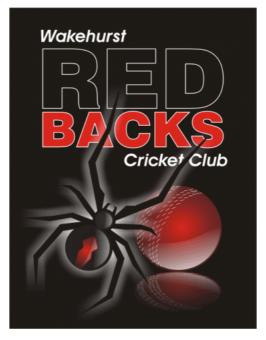
# 2018/2019 ANNUAL REPORT

# WAKEHURST REDBACKS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

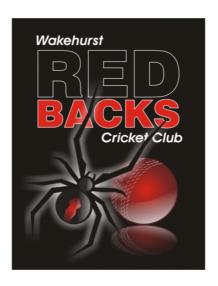


Your committee has much pleasure in submitting for your consideration and approval the Annual Report for the 2018/2019 season.

President: Vacant

Secretary: Deanne Hutt

Treasurer: Jenny Pittar



# WAKEHURST REDBACKS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

(ABN: 71 887 994 585)

# **Annual Report**

For the year ended 30 April 2019

This is the 38th 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 Junior Blasters, Master Blasters, Sixers Girls Cricket League (SGCL), Juniors (Under 10 to Under 18) and Seniors.

# The Preamble – The Spirit of Cricket Taken from the MCC's Laws of Cricket 2017 Code

Cricket owes much of its appeal and enjoyment to the fact that it should be played not only according to the Laws, but also within the Spirit of Cricket. The major responsibility for ensuring fair play rests with the captains, but extends to all players, match officials and, especially in junior cricket, teachers, coaches and parents.

Respect is central to the Spirit of Cricket.

Respect your captain, team-mates, opponents and the authority of the umpires.

Play hard and play fair.

Accept the umpire's decision.

Create a positive atmosphere by your own conduct, and encourage others to do likewise.

Show self-discipline, even when things go against you.

Congratulate the opposition on their successes, and enjoy those of your own team.

Thank the officials and your opposition at the end of the match, whatever the result.

Cricket is an exciting game that encourages leadership, friendship and teamwork, which brings together people from different nationalities, cultures and religions, especially when played within the Spirit of Cricket.

The players, umpires and scorers in a game of cricket may be of any gender, and the Laws apply equally.

# 2018/2019 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

David Nimmo \* deceased

## **Patron**

Shawn Bradstreet

## Committee

President: Vacant

Secretary: Deanne Hutt
Treasurer: Jenny Pittar

Vice President - Juniors:Laurie ZanellaVice President - Seniors:Kevin HumeVice President - Womens:Deanne Hutt

**Registrar:** Matthew Murray

Gear Steward: Kieran Young

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Website Blake Gregory
Sponsorship: Laurie Zanella

Statistician: David Nimmo Ross Denny

Annual Report: Bernadette Chang

MWCA Delegates: Kevin Wesson Matthew White

MWCA Delegates: Kevin Hume Matthew Murray

General Committee: Warren Staples

# 2018/2019 Age Coordinators

Age Group Coordinator

Girls Cricket Deanne Hutt

Junior Blasters Matthew White

Master Blasters Graeme Turner

Under 10 Madhura Bhagwat

Under 11 Kevin Wesson

Under 12 Brett McLennan

Under 13 Laurie Zanella

Under 14 Brett Curry

Under 15 Ian Bassett

Under 16-18 Deb Kasmar

Seniors Kevin Hume



# 2018/2019 Team Officials

Team	Coach	Manager
Under 11 Girls SGCL	Jamie Friedlein	
Under 13 Girls SGCL	Greg Jones	Ashley Jones
Under 15 Girls SGCL	Anthony Nicey	Amanda Nicey
Master Blaster Funnelwebs		Amanda Nicey
Master Blaster Huntmen		Samantha Walsh
Master Blaster Tarantulas		Nick Hawke
Master Blaster Trapdoors		Graeme Turner
Under 10 Red Div 1	Sean Moran Craig McGregor	Sam Johnstone
Under 10 Green Div 1	Dave Hunt	Karen Youle
Under 10 Black Div 2	Mark Judson	Madhura Jayaram
Under 10 Orange Div 2	Luke Baker	Josie Baker
Under 10 White Div 2	Simone Siladi Dan Wessell	Many Nixon Alise Andrew
Under 11 Red Div 1	Mathew Keen	Michael Formica
Under 11 Green Div 1	Andy Hansen	Kevin Wesson
Under 11 Black Div 1	Matthew White	Ciaran Sharp
Under 11 Orange Div 2	Paul Wineberg	Charlotte Nash
Under 11 White Div 2	Kerry Frew	Lisa Frew
Under 12 Red Div 1	Chris Melville Phil Stoddart	Peter Edwards
Under 12 Green Div 1	John Morony Brett McLennan	Tam Morony
Under 12 Black Div 2	Murray McLerie	Marny Nixon
Under 13 Red Div 1	Laurie Zanella Regan McCracken	Stephen Cole Zia Cole
Under 13 Green Div 2	Adam Horley	Sarah Feltham
Under 13 Orange Div 2	Ben Rourke Alex Hayes	Ben Rourke
Under 14 Red Div 1	Brett Curry	Andy Hutt
Under 15 Red Div 1	lan Bassett Gordon Powell	Brendan O'Donnell
Under 16-18 Red Div 1	Bill McLerie	Deb Kasmar



# **Honour Roll - Club Awards**





# Junior Cricketer of the Year\* -"Philpott Award" **Cooper Horley**

Batting: 313 runs at 62.60, highest score 48\* Bowling: 17 wickets at 8.0, best 3/6 Fielding: 7 catches, 3 catches as wicket-keeper,

4 run-outs

## Junior Rising Star - "Bird Family Award" Luke Watts

Batting: 232 runs at 23.2, highest score 51\* Bowling: 5 wickets at 9.86, best 2/2 Fielding: 11 catches, 2 run-outs





## Female Cricketer of the Year **Gemma Lacey**

Batting: 206 runs at 25.75, highest score 36\* Bowling: 15 wickets at 6.20, best 3/10

Fielding: 11 catches, 2 run-outs

## David Sheedy Rising Star - Seniors Cohen Mantle

Batting: 284 runs at 25.82, highest score 77 Bowling: 28 wickets at 6.82, best 5/23 Fielding: 4 catches





# **Honour Roll - Club Awards**



# Senior Cricketer of the Year Jadon Wilson

Batting: 460 runs at 38.3, highest score 105 Bowling: 12 wickets at 18.5, best 4/16 Fielding: 6 catches, 1 run-out



## "Ross Denny" Club Person

## of the Year

## Joint winners—Kevin Hume

Kevin has made a significant impact on the club, co-ordinating the Seniors teams since the 2015/16 season.

## **Deb Kasmar**

A willing helper at the club over many years, Deb has been a team manager for three years and age co-ordinator for two years. She particularly did a great job of getting an U16-18 side on the field each week this season.



## "Murray Family" Coach of the Year Mathew Keen—U11 Red



'Mat has coached this team for five years. He has never compromised fairness and equity in an attempt to win a game of cricket. As a result, the boys are all made to feel equals and enjoy the game as team, win or lose.'

Premiership winners 2017/18



# Honour Roll - Premiership Teams



## Under 10 Black - Under 10 Division 2

Coach: Mark Judson Manager: Madhura Jayaram

Noah Booker Anton Boulos Keegan Hiskett-Jones

Rohit Jayaram Joshua Jones Matthew Judson

Benjamin Keller Thomas Mikhail Joshua Watkins

## Under 11 Girls - Sixers Girls Cricket League

Coach: Jamie Friedlein

Eloise Bennett Zoe Friedlein Malie Goddard
Stefanie Hannemann Amelie Mason Ella Paxton

Edie Scarf Kate Strain



# Honour Roll - Premiership Teams



## Under 12 Red - Under 12 Division 1

Coaches: Chris Melville & Phil Stoddart Manager: Peter Edwards

Zane Cassie Hugo Gaudry

Noah Pitkin Arlo Thompson Toby Collinson

Matthew Melville Jordan Siladi

Max Thompson

Ethan Edwards

Myles Nockolds

**Thomas Stoddart** 

## Seniors 5th Grade

Aidan Adams

Anthony Denny

Fraser Macleod

Sam Massey

Jordan Willis Liam Wiseman Liam Adams

Kale Gabila

Brendan Malek

Jesse Michel

Benji Wilson

Michael Calley

Jackson Mackie

Cohen Mantle

Lachlan Sheridan

Jadon Wilson

# Cricket NSW School, Academy and State Representative Honours

## **NSW School Championships**

**Lulu Ryals** PSSA State Championships (Girls, Sydney North)

**Emily Horstead, Maya Nicey** PSSA State Championships (Girls, Polding Catholic Schools)



## **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 2018/19 season:

Under 13—Emily Horstead, Ashleigh Karcher, Maya Nicey Under 14—Laura Judson Under 17—Annabel Hutt, Abigail Powell



## **NSW State Challenge**



The Cricket NSW State Challenge is designed to increase the level of competition for young players. The following Wakehurst players were selected and participated in the program during the 2018/19 season:

Under 17—Annabel Hutt, Abigail Powell



# Representative Honours

Congratulations to the following Wakehurst players who represented Manly in Junior and Senior Representative competitions in 2018/2019.



### **Under 11 Creak Shield**

Aidan Boulton Zane Cassie

Matthew Melville

Arlo Thompson

## **Under 11 Presidents Cup**

Rohan Chang

Matthew Dixon

Harry McCracken

Myles Nockolds

## **Under 12 Cawsey Shield**

Tom Cole

Eshaan Holla

## **Under 12 Presidents Cup**

Saurav Holla Luke Watts

## Under 13 WS Gee Shield

Jeremy Scarf

## **Under 13 Mollie Dive Shield**

Caitlin du Preez

**Emily Horstead** 

Laura Judson

Ashleigh Karcher

Maya Nicey Lulu Ryals

**Under 13 Presidents Cup** 

Dylan Vlatko

## **Under 14 Presidents Cup**

Kai Connors

## **Under 15 Weblin Shield**

Ky Broome Jack Chick Lachlan Johnson

**U15 Margaret Peden Shield** 

Gemma Lacey

## **Under 15 Presidents Cup**

Hurshwin Sharma

## Girls U15 Premier Team

Caitlin du Preez

Emily Horstead Stephanie Hughes

Maya Nicey

## Under 16 CS Watson Shield

Luke Richardson

Zac Thomas

Lachlan Trewartha

## **Under 16 Presidents Cup**

Liam Chang

Noah Kasmar

Matthew Kuchel

Declan McLerie

**Henry Thomas** 

#### Green Shield

Lachlan Trewartha

**Brewer Shield** 

Gemma Lacey

Martin Shield

Daniel Annakin

Kris Corbett

Matt DeGroot



# International and State Representatives



## **Test Players**

Jackson Bird Australia

## First Class

Shawn Bradstreet NSW (including captaincy)

Matthew Phelps

NSW

Jackson Bird

Tasmania

Saskia Horley NSW Breaker's Squad

## Australian Junior Representatives

Peter Banbury Australia Under 19
Jackson Bird Australia Under 19
Aiden Bariol Australia Under 16

Saskia Horley Australia Women's Under 19

Sarah Turner Cricket Australia XI in U18 Women's Nationals

## **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

NSW Under 19

Saskia Horley NSW Women's Under 15

NSW Metro Women's Under 15

NSW Metro Women's Under 18 (c)

Sarah Turner NSW Metro Women's Under 15

NSW Schoolgirls

NSW Metro Women's Under 18

Andrew Boulton NSW Under 13 School Team



# 2018/2019 Team Award Winners

Team Girls SGCL	Batting	Bowling	Sportsperson
Under 11 Under 13 Under 15	Eloise Bennett Shae Hiskett-Jones Ashleigh Karcher	Zoe Friedlein Jaime Loh Laura Judson	Malie Goddard Emma Johnston Gemma Lacey
Under 10 Red Green Black Orange White	Nate Cole Danny Deacon Benjamin Keller Joseph Baker Callum Meakin	Jacob Watts Ethan Allesch Joshua Jones William Rigzin Mason Siladi	Murray Moran Lachie Rozier Rohit Jayaram George Hansen Sam Evans
Under 11 Red Green Black Orange White	Aidan Boulton Jackson Murray Patrick White Matthew Wineberg Corey Frew	Luka Karcher Oscar Hansen Jack Kalms Ben Ward Finn Greenland	Lachlan Formica Cameron Russell Conor Mulcahy Finlay Sorohan Ryan Lloyd
Under 12 Red Green Black	Matthew Melville Owen Moulds Oscar McLerie	Arlo Thompson Ben Postma Billy Chaloner	Max Thompson Chase McLennan Thomas Jackson
Under 13 Red Green Orange	Jeremy Scarf Cooper Horley Aryan Reddy	Eshaan Holla Luke Woodward Lachlan Rourke	Ryan McPhee Danny Thompson Ben Dwyer
<b>Under 14</b> Red	Jet McDade	James Thomas	Alexander Yates
<b>Under 15</b> Red	Matthew Humphrey	Abigail Powell	Mitchell Norton
Under 16-18 Red	Luke Richardson	Jeremy Nicholson	Isaac Turner

# **Vice President Juniors Report**

Firstly I would to thank everyone who made a contribution to the juniors this season including the players, volunteers, age coordinators, coaches, managers, scorers, captains and everyone else who assisted their teams this season. Your contribution goes a long way to keeping the kids playing cricket.

A very warm welcome to all the first time junior players and their families. We hope you enjoyed your first season with the Redbacks and we would love to have you back next season. To all the returning junior players, it was great to see you back and enjoying another season of cricket.

Congratulations to our three premiership winning teams on their outstanding seasons:

**Under 12 Red** - Boys Division 1

**Under 11 Sixers** - Girls

Under 10 Black - Boys Division 2



We had a total of 26 junior teams participate in the MWJCA competitions in 2018/19, equalling the number of teams from the previous year. Junior player registrations stood at 285 for the season. This is an impressive number of junior players and hopefully we can crack the 300 mark in coming years!

Congratulations to all Wakehurst Redback junior players who won our major awards along with those players that represented the Manly Warringah Junior Cricket Association. There were so many great individual achievements during the season at our club. Congratulations also to those junior players who either scored half centuries or took a hat-trick this season in club cricket.

A special mention also to those coaches that were nominated for the Murray Family Coach of the Year award won by Mat Keen, coach of the 11 Red Division 1 Boys Team. Other nominations were Matt White (Under 11 Black Boys Division 1), Anthony Nicey (Under 15 Sixers Girls), Jamie Friedlein (Under 11 Sixers Girls), Chris Melville and Phil Stoddart (Under 12 Red Boys Division 1) and Brett Curry (Under 14 Red Boys Division 1).

# Vice President Juniors Report (Contd.)

I would like to acknowledge and thank our club sponsors for their support and financial assistance this season. Most of the financial assistance provided to the club was utilised for development of the juniors players.

Our major sponsor **THE BELROSE HOTEL** were strong supporters of the Redbacks again this season. The Hotel provided us vouchers for our players and allowed us to utilise their facilities for meetings and functions including junior team preseason get togethers.

Peter Russell the proprietor of **CHARGRILL CHARLIES** at the Forest Way Shops came on board as a new sponsor this year and very generously provided vouchers for all our Junior players. These vouchers proved to be very popular!

**SYDNEY CRICKET COACHING (Mark McInnes)** returned this season as a financial sponsor providing complimentary training sessions for our players. Thanks to Mark for his continued support of the Wakehurst Redbacks.

I would also like to thank the rest of the Wakehurst Redbacks committee for all their hard work and volunteering their time to the running of the club.

We look forward to seeing you all back next season.

## **Laurie Zanella** Vice President Juniors



# Treasurer's Report

	Statement of Income and Expenditure for	•	•
		2018-2019	2017-2018
<i>a</i> >	Balance as at 1 May 2018	<b>\$</b> 52,997.84	<b>\$</b> 34,293.60
	Income:	•	•
9	Registration Fees (Juniors/Seniors/in2Cricket)	59,244.45	55,287.61
P	Shirts, Hats and Caps	4,310.00	2,048.50
	Sponsorship	7,500.00	12,550.00
$\prec$ $R$	Grants received	1,400.00	2,500.00
	Bank interest	4.92	4.51
	-	72,459.37	72,390.62
	Expenditure:		
	MWJCA - Team Registration Fees	13,651.00	12,905.00
	MWCA Seniors Registration Fees	4,025.00	3,600.00
	MWCA Senior Umpires	0.00	3,150.00
	Seniors coaching	1,970.00	0.00
	T20 Blast	23.02	230.24
	Girls Summer Comp	425.00	390.00
	Shirts, Hats and Caps Purchases	12,263.90	8,880.03
	Equipment Purchases (Including Balls)	20,480.76	11,360.25
	Sporting fields and facilities	1,386.00	1,525.00
	Postage, Printing and Stationery	3,003.30	3,690.00
	Refunds	1,404.00	1,320.00
	Captains Refunds	232.10	0.00
	Thank you gifts for coaches and managers	1500.00	269.85
	Trophies	4,980.85	4,829.00
	Advertising/Domain/Web Registration	304.98	128.95
	Team Photos	2,772.00	0.00
	Junior Food/Drink	0.00	334.30
	Premiers Celebrations	0.00	385.50
	Donations	0.00	159.76
	Senior Food/Drink/Presentation Night	991.80	0.00
		69,413.71	53,157.88
	_	56,043.50	53,526.34
	Comprised:	56,043.50	52,997.84
	Westpac Account	\$4,583.91	\$4,578.99
	Commonwealth Account	\$51,412.94	\$48,372.20
	Cash	\$46.65	\$1,896.65
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Compiled by Honorary Treasurer Jenny Pittar

## 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-

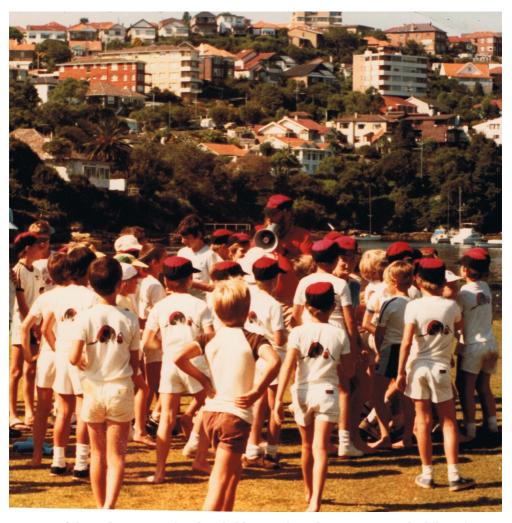


The Foundation logo created by Penny Philpott

## The Foundation of the Redbacks (Contd.)

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.

## **Junior Blasters**

The 2018 Junior Blasters were: Charlotte Bruzzano, William Bruzzano, Mitchell Bruzzano, Abigail Montelone, Cerys Noakes, Liam Pallister, Alexandra Palmer, Luca Rochaix, Arlen Rowan, Riley Secombe, Ty Siladi, Oliver Steel, Kasra Vejdani, and Marlee White.

The Junior Blasters cricket program is an entry level format for boys and girls aged 5 to 8 years. The program ran for 8 weeks from October to December and is designed cricket for participants to build their skills through fun, game-based activities.

An emphasis was placed on learning the very basics of batting, bowling, and fielding. The activities were designed in a circuit style format where they would spend 5 to 8 minutes on each activity before they would rotate to the next one. Now that they have mastered the basics,

they will be ready to graduate to Master Blasters where they can play modified games of cricket.

We had a great group of boys and girls this year who all participated in the activities with great enthusiasm.



A special thanks must go the Anthony Bruzzano, Jonathan Steel, Greg Palmer and all other parents that helped with the setting up and running of the activities.

All kids receive a player pack when they register, as shown.

Matt White Junior Blaster Co-ordinator

## Master Blaster – Funnelwebs

The Wakehurst Funnelwebs enjoyed a great season in 2018/19. It was a newly formed team with varying skill levels - some had played the game before and some fresh new faces, playing for the first time. Skill levels improved across all aspects of the game and each individual grew as a better cricket player during the season. Bowling from the start of the season to the end of the season was chalk and cheese. The team really picked up their skill, pace and accuracy of bowling throughout the season. They slowly learned that throwing the ball at the stumps is quicker than trying to run the ball to

the stumps to get a run out. The team's batting skills greatly improved, especially after the Christmas break from watching all the excitement of the BBL and WBBL!

Well done to all team members, we look forward to watching you progress your cricket with the Redbacks.

Thanks to the parents for their help with umpiring, scoring and supporting the team. Funnelwebs team:

Kyan Chalk Oscar Clubbe Thomas Evans Will Glassock Joshua Leese Sebastian Mason Lucas Moss Bowen Nicey Nellie Wise



## Master Blaster – Hunstmen

The Wakehurst Huntsmen had a wonderful season this year. Half of the boys had never played cricket before so it was a learning curve for them. They picked it up quite quickly and by the last game most boys were bowling very well and catching a few wickets. They all encouraged each other over the season and had a lot of fun playing cricket. I know very little about the game but was thankful for the help of our coaches to give the boys tips and tricks to help grasp the game. The boys that had played before were all very good cricket players and played excellent over the whole season. They batted and fielded incredibly well.

All of the team improved immensely over the season, which seemed to go very quickly. We had a wonderful group of boys and parents that helped keep it fun and not to serious each week. Our last game was an absolute cracker and our boys loved winning on their final game. Big thanks to everyone involved that helped in any way with organizing each week of cricket. Thanks also to all those parents that came and supported their children each week. Looking forward to another year of cricket next year.

Huntsmen team:

Lachlan Gerdovic Ben Hunt Will Mathlin Cian Mooney Clayton Robson Finlay Whiteford Angus Woerlee Harry Fox Marcus Murchison



## Master Blaster - Tarantulas

The Tarantulas had a fantastic season in the Master Blaster competition!

For many, it was their first season playing competitive cricket and it was great to see their efforts on the pitch and practising on the edge of the field.

Each player improved in many aspects of the game from striking the ball to fielding in the deep on the boundary. Bowling is a very difficult skill to acquire and it was most encouraging to see them apply coaching points and improve their technique and accuracy. They learned that concentration plays a huge part to developing skills and achieving results on the field.

Overall, it was great fun helping the Tarantulas during match days and their teamwork, fair play and sportsmanship reflected the true spirit of the game.

Tarantulas team:

Beau Hawke
Henry Johnstone
Bradley Burrows
William Bugden
Lewis Riddett
Jack Maris
Levi McQuoid
Jordan Casey
Augustus Nicholls-Gilhooly



# **Master Blaster – Trapdoors**

The Wakehurst Trapdoors had a great season this year.

Most of the team were playing their first season and all the players did a good job encouraging each other particularly in the early rounds as the boys found their feet.

Bowling was impressive & this was probably the highlight for the team as the boys all improved a lot during the season. This is the hardest skill to pick up for newcomers but the boys persisted very well and by the end of the season were getting the hang of it. Some of the boys were even bowling genuine spinners in the last few games.

Most of the boys are still finding their feet with batting but this will come as they get older and stronger & gain an improved understanding of moving their feet towards the ball. It was good to see by the end of the season everyone realising the benefits of playing straight not only helping to keep their wickets intact but scoring bonus runs

as a result. I was happy to be reminded when umpiring that signalled straight 4 was really an 8!

All in all it was a pleasure to be involved with a wonderful group of boys who kept it fun, not too serious and enjoyed each other's company.

Our thanks to Cricket NSW for arranging the excursion to the Big Bash game which was a great night enjoyed by all.

My thanks to the boys in the other 3 Wakehurst teams & their parents who were very willing to help out running the games each week.

Trapdoor team:
Harry Luff
Harry Reinert
Marcus Lau
Murphy Dawkins
Liam Jeffs
Josh Foord
Stuart Turner
Nate Morrow
Dion Hoare



# Sixers Girls Cricket League— Under 11

Sixers Girls Cricket League U11 Premiers 2018-19

The U11 girls team had a great season and their skill levels have significantly improved from the first ball bowled to the last runs hit. All members of the team were playing their first season of cricket and I had a fantastic time watching them learn lots and grasp how to play this great game.

Collectively, the team played hard and were determined to win each week, which is a great commodity for a coach! They also demonstrated a huge amount of compassion and understanding for their opposition. Sportsmanship was second to none - which is an incredibly important part of the game.

We ended up being top of the table in the MWJCA U11 Girls competition with only one defeat out of all games played in 2018/19. The team amassed over 1000 runs and took over 50 wickets for the season. I needn't say anymore – huge congratulations girls!

I would like to thank the girls for continuing to work hard and dedicating themselves to a long season in the sun. That being said – I would also like to thank each and every parent for their side line support - which makes playing the game so much more enjoyable.

Special parent call outs must go to: Scott Goddard for putting his hand up to score every week, Emma Friedlein for filling in for Scott on the odd occasion + being social secretary ....and Darren Mason for being my wing man at square leg.

I truly hope all the girls continue with cricket and that one-day Wakehurst will be proud to acknowledge their success ......as I am sure we have a few stars in the making. I am very proud of you all and look forward to doing it all again next season with whomever comes back!

#### Eloise Bennett

Eloise featured in every game for her team and never failed to give her all. She has a fantastic eye for the ball, and it didn't take long for me to work out that she was going to be a "gun" batter. Eloise also performed well with the ball (a true seam bowler), and as a fielder - she had a knack for throwing down the stumps, which is very annoy-

ing for the opposition. Congrats "Wild Card".

#### Ella Paxton

Ella is small on stature and massive on personality. She was very shy when I first met her, but that didn't last long! Ella had a great season with her team mates and listened to every word of advice from the coach. Well done! She made some massive improvements to her game and should be commended for the last few games of the season with ball in hand. She is one to watch as a natural wrist spinner!

#### Zoe Friedlein

Zoe thrived this season and statistically had an outstanding season with bat

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# SGCL Under 11 (Contd.)

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and ball. She scored the most runs and took the most wickets and proved to be a very useful all-rounder. Zoe played in all the games for her team this season. She is very tough on herself and always wants to be amongst the glory. I have loved every moment watching her play (proud Dad that I am). Not sure Zoe loved my umpiring at times, but that's life!

#### **Amelie Mason**

Amelie showed that she was a solid batter from the very start of the season and displayed form all the way to the end. Amelie also performed well with the ball and had some great moments in the field. We didn't have many catching opportunities this season, but Amelie took her chances When they came. Amelie is a very focused player and will be a great motivator in any future team she plays in. Well done that girl!

#### **Edie Scarf**

Edie captained the team in the penultimate game of the season and should be commended for her motivational "star jump" drills! She is a wise character beyond her years and reads the game very well. She performed solidly with the bat this season and clearly has an eye for the ball. Edie has great technique and when she hits the ball – it stays hit. Her bowling was understated, and Edie ended up taking the second the greatest number of wickets. I am sure Edie will get better as the years go by. Keep it up!



North Sydney Oval—Spring Competition Medal Ceremony

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# SGCL Under 11 (Contd.)

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## Kate Strain

Kate's skills developed well over the season and she found her little niche in the side. I was incredibly impressed by her wicket keeping responsibilities towards the end of the season. With the bowling getting more accurate and faster, Kate proved to have a safe pair of hands and wasn't afraid to put her body in front of the ball. Kate scored some valuable runs for her team and she was an integral part of the team's success. Come back next year Kate!

#### Malie Goddard

Malie is a legitimate "triple threat" - bats well, bowls well and fields well! She owned the fielding stats with most catches and run outs this season. Her all-rounder style developed significantly, and Malie proved to be one of the key game turners for the Redbacks. She should also take a pat on the back for her easy go attitude and ability to "fit in" as she joined a core group of

players who already knew each other from school. We look forward to some more of the same next season please!

#### Stefanie Hannemann

Stef was one of three players that played in every game this season and she was one of the most excitable/ happy players on the side. Stef had some solid stats for the season and should be very proud of her batting. I was thrilled that her bowling got better and better and I think she surprised herself at times with her natural ability to hit the ball to all parts of the field. I really enjoyed watching the comradery between Stef and her team mates ..... especially her little mate Ella!

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Eloise Bennett 118 runs in 13 games, best 16 not out

Bowling: Zoe Friedlein

43 overs, 25 wickets, best 5/3 **Sportsperson:** Malie Goddard



# Sixers Girls Cricket League— Under 13

The 2018/19 season was a breakthrough season for the U13 girls as the team continued to improve throughout the season. The season started in mid October and for many of the girls this was their first year playing cricket. The team was unlucky early on with a few very close losses, but managed to secure a few close wins as the season progressed and ever had a tie with Seaforth in round 11.

The team was expertly coached by Annabel Hutt and Abigail Powell who showed great patience every Friday afternoon in passing on their skills and knowledge to the group. It was a great pleasure to have both Annabel and Abi involved with the team this year.

Ashley Jones proved to be a master manager making sure that we all arrived on time (at the fantastic girls cricket hub based at Millers Reserve), fruit duties allocated, shade gazebo constructed and field set out. Special mention to Ashley for the outstanding job he did in arranging the pink stumps day. Also a special thank you to our unsung hero Nerralyn Loh who took on the scoring duties most weeks with great vigour and accuracy!

All the girls have shown dedication to their craft this year and were often congratulated by the opposing coach on their sportsmanship and approach to the game. In particular, the team went from strength to strength as a bowling unit with strong performances all through the team.

## **Daisy Addison**

Daisy had another strong season this year, improving as the season progressed. Unfortunately Daisy missed most of the second half of the season after injuring her knee over the Christmas break. She showed great determination to get back on the field for the final game of the season and even managed to knock off the winning runs in that game.

#### **Asia Boles**

Returning for a second season, Asia

continued to improve with both bat and ball. In particular Asia came in to her own with the ball this season showing great accuracy and control and retuning a personal best performance of 2/9 and contributed with a couple crucial direct run outs.

## Olivia Champion

Olivia again proved to be an accurate and quick bowler and was desperately unlucky to not take more wickets as the ball regularly beat the bat. We did however unearth a gritty and determined opening bat. Liv scored 104 runs (@49.5), hit fifteen 4's, was n/o on eight occasions and top scored this season with 27\* in round 3.

## Emma du Preez

Emma D is an enthusiastic and energetic player that showed great promise as the season progressed with her all round game improving. In particular Emma proved to be a brave and courageous wicket keeper and improved with the ball with her economy rate almost halving after Christmas.

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## **Astrid Fiore**

Showing great commitment throughout her first season, Astrid was a valued and dedicated member of the team. Although Astrid was new to cricket, she came to training each week with a smile on her face and willing to learn. Astrid grew with confidence as the season progressed and even finished with three consecutive not outs to end the season.

## Shae Hiskett-Jones

Shae had another strong all round season scoring 124 runs, taking 6 wickets at 11.1 and often taking responsibility behind the stumps. Shae retuned the best bowling figures for the year with 2/8 in round 7 and with 124 runs (@70.9) was the top run scorer for the year. This sees Shae awarded the batting award for this season.

## **Emma Johnston**

Emma J had an incredible debut season with her almost unplayable left arm quicks. Emma conceded only 36 runs all season off 23 overs (an economy rate of 1.57) with over a third of her overs bowled being maidens. Emma put in a huge amount of effort at training and always listened to the advice of her coaches. For her outstanding approach to the game Emma receives the sportsperson's award this season.

## Lila Jones

Lila started the season with a bang taking a wicket in her first ever competitive over in round 1. Unbelievably, Lila still does not have an average having been not out in all nine innings that she batted this season. Lila has had a solid start to her cricket career and I am looking forward to seeing her progress in years to come.

#### **Jaime Loh**

Jaime had a great all round season scoring 81 runs at an average of 16.2, taking a number of catches and run outs in the field and topping the bowling stats with 6 wickets at an average of 9.0. Jaime is a great thinker of the game and captained the side for the second half of the season. Jaime expertly led her team setting all the team's on field tactics, rotating bowlers and setting fields. For her bowling effort Jaime is awarded the bowling award this season.



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## Aanya Salier

Aanya missed most of the first half of the season with a broken foot but was welcomed back to the team after Christmas. Aanya picked up from where she had left off last season with her strong batting and often opened the batting for the team with great effect. Aanya is a tough competitor and had a strong finish to the season with both bat and ball.

## **Erryn Salier**

This was Erryn's first season at cricket and it was a pleasure to see her improve as the season progressed, making significant contributions with both bat and ball in the second half of the season. A highlight for Erryn was in round 11 when she came in at number 7 and with her running between the wickets and general batting that saw us tie with Seaforth.

Lastly, thanks to the parents for all the support in getting the girls to the game on time, providing fruit, setting up fields, scoring, umpiring, and general support. These games don't happen without you. Hope to see you all again next season.

**Greg Jones** 

#### Season awards

Batting award – Shae Hiskett-Jones 124 runs at a strike rate of 70.9 Bowling award – Jaime Loh 6 wickets at 9.0 Sportsperson award – Emma Johnston



# Sixers Girls Cricket League— Under 15

With 10 wins and a draw from 16 games including a one run loss in the Grand Final Season 18/19 was one that the girls of U15 Wakehurst can be very proud of. Securing a Grand Final appearance alone is a wonderful achievement. Throughout the year the girls continued to train hard and were committed to each other as they progressed their cricketing skills. They constantly challenged the oppositions whilst enjoying the game and the friendships that it brings.

With the disappointment of a one run loss in the Grand Final comes with the opportunity of experience and hunger. The girls in this team are already committed and keen, next season is already looking promising.

Special thanks to Paula Robinson, Mark Judson and Kylie du Preez for scoring. Logan Nicey for assisting with all the training sessions and game days when available and most importantly all the parents and friends of the team for supporting. We enjoyed the opportunity to be part of this team. With thanks, Anthony & Amanda Nicey.

## Gemma Lacey (Captain)

MWJCA u15 Margaret Peden Team, MWDCC u18 Brewer Shield Team Gemma had an exceptional season. As one of the senior members in the team Gemma was appointed captain and lead by example in all areas of the game. With the bat Gemma was our highest run scorer with 206 runs @ 25.75 including smashing 25 boundaries. Her best included scores of 36no, 26, 25no and 25no. With the ball Gemma also dominated, as our second highest wicket taker with 15 wickets @ 6.20 with her best figures against the top team in the comp of 3/10 in round 13. Gemma developed her knowledge of the game as captain of the side and can be very proud of her contributions as well as how well she lead the side. Her ability to make key decisions as the games progressed played a huge part in our season success. As the Wakehurst Player of the Grand Final Gemma took

the challenge right up to Forest, with 19no with the bat and 2/8 with the ball off her 4 overs getting us so close. Well done Gemma.

## Sophia Chick

Statistically with the bat Sophia loved to open, more often than not after opening she was retired not out with the ability to return to the crease extending

our batting line-up. This was the case in round 2 where Sophia retired and came back to the crease putting on 19 runs for the last wicket. In round 8 Sophia, along with Maya put on an unbroken first wicket partnership which was one of only two for the whole season. This partnership set the team up as we went on to score 126 runs. Sophia then followed this performance up in round 11 with a 10 not out, again opening the batting. With the ball Sophia has been working hard on her game, improvement since last season is evident, especially with figures like 1/5, 1/7 and 1/11. Sophia is a great team player, always willing to look after

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her mates, she enjoys the game and the friendships it brings.

#### Caitlin du Preez

MWJCA u13 Mollie Dive Team, MWDCC u15 Team

Caitlin's season is one that she should be pleased with. As one of our consistent performers in all forms of the game she often played a key role. Caitlin ended up as our 5<sup>th</sup> highest run scorer, with a total of 88 runs as well as 5<sup>th</sup> highest wicket taker with 8 wickets. As the season progressed Cait-

lin became one of our go to players, her best with the bat and ball highlights the potential she has and why we often looked to her against quality opponents. In round 6 Caitlin scored 18no off her 25 balls after opening the batting and unfortunately it was the only game she had to leave early meaning she missed out on a return to the crease. With the ball Caitlin's best was

3/9. Over the season she bowled 5 maidens, she has been known for her tight bowling and when her line, length and pace is on she is almost unplayable.

## **Emily Horstead**

Cricket NSW Academy Squad Member, MWJCA u13 Mollie Dive Team, MWDCC u15 Team, PSSA Polding Team
With 8 not outs in 12 innings, Emily was a team member that valued her wicket. Emily's consistency and ability to bat through the innings provided the team with additional depth as she often provided the team with an additional batter as she was able to retuned to the crease. Throughout the season Emily

scored 72 runs @ 18 with a highest of 14no. Impressive stats given Emily is the youngest team member playing beyond her years. As her strength increases so too will Emily's ability to return big scores. A technically sound and confident batter her consistency is as a result of the hard work she puts in. Emily also played well beyond her years with the ball in hand, collecting a total of 10 wickets for the season @ just 7.10. Her best was an impressive 3/4 in round 5. It wasn't just her ability to take wickets with the ball, she also returned a very notable strike rate of just

2.73 runs per over, not bad given the format is T20's.

## Stephanie Hughes

MWDCC u15 Team

Stephanie continues to impress all with her ability to make an impact. With the bat Stephanie was our second highest scorer with 123 runs including an effortless knock in round 5 of 26 not out including 5 fours in her

innings. Stephanie can also play an important role with the ball however as one of our wicket keepers, Stephanie's bowling opportunities were limited. With the ball Stephanie's best was 1/9 in round 9 – which is impressive given this was against the leading team in the comp. As keeper Stephanie displays confidence, and deservedly as she had a safe pair of hands. She is a wonderful team player, also willing to do whatever is required by her mates. Well done Steph for the season including the energy you bring to each and every training session.

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#### Laura Judson

Cricket NSW Academy Squad Member, MWJCA u13 Mollie Dive Team, MWDCC u18 Brewer Shield Team

Laura not surprisingly was the best of our bowlers with a total of 16 wickets at an average of just 5.63. Known and feared by her opposition - for good reason, it's her consistency and ability to take wickets that is so valuable to the team. With the bat, Laura has improved greatly, ending the season as our third highest run scored with 114 runs at 16. Notably her strike rate was right up at the top of the list at 73 runs per 100 balls, she is also the only girl in our team to clear the rope for six runs and managed to do so twice. Laura is one of those impact players especially this year with bat and ball which is a real luxury to have in the team and a pleasure to coach. Well done Laura on another great season.

## Ashleigh Karcher

Cricket NSW Academy Squad Member, MWICA u13 Mollie Dive Team Ash's season was unfortunately cut short which was a real disappointment for not only herself but for the team. She was in terrific form with the bat and her confidence was sky high after her performances in the early rounds. A player with so much protentional Ash was starting to take control of the game no matter what the circumstances were. Ash ended the season as a our 4th highest run scorer which is remarkable considering she only had 8 innings out of a possible 16. She finishes the season with the highest batting average for the team @ 34. Her best came in round 2 where she scored 29 not out of just 35

balls. With the injury and as one of our Wicket Keepers for the team, Ash's bowling was limited, however she reminded all what she is capable of with her best at 1/8. We are all looking forward to seeing Ash fit and back out in the middle again hopefully continuing from where she left off.

## **Maya Nicey**

Cricket NSW Academy Squad Member, MWICA u13 Mollie Dive Team. MWDCC u15 Team, PSSA Polding Team Maya had a mixed season and perhaps she would have hoped for more that said, finished off the season strongly with some impressive performance in the last couple of games including the Grand Final. Results aside it was pleasing to see Maya's confidence grow as the season progressed. Coming on first change in the Grand Final, Maya's first spell of two overs was close to the best we have seen, as she took 3 key wickets for just 2 runs, playing a key role in having Forest at 5/13. Over all Maya took 8 wickets including figures of 3/7, 1/1, 1/4 and 1/5. With the bat Maya's best was with Sophia in an unbroken opening partnership that set the team up for a massive 126 runs.

## **Caitlyn Prior**

CP, as she is known to her team mates valued her wicket more than anyone else in the team, her ability to defend the good balls, playing straight meant that our batting line up had someone who could play an anchor role. Not always needed in T20, but as the season played out it often is. In round 4 against Forest Peninsula we were a player short and chasing 73, after CP opened the batting she retired at 13 not out after the 25 balls and then re-

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turned to the crease combining with Ash, for a 17 run unbroken last wicket partnership to win the game. Impressively in her 15 innings CP was only dismissed 5 times. CP collected 9 wickets @ 13. Often used early on in our attack including opening the bowling, CP collected numerous early wickets setting the tone for our bowlers as well as putting the opposition right under pressure. With figures of 2/3, 2/4 and 2/4 CP should be really proud of her contributions throughout the season.

#### Lulu Ryals

MWJCA u13 Mollie Dive Team, PSSA Sydney North Team
This season it was with the ball where Lulu was at her best. She collected 2 wickets per game, 4 times, including figures of 2/1, 2/4 and 2/6, which is impressive given she shared some of

the wicket keeping duties. With a total of 10 wickets @ just 6.7 Lulu was our third highest wicket taker. With the bat, Lulu looked her best in a rain effected match where her innings was unfortunately cut short as she ended up with 13 not out. Her running between the wickets is a key area where Lulu excels, and as the season progressed Lulu often showed the girls how you can turn 0 into 1's and 1's into 2's.

#### Season awards

Batting: Ashleigh Karcher Bowling: Laura Judson Sportsperson: Gemma Lacey



## **Under 10 Red**

The future of Australian cricket is in good hands, based on the season from the mighty Wakehurst Reds under 10s side. This group of boys have shown and developed all of the skills over the past season. Resilience, determination, passion, teamwork, fair play and a love of the game. As parents and coaches we all feel very proud of the boys, and look forward to next season, and developing these boys further.

The 2018/19 season was a "building year" for the Reds, with a mixed start to the season, however all of the work done at the start, paid back for the start of the year with a great run of wins for 2019. The bowling attack got stronger, the fielding was exceptional, and the batting all showed progress.

## **Murray Moran**

Hard hitter of the ball, Murray consistently kept the run rate up, with great calling and running between the wick-

ets. Murray punished any bowler who pitched down the leg side, with boundaries coming from this area. In the field Murray kept up the encouragement to the team, was quick to the ball and put his body on the line to save runs. He also bowled consistently full and straight, hitting the stumps regularly. Great season Murray.

#### **Beau Moran**

The fearless wicketkeeper batsman. Beau showed a genuine flair for keeping, taking some great catches, and making sure the batsmen knew he was ready to whip off the bails if they wandered out of the crease. With the bat in hand Beau's natural ability and footwork shone. Beau's patience to wait for the loose delivery saw him hit them all over the field with many boundaries.

## **Archie McGreggor**

A genuine all-rounder. Archie has a keen talent for leg spin and had many an opposition batsman bamboozled



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with his technique, to find themselves bowled, or catching a thick edge to be caught. Another solid hitter of the ball, Archie was never slow of the mark, always finding the gaps for quick singles, and anything loose was put away. In the field Archie is intuitive and pulled off many a run out. Great season, Archie, hope to see you next season.

### Jacob Watts

Mr Cricket, Jacob excels in all parts of the game, a very quick left arm bowler that see's many a batsman's stumps falling over, very strong hitter of the ball, and an absolute tiger in the field,

patrolling the boundary and keeping the opposition on their toes when seeking singles. The team love watching Jacob in action and look to him as the benchmark of where they want their own game to be. Another great season from Jacob.

## Nate Cole

Nates' passion and love for the game is infectious. A natural leader both on and off the field, It is a joy having him in the team, and the boys really rally around his encouragement. Whether it be belting the ball all over the ground, bowling with rapid pace or expert fielding Nate has all the skills, and is always keen to develop his game at training. Great season Nate, and we are excited to see you again next season.

### Charlie Lord

Charlie had a rough start to the season with a broken arm for the first couple of rounds, but came back swinging with confidence with the bat, and had no trouble grabbing the keeping gloves and protecting the stumps and taking amazing catches when needed. He also chipped in with numerous wickets and bowled a very tight line and length. Another great season Charlie!

### Hamish Ford

The kid with the million dollar arm. When Hamish is in the field the stumps are as big as telegraph poles, he has an arm that splits them in half when pa-

trolling the boundary. Not many 4's get past him, and the batters need to be wary of chasing that second run. His bowling was also extremely accurate all year long and this was reflected by the amount of times he hit the

stumps. This was Hamish's first year of cricket, and he has a great future in the game. Can't wait to see you again next season Hamish.

## **Max Johnstone**

Whether batting, bowling or fielding Max always displays his natural athletic ability and passion. Smacking fours and sixes to all parts of the ground, running hard between the wickets and turning ones into twos, knocking the pegs over when bowling fast or spin or effecting

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numerous classic catches or run outs, Max always gives 100% and is a great team player who is always supportive of the other boys and is always switched on and ready to play. Great season, Max!

#### **Zac Thomas**

A big congratulations to Zac who played his first season of cricket this year. Taking wickets, scoring runs or making saves in the field Zac improved quickly and showed that he had a great aptitude for the game. Always a team man, Zac was constantly supportive of the other boys nd celebrated everyone's success. A variety of circumstances meant he had to cut his season a little short but we hope to see him back in the future. Great season. Zach!

Season awards

**Batting:** Nate Cole **Bowling:** Jacob Watts

Sportsperson: Murray Moran



## **Under 10 Green**

This year there was no U9s competition, which would have been perfect for our all 8-year-old team, so after some deliberation and some great guidance from the club, we decided to play up an age group in U10s division 2. The team had a few new faces and a good number returning from the Master Blaster Huntsmen last year. We weren't sure what to expect in Under 10s division 2, but the boys did really well, playing an age group up we more than held our own, winning the majority of our games

and were only soundly beaten by the top team (who were both really good and really nice – worthy winners), our other defeats were often by a handful of runs.

Most importantly the boys played a really nice style of team cricket; good in the field, tight bowling, good batting with everyone sharing the run scoring and good

running between the wickets, and most importantly they embraced the spirit of the game and had great fun.

Playing Under 10s allowed the boys to play on a wicket and wear the kit, which all enjoyed and were excited about, including the introduction of this thing called 'a box' (the subject of many conversations over the first month, not least underpants strategies). The first few practices and games were spent learning to move when weighed down by all this gear (let alone hit a ball or run). There were a few emergency trips to Kingsgrove Sports which helped, plus

Santa did a great job. So, we quickly got the hang of the kit and then we were down to business.

Through the season we saw everyone improve enormously. The standard and consistency in the bowling was great to see. Everyone improved their batting technique, improving the shots they had and adding new ones, picking which ball to play which shot to and calling well when running. The fielding became really tight, with good calling,

backing up, great throwing and catching, we started to see some great concentration, organisation and teamwork

From a personal perspective I enjoyed the energy around the team. The kids were there to play cricket and they wanted to win, and the parents kept things on an

even keel (even when met with some opponents who had different ideas). The team was sporting, kind, respectful, won and lost well, was competitive but focused on playing well not the result, and most importantly had lots of fun and enjoyed playing the game. We've got a special group of parents who deserve a lot of credit for this, all helped out on matchdays (scoring, umpiring, getting kids ready to bat, warming them up, and keeping them in the right frame of mind, when they drifted or got a little excited), it was a pleasure to spend Saturday mornings with you. Special

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thanks to Karen who did a wonderful job organising everyone (and keeping us in shade and shelter under her cabana).

Andrew Reis Frewer – was new to the game at the start of the season, and did a great job grasping all aspects of the game, he's always keen to learn and this served him well. His bowling became consistently good and it was good to see him get some great success with the bat, particularly some lovely straight drives.

Caleb King – Caleb is one of our most improved players, new to cricket at the start of the season he developed into a reliable bowler and a good batsmen with a nice drive. It was great to see Caleb develop with each game. Caleb is a real asset in the field, backing up well and really focused on what's happening in the game. There were a few games where he was the standout bowler taking a sackful of wickets.

Daniel Deacon – Danny joined the team this year and was a great addition as a strong all-rounder, with some brilliant shots, good in the field and with the ball. Danny was our most successful batsmen, knocking the bowlers all over the park. It's great to see Danny stroke the ball around, when his natural technique really shines through.



Ethan Allesch – Ethan was another new starter and quickly became one of our best bowlers, a strong batsman, fielder and a decent wicketkeeper. Ethan's bowling shows real promise, his leading average and economy rates reflect his consistently strong performance. It was also great to see how his concentration in all aspects improved through the year.

Joe Youle – Joe was one of our most successful batsman, with a great pull shot dispatching all comers for four runs. Joe also had some strong bowling performances. It was great to see Joe develop his offside shots, and how his bowling improved through the year. Joe also had a number of great direct hit run-outs through the year from some distance and difficult angles.

Kai France – Kai continued as one of our strongest bowlers, and improved through the season, finishing with a few maiden overs and as our leading wicket taker. Kai added a few new shots to his batting repertoire, and was hard to get out as our least dismissed batsman. Took most and lost fewest wickets – great job Kai!

Lachlan Rozier – Lachie had a great season, a well organised batsman with good technique and good shot selection, a strong sense for the game, a strong bowler and a promising wicket keeper. Every week he brought his great focus and love for the game, which lead to him being one of our top performers with the bat. There were some brilliant shots with the bat and some great glove work; caught behinds, run outs, and stumpings.

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Rob Hunt - Rob continued to be a good all-round cricketer. Rob's a strong bat, with both a nice technique and good shot selection, which lead to him being one of our least dismissed batsmen. He's well organised in the field with great focus, a good team-mate and had some good bowling performances.

Will Covarr - Will continued to do well with bat and ball, there were some great overs and some big hits. It was particularly great to see Will learning to channel his high energy levels in the field, walking in each ball, picking up the ball for the bowler and generally bubbling around, plus he's developing a great arm.

Season awards

Batting: Danny Deacon Bowling: Ethan Allesch Sportsperson Lachie Rozier



## **Under 10 Black**

### Under 10 Division 2 Joint Premiers 2018/19

The team was finally back together again and we were all very keen to get started. A few changes this season with two new players, Josh Watkins and Ben Keller, and a new coach as Greg took a well earned break (only coaching one team this year!). To make up for the new coach's lack of cricket skills we enlisted the help of Lachy Molyneux as assistant coach.

At our first training we sat down together and talked about what the team wanted to achieve. Amazingly with very little prompting the boys set their goals as follows:

- 1) Have fun
- 2) Improve our skills
- 3) Win more games
- 4) Try our hardest and aim for personal bests
- 5) Yes more fun!

Training was well attended. Everyone worked hard with Lachy helping the boys on their personal technique in bowling and batting, plenty of practice in the nets and lots and lots of drills on the basics of throwing, catching, backing up, running between wickets etc.

Early on you could see that Wakehurst Black meant business this year!

As far as results it was a great year. We won 17 games, had only 2 losses and



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finished equal premiers. Not every game was easy and there were a number of times when things did not look so good. But each time the boys rallied together and did not give up.

Our batting was generally strong with over 144 fours being hit and even a few sixes by Ben and Keegan. Aggressive running between wickets and good calling meant we could keep the run score ticking along. Some hard lessons had to be learnt as we lost too many wickets to strong bowlers but towards the end of the season it was good to see the boys starting to sense when best to defend and when best to go for the slog!

It was in the field we were our strongest. We had a strong set of fast bowlers and we were able to maintain constant pressure on the batsmen. This was perfectly offset by our 3 spin bowlers. Highlights include Ben's amazing 5 wickets for 6 runs including a hatrick and Joshua J's 4 wickets for 5 runs and his season total of 29 wickets! Some brilliant catches and a huge number of unassisted runouts from every player at amazing distances and angles left everyone gobsmacked!

On behalf of myself and the boys a huge thankyou to all the parents for helping out with umpiring, scoring and doing warmups on match days. A special thankyou to Madhura who was again manager and did an amazing job with organising everyone and keeping up the brilliant Facebook post match reports. Also a big thankyou to Lachy. Not only did he teach the boys some valuable cricket skills but he was a perfect role model to the team. One team

member even adopted the "Lachy" haircut and the boys were awestruck at how high Lachy could hit a ball and how fast he could bowl. A summary from one of the boys says its all, "he's cool, funny and really nice".

There is still lots of room for improvement for the boys but every player achieved a personal best with over 28 PB's across the team! Well done team you worked hard and you all deserve the great result this year.

#### Noah Booker

This year we saw Noah's strength in the field reliably stopping balls heading to the boundary. The only bowler to do spin, slow and pace all within 1 over! He took 9 wickets this year (up from 1 last year) including 2 very memorable caught and bowled. Although not the biggest hitter of the ball he was a good defensive batter and at critical times he did not give away his wicket which helped the team greatly. A fun and pleasant team member and always ready to offer advice and let you know what he did at school and on the weekend. Over 5 PB's in the season well done Noah

### **Anton Boulos**

Anton had a good year with his natural abilities and enthusiasm always present. He is a fast bowler and when dialed in he was deadly with 8 spectacular wickets that sent the stumps flying. Similarly with the bat Anton is very capable of the big hits with over 16 fours and some excellent running between the wickets. He well and truly smashed his total runs from last year scoring 111 runs. He turned up to every game

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### Keegan Hiskett-Jones

Keegan throws everything into his cricket...literally. His sneaky runs and his brutal all or nothing slides into the crease left him with many a graze. Keegan's strength is defi-

nitely with the bat. The only player to hit four 4's in a row and the only player to hit 2 sixes. Keegan was also very strong in the field with 8 brilliant unassisted runouts and some great catches and wicket keeping. He took 8 wickets this season with his floater that often fooled the batsman. Keegan was great fun to have around, always happy and enthusiastic with lots of ideas on how to do things better. He would make an excellent assistant coach and is an expert in the rules of fielding tennis.

## Rohit Jayaram

Rohit a.k.a "The Demon" has had a fantastic season. He is easily one of the most passionate and energetic in the team and does everything at 100km/hour. Working hard both in and outside of team training. His bowling has improved out of sight and he is one of our fastest bowlers. Taking 19 wickets (over double from last year) reaching his best bowling of 3 wickets for 4 runs on two



occasions and 3 wickets for 5 runs on another. In the field he was also very skilled with an amazing 11 unassisted runouts and multiple catches. Rohit's batting technique has also improved greatly playing some beautiful strokes and putting away 15 fours over the season and scoring significantly more runs than last year. The only thing he found hard to do was to SLOW Down!

### Joshua Jones

Josh is a natural allrounder and he makes everything seem so easy. This year's highlight has to be his bowling. His near perfect line and length saw him take an incredible 29 wickets. On multiple occasions he would take 3 or 4 wickets in an innings and his best figures were 4 for 5 runs. Over the season he had an economy rate of 2.67, got 6 maidens and tripled his number of wickets from last year. He was also strong in the field with 8 unassisted

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runouts and with a safe pair of hands took some great catches and demonstrated some reliable wicket keeping. Being the 2nd highest batter he also hit an incredible 32 fours and in most games reached double figures. Joshua is a very talented cricketer and is always thinking strategically. Well done Josh you have done fantastically well.

### Matthew Judson

Matthew has improved greatly over the year working hard at training and giving his best in the games. Almost doubling his batting figures from last year he became the master of the quick single with good calling between the wickets and aggressive running. As the season progressed he worked on his strength with the bat and was rewarded with a total of 9 fours and missing out on a six by just millimeters! Matthew's bowling has also improved in both speed and accuracy picking up 11 wickets for the season. Always economical and consistently picking up a wicket in most games meant he was part of the bowling power play that did not give batters much chance. His fielding has also improved taking 2 great catches as wicket keeper and some great unassisted runouts.

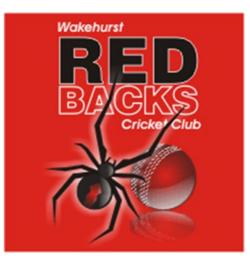
### Benjamin Keller

Ben is a natural batsman and goes about his business with no fuss and strong determination. Our top scorer with a massive 327 runs, a high score of 34 runs, a strike rate of 115 and over 45 fours! He is absolutely brutal with the bat and an incredible talent. Not being satisfied with just batting Ben has proven a strong bowler with his first game achieving 5 for 6 (including a hat trick) and taking 17 wickets for the season.

He was solid in the field taking some great catches, executing 5 unassisted runouts and letting nothing past him as wicket keeper. Whenever things were not looking good Ben would always step up and give whatever was needed at the time. Well done Ben on a great season.

### Thomas Mikhail

Thomas has natural talent and we would often see it through his strong batting. Hitting some powerful 4's he equaled his high score on a number of occasions. Thomas can be strong in his spin bowling taking his best figures for the year of 2 wickets for 14 (in our toughest game ever). He finished the year off in style with a wicket maiden against the opposition's top batsman. Thomas loved being wicket keeper and in the 2nd half of the season he was showing a safe pair of hands and letting nothing through. Thomas is obviously very passionate about his cricket and we can't wait to see him improve even more next year.



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### Joshua Watkins

The most determined and cool under pressure comes to mind for Josh. He never gives up and is the perfect all rounder. Smart running between wickets, sensible calling and great partnerships meant he consistently got runs and was very capable of the big hit with over 12 fours for the season. He importantly protected his wicket and this made a huge difference at the end of the day. Josh was deadly accurate in the field as he made 7 spectacular unassisted run outs and 4 catches. His bowling was also great taking a total of 15 wickets for the season and his best figures were 2 wickets for 3 runs. I will never forget Josh being hard on himself thinking he had let the team down one game until we reminded him bowling 2 maiden overs and not losing a wicket while batting is fantastic! Well done Josh on a truly great season.

Season awards

Batting: Benjamin Keller Bowling: Joshua Jones Sportsperson: Rohit Jayaram



# **Under 10 Orange**

The Wakehurst Orange Under 10 Division 2 team were a newly formed team for the 2018-19 Season. The majority of the team were unknown to each other and came from a variety of different schools within the area. The youngest team member was aged 6 at the start of the season with the average age of the team being 8.

As a team the boys showed a lot of improvement over the season. The boys learnt to value their wicket and all displayed improved batting as the season continued. The boys practiced their bowling and by the end of the season there was a massive reduction in the number of No Balls. The boys showed great improvement in 'calling' runs. Overall the boys displayed great sportsmanship and enjoyed the season, continuing to compete throughout games no matter the result.

A big thank you to the all the parents of this team who assisted with scoring and umpiring duties throughout the season making the coaching and managing of the team a lot easier.

The Wakehurst Orange side finished  $16^{\text{th}}$  for the season with 5 wins and 14 losses. The team managed to take 110 wickets and scored a total of 1884 runs while losing 135 wickets and having 2328 runs scored against.

The team saved the best win of the season for the final game, where they managed to beat the third placed Beacon Hill Vipers by 2 runs with some high quality bowling and a wicket in the last over which won the game.

#### Theo Anderson

Theo was one of the most improved players for the team for the season in particular his bowling. At the start of the season Theo had difficulty consistently hitting the pitch and with practice he was able to land the ball forcing the batsmen to play shots and ended up taking several wickets. Theo's batting also improved and he was like a brick wall in defence, with nothing getting through him. The highlight for the season was a glorious cover drive for four in the final game.

### Joseph Baker

Joseph had a great season. He was consistent with the bat and ball, being the team's leading run scorer and wicket taker. Joseph worked hard on his batting and bowling skills and completed extra training on his own accord. A number of other coaches commented on Joseph's excellent bowling action throughout the season. Awarded the team batting award.

#### **Xavier Chan**

Xavier was a quite achiever for the team with a solid display in batting and bowling. Both Xavier's batting and bowling improved throughout the season along with his run calling. Xavier has a good batting technique and has a variety of shots to both the on and off side scoring a number of fours during the season. Xavier's bowling improved during the season and with the improvement he took several wickets.

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### George Hansen

George was the youngest and smallest member of the team but this did not stop George. George is a little dynamo who is full of energy. George turned up to every game full of enthusiasm. George is close to being the fastest bowler in the team and deceived a number of batsmen with his speed causing the stumps to rattle on a numerous occasions and was even on a hat-trick in his final game. George was also handy with the bat hitting a number of glorious fours throughout the season. Awarded the sportspersons

award for the team.

### Sami Horne

Sam was the most improved player for the season. Sam turned up to every game with a big grin on his face. He was excited to be at each game and put in 100 per cent each week. His bowling accuracy improved greatly,

managing a spectacular caught and bowled dismissal in the final game of the season. Sam's batting also improved greatly with his calling and running between the wickets a highlight. He learnt to play with a straight bat and made it difficult for the opposition to claim his wicket towards the end of the season.

## Alexander Longstaff

Alex showed great enthusiasm throughout the season. Alex would ask questions and try and seek advice to improve his cricketing skills and this reflected in the great improvement in his ability at the back end of the season. Alex's confidence and ability improved and this was shown in his run calling, and batting and bowling taking 2 wickets in his last game of the season and not losing his wicket by playing with a straight bat.

### William Rigzin

Will was another solid performer in the team turning up to each game motivated and ready to play. He finished the season as the team's second highest run scorer and showed improvement throughout the season with bat and

ball. Will enjoyed wicket keeping and took a number of 'classic' catches while keeping. Will was an accurate bowler and took a number of great wickets throughout the season and as a result he was awarded with the teams bowling award.

## Harry Stock

Harry was a consistent performer and was unlucky to not finish with more wickets for the season. He had a great straight bowling action which he liked to mix up with some leg spinners, which at times he was really able to get to rip back towards the batter. Harry turned up each week with a positive attitude and was great in the field taking some great catches at the back end of the season.

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### Liam Tully

Liam was a pleasure to coach and has a solid batting technique which will help him when he progresses into under 11's next season. Liam was an enthusiastic team member and enjoyed batting, bowling, fielding and keeping. He showed great improvement through the season, in particular with his bowling accuracy taking a number of great wickets. Liam claimed a wicket in the final over of the final game for the season, which resulted in a win for the team.

### Luke Vlatko

Luke showed great improvement for the season in all aspects of his game. Luke was one of the younger and smaller team members but gave it his all each week. Luke's batting improved greatly over the season, he learnt to play with a straight bat and protect his wicket. His

bowling improved with a much straighter action and he managed to take a wicket in each game for the last four games of the season.

#### Season awards

Batting: Joseph Baker Bowling: William Rigzin Sportsperson: George Hansen

Regards and Thanks Luke Baker Coach



## **Under 10 White**

The 2018 2019 season format was great. Rotating the fielding positions kept the players engaged. The players batting also benefited from the guaranteed set amount of balls, with the 4 point deduction for losing a wicket providing enough motivation to defend the wicket.

The team had a great spirit on the field. They communicated well and it consisted of advice and encouragement for each other, with team celebration when anyone took a wicket. They showed sportsmanship and had fun.

Their success was backed up by the supporting parents that helped out with coaching, scoring and umpiring as need be. Special thanks to John Bull with coaching, Marny Nixon with managing, and Jordan Siladi also helping during training.

The team finished eight in their division. Played 17 games, of which two were washouts, one was played in the rain. They won 11 games and only lost 84 wickets, the least of their division.

### **Bailey Andrew**

Shows great enthusiasm for the game. He is an excellent fielder paying attention to every ball and has awareness of both sides of the wicket and backing up through ins. His batting is good, scoring 90 runs this season and a high score of 17. His bowling is also good. Managing two maidens (one his first over of the day) and taking 9 wickets.

### **Ethan Andrew**

Is a good all rounder. He is engaged with the match and works hard to ensure the best outcome from every ball.

His batting is good and will improve when he learns to slow down his batting and wait for the ball. He scored 120 runs and a high score of 20. He took 12 wickets. Ethan often played wicket keeper.

#### William Bull

Had a great season. He improved with every game and brought a good competitive spirit to the team. His batting is stronger than his bowling and his bowling is improving steadily. He had some bad luck with a foot injury which meant he had to miss 4 weeks. He scored 37 runs and took 5 wickets.

### Sam Evans

Sam is a very exciting player. He has great natural talent as fielder, batter and bowler. His manner also provides inspiration and is a good role model to his team mates. He is able to find runs all around the pitch, in boundaries and singles, scoring 136 runs and a high score of 24. His bowling shows a natural rhythm taking 16 wickets and 3 maidens. He enjoyed the wicket keeper position.

#### Callum Meakin

Callum is a good all rounder. He is able to swing a game with the bat, often hitting sixes. He settled well into the number two or three bats men. He scored 135 runs and a high score of 17. He also has a natural bowling ability taking eight wickets. With continued development of his batting and bowling he will be a great player.

#### Harry Nixon

Is an excellent team player. He is solid in fielding, batting and bowling. A very dependable player with consistency of

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performance on the field in all areas. He was very good behind the wickets as wicket keeper. A position he should continue to play and develop. He scored 71 runs and a high score of 11. He took nine wickets and bowled a maiden.

### Jack Nixon

Jack is a great player, with a good all round abilities. He works hard and consistently contributed with the bat and ball. An indispensable assist to the team. He scored 73 runs and a high score of 12. He took ten wickets this season.

### Mason Siladi

Mason stands out as an excellent all round player. Alert in the field and has a good arm. He showed the great skill with the bat, being able to wait for the ball and use the face of the bat, with a

straight bat in his shot selection. He scored 104 runs and a high score of 14. His bowling was very good too. He has a good smooth action and he took eighteen wickets.

#### Finn Wessels

Finn progressed well throughout the season. He enjoyed wicket keeping. He experimented with bowling and could spin the ball. He bowled best at slow pace and took 10 wickets. He batted well and often opened the batting. He scored 59 runs and a high score of 10.

### Season awards

**Batting:** Callum Meakin **Bowling:** Mason Siladi **Sportsperson:** Sam Evans

Thank you to the boys for working so hard this season with training and matches. They have an awesome team spirit and it is been a pleasure to see them play.



## Under 11 Red

Another strong season of cricket from a great team of boys. Once again, the boys played as a group of friends, supporting each other in the field, batting in partnerships and encouraging each other at training. A couple of team highlights included taking 21 wickets in one game early in the season and scoring an impressive 262 runs in one game towards the end of the season. The boys also learnt some valuable cricket lessons this season, which will serve them well for next season, when the game format changes.

It was great to see their enthusiasm in the games, but also at training. The boys were focussed at training, with only a handful of 'punishment laps' handed out over the course of the season! Net sessions became highly competitive. Every second delivery was accompanied by an appeal or claim of a wicket. There were a number of occasions where the batsman would finish his net session with a raised bat and helmet (having somehow counted 50 runs, whilst ignoring the dismissals). Training highlights also included the development of a range of nicknames (such as Sizzles, Bear, ) which highlighted the good team spirit within the group.

Once again, we were very fortunate to have a great team of families, with parents and siblings pitching in with scoring, umpiring, warm ups and training to make it an enjoyable and fun season.

> Mat Keen – Coach Michael Formica – Manager



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### Lukas (Sizzles) Banham

Lukas really built on the improvements he made last season, to be one of the team's most consistent players this year.

#### Aidan (A-Daniel) Boulton

A highlight was scoring a nice 50 towards the end of the season. However, Aidan is a consistently strong allaround cricketer, with some particularly impressive run-outs this season.

### Rohan (Changa) Chang

Scored an excellent 50, but was also a consistently high-scoring batsman with a range of scoring shots. A good pace bowler who clearly loves his cricket.

### Henry (Cookie) Cook

His bowling really stood out this season, consistently taking wickets by bowling a good line and length. Really started playing some shots as the season progressed. A popular member of the team.

### Matt (Merv) Dixon

Carried on with his impressive pace bowling from last season. Always worried the opposition and took wickets. However, his batting also stood out this season. Consistently scored runs and protected his wicket.

### Lachlan (Crystal) Formica

Continued to be a wicket-taking bowler and his pace in the field saved runs and kept the opposition guessing. However, he made great advances with his batting this season, almost always hitting a straight 4 off the last ball of his innings.

### Luka (Bearhead) Karcher

Luka excelled in all areas this season. He bowled with pace and took plenty of wickets. He contributed with the bat every innings and he was always sharp in the field. Only a broken arm towards the end of the season could stop him... and he was greatly missed by his team!

## Alex (Froggy) Keen.

Showing great focus at training, Alex will benefit from the massive effort he

put into developing his batting this season, to add to his natural shotmaking style. Bravely took the opportunity to focus on both leg spin and off spin bowling, which will continue to be very handy for his team.



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George (Brussel) Russell

Consistently contributed in all areas and always eager to learn. George had a number of fine innings with the bat, was always dangerous with the ball, but really lead the way in the field with a number of classic catches and great run-outs.



### Season awards

**Batting:** Aidan Boulton **Bowling:** Luka Karcher

Sportsperson: Lachlan Formica



## **Under 11 Green**

Like last season, it was a slow start for the team, losing three of the first four games. After that they really got going and won 15 of the remaining 16 games, including a winning streak of six in a row after Christmas that saw them finish third. There were plenty of highlights from all seven players. A huge thanks needs to go out to Allan Murray who was the scorer for all but two of the games, and Grant Thompson who played an important Assistant Coaching role. Also, thank you to George Hansen who sub-fielded in two of the matches when we were players short, and held

his own with the older kids. We look forward to reuniting in the 2019-2020 season. Boys, squeeze in a few off-season nets sessions so that we can hit our straps earlier in the season.

### **Beau Hiscoke**

If there was an award for all-rounder of the year, Beau would have it in the bag. 367 runs, 24 wickets, and 12 catches, in-

cluding the team catch of the season in slips in the final game. He even changed from a fast bowler to a spin bowler in the second half of the season and was immediately successful. He was also extremely handy behind the stumps. He played 20 games.

## **Dylan Thompson**

A difficult-to-play late out-swing, combined with probably the teams most consistent line and length resulted in a very tight 3.5 runs per over economy, and 19 wickets. A great batting technique saw him protect his wicket well and contribute a strong 213 runs. He

also became one of our first choice wicket keepers with some stunning runouts (including 3 in one game). In the field he was always focused and vocal. He played 20 games.

### **Jackson Murray**

A team high 383 runs scored made Jackson an easy choice for the Best Batter award. Combined with 21 wickets (and the team's fastest bowler), an extraordinary 16 catches (including 5 in one match and 4 in another), and a super-slick keeper, Jackson not only wins the team's Best Batting award but is

also a seriously impressive all-rounder. He played 20 games.

## George Wesson

George scored the team's highest batting score of 45 runs in the second to last game of the season, and finished with an impressive 284 runs. He is particularly strong playing the ball late either side of the wicket to fine leg

and deep backward point and these were some of the team's best shots of the season. 16 wickets from a mixture of pace and spin bowling resulted in a great all-round contribution. A highlight was a game where scores were tied with one ball to go and George took a wicket on the last ball to win the game. He played 18 games.

### **Cameron Russell**

Cameron's out swingers were always going to be a handful when he put them on the right spot. In the second half of the year he found that line and length

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regularly and became one of the teams front line bowlers in terms of both wickets and economy (10 wickets in the last six games at an economy of 3.2 per over). His team topping improvement over the season, combined with outstanding energy, enthusiasm and team spirit is why he has taken out the Sportsman's Award. He played 17 games.

#### Oscar Hansen

Oscar takes out the Bowling Award with 44 wickets (including a hat-trick), at an average of 4.73 and an economy of 3.0. His batting improved dramatically over the season, including two fantastic sixes back over the bowlers head in the second half of the season. His fielding was always on point with run outs in nearly every game, including four in the last game. He played 20 games.

#### Harrison den Brinker

290 runs from just 18 games saw Harrison consistently amongst the teams top run scorers. His energy and positive talk on the field was simply outstanding, with Harrison playing a major part in keeping the teams energy up throughout each game. That same energy went into his bowling, with 11 wickets. He played 18 games.

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Jackson Murray **Bowling:** Oscar Hansen

Sportsperson: Cameron Russell



## **Under 11 Black**

The Under 11 Wakehurst Black finished seventh for season 2018-19. We played 20 games with 11 wins and 9 losses which was a great achievement after coming up to Division 1. As a team we worked very hard at bowling a good line and length with all bowlers improving their bowling throughout the season. With our batting, primarily we looked at developing a good defence where the players worked very hard on trying to keep out the good deliveries. Statistically, the players should be very proud of themselves, as a team, we only lost 124 wickets in the season which was first in the completion by a margin of 13 wickets. In other words, on average, we only lost six wickets per match. This was a great effort and should hold the players in good stead for next season when they enter stage two.

A special thanks must go to Ciaran Sharp who did a great job of managing the team from week to week. His administrative work was again outstanding. He was also a great help with training and umpiring.

It was also great to have such a respectful group of parents who used appropriate encouragement and were particularly helpful with the demanding role of scoring.

Mini-bash – Some of the players also participated in the MWJCA Mini-Bash. I thought it was a very well-run tournament and provided some good extra practice for the players. We played very well in the tournament. Unfortunately, we were outplayed by a strong Harbord team in the grand final. A big thanks to Finlay Sorohan and the brother and sister combination of Keegan and Shae Hiskett -Jones for joining us in the tournament.

I was very proud of the way the boys played in the 2018/19 season. They tried very hard to improve at training, played with great spirit, and more importantly, seemed to show some enjoyment for the game.



## **Samuel Barry**

Sam had a great season with the ball. He managed to develop a good inswinger which helped him hit the stumps on many occasions. His 3 for 13 against the Seaforth Redbacks was a great display of swing bowling. Sam also played some good innings with the bat. His 21 against Seaforth Redbacks involved some nice stroke play all around the wicket. Sam worked very hard on his forward defence throughout the season. Towards the end he managed to keep his head down and keep the good ball out early in his innings.

#### Reuben Boulos

Reuben had a great all-round season. He scored his runs in his usual aggressive style. He displayed his power hitting ability with a dominant 20 against Wakehurst Greens. Reuben is starting

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to develop into a good fast bowler by bowling some hostile spells throughout the season. When he runs in with the hard leather ball next season he could be a real handful for many batsmen. When he found the right length he had most batsmen in trouble. Reuben's 3 for 14 against Saints was a demonstration of how destructive his bowling can be. His athleticism in the field really helped the team with his catching and throwing.

### **Toby Cooper**

Toby is developing into a fine all-rounder. Unfortunately, he broke his arm early in the season and had to miss six games. However, he still managed to show off his very accurate fast bowling. His best bowling effort of 5 for 7 against Forest Yorkers was a great example of this. His bat-

ting also helped the team to some good totals. His 28 not out against Seaforth Magpies was an innings where he timed the ball very well through both sides of the wicket. Toby's match winning effort of 3 for 12 and 22 runs with the bat against Forest Force was an example of his all-round ability. Toby attended training regularly and always applied himself.

### Jack Kalms

Jack had a fantastic season. He bowled very straight in nearly every spell which allowed him to be a consistent wicket taker. Jack took three or more wickets in an innings on five occasions. His 7 for 10 against Seaforth Redbacks was a demonstration of how to bowl straight where he hit the stumps to dismiss most of his victims. Jack's batting also assisted the team. Against the Seaforth

Redbacks he scored 37 not out hitting seven boundaries. Towards the end of the season he showed great improvement in being able to hit the ball through the off side with some lusty blows over mid-off.

### Liam Kuchel

Liam bowled well throughout the season. He bowled a nice line and length which helped the team tie down the opposition batsman on many occasions. His match winning 3 for 3 against Seaforth was a great effort. Liam contributed with the bat with his great calling



between the wickets and his tidy glances through the on side. He supported the team well in the field and always gave his best. At training, Liam always tried to bowl a consistent line and length off his regular run-up which helped in on match day.

### **Hugh McWilliam**

Hugh's effort throughout the season was always there. He worked very hard on all aspects of his game. He hit the ball hard through the off side and worked hard on developing a good defence at training. His swashbuckling 29 against Seaforth was his best batting performance where he stuck six boundaries and ran the singles very well. His 2 for 8 against Saint Augustine's was a good example of how to bowl straight. Hugh was very energetic in the field and provided great support to all players in a variety of game situations.

## Conor Mulcahy

Conor had a great all-round season. His showed great balance when hitting the ball through the leg side and pushed the singles well through the off side. He

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bowled well using his medium pace and off-spin varieties. His 24 not out against Forest Yorkers was his best batting performance. In the same match he took 2 for 5 which was a great all-round effort. Conor was also very helpful in volunteering to keep wicket in a lot of matches. He was very tidy behind the stumps taking nine catches throughout the season. His glovework also saved us many runs by limiting the number of byes.

#### Patrick White

Patrick was consistent with both bat and ball this season. When batting, he tried very hard to established himself at the crease by playing straight and respecting the good balls. His watchful batting resulted in him only being dismissed on 8 occasions. This hard work during the initial part of his innings will enable him to hopefully compile some big scores in the future. He played with a straight bat and worked the ball well to the leg side when the bowlers missed their line. His 32 not out against Seaforth including two sixes was a batting highlight. He bowled well throughout the season consistently finding his line and length. His bowling highlight came against Seaforth Magpies where he took 4 for 8.

The team awards this year went to:

**Batting:** Patrick White **Bowling:** Jack Kalms

**Sportsperson:** Conor Mulcahy

Matt White (coach)



# **Under 11 Orange**

A team of little champions or a little team of champions? The U11 Oranges started with a mix of 3 first season players joining other players with a few vears' experience under their belts. Given that, we had 3 simple objectives at the beginning of the season; to have fun: improve our cricketing skills and play together as a team. We didn't focus on match results. If we played to our potential with good intent in all aspects of the game, then there was the opportunity for victory. On the occasions we did win, it was very exciting and well celebrated by both players and families alike.

Along with a lot of traditional net practice sessions learning the basics, we thoroughly enjoyed some slightly unconventional training sessions. This included catching practice with water bombs during a heat wave and fearless outfield practice with tennis balls being hit into the clouds. When the parents became involved it often stepped up a notch and became even more fun with a degree of friendly competitiveness.

There were far too many to recall individually but without doubt each boy created his own personal highlights reel over the course of the season. I hope they take these positive moments forward into next season.

Thank you to all the parents for their efforts in getting the boys to training and matches, organising fruit and lollies and most importantly taking on scoring duties. Also a big thank you to Charlotte for managing the team and keeping us well organised! Finally, I want to mention our end of 2018 BBQ and pool party at the Ward's house, thank you to Emma and Steve for hosting us.

It was a pleasure coaching the boys this year, they were polite, sincere and appreciative. They had lots of fun, improved out of sight and had each other's back while playing in the spirit of the game.

Which brings me back to answering the original question which I think is a bit of both. The boys are without doubt little individual champions and each in their own right brought a unique quality to the side. Collectively we were an awesome team – the boys, parents and siblings together. We made friendships, created loads of cricketing memories and on that basis hope to see you all next year!

Cheers, Paul Wineberg

#### **Daniel Allum**

What a great start to Daniel's cricket career! Joined the team after filling in round two having never played cricket before. With a steep learning curve ahead, Daniel improved in all areas of the game throughout the season. His bowling technique evolved to a point that enabled him to take several two wicket innings with the ball. A top score of 5 doesn't quite highlight the defensive effort that Daniel applied to his batting, especially towards the top of the order when facing quality opposition. It was on and off the field where Daniel excelled, leading by example when given the responsibility of captaincy and bringing positive enthusiasm to the team. Well done Daniel on your first full season!

#### Caleb Catterick

Another first year player, Caleb showed plenty of potential early in the season.

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With dedication and practice he improved his bowling technique out of sight. With best bowling figures of 2/6 he was unlucky on occasions not to take more wickets. Behind the stumps we uncovered an enthusiastic wicket keeper with Caleb taking some fantastic catches with the gloves on. This was of great benefit to the team, especially when coupled with the responsibility of leadership through captaincy – which he did by example. With the bat, Caleb did remarkably well scoring at a consistently high rate most games and was especially strong hitting straight down

the ground. With a high score of 17 against the top of the table team, Caleb displayed great batting skill that will also improve with time and experience. A sensational season to begin with Caleb, you should be very proud of your efforts!

at a very sharp average. A massive asset to the team, well done Saburou!

### **Angus Nash**

Angus has had a sensational season with the team in 2018/19. With the bat, he was often given responsibilities at the top of the order and responded with consistent run scoring all season. A top score of 17 was masterful, showing just how capable he is with the bat coupled with the intent to score runs. I believe more runs will come with self confidence in his own ability. In the field he has been a been a reliable asset but it has been his bowling that really

shone. With best figures of 4/10 there were days where Angus could do no wrong with a beautiful seam up bowling action. Angus also took well to captaincy and looked forward to the challenge of raising the levels of players around him.

A great team player both on and off the field, well done Gus!

### Saburou Murata-Davison

We were lucky to have Saburou in the team this year bringing much needed skills and experience with both the bat and ball. Saburou predominantly batted in the middle order and was used to great effect in raising the intent of the batters surrounding him. More often than not this brought about game changing scoring rates for the team and culminated with Sab top scoring with 24, the highest of any batsman. With the ball Saburou was equally as impressive, opening the bowling with great pace and accuracy. He took a bag full of wickets this season with a best of 3/16

### Finlay Sorohan

I haven't seen a first year player start his cricketing career in the way that Finlay has. With an obvious passion for the sport, Fin quickly became in general terms, our teams most technically correct all round player. His enthusiasm and attention to detail in all aspects of the game whether behind the stumps, fielding, bowling or batting was exemplary. He took a few memorable catches in the field and lead by example when chosen as captain. Fin's top score of 23 with the bat showed the potential with-

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in and his week to week scoring consistency will improve over time with experience. In terms of bowling Finlay was statistically towards the top of the team and improved as the season progressed culminating with a best of 3/15. Given the trajectory of Finlay's technique, ability and motivation for the sport, next year is going to be an amazing one. But for this year Fin, you've done an amazing job and we were lucky to have you on our team, congratulations!

#### Ben Ward

Another player with cricketing experience. Ben brought some outstanding skills to the team this season. Often asked to bat towards the top of the order, Ben showed great intent with the bat scoring consistently with a top of 16. This positive style of play was infectious on the team mates around him which often had the effect of also lifting their games. Behind the stumps Ben was extremely reliable taking a few notable catches as wicket keeper. In the field he was a guiet achiever with a rocket throw, however it was with the ball that he truly excelled. With a fluent run up and beautiful action. Ben's bowling was both smooth and fast taking wickets at an unbeatable average. There were days where Ben was near unplayable displaying a best of 3/13 and unlucky not to get more. A great team player, well done Ben on a superb season!

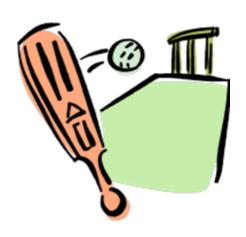
#### Max Watson

Max had a great start to the season celebrating player of the match in our first game. His batting was consistent throughout the season scoring runs at a steady rate. With a top score of 9 against a strong team, Max's batting efforts did not go unnoticed. In the

field as wicket keeper Max showed great enthusiasm and improved each time he put the gloves on. It was with the ball where Max truly excelled. With a smooth run up there were days where Max's bowling was almost unplayable with a combination of sheer pace and out swing. This was reflected with four two wicket innings and a best of 2/8 that placed him towards the top of the bowling figures. Congratulations on an awesome season Max.

### Samuel Whiley

Samuel has been a fantastic team member contributing in all facets of the game. After being raised to the top of the batting order, Samuel top scored with 14 this season. What impressed more so was his consistency with regular runs each week stemming from an improved technique that allowed him to play a greater array of scoring shots around the ground. Coupled with a sturdy defence, Samuel was a fine batsman. Arguably our best wicket keeper and most active fielder, Samuel did all



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the little things well, backing up, taking catches and encouraging the bowler. When it came his time to bowl there was no lack of effort and several two wicket innings with a best of 2/3 shows the potential that Samuel is capable of. Samuel showed great intent all season and was a pleasure to coach, well done!

## **Matthew Wineberg**

Matt brought a few years of cricketing experience to the team coupled with a whole-hearted outlook. His enthusiasm in the field was infectious in lifting the performance of others. There were very few quiet moments when Matt was on the field and everyone felt supported when the "Let's go" chant was started. With the ball, Matt's bowling technique improved noticeably throughout the season. It culminated with a best of 1/9 and some fantastic at the death bowling, giving very few runs away. Matt

really shone with the bat this year and became a high scorer over the season hitting a couple of 20's which boosted our much needed run scoring totals. He lead the way in batting most matches scoring at a consistently high rate and provided much entertainment for on lookers. I'm sure he will improve with patience and technique next season, so look out bowlers! Fantastic season Matt, well played on all counts.

### Season awards

**Batting:** Matthew Wineberg

**Bowling:** Ben Ward

Sportsperson: Finlay Sorohan



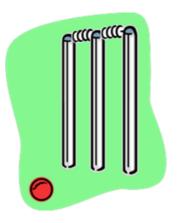
## **Under 11 White**

What a great season of cricket. I think we were all sorry when it ended. We finished on a high with 4 straight wins and overall more wins than losses. In the last few games we had 2 boys taking 5 wickets and one of them taking a hat trick. We welcomed some new faces to the team who were also new to cricket. A very big thank you to all the parents and siblings who took their turn at scoring and umpiring. The boys enjoyed a fun but also competitive game at Macfarlane Reserve against the dads and other family members on a hot Sunday morning followed by a team bbq at season end. A rebound net purchased for training proved extremely popular and really improved their catching skills.

### Oliver Butler

25 Runs 3 Wickets

Oliver joined the team just after the start if the season and unfortunately had to join his new school for Saturday sport in the New Year, so his season with us was very short. He thoroughly enjoyed himself in the games he did get to play and a memorable win as captain for the day to finish.



### Corey Frew

398 Runs 33 Wickets

Corey lived and breathed cricket this year. He had a memorable season topping batting and bowling in division 2. He lengthened his run up for bowling which helped take wickets. His highest score was 36 and he hit 2 sixes throughout the year. He took 5 wickets for 11 runs in his best bowling performance.

### Finn Greenland

209 Runs 22 Wickets

Finn had a magnificent season with the bat and ball. He finished with the teams best bowling average of 8.68. He is alway so encouraging to his teammates when a wicket is taken or a great hit made. He took 5 wickets for only 6 runs in one if the last games.

## Kai Junghans

150 Runs 24 Wickets

The Master of the run outs on many occasions. He bowled and fielded beautifully this season. His bowling average was 9.71. He bowled with great pace and always took wickets.

### **Ted Koch**

22 Runs 1 Wicket

This was Ted's first season of cricket. He quitely went about his batting, bowling and fielding. At each game he encouraged his teammates and was always interested in how the team had scored.

### Ryan Lloyd

209 Runs 21 Wickets

Ryan played many great batting innings and was always sneaking an extra single or two. He tried his hand at spin bowling a few times and after an off

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season practising it in the nets will probably be a master of it. His average bowling. His average bowling was 8.90. He took 4 wickets one game and also threw directly at the stumps for a run out in the same game.

#### **Blake Marshall**

264 Runs 20 Wickets Blake had a slow start to batting this season but certainly played some great shots after the Xmas break including a huge six and his highest score of 32 to finish the season 2nd from the top of division 2. He always brings a smile to training and the games.

### Lucas Mackenzie

170 Runs 10 Wickets Lucas triumphed behind the stumps again this year, taking some amazing catches and run outs. He is one of the fastest runners between the wickets. He loved practising with the rebound net and the time he spent on it certainly showed on game dys. After a season spent at the Big Bash games with Corey, he could be a Josh Phillepe one day.

### Kiran Sanghvi

63 Runs 8 Wickets

A slow start to the season but was keen at training and he gradually learnt to protect his wickets, which lead to more runs. In the last two games he didn't concede a wicket and hit his first boundary.

### Season awards

**Battting:** Corey Frew **Bowling:** Finn Greenland **Sportsperson:** Ryan Lloyd



## **Under 12 Red**

### Under 12 Division 1 Premiers 2018/19

Played 17 - Won 17 Wkts Lost - 44, Wkts Taken - 114 Runs For 1367, Runs Against 888

An unbeaten season in any sport is special but given the duration of the cricket season with a long summer break in the middle it makes it even more impressive for the Under 12 Wakehurst Reds who managed to win all 17 games this season culminating in a fine Grand Final win over the second placed Seaforth Sixers.

The statistics tell their own story but what they do not show is the level of commitment, dedication and pride that this team showed both on the training paddock, the net sessions and in their games. It was the collective high standard that the boys set themselves that allowed the confidence and then winning results to flow.

Whilst we had no shortage of individual brilliance amongst the team at various points of the season it was the overall team ethic that stood above all else. The team had a desire to improve each week and most crucially work on areas of their game that needed to be addressed. Cricket, by its very nature, will pick out a weakness or a technical frailty and each team member wanted to learn, develop and improve with each session. This is critically important in developing players through their teenage years and beyond. If you don't address it and work at it, you won't fix it. If you develop bad habits and techniques at 11 or 12 they are nigh on impossible to remove by 15-16 years of age. The willingness of each team member to work hard at all aspects of their

game was most pleasing for Chris and I. Timing and technique must be the cornerstones of any young batman's repertoire and as they grow older you combine strength and power. It's the same with bowling, if you have control and accuracy early then the physical attributes will follow and enhance a strong action.

Most importantly, we wanted the boys to truly love the game and all aspects of it and to share in their teammates success and failure as one. You must want the ball in the field, make a difference when you bat and bowl and at all times win the pressure points in the contest. In our semi final against Collaroy Plateau we were 10 -3 chasing 87 on a slow, wet track and the dutiful and measured rear guard batting from Max Thompson, Matthew Melville, Zane Cassie and Jordan Siladi showed everything you will ever need to see about digging in and fighting to get a team over the line from a tough situation.

This team had great depth in both their batting and bowling stocks combined with a ferocious appetite for the ball when fielding. The variety in our bowling was a joy to behold as we had genuine pace bowlers combined with swing bowlers, leg spinners, off spinners and medium pacers. Some of our opposition must have been hoping for a release at one end but it rarely, if ever, came when we were bowling. It was also fitting that perhaps our finest bowling and fielding display came in the Grand Final against Seaforth. The accuracy and variety of our bowling combined with super fielding and catching from all was a testament to all the work done at the end of each training session at Lionel Watts. The results

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of this work were evident in our final where Ethan's great run out with Myles Nockolds and Noah Pitkin taking absolute screamers removed the opposition danger men. You train for those moments and it was so pleasing to see the boys seize them with both hands or maybe it was one in Myles' case on the boundary edge!)

Perhaps the greatest compliment I can give the boys is that I wish I could have played in this team and rolled back the years but alas I think those days are gone for me!! But, it was an absolute pleasure to watch them perform week in and week out and see them develop as sportsmen. We also had a wonderful group of supportive parents and families behind the boys all season long as well which made for a great mix off the field as well. Again, at this age, the commitment levels raise and parents



and kids need to be on the same page or else it doesn't work.

My thanks to Steve Collinson and Nathan Cassie for being ever present forces at training and for helping Chris and I. Thanks to Eden Thompson for providing one of the coaches/umpires with peri peri chicken burgers and refreshments whenever the need arose...and also, a massive thanks to Nick Gaudry for taking on the role of team scorer and to Pete Edwards our team manager for steering us all along throughout the season.

For Chris "Beachie" Melville and I it was a real privilege to coach the boys and they surpassed our lofty expectations with their endeavours. We are proud of their results but equally proud of how they conduct themselves as team mates, to opponents and as young men. Keep practising how you want to play boys there is no other way! All the best Phil Stoddart, Co Coach

## Max Thompson

Matches 17, Wicket Keeper - 12 stumpings, 11 catches. Inns: 11, Runs: 218, HS: 42\*, Batting Ave: 43.83, Wickets 6, Bowling Ave: 5.50

A fantastic competitor and provided the real heartbeat to this team behind the stumps. Through his mix of skill, bravery and technique Max would save us 20+runs a game in extras plus a deadly gloveman off both spinners and medium pacers alike. Not many under 12s stand up to pace bowling but Max does! Plus, he works hard at it. His batting is destructive and he has a great eye with anything on leg stump being dispatched with ease. He had some fine

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innings but it is his ongoing development in improving his off side strokes that will be the making of him in years to come.

#### Matthew Melville

Matches 16 Inns: 7, Runs: 167, HS:52\*, Batting Ave: 83.50, Wickets 6, Bowling Ave:12.00, Catches 7

A quality all rounder who produced some powerful knocks but also showed a diligent side to his batting this year. None more so than in the knockout stages of the season when his calming innings were just what his team needed him to do. A strong technique that will also get stronger under his dad's watchful eye I'm sure. His bowling on his day is right up there too he just must trust his run up and keep his height into the ball delivery and no fall away at the crease. He certainly has the safest pair of hands in his family ...!

### **Hugo Gaudry**

Matches 15, Inns 12, Runs: 164, HS: 43\*, Batting Ave: 23.43, Wickets 7, Bowling Ave: 7.86, Catches 2

A silky smooth batsman when in full flow. He displays lovely balance at the crease and has a very good eye for the ball. His match changing innings of 43NO in the final was superb but his innings of 42 NO against Peninsula in the regular season was even better in terms of the array of shots on display. There is a touch of ME Waugh about him! Must keep working on honing his strong defence to help build his innings and also Hugo is a very handy medium pacer who must keep accelerating all the way up to the crease to achieve maximum results.

### Arlo Thompson

Matches 16, Inns 8, Runs: 125, HS 32\*, Batting Ave: 25.00, Wickets 20, Bowling Ave: 5.85, Catches 8

The "Sheikh of Tweak" had another fantastic campaign with both bat and ball. His batting often gets overshadowed by his bowling but he worked hard on his technique especially on the off side shots and getting in behind the ball that will stand him in good stead. The variety, pace and accuracy of his spin bowling is a pleasure to behold. With elder brother waiting behind the stumps wo betide the batsman that wanders down the track and misses. He bamboozles batsman and his control belies one so young. Often unplayable, one poor opponent's father bellowed to his son when Arlo was bowling " just leave it alone!" cue the Sheikh to rattle middle n' off with another gem the very next ball! A great fielder and competitor as well.

### **Myles Nockolds**

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Batting Ave: 14.00, Wickets 10, Bowling Ave: 10.7, Catches 6
Another fine all rounder with a sound technique with the bat and a lovely run up and action with the ball in hand. Myles' only fault is his almost over eagerness to meet the ball too early which resulted in losing his wicket in the mid off, cover corridor. He moves his feet well and just needs to allow that split second extra for the ball to come and he will develop into a superb player with some eye catching cover drives becoming his trademark. Catch of the

year on the boundary ropes in the final

and kept the highest of standards at

Matches 15, Inns 9, Runs:98, HS: 23,

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### **Ethan Edwards**

Matches 15, Inns 12, Runs 97, HS: 23\* Batting Ave: 19.40, Wickets: 10, Bowling

Ave: 8.60, Catches 3

A superb little trainer who set the standard at each session for the team. A very useful off spinner with a good haul of wickets throughout the season. When he stands tall and high on his delivery he bowls some absolute beauties. He has a great eye and played some lovely strokes at various points in the campaign but he must keep working on knowing where his leg stump is and backing himself with his technique in getting in behind each delivery and he will. Always alert and 100% committed in the field.

### **Thomas Stoddart**

Matches 16, Inns 11, Runs 89, HS: 17\*, Batting Ave: 14.83, Wickets: 7, Bowling Ave: 13.29, Catches 4

Tom took on the mantle of opener for most of the season and showed great determination and grit in looking to build a base for his team. It's not an easy job but such an important one. Very strong on the offside, it's his on side and leg side shot making that requires most attention. When this clicks he will score runs more freely and release pressure on himself. As a bowler, he reinvented himself at Xmas as a leg spinner after suffering the "yips" with his run up and release as a seam bowler. This showed great strength of character and he bowled with variety, skill and control after the break to bag 6 wickets in 6 games.

#### Zane Cassie

Matches 16, Inns 9, Runs 89, HS: 22, Batting Ave: 14.83, Wickets: 9, Bowling Ave: 11.89, Catches 3

A tremendously spirited cricketer who leaves nothing on the field. His bowling displays variety and guile and genuine pace when his run up is in full flow. Always accurate and threatening with ball in hand. His batting results improved out of sight after Xmas. A desire to time and finesse the ball rather than knock it out the park delivered some lovely displays of shot making on both the on and off side. A perfect example of trusting a sound technique and working hard to get the ball out of the middle of the bat more than not. His

partnership with Jordy in our semi showed a maturity beyond his years with great communication between the batsmen to help deliver a successful run chase.

# **Toby Collinson** *Matches 14, Inns 8, Runs 66,*

HS: 23, Batting Ave: 11, Wickets: 15, Bowling Ave: 6.60, Catches 3 A new recruit who announced himself with some fiery bowling spells in both practice and in the early rounds. Has a quick action and bowled some fantastic spells. His bowling dropped off after Xmas as he focused more on his batting where he made some good starts and showed some attacking strokes but the elusive big, big score never came. Early on in his innings he must move his feet and not get stuck on his crease. Due to his other sporting commitments we may lose Toby in year/s to come but he has been a great asset to the team this vear.

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### Jordan Siladi

Matches 15, Inns 7, Runs 45, HS:15, Batting Ave: 22.50, Wickets: 10, Bowling Ave: 10.30, Catches 3

Iordy had a great season and proved himself to be invaluable member of this team. He possesses a lovely, smooth bowling action and as an opening bowler maintained a high level throughout the season especially on Tuesday nights on the oval where his opening spells set the tone for his mates to follow. Has the wonderful ability to swing the ball both ways and bowled some tremendous spells. His first two overs in the Grand Final were virtually unplayable. Whilst he didn't get as much batting as we would have liked, he worked so hard at it and became a much improved player at the crease. He has a good eye for the ball and with his technique improving he will just get better and better.

### Noah Pitkin

Matches 15, Inns 9, Runs 42, HS: 11\*, Batting Ave: 8.40, Wickets: 8, Bowling Ave: 8.50, Catches 2

Noah had some great moments this season. His batting improved as he focused on not over swinging and relying on his technique to find the middle of the bat. He must trust his left hand and arm more to drive through the shot and not allow his dominant right hand to take over. If he keeps it simple and keeps practising his batting will go from strength to strength. He also dedicated himself to bowling his accurate and "zingy" medium pacers and trusted his shortened run up to deliver wickets at pivotal times for the team. He also had some fine moments in the field with crucial catches and run outs.

### Season awards

Batting: Matthew Melville Bowling: Arlo Thompson Sportsperson: Max Thompson



## **Under 12 Green**

The Wakehurst U12 Green team had a very enjoyable season and were always enthusiastic and focused on game day. The boys quickly came together as a team and while the results unfortunately didn't always go our way, the boys always remained positive and supportive of each other. I observed the boys improving, both individually and as a team - all contributing to runs, wickets and classic catches. They also improved on overall knowledge of the game throughout the season. The team should be proud of the way they played this year.

Special thanks to our manager Tamara for keeping things running smoothly, ensuring we all knew where to go and what we needed to prepare for. Many thanks also to Mike, Brett, and Andy for running our weekly training sessions, keeping the boys encouraged and improving their overall cricketing skills. And thanks also to Regan, Mike, Rob, and Sally for their dedicated game day scoring and generally to all the parents who actively organised, prepared and encouraged the kids at the ground on game day.

## Riley Bogaard

A great all-rounder, Riley was always reliable with the bat and ball, and could be well trusted with the keeping gloves too. He tallied some very nice scores throughout the season due to his hard work and determination. Always keen to get into the game each weekend, Riley was a great asset to the team.

#### **Jack Britton**

When the pressure was on, Jack's bowling could bring a

breakthrough of key wickets at just the right time. He was very hard to stop once he got on a roll with his bowling, which had the opposition on their toes. Jack B would often push the score along with his batting too and brought excitement to the game.

### **Jack Evans**

Every team needs one, and Jack E became our staple fast bowler. Better still, his accuracy continued to improve throughout the season. He could be trusted to keep the opening opposition scores low by picking up some nice wickets early on. Jack was also a steady late-order batsman capable of getting some important runs for the team.

### Luke Loughman

Luke was another great regular top order bowler, who kept the opening batsmen on their toes. But he really came into his own with a bat in hand. He hit the ball hard, slicing through some beautiful 4s and 6s, and proved to be a fast run-getter late in the innings. Often Luke would knock up our scores in a late surge, which was exciting to watch.



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### Harry McCracken

Harry is a keen cricketer both on and off the field and was a valuable member of the team. When bowling, Harry would often throw down nice, accurate leg breaks which would confuse the opposition. He has a positive batting style and was always looking for runs, which bolstered our scores. Best of all, Harry spread his positivity around the team and kept everyone encouraged out in the middle.



#### Chase McLennan

A sharp bowler, Chase was often catching batsman unaware with his pace off the pitch. He was at home out on the field, and his keen focus and sharp determination regularly kept the opposition's scores restricted. Chase had a great 'can-do' attitude. His passion for the game was infectious and great for team morale.

### **Liam Morony**

Not one to shy away from a fast bowler, Liam's opening battling style was solid and steady, making him difficult for the competitors to remove. His leg-spin bowling developed this season and often left the opposition troubled. Later in the competition Liam took to keeping tightly behind the stumps. He was always enthusiastic, focused and encouraging of the whole team.

#### Owen Moulds

Owen's batting has improved out of sight over the season, and he proved very hard to dislodge, leaving the opposition bowlers frustrated! He picked up some really valuable scores along the way with his iron-clad batting style. Owen rarely strayed off the mark when it came to bowling, and he has transformed into a reliable all-rounder.

#### Ren Postma

With trademark rolled up long pants in the field, Ben was ultra-fast around the ground and a great fieldsman. He picked up some very nice scores with his battling, and always bowled sharply off the long run-up. Ben kept the team encouraged out on the field, and could be relied upon to pick up some nice runs and wickets.

### **Archie Truscott**

Archie's great medium-pace swing bowling proved unplayable for the opposition at times, but that was just one of his strengths. His stylish batting scored the team some lovely runs and once he found his groove he was hard to get out. On the field Archie's encouragement of his fellow players was fantastic and really kept the team's spirits up.

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### Aidan Wyse

Aidan showed he was a hard hitting batsman this season. He was always capable of tallying a good score quickly which was great to see. He's a solid medium-pace bowler which proved valuable. Finally, while out in the field, Aidan took some lovely sharp catches when the team needed it the most.

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Owen Moulds **Bowling:** Ben Postma

**Sportsperson:** Chase McLennan



### **Under 12 Black**

Another fantastic season of cricket from the Wakehurst Blacks making the transition to the larger boundary and the "you're out, you're out" rule which we struggled with early in the season. As the season progressed, great partnerships were established in batting. Communication and encouragement got greater and greater each week as the teammates were new to each other at the start of the season and great mates by the end of the season. Across the board, every player improved their skills and understanding of the game. Pleasing at different times of the season, everyone made telling contributions that helped us win games.

A special thanks to our super Manager, Marny Nixon making sure everything ran smoothly, stats entered and everyone showing up to the right ground. Big thanks to Jonathan Jackson and Murray Chaloner for their help umpiring and coaching the boys this season.

### **Billy Chaloner**

Billy had a great season, especially with his bowling and fielding. A fantastic opening bowler, troubling many opening batsman with his pace and a safe set of hands in the field.

Season highlights – 3 catches against Seaforth Smashers, 3 wickets against Peninsula Pacers, 13 wickets for the season, best bowling 3 for 3.

### Dylan Nixon

Dylan was a great all rounder this season. A solid bowler and batsman with some great wicket keeping to help out the team.

Season highlights – taking 10 wickets, best bowling 2 for 5, 77 runs this season with a highest score 18 runs.

### Dejan Cerovic

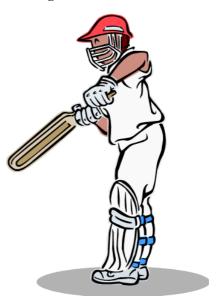
A great team player throughout the season. A safe set of hands in the field. Went through a quiet patch with his batting mid-season but finished it off with some great innings and solid wicket keeping.

Season highlights – 78 runs for the season, highest score of 19 runs against Forest Greens, 10 wickets for the season, best bowling 2 for 7.

#### Michael Roche

Michael had a great season with the bat. Great communicator in the field, a great set of hands as wicket keeper and his bowling improved throughout the season.

Season highlights – 86 runs for the season, highest score 30 runs against St Augustine's and 21 runs against Forest Green, 6 wickets for the season, best bowling 1 for 4.



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#### Moutasim (Marty) Altamash

An enthusiastic teammate, Marty all round game improved throughout the season and had some great sessions at wicket keeper. A consistent batter and bowler.

Season highlights – 5 wickets this season, best bowling 2 for 6. 2 wickets against Forest Green. 33 runs for the season, highest score 17 runs.

#### Oscar McLerie

Oscar had an impressive season with the bat, also improved his running between wickets. He was a consistent bowler and a solid performer as wicket keeper. Oscar is an enthusiastic teammate.

Season highlights – 155 runs for the season, highest score 35 runs against Harbord Eagles. Best bowling 2 for 10, 4 catches and 1 run out for the season.

### Zulfiqar (Zulfi) Altamash

Zulfi had a great season with the bat. A very consistent bowling and a safe set of hands in the field. He is a very enthusiastic team member.

Season highlights – 100 runs for the season, highest score 19 runs against Seaforth Stingers, best bowling 1 for 3.

#### William Aslett

Will's entire game improved out of sight the entire season. By the end of the season, Will was bowling consistently and was a stable batsman. Will was a great team player and a great wicket keeper. Season highlights – 16runs for the season, highest score of 9 runs against the Harbord Tigers, 3 wickets for the season, best bowling 1 for 5 against Seaforth Smashers.

#### Tiger Kempe

An awesome teammate, extremely enthusiastic keeping all teammates on their toes. Bowling and batting improved throughout the season. Tiger had a great set of hands in the field. Season highlights – 4 wickets with the ball, best bowling 2 for 10 against Seaforth Smashers, highest score 10 runs against Seaforth Smashers and 2 catches in the field against Peninsula Pacers.

#### Mitchell Brooker

Mitchell was a great all rounder and teammate this season. He was a standout wicket keeper for the team. Bowling and batting progressed well throughout the season.

Season highlights – 13 wickets for the season, best bowling 4 for 4 against Seaforth Stingers, 27 runs with the bat.

#### Thomas Jackson

A very consistent and solid all round performance from Thomas all season. A great opening batsman and an enthusiastic teammate with a great set of hands in the field.

Season highlights – 14 wickets for the season, best bowling 3 for 9 against Seaforth Stingers, 73 runs with the bat and highest score of 12 runs, 5 catches in the field.



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Season awards

**Batting:** Oscar McLerie – 155 runs, highest score 35 runs

**Bowling:** Billy Chaloner\_- 13 wickets, best bowling 3 for 3 with an average of 12.08

Sportsmanship/Champion Player:

Thomas Jackson – Thomas showed great enthusiasm and sportsmanship and competitiveness made him an outstanding team member with a positive attitude.

Under 12 Div 2 Black finished 5<sup>th</sup> on the ladder. Thanks to all the kids and parents for an enjoyable season.

Cheers Muz Murray McLerie



### **Under 13 Red**

The Wakehurst Red Under 13 Division 1 team should be extremely proud of their performance in the 2018/19 season. The boys only lost 2 games in the regular season to finish equal first on points, but actually finished 2<sup>nd</sup> once the statisticians got involved and calculated quotients and run rates.

Our finals campaign did not go quite as planned as we lost the semi-final and the  $3^{\rm rd}$  /  $4^{\rm th}$  Playoff (both to St Augustine's teams). These were however both extremely close games (a loss by 18 runs in the semi-final and in the last over in the  $3^{\rm rd}$  /  $4^{\rm th}$  place playoff). The top 4 teams were extremely evenly matched and any one of them could have taken the title. Ultimately, it was the  $4^{\rm th}$  placed team (Seaforth) that peaked at the right time and won the competition.

Our team had a completely new look this season after the merger of the two Division 1 teams from the previous season and the great addition of a new player to the club, Ryan McPhee. New team lineups often take a while to gel but these boys all knew each other already from various walks of life so the bonding into a great team unit occurred very quickly.

A feature of this season from the coach's perspective was the 'team first' approach that all the boys adopted throughout the whole season. Although it was nice to have a successful season, it was such a pleasure to watch the boys rejoice in the success of their team mates taking a wicket, scoring a 50, clubbing a 6, taking a screamer of a catch, executing a run out. They really enjoyed their collective success as much as their own individual performances.

This team is a fantastic bunch of boys, all of whom have developed and improved their game considerably over the course of the season from an individual perspective.

Most of our training sessions were centre wicket sessions where the boys were

encouraged to 'practice like they play' and to put themselves in real game scenarios. There were numerous occasions over the season that we saw something that we had practiced at training appear in the heat of battle in a real game.

We did focus on some quite technical areas of improvement for each of the boys at training and hopefully each of them took away a couple of development areas to work on in the off season.

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Every one of the boys contributed to the success of this season with the bat or ball but ultimately it was our fielding that was one of the main differentiators to other teams. Our overall energy, enthusiasm and the ability to take key catches when it mattered, was a major contributor to our success.

Cricket is a massive commitment and this year was a huge team effort by our extended squad...the parents! There were many amazing contributions throughout the season (too many to mention) but particular thanks must go to Zia and Stephen Cole for taking on the managerial duties again and getting us organised each week.

Special thanks must also go to Niranjan Holla who did the majority of scoring duties throughout the season with occasional backup from Nigel Watts and Stephen Cole.

Knowing that all of the managerial and scoring tasks were always under control really allowed the coaches to get the boys focused and ready to play on game day.

It has been an absolute pleasure to coach this group of players and the coaches are really excited to keep playing a role in their cricketing development over the next few years.

#### Jamie Anderson

5 Wickets @ 11.60, Best Bowling: 2/1 91 Runs @ 13.00, Highest Score: 38\* Although we only had Jamie for half the season before his family's relocation to Orange, he was fantastic to have around the team. All of the boys were very happy to welcome him back again

as our skipper for the last game of the season. Jamie's knock of 38\* earlier in the season was his best performance, particularly some of those swashbuckling cover drives. Jamie also chimed in with 5 wickets.

#### Josh Challoner

10 Wickets @ 14.30, Best Bowling: 2/4 61 Runs @ 10.17, Highest Score: 27\* At the start of the season we decided to work on shortening Josh's runup and focusing on rhythm, line and length, By season's end the results were there to see with Josh picking up 10 wickets. Apart from his own wickets Josh also regularly contributed to the team's performance by building 'scoreboard pressure' with his tight, economical bowling. Josh didn't get as many opportunities with the bat this season but his knock of 27\* under pressure showed us that he has the ability to build an innings when required.



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#### Tom Cole

7 Wickets @ 14.00, Best Bowling: 2/3
175 Runs @ 21.88, Highest Score: 40\*
Tom had another consistent season,
particularly with the bat where he retired not out on multiple occasions.
Tom has excellent match awareness and
sets a great example to both his team
mates and opposition players of how to
value his wicket. With the ball, Tom was
unlucky not to snare a few more wickets than he did, but always enthusiastically took up the challenge of taking the
new ball or bowling out the final few
overs. Tom always showed leadership in
the field whether he was captain or not.

#### Eshaan Holla

25 Wickets @ 6.76, Best Bowling: 4/16 73 Runs @ 14.60, Highest Score: 39\* Eshaan was just about unplayable with his high bouncing leggies. This season he achieved the honour of being the highest wicket taker in the Under 13 Division 1 competition with 25 wickets, an outstanding performance. Not only was Eshaan effective in taking wickets, he was extremely economical. Eshaan also showed everyone what he can do with the bat with a particular highlight of 39\* standing out as his best performance.

#### Sauray Holla

7 Wickets @ 17.71, Best Bowling: 1/0 73 Runs @ 12.17, Highest Score: 29\* Saurav has a fantastic attitude to the game and seems like he just loves playing cricket. Saurav was a key part of our leg spinner trifecta and played a very important role in bowling partnerships with his team mates. Saurav snared 7 wickets for himself and was probably unlucky not to have doubled that tally given the incredible number of play and

misses off his bowling.

#### Oliver McCracken

Wicketkeeper Dismissals: 6 Catches, 3 Stumpings

93 Runs @ 9.3, Highest Score: 24 This year we decided that we would choose a wicketkeeper for the whole year. Olly took on this role with enthusiasm and really developed his technique behind the stumps over the course of the season, particularly in the second half of the year as he started to move his feet more. With our multi-pronged spin attack, stumpings were always a possibility and Olly executed 3 of these and took a further 6 catches from the quicks. Olly's natural aggression with the bat saw him return some important scores. If he can adjust his mode to the state of the game a little more effectively he will turn those good starts into the bigger scores we know he is capable of.

#### Ryan McPhee

12 Wickets @ 9.25, Best Bowling: 2/3 133 Runs @ 14.78. Highest Score: 24\* Ryan was a fantastic addition to the club and thankfully we were able to fit him into our salary cap. Ryan was already known to us as a solid opening bowler and he was one of the spearheads of our bowling attack this season. His consistent line and length also saw us utilise Ryan as a good finisher in the final overs. One of the biggest areas of improvement for Ryan this year was his batting. At training we encouraged Ryan to work on his patience, shot selection and controlled aggression and this became very evident via some solid performances with the bat in the second half of the season.

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### **Dylan Nockolds**

13 Wickets @ 12.92. Best Bowling: 2/8 28 Runs @ 3.50. Highest Score: 8 It was great to see Dylan's confidence return in the second half of the season as he ended up with 13 wickets for the year. When Dylan backs himself and gets his leggies fizzing he is a very difficult proposition for opposing batsmen. Dylan was just getting going when this season ended so we hope he takes confidence from how he finished this season into next year. Dylan was often very unlucky with the bat and was often on the wrong end of a a screamer of a catch (especially in the semi-final) or a run out.

### Jeremy Scarf

8 Wickets @ 10.88, Best Bowling: 3/15 155 Runs @ 25.83, Highest Score: 51 With his private school commitments, we weren't sure how many games of

club cricket Jeremy would be able to commit to this season. As it turned out Jeremy played 12 games for us and, as expected, was one of our main contributors with the bat. His knock of 51 early in the season was a master class of a player understanding the state of the game and applying a mix of good shot selection, turning the strike over and putting the bad balls away. Half way through the season Jeremy embarked on a new career path and took up offspin. It's tough to learn a new craft mid -season but Jeremy should be very proud of his return of 8 wickets including a best of 3/15.

### Dylan Vlatko

8 Wickets @ 9.75, Best Bowling: 2/2 79 Runs @ 8.78, Highest Score: 27 Dylan is one of the quickest bowlers in the competition and as a left armer he was our X-Factor. Dylan also worked hard on his control and consistency of line and length this year and he was rewarded with 8 wickets, most of which were a result of beating the batsman for pace clean bowled or getting them caught behind. Dylan also knows how to wield the willow and made some great contributions with the bat with a quick fire blast of 27 being his best performance of the season. We all remember one particular boundary that Dylan hit at John Fisher Park that ended up on the baseball field two fields away from where we were actually playing!

#### Luke Watts

14 Wickets @ 9.21, Best Bowling: 2/2 206 Runs @ 20.60, Highest Score: 51\* Luke is one of the most 'coachable' kids going around in junior cricket and has enormous potential. Luke has an amazing work ethic, both at training and on game day and was always the heartbeat

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of the energy and enthusiasm levels in the field. Luke has the ability to take an attack apart with the bat once he is set as shown in his fantastic innings of 51\* vs Harbord and also in a run chase vs St Augustine's Gold where a number of deliveries were easily dispatched over the ropes through smart, aggressive play. Luke also had a great season with the ball, returning 14 wickets but some of the catches he took (particularly in the outfield) will live long in the memory.

#### Carlo Zanella

19 Wickets @ 7.84, Best Bowling: 3/13 90 Runs @ 8.18, Highest Score: 31 Carlo had another outstanding season with the ball and could always be relied upon to take key wickets when we needed a breakthrough. One of Carlo's main areas of improvement this year was his newly found skill of late inswing bowling, which resulted in a large number of bowled and LBW decisions

going his way. Carlo will become even more effective next year when he adjusts his point of release and line to cater for this inswing and introduces the occasional variation of an outswinger. Carlo also snapped up some sharp catches in the field. Private school beckons for Carlo next year so he may have played his last game for Wakehurst (for a while at least), but he has been a big part of the team's success this season and in previous years.

### Season awards

**Batting** (Best Batting Average): Jeremy Scarf (25.83)

**Bowling** (Best Bowling Average): Eshaan Holla (6.76)

Sportsperson: Ryan McPhee



## **Under 13 Green**

The 2018/19 cricket season for Wakehurst Green was a major learning and team building exercise for both the team and the Coach. On paper, statistically I was dealing with a lot of talented players, but over half of my players were questioning their abilities and/or love of playing cricket (something that I have firsthand experience with, as a parent). My main aim was to clear the slate, as it's easy to type players in Bowler, Batters, or even lost causes.

The teams commandry and encouragement was something I wish to focus on

from the get-go also, negative comments and self-criticism, which did happen a lot in the beginning. Were actively addresses and redirected into encouragement to the players" good effort" in the first place and "maybe the next"

time". I mix up the orders and give everyone a go (if they were up for it) and am very confident that every player felt as though they were able to contribute and not just feel that they are just making up the numbers in the field.

Everyone manage to take at least 3 wickets bowling, face more than 80 balls and all but one player took a catch, this obviously had an effect on the first half of the season with our win/lost ratio, but the building of the team's morale was well worth it, with those close losses. I saw improvement across the board, while our opposition pretty much stayed the same and predictable. The attitude and belief in each other, was pretty amazing to watch by the second half of the season for a

team of players from 4 different team groups, gelled.

Some of the drills and even team line ups may have seemed a bit out of the ordinary, but there was method to the madness, and it showed in the lead up to the Semi's as we needed to win every game. Even an all-out attack on a weaker team was needed to get our fore and against up, to get us into to top 4. It worked, but in the semi's, we fell 6 runs short of getting into the Grand Final, and the boys attitude to get to the next minor final was a testament to their

enjoyment of playing cricket win or lose. Unfortunately, rain took that game away from us.

Want to put out a special thanks to Sarah our Manager, all lines of communication with parents were instant with the

set up of a team App was a massive help with organising team lists, fruit roster and the cancelations of training sessions (which Wednesdays were getting their lions share rain for the week), also a mention, to Dave Avello, Stu Sang, Matt Miles, Scott Howells and Warwick Brown for help with the scoring, set up, umpiring and training seasons, and all the parents really, with positive attitudes, help on game day and ferrying players to Terry Hills for training. Hopefully we'll get a closer venue next year.

**Oliver Allesh** had a great season. At first glance looking at him, he would be my strike bowler. In 14 games, 9 wickets with the ball, but to everyone's sur-

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prise behind the stumps, economical and lethal. 2 catches behind the stumps and a stumping (which was probably his highlight of the year). 8 catches on the field and handy with bat, a high of 30\*. His self-belief to reach the boundary off every ball, meant he went down swinging and very unluck with a few decisions, that put an end to an innings or two. The banter on the field and behind the stumps was great for motivating the team. My nickname of "needsaleash" was justified early in the season, but the maturity shown by seasons end, was great to be a part of.

Luke "Good Fellow" Avello, another talented all-round cricketer with a good temperament hence my nickname. 18 matches, 11 wickets with the ball, 2/5 in one innings, 5 catches and 5 Runouts in the field. A Highest score of 41, with a tally of 161 runs for the year. Luke has improved all his averages across the board from last year, the quiet achiever, full of untap potential with a little fine tuning, Luke is capable of much more than the abilities he already possesses. I think this year has given him that belief to capitalise on next year.

Rohan "Kersh" Brown had a brilliant season as well, all round cricketer again. Very handy with the Bat, Ball and Fielding, even if his catching style is a little unorthodox 9 out of 9 times. A Catch is a catch. Love this guys attitude and passion for all things Cricket, another quiet achiever who thinks outside the box. Almost snatched victory for us in the Semi Final, willing the fielders to throw over throws as he faked a run on 3 occasions in the last over. Definitely a Game player and even when his blood sugar was out of wack and needed ad-



justing on the sideline, he was still thinking of the game and getting back on the field. A true asset to the team, just wish the Championship Points Player truly took the worth of a player in all aspects of the game. 18 matches, 14 wickets, 9 catches, 2 runouts and 136 runs for the season and a season high of 39, with five 4's was an impressive knock. Rohan probably didn't receive the accolades during the season, but did he really need them as I think he see "Team" rather "Individual" achievements. Amazing young man.

Cooper "Running Club" Horley, probably my hardest working player in all aspects of his cricket skill set, an amazing addition to this team, after changing from another club. I see him as Core to the team's belief in each other and themselves no matter what skill level they are. Which sees them rally, even if he struggles internally with his own perfectionism. Cooper has amassed 313 runs in 18 games, a game high of 48\*,

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Not Out on 11 occasions batting from 4, 2, 9, 7, 5, 11, 8, where ever, just give him a bat and usual the runs start flowing. Always encouraging his opposite number to run a single or run a Bye or second run or just to run harder, hence "Coopers Running Club" was born...., but it doesn't stop there 17 wickets for bowling this season, with an Average of 8 runs a game..., but like the add, "wait there is more", 7 catches in the field, plus 3 behind the stumps, 4 Runouts and the ability to swoop of the ball like a hawk and rip it into the stumps to make the opposition work for their runs. A very passionate player, who always plays by rules, a major asset to the team.

Liam "Howizhe" Howells. On my first training session came up to me and asked if he could bat a bit more in this newly created team, as he only batted 4 times in 15 games amassing 2 runs last year. "Sure, want to bat at 2?" and bat he did, 21\* a very memorable moment for me in my 1<sup>st</sup> game as a coach also. I felt a great sense of pride in Liam belief in himself. In another, game high of 24 vs the minor premiers was another highlight, when Liam gets going, he can score. Bowling is probably his thing really, 3/12 vs the Premiers and 13 wickets, 4 runouts, 3 catches and 1 behind the stumps this session. In the field Liam contributes to the banter with a cheeky smile and a great sense of humour. A work in progress, I try to curb his critical thinking and moved it more towards positive encouragement of fellow players, all though the joke quickly turns on him when he "drops the ball".

**Finn "McMissile" Miles**, like a missile in every part of his game. Loads of potential, great stance, ready and waiting to

do the job, this guy looks the part. Only 67 runs this season, but valuable runs for the team. Always hair trigger ready to get to the other end, which has been to the demise of his batting partners. An eagerness that needs to be harnessed to complete his potential, a pocket rocket in stature, but his throw is like a lightning bolt, which cuts the other teams run rate and, in the future, will lead to many run outs. 6 wickets with the ball, 3/21 in the one game off 5 overs and 4 catches. The Missile just needs a little tweaking of his guidance systems to be the strike force he will be.

Alex "Alexa" Russell, coming back into cricket from a break, didn't take him long to get up to speed. Excels with the ball, miserly with giving away runs, 1/5, 1/6,1/8,1/9 off 3 overs, consistent and fast in every aspect of his game. Probably responsible for a lot of the wickets for his bowling partner end as the batter, looks to open up before the next over when Alex returns. Alex does what is asked and more. In the field, speed, athleticism, a strong throw, but with soft hands that close like a steel trap. 6 catches, which would be testing to most of my players, along with 2 runouts, he is always on the hunt. Tracking down balls and rocketing them into the Keeper or Bowler's end. The only play not to Wicket-keep this year as he said its not his thing (I beg to differ). With the bat. Unlucky in a majority of innings, not to progress into double figures, when I can see he is about to let loose. With a game high of 25\*, he is more than capable of higher scores consistently. Great stance, when facing the bowler and a great running partner for his opposite end. A major weapon in my line, bring on next vear.

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Andrew "Sanga" Sang, always manages a smile-rain, hail or shine. Always looking for an early end to the game, always asking if we "can go home yet?... (smile)". I assume every time he is being sarcastic, although I know full well his not. His unusual approach to cricket, crosses over to his unique bowling style. Which is responsible for some expensive overs, but when on song. troubles the batsman with deviation and bounce. 2/15 verse the Minor Premiers. Training the nets has its pitfalls as the flight needed with his action is reduce, due to the caged roof. I think Andrew has had a solid year, across all areas his game. Scores more runs bat ting up the order, shot selection is something in need to help him with, so he can break into double figures. This is a team sport and his team mates love his quirky nature and smile when all seems lost.

Danny "Boy" Thompson, very much a team player. Every training session, every game, 100%. I can ask no more. His skill levels continue to improve week in, week out. He sees himself as a bowler, but to me that just limits him. With the bat Danny has shown great shot selection, batting up the order Danny has score 24\*, 23\* or is runout. In fact he has been runout on 6 occasions, which I think is due to his temperament and



selflessness. A really nice, hard working team member on and off the field. 3/7 as a bowler, a 14 wicket haul for the season, at an average of just over 3 an over. A stumping, 3 catches and 3 runouts in the field. I just need to work on his calls when running between wickets and he is complete.

Lachlan "Legs" Winlaw, another of the core group of banter on the field. A Game high of 47, cut short by jinxing himself that he just needed "2 runs to beat Cooper's", 48\*(to me I was thinking 3 more runs and you have a 50). Anyways, 164 runs for the year, not out of 4 occasions, bring on 2 day games and we will see some higher scores. As a bowler, Lachie has 1/6, 1/8, 1/9 and 1/11. With those 4 wickets, he has taken 8 catches, a part in 3 runouts and is very reliable behind the stumps, some amazing reflex catches and stops.

**Josh "State Bowler" Walker**, personally I prefer the nickname "The Bomb". Raining down balls from a ball toss that need a boarding pass. The one player in my team that I thought I would struggle with, but his heart, comradery and enjoyment of the game has seen him to be most improved player in the team. With the help of all those around him he felt a part of this outfit. For one who struggled with bowling, it would have been easy to give up. 3/9 off 3 at seasons end and shoulder bumps all round. Definitely a highlight of the year. Struggles with the bat, but improvement and wiliness put training drills to practice on game, has seen him score 18 runs for the season and a highest score of 4. Well done Josh, you should be proud.

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Luke "Woody" Woodward, like Oliver, at first in looks, you think he is a bowler and with the most wickets in the team of 20 from 54 overs, a 4/6 vs Wakehurst Orange and a wicket just under every 9 runs. Ouite an understandable assumption. With the bat Woody is very dominate and consistent also, regularly scoring 20 or more. 210 runs for the year and a highest score of 35\*, just wish he would let the ball hit those pads more and not get all crossed up on occasions. We have worked on his Run between wickets. courtesy of game day "running club" and also lifting the knees in a drill, fully kitted up at training, which has paid off, with no run outs this half of the season. 2 catches in the field and a couple of runouts has capped off an impressive year for this guy

Season awards

**Batting:** Cooper Horley **Bowling:** Luke Woodward

**Sportsperson:** Danny Thompson

Another thanks to all the boys for your hard work and positive attitude. Bring on next year

Adam Horley



# **Under 13 Orange**

The early Saturday morning starts proved a challenge for some including our manager but proved to be welcome over yet another hot summer.

Like a bowl of fruit the Oranges had a mixed season once again with plenty of sweet but also some slightly sour moments, particularly when the top of the ladder team picked and chose the rules to suit them. Alas we lost that day but were the moral victors. Prior to Christmas we were looking strong in the top 3, but after the break we were met with stronger opposition who pipped us in some thrillers in the last 5 rounds. When they played as a team, particularly when they bowled well they were a joy to umpire with stumps knocked clean out of the ground and some absolutely marvellous classic catches taken that had the dads swearing they could hear Richie Benaud calling "what a catch!". Great keeping and fielding from Ben, Seb, Alex in particular were a highlight along with Noah's classic catch in round 13 that left all in awe.



Jake's efforts as our opening lefty paceman saw several openers sent marching without bothering the scorers, while Lachlan, Alex, Ben, Noah, Fin, Tom and Bailey all chipped in well with the ball when it counted. Even Ethan had a couple of cameos as keeper when we were short our regular keepers. It was also good to see the sundries total slimming as the season progressed as it has been our downfall in seasons past.

Batting was very much a mixed bag however when Aryan, Lachlan and Alex all fired we were sure victors with Aryan and Lachlan consistently batting until retirement. Over the season it was most pleasing to see Ben, Seb, Fin, Jake and Noah all chip in with some great innings... so we hope for seasons to come the boys concentrate on technique so we can consistently set bigger totals.

Thanks to all the parents for their help over the season, particularly Alex at training each week (a far superior coach!) and for his absolutely spectacular marquis once again that would've had Tony Greig marvelling at; David and Brian for helping at training and all the parents for helping out with scoring over the season – and some welcome "refreshments" – cheers!

Special thanks also to Ben for an excellent job managing the side and taking the umpiring duties every week. Makes it a much easier job to concentrate on motivating and coaching the boys throughout the game.

We would like to give a special thanks to the boys who filled in for us from the Redback U12 teams throughout the

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year. They were great contributors and always good value even when they were playing back to back games for their own teams.

We wish the boys all the best in their future sporting endeavours and hope that as they progress through High School that cricket will remain their No.1 sport of choice in summer.

Cheers boys & parents, Ben & Alex Lachie Rourke Alex Cooper Tom Poole Jake Hayes Fin Davison Ethan Boulos Noah Haes Aryan Reddy Bailey Rusten Ben Dwyer Sebastian Lahm

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Aryan Reddy **Bowling:** Lachlan Rourke **Sportsperson:** Ben Dwyer



## Under 14 Red

The U/14s had a successful season in Division 1, achieving third place on the ladder in a competition with a strong top five, and taking their semi-final to the last scheduled over when defending a small total. The team was a blend of the previous season's two Wakehurst teams plus some new and returning faces, and boys came together quickly as a positive and competitive unit under the guidance of the coaching team of Brett Curry, Shawn Addison and Alex McDade. Highlights were chasing down challenging totals against Forest and St Pius, and the determined effort in the field that saw them go so close in the semi-final.

#### Tai Addison

Tai is a determined and accurate opening bowler who lets the opposition know they are in for a contest right from the opening delivery. It seemed like every time he got a bowled, the stumps went flying. His "never give up" attitude was an inspiration to the rest of the team. With the bat, Tai played some important innings, combining some strong hitting with watchful defence.

#### Lachlan Anderson

Lachie is a ruthless punisher of bowlers who put the ball short or to the leg-side and scores a high proportion of his runs in boundaries. His unique but effective forward defensive also had the opposition bowlers in turmoil. Lachie kept wicket very tidily and bowled steadily when called on. His enjoyment of the game is very evident and rubs off positively on the rest of the team.

#### Michal Banham

Michal's variations of spin, flight and the quicker ball seem to perplex and paralyse opposition batters in equal measure, and the results he achieved this year are a tribute to the practice he has put in. A very safe pair of hands in the field, and with the bat Michal has produced intelligent runs for the team with the odd big hit thrown in for good measure.

#### Kai Connors

Kai's bowling this season was often too good for the opposition to lay a bat on, pitched up and with late swing zipping it through to the keeper. Held several skyers that had parents giving each other that "I wouldn't have caught that" look. Kai is a thoughtful cricketer and was on-field captain for the key games. Scored neat middle / lower order runs into the bargain.

#### **Declan Curry**

Batting in the top order Declan improved his defence and also relished every opportunity to show off a perfectly executed pull shot to his team mates. Fielding in the slip/gully area he pulled off some remarkable catches and stops that had spectators bemoaning the lack of action replay cameras. He seemed to get a wicket or bowl an economical over just when needed.

#### Chris Guyot

Swashbuckling top order batter who often left spectators wondering if it was in fact Chris Lynn who had turned up to play. The back foot drives through cover were definitely a highlight. He is another cricketer whose smile and enjoyment of the game influenced the whole team. Chris' strong arm in the field and tidy off-spin bowling are also valuable features of his game.

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#### **Eddie Hutt**

Eddie is a stylish lefthander who shared key partnerships at the top of the order and unsettled the opposition with his eye for the quick single. Used his feet well to score off the slower bowlers. In the field, Eddie has made the point position his own with his slick work. With the ball he has alternated between medium pace, finger- and wrist-spin with economical results.

#### Luke Larson

Luke's consistently economical bowling deserved more wickets this year, on countless occasions the ball seemed to miss the stumps or the outside edge by the width of a piece of sandpaper. He is also an athletic fielder who took some stunning reaction catches close to the bat. If Luke gets going with the bat, you get nervous about your parking spot by the mid-wicket boundary!

#### Jet McDade

Jet is an accomplished wicket-keeper who never looks in difficulty even when the new ball is going round corners amid the 8am dew. With the bat he is good at keeping the score moving and using his feet, which was rewarded with the team's only half-century of the season. Jet surprised a number of batters with his hard-spun leg breaks when given a bowling opportunity.

#### **Rhys Nockolds**

Rhys is a genuine wicket-taker who achieves deceptive swing and works hard to keep the ball pitched up and on the stumps. He maintained the pressure on the batters that had been set up by the opening bowlers. Rhys brought a very positive attitude to the team and contributed to its great spirit. Gave it everything with the bat and contributed to some useful partnerships.



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#### James Thomas

James took bags of wickets this season, getting some extra bounce from a good length to surprise unwary batters. Far from the fast bowler stereotype, he is a chilled presence in the team, with a funny remark never far away. Like all bowlers he takes pride in every run scored, and the team loved every smash through point and steer through the slips.

#### **Jasper Vaidic**

Jasper is a passionate cricketer who shows great skill with both bat and ball. His spin bowling developed more variation and guile as the season progressed, regularly deceiving the opposition's top order batters. Clung on to some difficult catches and played some crucial and intelligent innings to get the team over the line in a couple of close games.

#### **Alexander Yates**

Alex's medium-pace bowling was consistently accurate through the season and he picked up some important wickets on the way. Worked hard on his fielding and held on to some rippers towards the end of the season. Showed a lot of determination with the bat and jumped out to hit the odd boundary. Great team man as evidenced by his contribution in the semi-final.

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Jet McDade **Bowler:** James Thomas

**Sportsperson:** Alexander Yates

Congratulations to the boys on a season of skillful cricket played in a good spirit. I thank the coaches for their guidance and encouragement to the players, and for setting the tone in making it an enjoyable season for all concerned. Thanks also to the parents who helped with scoring and umpiring.



## Under 15 Red

The U15s had another enjoyable season as a team. While the results did not always go our way, the level of comradery and fun was evident each Saturday morning. This was shown by the fact that we had all 13 available for 95% of the games.

Again, with a great bunch of kids comes a great bunch of parents. A big thank you to all the parents who helped throughout the season with scoring.

ground set up, getting the kids warmed up and general support for the players. I would also like to acknowledge Brendan O'Donnell for managing the team. Julian Humphrey for umpiring when he could and Gordon Powell who this season umpired a majority of the games and looked after the team in my

absence. Also, a big thanks to Deanne Hutt who helped me out in some off field organising with photos, etc. Overall, it was a season of fun and eniovment but one that the results didn't come for us. There is a lot of talent in the team and I look forward to seeing what the players can achieve in their cricketing futures.

This season we had 13 players. They were:

### **Abigail Powell**

Abi was again our captain for the season. Her leadership allowed the team to get the most enjoyment out of a Saturday morning that I have seen in a while. Not only did she lead well, but

Abi was also our equal leading wicket taker with a sensational average of just 8 23

### **Matthew Humphrey**

Matt was one of our go to batters this season and managed to deliver with the most runs for the season. He has a great eve and can hit the ball where ever he wants. As he learns to pick the right ball to hit and understands how to build an innings. Matt should be able to

amass a lot of runs each season.

#### **James Condon**

James had a good season with the bat and had several innings that started well. In the coming seasons Iames will be able to turn these good starts into big scores. His fielding improved this season and with continued hard work he will continue.

### Cormac O'Donnell

Cormac is a talented cricketer. He bats and bowls and is also a great fielder. The complete allrounder. This showed in the stats with him coming 3rd in most runs and 4th in most wickets. Cormac is another that can develop into a great cricketer over time.

#### Wilson Sarkies

Wilson returned to cricket after having a season off and he picked it up straight away. Coming 3rd in wickets for the season shows that he is a handy bowler. He can also hold the bat and had some great lower order innings with a great match winning innings against St Pius at their home ground.

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#### Nick Roache

Nick had the ability to take some key wickets throughout the season and when he was on with the ball he was rewarded with wickets. He was another that had some key innings with the bat when he got the chance.

#### **Jack Atkins**

Jack was perhaps one of the unluckiest of bowlers this season. He often had batters struggling to hit him and had several chances drop in between fielders all season. He also had a number of good innings when he got the opportunity and like James, I look forward to him turning one of those innings into a big score.

#### **Annabel Hutt**

Annabel was another that had a very unlucky season with the ball. She consistently beat the bat but unfortunately was not rewarded with the wickets. With the bat, like a lot of our team this year, she looked good at the crease and had a number of starts.





#### Matthew Gribble

Matt is our keeper and number 1 talker in the team. He is constantly talking and supporting his teammates. His work behind the stumps continues to improve and there were some outstanding catches taken.

### Andre Terleckyj

Andre had a damaging season with the ball. His ability to bowl at the stumps saw him take some key wickets. He also had some great tail end batting displays, particularly against St Pius, which saw us take the points.

#### Tom Salmon

Tom took on the role as opening batter this season and showed that he has a good batting temperament for the role. Tom excelled in the field as well with the equal most catches for the team. He has the skills to be a very handy cricketer in future seasons where I can see lots of runs coming.

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#### Oscar Lambkin

Oscar had a great season with the ball. He continues to work on his leg spin and that showed in his wicket taking total coming equal first in wickets for the season. Oscar has the ability to take his bowling to a higher level as he continues to grow and hone his skills.

#### Mitchell Norton

Mitch also had a great season. His batting for us this season again showed off his big hitting skills. He stepped up his pace from last season with the ball in hand and was one of the fastest in the age group. The stand out spell saw Mitch take 5 for 6 runs. Mitch was critical to our team this season which showed in his stats. He was second in runs and fifth in wickets. Well done Mitch.

#### Season awards

Batting: Matthew Humphrey Bowling: Abigail Powell Sportsman: Mitchell Norton

Thanks Ian Bassett Coach



### Under 16-18 Red

The season was very enjoyable although in my opinion we under achieved. Finishing the season in 5<sup>th</sup> position. Compared to most other teams in the competition, we were the least experienced and youngest team. Only 3 boys from last year's U16-18 team returned to the mighty Redbacks. The team was mostly made up from last years u15 team. We have a very talented bunch of young cricketers and as the boys mature and start to believe

in themselves their cricket will only continue to rise up. I believe they all enjoyed their cricket season and being part of this team.

Our team had a rough start to the season losing some close matches against some quality opposition. It wasn't till round 4 that the boys gelled and we off to our first win. With a compre-

hensive win over St Augs Green.

Rd 5 was the highlight of the season with a strong and gutsy win over the Harbord Falcons. Jez smashing a high score of 49 and taking 2 wickets. Lachy T taking another 3 wickets to rock & roll the strong Harbord Falcons. This showed we could match it with the older teams.

Rd 10 vs Harbord Goannas highlighted our bowling attack, with the Redbacks using 10 different bowlers with 5 different wicket takers to dismiss the Goannas for 120 with Jez again leading the way with 3 for 7. Luke (36) and Hurshwin (53) put on a great partner-

ship to easily cover the chase.

Unfortunately, we could not string enough wins together to make the finals. Inconsistency with our batting probably being our leading downfall. A season of missed opportunities. To Deb, manager extraordinaire, thanks for your support during the season. To the bevy of parental helpers Jamie, Munish, Ash, Ross, Jeff – umpires. Clayton and Nerralyn- scorers thanks

for your assistance.

Many thanks to all the parents who helped and supported the boys and me during the season.

### Noah Kasmar (Capt)

Kaz was a great leader for the boys. Cool and calm under pressure. All the team responded to Kaz's approach. Being a good listener is also a great quality for a leader and Kaz

was no different. It was his inclusiveness that made the team gel so well. As well as being a handy leg spinner, unlucky only to get only 10 wickets @ 22.80. Could always hold up an end with the bat. Got a lot of starts with a high score of 16.

### Jeremy Nicholson

Jezza. the leader of our bowling attack. Left arm over. Being one of the most experienced guys in the team. Jez was always had an encouraging word to our bowlers and was always helping Kaz set the field. Jez's batting improved out of sight this year. Nearly pulling off a half ton with a 49 no against the Falcons.

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Overall 136 runs @ 22.67. Jez took 12 wickets with the best of 3/7. Always dangerous with the ball in hand.

#### Declan McLerie

Dec had a solid year without standing out. Usually taking on the challenge of opening the attack, Dec ran in hard and troubled most. Always supportive and giving 100% in everything whether batting/bowling/fielding/throw downs or set up. We could always count on Dec. 10 wickets @ 23.70. along with 6 catches, Dec was always up for the challenge.

#### **Matt Kuchel**

Showed glimpses of his batting talents during the year. A little more patience and maturity will find the 'Kuch' knocking them all round the park. A solid total of 191 runs was highlighted by 68 HS against the minor premiers. Kuch's bowling really took off this season. His left arm 'straighty's' really took the batsmen by surprise. Although only taking 4 wickets he was a constant threat.

#### Luke Richardson

Richo has some serious talent in the batting dept. Leading run scorer for the team with 267 runs @ 29.67. Played in



the DCA u16 side, Warringah Shires teams. Richo was showing his potential. Played some great knocks through-out the season, just could not convert his 10 starts into a big score. Bowled his offy's with handy dividends.

#### Dan Reav

Dan's season was disrupted with a broken forearm during the season from cricket. His love and enthusiasm for the game brought him back with stronger than ever. A very solid gloveman and middle order batsman. Dan was a great team man, always at training, always contributing.

#### Isaac Turner

Great to have in the team. A genuine leg spinner who wasn't afraid to give the ball some air!. Handy middle order batsmen who was always striving for runs. HS of 26 against St Augs Gold. Rarely missed a training session. Commitment at training or on Saturdays Isaac was always giving his all.

#### **Hurshwin Sharma**

Dedicated cricketer with plenty of ability, whether batting or bowling. 2nd highest run scorer 209 runs at 20.90. Two half centuries with a HS 56. Very competitive with the ball always attacking the stumps. Unlucky with 4 wickets with a best of 1 for 4 against Beacon Hill.

#### **Henry Thomas**

Henry is a very capable cricketer. Injuries hampered his start to the season. Henry came back with plenty of enthusiasm. Henry has the potential to be a very damaging middle order bat with a high score of 25. As Henry's strength returned so did his left arm meds. 1 for

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6 off 3 against the Goannas showed how much Henry could trouble the batsmen.

### Liam Chang

Liam was the real Ferrari of the team. Bowls right arm fast and can wield the willow. School cricket caused headaches for the Redbacks with Liam only playing 6 matches. Liam still managed to score 159 runs with a high score of 47 and take 8 wickets @ 7.62. I'm sure Liam's cricket is on the way up. He has a great attitude and appetite for cricket to compliment with his silky cricket skills.

#### Lachlan Trewartha

Lachy is a very talented cricketer (which I'm told runs in the family!!) This was evident of his selection in the MWDCC Green shield team which led to his selection in MWDCC 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade teams. This rise up the ranks unfortunately meant we didn't see much of Lach. In 6 matches took 8 wickets with a best 3/18. Capable lower order bat. Always willing to help out before playing in other higher-grade games.

#### **Euan Loh**

Euan bowls fast medium pace that developed into a real dangerman as the season went on. Could swing the ball both ways. Off a deceivingly short run up Euan generated good speed that





caught the batsmen by surprise. 9 wickets @ 17.44. Best of 2/16 of 7 overs against St Augs showed his development.

#### Ben Cook

Ben is a great lad to have in the team. Playing higher grades with Warringah Shires and a nasty finger injury late in the season restricted Bens contribution. Ben was always keen and raring to go when he could play. HS of 32 against St Augs Gold highlighted his ability. Along positive attitude, Ben was great for the team.

### **Angus Castle**

A shift to the sunshine state at Christmas meant that Angus was only with us for half the season. Angus was always up for his cricket. Quiet by nature, his left arm swingers caught many a batsman by surprise. 3/10 against St Augs showed what happens when he gets in right.

### Lachy Johnson

Came into the team late in the season to play some fine cricket. A few wickets

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(Continued from page 97) and some quick runs, Jono showed off his skills. Played with a lot of positive energy. Great team man.

A special thankyou to **Jamie White** and **Zac Thomas** who helped out first couple of rounds for us but unfortunately didn't return for the season.

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Luke Richardson **Bowling:** Jeremy Nicholson **Sportsperson:** Isaac Turner

Thanks for the season boys

Bill Mclerie



# 2018/2019 Senior Award Winners

1st Grade

Batting Kris Corbett Sportsperson Brad Gordon

**Bowling** Matthew Varjavandi

2nd Grade

Batting Iain McKern Sportsperson David Brown
Bowling Adam McKern Mick Martin Medal James Wright

3rd Grade

**Batting** Nick Kough **Sportsperson** Gavin Franklin

**Bowling** Jamie Murray

4th Grade

Batting Andrew Davies Sportsperson Ben Harris

**Bowling** Ian Thompson

5th Grade

Batting Jadon Wilson Sportsperson Michael Calley

**Bowling** Cohen Mantle

**Captains** 

**1st Grade** Matthew Varjavandi

2nd Grade Luca Candotti

3rd Grade Jess Ball

**4th Grade** Andrew Davies **5th Grade** Jadon Wilson

# **Vice President Seniors Report**

It has been a pleasure and an honour to again this year be able to look after our Senior cricketers as Vice President, as well as represent the club as a player. Unfortunately, this was my last year for both as I have now moved interstate to WA.

Being part of this club has been an amazing 5 years where I have met an amazing bunch of people across the playing group, players families and the committee. Thank you to everyone who had welcomed me to the community and let me play cricket for a very proud club who plays cricket with respect for the game and has true respect for their teammates and opponents. Our club is known by our rivals of as a genuinely great bunch of people who play hard and fair, and may this

legacy continue as the backbone and the ethos

our club aspires to.

I wish you all the very best for your cricketing and personal futures and you never know, I might be back one day!

#### **GRAND FINAL WINNERS**

We entered 5 teams for Season 2017/18. Of those 5 teams, 3 made it to the semi-final and 1 team won the Grand Final.

Congratulations to Jadon Wilson's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Team for taking out the ultimate prize and earning their first Baggy Reds as Seniors!

Unfortunately, I had just left NSW the week before and did not get to experience the victory with the lads. They absolutely dominated the season and their victory was well deserved.

Despite the weather challenges, they stood up

and played with grit during the Grand Final. GTMR!!



Aside from the one Premiership, some other highlights of the season were:

- It was really exciting to see our 1<sup>st</sup> Grade side really gelling this season. With some new additions and returning players, there was a real sense of a team. They had their best chance of taking a Redbacks 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Premiership this season which hasn't happened for a long time! They played amazing cricket. Won't be long lads! I can feel 19/20 to be the one.
- Despite overall the MWCA competition being the most even across the grades for as long as I have known it we had our 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Premiers from last season having to go straight up to 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade this season. The highlight for me was the fight they showed in really giving it a red hot crack. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade side is still predominantly our "Father & Sons" team which is a beautiful thing. Well done 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade, you showed exemplary commitment

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on and off the field – and without injuries, illnesses – who knows what would have been at the end of the season.

- More players than ever moving through various grades/teams. I really felt growth within the playing group as a whole to be playing for one club. Still some work to do so we can really get movement between the grades and always have our best sides on the park in each grade every week, but the past few seasons has got better and better. Thanks to all those players who stepped out of their comfort zones and filled in where required. You soon realise you only grow your skills and make new friends.
- Number of new individual Juniors playing Seniors for the first time. Performed really well and great to have them as part of the Seniors squads. We saw a number of them star up the grades too so great to see their abilities accelerate. A lot of them also played in the morning for Juniors then rocked up to the afternoon Senior matches without fail.
- We fielded full sides every week all season. Despite adding a team this season, but the overall playing squad was similar we had more available players and less fill-ins. Really aided by the people moving between grades as previously mentioned.

#### THE CHALLENGES

The utilisation of MyCricket "availability function" this year was good. Still needs some improvement for next season, but in general all the Captains had their sides to me on time whether they used MyCricket or another method. This allowed for much easier selection process later in the week to make sure as many people as possible got a game.

We had 89 Registered Senior players for 2018/19 with 49 full-time, 40 part-time and casuals plus 7 juniors (some MWDCA didn't play).

The full complement of Senior players theoretically provided 17.8 players per team. The Full-Timers theoretically did not provide enough players for a team (9.8) players per team – but we had a number of part timers and casuals It all turned out ok – it just meant a lot of juggling between teams.

The plus side of all of this complexity, is that we had a lot of cross-pollination between the teams. New friendships formed and the essence of a true one club forming.



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#### **TRAINING**

Training was a little challenging this season for a couple of reasons.... Every Wednesday it seemed to be raining. We also lost our coach who we had planned to return this season. We also had a couple of teams training themselves which is perfectly fine. I would encourage next season we really try and get down to the training sessions - always better to be facing new bowlers as you would do in the game. It's a lot of fun, and it will reflect in your performances.

#### **VISION FOR 2019/20**

Whilst I won't be able to have any direct impact on next season, I will be keeping a strong eye out how the 19/20 season is progressing. I will always have Redbacks blood in me, and hopefully I can create a sister club in WA and perhaps bring a side over for a social match next year.

I will be handing the Vice Presidency to Matthew Murray who you would all know as a life member and our long serving Registrar. The Seniors could not be looked after by anyone better than Matt and I have full confidence in him driving the club to a better position next season. Matt has been integral in the back end for the past few seasons I have been doing the job in formulating the MyCricket and movement of players – both of which are key elements to us staying strong as a club on and off the field.

I am sure Matt will communicate his own visions, but here are my thoughts

which I would like to leave you with: We still have some challenges to address if we really want all our teams at the top of each grade – which as sportspeople is our goal. I am mindful though, that this is secondary to ensuring we are providing a fun club, with a great bunch of people who we spend a Saturday afternoon with. Actually – they are probably on a par – both important. As sportspeople – we want to be successful.

Some of the things I think we need to improve on, and will require some thinking from us as a committee as well as you as players are:

How do we create a clearer development pathway for our Juniors as they transition to Seniors cricket and beyond? We want the younger players developing with us and enjoying



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cricket at that harder level.

- Get the right players playing at the right level across our MWCA competitions (we have done a lot of work with the MWCA last season and was evident in the competition this season.
- Ensure that we are able to field full sides in every team, every week
- Streamline the administration of our Senior teams. More utilising as a whole on the availability technology to enable simple selection across all grades. Matt will be particularly strict on this and please get on board with whatever system he wants to use this helps every team.
- Ensure those players who are keen to move up grades and challenge themselves have a route to do this.

#### **IN SUMMARY**

Please continue to grow your interactions with players from the different grades. Keep yourself open to moving between teams and playing the highest level cricket you can. Multiple teams, one club.

Congratulations to 5th Grade who earnt their esteemed Baggy Reds!

Thank you to everyone involved for allowing me to be a part of your community and let me be a part of running the Seniors in this great club. I will miss you all!

GTMR!! (Go the Mighty Redbacks!!)

#### KEVIN HUME

Vice President - Seniors



## Seniors 1st Grade

Last season I ended the book by claiming we'll go one step further next season. Well that seasons over and we did the same bloody thing we always do; lose a semi-final. Coming up against a tough opponent in Long Reef was never going to be easy and despite poor weather, some inconsistent umpiring and a few, not so decent blokes, we put up quite the fight.

It was a year highlighted by exemplary bowling, lacklustre batting and abhorrent fielding. We rolled a lot of teams for nothing, and batted like pure manure to back up the bowling. Overall we had a really positive season and really should have taken home the baggy red. Thanks to everyone in the 1st grade team. Whether you played 1 game or played every game and had zero impact (I'm looking at 10-12 of you), it was an absolute pleasure and I can't wait for next season.

### Matthew Varjavandi (Captain)

Varj led the team again as he always does. He had his best season ever with the ball and a season to forget with the bat. Masterful in his fielding tactics, idiotic in his approach to counterattack batting.

Highlights: Average of 10.3 with the bat says it all. 5/40 was his best figures with 25 wickets at an average of 14.2 and a strike rate of 28.2.

#### **Jonathon Hain**

A guy you want on your team to make you feel better about yourself. Somehow improved his fielding which wasn't hard from his past seasons. Nothing special to note about him at all except that smile.

Highlights: 3\* from 61 balls in the semifinal and it was a joy to watch. 8 wickets at 15.

#### Kris Corbett

A new addition to the team (thank you so much Dave Sheedy). I hate to say he carried us all season, but he really, really did. Kris looked like an absolute hack when he showed up and that was after he scored 40 odd to get us home on his debut. I hope he comes back but he lives in whoop whoop. Highlights: Player of the Association. 329 runs at 27.4 with a top score of 92. Scored a 70 odd that should have got us home in the semi-final. 24 wickets at 11.1 (bit deceiving, he's not that good).

#### Sam Worthington

Our opening batsman and exceptional offie. Apparently he's famous which is nice to have, we've never had anyone famous. Fantastic pair of hands and is really kiwi.

Highlights: Top score of 57 and a total of 211 runs at 23.4.

#### Matt Mitchell

A consummate professional on and off the field. Joined the team this year and I'd say he fit in quite well, particularly with his talent on the field. Highlights: Coming up with the team

#### **Andrew Gordon**

song. Loves a negative one.

The apron was back at it again showing up to each game reeking of alcohol and ciggies. He really liked opening with Sam. Shame he was so bad we had to drop him to 6 in the semi-final. I like him a lot.

Highlights: Oh boy that was a rough one Gordo. I think he scored a 30 odd. Loves a negative one.

### Reece Liddy

Reece continued to be a good middle order batsman and back up wicketkeep-

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er. I seemed to rate his season quite highly, however the stats really don't back up what I'm saying so I might drop that opinion. Only player with an IO above 80.

Highlights: Massive partnership with Kris in the semi-final. Can really grow a mo.

#### **Daniel Annakin**

Was our go-to opening bowler all season long and short guy. Took some crazy good wickets of quality top-order batsmen. His fielding is a joy to watch. Can't believe he didn't play Telegraph Shield.

Highlights: 4-27 were his best figures. 22 wickets at 15.1 for the season. Doesn't come to the pub and played the worst shot in an unlosable position in the semi-final.

#### Ryan Ludowyke

Leader of the attack and tall guy. Was more consistent throughout the season with his bowling and continually gets other people wickets with the immense pressure he puts on batsmen. He has a nice smile, anyone noticed that? Highlights: Best figures of 5 for 27. Took 22 wickets at 13.2. Don't think you were great in the field.

### **Bradley Gordon**

Bats somewhere and seems to find a way to let the boys down. We've beaten him down so much that his fielding has gone from average to match-fixing levels.

Highlights: 4 over cover in the semifinal. Let's not talk about the next ball. Great fielding in the semi-final.

### **Mark Godfrey**

A much more well-rounded season for

Mark in more ways than one. Somehow took an unbelievable amount of wickets bowling absolute pies. Also loves a pie. Thinks of himself as vice-captain, which is quite cute.

Highlights: Scored a 25. Best figures of 5 for 11 and a total of 21 wickets at 12.6. Was excellent at first slip. Had a kid.

#### Harrison Black

Keeps a bit and talks up his batting game. He missed the majority of the season and it showed in his keeping. Highlights: Dislocated shoulder in the semi-final.

#### Roland Schmidmaier

Rolls had an extremely consistent year, whether he was playing or not playing. I like Rolls as a person.

Highlights: Scored 17 and fielded brilliantly.

#### Tim Bowland

Joined the team towards the end of the season and showed a lot. He'll fit in nicely to the top order next season and will hopefully score runs.

Highlights: Decent spell of meds in the nets during the semi-final.

#### Liam Baillie

Come play more please. Highlights: 69 against Long Reef just before semi-finals.

#### Matt de Groot

Who?

Highlights: 2 wickets. Bye Matt.

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Kris Corbett

**Bowling:** Matthew Varjavandi **Sportsperson:** Brad Gordon

## Seniors 2nd Grade

Coming off back to back fourth grade premierships the Black Widows were rewarded with a promotion to second grade this season!

We struggled in the early rounds of the season. Luca was gallivanting around Europe until round 4 and Toby was in Canada on a student exchange for most of the season which left a big dent in our bowling attack. The Wright boys, David Brown, Matt Martin, Harrison Graham, Will Lynch and Adam McKern stepped up to fill the bowling stocks and they all did a fantastic job. The batting depth was also very thin, but we slowly grew in confidence as a group.

In round 4, inspired by the returning skipper, the bowlers bowled magnificently to dismiss the competition leaders Dee Why for 41! Despite a few early wobbles we managed to hang on for a hard fought first innings win. We'd now shaken off the imposter syndrome and realised that we actually belonged in second grade!

Overall we finished 6th for the season and were it not for an illness to Luca, and lightning in our match against Cromer, where we were a wicket away from victory, a top four position was achievable.



We want to send a special thank you to Kevin Hume for everything that he's done for the club. We miss you Kev and can't wait to see you back here! In addition we'd like to recognise the following players who helped out during the season: Hayden Gullick, Jonathon Hain, Kevin Hume, Michael Kovacs, Jackson Mackie, Sean Nimmo, Cormack O'Donnell, Giles Park, Cameron Powell, Harry Scott and Jadon Wilson.

Congratulations to the Wakehurst firsts, thirds, and fifths for making the finals this season. We'll be there next season!

Finally, a special mention to our Mick Martin Medalist, James Wright. James had a fantastic season this year. He really stepped up in the absence of Luca and Toby to become the spearhead of the bowling attack. Congratulations James!

#### Cameron Brown

With our regular keeper abandoning the team for international pursuits, Cameron Brown (son of sweet Davey Brown) stood up to take on this thankless task. Cammy was a rock with our less than accurate bowling requiring a safe pair of hands behind the stumps. Whether it was stopping wides down leg side, diving to take a low down catch, telling us that 1 brings 2 and 2 brings 3, Cammy delivered the goods. For Cammy's standard, his batting was hit and miss. His highlight was a magnificent 45 not out off 39 balls, including 2 sixes - one of them being one of the biggest straight drive sixes we've seen for some time. This wonderful innings nearly secured a victory for us but unfortunately Cammy ran out of

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Cammy ended up with 7 catches behind the stumps, 1 catch in the outfield, 1 stumping, and 2 run outs. In what was probably the most infamous dropped catch of the season. Cammy. normally safe under the high ball and fielding at long on positioned himself early and looked set to swallow a routine catch off his old man's bowling. However the ball somehow must have mysteriously swung in the air, has hit the brim of his hat, then managed to fall to the ground through his hands. Needless to say the bowler was less than impressed. In Cammy's happy go lucky manner he simply smiled and was heard to say, wasn't used to catching without the gloves, while the bowling was heard mumbling some other expletives!

A great teammate on the field and bringing the barbecue utensils each and every week capped off a solid year.

#### David Brown

I'm happy to play again but I'm only going to play a couple of games - Righto! On that note Brownie was quickly signed up for another season. Those few games turned into 11 appearances from a 14-round competition. Not a bad performance for a part-timer!

Early in the season we were missing a few of our younger bowlers so we sent out an SOS to D Brown. And true to form he stood up to the challenge and delivered. His best performance was against Harbord in round 2 where he took 3 for 28 from five overs in a one-day game – the largest haul of wickets from our bowlers.

Dave was as reliable as ever in the field. Normally fielding at mid on in the "Rodwell Position", Dave (the bowl-



ing whisperer) would mentor our bowlers so they kept their composure. In this role he is invaluable.

Under the high ball he was tested in our first match, taking a catch hit by the Cromer skipper (one of the season's top run scorers) a mile into the air. Cool and calm he swallowed it up without any fuss; their potentially destructive skipper out for a duck! It goes without saying that his work with the scorebook and general assistance throughout the season with helping where needed is second to none.

#### Luca Candotti

They say that the skipper is the heart and soul of the team, and never was it more exemplified than this season for the Black Widows. In his limited appearances, Luca excelled with both bat and ball. If having his team jump two grades wasn't enough of a challenge, an early season offshore sabbatical saw a delayed start to his season. His first appearance was round 4 versus Dee Why at Beverly Job, and it did not surprise that this coincided with the team's first win of the season. Winning the toss and inserting the opposition, the Black Widows restricted Dee Why to a miserly 41 from 27 overs. Luca's figures were 2 for 19 off nine overs and he held the middle order together with 11 runs off 78 deliveries, securing a first innings lead which ultimately

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led to a first innings victory. The highlight of Luca's season was the last before the mid-season break, which saw us fall just short of victory, with Cromer nine wickets down, rain, thunder and lightning happening, and 10 fielders around the bat. In perhaps Luca's best bowling effort of the season he finished with a wonderful five wicket haul ending with 5 for 37 off 15 overs, including four maidens. With the bat. Luca contributed his best innings of the season, with 33 in a 62 run 3rd wicket partnership with Michael Wright, which set the game up, only for the weather to deny the Widows a certain victory.

In his eight games this season, Luca scored an aggregate of 106 runs with the bat. With the ball, he bowled 100 overs (second only to James Wright in workload), collecting 16 wickets at 18.6.

#### Peter Candotti

Peter, "the Big C", took up from where he left off last season. Nursing the leg injury over the winter months that he sustained in the last play of the 2017/18 Grand Final, the team huddle, Peter started the season as an opener at Lionel Watts. He batted mostly in this position, on many occasions with Will Lynch. His batting tapered off from previous seasons, with a modest aggregate by his lofty standards of only 41 runs from nine visits to the crease. His best effort came in round 4 versus Dee Why at Beverly Job, where the short square boundaries netted him 14 late order runs in a first innings victory, which was our first for the season.

Peter was his usual fixture at first slip, completing a number of deft catches,

except for the round 12 game against Mona Vale at a damp Lionel Watts, when answering a desperate call from the skipper, Peter donned the gloves for the second half of Mona Vale's disastrous innings, and managed to acquit himself quite well. There were no catching opportunities, but no byes slipped through, with old Ironglove's only complaint being a few sore fingers.

Once again, Peter was the mainstay of the team's front office, being team coordinator, team representative to the Club and Association, and MMM scrutineer. Thanks Peter for all your efforts during the season!

#### Mike Dunn

The Phantom was back again this season for his customary five or so games. In true Phantom style there was some stylish batting; the highlight being a 50 off 64 balls against Collaroy in a partnership of 88 with Jadon Wilson. The Phantom limbered up, stretched, rolled the arm over in an attempt to catch the skipper's attention that he was willing and able to bowl. However, he was overlooked this season on the bowling front. We're not sure whether the skipper confused him with P Candotti in his various attempts to get a bowl (they do have similar warm up routines) or whether it is payback from the Chairman of the cordon for poor slips fielding last season! We didn't have a backup keeper early in the season so Phantom was called upon to keep wicket in the game against Long Reef. The only remnant from this game is Phantom's statement that he's never keeping again. At the time of writing, apparently, he still cannot button his shirt due to the thumb injury he sustained while keep-

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And finally, in true Phantom style, when walking off Lake Park after a relaxing day in the field, on what appeared an early finish with plenty of time for a beer, on a beautiful sunny afternoon, Phantom asks what the time is. Upon hearing that it was 550pm, a startled look appeared on his face, he yelled out oh f#@k, ran to his car and took off...not to be seen again until presentation night.

#### Harrison Graham

Having played a number of years of junior cricket with the boys, Harrison was lost to cricket for a few seasons as he pursued his love of golf. We welcomed him into the team this year for his first full season of senior cricket. Harrison is a very elegant left handed batsman – those of us old enough to remember are reminded of David Gower's flowing offside play. Unfortunately we probably didn't see the best of his batting this year and he finished the season with a total of 35 runs at an average of 3.5.

To the casual observer Harro's left arm off breaks seemed pretty innocuous. He is in fact a very deceptive bowler and finished the season with 17 wickets at an average of 15.2. Many of those dismissals were out bowled as batsmen failed to come to grips with Harro's change of pace and length. Harrison's best bowling performance came in the round 10 match against Long Reef where he picked up the key top order wickets and finished with 4 for 24 off seven excellent overs as we secured an important bonus point win. Remarkably, Harro took nine catches for the season. We say remarkably as is best remembered for some of his fielding antics - the kick across the boundary against Cromer being most memorable.

Harro showed off his golfing skills on our end of season golfing afternoon, easily finishing with the best score – including a brilliant hole in one!

#### Rick Howard

The opening batting position was a problem for us for the first half of the season. Doug had been speaking to Rick at training and Rick was keen for a game - and wanted to open. That opportunity came up in the first game back from the mid-season break when Rick got the call up to strengthen a depleted Black Widows outfit. And strengthen us he did, starting off with a 22 against Manly Breakers, followed up by a magnificent unbeaten 111 against Long Reef and 65 against top of the table Dee Why. Opening batting problem solved! Rick's 100 against Long Reef was the obvious highlight featuring eleven boundaries and four sixes. The Long Reef bowlers couldn't remove him and it was only a leg injury which forced him to retire hurt that brought an end to the carnage. Despite only playing six matches Rick finished the season as our second highest run scorer, scoring 251 runs at an average of just over 50.

Rick didn't get too many opportunities with the ball but proved to be a dab hand in the field picking up a couple



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of catches and combining with the Big C for the clumsiest run out ever against Collaroy Plateau in the final round. Corey Calvert from Collaroy – you can consider yourself very unlucky!

#### Nick Jarvis

Jarv had an interrupted start to the season due to his overseas travels. On his return he settled in and played some strong innings. He played really well against Cromer in a last wicket partnership with Michael, ensuring we batted out our overs. He formed a solid partnership with Peter against Harbord, but his standout performance was in the final match of the season against Collaroy. He scored a quickfire 18 off 22, including a towering six straight down the ground. He was unlucky to get out. He really looked like he was set for a long innings. After his wicket fell and he was settled on the sidelines, we've never heard Jarv talk so much after an innings, where he could be heard handing out batting advice to the upcoming batsmen! Jarv loves chatting. On the field he brings humour and relief in what can sometimes be long, hot days. He especially loves the glitzy end of season functions. He excelled himself at last year's club presentation night where he received rave reviews for his season overview, albeit we had to focus on a moving, talking target as he seemed to slowly dance across the floor. And who will forget the two VB outfits worn to this year's MMM night. Well done!

#### Toby Kovacs

Toby spent most of the season studying in Canada, and we spent most of the season muttering to ourselves "Gee I wish Toby was here." Toby was the lynchpin of the Widow's batting last season and was sorely missed this season – we didn't score more than 100 runs until round 5!

Toby didn't make it onto the field until the round 12 match v Mona Vale. His initial impact was not with the bat but the ball. Having won the toss and electing to bat, Mona Vale hadn't reckoned on the precision of Toby's outswing bowling. He took 1 for 3 off 5.2 overs as Mona Vale were bundled out for 59. Toby's batting wasn't needed in this match - but weren't we in for a treat in the next. Having been sent in to bat. Manly Breakers declared their innings at 8 for 225. In reply the Black Widows were in all sorts of trouble at 3 for 24 when Toby came to the crease in the 15th over - for his first innings of the summer. Another quick wicket fell bringing Iain McKern to the crease. What followed was a batting masterclass. Together Toby and Iain put on 172 runs to take the Black Widows to within sight of victory. Toby finished unbeaten on a majestic 120 off 135 balls as we cruised to an ultimately easy win.

In two innings Toby's was our third top run scorer, finishing with 159 runs for once out, 3 wickets at an average of 17.7, 3 catches (1 as wicket-keeper). Great to have you back Tobes!

#### Will Lynch

The season looked very promising for Will back in September last year. Keen as mustard, Will was primed. He was soon out of the blocks, and after a steady start with the ball, including a nice caught and bowled, Will was out opening the batting with Peter Candotti. In reply to Cromer's 133, Will and Peter put on 23 out of an eventual total of 58. Will's contribution in this

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partnership of 14 ended up as his best return of the season. From six innings, he totalled 33 runs, batting generally as an opener.

His seven appearances for the team were mostly at the start and end of the season, with a big chunk of November to January missed due to his love of music festivals.

His bowling was very tight, and his deceptive tweakers certainly put the brakes on the opposition scoring rate. On occasions, he bowled well in tandem with Adam McKern, with both bowlers providing limited scoring opportunities. In the 39 overs that he bowled this season, his best return was in the rainruined match against Cromer at Cromer just before Christmas, when he finished with figures of 2 for 18 off six overs, as Wakehurst crowded the bat searching for the elusive 10th wicket and victory. Lynchy will certainly be striving for more consistency next season, especially with the bat.

#### **Matt Martin**

This was another very solid season with the ball from Matty, who again was Mr Reliability, playing in 11 matches and finishing the year with 16 wickets at an average of 20.6. What the statistics don't tell is how much Matty contributes to the team through his highly energetic fielding and infectious good humour. Very little gets by Matty in the field and if it does, it's chased down with the speed of a gazelle. The older guys love fielding near Matty as he constantly covers for us. Some of the other members of the youth brigade should take note - "cough cough" Adam McKern.

Matty's standout performance was in the round 5 match against Mona Vale. With the openers getting off to a solid start and putting on 34 runs, Matty came on as first change bowler and sent the top 3 batsmen straight back to the sheds to have Mona Vale in trouble at 3 for 54. He finished the match with 4 for 61.

The final round match against Collaroy Plateau saw Matty reach a batting milestone. Normally reserving his best batting performances for Cromer, Matty played a very patient innings, reaching his customary 2, on the way notching up his 100th career run! Acknowledging the cheers from the sideline, Matty proudly announced to the opposition that it was this 1,000th run.

#### Adam McKern

Adam began the season as a leg spinning open batsman, durag clad and full of swagger à la Chris Gayle. However, as our middle order struggled and our fast bowling stocks dwindled, little did we know that Adam was planning something different for after the Christmas break. With very few fast bowling options due to hospitalisations, holidays and university exchanges, Adam stepped up as the newest member of the Black Widows fast bowling cartel. Frequently opening the bowling, Adam impressed, taking 13 wickets at 11.76 after the Christmas break, and finishing the season as joint leading wicket-taker. Whilst he is yet to become an official member of the Black Widows fast bowlers union, he has certainly provided a strong case for consideration for the upcoming season.

With the bat Adam overcame a disappointing start to the season at the top of order to provide much needed stability to our middle order, scoring 89 runs at 29.7 after Christmas. With Luca missing six games this season, Adam stepped up to lead the side on several

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occasions which he did very well. Having been demoted from the slips at the beginning of the season, due to countless drops off the skipper's bowling, Adam showed safe hands in the field to take eight catches for the season.

#### Iain McKern

Iain began the season in fine form with the bat and as we struggled to adapt to the added intensity of second grade, Iain was one of our only batsman scoring any runs at all. Iain continued this

strong form throughout the season finishing the season as our leading run scorer with 268 runs at 24.4, batting mostly from his favoured number three position.

There is nothing better than watching Iain bat when he is in full flow, playing every shot in the book, all around the ground (though mostly

through slips). His most memorable innings came in round 13 against the Manly Breakers, with the Black Widows in real trouble at 4 for 26 chasing 225, having just lost in form batsman Rick Howard. This brought Iain to the wicket to join Toby, and with the Manly Breakers fast bowlers on fire, it was a real battle for survival. However, Iain and Toby had other plans as they took to the Breakers attack, with Iain contributing 69 off 110 in a stunning 172 run partnership that utterly demoralised the Manly Breakers side and gave us the victory.

In the field, Iain increasingly tried to protect his body earning him the nickname of the "fossil". Many other "names" were tossed around describing his ineptitude at managing the BBQ roster!

#### **Doug Wright**

Doug is the ultimate team player, prepared to play any role that will best benefit the team. Usually the first to arrive and last to leave training, Doug lives and breathes cricket. A valuable member of the middle order, Doug was involved in many partnerships that provided valuable resistance and runs in middle order, the highlight undoubtedly being the occupation of the crease to

allow his son Michael to complete his maiden half century.

In the high pressure situations you can always rely on Doug, whether taking an important catch or knuckling down to keep out the bowling. Naturally adept at occupying the crease and frustrating the bowling, Doug didn't have many opportunities to show off his

class as "the finisher" this year. We look forward to seeing this side of Doug's batting again next season. Doug is one of our best fielders. Predominantly patrolling the cover region, his dedication and willingness to put his body on the line is unmatched, saving countless runs. Doug keeps up the same intensity and energy for the full 70 overs even on the hottest of days and in the most dire of situations. Doug also has a safe pair of hands taking nine catches and completing one runout for the season. We are eagerly awaiting Doug's return to the bowling crease next season.

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#### James Wright

Being the recipient of the 2017/18 Mick Martin Medal was an accurate reflection of a great year for James. Moving up two grades did little to unnerve our strike left arm opening bowler and sweet hitting lower order batsman. He saw the improved standard of our opposition as a challenge and ultimately led by example through his natural talent, hard work and enthusiasm. If he could be torn away from his gaming, he was always at training, willing to listen, learn and implement. Our season's most dependable bowler, James consistently built up pressure with tight lines and outswingers that frustrated opposition batsman all across the competition. James capped a great season with the ball in the last game, with the terrific figures of 5 for 51 to rip through the Collarov batting order, and finished the year with 20 wickets at 18.0.

James's batting developed very nicely through the season as he stepped up to the increased competition to finish with 96 runs at 10.8. An innings by James always featured some sweet striking as well as the ability to lock down and keep out the bowling. A very good fielder, James always brought great energy in the field and took ten catches for the year. Congratulations James on a great season and a thoroughly deserved Mick Martin Medal.

#### Michael Wright

Michael started the year with a bang opening the bowling and immediately getting amongst the wickets, picking up a double in each of his opening matches. After two rounds Michael was equal leading wicket taker alongside the wily old fox, David Brown. Sadly an early

season shoulder injury meant he could no longer pepper our opposition with his teasing outswingers.

His focus now on batting, Michael really applied himself well in the nets, improving on his already very good technique and developing greater power in his strokes. Older Widow members were soon boycotting the fielding drills where Michael would launch his missiles into the outfield.

Michael's breakthrough innings came in the round 8 match against Cromer. After a little persuasion he answered the skipper's call to fill the troubled opening position. Against some often intimidating bowling, Michael batted through the entire 75 overs, remaining unbeaten on 65 off 209 balls (his first half century), and setting up a match winning total (unfortunately we were denied victory by the weather). This was an absolute highlight for Michael and the whole team, and we have never seen a team so happy for his deserved success. The opposition sledged him all day for a slow run rate, but at the end of the day they acknowledged that he was the difference between the two teams.

Michael took some absolute screamers in close and in the outfield. If it went near Michael it was always a wicket and he finished with ten catches for the season.

#### Season awards

Mick Martin Medal: James Wright

Batting: Iain McKern Bowling: Adam McKern Sportsperson: David Brown

# Seniors 3rd Grade

Wakehurst

This season was my first season as captain for the club and while it was challenging at different points, it was also very rewarding. The main reason behind this season been rewarding was the 10 other people on the field that I called my teammates. They are a fantastic bunch of blokes who bring their own unique skills and personalities to the table. I sometimes looked at other teams who would argue with each other or be so depressing that they wouldn't even smile after winning and be so

thankful that my team didn't have those personnel problems and that veryone was friendly and

got along.

This team had a great mixture of youth and experience that was on show week after week. I hope the younger guys in the team have taken something from this season that will take and try to improve on for next year. Maybe a carefully crafted sledge at a struggling

batsmen is always a good skill to practice.

With so many amazing moments this year, it was hard to pick a few standouts however, it would be foolish not to mention Nick's amazing 159 not out at Killarney Oval where if they were allowed to, I'm sure the opposition would have put fielders on the road. Or even Jamie's 10 wickets in our two innings classic at the same oval against the competition premiers. It was their first loss of the season and I'm sure we all knew that we were the team the hated playing the most. The final big standout

moment I'll mention is Hooks 108 not out. After only scoring 68 as a team Adrian took it upon himself to show everyone the correct way to bat. I'll just say that it was so tempting to declare when you were on 99 after running you out last year for the same score. In summary, I really hope everyone had a great season.

Cricket is about more than just winning, it's about finding a group of people to go into battle each week with.

afterwards sharing a beer (pink lemonade for our youngsters) and making new friends along the way. I hope to see you all next year when we challenge for the title.

Regards Iess

#### Jess Ball (c)

11 Matches (89 runs, 10 wickets). Captain Courageous, some say he could have done better

others say he is in the same mould as Steve Waugh. Take your pick

#### Stuart Banham

Cricket Club

11 Matches (208 runs, 1 x 50runs). Stu was our fiery reliable opener who looked loved to do two things. One was offering his son up as a spare player when we needed it and secondly sledging mediocre batsmen from point on their technique.

#### Jack Chick

3 Matches (46 runs). Jack was one of young superstars to join us this year

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for a few games. A gutsy 37 in the first round made it clear that this young man can bat.

#### Nicholas Dollman

8 Matches (3 runs, 9 wickets). Dolly had a major role this year for Wakehurst. He was the team scorer and if he wasn't tracking our runs he was dropping catches off his skipper.

#### Phil Dunne

7 Matches (4 runs, 4 wickets). If passion got you runs and wickets, Phil would have scored over 1000 runs and taken multiple 5 wicket hauls. A true leader in the team with his passionate and motivating attitude.

#### **Gavin Franklin**

10 Matches (57 runs, 13 wickets). Gav had a fantastic year and was able to stay injury free. The ever reliable swing bowler who you could always turn to to break a partnership.

#### **Iamie Friedlein**

2 Matches (1 run). After lasts years run scoring season, Jamie decided to take up a coaching role. Unfortunately it was for another team. When Jamie did get the morning off, it seemed he turned to the bottle so creating the team highlight where the dropped catch that everyone knew the reason behind occurred.

#### Adrian Hookham

13 Matches (391 runs, 2 x 50runs, 1 x 100runs). Adrian was the teams Gilly. He could score runs and was owed a beer from every bowler for some of the catches he took behind the wickets. Next year he told me he'll also be bowling to make sure it's all done right.

#### **Simon Horton**

5 Matches (7 runs, 1 wicket). Mondo is part of the furniture here at Wakehurst and the team is never the same without Mondo on the team sheet. A memorable moment was mondo taking his wicket after a fantastic over at Passmore oval.

#### Richard Howard

6 Matches (206 runs, 2 x 50runs, 1 wicket). The Ric-star was on fire this season and it took all my strength to fight off other grades to keep their hands off my opener. Every time Ric battered he kept getting younger and younger while scoring more and more runs.

#### **Kevin Hume**

9 Matches (96 runs, 7 wickets). Kev, rampage, the panther. Call him what you want but he had as much energy as the whole team. His wicked leg spin left teams bamboozled and we hope to see him back soon but wish him all the best in Perth.



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#### Nick Kough

11 Matches (412 runs, 2 x 50runs, 1 x 150runs). Nick had the most unusual season I have seen for some time. He started with a diamond duck and finished with scoring the most runs in team, including a fantastic 159 not out at Killarney Oval.

#### **Matthew Murray**

5 Matches (28 runs, 3 wickets). If Mondo was part of the furniture, Matt is the foundation of Wakehurst. His experience was a massive bonus for the team which also including his magical bowling that I'm still learning to face in the nets.

#### **Jamie Murray**

12 Matches (104 runs, 32 wickets, 1 x 5wicket, 1 x 10 wicket). The bullet trains from Japan are slow when in comparison with Jamie. His express heat would not only scare the opening batsmen but the whole line up as they knew it was only a matter of time before he was bowling to them.

#### Cormac O'Donnell

10 Matches (69 runs, 10 wickets). The COD was an extremely successful midseason purchase. The youngest player in team but he held his own with both bat and bowl. We will continue to work on his sledging as its park cricket without a young player just constantly sledging.

#### Harrison Scott

10 Matches (59 runs, 13 wickets). When Harry wasn't preparing for his modelling career he was bowling pure heat at the opening batsmen. An athlete in the field Harry would take plenty of catches in the outfield when he wasn't picking

out pieces of sushi from his beard.

#### **Hurshwin Sharma**

7 Matches (33 runs, 5 wickets). Hursh was another one of our young superstars who would show up the older players of the team. Hursh was a fantastic slip fielder and had all the technique with both bat and ball. All I hope is that I never see him on the other team. Great job champ.

Thanks to other players from this season including 2 matches from Cameron Powell, 1 match from Liam Ashby, Liam Chang, Muneer Trivedi and Stephen O'Sullivan. I really appreciate all for filling in when the team needed it.

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Nick Kough **Bowling:** Jamie Murray

Sportsperson: Gavin Franklin



# Seniors 4th Grade

After the devastating exit in the Semi-Final from the 2017/2018 season, it was important to pick up the pieces and rebuild for 2018/2019. Unfortunately, that is easier said than done and 2018/2019 proved to be quite the transitional year. We lost quite a number of key players from the previous season however, created a new identity that will only bode well for the 2019/2020 season. To top it off, we were moved up from 5th Grade to 4th Grade even after being knocked out in the Semi-Finals in 5th Grade. Apparently I was batting too well...woops. Nevertheless, with the exodus of players from the 2017/2018 season and moving up a Grade, 2018/2019 proved to be a tough year. Whilst we did finish last in the competition, we can hold our heads high by playing right through the season and picking up some nice wins along the way. In the end, we were only one victory away from making the finals so it was a fair effort in the circumstances.

Round 1 against Harbord Bowling Club was always going to be a litmus test. At Melwood Oval, Harbord Bowling Club were reliant on a few particular batsman and unfortunately with a few dropped catches, they managed to work their way to a respectable total of 9/149 off 35 Overs. Ky Broome and Ian Thompson bowled well to take 2/25 and 3/24 off their 7 overs respectively. We thought 150 was very reachable and looked forward to chasing it down. Unfortunately, we forgot that our batting would not be as lush for the first game of the season! A very poor batting collapse had us situated at 5/33. Ky Broome and Hamish Moore put on a crucial stand of 49 for the 6th Wicket to give us a chance and with Ky continuing on, we were positioned at 7/107 with

time on our side. However, the tail could not hold on and Ky eventually lost his wicket, resulting in a 28 run loss by being bowled out for 121.

Round 2 against Mona Vale was at the equally batting friendly track of Killarney Oval with our side being put into bat first. Ian Thompson and Nathan Bennett put on a strong stand of 33 to kick us under way however; we never really pushed on from there and progressively lost wickets along the way. At one point, we had a sudden collapse from 6/101 to 9/102 and looked in all sorts of trouble. Thankfully, Daniel McGowan and Cormac O'Donnell held on for as long as they could by posting a 38 run stand for the 10th Wicket. We were bowled out for 140 with just a fraction more than an over to spare. It was a great effort from those 2 to give us half a chance at defending it. Mona Vale's batting though was too polished and too strong for our bowlers. We tried a number of bowlers however: Matthew Moore was the only real threat on the day with 2/8 off 3.3 Overs. Mona Vale would cruise to a 7 wicket win and leave 11s O-2

Round 3 proved that not having the captain there (yours truly) was the best thing that could happen to the side. Facing Manly Leagues who were already posing as a key contender for the 4th Grade Championship, the guys fought and clawed their way to 95 on the incredibly difficult field to score of Passmore. Ky Broome, Ian Thompson and Matthew Moore all contributed with the mighty Ben Harris contributing in the tail to help our score out. It proved to be critical as the guys bowled out of their skin to have Manly Leagues all out

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for 69. Hamish Moore was unbelievable with his efforts of 4/10 off 7 overs! Everyone else kept their economy rate low and chipped in with wickets. It was a fantastic effort and just the kick-start we needed.

Round 4 against Seaforth was unfortunately, a crashing back to Earth reality. In one of our more disappointing efforts with the bat for the season, we were bowled all out for 86 in the 1st innings of the 2-Day contest with Ky Broome the only individual to reach double figures thanks to a very important 30. Seaforth had all the time in the world to score the runs and look for the Outright victory in which, is what they did. Seaforth managed to pass our score with 4 Wickets to spare and had a late flurry of runs to finish all out on 177. It was disappointing given that they were 5/58 at one point and anything was possible. James Quillan stood out though in fine style thanks to his 5/30 off 11 Overs! A special note must go to Ian Thompson and Matthew Moore who bowled long spells and kept the runs down in the process. We were sent back into bat again by Seaforth and decided to let loose and just have some fun. Obviously, we were hoping to avoid the outright too! A 94 run stand between Josh Capiron and yours truly for the 2nd wicket ensured that we passed their score with plenty of wickets in hand! In the end, Josh managed 65 and yours truly posted 51. Ky Broome and Conor Dale contributed runs and time to the point that Seaforth realised a chance of winning Outright was not possible and play ceased at 7/221. It was a tough match to play however, at least we made the most of the situation to score a few runs.

Round 5 was against Collaroy Plateau in another 2-Day Contest at Melwood Oval. With Collaroy batting first, they had one key batsman make a big score with the rest of them apart from their opener not clearing 11. It was frustrating however, we persevered and ensured their score we stop at 224. Ian Thompson managed 3/39 off his 13 Overs with Hamish Moore picking up 3/48 too. With Daniel McGowan bowling tight and a key wicket from Ben Harris, it was a solid bowling effort all around. However, chasing 225 was going to be a tough ask. Thankfully, the captain decided to erase the batting slump and score! In the end, I managed 113 and held out to the classic full toss. not a wicket ball I would recommend being dismissed to! However, Conor Dale was a very key ingredient as well as Conor and I posted 113 for the 3rd wicket to really solidify our ability to chase down a big score! Ian Thompson came in and scored a quick flurry of 39 to ensure we passed the 225 target with 5 wickets to spare. Conor contributed with 35 as well and Nathaniel Bills ensured that he held down an end whilst Ian went frenetic, Good win!

However, one of our worst performances for the season was saved for Round 6 in the rematch against Harbord Bowling Club. Harbord Bowling Club batted well with numerous contributors to their total and no matter what we tried, we were unable to break through. In the end, they finished on 9/333, quite a significant total. Muneer Trivedi bowled well to take 2/46 off his 12 Overs with Nathaniel Bills bowling a solid spell to go for only 3 runs per over. Chasing down 334 was always going to be a mountain of a task and even though Ky Broome, Will Lynch and Conor Dale all

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chipped in, we were bowled out for 128. Obviously, Harbord Bowling Club put us back into bat and to the boy's credit, they saved the outright by finishing on 1/106 off 20 Overs. Ian Thompson and Daniel McGowan enjoyed a near opening century stand with Ian top-scoring on 60. Daniel and Will Lynch managed to carry the team through until play was agreed upon to cease.

Perhaps the darkest day was the forfeit to Manly Leagues in Round 7. I have never been involved in a forfeit before and hope that never happens again.

Round 8 proved to be a difficult task yet again with Mona Vale managing a big total when batting first. At one point, Mona Vale was absolutely in control by being 3/210. To the guy's credit, we managed to bowl Mona Vale out for 261 thanks to the efforts of Nathaniel Bills and Liam Chang bowling nice sharp spells. However, being at Terrey

Hills, anything was possible. When we returned next week, the weather conditions were not ideal and scoring became significantly more challenging. In the end, yours truly managed 47 and Liam Chang contributed with 21 however, the rest were unfortunately not able to post some scores. In the end though, we managed to bat long enough for the rain to come down and end in a draw altogether! We finished on 6/105 with Daniel McGowan being the not out batsman.

Round 9 against Seaforth proved to be

another case of 1-2 batsman pulling the game away from us just enough! Initially after keeping them to a low score, Seaforth pulled away in the second half of their innings to finish on 6/166 off 35 Overs. Nathaniel Bills and Daniel McGowan only conceded 30 runs between them in 14 overs whilst Sebastian Candido made a welcomed return to the side by finishing on 2/24. Nathan Bennett and Ben Harris took a wicket as well to add to their tallies of being bowlers that can come in and pick up a quick wicket! The run chase was a

stretch too far for us however; we managed to play it out as long as we could before submitting at 136. Hamish Moore opened the batting and played in fine style to score his careerhigh for the Wakehurst Redbacks of 34 and Sebastian Candido fought to the very end to finish on 39 not out. Blake Gregory managed to hit a big 6 at number 11 to make us believe that he could pull it off a few more times in a row! Sadly, that was not to

be the case. Do it next season Blake.

Round 10 against Collaroy Plateau saw a number of players missing. However, we did not want a repeat of Round 7 and through hell and high water, we fielded a side. For this game, I could have easily rebranded my team as the National Poker League Redbacks thanks to most of my team play poker at NPL! Obviously, the challenge proved to be quite difficult and being bowled out for 108 was perhaps not a bad score in the circumstances! Josh Capiron top scored

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with 24 with Sebastian Candido picking up 21 on a tough ground to score. At one point, it looked like a very real possibility that we would pick up the upset of the season! However, a number of dropped catches helped steady Collaroy Plateau and they fell over the line with a 3 wicket win! Jack Pocklington and Ky Broome took 2 wickets each whilst Sam Dempsey bowled a very tight spell to ensure that Collaroy only passed the total with 11 balls to spare.

I am not sure whether playing Cricket on Australia Day is the best idea for Park Cricket however, that was the case in Round 11 against Harbord Bowling Club! It was not one of our strongest efforts with the bat and sadly, the ground did not help our cause either. Blake Gregory fought hard to finish on 19 not out however; being bowled out for 71 was a low point. The guys tried really hard and made Harbord Bowling Club work for their runs! It took Harbord Bowling Club 23 overs to pass the score with only 4 wickets to spare. Ky Broome and Matthew Moore picked up 5 wickets between them for only 40 runs conceded off 14 overs. Considering that we were trying to attack, that is an exceptional effort. The character these guys showed to apply themselves in the field was second to none and was pleasing to see despite the results not necessarily going our way.

With yours truly attending a wedding in Round 12, I had a funny feeling that the boys would post a win against Mona Vale at Killarney Oval. Even though in previous contests we had been soundly beaten, these guys have a tendency to save their best for when I am not there! On Killarney Oval bowling first, we restricted Mona Vale to just 109 off 35

Overs. Hamish Moore took 4/30 off his 7 Overs whilst Ian Thompson bowled amazingly tight to concede only 9 runs off 7 overs. It was a fine effort and now. the challenge was to score the runs! Liam Ashby opened the batting and managed 27 before Ian Thompson stepped in to guide the guy's home with a fine effort of 39 not out. Even though we lost a flurry of wickets and were perched at 8/98. Ben Harris ensured that James Quillan would not be sweating bullets by sticking it out with Ian and staying for the victory! To top it off, Ben scored the winning run and we took a 2 wicket victory!

Round 13 were against the clear ladder leaders of Manly Leagues and I could see why! With the finest opening bowler partnership in the Grade, they would tear sides apart with their bowling. That indeed, happened to us. Although Cameron Powell and vours truly battled on to have Wakehurst at 3/82 in their first innings, a monumental collapse of 7/7 ensured we were bowled out for 89. I was stunned. Their opening bowlers took a combined 8/36 between them off nearly 24 overs. I managed 42 with Cameron picking up 21. Manly Leagues decided to go out and look for the Outright by declaring on 6/106. Ian Thompson vet again bowled a fine spell of

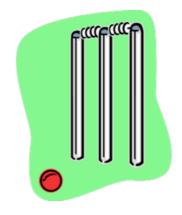


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3/29 off 18 overs with James Ouillan supporting him with 2/40 off 15. Acknowledging that our chances of winning were not very strong, we decided to go out and have some fun by throwing the bat! It proved to be quite entertaining and for Blake Gregory, quite rewarding! Blake managed 27 opening before being run out in circumstances that Blake has been trying to erase from his brain ever since. Ky Broome hit some lusty blows to finish on 26 not out however, a team score of 101 ensured that an outright victory was a possibility. In the end, Manly managed to reach it with 4 wickets to spare even though it says on MyCricket they won by 5 wickets. They could not fathom the idea of having their batsman being run out on the final ball of a match...oh well. Daniel McGowan bowled a fine spell to take 3/20 and be a lethal threat to the Manly Leagues line-up.

So, that led us to Round 14 in our final match against Seaforth. A win for Seaforth would ensure they make the finals however: a loss would result in them missing out. In our previous 2 occasions of facing Seaforth, we had lost and not really been in the contest. We decided to have some fun with the game by turning up in party shirts and ensuring that everyone would have a go with the ball! Everyone that played on the day bowled a minimum of 4 overs and was it entertaining! Although our fielding was a little to be desired, the bowling was quite strong with wickets spread well around. The only person to take 2 wickets was Nathaniel Bills thanks to his 2/26 effort off just under 9 overs. Seaforth would finish on 179 at Melwood Oval, quite a challenging score. In the end, we returned the



following week (in party shirts), and set about trying to cause some chaos. Although we lost our opening batsman for a small score, Hamish Moore and yours truly went about trying to chase this total down! In the end, a 3rd wicket partnership of 50 provided the chance of victory. Whilst Hamish would fall for 21, yours truly would continue to carry on with Ky Broome and put on 37 for the 4th wicket stand! Before my dismissal to a very lazy shot, we were on 3/116 and in control. Unfortunately, a batting collapse left us at 8/128 and victory seeming out of reach. Matthew Moore and Nathaniel Bills then went about trying to achieve the unachievable and managed to pile on 46 for the 9th wicket before Matthew held out for It left Nathaniel and Daniel McGowan needing 6 runs to win and only they could achieve the target. The following overs proved to be a nail biter as Seaforth's final aspirations and our pride were on the line! Nathaniel managed to hit a crucial boundary that took us over the line with 1 wicket to spare! Seaforth were out of finals contention and our record as party shirt wearers will be forever undefeated. What an unbelieva-

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I say this generally after every season and I do not want to sound repetitive but the following must be said. The only reason I play in this team is because of the guys that I play with. They are an amazing group of people that play the game in the right spirit and enjoy all the theatrics that come with it. It was great to see the development of everyone throughout the season to cap off with a team effort in restricting Seaforth to a chase that our best was good enough to reach! I hope that we can stay together for Season 2019/2020 and push on to bigger and better things! We have the potential and we just need to keep working on our game. Let's enjoy the off season yet keep an eve on picking up the willow or the Kookaburra from time to time □ Finals cricket for us next season will definitely happen if we can keep the progress going!

As I have done in previous seasons, below is a profile of every "core" member of the 2018/2019 playing squad for the Wakehurst 4th Grade side:

#### Nathan Bennett

Matches: 7

Batting Stats: Innings: 7. Runs: 26. Average: 3.71.

Highest Score: 9 against Long Reef, Round 2.

Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 33 with Ian Thompson against Long Reef, Round 2.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 12. Maidens: 0. Runs Conceded: 74. Wickets: 2. Best Bowling Figures: 1/28 (5 Overs) against Seaforth, Round 9.

Fielding: 1 Catch.

Highlight of the Season: Nathan's running catch whilst fielding a little wide of a standard 1st slip was definitely my moment of the season! To top it off, a few key partnerships at the top of the order whilst being the solid wall that he can be always helps the 4th Grade Redbacks take the shine off the ball!

#### Nathaniel Bills

Matches: 8

Batting Stats: Innings: 6. Runs: 34. Average: 8.50.

Highest Score: 14\* against Seaforth, Round 14.

Highest Partnership: 5th wicket of 53 with Ian Thompson against Collaroy Plateau, Round 5.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 59.4. Maidens: 10. Runs Conceded: 193. Wickets: 7. Best Bowling Figures: 3/49 (15 Overs) against Mona Vale, Round 8.

Fielding: 3 Catches and 1 Assisted Run-Out.

Highlight of the Season: Nathaniel was really unlucky not to earn more wickets with his spearing line and length bowling. I am certain next season, that will be a much different tale! However, to watch him hit the winning runs in our final match against Seaforth when all hope looked lost was an innings of poise under pressure! Absolutely outstanding effort!

#### **Ky Broome**

Matches: 9

Batting Stats: Innings: 11. Runs: 231. Average: 23.10.

Highest Score: 56 against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 1.

Highest Partnership: 3rd wicket of 51 with Josh Capiron against Seaforth, Round 4.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 59. Maidens: 14.

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Runs Conceded: 199. Wickets: 13. Best Bowling Figures: 3/30 (7 Overs) against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 11.

Fielding: 5 Catches and 1 Assisted Run-Out.

Highlight of the Season: Throughout the season, Ky could always be relied upon to do a job with either the bat or the ball. Although he did not score many runs in this particular innings, Ky's 22 against Manly Leagues in Round 3 to help set a strong enough total to defend against the eventual premiers will go down as a key highlight of the season! To do it whilst facing their opening bowlers as well at the top of the order is a solid effort!

#### Josh Capiron

Matches: 6

Batting Stats: Innings: 5. Runs: 105.

Average: 21.00.

Highest Score: 65 against Seaforth, Round 4.

Highest Partnership: 2nd wicket of 94 with Andrew Davies against Seaforth, Round 4.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 7. Maidens: 2.



Runs Conceded: 23. Wickets: 0. Best Bowling Figures: 0/3 (4 Overs) against Seaforth, Round 4.

Fielding: 0 Catches

Highlight of the Season: Josh's efforts in unfortunately, a losing battle against Seaforth in Round 4 will still be definitely his highlight for the season! A classy 65 with the bat plus some tight bowling ensured Seaforth would not achieve their hopes of winning outright and perhaps, lucky that they were able to escape the game with an innings win!

#### Conor Dale

Matches: 8

Batting Stats: Innings: 8. Runs: 116.

Average: 16.57.

Highest Score: 35 against Collaroy Plat-

eau, Round 5.

Highest Partnership: 3rd wicket of 113 with Andrew Davies against Collaroy Plateau, Round 5.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 14. Maidens: 1. Runs Conceded: 55. Wickets: 3.

Best Bowling Figures: 1/13 against Seaforth, Round 14.

Fielding: 2 Catches

Highlight of the Season: Conor provided a number of key contributions with the bat whilst in the middle order. Most significantly, the 35 that Conor hit in a 113 run partnership with yours truly ensured that we would chase down Collaroy's 224 to post a great win! Conor has a good temperament and is very difficult to dismiss when he posts a few runs on the board. Keep it up Conor!

#### **Andrew Davies**

Matches: 11

Batting Stats: Innings: 12. Runs: 373.

Average: 31.08.

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Highest Score: 113 against Collaroy Plateau, Round 5.

Highest Partnership: 3rd wicket of 113 with Conor Dale against Collaroy Plateau, Round 5.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 8.1. Maidens: 0. Runs Conceded: 40. Wickets: 1. Best Bowling Figures: 1/15 (3.1 Overs) against Collaroy Plateau, Round 10. Fielding: 15 Catches (13 as Wicket-Keeper), 5 Assisted Run-Outs and 5

Highlight of the Season: Whilst I was pretty disappointed with my output for the season, I feel like my contributions with the bat against Manly Leagues and Seaforth in Round 13 and 14 respectively were reflective of how I would like to approach my batting for next season. It was nice to bowl a little bit this season too...I think I will stick with wicket-keeping!

#### **Blake Gregory**

Matches: 10

Stumpings.

Batting Stats: Innings: 10. Runs: 62. Av-

erage: 7.75.

Highest Score: 27 against Manly

Leagues, Round 13.

Highest Partnership: 5th wicket of 33 with Ian Thompson against Harbord

Bowling Club, Round 11.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 10.2. Maidens: 1.

Runs Conceded: 63. Wickets: 1. Best Bowling Figures: 1/15 (4 Overs)

against Seaforth, Round 14.

Fielding: 8 Catches, 1 Assisted Run-Out

and 1 Stumping.

Highlight of the Season: Although Blake would probably prefer to forget this season by virtue of being disappointed with his efforts, there is definitely plenty of upside with some key contributions towards the latter end of the year with the bat. Add to the work on his

bowling that finally saw him take a wicket, next season should be a big year for the man!

#### **Ben Harris**

Matches: 11

Batting Stats: Innings: 10. Runs: 15. Av-

erage: 1.88.

Highest Score: 5 against Manly Leagues, Round 3.

Highest Partnership: 6th wicket of 16 with Conor Dale against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 6.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 7. Maidens: 0. Runs Conceded: 32. Wickets: 2. Best Bowling Figures: 1/8 (3 Overs) against Collaroy Plateau, Round 5.

Fielding: 1 Catch.

Highlight of the Season: If ever there was a cult hero, it would be Ben Harris. From the uncharacteristic style of his fielding approach to the support he would receive to bat or bowl as a priority from the team, Ben was a person you wanted in the side! Better yet, as the season wore on, his bowling dramatically improved to the point that next season, Ben will holding that Kookaburra a few more times! The best part was his attitude...no matter what you asked of him, he always did his best. That is an ethos all of us can live for.

#### Daniel McGowan

Matches: 9

Batting Stats: Innings: 9. Runs: 55. Average: 9.17.

Highest Score: 24\* against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 6.

Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 94 with Ian Thompson against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 6.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 58. Maidens: 5. Runs Conceded: 227. Wickets: 6. Best Bowling Figures: 3/20 (5 Overs)

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against Manly Leagues, Round 13.

Fielding: 3 Catches

Highlight of the Season: Daniel finally had some thoroughly deserved efforts for his bowling when a lethal spell of 3/20 against Manly Leagues gave us a small sniff into the most unlikely of victories. Daniel had some key efforts with the bat, irrespective of the position he was in by placing value on his wicket. In particular, his last stance with Nathaniel Bills to give us the win in the final game of the season is an effort under pressure to say the least!

#### Hamish Moore

Matches: 9

Batting Stats: Innings: 8. Runs: 90. Average: 11.25. Highest Score: 34 against Seaforth, Round 9. Highest Partnership: 3rd wicket of 50 with Andrew Davies against Seaforth, Round 14.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 38. Maidens: 2. Runs Conceded: 163. Wickets: 13. Best Bowling Figures: 4/10 (7 Overs) against Manly Leagues, Round 3.

Fielding: 3 Catches

Highlight of the Season: For whatever unusual reason, Hamish picked up the majority of his wickets in the 2 games I was not there...both those games, he took 4 wicket hauls. I do not understand! Nevertheless, apart from the bowling, Hamish's batting stepped up a notch in the new year with a particular liking to the Seaforth by scoring 34 and 21 respectively against them!

#### **Matthew Moore**

Matches: 8

Batting Stats: Innings: 7. Runs: 66. Aver-

age: 9.43.

Highest Score: 35 against Seaforth,

Round 14.

Highest Partnership: 9th wicket of 46 with Nathaniel Bills against Seaforth, Round 14.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 46.3. Maidens: 10. Runs Conceded: 136. Wickets: 7. Best Bowling Figures: 2/8 (3.3 Overs)

against Mona Vale, Round 2.

Fielding: 5 Catches (2 as Wicket-Keeper) and 1 Stumping.

Highlight of the Season: Apart from

Matt's heroic 35 with the bat in our fantastic win against Seaforth in the final game of the season, you could always rely on Matt to bowl a miserly spell even against the face of adversity. A great team player.

#### Jack Pocklington

Matches: 4

Batting Stats: Innings: 4.

Runs: 14. Average: 3.50.

Highest Score: 5 against Seaforth and Collaroy Plateau, Round 9 and 10. Highest Partnership: 5th wicket of 19 with Ian Thompson against Mona Vale, Round 12.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 7. Maidens: 2. Runs Conceded: 31. Wickets: 2. Best Bowling Figures: 2/31 (7 Overs) against Collardy Plateau, Round 10.

Fielding: 2 Catches

Highlight of the Season: Unfortunately, Jack was not as available as we would all hope he could be however, his efforts with the ball despite his issues with bowling as well as he would like to

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was brave and admirable. I have never seen an LBW look as plumb in my life until I saw the ball that Jack took a wicket on! Always a great person to have around and would definitely like to see more of next season!

#### James Quillan

Matches: 10

Batting Stats: Innings: 8. Runs: 40. Av-

erage: 5.71.

Highest Score: 13 against Seaforth and Harbord Bowling Club, Round 4 and 6. Highest Partnership: 5th wicket of 29 with Conor Dale against Seaforth, Round 4.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 66. Maidens: 13. Runs Conceded: 216. Wickets: 12. Best Bowling Figures: 5/30 (11 Overs) against Seaforth, Round 4.

Fielding: 1 Catch

Highlight of the Season: James would grow into being one of our frontline bowlers as the season wore on thanks to his tireless efforts of pumping his left arm bowling through with heat. In the midst of it, James managed a 5 wicket haul in a big effort! Whilst batting, James mastered the flick to fine leg, it was a bit more difficult to score in other spots! However, he did improve statistically from the previous season so if he keeps it up; better things are yet to come!

#### Ian Thompson

Matches: 11

Batting Stats: Innings: 14. Runs: 263. Average: 21.92.

Highest Score: 60 against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 6.

Highest Partnership: 1st wicket of 94 with Daniel McGowan against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 6.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 112.5. Maidens:



25. Runs Conceded: 342. Wickets: 19. Best Bowling Figures: 3/24 (7 Overs) against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 1. Fielding: 6 Catches and 2 Assisted RunOuts.

Highlight of the Season: It was fantastic to have Ian back after a number of seasons and he certainly was a man of all trades! Whatever you wanted him to do, he would be ready and able to do it! Ian had a number of decent scores with the bat and would bowl long and tight spells with either his medium-pace or his leg-spinners. A big season awaits him next season!

#### Muneer Trivedi

Matches: 5

Batting Stats: Innings: 6. Runs: 38. Average: 7.90.

Highest Score: 13 against Mona Vale, Round 2.

Highest Partnership: 6th wicket of 22 with Ky Broome against Seaforth, Round 4.

Bowling Stats: Overs: 15. Maidens: 3. Runs Conceded: 79. Wickets: 3. Best Bowling Figures: 2/46 (12 Overs) against Harbord Bowling Club, Round 6. Fielding: 2 Catches

Highlight of the Season: Whilst sadly, Muneer had to move away from the region preventing him from playing in

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2019, Muneer's presence in the early part of the season will not be forgotten! Perhaps the best highlight was his marathon spell with his spin-bowling against Harbord Bowling Club in Round 6! With such precision, Muneer stunted their progression and turned their innings into a real stalemate whilst picking up wickets along the way!

Apart from the "core" squad members, I would like to thank the following guys for helping out when required: Liam Ashby, Sebastian Candido, Ben Capiron, Liam Chang, Jack Chick, Sam Dempsey, Tony Dertadian, Thomas Fourie, Thomas Hughes, Kevin Hume, Nick Kough, Tony Leoni, William Lynch, Cormac O'Donnell, Cameron Powell, Luke Richardson, Hurshwin Sharma, Daniel Walsh.

As always, I would like to thank the Wakehurst Redbacks committee for their tireless efforts for building the club to be the best it can be! The junior arm of the club is in the healthiest position it has ever been in through the development of girl's cricket and the continued strength of the boy's. From a Seniors standpoint, all sides this season had strong results and with a healthy core group in each of the sides, things can only be better from here. I would like to personally thank Kevin Hume for working at this with the level of commitment that is never thanked enough. The club will be a worse place without you Kevin however; we will do our best to make sure that all the hard work you have put in will continue to bear fruits in the future!

Nevertheless, another season falls however, a new one will be around the corner soon. To think that I am writing this at the end of April is already an exciting thought that Cricket is only a few months away! It would be great to keep this side and build for bigger things next season! The only way things can improve though is through attitude and commitment. If all of us can take some time to go down to the nets or even do some training just to be in a better condition for this sport, we will all benefit from it greatly. I love watching players develop their skill and see the results come to fruition so more of that please for next season! Let's see what happens in 2019/20!

GO THE MIGHTY REDBACKS!!! **Andrew Davies** (Wakehurst 4th Grade Captain)

#### Season awards

**Batting:** Andrew Davies **Bowling:** Ian Thompson **Sportsperson:** Ben Harris

# Seniors 5th Grade

#### WRCC 5th Grade Premiers 2018-19

Starting the season with a completely new and young team, we were unsure on how we would go, however the first few games probably showed us we should have been playing in a higher grade. However, as the season went on we had quite a few losses towards the back end of the season, that put us in 2nd place before the semis. Despite these losses, throughout the season all the boys created a great bond with each other, each game played with good spirit and the boys were having great time both on and off the field.

Come semi-finals time and we had our best side. Preparing to bat all day against Collaroy, we were shocked, getting rolled for 80 by a fired up Collarov pace attack with the assistance of the swinging ball. However, in classic Wakehurst spirit we kept our heads high and managed to roll Collarov for about 60 with great enthusiasm in the field and tight bowling and fielding. Finals came round and we were in the hot seat on day one, batting all day. with great batting performances from most of the boys we were in the hot seat scoring 218 against one of the classier bowling attacks in manly breakers. Sunday came and so did the rain, which meant the mighty 5th grade red backs brought home the premiership. GTMR!! A great end to a memorable season for all of the boys.

#### **Iadon Wilson**

Number 11 batsmen turned 5th grade leading run scorer jado had a huge return to the mighty Redbacks captaining us to the 5th grade premiership. Jadon was incredible with the bat

scoring 414 runs with several important half centuries for the team and his maiden centaury (welcome to the club mate). Jadon showed form with the ball taking 12 wickets including two 4 wicket hauls including an incredible spell in the semi-final. Jadon's leadership was strong all season leading the team on the field and off the field. An all-round great bloke to have in your team Great season Iado.

#### **Anthony Denny**

Had a great Season on and off the field, despite some hangover Saturdays, Anthony's consistent batting performances with a few vital half centuries and saving innings' were backed up by some strike bowling at times. Anthony played a pivotal role in assisting Jadon with the captaincy and leadership on the field. Anthony's humour and good spirit both on and off the field helped make cricket enjoyable for everyone in the team. However, Anthony's highlight for the season was a match winning fully stretched horizontal diving catch in the semi-final.



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#### Cohen Mantle

Deciding to decline the offer to go play shires this season. Cohen continued playing with the mighty Redbacks, although there was a lack of appearances at the pub for Cohen, he made up for it with wickets, Cohen led the bowling attack throughout the season, knocking over teams with sheer pace. Cohen got his first 5fa this season, an achievement he has been waiting a while for. Cohen was handy with the bat, hitting a couple half centuries and being a powerhouse with the bat. Cohen was a great hand in the leadership group and was always fun to be around whether it was chatting in the slips cordon, or off the field. A great addition to the team.

#### **Michael Calley**

All round top bloke, a tail ender that we converted into an opening batsmen, Michael was handy with the ball all season, always having a knack to take a wicket when things were swaying the oppositions side. However, a highlight for Michael was his batting, sent in as a joke to open the batting, we saw his finesse and skill as a batsman, batting for long amounts of time and supporting the other batsmen. Michael's self-lessness and humour contributed to the team's great culture.

#### Benji Wilson

Although Benji spent most of his Saturdays with his girlfriend, Benji was great to have in the team, starting the season off as a swing bowler, Benji thrived with the ball, swinging the ball both ways, bamboozling batsmen and taking wickets. Benji was great in the field, catching some screamers in the slips and the outfield. Although the highlight of Benji's season was his batting, scoring an



important half century in the final, filled with stunning cover drives and taking after his brother Jadon playing ramp shots. A good guy to have in the team.

#### Jackson Mackie

Jackson was the most enthusiastic in the team, his first ever game of cricket Jackson took 3 wickets, Jacksons bowling was a highlight for him throughout the season, having a knack to take the big wickets and catch absolute screamers in the field. Jackson was a great edition to the team, always showing his love and passion for the game. It was a pleasure to have Jackson in the team and it was great to see his development as a bloke and a cricketer throughout the season.

#### Lachlan Sheridan

Although rocking up hours late to the games at times, Lachlan was our strike spin bowler, ripping through top orders. Lachlan's batting improved towards the end of the season, and played with great aggression with bat in hand,

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Lachlan's chat on the field was a highlight of his season.

#### Sam Massey

Sam had a great season with the ball, when he was on, he was on, bowling unplayable balls to top batsmen, Sam had fun while batting, and always helped to show us the more fun side of cricket. Sam was always keen for a net session during the week and prided himself on the more social side of cricket.

#### Jordan Willis

Jordan, coming from long reef, was a great addition to the team, keeping extremely well all season, setting the tone for the boys and not missing many chances, opening the batting most games, Jordan gave the boys a good start most games however Jordan thrived towards the end of the season batting down the order, scoring some important runs in the semi-final. Jordan fit perfectly in the team.

#### Fraser Macleod

A great guy to have in the team, someone to make the boys feel better after a long day in the field, great chat both on





and off the field. Although low confidence meant he didn't bowl much, when batting he had fun and managed to hit a few important runs with his Hussey like technique.

#### Brendan Malek

Brendan always enjoyed being out there having fun with the boys and embracing the clubs spirit, Brendan bowled a few handy overs throughout the season and gave it his best with the bat.

#### Liam Adams

Some of Liam's Saturdays were spent with his girlfriend, however when on the field, Liam was a star with both bat and ball and in the field. Tight bowling and agile fielding and catching in the gully was vital for our team's success.

Liam had a great eye for the ball when batting all season, playing some vital knocks, many alongside his brother Aiden, a great talent and the team was very grateful to have him in the team.

#### Liam Wiseman

Liam thrived throughout the season, tossing the ball up, taking wickets for fun, Liam always had a great time on and off the field, enjoying every minute of

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it. Liam's aggressive batting paid off getting a 28 not out in the final, Liam's humbleness and positive energy made Liam a great addition to the team.

#### Aiden Adams

Sydney swans AFL training prevented aides from playing all games however when he played his power when batting helped the team pile on the runs throughout the season, Aiden was a great guy to have in the team, having a laugh at times but always bringing 100% intensity in the field, great bloke to have in the team.

#### Kale Gabila

What can't he do, joining only part way through the season, Kale is a great talent, not dropping a catch, taking wickets for fun bowling both spin and pace as well as some big scores with the bat, Kale added a lot of value to the team. Kale is a great man and will grow up to be a great sportsperson, whatever sport he chooses to pursue.

#### Jesse Michel

A powerhouse with bat in hand, Jesse hit a long ball. A great pinch hitter playing some important innings for the team throughout the season, safe in the field and a good bloke to have in the team.

#### Season awards

Batting: Jadon Wilson Bowling: Cohen Mantle Sportsperson: Michael Calley



# WRCC Records (2018/2019) - Batting

		Average	,	Best In	nings	
Juniors						
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Inn.	Season
11/1##	Xavier Ryan	84.33	2013/14	Lachlan Charles Luke Watts <sup>#</sup>	87* 113	2009/10 2017/18
12/2	James Wright Jet McDade <sup>#</sup>	37.4 41.78	2010/11 2016/17	Matthew Weaver Jet McDade <sup>#</sup>	63 88	2006/07 2016/17
12/1	Daniel Tabrett	245.0	2002/03	Michael Cosentino	109*	1995/96
13/2	Jake Alexander Cooper Horley#	43.20 <b>62.60</b>	2012/13 <b>2018/19</b>	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	Isaac Turner	89.8	2017/18	Daniel Reay	66	2017/18
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	2003/04	Jarryd Watters	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

<sup>\*</sup> Included U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season

<sup>##</sup> Under 11 records to 2017/18 season. In 2018/19 records were closed off due to junior format changes introduced.

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Girls Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Inn	Season
13/2	Ivaille	Avy	Jeason	Daisy Addison	25*	2017/18
				-		
13/1	Stephanie Hughes	54.0	2017/18	Lulu Ryals	40*	2017/18
15	Ashleigh Karcher	34.0	2018/19	Annabel Hutt	56*	2017/18
Seniors						
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Inn.	Season
A1/1st grade	Damian Wallace	50.18	2015/16	Matthew Varjavandi	144	2017/18
A2/2nd grade	Thomas Bitmead	76.4	2010/11	Jason Russell- Jones	157	2011/12
A3/3rd grade	Thomas Bitmead	48.1	2009/10	Nick Kough	159*	2018/19
B1/4th grade	Toby Kovacs	69.67	2016/17	Stuart Banham	135	2015/16
B2/5th grade	Adrian Hookham	63.85	2009/10	Adrian Hookham	274	2009/10
B3/6th grade	Joel Willey	71.88	2010/11	Nick Dowell	189	2004/05
B4/7th grade	Jason Russell- Jones	86.0	2007/08	Jason Russell- Jones	146	2007/08
C1/8th grade	Robert Smythe	36.29	2006/07	Randall Hinds	91	2005/06
C2/9th grade	Ryan Payne	22.4	2003/04	Nick Dowell	116	2003/04
One Day A grade	Lachlan Charles	33.46	2015/16	Lachlan Charles	83	2015/16
One Day B grade	Andrew Davies	37.5	2016/17	Tim Ryan	174*	2016/17
Seniors T20	-	-	-	Tristan Lever	120	2009/10

<sup>#</sup> Boundaries were reduced in 2016/17

# WRCC Records (2018/2019) - Batting (cont.) & Fielding

	Highest A	ggrega	ate		Catches	3
Juniors						
Grade	Name	Agg	Season	Name	Ct.	Season
11/1##	Adam McCormick Luke Watts <sup>#</sup>	290 362	2006/07 2017/18	Oliver Campbell	14	2012/13
12/2	Ben Watkins Jet McDade <sup>#</sup>	239 376	2013/14 2016/17	Rory Sarkies	13	2013/14
12/1	Michael Cosentino	425	1995/96	David Olver	14	2001/02
13/2	Rory Sarkies <i>Aryan Reddy</i> <sup>#</sup>	298 <b>390</b>	2014/15 <b>2018/19</b>	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 Jet McDade	13 13 13 <b>13</b>	2010/11 2014/15 2014/15 <b>2018/19</b>
15/2	Isaac Turner	449	2017/18	James Pelletier	11	2014/15
15/1	Ben King	569	1997/98	Eric Anand	14	2006/07
15-16/2	Brad Forster	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	Hayden Gullick	13	2012/13
16-18/1 *	Nathan Heath	442	2009/10	Cameron Brown	14	2013/14

<sup>\*</sup> Included U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season

<sup>##</sup> Under 11 records to 2017/18 season. In 2018/19 records were closed off due to junior format changes introduced.

Girls						
Grade	Name	Agg	Season	Name	Ct.	Season
13/2	Shae Hiskett- Jones	84	2017/18	Shae Hiskett-Jones	6	2017/18
13/1	Stephanie Hughes	162	2017/18	Lulu Ryals	8	2017/18
15	Gemma Lacey	206	2018/19	Gemma Lacey	11	2018/19
Seniors						
Grade	Name	Agg	Season	Name	Ct.	Season
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	Andrew Davies	15	2018/19
B2/5th grade	Adrian Hookham	830	2009/10	Andrew Davies	14	2017/18
B3/6th grade	Aaron Willey	623	2012/13	Andrew Davies	17	2014/15
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			
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	2016/17
Seniors T20	Tristan Lever	227	2009/10	Timothy Cameron	6	2010/11

<sup>\*</sup>Boundaries were reduced in 2016/17

# WRCC Records (2018/2019) - Bowling

	Bowling (minimum	Average 30 overs)	ge	Most V	/ickets	
Juniors						
Grade	Name	Avg	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	Isaac Turner Angus Castle	18	2017/18
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	Matt LeMoy	10.88	2006/07	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 U16-1	7 prior to 2012/13 season					
# D	o reduced in 2016/17					

<sup>#</sup> Boundaries were reduced in 2016/17

<sup>##</sup> Under 11 records to 2017/18 season. In 2018/19 records were closed off due to junior format changes introduced.

Girls						
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Wkts	Season
13/2				Shae Hiskett-Jones Olivia Champion	5	2017/18
13/1				Laura Judson	13	2017/18
15	Laura Judson	5.63	2018/19	Laura Judson	16	2018/19
Seniors						
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Wkts	Season
A1/1st grade	Damian Wallace	9.18	2015/16	Kris Corbett	27	2018/19
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	Cohen Mantle	6.82	2018/19	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 (2018/2019) - Bowling (cont.)

	Best F	igures			Hat-1	<b>Fricks</b>	
Juniors				Junior	rs		
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	6/5	2007/08		Luke Whitten	Dbl	2002/03
12/2	James Dee	6/5	2009/10	11/1##	Marcus DuRoss	Dbl	2007/08
12/1	Nick Berney	5/6	2005/06	1 1/ 1	Brad Lind	1	1984/85
12/1	Noah Kasmar	5/6	2014/15		Elliot Copas	1	2013/14
13/2	Cameron Weldon	5/17	2007/08		Wilson Sarkies	1	2014/15
13/1	Shawn Bradstreet	8/0	1984/85	12/1	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		Shawn	Dbl	1984/85
15/2	AJ Cerovic	4/7	2014/15	13/1	Bradstreet		
15/1	Alexander Cook	7/12	2006/07		Daniel Tabrett	1	2003/04
15-16/2	Russell Brown	5/1	2003/04	14/2	Euan Dixon	1	2013/14
15-16/1	Jarryd Watters	4/11	2003/04		Lachlan	1	2014/15
16-17/2	Andrew Harris	4/10	2006/07	14/1	Molyneux		00.40/45
16-17/1	Jason Tabrett	6/9	2004/05	14/1	Xavier Ryan	1 1	2016/17
					Abigail Powell	1	2017/18
Girls				15/1	Angus Jackett	1	2007/08
Grade	Name	Fig.	Season	15-	Russell Brown	1	2003/04
13/2	Jemima Seward	3/4	2017/18	16/2	Jamie White	1	2017/18
13/1	Laura Judson	3/5	2017/18	16- 17/1	Jason Tabrett	1	2004/05
15	Emily Horstead	3/4	2018/19	17/1	Nathan Heath Thomas	1	2009/10
15	Emily Horstead	3/4	2016/19	16-	Rodwell	1	20 15/10
				18/1	Declan McLerie	1	2017/18
Seniors					Docial Mozolio	1	2011710
Grade	Name	Fig.	Season				
1st grade	Tristan Lever	6/20	2011/12	Senior			
2nd grade	Ryan Ludowyke	6/50	2015/16	Grade	Name	No.	Season
3rd grade	Damian Wallace	7/11	2014/15	2nd	Steven Thomson	1	2015/16
4th grade	Gavin Franklin	8/38	2016/17	grade	Robert McColl	1	2010/11
5th grade	Phil King	8/80	2009/10	4th grade	Daniel Annakin	1	2010/11
6th grade	Phil King	8/18	2007/08	5th	Cohen Mantle	1	2014/13
7th grade	Matthew Murray	8/97	2004/05	grade	Jones manac	<b>'</b>	2010/13
8th grade	Matthew Murray	5/30	2005/06	3	Robert McColl	1	2008/09
One Day A	Lachlan Charles	4/11	2015/16	6th	Michael Flynn	i	2008/09
	Lacillati Citaties	7/11	2013/10	grade	Randall Hinds	i	2008/09
grade					,		
grade One Day B grade	Euan Dixon	5/6	2015/16	7th	William Denny	1	2013/14

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# 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 Senior Cricketer Year of the Year	Senior Cricketer of the Year	Rising Star - Seniors
1982/83	•	Ryan Jones		ı		,
1983/84		Peter Banbury		ı	1	
1984/85	Shawn Bradstreet	S. Lane		1		1
1985/86	Peter Banbury	Peter Banbury	-	ı		
1986/87	Brad Verrills	Michael Ellery		ı		1
1987/88	Mark Brady	Chris Stolk		ı		1
1988/89	R. Plummer	Mark Smithers		ı		1
1989/90						1
1990/91		Greig Holston				
1991/92		Adam Grigg				1
1992/93	•			ı	ı	
1993/94		Michael Dunn	Y	ı		1
1994/95		Michael Dunn		ı	ı	
1995/96	Michael Cosentino	Ben King				1
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	/	1
2000/01	•	ı	,	ı	ı	ı
2001/02	Daniel Tabrett	Ben Stinson		1		
2002/03	M. Gainsford	Ben Gwilliam	•	•	1	

# Wakehurst Redbacks Perpetual Club Awards (Contd.)

Season	"Bob Lind" Special Achievement Award	Junior Cricketer of the Year "Philpott Award"	Coach of the Year "The Murray Family Coaching Award"	'Ross Denny" Club Person of the Year	Senior Cricketer of the Year	Rising Star - Seniors
2003/04	Russell Brown	Javed Badyari	ı	ı	1	1
2004/05	Ryan Campbell	Jason Tabrett	-	,	•	•
2002/06	Lloyd Rogers	Javed Badyari	Simon Crombie Michael Walsh			
2006/07	Mitchell Pugh	James Crombie	Ross Denny			•
2007/08	Marcus DuRoss	Carlton Anand	Christopher Russell Matt Woodhouse			1
2008/09	Adam McCormick	James Crombie	Stuart Slocombe			
2009/10	Adrian Hookham Tristan Lever	Nathan Heath	Tom Cooney	·	1	1
2010/11	1st Grade Seniors team	Braden King	Anthony Connolly		Andrew Bitmead	•
2011/12	Jason Russell-Jones Benjamin Sykes	William Denny	Gordon Powell		Nick Pye	,
2012/13		Alex Bain	Danny LeMoy	_	Tristan Lever Tim Ryan	Hayden Gullick
2013/14	Jacob Aquilina	Hayden Gullick Anthony Denny	Brad Gordon Jess Ball		Jamie Murray	Toby Kovacs
2014/15	Damian Wallace Hamish Green	Toby Kovacs	Craig McGregor	David Brown	Kevin Hume	Cameron Brown
2015/16	Saskia Horley Anthony Denny	Cohen Mantle	Simon Smart	Julie Williams	Damian Wallace	Lachlan Charles
2016/17	Gavin Franklin	Jet McDade	lan Bassett	Deanne Hutt	Andrew Davies	Cameron Powell
2017/18	Luke Watts	Andrew Boulton	Stuart White Regan McCracken	Jeff Cook	Andrew Davies	Cormac O'Donnell
2018/19		Cooper Horley	Mathew Keen	Kevin Hume Deb Kasmar	Jadon Wilson	Cohen Mantle

# Wakehurst Redbacks Perpetual Club Awards (Contd.)

Season	Junior Kising Star "Bird Family Award"	Female Cricketer of the Year
2016/17	Tai Addison	Annabel Hutt
2017/18	Laura Judson	Lulu Ryals
2018/19	Luke Watts	Gemma Lacey



# **Batting Milestones**



#### 3000 Runs

Tristan Lever Tim Cameron Toby Kovacs Adrian Hookham

**Andrew Davies** 

#### 2000 Runs

Tim Bennett Tristan Lever Tom Bitmead Randall Hinds
Ryan Valentine Tim Cameron Adrian Hookham Toby Kovacs
Hayden Gullick Andrew Davies Andrew Gordon Brad Gordon
Matthew Varjavandi Cohen Mantle

#### 1000 Runs

Nick Dowell Tim Bennett Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones Randall Hinds Tim Cameron Tom Bitmead Ryan Valentine Michael Gainsford Mark Callanan Andrew Bitmead Phil King Adam Schober Adrian Hookham James Crombie AJ Fry **Brad Gordon** Ben Gwilliam Matthew Murray Chris Hurley Jamie Murray Hayden Gullick **Braden King Toby Kovacs** Kian Mantle Jess Ball Ben Crawshaw Jarryd Watters **Andrew Davies** Andrew Gordon Ryan Campbell Jacob Aquilina David Nimmo Cohen Mantle Cameron Brown Matthew Varjavandi Lachlan Charles Anthony Denny Jack Garay Adam McCormick Lachlan Molyneux Brynn Mendel Jake Alexander Jake Fry William Jonkers **David Sheldon** Sean Nimmo Luke Richardson lain McKern Kevin Hume Reece Liddy Joel McGregor **Adam McKern** Luca Candotti



# **Bowling Milestones**



#### 200 Wickets

Tim Cameron Matthew Murray **Jamie Murray** 

#### 100 Wickets

Joshua Sheedy Michael Gainsford AJ Fry **Harrison Scott** Ryan Ludowyke **Cohen Mantle** 

Tim Cameron Matthew Murray Jamie Murray Hayden Gullick James Wright Adam McKern

Phil King Robert McColl Steven Thomson Matthew Varjavandi Thomas Fourie Nick Dollman

Tristan Lever Andrew Bitmead Lachlan Molyneux **Anthony Denny** 

Batting and bowling 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	<b>VP-Juniors</b>	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	Arman Cosentino	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	lan Vickery	-	-
2003/04	lan Rose	D Good	lan Vickery	-	-
2004/05	lan Rose	Malcolm Leithhead	lan Vickery	-	-
2005/06	lan Rose	Ted Beecher	lan 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

#### Official Positions held at Wakehurst Redbacks

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Season	President	Secretary	Treasurer	<b>VP-Juniors</b>	<b>VP-Seniors</b>
2016/17	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam/Jane Senner	Kieran Young	Kevin Hume
2017/18	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Jenny Pittar	Laurie Zanella	Kevin Hume
2018/19	Vacant	Deanne Hutt	Jenny Pittar	Laurie Zanella	Kevin Hume



The foundation logo was originally created by Penny Philpott, the wife of Bob Philpott, our club founder and first President.







