Most importantly they play the game in the right spirit.

We had a very successful season. We won the competition! The team finally clicked and the boys played to the potential we always knew they had. They bested the two teams who have challenged us over the last two seasons; St Augustine's and Forest. And as all teams in U13 Division 1 knows, it is very hard to beat Forest for a variety of reasons ...



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Like past seasons, we had a few memorable games with some close and well fought wins. The one thing that differentiated the team this season to previous seasons was the fact that the team played as a team, not just a bunch of individuals. If some of the early order batsman failed to get runs (which wasn't often), the middle order and tail would get them. If some of the opening bowlers weren't getting wickets or were getting runs scored off them (again which wasn't often), the change bowlers would get wickets or dry up the runs. This was really evident in two games this season - a two day game against St Augustine's and a one day game against Forest - where the result came down to the last over. The boys won the games as a team, not as individuals

The success of the season can be attributed to two things - firstly the support guidance of our fantastic coach, Ian Bassett. And secondly, to the boys' families. Ian is a fantastic coach and has coached the boys since U9s. He has done so at the expense of spending time with two of his boys, Will and Matt, at their cricket games. He is extremely patient and fair and teaches the kids how to play cricket in the true spirit of the game. He gives all of the kids a fair go and they have come a long way under Ian's tutelage and all of them love the game, in part, because of him.

One of the impressive things about this year, is that Ian largely let the boys run the games themselves. They decided the bowling and batting orders and fielding positions. Most other coaches did this for their teams, but Ian gave them the confidence that they could do it themselves. Josh Cooper, as captain for most of the season, did a fantastic job in implementing the orders and positions. Ian has been recommended for the coach of the year award and I hope he gets it because he certainly deserves to. Thanks Ian, you are a champ.

In part due to Ian's tutelage, they boys always demonstrated good team spirit and sportsmanship. Like past seasons, some of the parents of the other teams commented to me how well the boys played the game and how respectful they were of the opposite team. They complement the other team on good shots and fielding. The family support was tremendous again this year. Each and every week, the kids were supported by parents, grandparents and siblings. They encouraged all of the team offering words of support when things were and weren't going well. Because most of the team has been together since U9s, the parents are a friendly and fairly close knit group.

A special thanks to Julian Humphrey and the scorers. Julian does an amazing amount of work behind the scenes with the score books and record keeping. He also keeps the coaches and scorers of the other teams honest with his knowledge of the rules.

The team loses four players to their schools for next season. Josh Cooper, Charlie Johnston and Hunter McLennan to St Augustine's and Scott Herman to Knox. It will be weird to see Josh, Charlie and Hunter play against Wakehurst next season, but should make some for some interesting rivalries.

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Below is a snapshot of each player's season:

Jack Atkins

Jack has been a core member of the team since the boys started together in U9s. He is a great all rounder who contributes with both bat and ball. His batting and bowling improves year by year. His bowling during all parts of the innings (beginning, middle and end) was impressive as evidenced by his statistics - 5 for 81 in 25 overs (average of 16.20 with best figures of 2/14); statistics any bowler would be proud of. Jack's family support is amazing with mum and dad, sister and grand-

Ioshua Bassett

McLennan

parents in attendance at

most games. By Brett

Josh is a fantastic all rounder who can hit big and bowl a tight consistent line. He had a great season with the bat making 166 runs... but his shot selection of 49* could do with a bit of work. Josh also had a good season with the ball taking six wickets. He is willing to put his body on the line in the field and doesn't mind fielding on the boundary. Josh loves his cricket and even a sore foot couldn't keep him from playing in the grand final. By Matt Humphrey

Josh Cooper

Josh has been an outstanding team captain this year. His captaincy, bowling and batting led our team to victory. He always started the batting innings well for our team as opening batsman. His technique when he is batting is very good. He is a great team player and always rotated the strike to the

other batsmen. When he is bowling his spin he takes a lot of wickets. He always puts pressure on the batsman because they are not scoring runs. Thank you Josh, for being a great captain. By Charlie Johnston

Matthew Gribble

The Gribbler was our keeper this season. His work behind the stumps both with the gloves and vocally with his support of the team was outstanding. His keeping skills by the end of the season where impressive. Matt also had a number of crucial innings with the bat in our middle order that direct-

ly won us some games. His effort and commitment to the team was faultless and he was a joy to coach. Another great season. Well done. By Ian Bassett

Scott Herman

Scott is a good middle order batsman, sspecially when he comes number 3. One of his best shots is when he comes down the pitch and hits the bowler to the boundary ... A good and GUTSY batsman. However, he's equally good in fielding and is a very handy spin bowler. By Hershwin Sharma

Matthew Humphrey

Matt showed great skill in the field with some awesome catches. At the start of the season Matt also took over as captain in Josh Cooper's absence and did a great job. I also remember some of his batting got us out of trouble in a couple of matches with some big boundaries. Matt also did some nice field placements which ended up helping us to victory. Well done Matt. From Mitchell Norton

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Charlie Johnston

Charlie had an amazing year! He started opening the batting, got selected into reps. got his first ever 50 and bowled a super over in the semi-final of the Manly Mini Bash. In the final of the Saturday competition e batted amazingly and got 33 against the team is going to next year (St Augustine's)! I though Charlie was one of our best players this year, not just because of his batting, but his bowling too. You are a great friend and we are all going to miss you next year when you play for St Augustine's (even though we will still beat vou). Good luck! By Matt Gribble

Oscar Lambkin

Oscar, our demon leg spinner, had another fantastic season, troubling the batsmen with both his flight and his spin. His bowling has continued to improve, as has been evidenced in the stats. He was well rewarded with seven crucial wickets in the season, with his best figures of four overs, two wickets for just six runs against Collaroy Plateau - figures any bowler would be extremely proud of, Oscar's economical bowling and the taking of a few wickets was also instrumental in the success of our final game against Forest, which elevated the team to the top of the division. Oscar also contributed with the bat when called upon and was always alert in the field. He is a true sportsman, very popular with his teammates and has been an inspirational part of this championship team that first started playing together in 2012. By Josh Cooper

Hunter McLennan

Hunter was the backbone of our middle order, playing several solid knocks to keep stability in our quest for runs, albeit in occasional unorthodox manner. He was also handy with the ball sending down medium pace with good results, and was sharp in the field whether in close or the outfield. Hunter is now at St Augustine's so will be sorely missed next year by the team in both skills and companionship with the other boys. Should make for some healthy rivalry! From Wilson Sarkies would have hit him right between the eyes, instead it won us the game!

Mitchell Norton

Mitch again has had another successful year. With some preseason coaching his overall game has improved in leaps and bounds. He is now a major strike bowler for the team, showing good speed and accuracy, taking 11 wickets for the year with his best 4/13. He has also proven that he is a capable batsman, happy to bat in any position and on his day is up there with the best batsman in the team. It would also be fair to call him Mr. Encouragement. He is the first to congratulate anyone for a job well done, whether it's his own team mates or the opposition, and is always there to offer his support and encouragement to his team. A great all round sportsman. Well done on another successful year. From Jack Atkins

Wilson Sarkies

Wilson has been an outstanding player with the bat and ball this season. If the team was in trouble he would be there to hit some runs, he made it look so effortless at the crease. Wilson's bowling was just as solid as his batting. He

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was one of our strike bowlers taking
many wickets. All up Wilson is a good
all-rounder! By Scott Herman

Hershwin Sharma

Hershwin has continued to improve throughout the year, and his contribution to the team has been invaluable. He quietly gets on with the job, letting his skills do the talking. With great batting figures (his best was 24 not out), his skills in the field (five catches) and some impressive bowling spells, he is becoming a very talented all-rounder. Hershwin's last batting effort in the grand final was simply outstanding. Coming in as the last batsman, in the last few overs, he showed great skill and courage to post an impressive score that included three fours. His match changing knock inspired the team and lifted their spirits. This effort highlights his ability and his well-grounded and unassuming nature. Well done mate keep up the

good work next year. By Oscar Lambkin

Andre Terleckj

Andre is new to the team this year but not new to the club. Andre is an incredible bowler who has great precision and speed. His most outstanding quality though is his variation of speed which bamboozled at lot of batsman in the T20s. Andre is also a top batsman because he can smash the ball really far. Some highlights of Andre was when he took an amazing one-handed screamer against Saint Augustine's. In the finals Andre started to smash the crap out of the ball and bring us to a much better total. Andre bowled the most number of overs for the team (53) but only had 152 runs scored against him. He took a total of 16 wickets which was the highest in the team, at an impressive average of 9.5. I am really going to miss you Andre but I will have fun kicking your butt next year. Stay strong. By Hunter McLennan



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Choosing the team awards this year was extremely difficult. So many of the boys deserved an award for various reasons. However, there can only be a winner for each award and they are:

Batting: Hunter McLennan

Hunter got the most number of runs and was close to the top batting average. Hunter not only gets the award for his statistics but also because of his contribution in the middle order in a number of games which secured victories for the team. In these innings, he steadied the ship, frustrated the bowlers, and greatly contributed to the team score. Congratulations Hunter - well deserved.

Bowling: Andre Terleckyj

Andre got the most number of wickets and was close to the top bowling average. That's impressive because Andre generally opened the bowling, so was bowling against the better batsman. Andre also regularly cleaned up the tail when he came on in his second spell. Andre's ball variations, particularly in the one day games and T20s, was amazing and really impressive for

a bowler as young as Andre. He is going to be a very talented bowler in years to come. Congratulations Andre.

Sportsmans: Josh Cooper

Josh gets this for three reasons. The first and second are because of his top averages in both batting and bowling, and the third is because of his captaincy. Josh opened the batting and always played steady, measured innings which allowed the middle order to consolidate the score. His bowling, generally during the middle of the game, always slowed the tempo of the game, frustrating the batsman and contributing to batting collapses. His captaincy was impressive. He took charge when he needed to, but was mostly very consultative with the team in making the decisions he did. He has a very good cricketers brain. Congratulations Josh.

In summary, great season, great kids, great parents, great coach, great sportsmanship and great times. Hopefully Ian Bassett gets the coach of the year award.

Brett McLennan (Manager)



Under 13 Green

Under 13 Division 2 Joint Premiers 2016-17

This year we brought together last year's Under 12 Blacks with the Whites to form the Under 13 Greens, and what a marriage it was! They finished the season as both minor and major premiers.

This was a wonderful achievement. The team won seven of ten games with one (controversial) tie. This placed them on top of the competition going into the post-season, and after rain unfortunately washed out both weeks of the semi-finals they prepared for their first ever Grand Final.

In the first week we batted and after a strong start collapsed to make only 87. This sent nerves through the parent/coaching group! But, as was typical with this team, our bowling came to the fore and by stumps we had the opposition reeling at 3 for 16 with the game in the balance. Sadly, Sydney was experiencing its wettest late summer weather on record, and we never managed to get back out on to the field to experience the glory of an opposition batting collapse to win the trophy. Joint premiers was the next best thing.

This was a really satisfying season despite the extraordinary number of wash outs in the second half. The kids came together from the two different teams and formed not only an effective cricket side but also a lovely group that was positive, friendly and played the game in a wonderful spirit. Opposition coaches often commented on this spirit and I was proud of the team because of that.

The girls in this team have played together now for several seasons and the boys and girls mixed really nicely. It's good to see women's cricket making such headway in Australia and the under 13 Greens are a good representation of that. Our sometimes fourpronged girl opening attack was great fun to watch, as fear stricken batsmen didn't know what to do to ward off the "blonde assault"!

This team rose to the challenge of some difficult run chases when victory looked beyond them. Aaron Sprott's 49 against Forest in November was memorable. So too was Tom Larson's pinchhitting against St Augustine's in February making a tense chase look easy in the end.

Looking back on the results this year it was amazing how many close games there were and it was a testament to the poise and composure of these players that they held on for so many wins. It certainly made for some nail-biting spectator experiences.

Sincere thanks to this group in making the season so enjoyable. Thanks to Shaun McPhee for his role as manager. This is not an easy job and I was very grateful for his work. Thanks also to the Dads who volunteered (with some encouragement!) to do the scoring. This vital role was done with great commitment and care. Thanks to Andy Hutt for filling in for me when I had to be away. I think the team did better without me there!

And thanks to the whole parent group who always made this an enjoyable experience. The kids were always sup-

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ported and encouraged and that is no small thing. It's great to see. I also very much appreciated the friendliness and positivity (and on-field coffee deliveries) each Saturday. It was a fun season and that's what it should be about.

Simon Smart Coach

Iames Condon

James has been a highly valued member of our team over a couple of seasons now. A quiet, determined player, he was always a positive presence in this group. James has been very good at the top of the order for us. He has a strong defence but can also play some attractive strokes as well. With more confidence his bowling will have much to offer as well. Well done.

Kai Connors

Fiercely competitive, Kai gave every part of his game 100%. His bowling was fast and accurate and he could be

relied upon to take wickets at crucial times with his deft and accurate outswingers. A stylish batsman, he played many significant knocks helping us to establish good totals, like his 28 against Peninsula. He was a most deserving recipient of the batting award.

Alicia Humphrey

Part of our sometimes 4-pronged girls pace attack, Alicia came on this season in leaps and bounds. Her bowling made remarkable improvement and she was more than a handful for opposition batsmen. Her accuracy and speed seemed to improve with every week and she has great potential to really go on with her bowling. 3-5 against St Augustine's was a stand out. As she has always been, Alicia was a consistently enthusiastic trainer and player and a delight to coach. She won the bowling award—a fine example of the benefit of hard work and persistence.

Annabel Hutt

Annie has continued to be a really fine bowler. She works hard at her cricket and it shows. She spearheaded the attack with pace and accuracy that was often too much for nervous batsmen. She is determined and in every way positive and enthusiastic at training and on Saturdays. She thoroughly deserved the Sportsperson of the year award.



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Tom Larson

Tom has continued to grow as a cricketer this season. He has much to offer both batting and bowling and especially with a little more consistency. His innings against St Augustine's in February was a highlight where he turned a nail biting finish into a comfortable victory with some fine boundary hitting.

Daniel McPhee

A really good season from Dan. He is strong in both batting and bowling, and with more consistency and confidence he will make an excellent cricketer. He was a great person around the team with a really friendly and cheerful attitude that was greatly appreciated. His sportsmanship was on display in each game as was his humour and willingness to work hard to improve. All those attributes stand him in good stead for the future.

Abigail Powell

We were very glad to have Abi come to play for us whenever she could. She was more than a handy fill in when we needed her – more like a secret weapon! She rattled stumps and frightened competent batsman with her pace and accuracy. A more enthusiastic player you will not meet and that attitude has an excellent influence on those around her. She made some really great contributions to the success of the team.

Nicholas Roach

Nick really came on this year as a cricketer. He is an increasingly effective batsman with real striking ability. He hits the ball as hard as anyone in this team and played some excellent innings, often being a bit unlucky not to go on with it once he was set. Nick

is becoming stronger as a bowler too and can be relied upon for some handy overs each innings. He is also one of the best fieldsmen in this team. A pleasure to have around.

Emma Smart

Emma continued to be one of the strongest and most accurate bowlers in this team. She bowls with decent pace and outswing making her hard to score against. She has much potential if she is prepared to work hard and develop her action. Her 2–8 against St Augustine's in February was typical of her contributions. Batting will improve once she gains more confidence. Always positive, she was a delight to coach!

Luke Smart

We only had the benefit of Luke for the first half of the season due to school commitments but he was an excellent contributor in that time, and we missed him when he left. He played some handy innings high in the order with his stylish stroke making and ability to pick the gap in the field. His wicket keeping was very handy and his left arm wrist spinners hard to handle. With work, he could be a fine all rounder. His 3-13 against Harbord was a highlight.

Harry Sole

Perhaps the most enthusiastic player, Harry was always first to volunteer to open the batting, come on to bowl when we needed a breakthrough or even take the keeping gloves. He was a great team member and really positive influence on the group. His cheerful demeanour was much appreciated. A really good season.

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Aaron Sprott

Aaron is a talented and skilful player and really played a big role in the success of this team. His all round ability was on display in each game where he contributed with bat, ball and especially in the field. His 49 against Forest in November was a match winner. He took the best catch of the season and managed a number of crucial run outs.

Mia Waddington

Mia filled in for the team when two players left for high school commitments. Mia slotted beautifully into the team and made some very important contributions. She managed to snare 2 wickets only bowling 6 overs for the team. Mia is a fine athletic and was tremendous in the field for the team.

Benjamin Wright

Ben was again a very important member of this team who was missed when he left for high school commitments. Endlessly enthusiastic and committed, Ben is the kind of player all coaches

appreciate. He gives complete commitment to all that he does and is passionate in striving to be the best he can be. His 25 against Forest early in the season was memorable, as was his all round contribution with bat, ball and behind the stumps.

Jasper Young

Jasper was a great team member and really added to the atmosphere in the group. He was a reliable contributor and was able to knuckle down to occupy the crease when we needed him to. He was probably a bit unlucky on a few occasions when he lost his wicket when he looked like just getting going. Jasper can bowl well and as he works on consistency he will be able make really valuable contributions with his medium pacers in the future. I hope he continues as he has much to offer.

Award winners:

Batting award: Kia Connors Bowling award: Alicia Humphrey Sportsperson award: Annabel Hutt



Under 14 Red

Our season was a successful one (excluding the weather in the last month of the season) finishing 2nd to Harbord Goannas. With a sprinkling of rep players, we were in most games from start to finish.

The team was made up of the Reds and Greens from the U13 season and the boys combined very well from the start of the season. There was a great comradery amongst the players, shaking off the history of some hard fought battles over the previous seasons.

We were solid in all 3 facets of the game taking the most wickets in the season (108) and scoring the most runs (1581), we just faltered slightly at certain times of some games which prevented us from being minor premiers. Our leading run scorers were Luke Richardson (201 runs) and Lachie Johnson (180 runs). With the ball, we had 2 leading wicket takers Logan Nicey and Noah Kasmar both with 15 'poles'. As for the quicks Cormac topped the list with 13 scalps.

Highlights of the season

There were a lot of highlights from a number of the team, most notably Xavier's hat-trick against the Harbord Vampires (5/9 from five overs). Top score of the season was Lachie Johnson with 70 n.o. against the Vampires. Will Smit, a fine and very composed 67 against Collaroy Charges. Luke "Richo" reached the half century twice this season in solid style 50 against the Vampires (this was a solid game for us) and 51 against a strong Peninsular bowling attack.

Other solid batting contributions included Martin 'Longy' Longford's 35 against Collaroy, Bailey with a quick



fire 30 in a T20 against St Augustine's.

Further highlights with the ball, Cormac's 5fa against Peninsular bowling nice outswing (5/10 from 6 overs), Logan's amazing 4/2 against Collaroy which contributed to a season average of 5.53, the best in the competition and Noah's consistent wicket taking (best of 3/13). Dylan chipped in with his own 3 for bowling a mix of leggies and offies.

The fielding was a definite highlight (most of the time) with 49 catches taken this season, probably highlighted by Roddy (Bluey) Dixon, with three sharp low catches against Peninsular. Lachie Johnson was again great behind the stumps taking 10 catches and completing 12 stumpings in another fine season with the gloves.

From a team perspective, the T20 win against eventual champions Harbord (their only loss) was a great team effort. Posting a competitive total of 109 in the long grass at Forest High the team bowled beautifully to restrict the Harbord big hitters to a nail biting 107.

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The last month of the season was very frustrating, with only 1 week of play possible. The weather helped us in the semi-final with a wash-out but went against us in the final where we compiled 73 all out and then having Harbord 1-12 at the end of week one and as it turned out the end of the season.

Lots of thanks to all of the parents who helped out during the season, especially Deb our wonderful Manager, Anthony for all of the hours umpiring and Clayton and Shawn who did most of the scoring. Also thanks to the magnificent Wakehurst committee who put in endless hours of their own time to make Wakehurst the best club on the Northern Beaches.

Luke Richardson

Luke batted around the order, but primarily in the top 4. His 201 runs was the highest by any player this year and was highlighted by 2 half centuries against Harbord Vampires and Peninsular. The latter was against a quality bowling attack and included 6 forceful boundaries. Luke always looked solid when opening the batting, rarely beaten by the ball and displayed a laconic manner that portraved a confidence to the rest of the team and illustrated how much time he had whilst welding the willow. A solid season with the bat was backed up with the ball. His good line and length was rewarded with 6 wickets. Bowling nice outswing that had all batsman playing and missing. This was topped off with 5 catches and 2 great runouts in an all-round effort that Luke should be proud of.

Bailey Foord

Bailey was again a mainstay of the top order after being one of our best top order batsman last season. He has always had one of the best defensive technique's in the competition and could be described as the Northern Beaches version of the "Wall". This season he managed to focus on his scoring and provided a number swashbuckling innings while opening the batting. A crowd favourite was his magnificent 30 in a T20 game against St Augustine's. It involved shots to all parts of the ground and excellent running between wickets resulting in a big win for the team. He also contributed a couple of other great knocks of 38 and 24. Bailey didn't get too many overs this season but was as always a great team member in the field. He was always positive and one of the first to congratulate a teammate after a wicket or a good bit of fielding.

Lachlan Johnson

Like Luke, Lachie batted around the order but found himself batting in the top 3 primarily. His tally of 170 runs was 2nd to Luke and was highlighted by a solid 70 not out (including 14 hard hit boundaries) against Harbord. Lachie hits the ball hard and shows an ever-improving technique that should see him continue the 'improve' next year and beyond. If he just cuts out the odd aggressive shot early in his in-



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nings, he will see more scores the good side of 50. With the gloves his form continued from last season, claiming 10 catches and 12 fine stumpings. Along with 8 assistant runouts, Lachie loves keeping and this is evident by the number he keeps providing each year. Well done Lachie.

Will Smit

Will had a solid year in all facets of the game, scoring over 100 runs and taking 7 wickets. The batting was highlighted by a fantastic 67 against Collaroy Charges that included 14 boundaries and 1 six. This innings was one of the best this season, not only because of the aggressive nature but also because the bowling attack included mostly DCA bowlers. He displayed good defence when required but really hit all bad balls to (and over) the fence. He also contributed smaller scores in partnerships that increased the run rate just when it was required. The bowling is not only fun to watch (Will bowls both off spin and leg spin in every over) but is also accurate and he spins the ball both ways. He is an excellent team man and displays leadership qualities both on and off the field. He has 'representative' written all over him with his talent and skills. Good one 'Smiddy'

Xavier Ryan

Xavier had an excellent all-round season contributing with both the bat and ball. The highlight being a hat-trick and 5-for in round 7 which reduced Harbord from 6/102 to 9/102 and played a huge role in the outright win in the final overs of the game. With the bat he managed to get some good starts, a top score of 26 n.o. and a nice 20 before being run out in the last

round, but never went on to make that big score he is capable of.

Logan Nicey

Loges had a magnificent season with the ball, he was both our equal highest wicket taker (15) and went for the least amount of runs per over (2.18), a rare combination at any level of cricket. His average of 5.53 being the best in the team (and the whole competition) reflects how well he bowled. With the bat Loges managed a few double figure scores but never managed to get going like he has in previous seasons.



Martin Longford

Martin came into the team as an unknown quantity having played elsewhere last season. He quickly proved himself as an excellent batsman, finishing with the 3rd most runs with 125 at an average of 15.5. Scores of 35 n.o. and 29 before Christmas being a highlight as well as his excellent top score in the grand final (with Man of the Match honours) which showed lots of composure under pressure. He had showed some fine touch, being able to

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work straight balls off his stumps to the leg side at will making him very difficult to bowl to. With the ball Martin was a little hit and miss but bowled some really nice spells when his confidence was up. He can bowl a very difficult line being a left hander so he just needs to work on his consistency.

Natalie Jonkers

Nat was also a new player but quickly became a formidable opening bowler for the team. She possessed more pace and bounce that any player in the competition and was unlucky not to get more wickets. A best of 2/10 in our T20 against the top ranked Harbord contributed massively to a great win. Nat was no slouch with the bat in hand, one of the most attacking batters in the team she always pushed the scoring along, her top score of 29 n.o. in round 3 was a great knock when the team was in trouble.

Cormac O'Donnell

Mac moved clubs and up an age group to join the team this season but quickly become an important all-rounder for the side. He produced some quality innings with the bat including 24 in round 3 when wickets were tumbling around him and another excellent 20 in the final round. With the ball he got off to a slow start but improve throughout the season coming home with 8 wickets in the final 3 games including a magnificent 5/10 in the last round. He ended up with an excellent average of 8.77 for the season.

Noah Kasmar

Noah has been the top spinner in the competition for a number of years and he continued taking wickets this season. Every time he got the ball in his

hands we knew there was going to be some action. With 15 wickets for the season he was our equal leading wicket taker, he took multiple wickets in multiple innings including a fine 3/13 in round 5 against Peninsula. There wasn't much opportunity for Noah with the bat as he was coming in at either the end of a limited overs match or limited partners to help him to a big score.

Dylan Bradstreet

Dylan didn't get to play all games through injury and other commitments but contributed with bat or bowl in every game he played. He got many starts with the bat but was unlucky to be dismissed by a jaffa or good catch just as he started to get going. He started the season bowling some medium pace but really flourished with the ball once he started bowling spin. His best bowling of 3/15 showed what he was capable with the ball, bowling a mixture of leggies and offies the St Augustine's batsman had no answer contributing to a big win for our side.

Roddy Dixon

Roddy had a season that included aggressive batting and improved bowling. He scored 121 runs that included 28 and 27 again St Pixus Green in separate games and included plenty of boundaries. Roddy like to 'hit' the ball...everywhere. He hits lots of boundaries and on more tha 1 occasion increased the run rate just when required. In the opening game of the season we found ourselves chasing quick runs, enter Roddy smashing fours and ran quickly between the wickets and gave us a chance of an outright victory. Bowling left arm over the wicket managed 6 wickets this

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season. His improvement in the second half of the season was very pleasing. Who would have thought that drawing a chalked square in the nets at training would be so successful? His constant line and length put most batsmen in 2 minds weather to play or not. The left arm over the wicket line was very consistent and will gain him more wickets in the years to come. Roddy also held an amazing 10 catches this year with the highlight 3 screamers in 1 game against Peninsular in the last round. A great all-round year Roddy, keep it up.

Ollie Cerovic

Question- Is there a happier person in this team? Answer No Ollie is always smiling. Ollie is another where he was all over the batting order but primarily in the middle order. His season yielded 108 runs with a top score of 26 against St Augustines. He has a free-flowing style with the bat that seemed to encourage the ball all around the ground; smooth contact along with his running between the wickets was fantastic this vear and rubbed off on the others who wanted to emulate him. Plenty of scores in the teens were scored mostly when we were setting a target so his approach was just what the doctor ordered. He also claimed 6 wickets with his gentle outswingers from 33 overs with a great economy rate of 2.8 along with his good hands and strong arm makes this season a good one for Ollie. Always positive at the crease of in the field, he was a great team man this year and his enthusiasm was infectious. Well done Ollie.

Season Awards

Batting: Luke Richardson **Bowling**: Logan Nicey

Sportsman: Cormac O'Donnell



Under 14 Green

At the start of this season a decision was made to enter a Div 1 and a Div 2 team in the U14 competition whereas in previous years both teams in this age group played in Div 1. Looking back, I think this was a great decision that ensured all boys were given more of an opportunity to contribute and excel.

We had a great season finishing $2^{\rm nd}$ on the table after the regular season and runners up in the final series that was a very rain interrupted affair! This result doesn't necessarily reflect the season we had as we were the only team in the competition to beat the leaders on the table - twice. A result the boys should be proud of. We played 11 games in the regular season, winning 9 and losing 2 games. We scored 1234 runs and conceded 1021 and we took 71 wickets during the season. A great effort!

We started the year on a winning note with a resounding victory against Forest. We scored one of our best totals of the year 9/165 declared with Jai Slater top scoring with 47. In reply we had Forest 115 all out with Euan Loh leading our attack with some impressive figures of 7 Overs, 3 Maidens, 2 for 9. Our second game was against a slightly understrength Cromer team. Cromer batted first and scored 5/101 off their allotted 30 overs, in reply we scored 7/103 off 27.4 overs winning the match with a little over 2 overs to spare. A very close match with the boys batting incredibly well showing great patience to chase down a modest total. Great batting displays from Jan Barnard 25 and Charley Yates top scoring with 36 including 5 boundaries. A match worth highlighting was round 4 against Peninsula Pacers. Peninsula

batted first and scored 7/110 with strong all round bowling performance. Worth highlighting was Leightons Shaw's performance with the ball taking 3/10 off 6 Overs and not giving away an extra! Brilliant performance Leighton! In reply we were 2/111 off 26 overs wining comfortably with 4 overs to spare. A number of our top order contributed with the bat in this match, Jan Barnard 21 (retired), Jai Slater 15, Elliot Copas 23 (not out) and Charley Yates 26 (not out). Great all round performance!

One match that will haunt us this year was round 10, a T20 fixture against Collaroy. We batted first scoring a modest 7/80, if we bowled well we thought we could defend this total. however this just wasn't our day and we couldn't contain their batsmen with Collarov ending up 2/82 off 16 overs and winning the match. This match was pivotal in the context of the season as this was the difference between us finishing top or 2nd on the ladder. With the final series being a washout as a result of rain this result pushed us into second place on the ladder where we stayed at the conclusion of the season. An unfortunate but important learning for all of us to chase the results no matter the opposition!

One aspect of the boys' play I do want to celebrate was the bowling performances and how we learned as a team to minimise the extras we conceded to the opposition. At the start of the season we frequently conceded over 30 extras per match however by round 9 against Cromer we conceded only 14 extras. A great performance by all the bowlers and key in enabling us to have

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such a successful season.

Ian Barnard:

Season Stats:

Batting: 217 Runs, Highest Score 60*,

Batting Average 54.25

Bowling: 8 Wickets for 114 runs @

14.25 Average 3 Catches and 2 Run outs Ian was our most consistent batsmen and a fantastic captain truly leading the boys on the field. In addition to scoring over 200 runs in the season he was retired not out 5 times during the season. Jan not only performed brilliantly with the bat but regularly kept wicket for us and bowled very consistently during the season. Fantastic season Jan - congratulations!

Elliot Copas

Season Stats:

Batting: 91 Runs, Highest Score 28,

Batting Average 13

Bowling: 1 Wicket for 89 runs 7 Catches and 1 Run out Elliot had a great season building in confidence with every match and has developed as a cricketer from last season. Elliot is one of our best fielders and catchers in the team and this showed with an impressive 7 catches this season - 3 of these taken while wicket keeping! I was delighted to see Elliot getting into the 20's with the bat 3 times this year with impressive scores of 28 and twice making 23. When Elliot digs deep and shows patience with the bat - the runs come!

Jasper Heal

Season Stats: Batting: 15 Runs

Bowling 5 Wickets for 96 runs, Average

Well Done on a great season Elliot!

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1 Catch and 2 Run outs Jasper has been a great bowling allrounder this year taking a number of wickets at critical times during the season. His batting has steadily improved and he is a very capable batsman when he shows patience and doesn't go for the "big hit" too early in his innings! Jasper is a great contributor to the team and continues to improve week by week. Well done Jasper!

Ben Layton

Season Stats:

Batting: 19 Runs, Highest Score 8. Bowling 3 Wickets for 56 runs, Average 18.67

2 Catches and 1 Run out Ben has been a strong contributor and great team player all year, regularly contributing with the bat and ball. Ben's bowling was a key factor in a few matches late in the season, in the unfinished grand final against strong opposition Ben took 1/3 off 3 overs. Great bowling performance against tough opposition. Continue to work hard on your game Ben and you'll continue to enjoy success in future years. Well done!

Euan Loh

Season Stats:

Batting: 6 Runs, Highest Score 6* Bowling 8 Wickets for 112 runs, Average 14, Best 2/6 off 3 overs. Euan is our own version of Josh Hazelwood, with consistent pace, line and length. It's been an absolute pleasure watching Euan bowl and continue to develop this year. With an average of 14, an economy rate of 2.24 and a strike rate of 37 Euan is one of the most effective bowlers in the competi-

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tion this year. I had a number of coaches comment on Euan's action, pace and accuracy. I would encourage Euan to continue working on his game and I believe he can be a very fine grade cricketer in the future!

Andrew Prassopoulos

Season Stats:

Batting: 54 Runs, Highest Score 15, Average 13.5.

Bowling: 4 Wickets for 86 runs, Average 21.5

3 Catches

It's been a pleasure to have Andrew join our team this year. A solid all round contributor and a fierce competitor! Andrew is passionate about his cricket and equally passionate about doing well and making a contribution! He contributed consistently this year in the middle order and with ball in hand ended the season with a very respectable bowling average of 21.5. Andrew was a very capable wicket keeper - an area of his game that he should continue to develop. Andrew trains hard and plays hard - always looking to score and is welcome in any future team I coach!

John Richards

Season Stats:

Batting: 18 Runs, Average 6.

Bowling: 4 Wickets for 114 runs, Average 28.25

2 Catches, 1 run out

Having seen John develop his skills over the past few years I am incredibly impressed with how his game has come on. John is the ultimate team player and contributes across the park with bat, ball and with the wicket keeping gloves on. John's passion for the game shows in how hard he trains and pushes himself to perform and contin-

ue improving. It's been fantastic to have John as part of our team again this year.

Ben Rowan

Season Stats:

Batting: 36 Runs, Average 9. Top score 20*

Bowling: 8 Wickets for 79 runs, Average 9.88, Best 3/11

4 Catches, 1 run out

Ben has been a great contributor to the team all year with bat and ball. Ben has worked hard on his bowling action and has seen the results from his perseverance with season best figures of 3/11 off 3 overs and a bowling average of 9.88! Wow – well done Ben! Ben's batting is very solid and he is a natural ball striker helping himself to 20* against Forest in the first game of the season. Congratulations on a great year Ben.

Leighton Shaw

Season Stats:

Batting: 133 Runs, Average 26.6. Top score 39*.

Bowling: 12 Wickets for 106 runs, Average 8.83, Economy Rate 2.7, Best 3/10

3 Catches, 1 run out

Leighton is a natural athlete with great batting and bowling ability. He is a great ball striker with the bat and ultra dependable strike bowler. When Leighton had the ball in hand a wicket was n't far away. One aspect of Leighton's game he can develop is patience. Being a natural striker - looking to score was always front of mind for Leighton which occasionally saw him lose his wicket prematurely. Leighton is a pleasure to watch with both ball or bat in hand and has a long career playing cricket ahead of him!

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Jai Slater

Season Stats:

Batting: 147 Runs, Average 24.5. Top score 47*.

Bowling: 7 Wickets for 127 runs, Average 18.1, Economy Rate 3.02, Best 2/12 2 Catches, 1 run out

It's been great to see Jai continue to develop his cricket. Another natural athlete and one of the best catchers in the team Jai was always making a contribution. It was great to see Jai take to the Forest bowling attack scoring 47 in the first game of the season and followed that up with numerous contributions in the 20's and 30's this year. One of the most pleasing aspects was how Jai's bowling made a big impact with best figures of 2/12 and taking 7 wickets this season. Jai was also on our regular wicket keeping roster - as one of our best catchers he performed this task very well! Great year Jai - congratulations!

Jamie White

Season Stats:

Batting: 1 Runs,

Bowling: 5 Wickets for 96 runs, 7 Maidens, Average 19.2, Economy Rate 2.46, Best 2/6

3 Catches, 4 run outs

Jamie unfortunately once again carried the burden of being the coaches' son! With this came the honour of laying out the cones, dragging the kit, and collecting the cones on most days! Well done and thanks Jamie. Batting down the order most of the year Jamie had a lean year with the bat but contributed very well opening the bowling with Euan this year. Jamie was very consistent and economical with an economy rate of 2.46 and taking 5 wickets during the season at an average of

19.2. Jamie did very well in the field this year taking 3 catches and playing a role in 4 run outs. Well done Jamie!

Charley Yates

Season Stats:

Batting: 128 Runs, Average 21.33,

Highest Score 36

Bowling: 3 Wickets for 74 runs, Average 24.67, Best 1/6

1 run out

The bravest bowler in the team! Bowling leg spin at junior level is a tough ask. As you develop your craft as a leg spinner it doesn't always come out right! In Charley's case it mostly came out right and he was mostly unplayable. When a batsman did get hold of one, Charley did what he always does walks backs to his mark and flights another big leggie back to the batsmen. That takes guts and composure. Charley has both of those qualities in spades! Charley is also an accomplished batsman with a great eve for the ball and excellent ball striking ability. As they say - when Charley hits a ball it stays hit! Charley made 5 scores in double figures this year with his highest score of 36 and batting at an average of 21.3 which is significantly up on his career average - well done Charley, Keep tossing up those leggies!!!!

Special mention:

Alex and Tonya Richards - Our scorers extraordinaire!! Thanks so much for your season long contribution scoring and keeping most of the team fed with a limitless supply of fruit and healthy snacks!!! I don't think the competition has seen such a neat and accurate scorebook, many thanks!!! Also, thanks to Nerralyn for filling in very aptly as scorer a couple of times.

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Tim Bowland and Micky Yates – for your ever-present support to the coach! Due to work commitments, there were times I couldn't make training and Tim and Micky always stepped in!! On match days, the coach is always a few hands short. Tim and Micky were always there to assist with set up, take down and warming the boys up. Many thanks – much appreciated.

Thanks to Vanessa White for her tireless effort in managing the team. The monitoring of ground availability, schedule changes and making sure we all knew where we needed to be when. Many thanks and well done.

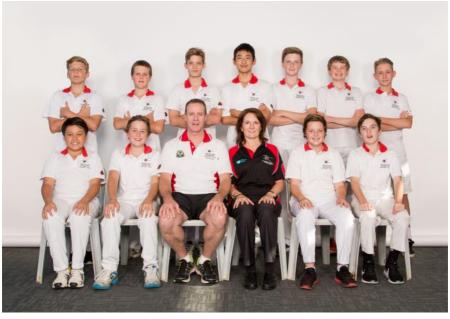
To the entire parent and supporters group I want to thank you for your support and positivity during the season, creating an environment for the boys to really enjoy their cricket.

Awards:

Batting: Jan Barnard 9 Matches Average 54.25. (217 Runs, Highest Score 60 retired not out)

Bowling: Leighton Shaw 10 Matches, Average 8.83 (39 Overs, 7 maidens, 12 wickets, strike rate 19.58, economy rate 2.71).

Sportsperson award; Euan Loh Great attitude, always showed up at training, excellent work ethic and outstanding overall contribution with the ball - 8 Wickets for 112 runs, Average 14, Best 2/6 off 3 overs.



Under 15 Red

Having won the U14 premiership the previous season, expectations were always going to be high for this side in 2016/17, and they didn't disappoint. They finished second behind a strong Harbord side, and had the rain not washed out the second week of the final I'm confident they would have gone on and won the comp.

The side took on a somewhat different look this season. As is often the case at this age level, a number of players from last season moved on for various reasons, but that created an opportunity for a number of others to join the side. Our nucleus of Oli C, Ben, Liam, Kale, Ethan, Oli M, and Jeremy were joined by Daniel, Declan and Rory who came up from division 2, Joel who returned to the side, and Tom, Chris, Zac and Sarah who were all new to the club.

This season the competition comprised of a mix of two-day games, one-day games and T20's, the result being that it was difficult for the side to get into any sort of a rhythm. I also would like to acknowledge the understanding all team members showed with regard to getting a bat. With a squad of 15, and plenty of 20 and 30 over games, it is quite a challenge to ensure every player gets an even number of opportunities, but they all approached the season with maturity and understanding.

Most pleasing was the spirit in which the team played the game, and the camaraderie in the team. Much of the focus in cricket is on individual performance, but it is a team sport at the end of the day and the team can only be successful if all the players support each other in the knowledge they are working towards a common goal. I look forward to watching them all step up to the U16-18 competition next season, in which I have no doubt they will continue to be successful.

Tom Arrand

4 matches - 15 runs @ 3.75, 1 wicket @ 19 runs

Tom had little opportunity, only being available for 4 matches due to his school cricket commitments. A solid batsman with the potential for lusty hitting, and a promising spin bowler, Tom was great to have in the side when he was available. Congratulations to Tom on being selected in the U14 Presidents Cup side for Manly.

Oliver Campbell

10 matches - 87 runs @ 17.4, 5 catches & 2 stumpings

Oli is a very capable batsman and our trusty gloveman. With the bat, he started the season with a bang, notching up his first ever half century (52) in the first game, before dropping down the order and playing some key innings towards the end of the season. Behind the stumps, Oli is energetic and acrobatic, gives away very few byes, and keeps batsman amused with his constant banter. A season highlight for Oli was a fantastic full-length diving catch, which we've come to expect, but are still wowed by every time he does it.

Daniel Condon

9 matches – 18 runs @ 6, 1 wicket @ 90 & 1 catch

Coming up from division 2, Daniel acquitted himself well against the tougher division 1 opposition. When batting he was often difficult for opposing bowling sides to remove, and his bowl-

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ing showed continued improvement throughout the season.

Ben Cook

12 matches – 77 runs @ 12.83, 16 wickets @ 10.38 & 2 catches Ben continued to be a key member of the bowling attack this year, picking up wickets regularly with his inswingers. His best figures for the season came against the Harbord Crocs when he took 4/20. Ben works hard at his batting, and that work began to pay off this season, the highlight being an innings of 30 against St Pius. Congratulations to Ben on being selected in the Manly U15 Presidents Cup side.



Liam Dinan

12 matches - 116 runs @ 19.33, 14 wickets @ 9.64 & 3 catches Liam was the standout fast bowler in the competition. His impeccable line and length and prodigious inswinger had most batsmen in trouble. Deserving of more wickets, Liam bowled without luck on many occasions. The highlight of Liam's season with the ball was

when he took 4/14 and 5/18 in a game against St Pius, bowling the side to an outright win. Liam was also required to take on more responsibility with the bat this season and did so willingly. While not scoring as many runs as his ability may have warranted, Liam acquitted himself well with two scores in the 30's. Congratulations to Liam on being selected in the Manly U15 Presidents Cup side.

Kale Gabila

7 matches – 254 runs @ 63.5, 5 wickets @ 7.4 & 1 catch

Kale is a destructive upper or middle order batsman. Blessed with a fantastic eye, he is a clean striker of the ball, but this season showed he can bat sensibly when required as well. The highlight of Kale's season was his matchwinning 92 against the Harbord Crocs in just 25 overs. Kale is also a brilliant fielder, who uses his speed and agility to regularly cut off runs and create run out opportunities. Congratulations to Kale on being selected in the Manly III4 DCA side.

Ethan Joseph

12 matches – 59 runs @ 14.75, 7 wickets @ 20 & 5 catches
Ethan has developed into a quality fast bowler. Making good use of his height, Ethan bowled many important spells for the side throughout the season. He often bowled without luck, but was miserly. His best bowling performance came in a game in which he didn't take a wicket. Against the Harbord Crocs Ethan bowled 10 overs for only 15 runs, and set the side up for victory. Ethan's batting has also improved significantly this season. Despite limited opportunities, he made the most of

them with 2 scores in the 20's. Ethan

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is a fantastic team player, happy to do whatever is required for the team.

Joel McGregor

11 matches - 186 runs @ 31, 9 wickets @ 8.89 & 6 catches

Joel returned to the side this season, and it was a pleasure to have him back. His all-round abilities were invaluable throughout the season. As a top-order

batsman Joel has a very sound technique, and an ability to push quick singles when required and belt the loose ball to the boundary. Whilst shot selection let him down at times. he made many valuable contributions, the best of which was 61* against St Pius which set the side up for victory.

Joel's medium pace bowling was also difficult to get away, and he often picked up wickets with his subtle outswingers. Joel was also one of the best fieldsman in the competition, with his safe pair of hands, anticipation and accurate throwing contributing to many wickets. Congratulations to Joel on being selected in the Manly U15 DCA side.

Declan McLerie

12 matches - 33 runs at 5.5, 3 wickets @ 40.67 & 3 catches

Declan is one of the most enthusiastic cricketers in the team, applying himself well whether it be during the games or at training. All facets of Declan's game improved as the season progressed. His highlight with the bat was a swashbuckling 22 against Forest, which was key to us posting a winning total. With the ball, Declan bowled some good spells, including season's best figures of 2/6 against St Pius. Consistency of line and length needs to be the focus going forward.

Oliver Melville

12 matches - 166 runs @ 27.67, 12 wickets @ 8.17 & 2 catches

One of the team's strongest all-rounders, Oli made positive contributions with the bat, ball and in the field this season. Often opening the batting, Oli nullified the opposition opening bowlers and scored freely when the bowling allowed. His batting highlight was 48 against the Harbord Emus. which was crucial to ensuring we could apply pressure to them with

the ball. When bowling, Oli regularly took wickets, his best figures of 3/11 coming against Collaroy, and was always tight to the point of being miserly. Congratulations to Oli on being selected in the Manly U14 DCA side.

Jeremy Nicholson

12 matches - 42 runs @ 10.5, 9 wickets @ 14.11

Jeremy is a consistent opening/1st change bowler that wears-away at the opposition upper order. He offers fantastic variation to the attack with his left are inswingers which often send the stumps flying. Bowling to the best batsmen in the competition, it is not always easy to take wickets, but due to

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having a great economy rate, Jeremy often earns many wickets for his bowling partners at the other end. His best figures for the season of 2/4 came against St Pius. One of the keenest cricketers around, Jeremy is a great team player - batting, bowling and fielding where required with no fuss, and always encouraging his team mates.

Rory Sarkies

11 matches - 91 runs @ 18.2, 13 wickets @ 6.92 & 4 catches

Rory brings a cavalier approach to his batting which makes him one of the most entertaining batsman to watch. He doesn't always get runs, but when he does you know it will be exciting to watch and that the bowlers will be frustrated to the point of distraction. Blessed with a good eye, once he gets in he can be devastating. In a day that Rory should remember for a long while, against Peninsula, he scored 54*, took 3/12 and a screamer of a catch at first slip.

Chris Thomas

10 matches - 16 runs @ 2.67, 4 wickets @ 26 & 4 catches

Chris is one of those cricketers who quietly goes about his work, making whatever contribution is required of him. In particular, he bowled some tight and important spells for the side throughout the season, with his best figures of 2/14 coming against Collaroy. Chris also has one of safest pairs of hands in the field, never dropping a chance.

Zac Thomas

3 matches – 21 runs, 4 wickets @ 6.5 & 1 catch

Unfortunately Zac's school cricket commitments meant we saw too little of him throughout the season, but when he could play his right arm fast bowling was a real asset to the team. His best bowling figures came against Collaroy when he bowled 7 overs and took 2/2. He also scored 21 runs in that game, demonstrating that bowling may not be the only string to his bow. Congratulations to Zac on being selected in the Manly U14 DCA side.

Sarah Turner

8 matches – 117 runs @ 19.5, & 1 catch Sarah was new to the team this season and very quickly established herself as a consistent performer with the bat. Sarah made five scores in the 20's with a high of 25* against St Pius. Particularly strong off the back foot, Sarah took full toll of anything short. Sarah also put in some sound performances behind the stumps. Sarah is a very talented sportsperson and we particularly congratulate her on her selection in the Cricket Australia U15 XI.



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Last, but not least, I would like to thank all the parents for their assistance and support throughout the season. In particular, I would like to thank Andrew (Smells) Melville for coaching the team this season. Volunteering to coach involves a significant commitment of time in planning training sessions, umpiring, working with each player to improve their skills and ensuring the team enjoys its cricket. Thanks Smells. Your efforts are appreciated by both the players and the parents. I would also like to thank Neil Campbell for helping out with the scoring. Finally, thanks to Loretta Dinan for catering to both the players and parents with some delicious cakes and cups of tea throughout the season. Congratulations to the team on a great season and playing cricket with such a great attitude.

Jeff Cook (Manager)

Individual Award Recipients

Batting (min 8 innings batting average) – **Joel McGregor 186 runs** @ 31

Bowling (min 30 overs bowling average) – Oliver Melville 12 wickets @ 8.17

Sportsperson Award - Ethan Joseph



Under 16-18 Red

A real mixture of a team came together at pre-season trials. Blending the young Under15's from last year with 16 and 17 year olds from different teams and some other clubs definitely had its challenges early, but with some commitment from all the boys we finshed runners up in the grand final against a very strong St Augustine's side.

Such a successful year by the boys. GREAT EFFORT!!!

Team Highlight (Bowling)

Great win in Round 10 against Cromer. In a 2 day match we batted first and were very disappointed being bowled out for 113.

Cromer then batted and finished the day 0-59.

The boys turned up the next week with some confidence in wining the game and win they did.

They bowled Cromer out for a further 14 runs with the main destroyers Ant Denny 5/11 and Roual 3/1.

Team Highlight (Batting)

Great effort in Round 4 chasing a massive 312 by St Augustines we were bowled out for 298.

Not a win but what a great effort. Iake Alexander 51

Lachlan Molyneux 50

Liam Ashby 41 Ant Denny 40

Tom Hughes 27

Thanks again guys for a great year and I wish you all every success with all your cricket next year.

Simon

Players in the u/16-18 red team for the season were:

Cohen Mantle

Batting: 208 runs @ 29.71. Highest score 69*

Bowling: 11 wickets @ 15.64. Best

bowling 3/28

Fielding: 1 catch, 2 run outs

Brynn Mendel

Batting: 201 runs @ 100.50. Highest score 65*

Bowling: Best bowling 0/5

Fielding: 1 catch,

Lachlan Molyneux

Batting: 182 runs @ 45.50. Highest score 50

Bowling: 7 wickets @ 20.14. Best bowling 3/21

Fielding: 5 catches

William Bassett

Batting: 152 runs @ 38. Highest score 66*

Bowling: Best bowling 0/14

Fielding: 3 catches

Anthony Denny

Batting: 126 runs @ 21. Highest score 40

Bowling: 9 wickets @ 20.89. Best bowling 5/11

Fielding: 7 catches, 1 run out

Jake Alexander

Batting: 125 runs @ 17.86. Highest score 51

Bowling: 2 wickets @ 18. Best bowling 2/20

Fielding: 2 catches, 1 stumping, 4 run

outs

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Liam Ashby

Batting: 87 runs @ 43.50. Highest

score 43*

Bowling: 6 wickets @ 22. Best bowling

3/16

Fielding: 4 catches

Josh Park

Batting: 83 runs @ 41.50. Highest

score 30

Bowling: 2 wickets @ 17. Best bowling

2/7

Fielding: 1 catch

Thomas Hughes

Batting: 57 runs @ 8.14. Highest score

27

Bowling: 6 wickets @ 8.83. Best bowl-

ing 4/19

Fielding: 4 catches

Joshua Hanlon

Batting: 25 runs @ 12.50 Highest score

15*

Bowling: 5 wickets @ 16.40 Best bowl-

ing 3/12

Fielding: 2 catches 2 run outs

Alex Dickson

Batting: 20 runs @ 10.00 Highest score

9*

Bowling: 5 wickets @ 13.20 Best bowl-

ing 3/29

Fielding: 1 catch

Luka Vajdic

Batting: 12 runs @ 12.00 Highest score

10*

Bowling: 9 wickets @ 18.22 Best bowl-

ing 2/10

Fielding: 6 catches,

1 run out

Alexander Ganski

Batting: 10 runs @ 10.00 Highest score

8*

Bowling: 3 wickets @ 55.00 Best bowl-

ing 1/29

Fielding: 3 catches

Euan Dixon

Batting: 8 runs @ 8 Highest score 8*

Bowling: 3 wickets @ 37.67 Best bowl-

ing 1/4

Fielding: 7 catches

Raoul Ferreira

Batting: 2 runs @ 2 Highest score 2

Bowling: 6 wickets @ 26.17 Best bowl-

ing 3/1

Fielding: 2 catches

Lachlan Chatterton

Bowling: 3 wickets @ 20.67 Best bowl-

ing 2/13

Fielding: 1 catch

A big thank you to the other boys who filled in during the season: Bailey Kenzie, Ned Barnet, Sean Nimmo, Jarod

Colyer, and Jake Dobson.



2016/2017 Senior Award Winners

1st Grade

Batting William Jonkers Sportsperson Sam Worthington

Bowling Matt De Groot

2nd Grade

Batting Reece Liddy Sportsperson Jonothan Hain

Bowling Steven Thompson

3rd Grade

Batting Jack Garay Sportsperson Jess Ball

Bowling Adam McCormick

4th Grade Hunstmen

Batting Stuart Banham Sportsperson Giles Park

Bowling Gavin Franklin

4th Grade Black Widows

Batting Toby Kovacs Sportsperson Peter Candotti

Bowling Luca Candotti

One Day B Grade

Batting Andrew Davies Sportsperson Matthew Moore

Bowling Andy Pradana

Captains

1st Grade Lachlan Charles2nd Grade Matthew Varjavandi

and Grade Hawisen Coatt

3rd Grade Harrison Scott **4th Grade**

Huntsmen Matthew Murray

4th Grade
Black Widows

One Day

B Grade Andrew Davies

Vice President Seniors Report

It has been a pleasure again this year to have the honour of being Vice President of Seniors. In my short time at this club I have truly found a home surround by a fantastic bunch of people, both in the playing group, player's families and the committee.

Cricket is such a wonderful game where we can play as a team but also battle within ourselves to grow our

individual performances. Being part of a community who play cricket with respect for the game and true respect for their teammates and opponents is a wonderful thing. Our club is known by our rivals of as a genuinely great bunch of people who play hard and fair

Because our 1st Grade team did not make the finals this year, it allowed

me to go down and watch some of our other teams in Semi & Grand Finals, which I don't normally have the chance to do. What was evident was the comradry, pride and passion for the club which was wonderful to watch and here. We are the biggest club on the Northern beaches, and I truly believe that is due to the people we have playing with us.

Season 2016/17 was a fantastic season for our club. From our 6 teams we entered this season, we had three teams make the semi-final and **two** teams take out the Premiership! Congratulations to:

Iain McKern's 4th Grade Black Widows team

I had the privilege to watch this amaz-

ing Grand Final, and what a cracker of a game it was. It was truly a hard earnt victory against the top team.

Andy Davies' One-Day Div B team Unfortunately, Andy's team didn't get to play the Grand Final due to the weather, but they finished top of the ladder and absolutely smashed the opposition in the Semi-Final – Premiership was well earned.



We also had a couple of other teams who had the chance of making finals had the crazy weather not interfered.

Aside from the two Premierships, some other highlights of the season were: We entered a T20 side again this year, where we just missed out on the finals by percentage. What was great was the representation by players

of four of the Seniors grades plus a couple of Juniors. Was great fun.

The introduction of what was essentially a Father/Son team – who was the Premiership 4th Grade Black Widows team. The passion and desire to teach our younger players what it means to be cricketers and good humans was so evident in this team. Thank you to those guiding that team and well done on the Victory! May this tradition continue for the years to come – this is a family club and nothing more special than to see this.

We had a good contribution of Junior players moving in to or also playing in the Senior competition.

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THE CHALLENGES

Along with the highlights, we also had some challenges this past season, which indicates some issues we need to look at improving on next season. Our main challenges were around filling teams and getting the right players in the right teams for the long-term longevity and success of the club.

FILLING SIDES

143 Registered Senior players for 2016/17 with 59 Full-time, 64 Part-time and 20 Juniors. This number of players was not enough to fill 6 teams every week. The full complement of Senior players theoretically provided 24.33 players per team. The Full-Timers theoretically provided enough players for 8.67 players per team – but this is on the assumption full-timers never need a weekend off – which is not realistic.

What also complicates this is we have developed somewhat an insular culture within teams, so it was hard to encourage players to move around and fill in for other sides.

This will always be a challenge, especially for us as it is a fine balance doing what's best for the club and allowing teams of 'mates' just to be formed. What I have learnt, and to those who have moved around when required can confirm is; you soon quickly grow your group of mates you are comfortable with – as we are all legends in the Wakehurst Redbacks.

TRAINING

We certainly need to get more people to training next year, as it was always the same 10-20 guys. A very small percentage of players trained. We therefore have no way of improving and the people who do go are always facing the same bowlers.

I will be looking at engaging a Coach next year which who would actually be working on developing our skills across all areas.

VISION FOR 2017/18

To address some of the challenges, I will be proposing quite a significant change for next season with the premise of:

- Create a clearer development pathway for our Juniors as they transition to Seniors cricket and beyond
- Get the right players playing at the right level across our MWCA competitions
- Ensure that we are able to field full sides in every team, every week Streamline the administration of our Senior teams
- See those players who are keen to move up grades and challenge themselves have a route to do this. (Continued on page 113)



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Whilst I have outlined a fairly detailed proposal for 2017/18, this will be in consultation with Senior leaders of the playing group in order to address the balance as to what is best for the club as a whole and individual desires. We will addressing this prior to registration next season and communicate out clearly what our direction will be.

VICE PRESIDENT - SENIORS 2017/18

Due to potential work commitments, I may have to move back to WA at the end of this calendar year. Whilst I very much enjoy my role in the club, I may not be able to fulfil my duties to the end of next season.

I am still keen to implement my vision for next season, and work on that will be required to begin in June 2017 – but if there is anyone interested in taking over this role for next season I would gladly hand over the reins and be there for a lengthy transition period as required.

Anyone interested, please get in touch with me as soon as you like.

IN SUMMARY

This past season saw more interaction between the players of different grades than ever. At the end of the day, although we play in separate teams, we one club..... the Mighty Wakehurst Redbacks

I hope you enjoyed your year of cricket again this year and again, Congratulations to the two teams who earnt their esteemed Baggy Reds! Thank you for everyone involved, in-

Thank you for everyone involved, including the family and partners who came down and watched!

Can't wait for Season 2017/18!!

GTMR!! (Go the Mighty Redbacks!!)

KEVIN HUME

Vice President - Seniors



Seniors 1st Grade

Coming into a new season just falling short of the finals in the previous year, there were many mixed feelings towards the year to come. Having many players leave, the team welcomed in a few new faces from the Dee Why club. Instantly the team saw potential to have another crack at the finals this year. The year saw many ups and down but was an enjoyable time for everyone involved with any laughs coming from the team week in and week out. We struggled getting a full consistent side every week, but thank you to the many fill-ins who stepped up to help us out.

William Jonkers

In a new spot this year, William

Jonkers took the opportunity to open the batting and put the pressure back onto the opening bowlers. One highlight was Will's innings top scoring with 63 and dominating the bowlers, putting them to all parts of the ground.

With his consistent form at the top of the order getting the team to a flyer, it made the job a tad easier for the middle order. Will was also very handy with the ball proving to dry up the runs and take quick wickets to win crucial games for the team.

Sam Worthington

One of the four players from Dee Why, Sam Worthington took the opportunity to open with Will which lead to many vital opening stances such as 133 against Collaroy which paved the way for the team's first victory with Sam scoring his best of 60 plus assisting 2nd grade with an 80. Sam turned up every week with the passion to win games and it was evident in his fielding ability taking a screamer against hardboard to turn the game in our favour. Sam also heavily assisted the bowling department with spells that could turn games around with his figures of 2/34.

Adrian Hookham

returned and looked to lead the team to another finals appearance with his crafty batting. Though this year wasn't Hookham's best year with the bat, despite making plenty of starts, was unable to go on with the job. However, it

was his ability behind the stumps that saw many wickets fall to spectacular catches. Hookham dismissed many key opposition players with his work and gave the team assurance of the job behind the stumps.



Lachlan Charles

Lachie this season took over the Captaincy part way through the season and the extra responsibility did not detract from his nearly always solid batting performances. Lachie generally opened and was always up for taking on quality 1st Grade opposition bowlers. Highest individual score for the season with 81 n.o. and also the best average. He is well respected amongst all the players and certainly takes a

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serious amount of stirring in good spirit.

Kevin Hume

Humey, aka Rampage came every week wearing the Redback's logo on his heart. Never was there a dull moment on the field with Kev providing inspiration and sandwiches every week. Any team would love having a personality such as Kev in their team.

Kev provided energy in the field and change the game multiple times with

change the game multiple times with his urgency in the field. Not Kev's best season, but the year's highlight saw him open against Harbord and take on their well renowned openers not out.

Andrew Bass

Another new comer to the side, along with him brought batting and bowling expertise. Turning up hungover after a few beers the night before, Bassy snagged his first 5-for against Cromer which lead the way to the teams second victory. Offering consistent bowling, he was able to tie down the team with his economical bowling and wicket taking ability. He also provided many handy runs throughout the season.

AJ Fry

AJ, another seasoned Wakehurst cricketer bring his experience and bowling to the table every game. Opening the bowling or coming on first change, AJ built pressure on the batsmen, tying them down taking vital wickets in moments the team needed them. His cool head on field helped steer the team around and his passion for the team and the game came out in the heat of the moment. Taking 3/28 against a competitive Cromer side showed his

nagging line and length that brought undone opposition batsmen.

Matt De Groot

Matt coming over from Dee Why was a massive snag for the team. Bringing his firey bowling spells consisting of over 20 plus overs in some games, matt tore apart the batting line up. Taking 16 wickets all up in the season, Matt was also very handy with the bat showcasing his strength against teams hitting 45 off 10 overs. His leadership on the field was greatly showcased assisting in tactics throughout the season.

Mark Godfrey

Not much really other than a catch at first slip...... Coming from Dee Why as well Mark brought the passion and the enthusiasm every team would love to have. Mark contributed every innings with the top score of 45 against Collaroy and many other starts. Mark was mainly seen in the cordon with his safe hands snagging a beauty in the cold at first slip and a shock to all witnessing the catch. Well done Mark.



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Zac Youlten

A youngster coming through the grades was a very handy pick up for the team half way through the year. Coming in against the top team Zac showed his class with the ball heavily reducing the run rate with his under 4-an-over economy every game. Also proving to be very handy with the bat Zac belted 2 30's against Cromer and Collaroy.

Braden King

It was a big welcome back to Braden this season, and was great to have him back in Redbacks colours. Braden suffered some injuries again unfortunately which kept him from playing the full season. We did see glimpses of his batting talent this season and look forward to him getting back to being fit and healthy with us.

Jamie Murray

Unfortunately we couldn't get Jamie for a lot of the season due to his work/studying commitments, but it was always great to have his awkward-to-play attack in the bowling lineup. Jamie bowled well and also managed to score a few runs in some innings which he could have gone on with had he not run out of batsmen.

Bryton Caldwell

New to the Redbacks this season, Bryton was a colourful and enjoyable addition to the team. He had excellent chat and showed some real talent with the bat. He was also the cause of a very memorable day down at Long Reef where he managed to run four teammates out in the space of half an hour.



Seniors 2nd Grade

A disappointing year for the 2nd Grade boys after an impressive 2015/16 season. After forfeiting the first game of the season to the eventual champions, the team struggled to find any consistency and were lucky to grab games from the jaws of defeat multiple times.

After losing our star bowler Ryan Ludowkye for the entire season and our star, but often frustrating, star batsman David Sheldon for the majority of the season, the team had to find fresh. new players to fill the void. This saw the introduction of many young Redbacks including Sean Nimmo, Josh Park, Jarrod Colyer and Lachie Molyneux who added new life to a beaten, injured and weary Redbacks team with an average age of around 22. Dave Nimmo also added a bit of experience and presidency to the line-up, as well as someone who was more than valuable when it came time to pay at the pub.

The team ended up finishing in 5th and were extremely unlucky to miss finals through a combination of weather, poor team management and hangovers (as well as batting, bowling and fielding really poorly). I feel improvements in all these facets of the game would have helped to propel the boys



into the finals and to heights none of

us could even dream of.

Thankfully, we all got to share a fair few laughs on and off the field and enjoyed our time playing 2nd Grade for the Wakehurst Redbacks. Hopefully we'll get the team back together next year and have another shot at the elusive and prestigious title of 2nd Grade Park Cricket Champions in the Area of the Northern Beaches of Sydney, New South Wales in Australia!

Matthew Varjavandi (Captain)

The captain, middle-order batsman, opening bowler and fantastic fieldsman. Another season, another attempt at the fly slip fielding position. Varj had a fantastic year with the bat and a forgetful year with the ball. Stepping up to fill the role of fast, opening bowler was always going to be a challenge and as we all expected, he really failed to deliver. However, it was not all doom and gloom for skip this season. Varj recorded his first century of his short career in Round 4 with the majority of his runs coming from a leggie that can only be described as the next Shane Warne.

Highlights: A century and two half centuries. Tactically is the best captain in the competition by far. I think he forgot how to bowl this season.

Jake Fry (Manager and Vice-Captain) Everyone's favourite player and inspirational leader of the team. A massive unit who throws his body all around the park in incredible efforts to stop the opposing team to even consider taking another run. Really picked up his game with the bat on and off the field this season and is a beautiful timer of the ball when he gets going. Can't

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thank Jake enough for the amount of effort and work he puts into the team every single season.

Highlights: Was consistent with the bat and ball all year, which is a relief after last season's consistent scores of 0. Injury cruelly cut his season short.

Steven Thomson (Vice-Captain)

The vice-captain, quick, inaccurate fast bowler and someone who believes he should bat higher than 11 when we all know he shouldn't. What to say about Steve. Always a joy to play with even when you're the epicentre of all his iokes. Isn't afraid to say how he feels on the field and doesn't mind dropping a catch or two to get his point across. It's a real shame he won't be playing next season when, on his day, he can rip through any batting line-up. Highlights: Tore through Cromer in Round 11 to take 5 for 21. Swung the willow around a whole bunch but failed to contact on anything. In one game he dropped a catch, fired in a bullet in return out of anger and ran the guy out! It was bloody brilliant,



Jonathon Hain

Shows up every week with a smile on his face and that's just about all he provides to the team. Took on a bigger role in the bowling department and ended up with not too shabby figures for someone who has the run up of a paceman and bowls the speed of a leggie. Has a decent batting technique but wow he can't play a shot to save his life. A guy season for him with the ball but you cannot hide him in the field. Highlights: Starred in Round 12 with figures of 5/32 from 17 overs. Zero impressive batting at number 1 or 11. Averaged 40 in the 20/20 competition with his first six ever (yeah first ever, pretty embarrassing I know).

Sean Nimmo

The youngest player on the team and opening batsman, who, judging by his performances with the bat, only showed up to enjoy the banter between big dog and Steve. A really talented leftie who could take the idea of 'walking in with the bowler' a bit more literally. Unfortunately for him, he has also inherited his poor running between the wickets from his father. In general, he was the solid rock at the top of the order we desperately needed.

Highlights: Scored a classy 33 in his debut for the team. Bowled one over all season for 5 runs.

Dave Nimmo

The President of the Club and the worst runner between the wickets anyone has ever seen. Although we tried multiple times to drop him from an already undermanned team, Dave continually showed up every week with his all-around philosophy of just being flat out slow. He shouted us a fair few chips at the pub though so can't be too mad at the guy. Shows amazing tem perament when batting, something that the rest of the boys really lack. Is an important cog in the middle order. Highlights: Really well played innings

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for 36 in a one-dayer at number 3 in Round 9. Can't remember if he bowled or not. Probably should sell the wicket keeping gloves.

Dan Annakin

Opening bowler and big hitter in the lower order. Somehow believes that he's going to get this ball to reverse in the 2nd over but we love him anyway. Bowls an impressive speed for his height and can bowl some absolute beauties that make you appreciate the game of cricket. Great player so it's a shame we'll be losing him to Grade Cricket next season...

Highlights: Great season with the bat and ball. Was brilliant in a one-dayer in Round 7 with 43 runs at number 8 and figures of 1-16 off his 7 overs.

Andrew Gordon

Opening batsman and the slowest bowler on the face of the Earth. 'The Apron' shows up to every game with a ciggie in one hand and his other hand nursing his head from what we assume is last night's massive drinking experience. Gordo can play a brilliant late cut just when you need him too and can swing the ball an absolute mile at disappointing speeds. Probably could have been anything in the cricketing world if he got into a bit of shape because boy he's a good hitter of the ball. Highlights: Brought out the best innings of the season when we were chasing 241 in a one-dayer. Scored 122* including 11 sixers and 8 fours to lead us to a comfortable victory. Only bowled when we were utterly desperate.

Reece Liddy

Middle order batsman and wicketkeeper. Reece definitely wins the award for most improved this season with some terrific performances with the bat when we needed him the most. Picked up the wicket keeping gloves this year and did not look out of place. Shows up every week on the field and down at the pub.

Highlights: Exceptional performance to score 81 and guide us home when we were 5 for 15 chasing 150 in a one-dayer. Can't bowl because of his back or something I don't know who cares.

Other 20 players who played

Thanks to everyone who came down when we were desperate for players. Big thanks to William Sullivan and Maxwell Christensen who were always filling in and putting in GREAT performances. We look forward to David Sheldon, Ryan Ludowkye and Harrison Black playing full seasons for 2017/18. Highlights: Thanks for the effort of everyone, would have liked it if you played a bit more though you perennial pisspots. Lachie Molyneux was a star in Round 4 with a score of 65 and Josh Park hit some mighty sixers one game to score 34.



Seniors 3rd Grade

Another season and come and gone and once more we came so close to winning that premiership. We started our defence well with some huge wins over teams like Terrey Hills, Long Reef and Cromer to set up what was to be an interesting season.

Over the course of the season we seemed to go through close to 30 players with many people joining our core group for a few games and then fading off. Their efforts were not unnoticed at all with English import Richard Cooke taking 13 wickets for us in just 3 games.

We were lucky enough to make it through to the finals against out bitter rivals Terrey Hills and unfortunately didn't put together the performance we were hoping for.

A big thanks to the two Blake's and Mondo from 4th grade that came down and gave us a hand so we didn't have to play a semi with just 8 players. As Captain, it wasn't the result I was looking for at the end of the season but geez did we have some fun. I hope that we can all come together and go again next season and still have some laughs along the way.

Harry Scott

Brad Gordon:

The brains trust of the team. This bloke helped me out a lot this year by putting in the scores each week, knowing some of the most obscure rules in the book, and also by having an encyclopaedic knowledge of every opposition player and their weaknesses.

Jess Ball:

This bloke puts in more effort than



everyone else in the team combined. His ratio of 2 catches to 10 (give or take a few) dropped catches was a career best for Jess. In all seriousness though, it was good to see Jess have a few innings this season where some of that hard work shone through with some decent scores and helped us get a few more runs on the board.

Tom Roxall:

The specialist number 7 batsmen/ fielder took some great catches and had a few good innings this season before the cut shot seemed to creep back in and become the only shot he had left. It has however been the bloke's ability to hit one stump from any position and cause a run out which is his biggest attribute, hopefully he can continue to fluke it next season as well.

Cohen Mantle:

What a season this young bloke had, couple of good scores including a 90 against Cromer to help us to a win on just the first day of a two day game. It was hard to get Cohen down especially when it was never his fault when he got out. Cohen would always let us know how good he was before going out to bat, only before coming back soon after to tell us how bad that

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fielder who just caught him was. We love you Cohen, never change.

Adam McCormick:

A marvellous and devastating century against Long Reef early in the season helped us coast to a win early on day two. Adam also took 18 wickets at 16.50 by putting in very little effort at all and won himself the bowling award, what a guy.

Johnny Dew:

Johnny's season can be summed up by a two over spell at Killarney, full of filthy half trackers yet somehow ends up getting a wicket. Besides being a great team player, I've heard he makes a great ginger beer.

Clancy Lambe:

Clancy has an amazing ability to single handily get into the minds of the entire team just by himself. Terrey Hills and Long Reef were Clancy's main targets with neither team able to cop his incessant sledging from behind the stumps.

Hayden Gullick:

Another great season for the man they call Cletus, a lot of great scores throughout the season including 86 vs Long Reef and an absolute master class against Collaroy at Killarney in a One Day match helped us to a win with 16 overs to spare. We just won't mention the semi...

Jack Garay:

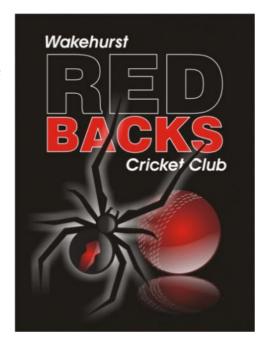
Chilli had another great season with both bat and ball. He top scored with an 86 before being given out LBW by the captain of a certain Wakehurst team on his way to a century. Even though he couldn't get there, he still wins this year's batting award.

James McClintock:

Joined us late in the season and flourished with the ball and was a great addition to the team, heard he's a great assistant to Johnny in the ginger beer business.

Pat Flakelar:

Another great addition to the team, Pat joined us and bowled scary quick straight off the bat. There was nothing better watching Pat steam in and watch the batsmen think of ways to get out so they didn't have to face any more balls.



Seniors 4th Grade – Black Widows

WRCC 4th Grade **Premiers 2016-17**

The formation of the Black Widows fourth grade team was the fruition of an idea. An idea which had as its seed the comradery of a group of boys and a group of fathers who were united in their love of the game of cricket.

Joined by a couple of special "uncles" we knew that the team had a good balance of youth, talent and experience; although in some cases the experience was more than 30 years ago and some

of the youth had not vet experienced senior cricket. What we didn't know was how the team would gel together with a full roster of various skill sets. At times we struggled and other times we dominated.

What was consistent was the team spirit, comradery, passion and respect for the game of cricket and for each

other. This was no better demonstrated by the Pink Stumps Day between the two Wakehurst fourth grade teams raising over \$650 for a worthy cause whilst playing the game we love. We thank the Wakehurst club and all our families for their support throughout the season allowing us to share this special year, culminating in the winning of a premiership!

Player reviews

Cameron Brown

This was a tough year by Cameron's high standards. With the HSC and sleeping-in weighing heavily on his

mind he still managed to contribute to some game changing partnerships and some very handy overs of medium paced bowling. The lack of quality time in the middle and on the field did not assist his stats but he remained positive and unwavering in his commitment to the team. We look forward to a big season next year.

David Brown

The signing coup of the season! It was always going to be tough to lure him away from Long Reef but we managed to pull it off. He amazed us with some

> sublime soccer and catching skills in the field, and inspired stroke play and running between the wickets. The quintessential clubman, without Dave's tireless work in supporting the team, the season would never have been as successful as it was.

Luca Candotti

A Glen McGrath clone who can also bat, 165

overs, 44 maidens, 29 wickets, ten catches, four run outs and 267 runs says it all. Whatever the task it was always good to know Luca was around. Keeping the runs down, a breakthrough, patrolling the boundary, making quick runs, he did it all. All aspects of his game developed over the season but the area that grew the most, that every opening bowler needs in their armoury, was his aggression. Luca has an astute cricket brain and leadership potential.

Peter Candotti

If you could bottle Peter's enthusiasm

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for the game and his teammates and then sell it, you would be a wealthy man. Opening the batting to see off the new ball and diving around in the gully was all done with passion. Probably his greatest contribution was off the field. Peter managed the side with perfection. All the logistics and management was done seamlessly... not to mention the end of season fine's tally!!

Mike Dunn

Mike probably has more natural talent than anyone else in the team but made limited appearances due to the buoyant Sydney real-estate market. The cleanest hitter in the team who saved his best contribution for the grand final which included one demoralising six that put us within reach of victory.

Peter Henderson

Inviting the boy's teacher to play was high risk but ultimately high reward. Sadly, he was poached to Victoria midseason but not before demonstrating a highly technical and successful batting style. He brought a great energy to the team and it was sorely missed in the second half of the season.

Michael Kovacs

A rock, with sharp edges, behind the stumps. His wicket keeping was outstanding as was his passion for perfection as his ten catches and six stumpings show. His 50-run batting average was only second to his son's and his batting often saw us out of danger and on to victory. His knowledge for the game, quick wit and funny stories kept us all on our toes.

Toby Kovacs

The only thing higher than his 70-batting average was his 99 Bradman like HSC Atar. When he wasn't studying, or having romantic walks on the beach with his girlfriend, he was belting runs, taking wickets and catches and filling in behind the stumps. Having a very sharp cricket brain and natural leadership skills Toby was called upon to lead the team at times during the season. However we are still trying to decipher some of his on-field banter which must have caused confusion to the opposition batsmen as well.

Matt Martin

Match figures of 5 for 22 in the sixth round and a total of 11 wickets in only seven games demonstrated the value of this handy medium pace partnership breaking bowler. His sense of humour and positive outlook on life is reflected in the way he plays the game and why he is so well liked by his teammates. We will never forget his nonchalance in dispatching the ball for two runs to secure a ninth wicket win in the semi-final.

Adam McKern

One of the team's great characters, Adam's ability was always on show with his leg spin tweakers and his opening batting. His desire to face the new ball on every occasion underlined his strength of mind. Both his batting and bowling played a pivotal role in our grand final victory. His inspired chat both on and off the field and his collaborative nature brought us all closer as a team. None of us will forget the need to hydrate before and during a game thanks to Adam!

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Iain McKern

It was always going to be a difficult task to lead a team predominately made up of fathers and their sons but Iain handled the role extremely well. Although he fell well short of his own lofty expectations with bat and ball he still contributed significantly with both. His primary focus was getting the most out of each and every player on the field and to bring the group together as a team; which he did superbly, leading the team to a magnificent first up premiership!

Dave Rodwell

The most unselfish player on the team. Always willing to give up his place in the team or in the batting/bowling order for the younger brigade. Took some game changing screamers both in close and in the outfield. A handy leg spin bowler who could also hold his own with the bat. Regardless of whether he was playing or not, he took on the barbecue duties week in week out, which was invaluable for team spirit, and made us the envy of the opposition teams.

Tom Rodwell

Our most reliable player with the most games for the team. Always keen to play his role and always with a smile on his face and with a great attitude. On his day, Tommy was our most lethal bowler with fast in-swinging pace and some unplayable deliveries. A technically correct batsman, we're looking forward to seeing how he develops his batting skills with more opportunities in the coming seasons.

Doug Wright

Doug was overheard to say "I start looking forward to weekend cricket on Saturday night" and it showed. Initially thought to be a medium pace bowler, he quickly changed into a reliable, patient and unflappable middle order batsman and committed fielder. Doug was involved in at least five successful run chases when the top order failed to fire, two of these being in the high pressure of the finals. His calculated run chases were backed up by fantastic patience and ball selection.

James Wright

A talented left arm first change bowler who regularly claimed the much needed breakthoughbreakthrough. He often bowled his best when in tandem with his brother Michael. His nine catches were also a big contribution in the field. His talent with the bat was unleashed for a match winning seventh wicket partnership in the semi-final, some of the cleanest hitting we saw all season. The only thing bigger than his heart was his run-up!!

Michael Wright

The quiet achiever. Michael was our most improved bowler of the season. He bowled some absolute Jaffa's and ended up with 18 valuable wickets, many of these bowled. A willing opening batsmen who loved to face the quicks and who quivered when the spin attack was unleashed. Hitting the winning run in the GF was a fitting end to a great season.

Seniors 4th Grade – Huntsmen

I think this is the first year of playing cricket that my team has missed out on the Semi Finals. A strange feeling to be sure - well into April and I'm still coming to terms with it.

We started off well, with a solid win against an under-prepared Cromer (they went on to be minor premiers). Gav just blew them away with an unplayable 8-fer, while the rest of us basically stood around and watched - of his eight wickets, five were bowled. Amazing!

From there we were very on-again, offagain, and after Round 6 we had a yo-

vo WLWLWL record. A bonus-point loss to Harbord in Round 7 set the tone for the rest of the season, and we only managed two more win in the remaining five rounds before the February rain set in to prematurely shut the season down.



- Stu and Andy established themselves early on as our openers. The unflappable Andy was an excellent foil to Stu's more aggressive approach, and the two of them were generally good for a fifty partnership.
- 3. Mark Quintana was plagued this season by hamstring difficulty, but showed both technique and temperament with the bat. He spent the season in the middle-order, but I reckon he could make the three-spot his own.
- 4. Giles certainly made his mark this season, and demonstrated why he

should have been playing cricket with us for the last five or six seasons! He was a valuable contributor with bat. ball and bullshit. Giles was full of helpful ideas, and was always a great bloke to have around, both on the park and off.

- So, bad luck to the Mighty Hunters in terms of scoreboard results, but as always it was a summer of fun and friendship.
- We had pretty much the same playing group as last season, with the notable addition of Giles Park as well as young Josh for a couple of games. Also lending a youthful hand were Jeremy Nicholson and Lincoln Waller.

Our batting was probably our big weakness this season, so here's a quick review of the core team (10 games or more) in my preferred batting order:

- 5. Gregory continues to learn and grow as a cricketer. He bats intelligently and combines a solid defence with some power hitting ability.
- 6. Mondo is one of the great batting improvers in our team, and injects real urgency into the batting line-up. His defence is good, and he's able to both noodle and hit. Another thinking batter, he's an increasingly valuable middle-order player.

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- 7. Frankie seems to have sorted his hamstring issues, which has meant he's been able to make a significant contribution with the ball. He's had a bit of a struggle with the bat this season, but should normally be expected to score runs pretty much anywhere in the order. I like him at seven, where there's time for him to build something and the freedom to express himself.
- 8. Ashwani is a born eight. I know he'd like to bat higher up, but I just see him as an eight. He was seen playing a forward defensive stroke this season, but I'm just saying that the man's overwhelming instinct is to open up and swing hard. He can outscore any of us on a good day, but is seriously disinclined to move between the wickets. Averaged 5 up the order and more than 20 from 6 to 9.
- 9. Bunter can bat. His shot selection is good and he can certainly hit the ball, but his running between the wickets is terrifying.
- 10. Matt will bat anywhere he gets a chance. Pretty rubbish. Ten is fine.
- 11. Dolly seems to pride himself on batting at eleven, although I suspect he might like a few opportunities higher up the order. He certainly has the technique to make runs, and has been known for a couple of heroic crease occupations.

Bowling-wise we showed a lot more promise.

1. Frankie was head and shoulders our best with the ball.

- 2. Matt comes second in the wickets column, but only because he overbowled himself. Mainly expensive rubbish.
- 3. Swami was a revelation with the ball, and a valued front-liner.
- 4. Giles was another revelation with the ball.
- 5. Dolly was our spin king, and was always good for a long spell of cheap, attacking stuff.
- 6. Bunter and Mondo are our two magical mystery bowlers, and should both expect a few overs in a two-dayer.

I'd like to make special mention of old mate and part-timer (7 matches) Freddy (Jamie Freidlein), who showed a new-found confidence in his limited appearances with both bat and ball. He's secured a front-line bowling position, and I wouldn't mind seeing him bat at three. If only he didn't have a family and business to think about.

Ah, it's been fun and I've loved my time with the lot of you. Perhaps time now for new ideas and new leadership – work it out boys, and take this badge off of me. Finally, good on the Widows and One Day Andy for keeping the Redbacks flag flying this year – GTMR!

Top Stats (non-Finals only, min. 5 matches)

matches)		
Batting Agg	Stu Banham	284
Batting Avg	Giles Park	35.43
Top Score	Giles Park	110
Bowling Agg	Gav Franklin	21
Bowling Avg	Gav Franklin	12.48
Best Bowling	Gav Franklin	8/38
3-2-1 MVP	Giles Park	

Seniors - One Day B Grade

WRCC One Day B Grade Premiers 2016-17

As I am writing this, I am not sure what to think of Season 2016/2017 for the Wakehurst Redbacks One Day B Side. Whilst we achieved the ultimate success in being called champions of the One Day B Grade, to say that it was an abstract season would be nothing short of an understatement. In particular, the fact that I had little idea about whether we would even be fielding a team for the season. After the difficulty of last season in a very competitive One Day A Grade, it was not easy to convince the guys to come back for another season. These guys had gone through 3 seasons in where we had faced all the trials and tribulations of feeling like we were learning on the go compared to all of these other sides that had been established as a unit for a much longer period of time. It took right to the final few days of needing to make a decision that indeed, we would be fielding a team. That key moment led to some of the most satisfying cricket I have ever been a part of...

Round 1 was against Long Reef and with a lack of knowledge on some of the new players joining our squad, it was a little bit of an unknown as to how we would fare. One thing I could rely on though was that Andy Pradana was ready to go and Andy proceeding to take 4/24 off 7 overs (career Wakehurst best). Long Reef managed to have a strong 3rd wicket partnership that led them to 138 all out. We believed that their bowling would not be as strong as what the standard bowling line-ups in One Day A last year were. However, just like last year, our batting would be the main concern, especially in run chases. Although we started ok, we fell to 5/65 and were in deep trouble of once again, bombing another run chase. Josh Capiron and Thomas Fourie proceeded to grind out

a 6th Wicket partnership of 72 that would set the tone for how we would approach the rest of the season. The first game of the season is always critical and Josh proceeded to finish with an unbeaten 60. Unfortunately for Tom, he would fall just short of remaining to the finish with Josh. The main thing was though, the victory was ours!



Round 2 was against Cromer at the same venue (Cromer Park). Cromer were the finalists from One Day B the previous season and we knew that they would be a strong side. If we could hold our own against Cromer, it was a very likely chance that we would be playing finals since there were only 5 teams in our competition. For what feels like an eternity, we decided to bat first and were paying the price for that decision. We fell to 9/56 and were left with Shawn Richardson and Andy Pradana at the crease. What we saw from there was one of the best 10th wicket stands you will ever see. Shawn and Andy proceeded to put on 54* for the 10th wicket and survive to the end of the innings to finish 9/110. Shawn managed to finish on an unbeaten 52 in his only game for our side this season! Thanks Shawn! Whilst it was a low score, we always back ourselves with the ball and the slow outfield was a plus. Cromer were unable to put any quick runs on the board and were eventually dismissed for 65 with an all-round bowling performance from everyone with

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Corbin Jennings leading the way with his 3/11 off 5 overs.

After having a bye (one of way too many), we faced our next opponent in Harbord Bowling Club. We were quite confident in ourselves after starting the season with 2 tough victories. Michael Barton was back in his 1st game for the season and with Tim and Xavier Ryan in the side, we had quite the juicy line-up. Unfortunately, sides on paper do not necessarily result in performances on the day, especially in cricket. In what was definitely a low-point of the season from a batting perspective, we were bowled out for 71 with just over 13 overs left in the innings. Extras top-scored with 20 with only 2 batsman managing to score above 10. We were then swept aside quite comfortably to lose by 7 wickets. Harbord Bowling Club would prove to be a tough opponent throughout the season and this was only the first battle of a great war.

Manly Breakers were next up in Round 5 and we knew that we needed to bounce back quite quickly. We were put into bat first and it looked like things were starting to fall apart yet again with the score at 3/24. My season to that point had been extremely disappointing with scores of 0, 9 and 13. Thankfully, that would cease to end in this game thanks to one of the worst dropped catches ever seen by a wicket-keeper when I was on 24. Josh Capiron and I went on a 4th wicket demolition stand of 154 and punish all Manly Breaker bowlers. In the process, I managed to score my first century for Wakehurst before succumbing for 111 off 67 deliveries. David Thomas 3 was a very friendly ground for batting and we continued to pile on the runs to finish up at 5/223 off 35. In the Manly Breakers run chase, there may have been a slight worry about them chasing the runs however a crucial run-out executed by Josh Capiron en-

sured safe passage for us as we won by 31 runs. Unfortunately, Manly Breakers did manage to bat out the innings so no early night for us! Nathan Bennett was a key bowler in the game as he took 3/33 with his left-arm spin.

Due to the fact we were only in a 5-team competition, we went straight back to another rotation of facing the same sides in Round 6 with another battle against Long Reef. With a number of our key bowlers out, we were relying on a big enough score at St Matthews Farm to ensure that we could claim victory. An all-round team performance led to our highest score yet off 35 overs with 7/231. We knew though that it was going to be close with many of our bowlers unavailable. Long Reef was tracking pretty well at 1/149 until first-gamer Tony Dertadian took a catch in the deep off the bowling of Matthew Moore to claim a key wicket. Long Reef then fell apart from the run chase and was held to 8/207. A fantastic bowling effort led by Tim Ryan with 3/24 off 7 overs, a great opening spell by Jeremy Nicholson and a great closing spell by Liam O'Sullivan were definitely highlights from this effort.

Cromer were next up again and sadly after managing 111 and 51 in two consecutive knocks, I had to sit the game out. Typically, the games that I sit out seem to be the most exhilarating of finishes to a cricket game possible. Once again, that proved to be correct! After batting first and managing a respectable 152 all out with Cameron Powell managing a majestic 62, Cromer had managed to place themselves at 5/127 and in a great chance of claiming victory. Andy Pradana and Xavier Ryan were put on together and the two of them managed to ensure Cromer collapsed to 9/138. It was not over though as their 10th wicket was grinding away at the runs with balls running out.

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Tim Ryan was placed on for the last over in his first over of the game and finally managed to spear in a full-ball that destroyed the stumps and give Wakehurst a heart-stopping 2 run victory! How do I know that? I was watching the finish off a video call J.

Whilst we were in a great position with 5 wins from 6 matches, we did not know whether we truly deserved to be in the position we were until we faced Harbord Bowling Club. There were a number of changes in our squad for this game and knew that we were in a difficult position to win this match. Although Gordon Powell led as an opener yet again with 27, we found ourselves in trouble at 4/48 knowing that Melwood Oval is a good ground to score on. Thomas Fourie and I managed to put on 61 for the 5th wicket in what was a crucial partnership in the game. Unfortunately, Tom was run out in that partnership and whilst we still heavily debate who was responsible for it, one thing is for sure....it was not my fault J Some late order batting managed to take our total to 8/160 off 35 overs, a much improved effort from the last time we faced them. With our opening attack being led by the young Jeremy Nicholson and Jay Marosa, what proceeded to happen was nothing short of outstanding. Jay bowled all the way through to take 3/25 off 7 overs and Jeremy was bowling incredibly tight. In the end, Jeremy's figures were 1/6 off 5.5 overs and it led to some outstanding bowling from him for the rest of the season. Jeremy can be deeply unlucky not to win the bowling award for our side. In the end, we managed to bowl Harbord Bowling Club out for 126 and claim a crucial victory! Something beautiful was beginning to emerge...

After defeating Manly Breakers with a solid

batting performance in Round 5, Round 10 would be of the understanding that we could take nothing for granted. So...we didn't. Well more specifically, Tim Ryan didn't. After being in a steady position of 1/75 off 17 overs, it was hoped that we could aim for about 170 and bowl well to take another victory. Tim disagreed with this. Tim started to hit out. Tim started to go big. Tim began murdering every bowler in sight. Tim was unbelievable. In the end, Tim finished with an unbelievable 174 not out off 112 balls. Tim's innings featured 29 boundaries with 11 of them going all the way over the rope! To put this in perspective as to how destructive the 2nd part of his innings was, Tim scored 121 off 47 balls. Wow! Matthew Moore tried his best to keep up Tim and managed a lovely 44 off 24. In the end, we piled on 4/274 off 35 overs. Did Manly chase it down? No. In fact, they did their best to bat it out however fell 8 balls short with 179 runs required to win. We bowled 10 players that day and hilariously, I finished with the best bowling figures of 2/3 off 2.4 overs.

Round 11 was against Long Reef for the 3rd time this season and after 2 victories initially, we thought victory number 3 was likely. WRONG. In the first over, we fell to 2/1 with both openers being dismissed. At the time, I was a runner and was debating with another batsman who should go out next. I normally bat at number 5. That day, it was number 4. In my opinion, this was definitely my best innings for the season. Cameron Powell and myself managed to put on 47 for the 3rd wicket to steady the ship however it was not over just yet. Quick wickets fell again and I found myself with Jack Pocklington at the crease in a precarious position of 5/73. Once again, a 6th wicket partnership of 45 built the total to 118 until I threw my wicket away. By this

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(Continued from page 129) point, I made 71 and we ended up being bowled out for 139. Jack was the last wicket to fall and his 32 was just as crucial. To place this in perspective, only one other batsman made double figures and 7 of our 11 batsman scored either 0 or 2. The bowling effort though all-round was much better and Long Reef fell into submission with managing only 90 before being dismissed in the final over. Matthew Moore took 3/14 off 6 overs and once again, Jeremy Nicholson was miserly to bowl 2/5 off 5.3 overs. The only batsman that made double figures against us took 18 consecutive balls before he was able to finally score off Jeremy. That alone is a true testament to how well Jeremy bowled on that game.

We faced Cromer again in Round 12 and whilst we did ensure another victory, it was left with a bitter taste. A fantastic batting performance led by the Powell's (Gordon and Cameron) with 45 and 53 not out respectively took our total to 5/205. Cromer did not look like chasing down the runs, especially with some key wickets in the middle overs and some extra pressure to tighten the scoring. Before that though, in his first game back for Wakehurst, Justin White proved to be a handful with the ball as he took 2 crucial wickets to put Cromer in problems. Good on you Whitey! With Cromer at 8/124 after 25.5 overs, the next ball from Jeremy Nicholson was just deeply unfortunate. Cromer's captain hit it straight back at Jeremy with so much power that all Jeremy had time for was to turn his face. The ball hit him flush on the side of his face and it was very concerning scenes for everyone. Thankfully, Jeremy was ok however an ambulance was called and the game was abandoned. Due to having bowled more than the required allotted overs to produce a result, we were declared victors on net run rate. I hope that I never

have to win a cricket match like that again in my lifetime...

Round 14 was against Harbord Bowling Club and the ledger was squared after our victory against them in Round 9. Harbord brought in a strong team for the Round 13 match and it showed with a solid 3/145 off 35 overs. Whilst the bowling effort was not bad, the fielding was a letdown with many half chances being grassed in a match that it would ultimately punish us. Batting proved to be even more difficult with Harbord easily having their best bowling line-up available to them. Unfortunately, we were 1 batsman short of being able to match their total and were all out for 117. It was a tough game and although it was our second defeat, we could hold our head up high.

To be honest though, the rest of the season felt like a blur. We managed to produce victories against Manly Breakers and Long Reef until our season hit an absolute abrupt halt. Whilst the Long Reef game was played in very difficult conditions, the following match against Cromer was abandoned for probably the first time due to heat. I am not sure what everyone's opinions of this are however I believe that if this is the precedent that we face for future matches, cricket needs to have a much more flexible approach with how to overcome these circumstances. In our grade, we should have been able to play a 20/20 match as a compromise and take 2 breaks in an innings. We need to look at ways of ensuring that there is a way to play cricket, especially with the fact that our following 2 matches were rained out against Cromer and Manly Breakers. Add that with the bye, the last 4 weeks of the One Day B Home and Away season featured no cricket involving Wakehurst at all. We finished premiers however it was anti-climactic to say the least. Our first match in nearly 5 weeks of cricket was a

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Thankfully, the weather behaved for the first time in forever and we were able to play. After being kept on tenterhooks for so long, we felt like we needed to prove that we deserved to be the side that finished top of the One Day B division. Manly Breakers chose to bat first at Passmore 2 that is fair to say, not a high scoring ground. Our bowling attack was ready for the challenge and did they stand up! Manly Breakers were crippled at 6/19 before being bowled out for just 67 off 30 overs. After for much of the season not really reaping the rewards from his bowling, Thomas Fourie finally had some just rewards and managed to produce 4/9 off 6 overs. Andy Pradana was unfortunate to not nab a wicket however only conceded 3 runs off his 5 overs. Rhys Brooks opened the batting and led the charge with his blistering 29 before being caught superably on the boundary. Cameron Powell and Josh Capiron finished it off and we produced a comfortable 8 wicket win with only half of the innings needed. Harbord Bowling Club managed to win their semi-final and so, it would be our fourth and final battle that would culminate in being the final.

Well, so I thought it would. Once again, the weather was just absolutely teasing and proved to be detrimental in calling the game off. At one point, it looked like we would be ready for play however another downfall and no immediate signs of improvement resulted in the game being abandoned. Due to us finishing top of the ladder, we were declared the overall winners! To say it was a touch disappointing is true, I really wanted to win the final and I am sure my guys did too. However, the main thing though is to remember what was accomplished through the season and I can definitely say that it was an enjoyable

season to be a part of. I could see contributions coming from more players than ever before and I strongly encourage all of you to keep developing your cricket abilities. We played quite a few juniors through the season and we hope they enjoyed their experience of it as well.

As I have done in previous seasons, below is a profile of every "core" member of the 2016/2017 playing squad for the Wakehurst

One Day B side:

Michael Barton

Matches: 6

Batting Stats: Innings: 2. Runs: 3. Average:

1.50. Strike Rate: 27.3.

Highest Score: 2 against Manly Breakers, Round 15.

Highest Partnership: 9th wicket of 3 with Nathan Bennett against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 3.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 15.3. Maidens: 2. Runs Conceded: 52. Wickets: 6. Best Bowling Figures: 3/5 (3.3 Overs) against Manly Breakers, Round 15.

Fielding: 0 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Unfortunately for Michael, injury prevented himself from really showing how amazing a bowler he really is. The one time he had a chance to show even an inkling of it was in his efforts against Manly Breakers in Round 15 in where he took 3/5. Hopefully next season, Michael will be fit and ready to go!

Nathan Bennett

Matches: 8

Batting Stats: Innings: 3. Runs: 7. Average: 3.50. Strike Rate: 19.4.

Highest Score: 4* against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 3.

Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 17 with Gordon Powell against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 3.

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Bowling Stats: Overs: 13. Maidens: 1. Runs

Conceded: 69. Wickets: 5.

Best Bowling Figures: 3/33 (4 Overs) against Manly Breakers, Round 5. Fielding: 1 Assisted Run-Out.

Highlight of the Season: Nathan deserved every opportunity he could have with the ball and his 3/33 against Manly Breakers helped set about a middle-order collapse. Nathan continues to improve and another season will even showcase that further! Play more cricket Nathan!!!

Rhys Brooks

Matches: 7

Batting Stats: Innings: 4. Runs: 40. Average: 10. Strike Rate: 121.2.

Highest Score: 29 against Manly Breakers,

Semi-Final

Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 36 with Sebastian Candido against Manly Breakers, Semi-Final

Bowling Stats: Overs: 3. Maidens: 0. Runs

Conceded: 8. Wickets: 1.

Best Bowling Figures: 1/8 (3 Overs) against

Long Reef, Round 16 Fielding: 4 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: By far and away, Rhys's knock of 29 to ensure we smoothly made the final was his best moment of the year. Unfortunately, it took quite some time to see Rhys at his best however I am confident that next season, we will definitely see some action!

Sebastian Candido

Matches: 6

Batting Stats: Innings: 3. Runs: 38. Average: 12.67. Strike Rate: 39.2.

Highest Score: 19 against Manly Breakers,

Round 15

Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 36 with Rhys Brooks against Manly Breakers, Semi-

Final.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 14. Maidens: 2. Runs

Conceded: 44. Wickets: 2.

Best Bowling Figures: 2/15 (5 Overs) against Manly Breakers, Semi-Final. Fielding: 2 Catches and 1 Assisted Run-Out. Highlight of the Season: Sebastian was a late starter to the season however showed promise with both bat and ball when opportunities presented him. Sebastian's spell of 2/15 in the semi-final was critical in ensuring that Manly Breakers had no way of recovering from their early batting collapse.

Josh Capiron

Matches: 11

Batting Stats: Innings: 10. Runs: 223. Average: 27.88. Strike Rate: 61.8. Highest Score: 60* against Long Reef, Round 1.

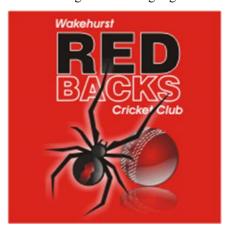
Highest Partnership: 4th wicket of 154 with Andrew Davies against Manly Breakers, Round 5.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 10. Maidens: 2. Runs Conceded: 41. Wickets: 4.

Best Bowling Figures: 2/13 (4 Overs) against Manly Breakers, Round 10. Fielding: 4 Catches, 2 Assisted Run-Outs

and 1 Un-Assisted Run-Out.

Highlight of the Season: Josh had his best season to date with both bat and ball and there is nothing like starting well with his 60 not out being a definite highlight in



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Round 1. Josh's form was outstanding in the early part of the season and a circumspect innings in the Semi-Final guided our team to victory!

Andrew Davies

Matches: 16

Batting Stats: Innings: 12. Runs: 450. Average: 37.50. Strike Rate: 115.7.

Highest Score: 111 against Manly Breakers,

Round 5.

Highest Partnership: 4th wicket of 154 with Josh Capiron against Manly Breakers,

Round 5.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 2.4. Maidens: 1. Runs Conceded: 3. Wickets: 2.

Best Bowling Figures: 2/3 (2.4 Overs) against Manly Breakers, Round 10.

Fielding: 12 Catches (12 as Wicket-Keeper), 5 Stumpings and 5 Assisted Run-

Outs.

Highlight of the Season: Although I managed my first ever century in cricket, my most satisfying moments were in matches against Long Reef in where I made 71 in a team innings of 139 and a 33 in what became our final home and away match that was in difficult conditions to guide us home. Overall though, the satisfaction and enjoyment of playing with these guys is the biggest highlight of them all. To be able to score some runs was a bonus!

Sam Dempsey

Matches: 6

Batting Stats: Innings: 1. Runs: 18. Average: 18. Strike Rate: 64.3.

Highest Score: 18 against Harbord Bowling

Club, Round 14.

Highest Partnership: 2nd wicket of 15 with Thomas Fourie against Harbord Bowling

Club, Round 14.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 14.3. Maidens: 2. Runs Conceded: 53. Wickets: 3. Best Bowling Figures: 2/14 (6.3 Overs)

against Long Reef, Round 16.

Fielding: 2 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Once again, Sam started for us late in the season however enjoyed some reward with both bat and ball. In the end, his efforts against Long Reef in Round 16 with the ball were nothing short of outstanding. Sam toiled hard and well-deserved his two wickets in that game!

Ramesh Ekanayake

Matches: 4

Batting Stats: Innings: 2. Runs: 2. Average:

1. Strike Rate: 10.

Highest Score: 2 against Cromer, Round 2. Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 15 with Matthew Moore against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 4.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 2.3. Maidens: 0. Runs Conceded: 15. Wickets: 0. Best Bowling Figures: 0/3 (0.2 Overs) against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 4.

Fielding: 3 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Unfortunately for Ramesh, injuries and other commitments shortened his season however he had a very positively infectious attitude whenever he was around. Watching him bowl his legspin for the first time was very promising so hopefully we see more of that next season!

Thomas Fourie

Matches: 15

Batting Stats: Innings: 12. Runs: 143. Average: 15.89. Strike Rate: 50.7.

Highest Score: 20* against Manly Breakers,

Round 5.

Highest Partnership: 2nd wicket of 81 with Tim Ryan against Manly Breakers, Round

Bowling Stats: Overs: 80.1. Maidens: 10. Runs Conceded: 262. Wickets: 16.

Best Bowling Figures: 4/9 (6 Overs) against

Manly Breakers, Semi-Final.

Fielding: 7 Catches (2 as Wicket-Keeper)

and 2 Assisted Run-Outs.

Highlight of the Season: Tom really shone

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through with the ball in the semi-final when he led the destruction that Manly Breakers would never recover from. Someone needs to check the records as well to find if someone beats Tom for having the lowest personal best score with the highest average! There must be a record!!!

Corbin Jennings

Matches: 7

Batting Stats: Innings: 6. Runs: 9. Average:

1.80. Strike Rate: 22.

Highest Score: 7 against Harbord Bowling

Club, Round 3.

Highest Partnership: 7th wicket of 10 with Jeremy Nicholson against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 3.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 25. Maidens: 1. Runs

Conceded: 110. Wickets: 7.

Best Bowling Figures: 3/11 (5 Overs) against Cromer, Round 2.

Fielding: 1 Catch.

Highlight of the Season: Corbin had an amazing start to the year with the ball and was a solid wicket-taker whilst not conceding many runs. Unfortunately for the bat, it was just not Corbin's year however I back him to have a much better season with the bat!

Will Lynch

Matches: 6

Batting Stats: Innings: 3. Runs: 13.

Average: 4.33. Strike Rate: 33.3.

Highest Score: 9 against Manly Breakers, Round 15.

Highest Partnership: 2nd wicket of 23 with Matt Smith against Long Reef, Round 16. Bowling Stats: Overs: 4. Maidens: 0. Runs Conceded: 19. Wickets: 0.

Best Bowling Figures: 0/7 (1 Over) against Long Reef, Round 11.

Fielding: 0 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Oh Cider...what a champion! Gave out little, copped so much however did a shoey after we won the

premiership. Sign this bloke up! Will definitely did not have enough opportunities this season due to availability however with more time next season, results will come!

Hamish Moore

Matches: 8

Batting Stats: Innings: 3. Runs: 29. Average: 14.50. Strike Rate: 76.3.

Highest Score: 18* against Manly Breakers,

Round 5.

Highest Partnership: 6th wicket of 39* with Thomas Fourie against Manly Breakers,

Round 5.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 18. Maidens: 0. Runs

Conceded: 93. Wickets: 2.

Best Bowling Figures: 1/5 (2 Overs) against Manly Breakers, Semi-Final.

Fielding: 0 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Similar to Will, Hamish did not have enough opportunities this year due to availability. Had a really solid game on debut for Wakehurst with his 18* and 0/22 (7 Overs) against Manly Breakers in Round 5. Hamish bunkered down their best batsman to the point that the run chase was too formidable for them.

Matthew Moore

Matches: 11

Batting Stats: Innings: 10. Runs: 146. Average: 24.33. Strike Rate: 104.3.

Highest Score: 44* against Manly Breakers,

Round 10.

Highest Partnership: 5th wicket of 113* with Tim Ryan against Manly Breakers, Round 10.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 53.5. Maidens: 7. Runs Conceded: 176. Wickets: 15.

Best Bowling Figures: 3/6 (5 Overs) against

Manly Breakers, Semi-Final.

Fielding: 5 Catches and 1 Assisted

Run-Out.

Highlight of the Season: Red has been an absolute pleasure to have on the team this season. There is no other way I can say it

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other than he is an outstanding person. To top it off, a pretty good cricketer too! Consistently contributed all the way through the season and had a fun little partnership with Tim Ryan to boot!

Jeremy Nicholson

Matches: 9

Batting Stats: Innings: 5. Runs: 13. Average: 3.25. Strike Rate: 29.5.

Highest Score: 5 against Harbord Bowling

Club, Round 14.

Highest Partnership: 8th wicket of 15 with Sebastian Candido against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 14.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 41.2. Maidens: 11. Runs Conceded: 114. Wickets: 8.

Best Bowling Figures: 2/5 (5.3 Overs)

against Long Reef, Round 11.

Fielding: 1 Catch and 1 Assisted Run-Out Highlight of the Season: The more that Jeremy played with our side throughout the season, the more he shone. Bowled the most maidens out of any of our bowlers this year and his control at bowling line and length is impeccable. Jeremy was unfortunate not to have too many opportunities with the bat however valued his wicket and tried to be a supporting role when necessary.

Jack Pocklington

Matches: 8

Batting Stats: Innings: 3. Runs: 49. Average: 24.5. Strike Rate: 98.

Highest Score: 32 against Long Reef,

Round 11.

Highest Partnership: 6th wicket of 45 with Andrew Davies against Long Reef, Round

Bowling Stats: Overs: 11. Maidens: 1. Runs

Conceded: 38. Wickets: 2.

Best Bowling Figures: 1/10 (4 Overs) against Long Reef, Round 16.

Fielding: 0 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Definitely Jack's highlight of the year the crucial 45 run

partnership with myself that gave us a total to defend against Long Reef in Round 11. Unfortunately for Jack, the back half of the year was met with terrible weather so he did not have many opportunities to showcase his improved temperament with the bat. I can see a big score for Jack next season, mark it down!

Cameron Powell

Matches: 10

Batting Stats: Innings: 10. Runs: 185. Average: 23.13. Strike Rate: 64.7.

Highest Score: 62 against Cromer, Round 7. Highest Partnership: 4th wicket of 82 with Andrew Davies against Cromer, Round 12. Bowling Stats: Overs: 43. Maidens: 0. Runs

Conceded: 181. Wickets: 9.

Best Bowling Figures: 3/34 (7 Overs) against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 9. Fielding: 4 Catches and 1 Assisted

Run-Out.

Highlight of the Season: Cameron had a very solid season with both bat and ball. The highlight of the season for Cameron was his crucial 62 against a very decent Cromer side whilst opening the bat. Cameron would follow that up with an unbeaten half-century against Cromer the following time we played them. Something tells me that Cameron likes batting against Cromer...

Gordon Powell

Matches: 6

Batting Stats: Innings: 3. Runs: 113. Average: 37.67. Strike Rate: 100.

Highest Score: 45 against Cromer, Round

12.

Highest Partnership: 2nd wicket of 53 with Thomas Fourie against Cromer, Round 12. Bowling Stats: Overs: 0. Maidens: 0. Runs

Conceded: 0. Wickets: 0.

Best Bowling Figures: Did Not Bowl.

Fielding: 1 Catch.

Highlight of the Season: Every time Gordon (Continued on page 136)

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went out to open the batting, we would witness some brutal hitting! Gordon can definitely still swing a bat and he contributed significantly in all of his knocks. I think Gordon should consider playing a few more times next season! Maybe we could have a father-son opening combination on a more permanent basis? Only time will tell.

Andy Pradana

Matches: 9

Batting Stats: Innings: 4. Runs: 40. Average: 13.3. Strike Rate: 55.6.

Highest Score: 22 against Manly Breakers,

Round 15.

Highest Partnership: 6th wicket of 68 with Patrick Todd against Manly Breakers,

Round 15.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 47. Maidens: 10. Runs Conceded: 127. Wickets: 13. Best Bowling Figures: 4/24 (7 Overs)

against Long Reef, Round 1. Fielding: 1 Assisted Run-Out.

Highlight of the Season: I will never forget being the main umpire and witness Andy hit his first 6 over deep mid-wicket! I can still remember the delivery and the way that Andy threw himself into the shot! In that time, he achieved his highest score for Wakehurst! Andy is a standout bowler though and well-deserving of the bowling award for our side!

Tim Ryan

Matches: 4

Batting Stats: Innings: 4. Runs: 230. Average: 76.67. Strike Rate: 125.7.

Highest Score: 174* against Manly Break-

ers, Round 10.

Highest Partnership: 5th wicket of 113 with Matthew Moore against Manly Breakers,

Round 10.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 7.4. Maidens: 1. Runs Conceded: 29. Wickets: 4. Best Bowling Figures: 3/24 (7 Overs)

against Long Reef, Round 6.

Fielding: 2 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: What I watched on that fateful Round 10 clash against Manly Breakers was a man that went absolutely ballistic with the bat. That man was Tim. Tim went out to bat. Tim carried his bat. Tim decided along the way to have some fun. Tim had fun. The end....not just yet! Apart from that unbelievable innings, Tim was just as crucial with the ball in taking the final wicket to give us a 2-run win over Cromer in Round 7!

Xavier Ryan

Matches: 5

Batting Stats: Innings: 2. Runs: 4. Average:

2. Strike Rate: 16.7.

Highest Score: 2 against Cromer, Round 7. Highest Partnership: 3rd wicket of 12 with Tim Ryan against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 3.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 8. Maidens: 1. Runs

Conceded: 24. Wickets: 2.

Best Bowling Figures: 2/19 (4 Overs) against Cromer, Round 7.

Fielding: 0 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Xavier bowled a crucial spell in tandem with Andy Pradana to set about the destruction of Cromer after it was looking likely we would suffer defeat. Xavier definitely has some talent with both bat and ball and with a bit more cricket in the seniors, we will see Xavier contribute even more.

Matt Smith

Matches: 5

Batting Stats: Innings: 5. Runs: 39. Average: 7.80. Strike Rate: 39.4. Highest Score: 17 against Long Reef,

Round 16.

Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 55 with Tim Ryan against Manly Breakers, Round

Bowling Stats: Overs: 1. Maidens: 1. Runs

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(Continued from page 136) Conceded: 0. Wickets: 0.

Best Bowling Figures: 0/0 (1 Over) against

Manly Breakers, Round 10.

Fielding: 0 Catches.

Highlight of the Season: Matt saved his best innings for last as he held firm in chasing down a tough total against Long Reef in difficult conditions. In particular, his 2nd wicket partnership with Will Lynch in that game really provided some stability to ensuring the nerves would be minimised from yours truly!

Apart from the "core" squad members, I would like to thank the following guys for helping out when required:

Ben Capiron
Tony Dertadian
Jude Ekanayake
Tom Fitzgibbon
Adam Greenwood
Patrick Hickey
Noah Kasmar
Jay Marosa
Liam O'Sullivan
Luke Richardson
Shawn Richardson
Patrick Scognamiglio
Patrick Todd
Justin White

All of you contributed towards helping us reach our goal of winning the premiership! It would be fantastic to see all of you again next season, hopefully in an even greater capacity!

To say that I was not sure whether I would even have a side for this season was an understatement. However, I would like to thank the Wakehurst Redbacks Club Committee for having the confidence in myself to make sure that it would indeed happen. Wakehurst is a fantastic club to be a part of and one of the key reasons why is

due to the people that are a part of it. Thank you to all of the committee members, in particular to David Nimmo and Matt Murray who work tirelessly to ensure that our club remains the strongest club in the Manly Warringah Cricket Association. Finally, a special thanks goes to Kevin Hume who is nothing short of outstanding. We are very privileged to have Kevin as a part of our club and the work that he does to ensure all of our sides field a team on the weekend is nothing short of superhuman. I know Kevin will be chomping at the bit for next season, especially when it comes to being out on the field!

In the end, we did it!! We are Premiers!! It is a little disappointing though that we could not play a final to truly feel that euphoria of winning the competition however like they always say, the journey is the most important part. I am deeply thankful to have been captain of this wonderful side for this season. Yes, it is fantastic that we did manage to win most of our games and be top of the competition however the atmosphere that is in the team will be something difficult to ever replicate again. It is a wonderful team to be a part of and the fact that so many of you want to play more next season and are itching to contribute further is amazing. As I wrote in last year's annual report, I felt like we were on the cusp of producing something special. Well here it is boys!!!! WE DID IT!!! WE ARE PREMIERS!!!

GO THE REDBACKS!!!!

Andrew Davies

(One Day B Grade Wakehurst Redbacks Captain)

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WRCC Records (2016/2017) - Batting

	Batting (minimum	Average 18 innings)	:	Best Innings			
Juniors							
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Inn.	Season	
11/1	Xavier Ryan	84.33 2013/14		Lachlan Charles	87*	2009/10	
12/2	Jet McDade	41.78 2016/		Jet McDade	88	2016/17	
12/1	Daniel Tabrett	245.0	2002/03	Michael Cosentino	109*	1995/96	
13/2	Jake Alexander	43.20	2012/13	Liam Enright	81*	2010/11	
13/1	Daniel Tabrett	247.0 2003/04		Adam McCormick	105*	2008/09	
14/2	Anthony Denny	60.17 2013/14		Lloyd Rogers	92	2005/06	
14/1	Liam Walsh	107.33	2010/11	Javed Badyari	120	2006/07	
15/2	Cohen Mantle	39.75	2014/15	Cohen Mantle	58*	2014/15	
15/1 Javed Badyari		149.5	2007/08	Mitchell Pugh Brynn Mendel	100*	2006/07 2015/16	
15-16/2 Brad Forster		30.5	2003/04	Brad Forster	48*	2003/04	
15-16/1 Jarryd Watters		28.56			53*	2003/04	
16-17/2	Aaron Willey	46.8	2004/05	Chris Russell	110	2006/07	
16-18/1 *	Toby Kovacs	90.67	2013/14	Hamish Green	209	2014/15	
	rior to 2012/13 season						
Girls							
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Inn	Season	
U13				Gemma Lacey	22*	2016/17	
Seniors				Gemma Lacey	22*	2016/17	
	Name	Avg	Season	Name	22* Inn.		
Seniors Grade	Name Damian Wallace	Avg 50.18	Season 2015/16	•		Season	
Seniors Grade A1/1st grade				Name	Inn.	Season 2012/13	
Seniors Grade A1/1st grade A2/2nd grade	Damian Wallace	50.18	2015/16	Name Tristan Lever	Inn. 112*	Season 2012/13 2011/12	
Seniors Grade A1/1st grade A2/2nd grade A3/3rd grade	Damian Wallace Thomas Bitmead	50.18 76.4	2015/16 2010/11	Name Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones	Inn. 112* 157	Season 2012/13 2011/12 2014/15	
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Seniors Grade A1/1st grade A2/2nd grade A3/3rd grade B1/4th grade B2/5th grade	Damian Wallace Thomas Bitmead Thomas Bitmead Toby Kovacs	50.18 76.4 48.1 69.67	2015/16 2010/11 2009/10 2016/17	Name Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones Damian Wallace Stuart Banham	Inn. 112* 157 154 135	Season 2012/13 2011/12 2014/15 2015/16 2009/10	
Seniors Grade A1/1st grade A2/2nd grade A3/3rd grade B1/4th grade B2/5th grade	Damian Wallace Thomas Bitmead Thomas Bitmead Toby Kovacs Adrian Hookham	50.18 76.4 48.1 69.67 63.85	2015/16 2010/11 2009/10 2016/17 2009/10	Name Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones Damian Wallace Stuart Banham Adrian Hookham	Inn. 112* 157 154 135 274	Season 2012/13 2011/12 2014/15 2015/16 2009/10 2004/05	
Seniors Grade A1/1st grade A2/2nd grade A3/3rd grade B1/4th grade B2/5th grade B3/6th grade	Damian Wallace Thomas Bitmead Thomas Bitmead Toby Kovacs Adrian Hookham Joel Willey	50.18 76.4 48.1 69.67 63.85 71.88	2015/16 2010/11 2009/10 2016/17 2009/10 2010/11	Name Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones Damian Wallace Stuart Banham Adrian Hookham Nick Dowell	Inn. 112* 157 154 135 274 189	Season 2012/13 2011/12 2014/15 2015/16 2009/10 2004/05 2007/08	
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Seniors Grade A1/1st grade A2/2nd grade A3/3rd grade B1/4th grade B2/5th grade B3/6th grade B4/7th grade C1/8th grade C2/9th grade	Damian Wallace Thomas Bitmead Thomas Bitmead Toby Kovacs Adrian Hookham Joel Willey Jason Russell-Jones Robert Smythe	50.18 76.4 48.1 69.67 63.85 71.88 86.0 36.29	2015/16 2010/11 2009/10 2016/17 2009/10 2010/11 2007/08 2006/07	Name Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones Damian Wallace Stuart Banham Adrian Hookham Nick Dowell Jason Russell-Jones Randall Hinds	Inn. 112* 157 154 135 274 189 146 91	Season 2012/13 2011/12 2014/15 2015/16 2009/10 2004/05 2005/06	
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WRCC Records (2016/2017) - Batting (cont.) and Fielding

	Highest A	ggrega	ate	Most Catches (minimum 5 catches)			
Juniors							
Grade	Name	Agg	Season	Name	Ct.	Season	
11/1	Adam McCormick	290 2006/07		Oliver Campbell	14	2012/13	
12/2	Jet McDade	376	2016/17	Rory Sarkies	13	2013/14	
12/1	Michael Cosentino	425	1995/96	David Olver	14	2001/02	
13/2	Rory Sarkies	298	2014/15	Jack O'Shea	15	2012/13	
13/1	Javed Badyari	367	2005/06	Lachlan Johnson	16	2015/16	
14/2	Anthony Denny	361	2013/14	Anthony Denny	14	2013/14	
14/1 Javed Badyari		406	2006/07	Braden King William Bassett Matthew Balkus	13 13 13	2010/11 2014/15 2014/15	
15/2 Cohen Mantle		318	2014/15	James Pelletier	11	2014/15	
15/1	Ben King 569 1997/98 Eric Anand		Eric Anand	14	2006/07		
15-16/2 Brad Forster 183		183	2003/04	Chris Hurley	8	2003/04	
15-16/1 Jarryd Watters		257	2003/04	Jason Tabrett	7	2003/04	
16-18/2 * Chris Russell		278	2006/07	Havden Gullick	13	2012/13	
16-18/1 *	Nathan Heath	442	2009/10 Cameron Brown		14	2013/14	
* Included U16-17 p	orior to 2012/13 season						
Girls			_				
Grade	Name	Avg	Season				
U13	Gemma Lacey	97	2016/17				
Seniors							
Grade Name		Avg	Season	Name	Ct.	Seasor	
A1/1st grade	Damian Wallace	552	2015/16	Chris Hurley	18	2013/14	
A2/2nd grade	Andrew Bitmead	541	2010/11	Daniel Annakin	15	2015/16	
A3/3rd grade	Adrian Hookham	493	2013/14	Adrian Hookham	14	2013/14	
B1/4th grade	David Sheldon	534	2014/15	Brynn Mendel	14	2015/16	
B2/5th grade	Adrian Hookham	830	2009/10	Tim Ryan	10	2012/13	
B3/6th grade	Aaron Willey	623	2012/13	Andrew Davies	17	2014/1	
B4/7th grade	Jason Russell-Jones	602	2007/08	Toby Kovacs	14	2013/14	
C1/8th grade	Phil King	383	2006/07	Malcolm Leithhead	15	2006/07	
C2/9th grade	Ryan Payne	336	2003/04			1	
One Day A grade	Lachlan Charles	435	2015/16	Andrew Davies	22	2015/16	
One Day B grade	Max Domanski	519	2015/16	Andrew Davies	12	2016/1	
		227	2009/10	Timothy Cameron	6	2010/1	

WRCC Records (2016/2017) - Bowling

	Bowling (minimum		ge	Most Wickets			
Juniors							
Grade	Name	Avq	Season	Name	Wkts	Season	
11/1	Daniel Tabrett	3.6	2001/02	Paul Campbell	26	2000/01	
12/2	Jack O'Shea	2.92	2011/12	Jeremy Nicholson	20	2013/14	
12/1	Brad Verrills	2.47	1985/86	Joel Chappelow	23	2014/15	
13/2	Joel Trevor	2.24	2005/06	Brad Ashby	23	2006/07	
13/1	Shawn Bradstreet	3.65	1984/85	Shawn Bradstreet	51	1984/85	
14/2	Ashley Stoneham	5.54	2009/10	Cameron Gallo	20	2005/06	
14/1	Richard Rainey	4.33	1993/94	Matthew Whittaker	26	2000/01	
15/2	Saskia Horley	5.56	2014/15	Euan Dixon	15	2014/15	
15/1	Joel McGregor	4.43	2015/16	Alexander Cook	31	2006/07	
15-16/2 Brad Forster		8.88	2003/04	Brad Forster Matthew Whittaker	18	2003/04	
15-16/1	Tom Lynas 11.18 2003/04 Jarryd Watters		13	2003/04			
16-17/2			Nick Miller	17	2004/05		
				Matt LeMoy	17	2006/07	
16-18/1 * Hayden Gullick		5.67	2013/14	Jason Tabrett	30	2004/05	
* Included U16-17 p	prior to 2012/13 season						
Girls							
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Wkts	Season	
U13				Emily Horstead Caitlyn Pryor Natalie Perry	5	2016/17	
Seniors							
Grade	Name	Avg Seasor		Name	Wkts	Season	
A1/1st grade	Damian Wallace	9.18	2015/16	Timothy Cameron	25	2010/11	
A2/2nd grade	AJ Fry	9.55	2012/13	Ryan Ludowyke	34	2015/16	
A3/3rd grade	Damian Wallace	5.0	2014/15	Jamie Murray	49	2013/14	
B1/4th grade	Toby Kovacs	7.09	2016/17	Ben Hynes	37	2005/06	
B2/5th grade	Joshua Sheedy	9.35	2008/09	Joshua Sheedy	37	2008/09	
B3/6th grade	Thomas Fourie	9.43	2014/15	Thomas Fourie	47	2014/15	
B4/7th grade	Joshua Sheedy	7.48	2007/08	Ben Crawshaw	35	2007/08	
C1/8th grade	Robert McColl	18.08	2006/07	Robert McColl	25	2006/07	
One Day A grade	Michael Barton	7.77	2015/16	Michael Barton	26	2015/16	
One Day B grade	Andy Pradana	9.77	2016/17	Sam Dick	22	2015/16	
Seniors T20	-	-	-	Timothy Cameron	11	2011/12	

WRCC Records (2016/2017) - Bowling (cont.)

	Best F	igures		Hat-Tricks					
Juniors				Juniors	Juniors				
Grade	Name	Fig.	Season	Grade	Name	No.	Season		
11/1	Daniel Tabrett	6/0	2001/02		Daniel Tabrett	Dbl	2001/02		
12/2	Thomas Ogden James Dee	6/5 6/5	2007/08 2009/10	11/1	Luke Whitten Marcus DuRoss	Dbl Dbl	2002/03 2007/08		
12/1	Nick Berney Noah Kasmar	5/6 5/6	2005/06 2014/15	11/1	Brad Lind Elliot Copas	1	1984/85 2013/14		
13/2	Cameron Weldon	5/17	2007/08		Wilson Sarkies	1	2014/15		
13/1	Shawn Bradstreet	8/0	1984/85	10/1	John McNally	1	2009/10		
14/2	Euan Dixon	5/3	2013/14	12/1	Thomas Ivers	1	2012/13		
14/1	William Denny	5/4	2011/12	10/1	Shawn Bradstreet	Dbl	1984/85		
15/2	AJ Cerovic	4/7	2014/15	13/1	Daniel Tabrett	1	2003/04		
15/1	Alexander Cook	7/12	2006/07	14/2	Euan Dixon	1	2013/14		
15-16/2	Russell Brown	5/1	2003/04	14/1	Xavier Ryan	1	2016/17		
15-16/1	Jarryd Watters	4/11	2003/04	15/1	Angus Jackett	1	2007/08		
16-17/2	Andrew Harris	4/10	2006/07	15-16/2	Russell Brown	1	2003/04		
16-17/1	Jason Tabrett	6/9	2004/05	16-17/1	Jason Tabrett Nathan Heath	1	2004/05 2009/10		
Girls				16-18/1	Thomas Rodwell	1	2015/16		
Grade	Name	Fin	Season	10 10/1		· ·	2010/10		
	1101111	Fig.							
U13	Chelsea McLerie	2/2	2016/17						
Seniors				Seniors					
Grade	Name	Fig.	Season	Grade	Name	No.	Season		
1st grade	Tristan Lever	6/20	2011/12	2nd Grade	Steven Thomson	1	2015/16		
2nd grade	Ryan Ludowyke	6/50	2015/16		Robert McColl	1	2010/11		
3rd grade	Damian Wallace	7/11	2014/15	4th Grade	Daniel Annakin	1	2014/15		
4th grade	Gavin Franklin	8/38	2016/17		Robert McColl	1	2008/09		
5th grade	Phil King	8/80	2009/10	6th grade	Michael Flynn	1	2008/09		
6th grade	Phil King	8/18	2007/08	_ 3	Randall Hinds	1	2008/09		
7th grade	Matthew Murray	8/97	2004/05		William Denny	1	2013/14		
8th grade	Matthew Murray	5/30	2005/06	7th grade	Jacob Aquilina	1	2013/14		
One Day A grade	Lachlan Charles	4/11	2015/16						
One Day B grade	Euan Dixon	5/6	2015/16						
Snr T20	Tristan Lever	5/11	2010/11						

Wakehurst Redbacks Perpetual Club Awards

Season	"Bob Lind" Special Achievement Award	Junior Cricketer of the Year "Philpott Award"	Coach of the Year "The Murray Family Coaching Award"	Club Person of the Year	Senior Cricketer of the Year	Rising Star
1982/83	•	Ryan Jones	•	•		
1983/84		Peter Banbury	1	ı	1	
1984/85	Shawn Bradstreet	S. Lane		ı		
1985/86	Peter Banbury	Peter Banbury	-	1		
1986/87	Brad Verrills	Michael Ellery		ı		
1987/88	Mark Brady	Chris Stolk		ı		
1988/89	R. Plummer	Mark Smithers		ı		
1989/90						
1990/91		Greig Holston				
1991/92		Adam Grigg	1 1 1 1 1 1			
1992/93			1	ı		
1993/94		Michael Dunn	Y	ı		
1994/95		Michael Dunn		ı	1	
1995/96	Michael Cosentino	Ben King				ı
1996/97	S. Griffiths	Jackson Bird			D. Barker	
1997/98	Ben King	Ben King			D. Fitzsimmons	
1998/99	B1 team	Grant Wood	1		A. Boulton	1
1999/00		ı		ı	/	
2000/01		ı	1	ı	1	
2001/02	Daniel Tabrett	Ben Stinson	1	ı		
2002/03	M. Gainsford	Ben Gwilliam	1	1		

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Rising Star - Seniors			ı	1	ı	1	ı			Hayden Gullick	Toby Kovacs	Cameron Brown	Lachlan Charles	Cameron Powell
Senior Cricketer of the Year	1	1	,	1				Andrew Bitmead	Nick Pye	Tristan Lever Tim Ryan	Jamie Murray	Kevin Hume	Damian Wallace Lachlan Charles	Andrew Davies Cameron Powell
Club Person of the Year	1	1	ı	ı								David Brown	Julie Williams	Deanne Hutt
Coach of the Year "The Murray Family Coaching Award"			Simon Crombie Michael Walsh	Ross Denny	Christopher Russell Matt Woodhouse	Stuart Slocombe	Tom Cooney	Anthony Connolly	Gordon Powell	Danny LeMoy	Brad Gordon Jess Ball	Craig McGregor	Simon Smart	lan Bassett
Junior Cricketer of the Year "Philpott Award"	Javed Badyari	Jason Tabrett	Javed Badyari	James Crombie	Carlton Anand	James Crombie	Nathan Heath	Braden King	William Denny	Alex Bain	Hayden Gullick Anthony Denny	Toby Kovacs	Cohen Mantle	Jet McDade
"Bob Lind" Special Achievement Award	Russell Brown	Ryan Campbell	Lloyd Rogers	Mitchell Pugh	Marcus DuRoss	Adam McCormick	Adrian Hookham Tristan Lever	1st Grade Seniors team	Jason Russell-Jones Benjamin Sykes		Jacob Aquilina	Damian Wallace Hamish Green	Saskia Horley Anthony Denny	Gavin Franklin
Season	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17



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Season Junior Rising Star Female Cricketer of "Bird Family Award" the Year

2016/17 Tai Addison

Annabel Hutt



Batting and Bowling Milestones Batting

3000 Runs

Tristan Lever Tim Cameron

2000 Runs

Tim Bennett Tristan Lever Tom Bitmead Randall Hinds Ryan Valentine Tim Cameron Adrian Hookham Toby Kovacs

Hayden Gullick Andrew Davies

1000 Runs

Nick Dowell Tim Bennett Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones Randall Hinds Ryan Valentine Tim Cameron Tom Bitmead Phil King Michael Gainsford Mark Callanan Andrew Bitmead Adam Schober Adrian Hookham James Crombie AJ Fry Matthew Murray **Brad Gordon** Chris Hurley Ben Gwilliam **Toby Kovacs** Jamie Murray Hayden Gullick **Braden King** Kian Mantle Jess Ball Ben Crawshaw Jarryd Watters Ryan Campbell **Andrew Davies** Andrew Gordon Jacob Aquilina **David Nimmo** Cohen Mantle Matthew Varjavandi Cameron Brown **Lachlan Charles** Adam McCormick Anthony Denny Jack Garay

Bowling

Brynn Mendel

David Sheldon

Jake Alexander

Sean Nimmo

Jake Fry

200 Wickets

Lachlan Molyneux

William Jonkers

Tim Cameron



Joshua SheedyTim CameronPhil KingTristan LeverMichael GainsfordMatthew MurrayRobert McCollAndrew BitmeadAJ FryJamie MurraySteven ThomsonLachlan Molyneux

Harrison Scott Hayden Gullick

These milestones are only based on player statistics since electronic data entry began around 2004. As records were not kept prior to this, it unfortunately does not account for the player achievements in the earlier years when only paper based statistics were kept.

Official Positions held at Wakehurst Redbacks

Season	President	Secretary	Treasurer	VP-Juniors	VP-Seniors
1981/82	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Jo Gotting	-	-
1982/83	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Jo Gotting	-	-
1983/84	John Kleem	Warwick Brady	Jo Gotting	-	-
1984/85	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Peter Henry	-	-
1985/86	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Peter Henry	-	-
1986/87	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Peter Henry	-	-
1987/88	Bob Lind	Warwick Brady	Tony Lovett	-	-
1988/89	Bob Lind	Ed Neill	Tony Lovett	-	-
1989/90	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Ernie Epplett	-	-
1990/91	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Ernie Epplett	-	-
1991/92	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Ernie Epplett		-
1992/93	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Colin Gough	-	-
1993/94	Bob Lind	Arman Cosentino	Colin Gough	-	-
1994/95	Bob Lind	A <mark>rman Cose</mark> ntino	Colin Gough	-	-
1995/96	Bob Lind	Arman Cosentino	Colin Gough	-	-
1996/97	Bob Lind	Arman Cosentino	Colin Gough	-	-
1997/98	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn	-	-
1998/99	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn	-	-
1999/00	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn		-
2000/01	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn	-	-
2001/02	Terence Olver	Danny LeMoy	lan Vickery	-	-
2002/03	Terence Olver	David Liddy	Ian Vickery	-	-
2003/04	lan Rose	D Good	Ian Vickery	-	-
2004/05	lan Rose	Malcolm Leithhead	lan Vickery	-	-
2005/06	lan Rose	Ted Beecher	Ian Vickery	-	-
2006/07	Danny LeMoy	Ted Beecher	lan Vickery	-	-
2007/08	Danny LeMoy	Ted Beecher	Anthony Garay	-	-
2008/09	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Anthony Garay	-	-
2009/10	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Mark Haskard	-	David Sheedy
2010/11	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Mark Haskard	David Sheedy	Jake Fry
2011/12	Danny LeMoy	David Nimmo	AJ Fry	Jake Fry	David Sheedy
2012/13	Danny LeMoy	David Nimmo	AJ Fry	Ryan Erasmus *	David Sheedy
2013/14	Danny LeMoy	David Nimmo	AJ Fry	Tim Ryan	David Sheedy
2014/15	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam Stenner	Tim Ryan	David Sheedy
2015/16	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam/Jane Stenner	Kieran Young	Kevin Hume
2016/17	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam/Jane Senner	Kieran Young	Kevin Hume

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