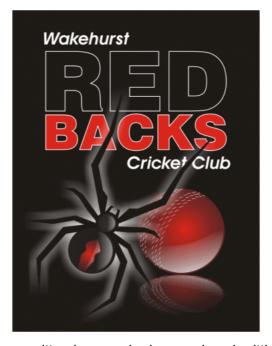
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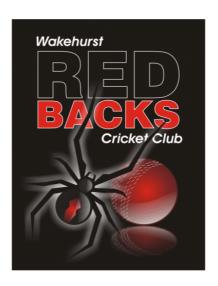


Your committee has much pleasure in submitting for your consideration and approval the Annual Report for the 2019/2020 season.

President: Deanne Hutt

Secretary: Bernadette Chang

Treasurer: Julian Humphrey



WAKEHURST REDBACKS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

(ABN: 71 887 994 585)

Annual Report

For the year ended 30 April 2020

This is the 39th 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 Junior Cricket Association (Juniors) and the
Manly Warringah Cricket Association (Seniors).
We have a proud history and over 300 players across
Junior Blasters, Master Blasters, Manly Warringah Junior Cricket Association
Junior Boys (Under 10 to Under 15) and Junior Girls (Under 11 to Under 15),

and Seniors.

The Preamble – The Spirit of Cricket

Taken from the MCC's Laws of Cricket 2017 Code (2nd edition, 2019)

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.

2019/2020 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: Deanne Hutt

Secretary: Bernadette Chang
Treasurer: Julian Humphrey

Vice President—Blasters: Matthew White
Vice President—Juniors: Kevin Wesson

Vice President—Girls: Karen Judson

Vice President—Seniors: Blake Gregory Matthew Murray

Registrar: Matthew Murray

Gear Steward: Vacant

Grounds Co-ordinator: Kevin Wesson
Website: Blake Gregory
Sponsorship: Laurie Zanella
Statistician: Ross Denny

Annual Report: Bernadette Chang

MWJCA Delegates: Kevin Wesson Bernadette Chang

MWCA Delegate: Blake Gregory

General Committee: David Nimmo Ashley Jones

Sean Moran Warren Staples

2019/2020 Age Coordinators

Age Group Coordinator

Girls Cricket Karen Judson

Junior Blasters Matthew White

Master Blasters Matthew White

Under 10 Sean Moran

Under 11 Madhura Bhagwat

Under 12 Kevin Wesson

Under 13 Brett McLennan

Under 14 Laurie Zanella

Under 15 Deanne Hutt

Seniors Blake Gregory/Matt Murray

2019/2020 Master Blaster Officials

Team Manager **Master Blaster Funnelwebs Ashley Hamilton** Master Blaster Hunstmen Jonothan Steel **Master Blaster Jewels** Tim Donnan Master Blaster Pinkbacks Matthew White **Master Blaster Redbacks** Craig Secombe Master Blaster Tarantulas **Paul Burrows** Master Blaster Trapdoors Anthony Bruzzano

2019/2020 Junior Team Officials

Team	Coach	Manager
Under 10 Red Div 1	Sean Moran	Sam Johnstone
Under 10 Green Div 1	Dave Hunt	Karen Youle
Under 10 Black Div 2	Logan Nicey	Amanda Nicey
Under 10 Blue Div 2	David Casey	Suzanne Maris
Under 10 Orange Div 2	Graeme Turner	Nick Hawke
Under 10 White Div 2	Sunny Rigzin	Jude Ball
Under 10 Yellow Div 2	Darren Mason	Charlotte Nash
Under 11 Girls	Darren Kilkeary	
Under 11 Red Div 1	Luke Baker	Madhura Bhagwat
Under 11 Green Div 1	John Bull	Ray Boulos
Under 11 Black Div 2	Troy Adams	Kelly Ann Ferrie
Under 12 Red Div 1	Mathew Keen	Michael Formica
Under 12 Green Div 1	Andy Hansen	Kevin Wesson
Under 12 Black Div 1	Matthew White	Ciaran Sharp
Under 12 White Div 2	Paul Wineberg	Charlotte Nash
Under 13 Emeralds Girls	Jamie Friedlein	Mel Scarf
Under 13 Sapphires Girls	John Boles	Ashley Jones
Under 13 Red Div 1	Chris Melville Phil Stoddart	Brett McLennan
Under 13 Green Div 1	John Morony	Mike Moulds
Under 13 Orange Div 1	Alex Hayes	Ben Rourke
Under 13 Black Div 2	Gavin Roache Murray Challoner	Nelly Kelzi
Under 14 Red Div 1	Regan McCracken	Michelle O'Keeffe
Under 14 Green Div 1	Adam Horley	Andrew Toohey
Under 15 Girls	Anthony Nicey	Amanda Nicey
Under 15 Red Div 1	Andy Hutt	Andy Hutt



Honour Roll - Premiership Teams



Under 10 Red – Under 10 Division 1 (Undefeated)

Coach: Sean Moran Manager: Sam Johnstone

Nate Cole Hamish Ford Max Johnstone

Charlie Lord Archie McGregor Beau Moran

Murray Moran Jacob Watts

Under 11 Girls – Sixers Girls Cricket League (Undefeated)

Coach: Darren Kilkeary

Tait Camburn Paige Coleman Emma Eastmead

Iona Horley Lara Hughes Olivia Kilkeary

Ada Morony Olivia Murchison



Honour Roll - Premiership Teams



Under 12 Red – Under 12 Division 1 (Joint winners)

Coach: Mathew Keen Manager: Michael Formica

Lukas BanhamAidan BoultonRohan ChangLachlan FormicaCorey FrewLuka KarcherAlex KeenGeorge RussellWill Toohey

Under 13 Red - Under 13 Division 1

Coaches: Phil Stoddart and Chris Melville Manager: Brett McLennan

Aidan Boulton Zane Cassie Harry McCracken
Chase McLennan Matthew Melville Myles Nockolds
Fraser Pandit Noah Pitkin Jordan Siladi
Tom Stoddart Arlo Thompson Max Thompson



Honour Roll - Club Awards





Junior Cricketer of the Year* "Philpott Award" Aidan Boulton

Batting: 471 runs at 117.75, highest score 75*
Bowling: 12 wickets at 9.92, best 2/2
Fielding: 6 catches, 4 run-outs
*Applies to traditional cricket only (U12 and up)

Female Cricketer of the Year Laura Judson

Batting: 247 runs at 49.40, highest score 41*
Bowling: 14 wickets at 6.36, best 4/1
Fielding: 5 catches





Senior Cricketer of the Year Cohen Mantle

Batting: 395 runs at 39.5, highest score 94 Bowling: 30 wickets at 10.37, best 8/87 Fielding: 9 catches



Honour Roll - Club Awards



"Bob Lind" Special Achievement Award

Cohen Mantle

Three consecutive 5-wicket hauls in Seniors 3rd Grade, Rounds 6, 7 and 8: 5/26, 5/22 and a record-breaking 8/87





"David Sheedy" Rising Star - Seniors Chris Guyot

Batting: 289 runs at 19.26, highest score 62 Bowling: 12 wickets at 12.92, best 4/11 Fielding: 4 catches

"Murray Family" Coach of the Year Anthony Nicey

'Anthony has been instrumental in the growth and success of girls' cricket at Wakehurst, particularly through the growth of our U15s team for the past three years. Anthony has an ingrained sense of fair play, club spirit and deep love of the game which he passed on to all the girls.'

Runners-up 2019/20







Honour Roll - Club Awards



Junior Rising Star - "Bird Family Award" Alex Cooper

Batting: 801 runs at 72.82, highest score 94*
Bowling: 12 wickets at 18.08, best 2/2
Fieldina: 18 catches

Alex was only the second player in MWJCA's history across all ages to score more than 800 runs in a

season.





"Ross Denny" Club Person of the Year Kevin Wesson

In his third year on the WRCC committee (in addition to five seasons of coaching/managing and two seasons as age-co-ordinator), Kevin has done an outstanding job as Juniors VP, organising junior teams and training ground allocations.

Inaugural "David Nimmo" Junior Club Person of the Year Logan Nicey

Logan has been assistant coach of the U13 and U15 girls' teams for two seasons, including weekday coaching and game day umpiring; 'Come and try' coaching for three pre-seasons; and mid-week coach for the U10 Black boys team.



Cricket NSW School, Academy and State Representative Honours

NSW School Championships

NSW School Team—Girls—Premiership winners (U12 and Under)

Emily Horstead

NSW Combined High Schools Secondary Cricket—Girls State Championships

Premiership Winners (first time Sydney North has won since 1985)

Laura Judson, Mia Nel

NSW PSSA Cricket State Championships—Girls

Emily Horstead (captain)

NSW PSSA Cricket State Championships—Boys

Luke Watts

Under 14 NSW Indoor Cricket-Girls-National Championships

Emily Horstead, Laura Judson

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 2019/20 season:

Under 13—Sophia Chick, Emily Horstead Under 14—Caitlin du Preez, Laura Judson, Maya Nicey



NSW State Challenge

The Cricket NSW State Challenge is designed to increase the level of competition for young players. The following Wakehurst player was selected and participated in the program during the 2019/20 season:

Under 13—Emily Horstead (vice-captain)



Representative Honours

Congratulations to the following Wakehurst players who represented Manly in Junior and Senior Representative competitions in 2019/2020.



Under 11 Presidents Cup Div 1

Oscar Hansen Dylan Thompson Patrick White

Under 11 Presidents Cup Div 2
Thomas Walker

Under 12 Arch Cawsey Shield

Aidan Boulton Zane Cassie Matthew Melville Arlo Thompson

Under 12 Division 2

Rohan Chang Harry McCracken
Myles Nockolds Will Toohey

Under 13 WS Gee Shield

Tom Cole Eshaan Holla Saurav Holla Luke Watts Lewis Whiley

Under 13 Mollie Dive Shield

Sophia Chick Emma du Preez Zoe Friedlein Emily Horstead Jaime Loh

Under 13 Division 2

Robbie Tipton Jack Toohey

Under 14 Harold Moore Shield

Jeremy Scarf

Under 14 President's Cup

Ryan McPhee

U15 Margaret Peden Shield

Caitlin du Preez Laura Judson Mia Nel Maya Nicey

Under 15 Presidents Cup

Kai Connors Edward Hutt Sentarou Murata-Davison

Girls U15 Premier Team

Caitlin du Preez Sophia Chick Shae Hiskett-Jones Emily Horstead Stephanie Hughes Ashleigh Karcher Jaime Loh Mia Nel Maya Nicey

Under 16 Presidents Cup

Brewer Shield

Laura Judson Mia Nel

Martin Shield

Jacob Aquilina Kris Corbett Will Denny Ronit Mahajan Sean Nimmo Harry Singh Cobi Stevens Stuart Wiblin Matthew Varjavandi (capt.) Stuart Wiblin

Telegraph Shield

Liam Chang Cohen Mantle Ronit Mahajan Sean Nimmo Cameron Powell



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

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

Emily Horstead NSW Under 13 School Team





2019/2020 Team Award Winners

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Team	Batting	Bowling	Sportsperson			
Girls Under 11 Under 13 Emeralds Under 13 Sapphires Under 15	Lara Hughes Zoe Friedlein Emma du Preez Laura Judson	Tait Camburn Daisy Addison Olivia Champion Sophia Chick	Olivia Kilkeary Malie Goddard Lila Jones Jaime Loh			
Officer 15	Laura Juuson	Soprila Criick	Jaille Loii			
Under 10 Red Green	Jacob Watts	Nate Cole Rob Hunt	Beau Moran Ethan Allesch			
Black Blue Orange	Danny Deacon Bowen Nicey Lucas Richardson Harry Reinert	Josh Leese Will Mathlin Stuart Turner	Oscar Clubbe Isaac Kretchmer Liam Jeffs			
White Yellow	William Rigzin Cooper Cameron	Sami Horne Kyan Chalk	Harry Stock Henry Lister			
Under 11 Red Green Black	Callum Meakin Zachary Millar Liam Tully	Rohit Jayaram Bailey Andrews Hamish Wood	Keegan Hiskett-Jones Ethan Andrews Max Plummer			
Under 12 Red	Aidan Boulton	Rohan Chang	Alex Keen			
Green Black White	Thomas Walker Patrick White Lucas MacKenzie	0	Dylan Thompson Toby Cooper Saburou Murata-Davison			
Under 13 Red Green Orange Black	Max Thompson Liam Morony Alex Cooper Michael Roache	Arlo Thompson Jack Evans Tom Poole Billy Chaloner	Noah Pitkin Ethan Edwards Ben Dwyer Tiger Kempe			
Under 14 Red Green	Tom Cole Jack Toohey	Josh Challoner Luke Woodward	Ryan McPhee Oliver Allesch			
Under 15 Red	Chris Guyot	Kai Connors	Tai Addison			

President's Report

I would like to firstly welcome all the first-time players and their families to our proud cricket club. I trust you all enjoyed your experience with the Redbacks and hope this will be the first of many seasons to come. To all the returning players, it was great to see you back and enjoying another season of cricket.

In fantastic news, the Mighty Redbacks won the **Junior Club Championship** for the season. We have now won the Championship for a fourth time in five years (including 3 in a row from 2015-16).



What a memorable season 2019-20 has been for many reasons. August saw the opening of the Lionel Watts nets (dubbed the "Nimmo nets"). In January the club helped Australian Sports Camps in putting on the first ever holiday cricket camp at Lionel Watts. It proved difficult to complete games in the second half of the season due to bush fire concerns and then ongoing rain. To cap it all the finals for the season were not completed due to the COVID-19 pandemic that forced the cancellation of all training and games from 17th March.

The new astro turf and retractable pitch at Lionel Watts proved to not be ideal for cricket, but it looks like we will see this happening at more ovals around the northern beaches in the coming years.

COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND VOLUNTEERING

This hopefully once-in-a-lifetime pandemic has given people time to reflect on the **importance of community** and **mutual support** for one another. It has also highlighted the privilege we all experience in being able to participate in cricket in such wonderful surroundings. Let's all keep respecting this privilege in future seasons.

I would to thank everyone who made a contribution this season – the committee, age co-ordinators, coaches, assistant coaches, managers, scorers, captains and all volunteers who assisted their teams in making this season such an enjoyable one. Without your contribution, our club could not function and our boys and



girls would not be able to play this great game.

Club members should be very proud of our involvement in the following **community activities**: the inaugural Belrose Ashes; KM charity event at Manly Oval; Pink stumps day – girls' hub; Bushfire relief appeal (over \$4800 was raised)

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and the Love for Lachie Day. Thank you very much to those Redbacks involved in running these events to support these great charities.

This season the Redbacks have introduced a new perpetual award – the **David Nimmo Junior Club Person of the Year**. This award recognises an outstanding contribution to cricket through coaching and supporting other juniors. Our incredible juniors who assisted on a **volunteer** basis for the club for the season included: Alicia and Matthew Humphrey, Jasper Young, Michal Banham, Nat and Chris Guyot, Logan and Maya Nicey.

Thank you to our many **coaches** who give up their personal time to assist with their teams. We thank you all! For this season our coach of the season nominees were Darren Kilkeary (U11 Girls), Regan McCracken (U14 Red), Sean Moran (U10 Red), Paul Wineberg (U12 White) and Anthony Nicey (U15 Girls).

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS/TEAMS

This season 201 juniors and 132 seniors represented our Club.

Pleasingly, there was an increase in the number of Redback teams participating in the Manly Warringah Junior Cricket Association (MWJCA) and Manly Warringah Cricket Association (MWCA) competitions this season. A successful Ashes series always helps! We had 39 teams participate, consisting of 32 junior teams (Master Blaster to U15 and 4 x Girls teams), 7 senior teams (2 x 1st, 2nd, 2 x 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades). We also had 2 all girls' teams in the Master Blaster competition.

PREMIERSHIP WINNING TEAMS/INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to our four premiership winning teams on their outstanding seasons.

Under 10 Red – Boys Division 1, Undefeated Premiers Under 11 Girls – Girls Division 1, Undefeated Premiers

Under 12 Red - Boys Division 1 Premiers

Under 13 Red - Boys Division 1 Premiers

Congratulations to all Redback players who won awards and those who represented the MWJCA and the MWCA. There were so many great individual achievements during the season at our club. In particular, congratulations goes to Emily Horstead on her State representation.

Congratulations to the 9 players who achieved centuries this season: Ronit, Will, Andrew, Mackenzie, Adrian, Sam, Nick, Harrison and Matt V. An incredible 14×5 wicket hauls were achieved in traditional cricket. Congratulations to Cohen (x3),

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Phil, Matt M, Jagmohanveer, Cameron, Jake, Benjamin, Nat, Michal, Hamish, Oliver and Ian.

JUNIORS TO SENIORS

It was great to see a number of our juniors playing seniors this season. I would encourage any older boys and girls wanting to improve their cricket to play seniors next season.

Our 5th Grade side was principally made up of "dads & lads" and it would be so good to see more teams of this type represent the Redbacks in future seasons.

OPPORTUNITES FOR OUR IUNIORS

The season saw our juniors benefit from a number of wonderful opportunities. Firstly, the Toyota photo shoot with Australian cricket stars Meg Lanning, Ellyse Perry and Megan Schutt. The club also benefited to the tune of a \$1000 grant from major cricket sponsor Toyota.

Some lucky juniors were also involved in the Channel 7 "Summer of cricket" TV advertisement filmed at the SCG. There were also many SCG Test on-field appearances, including Laura Judson's on-field running event, Lachlan Formica as flag bearer and the Master Blaster on-field activities. Eight players were scheduled to go on the field during the ODI against New Zealand before the series was cancelled due to COVID.

SPONSORS

I would like to acknowledge and thank our club sponsors for their support and financial assistance this season.

Our major sponsor **THE BELROSE HOTEL** was a great supporter 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. **THE BELROSE HOTEL** also hosted our junior team preseason get-togethers and many Seniors attended the hotel following Saturday afternoon games.

CHARGRILL CHARLIE'S provided the very popular player of the match awards.

Barbers Point at Glenrose Shops contributed to the cost of our caps.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Finally, a huge thank you to our hard-working committee for volunteering their time and their commitment to the running of the club.

Our Secretary, BERNADETTE CHANG, has again made a massive contribution to our club this season. Her efforts in managing communications, tasks and liaison $\frac{1}{2}$

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for all our teams have been much appreciated. Bernadette also put together the Annual Report again this season. Thanks Bernadette for your time and efforts through the season and for producing this wonderful report.

JULIAN HUMPHREY took on the role of Treasurer this season for the first time. Thanks Julian for your tireless work in this important role.

KEVIN WESSON was our Vice President of Juniors for this season. Kevin has done an incredible job managing all our junior teams. This role also includes representing the club at association meetings and co-ordinating training grounds. Kevin has invested many hours in the role and was the worthy recipient of the Ross Denny Club Person of the Year award. Thank you Kevin for all that you do.

BLAKE GREGORY filled the role of Vice President of Seniors. Thanks Blake for the great work in getting our senior teams organised every week and coordinating training sessions. Blake also deserves thanks for again managing our website.

MATTHEW MURRAY performed the Club Registrar role again this season. He puts in an extraordinary amount of time at the start of the season to get our teams organised. Matt also worked with Blake in the Seniors VP role. Thanks again Matt for your continued support of the Wakehurst Redbacks.

KAREN JUDSON has very ably coordinated our girls' teams and plays an integral part in the continued growth of girls' cricket in the area. Thank you Karen!



MATT WHITE has been a tremendous asset to our committee. Matt has co-ordinated our youngest members in the Junior and Master Blaster competitions, as well as organising new club advertising banners and flyers at the start of the season. Many thanks Matt.

Thanks to **LAURIE ZANELLA** who continues to assist with the Club sponsorship role. Thank you for your efforts.

The Club is very grateful to **DAVID NIMMO** who continues to assist with negotiations with council in relation to grounds and clubhouse matters, despite his heavy work-

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load as President of the MWJCA. At the end of last season David was admitted into the Club's **Life Member** category. This recognition was so well deserved. David has invested much time and effort into the club over many years. He held the position of President for four years and Secretary for three. Prior to this he also held many roles within teams (manager, coach). David single-handedly dealt with council to ensure the "Nimmo" nets were constructed to best suit the cricket community. Congratulations David



- you deserve this accolade, we are extremely grateful to you.

ROSS DENNY continues to help our club, despite his large workload with other cricket committees in the Manly area. Thanks again Ross for your contribution.

Thanks to life member **WARREN STAPLES**, who continues to support the club and help out at clubhouse open nights.

Thanks to new committee members **ASHLEY JONES** and **SEAN MORAN** for coming on board this season and assisting with many projects.

Club Patron, **Shawn Bradstreet**, continued his great support of our club this season, which we appreciate very much.

We look forward to seeing you all next season.

Deanne Hutt President



Wider Wakehurst involvement

Many Wakehurst players were involved in amazing opportunities and charity events through the season such as the following.

JUNIORS

Toyota 'Good for Cricket' photo shoot at Lionel Watts with Meg Lanning, Ellyse Perry and Megan Schutt.





Channel 7 'Summer of Cricket' TV ad campaign filming at the SCG.

Laura Judson's (U15 Girls) on-field run during the lunch break on Day 3 of the Sydney Test. Laura won the race and Wakehurst benefited with 1000 and new gear from Toyota!



Wider Wakehurst involvement (Contd.)

Lachlan Formica (U12 Red) was the flag bearer outside the Australian team dressing room on Day 4 of the Sydney Test.





Wakehurst Master Blasters played cricket on the field during the lunch break on Day 4 of the Sydney Test.

Australian Sports Camps ran the first cricket holiday camp at Lionel Watts in January, with cricket legend Doug Walters helping to run the camp.



SENIORS

Kian Mantle Charity Match played on Sunday 23rd February at Manly Oval to raise money in memory of Wakehurst player, Kian Mantle.

A group of Wakehurst senior players from across all grades came together on Sunday 25th January for a fun game of cricket to raise funds for the Trustee for NSW Rural Fire Service and Brigade Donations Fund. Over \$4800 was raised.



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-

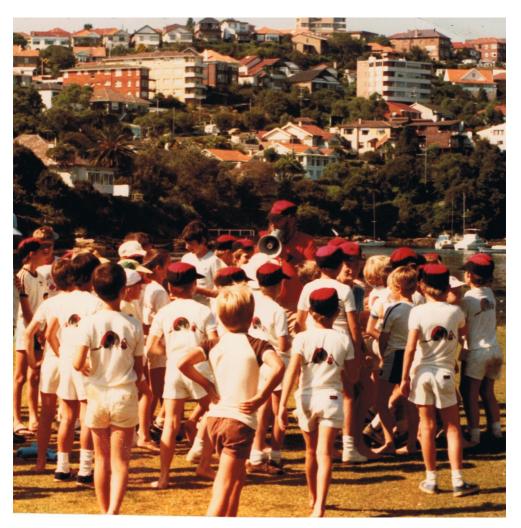


The Foundation logo created by Penny Philpott

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.

Treasurer's Report

Statement of Income and Expenditure	for the	-	-
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Registration fees (Juniors/Seniors/Blass Shirts, hats and	-	\$67,736.40 \$6,977.50	\$57,855.45 \$3,910.00
Grants rec		\$4,000.00	\$1,400.00
Raffles and fundra		\$513.12	
Sponso		\$9,683.26	\$2,690.90 \$7,500.00
Bank int		54.19	\$4.92
Dalik III		\$88,964.47	\$73,361.27
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Expend	iture		
MWJCA Junior team	n fees	\$12,930.00	\$13,689.02
MWCA Seniors team	n fees	\$8,775.00	\$6,865.00
Equipment purchases—	-balls	\$15,363.00	\$15,624.00
Equipment purchases—		\$11,877.63	\$4,856.76
Shirts, hats and caps purch		\$11,519.90	\$12,263.90
Coa	ching	\$6,660.00	\$425.00
Sporting fields and fac	cilities	\$2,840.04	\$1,386.00
Team p		\$1,688.50	\$1,386.00
Tro	phies	\$5,091.00	\$5434.20
Printing of annual r	report	\$4,628.80	\$3,166.90
E	vents	\$988.87	\$4,319.31
Other expe	enses	\$545.98	\$307.48
· .		\$82,908.72	\$69,723.57
Net p	profit_	\$6,055.75	\$3,637.70
Δο	sets		
Cash and cash equiva		\$67,008.22	\$55,643.50
Prepayments and receiv		\$1,523.07	\$0.00
Equipment—		\$6,815.25	\$8,276.25
qu.p		\$75,346.54	\$63,919.75
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Liabil	lities		
Accounts pa	yable	\$5,748.30	\$0.00
Accrued expe	enses	\$13,790.00	\$16,667.26
Deferred in	come	\$2,500.00	\$0.00
		\$22,038.30	\$16,667.26
Net assets		\$53,308.24	47,252.49
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Current year ear	Ū	\$6,055.75	\$3,637.70
Retained ear	· -	\$47,252.49	\$43,614.49
Total e	equity	\$53,308.24	\$47,252.49

Compiled by Treasurer Julian Humphrey

Junior Blasters

The 2019 Junior Blasters were: Eddie Baddock, James Britt, Cooper Devries, Mackenzie Duff, Mitchell Hall, William Hanson, Lucinda Phillips, Leo Rehorek, Griffyn Root, Jamie, Rozkydal, Zachary Simes, Tyler George Donnan, Lachlan Miller.

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

An emphasis was placed on learning the 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.

A special thanks to **Sean Nimmo** and **Benji Wilson** who did a fantastic job at running the program every Friday night. They did a great job of implementing the program and keeping the kids engaged.

Each child received a player pack when registering for the program.



Master Blaster - Funnelwebs

The Funnelwebs players were:

Christopher Boichat

Henry Foster

Brock Gilmour

Edward Hamilton

Tejas Kalimuthu

Cedric Poling

Campbell Walker

Oliver Ward

Ashley Hamilton (coach)





Master Blaster – Huntsmen

The Wakehurst Hunstmen had a wonderful season in 2019/2020. Half the team had played Junior Blaster the year before and there were some who were new to Master Blaster. Each Saturday morning the boys approached every game with enthusiasm and had a lot of fun which was the main point. We even managed to win one game by hitting a six off the last ball!

The batting of the team improved throughout the season in a very pleasing way. At the start of the season there was a lot of playing and missing. By the end the boys were learning about waiting for the ball, how to play straight at times and most importantly when to call yes and no. I would even say they were beginning to learn who's call it was between striker and non-striker which is something even the pros don't always get right!

The biggest improvement amongst the team was undoubtedly their bowling. At the start of the season there was a lot of bent arms in the bowling action, but by the end every bowler was bowling with a straight arm, which made the coaching team very proud of the listening and practice the boys had put in.

A huge thankyou to Tim Foy, who ran a number of games, scored every game and helped with coaching and set-up every week. Also big thanks to Matt White for his support. It was a real pleasure coaching this team and I hope they all come back to cricket next season.

Jonathan Steel (coach)

Huntsmen Team

Harry Foy Oliver Steel Ty Siladi Augustus Nicholls

Arya Kallur Dylan Brabant Elliott Copeland Angus Aslett



Master Blaster – Jewels

The Wakehurst Jewels in season 2019/20 included Kiva, Eleanor, Amelia, Cerys, Elodie, Jenna, Maddison and Jordan. While the team were mostly first-time cricketers, it was very soon apparent we had a determined bunch of young ladies who were keen to learn and build on their skills week on week.

We emphasised working on the basic skills and encouraging each other in the field and with the bat in hand. The skill level really improved as the season went on. Most pleasingly, the girls played fairly and treated each other and the opposition with respect.

Thanks to the parents for turning up each week, stepping in when other duties called and offering encouragement from the boundary.



Congratulations to the girls, the season was great fun. Hoping that it has sparked a love for cricket into next season and beyond.



Master Blaster – Pinkbacks

The Wakehurst Pinkbacks enjoyed a great 2019/20 season. The Pinkbacks, along with the Jewels, were the first all-girls Master Blaster teams at Wakehurst. Some of girls had been with the club last year in the junior blaster program and for others it was their first go at playing cricket.

The team focused on some very important basic cricket skills. In our batting we focused on

watching the ball (like a hawk!) and running between the wickets. Towards the end of the season the girls were playing some great cricket shots and calling well when running between the wickets which should keep them in good stead for the future. With our bowling, we worked on trying to bowl with a straight arm which all the girls managed to achieve at the end of the season.

The girls were also very encouraging of each other over the course of the season. They showed support for each other in the when fielding and when their teammates were batting.



Thanks to the other Wakehurst coaches who helped the competition well. They were showed great encouragement to the kids and didn't take it too seriously.

A special thanks to all the parents who encouraged the girls from the boundary. Also, thanks to those who assisted with scoring and umpiring.

Overall, I thought it was a great season. The girls were a pleasure to coach and made it a lot of fun.

Hopefully we'll you all back next year by continue to progress through girls' cricket with the Redbacks.



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The 2019/20 Wakehurst Pinkbacks were:

Leila Mendel

Alexandra Palmer

Emma Reinhart

Phoebe Sorohan

Lily Walker

Marlee White

Matt White (coach)



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Master Blaster - Redbacks

The team had an enjoyable season and the boys playing their first season caught on quickly.

Skills improved over the course of the year and there was some fantastic highlights from each of the boys across batting, bowling and fielding. Upon taking a wicket, the team celebrations were something to see! The team certainly had fun.

The games were well contested and played in the right spirit. The boys were able to grasp a most important concept, that being the umpire's decision is final.

All in all, it was a great season with the team experiencing some wild weather, tight games and not so tight games, all of which has laid the foundation for the skills and concentration required for a genuine love and appreciation for the game of cricket.

Good luck next year!



Master Blaster – Tarantulas

The Wakehurst Tarantulas had an excellent season this year. For many of the team this was their second season with only a couple of the boys playing cricket for the first time.

We kicked the season off with a few pre-season sessions looking to further develop our batting, bowling and fielding. The kids learned quickly that "catches win matches" with the team's fielding in particular a highlight with some brilliant catches and run outs throughout the season.

All of the team improved during the course of the year with all of the boys bowling well and hitting some great cricket shots as the season wore on. Bowling is the hardest skill to learn, the boys never gave up on it and all improved by season's end (including a hat

trick or two along the way). A couple of the kids outgrew the fields and made hitting sixes look easy by the end of the season! It was also most pleasing to see how much the boys encouraged each other with their batting and bowling, and some great sportsmanship shown to all teams they played.

A couple of the boys were also lucky enough to play in the middle of the SCG during the New Years Test, thanks to the club and Cricket NSW for organising this as it was a great experience.

Also many thanks to opposing teams coordinators, parents who helped with the team and Matt White, the Master Blaster Co-ordinator, for all their efforts throughout the season.



Master Blaster – Trapdoors

This was the first season of cricket for most of the team. The first few games consisted of 'chucking' the ball when bowling, fielding with their back to the game and not making much contact with the ball when batting.

Even with a bit of an interrupted season after Christmas with limited games being played, the boys improved immensely from the start of the season. I was extremely proud that all the boys understood the basics of cricket and were all able to bowl with a straight arm, field/catch the ball in the field and hit the ball with the bat. By the end of the season, they were winning more games than they lost in which the kids took great delight in always checking the score book to see who 'won' at the end of each game.

All the kids were a pleasure to coach, they were always willing to learn and practice their skills whenever possible. They are all great mates and this showed on the field with the support and encouragement they gave each other during the games, especially when a wicket was taken or runs were scored.

Joshua Blinstrub

Josh was a quiet achiever in the team. He is a great team player and is well liked by all team members. He improved throughout the season and by the end of the season bowled quite accurately and scored some runs with the bat

Mitchell Bruzzano

Mitchell loved his batting and definitely favoured the leg side where he hit a number of 4s & 6s. He was also very



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Master Blaster - Trapdoors (Contd.)

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William Bruzzano

William was one of the most competitive players in the team. He was great with his ground fielding effecting a number of run-outs and definitely celebrated when he did. He also improved with his batting and bowling throughout the season.

Jensen Du Plessis

Jensen was our 'Mr Reliable'. He consistently bowled a great line and length with his leg spin bowling. He was also a solid batsman scoring a number of runs through the season.

Luca Rochaix

Luca was a massive improver, particularly with his bowling where by the end

of the season was bowling with great pace and accuracy taking many wickets. He also scored a number of runs and was very focused when fielding

Liam Pallister

Liam was our 'big hitter'. His straight hitting was great to see, where he scored a great number of his runs. Liam also showed improvement with his bowling and definitely got better with his consistency the longer the season went.

In conclusion, I would like to personally thank all the parents for their help and support throughout the season. I look forward to seeing all the boys back next season.

Anthony Bruzzano



Girls—Under 11 Sapphires

Girls Under 11 Undefeated Premiers 2019/20

The U11 Wakehurst Redbacks' Girls had a tremendous season with all girls contributing greatly to the season ending position of undefeated premiers. We all came together as a team for the very first time back in early October with most girls rolling their arms over for the very first time but all girls were energetic and eager to learn more about the game and develop skills. What was to lay ahead was anyone's guess.

We met Beacon Hill in Round 1 to bring all of our practice into 'Game Day' and the girls gelled so well together and as a result, performed brilliantly. A couple of future stars were also discovered that day in Lara Hughes and Tait Camburn.

Every match throughout the season



gave the girls the opportunity to continue learning more about the game and with the help of Abi Powell, each week at training we toiled away on areas that needed some work. If ever the coach had heart problems it was late November against Peninsula Cricket Club when the girls thought it must have been 'tip-and-run round'. Confusion reined and we had 7 run-outs! We still managed to win but these were the moments in our season that enabled us to all become better cricketers. I am happy to say that we ended the season with very clear and concise calling. "Yes", "No" and "wait", although a couple of the girls still called "Go" even though the coach told them to cut it out because it sounds like "No".....

Cricket must have been a high demand category from the North Pole because after the Christmas break we had many members of the team sporting their own cricket kits and some of our team members were spotted breaking in their new gear in various nets around the area. This second half of the season is also where the girls seemed to excel both individually and as a team, not surprising given their continued improvement.

From a batting perspective a very special mention to Lara Hughes who amassed a super impressive 302 runs for the season which saw her sitting in the no.1 spot in the Manly Warringah Junior Cricket competition! Tait Camburn was equally impressive with 187 runs and Olivia Kilkeary 101 runs. Olivia Murchison was very unlucky to fall agonisingly short of 100 runs for the season but her 97 runs saw her join Lara, Olivia and Tait in the top 10 run

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scorers in the competition with Ada Morony sitting just outside in No.11.

In the bowling stakes, Lara Hughes and Tait Camburn were again the stand out performers with 25 and 23 wickets respectively with incredible averages, 3.68 for Lara and 4.17 for Taity! Emma

Eastmead and Olivia Murchison chalked up 9 wickets each with Ada Morony and Olivia Kilkeary with 8 wickets each and Iona Horley and Paige Coleman with 2 wickets each. Big thanks also to Iona Horley and Olivia Kilkeary who did the bulk of the wicket-keeping duties throughout the season.

Our fielding was certainly where this team excelled all year long. We learnt early in the season that 'Catches win Matches', we learnt how important it was to walk in with the bowler and attack the ball and we learnt how to work as a team to get wickets. Most pleasing was we learned how to celebrate as a team, we did that better than most!

Season Awards

Batting: Lara Hughes Bowling: Tait Camburn Sportsperson: Olivia Kilkeary

Team Song

(Coach) Razzle Dazzle Bubblegum *Team - Repeat*

(Coach) Well the game is about encouragement and fun *Team - Repeat*

(Coach) Redbacks Redbacks we are the one

Team - Repeat

(Coach) We love nothing more than



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(Coach) So you'd better queue up and buy your tickets

Team - Repeat

(Coach) Redbacks Redbacks we are the one

Team - Repeat

(Coach) We've got superstars throughout our team *Team - Repeat*

(Coach) And winning this comp is our No.1 dream *Team - Repeat*

(Coach) And when I eat my eggs I like them poached *Team - Repeat* (Coach) You guys don't even need a coach!

Team - Repeat

(Coach) And if I had a horse I'd keep it in a stable *Team - Repeat*

(Coach) We are still on top of the table *Team - Repeat*

(Coach) Redbacks Redbacks we are the one *Team - Repeat.*



Girls-Under 13 Emeralds

The U11 girls from 2018/19 were joined this season by: Daisy, Mia, Erryn and Kelly. They combined to form the Wakehurst Emeralds U13 girls.

The Emeralds had a very good season and there were some impressive individual and team efforts which enabled a top 6 finish. The end of the season proved to be a little harder than the start and this was partly due to length of season and the girls gaining other commitments after Christmas.

Most of the team were playing their first season of <u>hard ball</u> cricket and it was certainly a baptism of fire with plenty of determination and a few tears mixed in along the way! I think it would be safe to say that all members of the team had highs and lows but that's the reason why we love cricket!

Game plans were never easy to roll out, as the girls invariably found ways to impress their coach and produce moments of sheer brilliance that weren't predicted! The team had each other's backs all season and they seemed to share the responsibility for standing tall when their teammates were in crisis.

A couple of quick stats to show how well the girls performed: The Emeralds had the highest number of team runs in the U13 girls competition after the end of normal rounds (1074 runs) and they also took the second most number of team wickets at the same stage (71 wickets)! Very proud coach and great stats girls!

We were lucky enough to always have a few dads around for centre wicket practice and nets, which made coaching a group of "would be teenagers" a whole lot easier!

I would like to thank all the parent group/entourage for supporting the girls this season and contributing in some shape or form.

Scott Goddard survived his second season as scorer and his contributions were highly appreciated and invaluable. Thanks also go to Mel Scarf for managing the team, organising the off-field stuff and general correspondence with the team and others.

I hope that the girls continue to thrive in the cricketing world, and I am sure there is a future star within our ranks! GTMR and many thanks from your coach. Bring on next season

Amelie Mason (13 Games)

Amelie was the only spin bowler in the side. We were very glad that she brought it as an attacking option in lots of different scenarios. Her best bowling figures were 2/2 and Amelie's reaction was gold whenever she took a wicket Amelie would be the first to tell me or you that she was happy to bat down the order, but even being last to bat means that you have to pad up from time to time!

Malie Goddard (13 Games)

Malie is a joy to coach as she listens to advice and actions immediately. She had another great season with both ball and bat. Malie had the equal individual top score of 23 not out and proved to be a tough battler in times of crisis. She dug us out of more than one holeand Malie was also the most prolific boundary hitter with 21 x 4's! Malie's best bowling figures were 2/3.

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Zoe Friedlein (13 Games)

Zoe was our leading runs scorer this season with 150 runs in the bank. She also picked up quite a few wickets (best 3/4) in between being our semipermanent wicket keeper. Sorry you had to pitch up early most games to set up the wicket with me, but I appreciated the company and I am very proud of your efforts as always!

Eloise Bennett (13 Games)

"Wild Card" was my go-to bowler through this cricket season when I needed some accuracy, and someone to curb the run flow. Eloise has kept her accuracy from last season and added more pace. Her best bowling figures were 2/5. Eloise had her top score of the season against Peninsula – 13 runs. I l enjoyed teasing Elo about her folded arms in the outfielddon't think she liked it as much!!

Mia Singh (13 Games)

In her first season for Wakehurst - Mia proved to be a very handy acquisition. She is a very athletic fielder and bowls a fast seaming delivery. Her best bowling figures were 2/4, but Mia was by far the unluckiest in terms of her



strike rate - as she seemed to beat the bat and just miss the stumps by a hair on so many occasions! With the bat - Mia was able to occupy the crease for long periods of time and her highest score was 15 not out.

Daisy Addison (12 Games)

"Addo Jnr" was our leading wicket taker this season (11 in total with a best of 2/4). Daisy has amazing technique with ball and bat and watching her slap shots through the covers was a real pleasure. Daisy's highest score for the season was 23 not out. She still has another year of U13 cricket to go and she always leads from the frontso watch this space! Congratulations to Daisy on making it to the next round of Sydney North Primary Girls cricket trials.

Edie Scarf (12 Games)

"Hip Hop" had another great season and was very unlucky with the bat or at least running between the wickets! Edie put up a defensive wall against the competition's best bowlers in round 7 - she faced 45 balls for 16 runs. It was an epic achievement and etched on my brain as one of the best knocks of the season. Edie's best bowling figures were 2/2. Congratulations to Edie on making it to the next round of Sydney North Primary Girls cricket trials.

Erryn Salier (12 Games)

Erryn was our other mainstay wicket keeper this season and she had an amazing ability in the field to take wickets by throwing down the stumps or assisting someone else to throw down the stumps. Her fielding stats were certainly amongst the best - in-

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cluding 4 catches! Erryn batted down the order by preference and she made a best score of 10 not out. She had a personal best bowling display against Peninsula and took 2/8.

Kate Strain (10 Games)

The start of the season was a nervous one for Kate, but she quickly got used to being in front of quick bowlers. Kate has a loopy action that was uncannily straight with a lot of bounce. She may have not taken as many wickets, but she did trouble the opposition and didn't have nearly as many extras as some of her teammates. Kate's best bowling figures for the season were 1/3 and she saved her best batting performance until the last game of the season with a solid 6 runs.

Kelly Hall (3 Games)

Kelly joined Wakehurst toward the end of the season and is a very enthusiastic team member. It is always hard to settle into new teams, but she seemed to take it within her stride. She had a high score of 6 and looks to be a very useful middle order slugger. We didn't get to see much of Kelly's bowling, but that was just due to only playing in 3 games. We hope to see Kelly at the start of next season!

Season Awards

Batting: Zoe Friedlein Bowling: Daisy Addison Sportsperson: Malie Goddard



Girls-Under 13 Sapphires

Pre-season for the 2019/2020 season began for the Sapphires with integrating almost half a team of new to cricket players with a wide range of ages given age dispensations for new players. The initial focus was on teaching key cricket skills for the new players and to consolidate and improve the skills bases of the returning players. To this end we need to thank two assistant coaches in Alicia Humphrey (bowling) and Nat Guyot (batting) who provided guidance and for helping to mentor the girls. The oth-

er key focus was to develop a strong team atmosphere so team building was also a key element to integrating the new players and ensuring that the core values of cricket was at the heart of everything the team did. The Sapphires managed to finish fifth on the ladder for the season and at one point were as high as second.

In the early part of the season we were still

short of a full team and played short for the first couple of games however the team really starting coming together by round five of the competition and after a few close losses we achieved our first win of the season. Confidence and belief started to grow within the girls and with the addition of some new players and some tough net sessions the team pushed on from there to achieve some wonderful milestones during the season including being the only team to have beaten the almost undefeated number one and season- dominating team from Collaroy. Several injuries

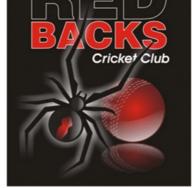
throughout the season left us short of players on a couple of occasions yet the team rallied together and importantly we played very well as a team with everyone doing their part. I am very proud of the how the team came together during the season.

Ashley Jones again proved invaluable in guiding the teams logistics and making sure we always knew where we had to be. Ashley also took on the bulk of the scoring duties of the season and every-

thing ran like clockwork for the whole season. Thank you Ashley.

Asia Boles

Asia returned for another season and really consolidated her skills from the previous season making solid gains in her bowling and fielding. Her bowling was a standout for the season with her accuracy and consistency proving a challenge for opposing batters. Asia was always there to do what the team needed.



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Olivia Champion

Olivia returned for another season and applied her skills with determination and focus. The season was a stand out for Olivia in both batting and bowling statistics. Her bowling was a real highlight with not just pace but also accuracy and plus some very consistent batting performances.

Georgia Cooper

Georgia joined us as a new player to Wakehurst and provided some real op-

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tions for the team in her ability to bowl very consistent line and length and her fielding was outstanding. Georgia really took to the challenge and was a good team contributor.

Brooke Frew

Brooke was a late addition to the team joining us after the Christmas break and having an immediate impact with her ability to attack opposition bowling with her aggressive batting and running between wickets. Brooke also bowled very well almost getting a hat trick and her fielding was outstanding. A wonderful athlete.

Kate Gibson

Kate played a very solid first season and performed well in every aspect of the game despite missing some games through injury. Kate shows real promise as a true all-rounder in the making.



Laura Klemke

Laura joined after playing softball and adapted to cricket very quickly. With enthusiasm and attentiveness at training her weekly improvements were impressive and her bowling shows real promise with some genuine pace off a short run up.

Charlotte Mottram

Charlottes first season in cricket was solid as she built her skills across all aspects of the game including her bowling and taking a couple of key wickets during the season. Wicket keeping was also an area that Charlotte excelled in and she was our go-to keeper.

Emma du Preez

Emma had consistent performances for the season contributing well with both bat and ball whilst doubling up with rep team duties. Emmas express bowling putting fear into the opposition batters was a highlight of the season.

Lila Jones

Lila had an excellent season progressing well with in all aspects of the game developing well as an all rounder. One of the leaders of the team Lila always contributed well at training and on game day and really helped build a solid team culture which was highly valued.

Aanya Salier

Aanya made significant improvements during the season specifically with her batting and fielding taking some key catches in competitive games. Aanya on her day could really change the direction of the game very quickly.

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Winona Wrigley

Winona was new to cricket and applied herself well in training and showed some real determination and grit with a never say die attitude. Always ready to learn she stood up to some of the competitions fastest bowlers and on several occasions without yielding her wicket. A great team player.

Coach – John Boles Manager – Ashley Jones

Season Awards

Batting: Emma du Preez - 113 runs, 38

runs highest score

Bowling: Olivia Champion - 10 wickets

at 6.80 avg

Sportsperson: Lila Jones



Girls-Under 15

With 7 wins, 2 draws and 5 losses including another Grand Final appearance, season 2019/20 was largely a success. In fact, we remained undefeated to all the other teams in the competition outside the eventual winners Forest.

Putting the disappointment of the one run loss behind us from last year's GF, we can clearly see that the hunger, determination and efforts were outstanding throughout the whole season. The girls kicked the season off strongly commencing with a win in round 1 after chasing down 102 inside 20 overs and ended well with two closely contended matches in the last couple of weekends.

Thanks again to everyone involved, especially the girls. Although we missed out in the GF, we challenged Forest right til the very end. There were plenty of special memories for all, well done girls.

Sophia Chick

Sophia has worked hard at her game over the past few seasons and as a result it was really pleasing to see her success with the ball. Our second highest wicket taker, Sophia often shaped the ball away more than any other bowler, leaving the batter playing down the wrong line. This ability to produce wicket taking deliveries is evident in the season statistics. Sophia has taken a wicket in 12 out of the 14 games, not bad given most games only bowling 2 overs. She has the best strike rate in the team, collecting wickets every 12 balls.

Known for her ability to pull the ball hard, Sophia would have hoped for more time at the crease. Results aside it is evident, like her bowling, her batting and all-round game confidence has greatly improved. Sophia should be really pleased with her season and especially proud with her ability to create a wicket every 12 balls. Well done Sophia on a great year, with improved consistency when bowling you will no doubt be our leading bowler for many seasons to come.

Caitlin du Prez

Caitlin's all-round contributions continued this season. As the second highest championship player providing an impact with bat and ball more often than not. With the bat her success came most when she opened, in fact her top three scores for the season was when she opened with scores of 24no. 21no and 16no. Her 24no stood out, as a defining innings was in round 11, where Caitlin scored 24no off just 21 balls, smashing the ball over the top of the inner field to all parts of the ground, including 4 boundaries. With the ball Caitlin often ended the game as our best bowler, by the end of the season she had bowled the most maidens along with Laura. With her top 4 finish in most runs and top 4 in most wickets Caitlin should be pleased. A player that can often doubt her ability or play within herself, Caitlin should gain confidence from key moments in this season and look to develop her game off these. She is an important part of the team success and should be pleased with season 19/20. We look forward to watching more special moments in season 20/21.

Emily Horstead

Emily can dominate with both the bat and ball. For the first half of the season

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Em's best was often with the ball in hand. Whenever she bowled she had the ability to restrict all opposition batters from scoring, building the pressure as she returned very economical figures which is highly regarded and sought after in T20 games. In the second half, Em's best was with the bat, in round 15, batting at no. 3 Emily came in and scored 19 runs off just 30 balls in a display of quality batting working the ball to all areas of the ground in complete control. This quality display was similar in the way Emily scored her 17 in round 7, where again she looked in complete control and comfortable. Technically very solid, it's enjoyable to watch Em bat when in control. In addition to her talents with the bat and ball. and supporting her all-round ability, Emily was our leading fielder with six catches and an unassisted run out. Often positioned at point, Emily was always kept busy. Well done Em on a great season.

Shae Hiskett-Jones

Shae joined the team this season and didn't take long to find her feet and make an impact with a very impressive 14 retired not out in her first innings. Shae often plays with a very straight bat, which puts her well placed for some big innings. Along with her technical game, Shae can hit the ball hard. With the ball in hand Shae continues to develop her leg spinners, which when she lands can be very hard for the batter to face. Twice this season she ended with figures of just 1 for 4. Shae is also a very talented wicket keeper, and with three keepers in the team, Shae was our first choice. An aggressive keeper, Shae displays confidence and match awareness to pounce on a loose ball around the batter and throw the

stumps down executing direct hit run outs from nothing. A talented all-round fielder/keeper, Shae was involved in more runs outs than any other player in team. She will certainly be placed well for next season after her impressive first season in the u15's comp. Well done Shae.

Stephanie Hughes

With the bat Steph started the season off well, including a 16no off only 21 balls in round 2. Her best innings was in round 5 where Steph arrived at the crease with the team score at just 3 for only 1 run, not letting the loss of the 3 wickets influence her, Steph then began to place the pressure right back on the opposition smashing 35 runs off 27 balls, shifting the momentum and saving the Wakehurst girls from a complete batting disaster. Easily one of the most influential innings of the season. Sharing the keeping duties, Stephanie enjoys her time behind the stumps and so she should as she is a very capable wicket keeper. Once she finds her set up position Stephanie is as reliable behind the stumps as anyone. When not keeping Steph is a handy addition to any bowling attack, and is often trouble to any batter. This was evident in round 8 where Steph finished with 2/0. Always offering plenty of energy and laughter along the way. Stephanie adds huge value to the team. Thanks, and well-done Steph.

Laura Judson

Laura continued to dominate the competition in all areas, especially her batting which is going from strength to strength. As the season ended, Laura had scored an impressive 247 runs at an average of 49.4, one that any leading batter can be proud of. Beyond the

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stats it was the way in which Laura batted, entertaining all present, smashing a total of 19 fours and three sixes, two of which were hit in the Grand Final. Scoring more than a run a ball for the season, Laura end up with the dominating Strike Rate of 107.4. The innings that stand out include her 36no in the Grand Final and her 41no off only 25 balls in Round 11. With the ball, Laura continued her success from last year, again finishing as the leading wicket taker. The standout performance with the ball was when Laura

took 4 for 1 in just two overs, which was closely followed by 3 for 2. All up with the ball Laura took 14 wickets at a very remarkable average of 6.36. Our highest Wicket taker and Leading run scorer and is now the all-

time highest u15 girl for Wakehurst with both number of runs and number of wickets. Well done Laura on a huge season including many memorable performances.

Ash Karcher

Ash is another talented cricketer, although fair to say is one that is yet to fully believe just how good she can be. With the bat she has the ability to play both attacking and defensive shots to any areas of the ground. Her start to the season was as good as anyones. In round 2, Ash smashed her way to 16 off just 13 balls including hitting 3 boundaries, and then in round 3 scored 14no followed by a score of 17no. Ash's start to the season wasn't just with the bat, Ash returned her best bowling figures round 1 against Forest with an impressive 1 for 3. As one of

our regular wicket keepers Ash continued to grow her game in all areas and certainly has the ability to fulfil a role as a keeper-batsman in any team. We look forward to watching Ash back her own ability more next season.

Jaime Loh

Jaime is a delight to coach and is someone always keen to work hard at her game and support her team mates around her. One of the highlights and most pleasing things to look back on is Jaime's bowling this season. As our third best bowler Jaime collected 8

wickets at a very impressive average of just 10. The consistency Jaime showed with the ball was a highlight of the season, and it certainly shows hard work and patience pays off. With this accurate bowling Jaime was

often utilised as the preferred opening bowler. Like her bowling Jaime continues to improve her batting. In round 6 whilst a small run chase, Jaime remained not out after 26 balls ensuring the team had chased down the runs at the 10th over mark, well inside the 20. Jaime should take confidence from this innings, she is continuing to play some wonderful attacking shots.

Mia Nel

We all welcomed the news of Mia joining the team and not only strengthening our top order but proving leadership to the group after the loss of our captain from last season. As appointed captain Mia continued to grow in confidence week by week leading the girls around the park and making aggressive and tactile changes along the way. A

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captain that led by example, Mia's best with the bat was 29no and 28no. She was also looking good in the grand final with 14 off 18 before unfortunately losing her wicket. As the season finished Mia ended up as our second highest run scorer, averaging in the 20's. With the ball, Mia also had the ability to make an impact, her best was in round 3 where she managed 2 for 4 off 3 overs. Well done on leading the team around Mia, and congratulations on a great season.

Maya Nicey

Maya should be really pleased with the progress she has made this season in all aspects of her game, especially with the bat. Pleasingly and most importantly her confidence and desire to bat was the significant change, and with this came success including scores of 20no,

20no and 15 off just 20 balls. Her run scoring is built off her ability to softly place the ball into gaps and look for the singles, in fact her seasons 79 runs included just 2 fours. With the ball in hand her consistency continues to improve. With figures of 1 for 2, 1 for 4 and 1 for 6 all off 2 overs each she has the ability to restrict the opposition runs whilst taking wickets. Well done Maya on a great season, especially with the bat.

Anthony Nicey (Coach)

Season Awards

Batting: Laura Judson 247 runs @ 49.4 **Bowling:** Sophia Chick 11 wickets @

Sportsperson: Jaime Loh



Under 10 Red

Under 10 Division 1 Undefeated Premiers 2019/20

2019/20 will go down as a season to remember, with the boys going through undefeated, and competition premiers. Could they be the new age immortals? These awesome young men showed that with some commitment and determination you can achieve anything. A team for the past 3 seasons, they now have a story to share for life, and should feel very proud of the amazing accomplishment. I can see reunions at the Belrose Hotel for many years. So many highlights from the season, Hat-tricks, 5 wicket hauls, classic catches, 6s galore it truly was a great season.

Murray Moran

Murray has once again improved all areas of his game and it is his batting that has been most enjoyable to watch. A very clean hitter of the ball, who has worked hard to play his shots all over the ground, keeping the fielding team at odds as to where they should be, regularly finding the gaps and the boundary, always active in the field with loads of encouragement to his teammates. A joy to have in the team. See you next year Muz



Beau Moran

Our fearless wicket keeper, Beau has genuine skills around the stumps, both in front of them with the bat and behind with the gloves on, regularly whipping off the bails for a clean stumping, or diving for a classic catch. Beau is a naturally gifted sportsman with and enthusiastic nature, always quick with encouragement and a joy to have in the team.

Nate Cole

It is fair to say that Nate loves cricket, and his skills support this. A technically wonderful cricketer, bowling a great line and length that had many opposition batsmen turning around seeing the bails missing, including his maiden HatTrick in round (5). This will not be his last either. With bat in hand Nate is masterful to watch, with a straight drive to envy any player. Nate is a natural leader and wonderful team player consistently encouraging his mates, week in week out. Everyone needs a Nate in their life see you next season Nate.

Charlie Lord

Charlie's commitment to the team has been unwavering, some weeks he has backed up and played two games, one for school and then for the Reds. Charlie has improved once again throughout the season, and stepping in as wicketkeeper for the second half of the innings kept the tail end on their toes, with fast reflexes and some great catches. Hopefully we will see more of Charlie as his career continues.

Hamish Ford

Just like the tech company, Apple, Hamish is reliable in all positions. Solid with the bat, straight with the ball, and

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panther like in the field. Hamish has developed as a star player in the Reds and always up for the contest.

Archie McGregor

Our leggie has once again had a great season, turning the batmen inside out with his bowling, taking a ton of wickets. Also very handy with the bat, the opposition bowlers get no notice with Archie, he takes them on from the first ball, and has seen him score loads of runs all over the field. Keep training Archie and we will see you again next season.

Jacob Watts

We are going to hear Jacob's name a lot in the future. Very quick with the ball in hand, he has many opposition batsmen worried by his pace, and regretting leaving their box at home. Accomplished with the bat, Jacob is a solid allround cricketer with a visible passion for the game. Encouraging in the field and keeping the team focused. There will be no off season for Jacob I'm sure, see you next seaon.

Max Johnstone

Max is another little star of the side. He performed well across every facet of the game, taking some classic catches, smashing boundaries and stealing quick singles aplenty whilst regularly knocking over opposition batsmen with his rapid bowling. Definitely the highlight of his season was his maiden 5 wicket haul. 3 overs, 1 maiden, 5 wickets for only 3 runs is impressive reading and is a clear indicator of his level of talent. Well done on another brilliant season, Max.

Season Awards

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

Sportsperson: Beau Moran



Under 10 Green

This year we played in the U10 division 1 after a strong showing in division 2 last year. All of the team could be playing U9s, so this was a good test for the kids. The kids did really well and finished second making it a Wakehurst one, two in the division. We only lost two games all year - one to Wakehurst Red who were undefeated and won the league and the second to the Forest Sea Eagles who finished third. Other than that the kids generally won most games quite comfortably.

We were not a big scoring team with the bat, but got a decent number of runs and were tight with the ball, in the field, and taking lots of wickets. The kids took more wickets than any other team in the league, taking 144 wickets in 12 games, an average of 12 per game for 10.9 runs each. Most importantly the boys played a really nice style of team cricket; everyone sharing the run scoring, good running between the wickets, great team efforts with everyone supporting the bowler, some of the best catches I've seen at any level, athletic fielding, and great cricket awareness. All the team are turning in to really handy little cricketers. Most importantly they embraced the spirit of the game

and had great fun. It was great to watch them play the game. All of the team returned from last year's Under 10 Green's, with the addition of George Hansen who was a very useful addition to our bowling attack, handy with the bat and lethal in the field

Through the season we saw everyone improve enormously, both individually and how they played as a team. There were times in the field when they played with an organisation and game awareness many years beyond them; making tight run outs, or with intelligent calling and backing up. The standard and consistency in the bowling was great to see, there were very few no balls (often none in a game), and more often than not we were on the stumps with a good line and length, and with some movement. This was the secret to taking so many wickets, many a batsman found himself bowled when he missed a straight one. Adding to some phenomenal caught behinds, stumpings, run outs, and catches.

The team was sporting, kind, respectful, won and lost well, was competitive but focused on playing well, not the result

> (indeed out best two performances were when we lost the games), and most importantly had lots of fun and enjoyed playing. We've got a special group of parents who deserve a lot of credit for this, all helped out on matchdays (scoring, getting kids ready to bat, warming them up, and keeping them in the right frame of mind, when they drifted or got a little

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(Continued from page 52) excited), it was a pleasure to spend Saturday mornings with you. Special thanks to Karen who did a wonderful job organising everyone.

Caleb King

Caleb is developing into a reliable bowler and a handy batsman 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 focused on what's

happening in the game. Caleb's got a great interest for the games, it's rules and idiosyncrasies. Caleb would have had a dozen mankad, or other exotic dismissals if I wasn't such a miserly umpire!

Daniel Deacon

Danny is 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. Danny scored 198 runs, with a high score of 36. Danny liked the role of 'closer' and often the opposition thought a game was going to be close before Mr Deacon strolled to the crease and spearheaded a quick fire 50 partnership, making the result emphatic. Danny was also our most economical bowler with an economy rate of just 3.7, and would be one of our fastest bowlers. It's great to see Danny stroke the ball around, when his natural technique really shines through. Danny's got the ability to go far in the game, as he develops his ability to play the right shot to the right ball he'll become a great bat.



Ethan Allesch

Ethan kept getting better through the season, despite being our strongest bowler and a solid bat last year he struggled to find his rhythm at the start of the year. Then following a Christmas Cricket camp turned into Steve Smith, bowling a wicked leg break (which consistently turned 6 inches or more), and our strongest batsman at the end of the vear dispatching all bowlers to the boundary. His end of the season finished him a close second in the batting rankings, if the season hadn't been cut short... He was a consistently good fielder and wicketkeeper throughout. Ethan really enjoyed keeping and developed his technique well through the season, taking some great catches, stumpings and run outs. Let's hope Ethan picks up next year where he left off this year.

George Hansen

George was a brilliant addition to the team. He bowls with pace and accuracy, consistently hitting a full length with a just outside off stump line and then slipping in the odd lightning fast yorker. This got him 21 wickets at an aver-

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age of 6.4 and an economy rate of 4.2. He was one of our outstanding bowlers this year, and was close to taking out the bowling award. With the bat George was also a good contributor, running well between the wickets and driving nicely off his front foot. He's consistently good in the field. George was playing two years up and is a real talent for the future.

Joe Youle

Joe continued to be one of our most effective batsman, he further added to his range of shots this year and was always good for some runs. It was also great to see his running, bowling and fielding improve through the year. Joe's bowling improved through the year and he became a reliable bowler, who took his share of wickets. Joe's a safe pair of hands in the field and a sharp fielder. As Joe develops his technique with the bat and the ball, adding to his natural eye, he's becoming a really good cricketer.

Kai France

Kai continued as one of our strongest bowlers, and improved through the sea-

son, finishing with a season's best 5/6 to finish as our leading wicket taker including a hat-trick ball which saw a potential catch brush an outstretched finger of a full length dive from one of our best fielders. Kai finished with 22 wickets at an average of 6.55 and an economy rate of 5.14. Kai bowls some great balls with a lovely line and length at a good pace, if he can rein in the looser balls he'll be an even more formidable bowler. Kai was solid with the bat, often making a handy contribution. As well as some awesome bowling, Kai's season will be remembered for his catches, my favourite was against Wakehurst Red where the batsman beautifully middled a pull shot over square leg only to see Kai leap up and back and, at full stretch, take one of the finest catches vou'll see.

Lachlan Rozier

Lachie had a great season, a well organised batsman with good technique and a great sense for the game, a solid bowler and an outstanding wicket keeper. His natural focus, love for the game and easy manner, makes him a cornerstone of the team. Lachie had a great second half to the season with the bat, with

some really strong performances. But we need to talk about the keeping, he excelled in every aspect; stumpings, caught behinds, great takes, run outs. Lachie is developing into a great keeper. He's so alive to a batsman wandering out of his crease, or lifting a back foot on a drive that I think he caught out a few square leg umpires, when he'd whip the bails off. Some of Lachie's caught be-

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hinds were simply ridiculous; against Wakehurst Red George steamed in and delivered a peach of ball with extra speed and good bounce, it got a decent edge through first slip, Lachie dived full length and plucked it out of the air with one hand, the sort of catch any gloveman would treasure.

Rob Hunt

Rob continued to be a good all-round cricketer. Rob's always been a nice bat, and continues to have a lovely technique, prompting comparisons with David Gower from umpires. In the nets he often employs this technique to demolish the bowling, but has yet to bring that into the middle. He's one of our best runners between the wickets and exploits any opportunity for a run, in some games just working the ball into gaps and taking singles. If Rob can bring his net form and natural technique into the middle he'll be a formidable batsman. This year Rob became a very reliable bowler, after the odd loose ball in the first game or two he hardly strayed off the stumps all season, and consistently moved the ball through the air and off the seam. Rob was rewarded with the second highest wicket total and two five wicket hauls (a 6/8 and a ridiculous 5/2). Rob finished the season with 21 wickets, at an average of 5.76 and an economy rate of 3.7. Rob also had the important knack of taking wickets at key times, bowling wicket or double wicket maidens and stalling a batsman

who was just hitting his stride and threatening to take the game away.

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. There were a number of games where Will's big hitting, smashing the bowler all over the ground were the key moment of the innings. Add to this the fielding and he was a key player. Will took some blinding catches all over the ground and throws with a pace and accuracy from anywhere that's caught many a batsman out, with direct hits and over the stumps throws for our awesome keepers.

Season Awards

Batting: Danny Deacon **Bowling:** Rob Hunt

Sportsperson: Ethan Allesch

Under 10 Black

Congratulations to all players (and parents!) for an awesome first year of 'real' cricket. The boys should be proud of themselves for their huge growth and development throughout the season and the parents for learning the ropes of scoring, umpiring and setting up base camp for the game.

Stepping up from Master Blaster to U10s was a big step but very worth-while for the boys growth. All played in good spirit and tried their hardest each game. The team learnt the importance of building partnerships when batting, encouraged each other and cricket is so much fun. These boys really love their cricket and were a pleasure for us to coach.

Logan & Maya Nicey Coaches



Patrick Butler

This was Patrick's first season of cricket and from game 1 Patrick's cricketing skills developed very quickly. Patrick's batting was solid throughout the season and especially stood out in Round 7 where he scored 18 off 15 balls. Patrick's bowling was always improving with 7 wickets for the season. Patrick used his speed running between the wickets, in the field and when he was bowling. Well done on an awesome first year of cricket.

Oscar Clubbe

Oscar's determination was always shown at training and on game days. Oscar wanted to be the best he could be. He was enthusiastic in the field and enjoyed practicing high catches which paid off as our best fielder taking 3 catches with his trusty hands. With the bat he improved throughout the season and made his highest score of 20 in Round 10. Oscar was keen to bowl spin and practiced this throughout the season. Congratulations on receiving the Sportsman award for your positive attitude and commitment at trainings throughout the season.

Xavier Doherty

Another first timer, Xavier's first season of cricket was one to remember, he was our most improved player becoming one of the team's most consistent performers with bat, ball and fielding. Converting training skills into his game, Xavier took 8 wickets for the season with his best bowling figures of 2-8. Xaiver ran well between the wickets and was involved in many important partnerships – the highest over 50! Well done Xave on an awesome first year of cricket you were a pleasure to have in the team.

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Tom Evans

Tom was our left arm fast bowler, taking 4 wickets throughout the season with best figures of 1-8. As Tom's accuracy improves he will trouble many batsman with his left arm. Like his bowling Tom shows lots of promise with the bat. With more game experience Tom's confidence will grow. He enjoyed his time as keeper. One of his highlights for the season was a rememberable catch as keeper from Round 10. Tom was also a sharp fielder with 2 great run outs. Well done Tom.

Josh Leese

Josh had a great season of cricket with bat and ball. He hit the ball hard and bowled fast, always pushing himself at training. Results showed Josh's hard work pays off. He was our reliable bowler, bowling right arm fast pace, picking up 10 wickets for the season with best bowling figures of 2-4. With his strong right arm he took 3 run outs. Congratulations on receiving the bowling award this year keep working hard.

Lucas Moss

Lucas loves batting and would bat all training & games if possible. He worked hard on hitting boundaries towards the leg side, with his favourite shot the pull shot as he powerfully hit many of his boundaries through that area. Lucas batted well in all games and in Round 8 he scored 20 off 15 balls. Lucas bowled pace and delivered one of our few maiden wicket overs. Well done on a good year of cricket, keep training and having fun.

Bowen Nicey

Bowen also had a great season with the bat and ball. He was very strong



through the leg side and worked hard at hitting the ball down the ground, targeting the straight boundary. He was consistent through the season respecting the good ball and hitting the bad ball to the boundary. Bowen had a highest score of 29 and a total of 142 runs for the season. His bowling was just as good, taking 10 wickets throughout the season. Congratulations on receiving the batting award this season.

Xavier Paixao

Another first timer, Xavier was very excited to play his first game of cricket. He treated every training session and game as it was the last. He tried his best all the time, throwing his body around to stop the ball whenever, however he could. Xavier was our committed fielder! His highest score came towards to the end of the season, surprising himself hitting two boundaries in the innings. He has been a pleasure to coach and has improved his cricket

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(Continued from page 57) skills so much over this season. Keep enjoying your cricket, training hard and further success will follow.

Season Awards

Batting: Bowen Nicey **Bowling:** Josh Leese

Sportsperson: Oscar Clubbe



Under 10 Blue

The Wakehurst Blue's squad assembled at the start of the season as a bunch of kids with a love of cricket. You could tell straight away these kids wanted to be there, and not just because their parents wanted them to play a summer sport.

We had a good spread of experience in the team with a mix of older and younger boys, bonded by their love of the game.

We had our first training session which uncovered a mix of polished skills and raw talent that was ready to be honed into a competitive team through the season. In the early rounds we came up against some experienced seasoned teams that had the edge on us as we were still developing into our full potential, but as the season continued, the Blues came into their own.

With the commitment at training and the additional effort that the kids put into improving their skill base, they moved from a bunch of kids ready to bowl and knock the ball around, to a polished team with skills spread across the team which earned some great results that had us rocketing up the table.

As the season went on, the parental participation to get the kids to training and games and their help in various roles on a Wednesday and Saturday was a bonus not only to the team environment, but how the team developed and continually improved. The boys became firm friends and the Wakehurst Blues developed a fantastic team spirit across all our families. Our coach, David Casey, brought his love and passion for the game to every training session and every Saturday game and really developed the Blues into a cohesive, supportive cricket team!

Jordan Casey

One who had a passion of the game and was keen to displays the skills of his idols. Jordy really developed in all areas of the game, his bowling really lifted to the next level, his batting was a foundation of the middle order of team when

consistency counted. Jordy was outstanding in his skill around the field, this including real urgency in chasing the potential boundary balls and great accuracy in his return throws.

Joseph Hall

Joe came into the team as a steady influence and one of the leaders for the younger team members to look up to. He had a good steady bowling action and great rhythm. Joe took

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his bowling to a whole new level as the season progressed, he used his foundations to develop great variety with his delivery and was always able to either to keep it tight and controlled or was able to pick up quick wickets. Joe's batting towards the end of the season had him forming a great combination when runs were required either through quick singles or finding the boundary.

Isaac Kretchmer

Isaac came into the team as a kid with some raw skills of cricket but more importantly, a great mental attitude to learn and improve and he developed into a refined product by the end of season. He was full of enthusiasm for himself and his teammates, especially in the tight contests. The way Isaac conducted himself on an off the field at training and matches was a credit to himself. Isaac developed his bowling, running between wickets and developed into a great team player.

Jack Maris

Mr. Enthusiasm is Jack, one that was always willing to gee the team up and get the most out of others when fielding in the final over of an innings. Jack had a decisive bowling actions that bamboozled the batsman many a times. Jack did a great job in nailing a hattrick during the season. Jack was always keen to improve all aspects of his game he found the fence on occasion with his batting and was keen and eager in the field.

Will Mathlin

Wow this kid could bowl express, he had his speed up early in the season. This allowed Will to focus on his line and length as the season progressed, He was the teams go- to man to open the bowling and he had the batsman shaking in their shoes. Not one to be content with his own action he would provide advice to other team members on improving their action. Will was a dynamic in the field and found a consistent batting rhythm through the season.

Marcus Murchison

Marcus, while young played up in his skill level. Often trying to mix his bowling between spin and pace, he had the batsman unsure what delivery they would see slip out of the hand. He found his best batting when playing straight and had some great cover drives on display. He found a natural fit when assuming the glove role behind the wickets and added to the team's wickets through his catching and stumping of the opposition players.



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Lucas Richardson

Lucas came into the team and assumed a natural leadership role straight away with the younger teammates who all looked up to him and admired his skills on the field. He was always talking in the fields and keeping the lads geed-up when the hot summer started to fade the team in the field. A lightening quick bowling action that would sling the ball down, he obtained his best bowling figures when he slowed it down and controlled his action. His batting came into play as he often would anchor the innings and was always good for plenty of runs when he was in facing either through quick singles or whipping the ball to the boundary.

Sammy Rooney

Sammy started in the team this year as a kid who may be small in stature but is

a giant with his love and eagerness for his cricket. Sammy was always listening and learning off the older kids and coach and he took his game to a whole new level. He developed a sneaking bowling action of a very steady run up but, his arm action would sling that ball down the pitch to the surprise of the facing batsman, often catching them off guard and rattling the timber. Sammy was lightening between the wickets with his running so when alert will sneak plenty of quick singles.

Season Awards

Batting: Lucas Richardson **Bowling:** Will Mathlin

Sportsperson: Isaac Kretchmer



Under 10 Orange

The Under 10 Division 2 Orange team had a great season this year. The team exceeded all expectations especially being the boys first season playing under proper match conditions.

The boys gelled very well together as a team quickly & following some good early wins gained in confidence being more than happy to chase runs on all occasions when winning the toss.

Their enthusiasm in the field combined with the bowling performance which was overall very good allowed them to put pressure on opposition teams which saved a mountain of runs and also led to a number of wickets especially run outs often direct hits.

The batting was also very good with the boys learning quickly that the key to building good partnerships is smart running between the wickets and good communication with your partner.

The team batting highlights of the season were many but one game before Christmas comes to mind where as a team we struck a total of 20 boundaries in our 20 overs on probably the hottest day we played all season. We also recorded a team hat trick in a game after Christmas and went close to

taking 4 wickets in 4 balls! Four players scored over 135 runs individually and 3 bowlers took 10 or more wickets.

My thanks go to all the parents and families who have provided great support to the team during the year including my little assistant coach. Also thanks to the fathers who helped out scoring, umpiring, warming the boys up, hitting catches which helped keep things ticking along. Thanks to our team manager Nick Hawke for all his efforts during the season. The boys were a pleasure to coach this year and hope to see you all back next season.

Cheers Graeme Turner

Season Awards

Batting: Harry Reinert **Bowling:** Stuart Turner **Sportsperson:** Liam Jeffs



Under 10 White

Wakehurst Under 10 White were a combination of players who had played together last season and new players who had joined the team through school friendships. The team quickly formed together as one unit making it a fun and enjoyable environment to play cricket. There was a huge improvement made across the season by the entire team. General match awareness, team encouragement, running between the wickets (with clear calling), catching and putting bodies on the line while fielding were just some areas of the game where the boys really did improve.

All the boys also developed their shot making abilities from predominately leg side to playing each ball on its merits. This included some great offside shots including cuts and drives. Finally, the improvement in bowling accuracy showed with most wickets claimed coming from getting opposition batsmen bowled out!

A big thank you to all the parents who help both umpiring and scoring throughout the season. I really enjoyed being part of this team and it was a great pleasure to be the coach this year. I hope the boys continue to enjoy the game and continue their cricket into the next seasons.

Cody Junghans

Cody was one of the most efficient batsmen in the team. When at the crease, Cody had the ability to always get bat to ball causing the opportunity for a short single, ticking the strike over. Cody's bowling was also much improved as well. As he learned to control his length, he took some great wickets hitting the stumps. Finally, Cody really impressed with the wicket keeper



gloves on. He could have a bright future in that position! It was a great first season.

Harry Doman

Harry D was the team's resident spinner using his variation in flight to bamboo-zle opposition batsmen. Harry used his left-handed action to great effect making him a dangerous bowler to face. Then with the bat, Harry had the ability to play strokes to every corner of the field. He has a very classy technique and knows how to play with a straight bat. Congratulations on a great season.

Luke Vlatko

Luke is a solid cricketer. He led the way in the team in terms of defensive shots and seeing out the good balls. He could face the fastest opening bowler and effectively use his technique to defend his wicket. However, Luke also had some really attacking shots available as well. Highlights include glorious cover drives and cut shots. With ball in hand Luke was also effective not giving away easy runs. Congratulations on another great season.

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Will Rigzin

Played with great enthusiasm for the game. Will really worked on his defensive technique throughout the season, learning that not every ball had to be hit out of the park. He was always looking for the quick single and was clear when calling runs. He led the team in the most boundaries scored displaying his ability to punish the bad ball. Will also bowled with great pace and accuracy, using his inswing to knock out the stumps on a regular basis. Well done Will

Angus Woerlee

Angus's famous motto throughout the season was to smash every ball for six! However, for all his talk he was one of the most improved players in terms of learning to play his shots with a straight bat. Angus really developed his batting to be technically sound towards the end of the season. Angus bowling also improved as he varied his pace and style to great effect taking stacks of wickets. Angus has bright future in the game, well done.



Sami Horne

Sami's improvement across the season was great to see. His increased awareness and understanding of the game were displayed through his improved calling, running between wickets and backing up from the non-striker's end. Sami was particularly strong on the leg side with his pull shots and leg glances behind square consistently gaining the team vital runs. Sami's bowling also improved throughout the season as well, targeting his line to pick up many bowled wickets. Great season Sami.

Harry Stock

Harry was one of the team best runners and it showed in his ability to both take quick singles when batting and to gain extra pace from his long run up (sometimes from the boundary)! Using his swing and pace to maximum effect, Harry's bowling was always difficult for opposition batsmen to handle. With the bat, Harry was always aggressive looking to score from every ball. He scored regular boundaries from leg side pull shot throughout the season. Awesome player.

Harrison Banks

Harrison bowled with a great line throughout the season, really attacking the stumps and gaining numerous wickets as a result. Harrison learnt to control his bowling action resulting in his length improving from short to full. He also had the ability to bowl a handy off cutter as well. Harry was also a skilful batsman. He showed his talent with a few cracking drives, both square and through the covers. Harrison is a talented cricketer.

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Alexander Anderson

Alexander has one of the best leg glances going around. By the end of season, he could whip just about any ball that was on his pads to the outfield picking runs for team. He also had some solid defensive shots as well. Alexander really worked on his action throughout the season, controlling his line and swing. Alexander also took some great classic catches in the field. A great season by Alexander.

Sam McGregor

While only playing half a season, Sam had a great impact on the team. He really enjoyed his cricket and it showed in the way he went about his game. Sam was advanced in his straight bat shots as well as his out-swing bowling. He is a classy cricketer and was missed for the second half of the season. Good luck Sam for your long future in cricket.

Season Awards

Batting: William Rigzin **Bowling:** Sami Horne **Sportsperson:** Harry Stock



Under 10 Yellow

This was the first season of "proper" cricket for all the boys and the learning curve was steep in the beginning especially in the subtleties of the game like running extras and fielding overthrow mistakes. As the season progressed the boys started to develop all of the skills that cricket requires including resilience, determination, passion, teamwork and fair play. Towards the end of the season improvements could be seen in all facets of the game; the bowling attack got stronger, the fielding was better and the batting and running between wickets improved.

From a personal perspective I enjoyed the energy around the team. The kids were there to play cricket and enjoyed their time in the field and played with a balanced competitive attitude. The parents must be given credit for their help in scoring and general help around match day. A big shout out to Dave for covering training and match day when I couldn't make it. And an extra big shout out to Charlotte Nash for being a perfect manager for the team with her management skills and in helping the parents scoring. But last word is for the boys who all had a great attitude and never gave up and tried their hardest in all situations. Thank you, boys!

Cooper Cameron

Cooper had a very good year with his natural abilities and enthusiasm always present. He is a fast bowler who improved his accuracy by bowling a little slower than his quickest. He took 5 wickets over the season. His batting was the strongest part of his game and he led the batting totals for the team with 118 runs. His pull shot is very powerful and a pleasure to watch.

Finlay Whiteford

Nobody has more enthusiasm for all aspects of the game than Finlay. You just could not contain Finlay in the field and he appeared everywhere to stop an overthrow or support another fielder. He was also the one of the bravest fielders I have come across. Finlay's batting improved through the season and his total runs was 56. His running between wickets improved dramatically towards the end of the season and with his enthusiasm could be a strong part of his game next year. His bowling also improved over the season and he took 8 wickets over the season.

Henry Lister

Henry has a natural talent for the game and this showed in all aspects he was involved with. He plays the game with a good competitive attitude but also is respectful to opponents. Henry is a natural leader and prospective captain for the future. Henry is a good accurate bowler with 8 wickets total for the season. He scored 45 runs for the season and scored some very attractive fours during the season.

Hugh Nash

Hugh has improved a lot over the season. His bowling accuracy increased over the season as he took on board the tips from training. Hugh scored a few great fours over the season with his total being 17 for the season. His running between wickets also improved a lot. Hugh started to bowl a lot more consistently over the season and took 1 wicket.

Jack Dent

Jack was a pleasure to coach and was well liked by all the other boys. He showed some great signs in his batting

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through the year hitting some solid shots. His bowling improved over the season as he took on board some coaching tips. Jack gave everything in each match and contributed to the team with some solid fielding. His batting total for the season was 17 and his total wickets taken was 1.

Kyan Chalk

Never has a cricketer loved the game more than Kyan. Even on the most rain soaked of Saturday mornings Kyan would still be carrying his bag to the game with no expectation of a cancellation. A very talented all rounder but a particularly good bowler and fielder. Kyan always puts everything into the game. His batting total for the year was 93 and his wicket taking total was 16 which makes him the leading wicket taker in the team. A special mention to some of the great catches Kyan courageously took during the season.

Ryan Visser

Ryan was one of the most improved players over the season. His bowling and batting getting much better in the latter part of the season. His running between wickets also improved dramatically resulting in some bigger scores for the team. Ryan was always ready for a chat on the field which made for some good memories for the coach and parents. Ryan scored a total of 24 runs and took 5 wickets over the season.

Sebastian Mason

Sebastian had a good season where he was one of the most consistent bowlers in the team. He took 13 wickets over the season. His batting changed over the season when he learned how to block a ball but then opened up a bit more towards the end of the season. He scored 31 runs over the season.

Season Awards

Batting: Cooper Cameron **Bowling:** Kyan Chalk **Sportsperson:** Henry Lister



Under 11 Red

The Wakehurst Under 11 Red Division 1 team were a newly formed team for the 2019-20 Season with the team being formed by players from the previous year's under 10 Division 2. Most of the boys were unknown to each other and came from a variety of different schools within the area.

The team showed a lot of improvement over the season in batting, bowling and fielding. The boys learnt to value their wicket and became efficient bowlers keeping extras to a minimum. One of the strongest aspects of the team was their fielding with lots of run outs and some spectacular catches. The boys were very enthusiastic at training and training sessions regularly ran well past the scheduled finish time with requests for extra catching and fielding practice. The team displayed great sportsmanship each game while being competitive. These boys have a great future in cricket if they continue to apply themselves.

The Wakehurst Red side finished ninth for the season out of nineteen teams and finished the season with 6 wins, 7 losses and 3 draws. Unfortunately only playing 12 actual games for the season. The team managed to take 105 wickets and scored a total of 1618 runs while losing 132 wickets and having 1640 runs scored against.

Joseph Baker

Joseph really loves his cricket and had a great season. He aspires to bowl like Mitchell Starc. Joseph is a consistent player and puts in 100% effort each week. Joseph is a predator in the field and pounces on any loose balls and hits the stumps with deadly accuracy. Joseph spent a number of games wick-

et keeping and there were not many balls to get past him. Joseph has a terrific bowling action and was one of the team's most economical bowlers finishing the season with 8 wickets for 111 runs with Best bowling figures of 3/12. Joseph has a solid batting technique and finished the season with 112 runs including 11 fours and a high score of 24.

Sam Evans

Sam is a very talented player and a quiet achiever. Sam turns up each week and immerses himself in the game. He is terrific in the field covering the ground quickly and keeps the batsmen on their toes. Sam took some classic catches and managed some excellent run outs. Sam was consistent with the bat and managed to score 68 runs with a high score of 11. Sam's bowling was fast, accurate and economical and he is a canny spin bowler. Sam managed to take four wickets for 123 runs with best bowling figures of 2/4. Sam's figures don't accurately reflect the quality of his bowling and he was extremely unlucky not to have added more wickets to his figures.

Peter Hall

Peter is a seriously talented young cricketer with a terrific attitude. Peter is well mannered and gives all to his cricket. He is a keen wicket keeper and skilled batsmen. Peter joined the team after moving to the area after Christmas and only played four games managing to score 53 runs, including 5 fours and 2 sixes with a high score of 21. Peter was fast and accurate with the ball taking 5 wickets for 30 runs with best bowling of 2/3.

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Keegan Hiskett-Jones

Keegan is an enthusiastic cricketer and throws himself into each and every game. It would not have been a regular cricket game if Keegan didn't take a hit from the ball or manage to acquire some minor injury. Keegan loves a slide into the crease. Keegan was sneaky with the bat caressing the ball around and taking sneaky singles and could also hit the ball for four. Keegan managed to score 87 runs with a high score of 17. Keegans bowling improved greatly throughout the season with some excellent wickets managing to take 9 wickets for 143 runs with best bowling of 2/5. Keegan moves well in the field and took a number of brilliant catches and effected a number of runouts. Due to his commitment and attitude to his cricket each week Keegan is awarded the sportsperson award.

Rohit Jayaram

Rohit does everything at one hundred miles an hour and is an absolute live wire. Rohit is probably the most passionate about cricket in the team, living and breathing everything cricket. Rohit is a powerhouse when it comes to batting with some huge hits and deft touches. Don't stray onto his legs or vou will get punished. Rohit was the teams leading run scorer with 162 runs, scoring 16 fours and one six with a high score of 25. Rohit is quick in the field and returns the ball like a rocket (lucky our fielders back up). Rohit's strength is his bowling. He surprised many a batsmen with his thunderbolts knocking down the stumps. Rohit was the teams leading wicket taker with 14 wickets for 99 runs with best bowling figures of 4/5 and as such has been awarded the teams Bowling award.

Joshua Jones

Josh had a terrific season and was very consistent with his bowling. Josh is capable of bowling accurate pace and spin bowling and managed to bamboozle many a batsman. Josh's line and length bowling managed to snare him a total of 13 wickets for 122 runs with best bowling figures of 3/5. Josh finished the season as the second leading wicket taker for the team. Josh has a devastating right arm and contributed to a number of runouts throughout the season. When it comes to batting Josh does not like to mess about. He is a power hitter and loves advancing down the pitch to the slower bowlers. Josh managed to score a total on 126 runs, which included 17 fours and a high score of 24.

Matthew Judson

Matthew is a super keen cricketer and demonstrated his eagerness every week. Matthew was committed to learning at training and applied the skills he learnt in the game. Matthew is a solid batsman and loves a quick single. His calling is the best in the team and apparently can be heard several blocks away. Matthew managed to amass a total of 67 runs with a high score of 18. Matthew worked hard on his bowling technique and managed to fool a number of batsmen with his inswingers taking a total of 7 wickets for 128 runs with best bowling of 2/17. Matthew was like a panther in the field moving swiftly and with often deadly results taking some quality catches and acquiring some great run outs.

Callum Meakin

Callum started the season off with a bang. A massive hitter of the ball he

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managed to turn a couple of games that appeared to be losses into wins with some power hitting in the final overs. Callum was the second leading run scorer in the team and managed to amass an impressive total of 141 runs including 16 fours and a high score of 22. Callum learnt to value his wicket and hit the bowlers loose deliveries. Callum was lethal in the field taking a number of catches and making a number of run outs. His enthusiasm was contagious amongst the team. Callum's left arm pace bowling managed to beat many a batsmen and he managed to snare a total of 12 wickets for 161 runs with best bowling of 3/5. Callum displayed great skill and enthusiasm for the season and is awarded the teams batting award.

Mason Siladi

Mason's attitude towards his cricket is very impressive. Mason is a committed and willing cricketer with a high skill level and is the most improved player for the season. Mason is an outstanding fielder and prowls around the outfield taking a number of classic catches and knocking down the stumps with his throws on a regular basis. Mason has an excellent batting technique and is very solid in defence with terrific shot selection and always managed to face the opposition's stronger bowlers. He managed to score 46 runs for the season with a high score of 8. Mason is a fast, accurate and economical bowler and finished the season with 8 wickets for 105 runs with best bowling of 3/7.

Season Awards

Batting: Callum Meakin **Bowling:** Rohit Jayaram

Sportsperson: Keegan Hiskett-Jones



Under 11 Green

Whilst there was no shortage of individual brilliance throughout the season, including many memorable catches, awesome wickets and even a few 6's - it was the overall team spirit that stood out above all else. Even with several losses, the team turned up to every match with a positive attitude, determination and smiles!

Wakehurst Under 11 Green showed courage against strong bowling attacks, standing firm, protecting the wicket and always stepping forward to play the shots. The team were committed in the field with "legs like springs", always ready to run down the ball as well as putting their bodies on the line to stop boundaries.

The team celebrations were epic whenever anyone took a wicket or a catch. The boys showed great sportsmanship and supported each other throughout the season.

Punishment push ups weren't too popular during training! Increased arm strength will be taken into next season (thank the coach later!) as well as more consistency when running between wickets, a great improvement with batting stance overall, and better communication whilst running between wickets and fielding.

Noah Booker

Runs – 66, Wickets - 8 Noah's strength is as a mid-pace bowler. He took 8 wickets for the season, and most of these during critical stages of the match. Noah's batting stance is a relaxed one, however, when the bat connects, his running between the wickets was impressive. Scoring 66 runs for the season, and 2 boundaries - Noah takes out the 'Fastest Feet between the Wickets' Award. Noah supported the team with a safe set of hands in the outfield, securing some classic catches during the season - awesome effort Noah.

Anton Boulos

Runs – 69, Wickets - 4 Anton is a natural cricketer and is a critical part of the team's pace attack taking 4 wickets for the season and

forcing batters to defend.

Anton is a confident batsman with a solid stance. His great footwork resulted in 69 runs for the season and scoring 6 boundaries.

He has a great read of the game, makes the right fielding alterations at the right time resulting in batsmen often struggling to find open space - great work Anton!

Thomas Mikhail

Runs – 69, Wickets - 4 Thomas was the team's Spin King! He has mastered the run up, however, needs to work on his appeals to the umpire.



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Thomas has a cricket mind which shows in the outfield when he positions his teammates and offers support.

Thomas also has a safe set of hands as keeper that came in very useful with some of the team's pace attack.

Thomas has a solid batting stance and resulted in consistent run rate and 69 total runs for the season with 7 bound-

Zachary Miller

Runs – 151, Wickets - 13 Zach had a solid posture at the crease

and stepped well to hit the ball. This resulted in topping the runs total for the team at 151, hitting the boundary 19 times, and going over once for a 6. Great effort Zach! Always one to lift the team with a crack with the bat when it counts or crucial wicket.

aries - nice work Thomas.

Zach is obviously very passionate about his cricket and shows natural leadership when the odds are stacked against the team.

Zach was also part of the team's pace attack, testing the keepers and taking 13 wickets for the season.

Bailey Andrew

Runs - 90, Wickets - 13

Bailey shows great enthusiasm for the game – always the first player ready to train or start a game.

He is an excellent fielder who pays attention to every ball, and always backing up the wicket keeper and bowler when needed!

His batting is solid with great footwork, scoring 90 runs this season, in-

cluding 10 boundaries. Ethan is also a crucial part of the team's pace bowling attack, equalling the most wickets taken through the season with 13. Great effort Bailey.

William Bull

Runs - 78, Wickets - 7

William had a great season improving on all his PB's and nearly doubling his runs total while hitting the boundary 9 times in the process.

He never shied away from protecting the wicket, often taking a few to the body in the process.

William brought a competitive spirit to

the team, showed leadership with continued advice and support to his teammates throughout the season. William was part of the team's mid pace bowling attack and took 7 wickets for the season, awesome work William.

Ethan Andrew

Runs - 113. Wickets - 7

Ethan was the team's solid all-rounder. Fast in the outfield with great awareness of the entire field and the position of the running batters.

With this skill Ethan always knew where to throw to get the run out. Ethan also had a safe set of hands when keeping and not letting much through the gloves.

Ethan didn't mind hitting the ball off the bat, with 113 runs total for the season, hitting the boundary on 12 occasions and going over it 3 times. Fantastic effort Ethan.

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Alexander Longstaff

Runs - 42, Wickets - 2

Alex has a mature cricket mind and is the calming influence on the team. When the team was in challenging positions he provided a positive outlook on every situation. Alex has a safe set of hands behind the wickets and communicated well with the fielders to get the ball back to the right end of the pitch for the run outs. Alex found the boundary 3 times on his way to a solid 42 runs for the season

A combination mid pace and spin bowler, Alex found the wicket once this season however set up plenty of catches for our fielders, wrongfooting batting attack with his spin. Awesome work Alex

Riley Martin

Runs – 45, Wickets – 3 Riley is the stoic, resilient member of the team. Riley was always there to support his teammates when they needed guidance and motivation. Riley has a confident batting stance, always moving well and contacting the ball in the middle of the bat. He found the boundary 6 times and totalled 45 runs, even with missing several games due to other sporting commitments. Riley bowled mid/fast finding the wickets on 3 occasions. Well done Riley.

Coach - John Bull Manager - Ray Boulos

Thank you to all the parents who assisted with scoring and umpiring during season. A massive thank you to the boys for working so hard this season with training and matches. They have an awesome team spirit and it has been a pleasure to see them grow into a fantastic playing group. John "10 push-ups" Bull

Season Awards

Batting: Zachary Miller **Bowling:** Bailey Andrews **Sportsperson:** Ethan Andrews



Under 11 Black

Firstly, let me congratulate the team as a whole. For a team in which most players were in their first season, I believe we performed extremely well. There were weeks where we played as good as any team in the competition and on the downside there were weeks we perhaps didn't have the focus we needed but that is the up and down nature of competitive sport.

The improvement shown by the team as a whole is a credit to all the boys. As a first time coach nothing made me prouder than watching you all put the things you learnt at training into practice on game day. I specifically make mention of the game at Tania park where we showed exactly what we could do and played a near perfect game. The excitement and enjoyment you all received from that game is why I enjoyed coaching so much this season.

Liam

You live and breathe cricket and it shows in your commitment and performance. Your batting and bowling are your main strengths and if you work on all other areas of the game (yes, there is more to the game than batting and bowling), I believe you have the potential to become a very successful cricketer at whatever level you choose.

Hamish

Lovely striker of ball; just need to get more along the ground than in the air. Luckily most opposition struggled to take catches. A textbook bowling approach which gave you the results you deserved.

Daniel

Probably the most consistent player in the team. I knew what I was going to get when you batted and bowled and you never let me down. While you may not have been the biggest hitter in the team the protection you gave to your wicket will in future years be extremely valuable (from next year when you're out; you're out).



Cooper

Watching you Cooper I can see the raw talent you have and with more practice I'm certain it could be unleashed. You need to be more patient with your batting, not every ball can be hit for six. By far our best fielder and no one will ever forget the reflex one hander that stuck.

Logan

Certainly the most improved cricketer in the team. If we were to watch a video of you bowling in the first game and bowling in the last game we would think it two different players, so huge was the improvement. Continue to improve at the same rate and who knows what you could achieve.

Charlie

Another player that showed enormous improvement during the season. After much hard work you corrected your bowling approach and I will never for-

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Max

Another huge improver for the season and it is not hard to work out why. Keep the beam balls to a minimum and you will do great. Your ability to hit the ball on both sides of the wicket and a credit to the hard work you have put in during the season.

Troy Adams

Season Awards

Batting: Liam Tully Bowling: Hamish Wood Sportsperson: Max Plummer





Under 12 Red

Under 12 Division 1 Joint Premiers 2019/20

Another successful and enjoyable season for a great group of boys. It was great to see the continued efforts and development of each boy, as they supported, challenged and encouraged each other all season. It was pleasing to see the boys sitting on the boundary, cheering their friends, taking the time to chuck throwdowns for the next batsmen, or just sharing snacks and having a good laugh together.

Although the boys missed out on the opportunity to play the final game, they deservedly finished as joint premiers. There were some brilliant individual performances throughout the season. From big innings & great spells of bowling to amazing catches and run-outs. However, teamwork was the real key to success and often made the difference in both the result and the enjoyment of the game.

There were a number of high-scoring partnerships and there were many occasions where the boys adjusted their batting depending on the game





situation, putting the team ahead of themselves. The wickets were very evenly shared across the team, which highlights how each boy contributed.

A couple of team highlights included a massive innings total of 2/273 and a fightback from being 5/9 to post over 120 runs and going on to win the game.

A big thankyou to the other Redbacks who so capably filled in and to the parents who supported the team (particularly the scorers and umpires) and created such a positive environment.

Mat Keen (coach) Michael Formica (manager)

Lukas Banham

Lukas had an excellent season in all areas and is one of the team's most consistent and reliable members. Set his new highest score as he featured in a massive 106 run, 142-ball partnership.

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Aidan Boulton

Aidan finished with a bowling average of 9.9 and a batting average of 118, including an amazing 75* in a gamesaving partnership. Had a brilliant allaround season.

Rohan Chang

Rohan is a great team-player who clearly loves his cricket. Finished as the leading wicket-taker at an average of 9.6 (including an impressive 4/12) and hit a number of big innings.

Lachlan Formica

Lachlan continued to be an important bowler for the team, finishing equalsecond on the list of wicket-takers. Looked comfortable when he attacked with the bat and contributed several exciting innings.

Corey Frew

Corey enjoyed several valuable innings that saw him retire with handsome scores. Also took plenty of wickets over the season, including 3-fors on more than one occasion.

Luka Karcher

Luka used his great technique and calm approach to consistently score runs (average of 25), particularly at the top of the order. Bowls with pace and accuracy and proved to be very difficult to score off

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Alex Keen

Alex registered his new top score (29) in a particularly well-constructed innings. Sharp in the field with direct-hit runouts and 7 catches. Finished equal second on the wicket-taking list.

George Russell

George bowls with great pace and always troubled the batsmen. Regularly pushed the team total higher with exciting running at the back end of the innings. A standout in the field with a team-high 9 catches.

Will Toohey

Will had an excellent season with the bat, averaging 34, with a hugely important 63* in a very tight team win. Found his groove with a focus on legspin bowling. Sharp work behind the stumps helped him reach 8 catches for the season.

Season Awards

Batting: Aidan Boulton **Bowling:** Rohan Chang **Sportsperson:** Alex Keen



Under 12 Green

Time and time again we got close but didn't quite walk away with the win. Our bowling attack was strong, with a great combination of quicks and spinners, that regularly saw games where the wickets were shared across most of the team. On the batting side, we saw some strong performances, but consistently struggled to develop batting partnerships; probably the most essential ingredient to winning games of cricket. Our eagerness to improve on our batting performances saw even our typically free flowing batsmen getting bogged down in a sea of dot balls. And so, we often became our own worst enemies, falling short of achievable targets because we couldn't quite find that sweet spot between preserving wickets and scoring runs.

At times, things clicked, including an epic win against the table-topping Wakehurst Reds, but unfortunately, we couldn't produce these performances consistently. They did show that this team didn't lack talent, and could foot it with the best of them when we turned up with the right attitude and a commitment to working together as a team. Cricket is a frustrating sport when

things aren't quite clicking, but the best lessons are learnt when not everything is going your way. I know the boys will bounce back better than ever next season.

A special mention needs to go to the parents. Player support from the sideline was amazing throughout the season. Kevin was once again a rock in the Management role, as well as a consistent first half umpire. David Greenland was a calm and focused second half umpire, with Grant pitching in when required. Huge accolades need to go Allan Murray, who would be a shoein for Tournament Scorer of the Year, with good back up support from Phil Russell or Grant Thompson on the very odd occasion when Allan wasn't available. The coaching unit was as strong as any professional team, with Grant giving the boys plenty to think about with regards to cricket awareness, Phil the specialist keeper coach, and Kevin the specialist fielding coach.

Finally, a special thank you to our regular ring-ins, Joseph Baker and Rohit Jayaram, who played numerous games for us and were significant contributors

with bat and ball. Also to George Hansen, who, at the age of 8, stood up when we had a late scratching from a game and faced the hard ball without fear.

Oscar Hansen

Oscar started the season in his preferred position as opening bowler, but a shortage of players who wanted to open the batting meant he was quickly moved to the vacant opening

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batter position, and his batting flourished because of it. He scored the second highest total runs in the team (245), including the highest individual score for the season of 44 not out, running out of partners with a half century in sight. His bowling was always tight and threatening, taking the second highest wickets (16) for the team. He was regularly brought on at the end to try and contain the final over when the batsman had nothing to lose. His ranking of second highest run scorer and second highest wicket taker saw him in close contention for the Sportsperson award.

Dylan Thompson

Dylan was consistently the batting glue that held our team together when a middle order collapse was falling around him. More often than not he made it through to the 35-ball retirement, and his average would have been through the roof, had it not been for the regular requirement for him to retake the crease with an unachievable strike rate to run down in the dving overs. More important than his total runs for the season (230), was his grit determination in the opening batting position when the best bowlers were hurtling in with the new ball. I would have loved to have been able to give him a shared batting award for this focus and determination, but that award must go to the highest run scorer. On his day, his spin bowling was as good as any around, taking an impressive 9 wickets for the season. Behind the stumps he was our most consistent gloveman, and could always tell you exactly how many byes he had conceded, which was never many. With 6 catches in the field is was a complete

all-round performance. He was always ready to do exactly what was needed for the team, earning himself the Sportsperson award.

Cameron Russell

Cameron's left arm swing bowling was menacing, and saw him take team high wickets of 20, which was also the tournament's highest. He was thrown the new cherry for almost every game, which nearly always resulted in early wickets for the team. His best bowling performance of 4-4 against Forest was a master class in how to attack the stumps. Cam was an easy pick for the bowling award. After a nervous start to the season with the bat, Cam warmed into it nicely, which saw him moved up the order for a number of games, and even opening a game later in the season. His hard running between the wickets, and trademark flick off the pads to the boundary saw him end the season with a strong team contribution of 115 runs from the bat.

Thomas Walker

I mentioned in the opening section that our team regularly got bogged down in dot balls. Thomas was the exception to this rule. Early coaching attempts to encourage a more conservative game were quickly thrown out the window, Watching Thomas's natural high-risk batting style in full flight was simply stunning. Going large and going aerial was stock standard for Thomas, but he also did it with technical balance so it never looked out of control. While the approach did result in a few catches in the deep, there were also equal times when it was hugely successful, and match winning. Thomas finished with the highest runs (254) and highest bat-

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ting average, taking the Batting award for the year. Thomas was also a potent addition to the bowling line up. When he hit the mark his yorkers were unplayable, taking a total of 12 wickets for the team. He also took a team high 9 catches.

Beau Hiscoke

Beau spent most of the season batting in the top four. He had a lot of innings where he made a start and got himself into the teens but then got himself out just when he was looking settled. He scored the fourth highest runs (169) for the team, with a high score of 25. I have no doubt next season we will see Beau go beyond good starts and turn them into great innings of 50+. When he gave the ball some air, his spin bowling was almost impossible to play, nabbing 11 valuable wickets. He also regularly appeared behind the stumps. Both behind the stumps and in the field, he was a safe pair of hands, with a team second high tally of 8 catches.

Jackson Murray

Jackson's natural game is to play with freedom and score runs. He is a talented batter with the perfect mix of skill and power. However, some early low scores saw him go into his shell and convert to a more defensive game, which you could see wasn't how he wanted to play. As a result, he never quite found his timing that we all know he has, and won him last year's batting award. He just needed one big score to break the shackles, which I am certain we will see early next season. Despite not quite clicking, he still contributed a significant 93 runs for the team. Jackson bowls a fast and heavy ball, which is devastating when he gets it on off



stump, taking 7 wickets for the season. Sharp reflexes, a safe set of hands (8 catches for the season) and a great arm meant I was often wishing I could have had Jackson fielding in three positions at once. His great all-round skills also meant he played many strong games as keeper.

George Wesson

George can give the ball more flight than anyone I know when bowling his spinners, which often left the batters completely bamboozled. This was highlighted when he took 4-4 against Forest. He could also switch from Spin to Medium-pace mid over, which made him even more of a handful for the batters and allowed him to take 12 wickets for the season. In batting, George got off to a slow start, but then found some form with some mid-teen scores and a high score of 24, finishing the season on 144 runs. George has fantastic hand eye co-ordination, which works well with his back foot dominant technique and ability to step across his stumps and flick the ball down leg to the boundary with ease. Traditionally this technique would have been frowned upon, but Steve Smith has successfully changed these views.

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Finn Greenland

If there was one certainty with this team, it was that Finn would bowl four tight overs that would restrict the runs and regularly take a wicket. By the end of the season he had perfected the left arm over the wicket ball that swings back into the right handers pads, causing no end of distress to the batter. He was the bowler I turned to when the score was getting away from us and we needed to refocus our line and length, and hopefully snare a wicket. With the bat, he struggled for confidence early on. However, in the last few games he started to bat with some positivity, which showed promising signs for next season. He made the gully fielding position his own, taking a couple of superb catches there.

Harrison den Brinker

Missing the first few games of the sea-

son meant he was playing catch up early on to get used to the hard ball and out-when-you-are-out. However, catch up he did, scoring a beautiful 27 not out in his second game. Unfortunately, a few shots across the line, and a couple of unlucky run-outs meant that he was unable to repeat that batting form. A shoulder injury restricted his bowling to one or two overs per game, but he still took two wickets from his 13 overs. A very nasty head knock when playing soccer resulted in him missing the last few games. As a result, it was a disjointed season for Harry, only playing 9 of the possible 18 games. We look forward to a 20-21 season, fully fit and raring to

Season Awards

Batting: Thomas Walker Bowling: Cameron Russell Sportsperson: Dylan Thompson



Under 12 Black

The Under 12 Wakehurst Black played 17 games with 3 wins and 14 losses. While we had a tough season as far as the scoreboard went, the boys tried very hard to keep improving. As a team, we worked very hard to learn and build on our basic cricket skills. In the bowling department, we focused on bowling a good line and length with all bowlers improving the season. With our batting, we focused on developing a good defence and developing the ability to rotate the strike.

A special thanks must go to Ciaran Sharp; he did a great job of managing the team from week to week. His administrative work was again outstanding. He was also a great help at training. Also, Jasper Young was a great help at training. He helped in the nets and in our centre wicket practice. Thanks Jasper.

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. We teamed up with Wakehurst Green forming a very competitive team where we made it through to the Grand Final. Unfortunately, the game was washed out. However, the team were declared joint winners with Collaroy Plateau. Well done to all involved. A special thanks to Ciaran and Kevin Wesson who managed the mini-bash team.

Overall, I was very proud of the way the boys played in the 2019/20 season. Although we didn't win many games, we tried very hard at training to improve

and have fun. They played with great spirit, and more importantly, seemed to show some enjoyment for the game.

Toby Cooper

Toby's batting helped the team score some good totals this season. His 39 not out off 42 balls against the Seaforth Stars was his best batting effort. In the same game he took 2/14 bowling a great line and length. While he may not have got as many wickets as he would have liked, his accuracy and therefore economy rate (2.44 runs per over) was outstanding. This allowed the team to build pressure in the field throughout the season. Toby's safe pair of hands and his general fielding also assisted the team to take wickets. He finished with 5 catches and 2 run outs. Toby also made it deep into the qualification for the PSSA North team which was a great achievement. Toby's work ethic, discipline, training attendance, manners, and competitiveness where all outstanding. Therefore, Toby was the winner of our Sportsperson of the year award.



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Jack Kalms

Jack had a great season with the ball. In the first game, Jack took 3/2 off 2 overs to get our season started. However, it was his spell against St Augustine's where he demonstrated how to bowl straight. He hit the pegs four times to finish with 4/7 off 4 overs. Jack hit a valuable 18 off 23 balls against Forest in the last game of the season which helped the team to a winning total. Jack took 16 wickets at an average of 11.12. But it was Jack's bowling that really assisted the team this season. Therefore, Jack received the bowling award for this season. Unfortunately, Jack will be leaving the club as he is off to St Augustine's next year. We wish him all the best.

Ryan Lloyd

Ryan's energy and enthusiasm really helped for the team this season. His running between the wickets was a highlight, he backed up well, and was always looking to steal a run. Ryan's batting highlight was his brilliant 37 against Wakehurst Green where he and Blake put on a match winning 65 run opening stand. He also scored 27 against Forest in our last game. Ryan's 1/12 against Collarov was a great display of line and length bowling where he cleaned bowled Collarov's danger man first ball. Ryan was also great in the field taking catches and was involved in a few run outs.

Alex Loeb

Alex plugged away all season both on Saturday's and at training. His bowling improved out of sight throughout the season due to his persistence in the nets and during centre wicket practice. His 2/19 against Seaforth involved two

great caught and bowled dismissals which showed he has great natural athletic ability. While he found the batting side of the game difficult, he was always working to improve on keeping the good balls out early in his innings. Alex was always polite and played the game in good spirit. Even when things didn't go his way, he still tried hard to help the team to build pressure in the field

Kai Junghans

Kai bowled some great spells this season. In the first game he destroyed the Saints batting line up taking a season best 4/5 of 3 overs. He also took 2/10 on two other occasions against Collaroy and Forest. Kai also tried hard with the bat all season playing a couple of valuable innings against Forest and Collaroy. Against Forest he smashed 25 not out off 24 balls which got us out of trouble and helped us post a competitive score. In this innings, he found the boundary 5 times where he was particularly harsh on the Forest bowlers when they strayed onto his pads.

Liam Kuchel

Liam played with us in the first part of the season. He bowled some tidy spells involving good line and length which helped the team tie down the opposition batters on many occasions. Against the joint premiers (Wakehurst Red) he took a 1/9 off 3 overs. In the same game he batted with some real grit by managing to keep out the quick bowlers. He remained not out in this innings which was a great effort.

Blake Marshall

Blake played some great knocks this season. When Blake hits the ball

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straight, he can move the game forward very quickly. Blake also possesses a powerful pull shot when the bowlers drop short. His 31 against Wakehurst Green was a season highlight. In a huge win against the Greens, Blake opened the batting with Ryan setting up the team up with an outstanding opening partnership by dispatching the bowlers to all parts of the ground. Blake also

bowled some good overs for the team. Against Collaroy he bowled with precision taking 1/8 off 3 overs.

Conor Mulcahy

Conor competed well this season. He competes hard at training and on match day. Towards the end of the season his

bowling really came along. When he gets up high in his delivery stride and follows through, he is able to get the ball through to the keeper at good pace. His bowling highlight was against Forest in round 9 where he took 2/6 off 4 overs. He showed his all-round ability with the bat later in the season when he compiled 29 not out against Forest. In this innings, he showed how he can play a well-paced innings. Conor was also very tidy behind the stumps taking nine catches throughout the season. His glovework saved us many runs by limiting the number of byes.

Liam Rowshan

Liam's efforts this season really helped the team. In some spells he managed to use his height and get the ball zipping through to the keeper. When bowling, Liam's economy rate was excellent. He managed to restrict the opposition batters to an average of 3 runs per over which helped the team build pressure in throughout the season. For example, his 1/11 off 4 overs against Forest helped us secure a last game victory. Liam tried hard to apply himself with the bat. He showed this against Saints

where he was able to play a long innings. Liam also assisted the team on occasions with the wicketkeeping duties.

Finlay Sorohan

Finlay should be proud of the way he played this season. He worked hard at training and never gave up when competing

on the weekend. He bowled some really good spells getting the ball to tail away from the right handers. Against Forest he took the new ball bowling a great line and length, finishing with 2/6 off 3 overs which put the boys in green on the back foot. Finlay also battled hard with the willow. In one innings he managed to play a long innings where he remained not out after facing his thirty -five balls. Finn's batting highlight came when he struck 16 off 19 balls against Wakehurst Green involving two good partnerships with Paddy and Kai. Finlay also helped out with the gloves on many occasions which really helped the team.

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Patrick White

197 runs at 19.7 and therefore received the batting award for this season. Patrick tried very hard this season to establish himself at the crease by playing straight and respecting the good balls. He played with a straight bat and worked the ball well to the leg side when the bowlers missed their line. He worked hard at training in trying to push the singles which will eventually help him keep the scoreboard ticking over. His best innings came against Seaforth, his flashing blade hit the ball to all parts of the ground where he stuck 24 off 23 balls. Paddy also bowled well throughout the season consistently finding his line and length. His bowling highlight came against Wakehurst Red where he took 2 for 9 off 3 overs. But it

was Paddy's consistent batting (197 runs @ 19.7) which earned him the batting award this season

Also, thanks must go Mason Siladi, Jacob Watts, Nate Cole, Archie McGregor, Joseph Baker, Rohit Jayaram, Callum Meakin. These players were very helpful when filling in for us throughout the season. We hope you enjoyed the experience.

Matt White (coach)

Season Awards

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

Sportsperson: Toby Cooper



Under 12 White

The U12 White's started with a mix of both new and existing players which gave a refreshing outlook on the season ahead. Again we had the objectives to play fair and have fun by supporting and encouraging each other no matter what the situation. We also faced the challenges that came with new rules for the higher age group.

Generally speaking we didn't focus on match results but rather playing to our

potential. We were competitive with most teams on any given day and this made coaching the team both challenging and rewarding at the same time. If we played to our potential then there was the opportunity for victory and on the occasions we did win, it was very exciting and well celebrated by both players and families alike.

The team had a great work ethic during training sessions with traditional net ses-

sion aspects coupled with unconventional fun moments including fielding practice with water bombs. All were a lot of fun and I always tried to fit in as much as possible given the time available.

There were many moments I saw both on and off the field that have created memories. For me they mostly involve seeing the smiles on boys faces when they bowled a good ball, hit a good shot or came in for a head rub to celebrate a wicket being taken after a great catch – as a team. I'm sure each player has his own memory of a special moment during the season and it's that which he should take forward into next season.

Again 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!

> It was a pleasure coaching the boys this year, they improved, were polite, happy and appreciative and on that note, I hope to see everyone again next year!

Luke Farrar

Luke was welcomed into the team this season bringing excitement and passion for the game. In particular, Luke was highly motivated in the bowling department being a key member of the fast bowling cartel.

With best figures of 1/0 Luke was unlucky not to take more wickets during the season given some superb line and length bowling. With the bat Luke's top score of 7 n.o. was in the first game of the season. Towards the end of the season, his intent for scoring in the latter half of our innings often pushed totals higher than they would have ordinarily been. Well done Luke on a great season!

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Lucas MacKenzie

I think every team needs a player like Lucas! Eternally talkative and encouraging, Lucas was a great team member. He helped bind the players together in the field while being in his favourite position of wicket keeper. He took some great catches behind the stumps and often put his body on the line to prevent extras. With the ball Lucas was surprisingly quick and was phenomenal when given the task of "bowling yorkers like Mitchel Starc". In the batting department Lucas took out the team's highest score of 34 n.o. with the highest average and was also our highest total run scorer over the season. An allround great season Lucas, it was fantastic having you on the team.

Saburou Murata-Davison

I was excited to have Sabu selected for our team again this season. He has excellent match awareness and the ability to read the game as it's been played out. In the field Sabu took some remarkable catches and multiple pinpoint run outs this season which was great to see. In the batting department, Sabu had a strong season, often propping up the late middle order. He brought a positive approach to the crease that rubbed off on his batting partner at the time bring valuable runs. Another member of the opening bowling cartel, Sabu

was quick and accurate with best figures of 2/3 at an average of 10. An outstanding season Sabu, well done!

Angus Nash

This was the second season I'd had the honour of coaching "Gussy" and what a successful one it was. Being the spearhead of the bowling cartel, Gus looked forward each week to take on the responsibility of opening the bowling with enthusiasm. With the new ball in hand, Gus had best figures of 4/12 at an average of 10 while also taking most wickets over the period of the season. His speed and accuracy in bowling took a leap forward over the Christmas period no doubt due to plenty of hard work and practice. In the batting department Gus again loved to see the bat do the talking at the end of the innings and pushed hard for as many runs as possible. Equally as important, he was also able to apply a steely resolve and hang in there when the going got tough and the team needed him most. Well done Gus on a terrific season, the statistics speak for themselves.

Kiran Sanghvi

I was familiar with Kiran having played against him over the last few seasons, but I have to say it was far better actually having him selected in our team! Kiran slotted in nicely, finding a niche for himself towards the top of the batting order. His free flowing technique helped work the ball around the ground to keep the scoreboard ticking over and importantly help set a platform for the innings to come. Kiran's bowling really improved over the season both in fluency and technique which helped him take best figures of 2/12. I would suggest his bowling was the most im-

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proved of anyone in the team and this was due to listening to advice then working hard to put it into practice. So well done Kiran on a fantastic season, it was a privilege having you in the team.

Joseph Sharp

Another new member to the team. Ioey's presence was more than welcome. He brought a smile with a high level of enthusiasm to both practice sessions and matches, which rubbed off on fellow team mates. Playing up a vear. Joev was given the important task of opening the batting. More often than not he would face up to the first ball showing both pride in the role and strength of character to get the job done week in and week out. He top scored with 20 n.o. at an average of 11 but also achieved the second highest number of not outs in the team - while opening the batting! In terms of bowling, Joey was extremely frugal giving away very few runs and was absolutely one of the stars in the field both in technique and encouragement for his team mates. A cracking season Joey, you were a valuable member of the team and a pleasure to coach, well done.

Alex Strain

Alex was a familiar face in team bringing a polite and positive attitude week in and week out. There is never any fuss with Alex and I could see he always gave his best to get the job done whether that was with the bat or ball. In arguably what wasn't his preferred batting position, Alex often opened the batting with positive intent given the task of seeing off the opening bowlers. It was amusing at times seeing fast bowlers get frustrated with his fantastic defensive technique and to then get worked for an easy single the next de-

livery. With a high score of 11, Alex's greatest ability was to hold up an end to set a platform for the innings, and that he did by batting for close to the highest number of minutes over the season. In the bowling department Alex took best figures of 1/3 at an average under 40 and was exceptional in the field by constantly encouraging his fellow teammates. Well done Alex on another fantastic season.

Ruhan Visser

Ruhan was another new member to the team and a very welcomed one at that. One of our best all-rounders, Ruhan was fantastic with both the bat and ball being towards the top of the stats in each area. In terms of batting Ruhan's natural strength coupled with free flowing technique helped him score runs freely, top scoring with 20 n.o. at an average of 9. While bowling he took best figures of 2/10 at an average of 15 which was fantastic. In the field Ruhan was extremely capable by taking a number of run outs coupled with some outstanding catches. All in all a very successful season Ruhan, congratulations on your efforts.

Samuel Whiley

It was great seeing Samuel back in the team this year and the positive vibe he brings to both training and matches. Another of our strong all-rounders, Samuel experimented over the season with variation in his bowling to bring a best of 1/3 at an average of 28. With the bat in hand Samuel looked more settled than most, especially against some of the stronger teams which showed his defensive technique has improved over the season. Samuel always plays with great intent whether batting or bowling but was absolutely

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fantastic in the field. He took the highest number of run outs, typically hitting the stumps from the point position where only one stump is visible and was always encouraging of the players around him. A great asset to the team, well done Samuel on another awesome season.

Matthew Wineberg

Another player to return to the team, Matthew had a great season as one of our strong all-rounders. Matt really improved his bowling over the season which was a pleasure to see and in turn helped boost his confidence in other aspects of the game. Never one to be quiet in the field, Matthew was instrumental in motivating the team week in and week out while also taking some great catches. In the batting department, Matt was solid by top scoring

with 12 n.o. and averaging 6 but more importantly took pride in valuing his wicket, a skill that was new to all the boys this season. With the ball in hand Matt had best figures of 1/6 and was unlucky not to take more wickets than the statistics suggest. Congratulations Matt on the cricketing improvements you made over the season, they are thoroughly deserved.

Season Awards

Batting: Lucas MacKenzie **Bowling:** Angus Nash

Sportsperson: Saburou Murata-Davison



Under 13 Red

Under 13 Division 1 Premiers 2019/20

Played 20 - Won 15 - Drawn 3 (due to rain abandonment and Covid 19) - Lost

Runs For- 2031 Runs against- 1565. Wickets Taken – 132 Wickets Lost - 82

The Under 13 Reds returned for the season as reigning, undefeated champions and were naturally touted as the team to beat across the division. To play week in and week out against opposition who want to "knock you off your perch" can be tough and the squad deserve huge credit in the way they trained, played and succeeded throughout the season.

Without a doubt the standard across the division was stronger than the previous year. This in no way denigrates the success of the 18/19 vintage but the matches were closer and tighter across the board this year. The boys had to dig deep at times and the resilience displayed at various matches throughout the season speaks volumes for their mental development. You learn nothing by steam rolling team's week in, week out. When tested and 'under the cosh' – can you adapt and find a way to win? This is the truer test of a side.

Perhaps, the way they played and conducted themselves fills me with the most pride. Never boastful but always confident. Competitive but always respectful. These are the hallmarks that all aspiring sportsmen should adhere to. The dedication to technique, training and physical attributes can be worked on but you need a collective standard, spirit and set of principles as

a team to set you apart. This squad displayed this in abundance. My expectation as a coach is high but the players must set and reach the standard and expectations for themselves. If there is no collective buy in from the players, it doesn't work. To be crowned Premiers two years in a row is a wonderful achievement and you all fully deserve the coveted "Baggy Red"!

The season was not without its share of setbacks both on and off the field though. The talismanic, Matthew Melville, was restricted to a handful of games due to school commitments. The captain, ubiquitous gloveman and strong middle order bat, Max Thompson, broke his wrist before Xmas and missed some key fixtures. Tom Stoddart fractured his shoulder before the crucial semi -final against the Seaforth Sixers. We had numerous bouts of illness and absentees from certain games but to their credit the team took much of it in their stride and prospered even more in the face of adversity. A heartfelt thank you to all the Under 12 Wakehurst players (Will Toohey, Rohan Chang, Luka Karcher) and Fraser Pandit that manfully stepped in (some last minute) to assist the team.

On the field, an English-esque batting collapse against a spirited Wakehurst Orange inflicted the first defeat in 20 odd matches for many in the group in Game #4 and a superb rear guard last wicket stand of over 90 by the Kingfisher Peninsulas saw them inflict the second defeat in game #10. Two weeks before the Xmas break the Reds were lying 4th on the table. Losing a game of cricket is not the worst thing that can happen to a side – it happens to all of

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us - but the ability to learn from defeats and then apply and deliver a response is critical. For the team to win 7 games on the bounce and finish Minor Premiers tells you all you need to know about the response.

Individually, there is some huge talent in the playing group and there were some truly superb bowling spells and batting performances to watch at times throughout the season but the key component the team showed was an ability to knuckle down and win in all conditions and some unsung heroes arrived to the fore at critical moments too

which was most pleasing. Cricket is a tough mental game but the mix of the individual discipline and performance for the team is what makes the game so great. Switch off in the field and the critical moment can be

lost. Anyone who has ever walked to the crease feels the butterflies but the ability to harness those nerves and use them to your advantage will set you apart. Plus, you must work hard - the simplest ingredient of them all.

A semi-final in monsoon like conditions against our great rivals the Seaforth Sixers at Terrey Hills will live long in the memory (mainly as I seemed to get trench foot for about a month after!!!) This match encapsulated the resilience of this team and the need to earn a victory when the easier route would have been to declare the match unplayable. Seaforth set us 150 to win in the ever-

increasing rain and after a couple of wobbles Max Thompson, Noah Pitkin, Zane Cassie and Arlo Thompson steadied the ship. Arlo had a career defining innings as he attacked the Seaforth bowlers with some superb stroke play in the most trying of conditions.

The final against Harbord was cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions so we were announced Premiers once more upon finishing highest in the league for the season.

My sincerest thanks to all the parents and families amongst this group. To Chris Melville for assisting as coach

throughout the season even though his own son was playing for his school most Saturdays speaks volumes. Muz McLerie for being an everpresent coach to both groups at training. To Brett for managing us all around the Northern beaches. To Mark.

Lisa and Gill for taking on the mantle of scorer so willingly throughout the season. All greatly appreciated.

Coaching 24+ boys is no easy task and we will need to navigate a path forward that works for all parties. Having such a number means the technical side of cricket coaching is difficult to do with 23 other players at a session. *Note to the boys - Facing 20-30 balls a week and bowling the same amount is not enough for a Division 1 cricketer moving forward. You can and must always do more!

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And finally, to the boys – we are very proud of you, I am very proud of you. The fact that the runs, wickets, catches and run outs is spread so evenly across the squad shows how important every individual's contribution is. Well done on your continued success. We will lose some players to their secondary schools moving forward but I hope they will always remember their time as a Wakehurst Red fondly. Keep practising, keep working hard, stay humble and enjoy your team sport to the fullest. You miss it when you get old – believe me!

Phil Stoddart - Coach 2019/20 season.

Player Profiles

Tom Stoddart

Inns (includes NOs) 13; Runs 156; HS 28; Ave 17.33; Overs 28.5; Wickets 10; Ave 11.3; BB 3/15; Catches 6

Took on the role of opener once more and laid the foundations for the team. He had some strong early scores built around dogged defence and some lusty



cover drives. Tapered off after the Xmas break and he is one that would benefit from practising more to stay in the "groove" through the holidays. Bowled some super spells with his leg spin and took some fine catches. Captained manfully with the troops behind him in Max's absence. The next stage is closer than he thinks – keep working hard.

Harry McCracken

Inns 16; Runs 210; HS 59; Ave 15.00; Overs 45; Wickets 7; Ave 22.71; BB 2/5; Catches 3

Joined Tom at the top of the order without hesitation and his cavalier approach blended well with his partner's diligence. A dominating 59 against SPX Red a highlight. Haz has a great eye and his strength on anything bowled to middle and leg means they get dispatched with ease. He must work on his off side stroke play and his leg movement outside off stump. He bowled some superb spells with a wonderful rhythm and trajectory at times. All spinners bowling on synthetic pitches will get hit as the boys get older but he has a good repertoire of deliveries. Keep working on the variety.

Max Thompson

Inns 13; Runs 258; HS 43*; Ave 51.60; Overs 10; Wickets 2; Ave 19.50; BB 2/7; Catches 4; Catches WK 10; Stumpings 9

A very strong wicket keeper batsman who showed great ability to control many of his knocks this season. A naturally good eye for the ball combined with a sound technique allowed him to put together some lovely innings and be retired on many occasions. His glovework is still superb for one so young and even though the opposition are

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aware of his skill and bat accordingly he still recorded 9 stumpings for the year. Came back strong from a midseason wrist break. Must continue as the heartbeat of the side and will grow as a leader.

Aidan Boulton

Inns 15; Runs 260; HS 39*; Ave 28.89; Overs 49.1; Wickets 15; Ave 9.80; BB 2/2; Catches 7

Brought in originally to cover for illness in the first game Aidan subsequently never left and remained a truly integral part of this team. He is a gem of a cricketer and has wonderful balance and poise at the crease. His bowling too was accurate and always effective plus as a fieldsman he has that wonderfully predatory body position meaning you take him on at your peril. He took a caught and bowled against Wakehurst Green that had to be seen to be believed. Could get frustrated in the cover regions and looked to over hit sometimes and got caught but that is easily fixed, and we will watch his career with great interest. A great young kid and prospect.

Myles Nockolds

Inns 11; Runs 148; HS 40*; Ave 21.14; Overs 53.5; Wickets 12; Ave 11.92; BB 2/4; Catches 4

Myles had a great season both with bat and ball. He has always shown potential but this season he delivered in spades as a true allrounder. His bowling was tight, accurate with a lovely tempo and rhythm contributed to an economy rate of 2.66. When he batted, he allowed himself that extra split second and crunched some thunderous front foot drives both on the deck and airborne. It



has always been his signature shot but the timing clicked this season. Always alert in the field he also picked a healthy haul of run outs (9) and catches (4) too.

Arlo Thompson

Inns 12; Runs 143; HS 42*; Ave 17.88; Overs 57; Wickets 17; Ave 11.12; BB 3/13; Catches 4

Another fine season for the "Sheikh of Tweak". A few more batsmen decided to go after him this year which tests you mentally as a young spinner but his guile, variety and skill allowed him to get on top more times than not. He needs to keep working at making batsman play the ball every time which he will. I was delighted to see the 42* in the semi as he showed the skill we all know he possesses with the bat. It will be a watershed moment for him I have no doubt. Deadly with run outs as well I'd put my life savings on him hitting direct most times - he is that good!

Zane Cassie

Inns 9; Runs 126; HS 28; Ave 25.20; Overs 48; Wickets 7; Ave 19.57; BB 2/16; Catches 2

Zane opened the bowling more often than not and had some fiery spells without getting the number of wickets he probably deserved. He bowled well in a wonderful opening trio alongside Jordy and Myles. In full motion he has a

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lovely action and ability to really swing the ball both ways. He had some dutiful knocks and displayed real determination in a number of games to curb his attacking instincts and grind a result out for his team. Needs to work on not rushing through a shot but allowing it to come on to him for a split second longer and it will click into place nicely.

Chase McLellan

Inns 10; Runs 55; HS 30; Ave 7.86; Overs 38; Wickets 11; Ave 12.36; BB 2/3; Catches 2

Chase proved himself a handy, skiddy bowler. He has worked on his action and can zip the ball through nicely picking up 12 wickets along the way. He must back himself now and kick on to add variety to his bowling. Work on a slower ball will add nicely to his arsenal. He had some tough moments at the crease but came through strong after Xmas with some pivotal knocks to steer his team over the line. None more so than against Collaroy Plateau in the penultimate game of the season. Without these victories we would not have ended up top of the table. We will lose him to Saints but wish him all the best.

Iordan Siladi

Inns 8; Runs 72; HS 27; Ave 24.00; Overs 45.5; Wickets 5; Ave 27.60; BB 1/2; Catches 2

Another opening bowler who bowled some tremendous bursts without getting the wickets he deserved this season. Along with Zane and Myles his economy rate showed how miserly they were in their opening spells. He also bowled really well when asked to bowl his fourth over a long spell out. When he had his chances with the bat we saw



some fine shot making and he hits the ball hard and cleanly. A great team man and a joy to coach. He has the makings of a fine all-rounder and his bowling will benefit when allowed to open with more than 3 overs only.

Noah Pitkin

Inns 11; Runs 63; HS 16; Ave 7.88; Overs 47; Wickets 9; Ave 21.67; BB 3/16; Catches 1

There's something about Noah! He has a tremendous ability to make things happen and the mental strength he has shown to overcome some "wobbles" this season has been top drawer. Whether it be a crucial wicket, stop in the field or holding up an end he has delivered in spades. A true team man and unsung hero it was great to see some batting knocks define both his and the team's fortunes at times. His foot movement still needs to improve as he tends to lean the front leg but not move the foot. It was great to see some swashbuckling strikes and with his Jousting sword (aka bat) aloft as he charges down for a run you always know when Noah is at the crease!

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Matthew Melville

Inns 4; Runs 123; HS 42*; Ave 123.00; Overs 12.3; Wickets 3; Ave 14.33; BB 1/0; Catches 3 (wk)

Matty was restricted to only 7 matches with the Reds this season due to school commitments. His performances were absolutely first class. Our loss is Shore's gain but also highlights the view that the team rallied brilliantly to still win the comp in Matthew's absences. All the best with your cricket Matt – you are a class act but also once a Red always a Red! You are always welcome into this team with open arms.

Fraser Pandit

Inns 2; Runs 43; HS 27*; Ave n/a; Overs 6; Wickets 1; Ave 20.00; BB 1/8

Fraser stepped up and joined the team during the height of our injury woes and showed immediately his class with both bat and ball. A fast, accurate bowler and a technically sound technique with the bat. Alas, he will be another loss to us but Shore's gain. We wish him well.

Season Awards

Batting: Max Thompson **Bowling:** Arlo Thompson **Sportsperson:** Noah Pitkin



Under 13 Green

The Under 13 Greens blasted into the season with a few new faces and an unbeatable attitude. After a shaky start, the team started to blend together. Once they realised their potential, the Greens were a threat to any other team in the competition. After a few losses early in the season we scored a win, and gained our confidence, ending the competition on the middle of the ladder.

The boys showed great spirit, teamwork and dedication. Our batting was strong and grew stronger through the season. Our bowlers were consistent, with a good mix of pace and spin. There were a number of spectacular classic catches taken and our fielding overall was

solid.

Special thanks go to Manager Mike Moulds, who organised where we needed to be, when we needed to be there. He also kept the cricket app up-to-date with all the scores, and helped umpire the games – a great job well done.

Also a big thank you to Murray McLerie for running the boys through their weekly training sessions and warming them up at all the games. Thanks also to Phil Stoddard and Chris Melville from the U13 Reds – having our teams train together was a great success. To our fantastic regular scorer, Nick Gaudry, a big thanks for your accuracy and dedication. And thanks to Peter Edwards for helping out with the umpiring and for having

the kids ready on game day.

And finally thanks to our biggest supporters – the families and friends of the boys who got them to training, the games, and cheered them along during the season.

Well done boys... I hope to see you back at the end of the year.

Oscar McLerie

Oscar quickly set about making the top order batting his own early in the season. He had a knack for looking solid against the fast bowlers and picked off

some great scores. A very accurate medium paced bowler, Oscar was often called upon to make a breakthrough. His part-time keeping skills were invaluable to the team, as was his fantastic 'cando' spirit!

Hugo Gaudry

This was a great season for Hugo, who took a spectacular array of TV-worthy classic catches close in and deep in the field. Hugo alternated between both pace and leg-spin bowling with great accuracy. And for the trifecta, Hugo consistently achieved high scores while batting at the top end of the order. He was a great all-round contributor.

Ethan Edwards

Ethan's natural captaining skills came through this season as he thrived on keeping the team motivated and focused. The Greens benefited greatly from his enthusiasm. Aggressive batting at the back end of the season saw

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Ethan pick up some high scores for the team. His varied off-spin bowling often confused the opposition and took valuable wickets at important times.

Jack Evans

With his super accurate top order bowling, Jack cleaned up a bag of wickets for the team this season. Jack consistently kept the ball up and on the stumps – meaning he was very accurate and had great success with his bowling. Jack also looked promising with a bat in the lower order, and his fielding really improved throughout the competition.

Matt Dixon

Keeping the batters on their toes was Matt's bowling signature this year. With a new ball in hand Matt had a nice swing and often surprised the opposition. He had some nice caught and bowleds too. Matt was a threat with the bat, providing some well-earned runs for the team. Another team player, Matt's awesome encouragement and spirit kept the Greens going each Saturday.

Riley Bogaard

A great all-round performer this year, Riley pitched in when the team needed him to. His medium-paced bowling continued to improve throughout the season and he took some fantastic wickets. Riley moved around the batting order and often looked as though a big score was about to come his way.

Aidan Wyse

A big hitter, Aiden batted for the crowds during the competition, slogging out the 4s. He is a great allrounder and during his times as

wicket keeper he took some special catches behind the stumps. Aidan also continuously improved his bowling accuracy throughout the season.

Jude McPhee

A dangerously fast top order bowler, Jude constantly had the opposition worried. He always kept the team motivated in the field and was really focused on the match every week. Jude looked threatening with the bat and had a good time while doing his part at wicket keeping. He was very reliable in the field.

Owen Moulds

A fearless top-order batsman, Owen was our man to face most of the first balls of the games and was always keen to do so. He therefore wore the difficult balls and did a fantastic job. He was typically hard to get out and wore the bowlers down. As a bowler Owen was awesomely accurate with his mediumpacers and really challenged all the



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Liam Morony

Wearing the role of opening batsman well this year was Liam. He nearly always got us off to a good start, batting to retirement, and revelled in the faster pace off the wicket. Liam took lots of catches in the field and behind the stumps, and vastly improved his leg-spin bowling as the season progressed, often confusing the opposition batsman.

Ben Postma

For the first half of the season Ben was an enthusiastic team member, always giving his best. He was a fast fielder and took some great wickets as a medium-paced bowler. As a middle-order batsman he often pushed the score along. Sadly Ben left us after Christmas

to make a move to the country and he was missed by the team.

John Morony (Coach)

Season Awards

Batting: Liam Morony (avg. 33.43) **Bowling:** Jack Evans (avg. 9.84) **Sportsperson:** Ethan Edwards



Under 13 Orange

The early Saturday morning starts proved a challenge for some, including our manager, but proved to be welcome over vet another hot, dry summer. For their third season running the Oranges served up a mixed harvest of sweet and sour moments, particularly sweet when our batsmen Lachlan R. Ben and Alex all fired, along with some handy contributions from Jake and Lachlan M, who both impressively developed as allrounders as the season went on. Alex in particular dominated the competition amassing 801 runs at 72 and a strike rate that kept us scorers scrambling to keep up!

The whole team chipped in well over the season with our key bowlers Tom, Noah, Finn, both Lachlans and Alex, all consistently bagging wickets through the season and supporting their team under pressure. Lachie M's 4/4 at Curl Curl in wet windy conditions was most memorable! They were well supported by Ben, Andrew, Jake and Bailey who at times proved unplayable, chiming in with some crucial wickets when the game could swing either way.

In the field, catching improved immensely, thanks to Coach Alex's field-

ing drills each week at practice. Keeping duties were shared well between Ben, Lachie R, Finn and Jake with byes thankfully a lesser statistic than previous years.

The end of season result that had us finish in the "silver spoon" position by the slimmest of margins didn't do our season justice with some fine wins and several tight losses, such was the high calibre of the U13 Division 1 competition. The high standard of our grade was made clear by a former Australian pace bowler and fellow parent, who while scoring for our tough opposition praised how well our boys played under pressure. (And I can say scoring that morning with him was a lot more friendly than facing him during our school days!)

Thanks to all the parents for their help over the season, particularly Coach Alex at training each week and special thanks to Brad Pamp for his invaluable help at training, along with Matt, David, Damian, Stu and Michael for regularly scoring or umpiring – it makes the job of coach and manager far more manageable! Thanks also to Ben for all his efforts in managing the team this year

as well which has not always been an easy pursuit with all the requirements from the clubs and association.

We hope for seasons to come the boys concentrate on technique and discipline so we can consistently set bigger totals, and defend

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smaller ones. 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 (C) Alex Cooper Ben Dwyer Finn Miles Lachlan Mills Tom Poole Jake Hayes Andrew Sang Noah Haes Bailey Rusten



Season Awards

Batting: Alex Cooper **Bowling:** Tom Poole **Sportsperson:** Ben Dwyer



Under 13 Black

This year we moved to the 8.00am slot and although a challenge at times for the boys, I think they were ultimately pleased that they missed the hotter parts of the day. Without a doubt the scorers' job was a bit cooler.

Well what can we say.... The boys did a wonderful job this year as they progressed through their own cricketing career.

We started the season on a high note whilst knocking off some of the 'favourites' in the process, but ulti-

mately through injuries and holidays we ended up in a spot that we should all be proud of, no semifinal berth but a cracking effort by all involved.

Your sons did extremely well this season for which you

should be delighted, no doubt Gavin and myself were impressed with each individual's progression as a cricketer. Their own abilities exponentially increased as the season took its course.

Granted there were some tough times, but at the end of the day all of the boys, without exception, gave it their best shot.

We welcomed a couple of newcomers to the game this year with Darcy, Joel and Matty slipping into the team. They all held their own throughout the season and improved their skills significantly as the season progressed. Joel's batting improved ten-fold and Matty's bowling improved to a point that it troubled many a batsman. Well done

guys and we can only hope you continue to play this magnificent sport in the future.

Our batting was mostly solid but, on a few occasions, we let a couple of wins slip by us due to the dreaded batting collapse. In saying that there were some outstanding performance with the willow, with Michael (Captain) taking out the top gong. His consistency and enthusiasm as an opener were without question. Well done to you Mike, no doubt the tireless hours in the nets payed off in spades.



deserved winner of Sportsperson of the Year.

Special mention to Zulfi and Billy who both had a unique ability to go into 'beast mode' and smash the opposition all over the park in relative short spells. They do deserve their second and third rankings behind Michael.

Dej and Darcy also had a unique ability to 'steady the ship' during an innings. They are both steadfast batters and can only be commended for their level headedness and the almost professional attitude towards the game. Kudos boys, (and sorry about that busted finger Darcy).

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Mitchell, Dylan and Mardi were always a surprise packet with the bat, slashing 4's here and there whilst always on the lookout for sneaky singles. They as individuals had an extraordinary season that only strengthens their status as core team members.

Our bowling across the season was also solid with Billy taking out the top gong. Always on a good length and rarely loose, his medium fast action nullified opening batsman and also threw down many devastating inswingers. Well done Billy, practice makes perfect. Tiger's leg spinning was beguiling and without a question, whilst Michael's punishing yorkers left many a batsman stunned at the crease. They also deserve their second and third rankings behind Billy.

Mitchell's change up between leg and off spin was a joy to watch as an umpire, whilst Dylan rifled many a ball down that caught a lot of batsmen by surprise and in turn, their wicket.

Zulfi and Mardi's dynamic duo spells also troubled many batsmen, with Zulfi's tall and powerful deliveries and Mardi's deceiving sliders rattled many stumps. Great work again guys.

Dej, once again was a rock in his bowling ability, his slinging leg spinners coupled with his medium paced off cutters tore many of the opposition. Well done Dej. And finally, as mentioned above, Matty's bowling improved significantly whilst Joel, our wonderfully witty team mate, stepped up to the crease and threw a few down.

Our fielding this season was a bit of a mixed bag, showing enormous courage



one week yet the next week, well let's say it kindly, a little bit lacking. Get out on the park guys and throw a few around, any practice is good practice and inevitably the sundries will decrease over time. Flip side to that, there were many 'classic catches' taken and many stump rattling direct hits that silenced the side line. Keep up the good work.

And finally, a few special mentions.

Firstly, Marny, thank you for supporting the team as always and thank you for stepping up again as scorer for many matches. Your willingness to put your hand up when needed was very much appreciated.

Secondly, to our wonderful Manager, Nelly. Your enthusiasm and attention to detail made our journey this season an easy one. The sometimes-overlooked manager's role was fulfilled and conquered by you with ease and your infectious professionalism was extraordi-

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nary. Thank you very much and we all hope that we cross paths again next season.

Finally, Gavin Roache, it has been a pleasure to co-coach with you this season. Your direction to the boys was tactical and no doubt led to most of our success. Your understanding of the game, its principles and more importantly, its ethics, clearly had a profound effect on the team. For this I say Thank You. I know we will cross paths again.

So that's it from me....

Great work boys.

Great work parents and carers for your commitment and support.

And on a personal note, it has been a pleasure to watch the boys mature, not only as cricketers, but as young men. We all should be proud.... I know I am. See you next season.

Murray Chaloner

Season Awards

Batting: Michael Roache **Bowling:** Billy Chaloner **Sportsperson:** Tiger Kempe



Under 14 Red

The Wakehurst Under 14 Division 1 Red team had another solid season in 2019/20, finishing in 3rd place. The boys were victorious in 11 out of the 15 games that they played and the four defeats all went down to the wire. The boys fell agonisingly short of a remarkable semi-final win. In a rain affected game, the net run rate calculations resulted in us losing by HALF A RUN !!!! It just shows that the little things in a game of cricket all count at the end of the day.

It was a completely new look squad this season with 5 new players joining the

team. Fortunately most of the boys already knew each other from school or rep cricket so it didn't take long to get the team working together as a cohesive unit.

This team is full of talented players and right

from the start the boys were on board with the team approach of mixing the batting and bowling order up each week to ensure they all gained valuable experience performing different roles from week to week. It is a real luxury for a coach to have the choice of batting any player in position 1 to 11 or adjusting the bowling order knowing that whoever was put there was confident and capable enough to get the job done.

I also think all the boys learned about leadership, with all of them having the opportunity to captain the side. The simple guidance I would give the captain was to have the courage and confidence to make decisions, try things, develop plans and just back yourself. Mistakes are ok, as long as you learn from them.

A number of the boys achieved fantastic personal milestones such as scoring their first half-century or taking up legspin, trying wicketkeeping etc but the sheer collective joy for their team mates' successes was great to see each week.

Each of the boys developed and improved their game from an individual

perspective and all can say they are better cricketers now than they were at the start of the season. A big reason for this is the effort they all put in at training where we would regularly work on real game scenarios. It's always great as a coach to

see something that we had worked on at training appear in a real game.

This team has a fantastic parent group, all of whom helped out in many ways throughout the season but particular thanks must go to Michelle and Todd for taking on the managerial duties this season and getting us organised each week.

Special thanks must also go to Maggi Tipton, Stephen Cole, Grant Thompson, Michelle O'Keefe, Todd McPhee, Nigel Watts and John Simpson for taking on

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the scoring duties throughout the season and everyone else who assisted with ground setup, gazebos and most importantly the coffee runs!

Knowing that all the managerial and scoring tasks were always under control really allowed me to focus on just coaching the boys.

It has been an absolute pleasure to coach this group of players and I am keen to keep playing a role in their cricketing development.

The Players:

Josh Challoner

184 Runs @ 26.29, Highest Score: 53* 10 Wickets @ 6.80, Best Bowling: 3/5 3 Catches

Josh should be proud of his performances this season, especially given he was dealing with a back injury for a number of weeks. Josh finished top of the team bowling averages (6.80), grabbing 10 wickets along the way. He will always remember the day he smashed his first ever half-century (53*) vs Cromer with some beautiful, aggressive batting with shots all around the ground. Josh's shot selection, power and the ability to turnover the strike have been noticeable improvements in his game this season. Josh really works hard at training, particularly on his bowling technique and this dedication to seek constant improvement has definitely paid off on the field. Well played Josh!

Tom Cole

221 Runs @ 44.20, Highest Score: 39* 11 Wickets @ 11.55, Best Bowling: 2/7



10 catches, 1 stumping

Tom enjoyed another consistent season, finishing top of the team batting averages. Tom always puts a high price on his wicket, only being dismissed four times this season and achieving 7 scores of 20 or more. Tom saved his best performance for the semi-final with his well compiled 39* nearly getting us home. A noticeable area of improvement this year for Tom was his running between wickets and his intent to always be looking for singles. Despite his 221 runs, 11 wickets and 10 catches, I think Tom would agree that his favourite moment was the stumping he took against Collarov.

Oliver Kemp

84 Runs @ 16.80, Highest Score: 23* 15 Wickets @ 8.13, Best Bowling: 3/11 6 catches

Mid way through the season Ollie had the courage to ask if he could change from medium pace to leg spin, one of the hardest crafts of all. Ollie worked very hard on this new challenge at training and eventually it came time to try it in a real game. By season end Ol-

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lie had 15 wickets to his name with a best haul of 3/11, many of which were from his new leggies. Legspin is not easy and you have to keep backing yourself to 'throw it up there', get good revolutions on the ball and set good fields. Keep at it! Ollie also delivered some handy contributions with the bat including a high score of 23* vs Beacon Hill.

Oliver McCracken

60 Runs @ 10.0, Highest Score: 20 3 Wickets @ 57.33, Best Bowling: 1/14 5 Catches

A badly broken finger severely limited Olly's game time this season. When he did get on the field it was always entertaining to watch him play the only way he knows how. It didn't always come off but he delivered a couple of important quick fire, aggressive innings that contributed to some winning totals. With the ball he enjoyed any chance to bowl down wind with the freedom to just bowl fast, collecting a few wickets along the way. Olly has a safe pair of hands and took a number of nice catches throughout the season.

Ryan McPhee

201 Runs @ 40.20, Highest Score: 52*

8 Wickets @ 15.00, Best Bowl-

ing: 2/4 8 catches

Ryan's improvement with the bat this season was phenomenal with some huge development in his patience, shot selection and controlled aggression. Scoring 200+ runs, averaging over 40 with a half century is a very solid return but coupled

with his 8 wickets the most pleasing aspect of Ryan's season was witnessing his transformation into a genuine all rounder. Ryan should be very proud of scoring his first ever half century which hopefully gives him the self belief that he is capable of converting those 20s and 30s into bigger scores in years to come against any calibre of opposition.

Aryan Reddy

119 Runs @ 29.75, Highest Score: 54* 12 Wickets @ 11.42, Best Bowling: 2/2 5 catches

Aryan was a welcome new addition to our Redbacks team this season providing us with some bowling variety with his left arm spinners. Aryan always had the confidence to stick to his plan of flighting the ball and was rewarded with 12 wickets for the season. Aryan was asked to bat in multiple positions in our lineup this season and as a result had to adapt to various game situations. His two best innings were his fighting 54 vs Cromer and a patient 33 opening the batting vs Seaforth Spartans, retiring not out on both occasions.



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Jeremy Scarf

98 Runs @ 16.33, Highest Score: 34 1 Wicket @ 66.00, Best Bowling: 1/17 6 catches

Jeremy is a very talented player but had limited opportunities to play with us this season due to his private school commitments and a nasty ankle fracture. He is a great team man and when he did get the chance he always led by example with a very positive, team first attitude. Jeremy's best performance was a great knock of 34 against a quality Seaforth attack that set us up for a winning total. Jem often set the standard in the field but also regularly put his hand up to help out with wicketkeeping duties and really improved behind the stumps as the season progressed.

Sam Simpson

85 Runs @ 14.17, Highest Score: 17* 11 Wickets @ 13.18, Best Bowling: 2/5 7 catches

Sam was another of our new recruits this season. When he backs himself Sam is an extremely damaging batsman. Under pressure in the semi-final, Sam strode to the crease with the simple instruction to play with total freedom and enjoy himself. He did just that by clubbing two huge sixes in succession to get us right back in the game. Sam regularly got some good starts and definitely has the potential to convert those into more substantial scores next season. Sam's offspin also developed well this season, snaring 11 wickets and as the season progressed it was clear that Sam was also thinking more strategically about his field placements. Sam was always up for a chat out in the field and constantly kept the energy levels up.

Danny Thompson

22 Runs @ 3.67, Highest Score: 8 6 Wickets @ 30.50, Best Bowling: 2/10 Danny is one of the keenest cricketers in the Wakehurst Redbacks Cricket Club and has an outstanding work ethic at both training and in the games, even despite a niggling knee injury. Danny is a quiet achiever who really listens to any cricket advice that comes his way with an open mind in an attempt to keep improving his game. We threw the new ball to Danny with confidence on a few occasions this season and it was great to see him rewarded with 6 wickets. These were often achieved through his greater momentum following through the crease and his determination to just stick to a nagging top of off stump line and length.

Robbie Tipton

186 Runs @ 26.57, Highest Score: 57* 13 Wickets @ 8.85, Best Bowling: 2/1 7 catches

Robbie was a great new addition to our team this season and always played a prominent role with bat, ball, in the field or as wicketkeeper. In the last game of the regular season, Robbie clubbed 57* off 52 balls with some very impressive hitting that nearly won us the game when wickets were tumbling around him. Robbie has a smart cricket brain and often showed leadership in the field whether he was captain or not. Despite taking the wicketkeeping responsibilities on a regular basis Robbie still managed to pick up 13 wickets for the season. A great debut season for the Redbacks.

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Dylan Vlatko

170 Runs @ 21.25, Highest Score: 59 14 Wickets @ 11.14, Best Bowling: 4/8 7 catches

Dylan is a great team man who would perform any role we set him with bat or ball with great enthusiasm and always with a smile on his face. He should be very proud of notching the milestone of his first ever half century when he absolutely blasted Cromer around the park for 59 off only 28 balls! When he wasn't busy hitting balls out of the park, Dylan regularly contributed with the ball finishing up with a great haul of 14 wickets highlighted by a particularly memorable spell of 4/8 against St Augustines White. Another solid season.

Luke Watts

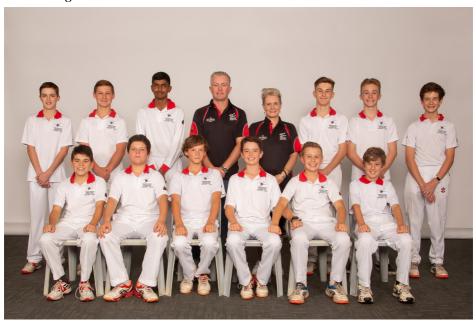
249 Runs @ 35.57, Highest Score: 45 16 Wickets @ 7.75, Best Bowling: 3/1 6 catches, 1 stumping Luke had a great season with bat and ball, finishing as both the leading run scorer and leading wicket taker in our team. Luke is the perfect example of how hard work off the field in the nets translates into solid match performances. Luke delivered four 25+ scores but it was his match winning innings of 45 against Seaforth and his cameo of 17 to win us the game under pressure in the last few overs vs St Augustines White that really stand out with the bat. Luke is always full of energy and chat in the field and regularly chimed in with key wickets.

Season Awards

Batting (Best Batting Average): Tom Cole (44.20)

Bowling (Best Bowling Average): Josh Challoner (6.80)

Sportsperson: Ryan McPhee



Under 14 Green

On paper once again statistically, I was dealing with a lot of talented players and with the addition of 5 new players, we were moved into Division 1. My main aim was to build on last season. deal with negative comments quickly and keep team morale high throughout the season. With 13 players in the team it was hard to schedule everyone for a rest but with 2 hand injuries to players, a knee injury mid-season, sometimes we struggled to get 9 and had to make frantic calls to see who was available to fill in. Special thanks to Andrew our Manager for; communication with parents, the set up of a Teamer App, numerous emails, fruit roster, the cancelations of training sessions, field setting. scoring and the knowledge of the rules and regulations. A massive effort this season with all the ins and outs of players and even parents within the team.

Oliver "needsaleash" Allesch,

Batting high of 72*, 236 run aggregate for the year, 9 wickets bowling and 8 catches in the field. Definitely an all-rounder in the team, probably not as chatty as last year with the banter, but still able to give me a giggle with a few well-rehearsed one liners.

Luke "Good Fellow" Avello

With Luke being unable to get to training I felt I was unable to have much input, but his Dad picked up the training one-on-one and on his last game he shone through, as it was evident that he was switched on and hungry to finish the season with style. 22 runs with the bat in hand, with 4 fours and 1/16 off 3 with the ball, he had an awesome game. Quite a memorable game for me personally.

Rohan "Kersh" Brown

Rohan had a brilliant season again,

even if his catching style is a little unorthodox (a catch is a catch), he took 7 for the season. Rohan was one of my players to have a fractured hand, with a secondary fracture in the other, as the first was healing. Missing a lot of games in first half of the season, Rohan was "chomping at the bit" to return earlier then possible, even when I needed him to make a full team, but we just couldn't do it. Always 100% given, he didn't disappoint me this season once he was back on the field, with 23 runs for his highest score and 3/12 bowling being highlights.

Eshaam "Esh" Holla

A new inclusion to the team, a talented rep player, a good all rounder for the team and an unflappable demeanour. Pressure never gets to Esh, goes about his craft methodically and is obviously passionate about cricket. 11 wickets, a 3/7 in one game. 5 catches this year and highest score 20 all are testament to his abilities.

Sauray "the Ray" Holla

Along with his brother, Saurav was also new to the team however we didn't see him for 5 of the first games due to a fractured finger. Another rep player with talent. Saurav had a 3/13 in one game for his season of 7 wickets, 2 catches in the field and a game high of 18 runs, but the potential is there with the bat as he looked to score more runs over the top of the fielders by season's end than his usual gap placement.

Cooper "Running Club" Horley

As the name suggests, loves a quick single or coming back for a second. Cooper stepped it up this year with the move to Div 1. He realised that he could no long get away with speed be-

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tween wickets as the quality of fielding and bowling was superior to last year. He had to start adding power to the finesse shots he previously used however this came with loss of wickets in catches or being bowled, but I see this as what is to come next year once, from this teething experience. A 30 highest score, 8 wickets with 4/17 and 2 catches in the field

Liam "Howizhe" Howells

This guy makes me smile, with his cheeky little grin and banter. 7 catches for the season, handy with the bat, although a little fine tuning with shot selection could help. Liam's positiveness was evident this year with bowling and he always contributes to the team, well, for the first ¾ of the fielding at least!

Conor Kenna

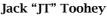
New to the team, Conor was the quiet achiever, who bunkered down as a very skilled wicket keeper—4 catches, 1 stumping. But take him from behind the stumps and he is still impressive. 3 more catches with 2/1 bowling his best bowling. 5 wickets from a total only 9 overs for the season! I think I needed to utilise those skills more. With the bat his highest score was 57*, with an aggregate of 131 runs and an average of 21.8.

Alex "AlexR" Russell

Our injury-riddled team had another victim mid-season. Alex had a knee is-

sue attributed to growth, that saw a lot of games missed, which would have been hard for him given the athlete he is. In the field he was still throwing caution to the wind carrying this injury, with a strong throw, still silky catching hands. Still a major weapon in my line up, even at half speed but hopefully we can get his full potential next season. A highest score of 12* with the bat this season, only 1 wicket bowling (1/6) and 2 catches, highlight how this injury ef-

fected his whole season



No need for a quirky nickname, JT is business. Very talented, fair player, until the opposition crosses the line. He very rarely backs down, but I saw a real maturity in an ugly situation as he was unfairly targeted. An intelligent kid, with a passion for the game to the point

where he questions decisions that go in his team's favour. Obviously my most consistent scoring batter with a highest score of 71*, aggregate of 286 runs and average of 35.75. Also very handy with the ball, miserly runs against, 8 wickets and a game best of 2/6.

Lachlan "Legs" Winlaw

Another solid year even with the step up to Division 1. A great second bat partnership of 102 (with Ollie's 72*). A highest score of 48, jinxing himself from getting a 50. One catch behind the wicket, a little expensive with the ball, but when he was on-song a very handy 2/13 in one game.

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Luke "Woody" Woodward

Luke struggled with bat this year with the move to Division 1, but ever dependable with ball, with a best of 4/19, almost 50 overs bowled for the season with 13 wickets, and a 3.78 economy rate. 5 catches in the field and a positive attitude all season led to an enjoyable season.

Lewis Whiley

Lewis is a rep player who I could only utilise for 6 of 15 games, but what an all round addition to the team. An aggregate of 131 runs, with a highest score of 37. 3 catches, 5 maidens off 14 overs, 4 wickets, and an economy rate of 2.18. Best game figures of 3/12. If only he'd been available for a majority of games.

Another thanks to all the boys for your hard work.

Adam Horley

Season Awards

Batting: Jack Toohey **Bowling:** Luke Woodward **Sportsperson:** Oliver Allesch



Under 15 Red

The team achieved third place on the ladder this season and put in a number of impressive team performances.

They were unlucky to lose their semifinal on the last scheduled delivery in blustery and wet conditions. The team's tenacity in this game was all the more noteworthy for the fact that they had previously made it onto the field just twice since the resumption after the holiday break.

The players supported each other very well through the season and consistently upheld the spirit of the game. Hopefully all the boys will continue with their cricket as soon as circumstances allow.

The players and parents very much appreciated the contribution of Brynn Mendel, who coached and mentored the boys at midweek practice and passed on both his enthusiasm for the game and his knowledge gained from grade cricket.

Thanks to all the parents who umpired and scored, in particular Eric, Shane and Dave.



Tai Addison

Always up for the contest and this transmits to the quality of his opening bowling. Tai kept the ball consistently up to the bat and was a regular wickettaker. His batting showed further maturity this year and he was involved in a number of important partnerships at a healthy run-rate. Tai captained for some games and was a positive influence, contributing much to the team's success.

Lachlan Anderson

Lachlan scored important runs this season and lifted the team out of some lulls in the scoring rate just when they needed it with his trademark leg-side boundaries. He has been one of the most consistent encouraging voices in the field, even from under the hoody top in the howling gale in the semifinal. Lachlan greatly improved his medium pace bowling this season and was accurate and economical.

Michal Banham

Michal's spin bowling continued to progress this season, and he showed good judgment in when to bowl his variations. His stock off-spin delivery became more and more accurate as the season went on – an example of diligent practice paying off. Michal also caught well and developed his batting further with a greater range of scoring shots and backing himself to hit over the infield.

Kai Connors

Supremely consistent opening bowler who was the team's leading wicket taker but deserved even more. Kai was the team's regular captain and performed the role intelligently and with initiative. The ball seemed to follow him in the

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field, which was great because he caught everything. His eye-catching offside strokes and speed between the wickets entertained everyone when he batted.

Chris Guyot

The team's leading run scorer and looked like he enjoyed every one of them. Chris has a wide range of shots and showed good judgment in when to play them, resulting in the team taking the initiative almost every time he batted. Chris's enthusiasm for the game had a very positive impact on the team. He took some difficult catches and bowled his off-spin cleverly when called on.

Noah Hanlon

Noah was the team's regular wicket-keeper and worked hard at honing his skills throughout the season. He took some neat catches and completed several run outs as well as generally diving around athletically to deal with the swinging new ball and the odd piece of wayward fielding. Noah also contributed well with the bat and timed the ball well, particularly with his shots down the ground.

Edward Hutt

Edward was our regular opener and took on the responsibility of facing the new ball with considerable success, contributing to the team getting off to a good start in most games. Ran like a hare between the wickets and hit the loose ball hard. Saved many runs in the field with his speed, and took the catch of the year diving on the boundary. His left arm spin outfoxed a number of batters going for the big hit.

Luke Larson

This season Luke showed that he has the ability to take good bowling attacks apart. His timing and power enabled him to hit boundaries all round the ground. With the ball he ran in hard and troubled batters throughout the season, getting both in- and outswing with the newer ball. As a regular slip / gully fielder he took some unlikely catches with his quick reactions.

Sentarou Murata-Davison

Sen has terrific all-round ability and by scoring a half-century with seven maximums in the semi-final he showed what he is capable of on the big occasion. With the ball his pace had many batters looking distinctly nervous, yet Sen was able to combine this with considerable accuracy. In the field he saved plenty of runs by letting the opposition see his throwing strength early on.

Rhys Nockolds

Rhys's bowling continued to mature. He achieved deceptive inswing, and took some important top-order wickets. His bowling became more economical as the season progressed, reflecting his commitment and focus at training. Bowled particularly well in the semifinal. With the bat Rhys contributed to some important partnerships and showed that he can find the boundary once he's got his eye in.

Sean Rose

Sean is a very stylish batter who times the ball well, hitting the ball hard without appearing to. He is particularly strong in the "V" where he scores more runs than most players at this age group. He is also super-fast between the wickets. Sean generates good pace

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with his bowling from a rhythmic run – up. Was unlucky not to take more wickets as edges fell just out of reach or balls missed stumps by a hair.

James Thomas

James bowled consistently in his role as first or second change, and when in the groove he troubled the top-order batters with some in-swing or extra bounce. Always among the encouraging voices in the field, he made a strong contribution to team spirit. James gained a lot more confidence with the bat. He demonstrated that he has a wide range of shots and can score at a good rate once set.

Jasper Vaidic

Jasper's off-spin bowling showed courage and skill has he consistently flighted the ball to tempt and confuse the

opposition batters, who in the end mostly decided just to block. He is another who was unlucky not to take more wickets. With the bat Jasper kept his head on a number of occasions when others had been losing theirs, with the result that the team won a couple of games they might have lost.

Season Awards

Batting: Chris Guyot **Bowling**: Kai Connors **Sportsperson**: Tai Addison



2019/2020 Senior Award Winners

1st Grade Red

Batting Andrew Gordon

Bowling William Denny **Sportsperson** Matt Varjavandi

1st Grade Green

Batting Ronit Mahajan Sportsperson Harry Singh

Bowling Jag Singh

2nd Grade

Batting Ric Howard Sportsperson Doug Wright

Bowling Matt Martin

3rd Grade Red

Batting Nick Kough **Sportsperson** Matthew Murray

Bowling Jamie Murray

3rd Grade Green

Batting Mackenzie Carrall Sportsperson Jake Dobson

Bowling Cohen Mantle

4th Grade

Batting Andrew Davies Sportsperson Nathan Bennett

Bowling Hamish Moore

5th Grade

Batting Chris Guyot Sportsperson Chris Guyot

Bowling Michal Banham

Captains

1st Grade Red Matthew Varjavandi

1st Grade Green Binny Jagmohanveer

2nd Grade Luca Candotti

3rd Grade Red Jess Ball

3rd Grade GreenCohen Mantle4th GradeIan Thompson5th GradeStuart Banham

Vice President Seniors Report

Well what a year of surprises, full of twists, turns and good old-fashioned mother nature getting in the way. Season 2019/2020 had it all, from exciting wins, to agonising losses.

First up I would like to thank the Wakehurst Cricket Community in helping me navigate the duties of Senior VP. Kevin Hume left some big shoes to fill, and we could never replace his energy, music ability and commitment and massive enthusiasm to cricket.

My first year as Senior VP was very frantic, in no small part due to the birth of my little boy William (which I am very grateful happened during the October cricket break, so no games were missed). Thank you to everyone for replying to my requests quickly as we tried to get full teams onto the park. I know some of you had calls later than you would have liked, as well as text messages on your phones full of frantic spelling mistakes. It is fantastic that we have such a great community in the WRCC with people helping and being flexible.

A big shout out to the whole committee especially Deanne, Bernadette and my co-conspirator Matthew Murray. You guys have been working hard behind the scenes to make sure that the season for the Seniors ran as smoothly as possible. We appreciate the support and commitment to the Seniors Group.

The new training nets look great, special thanks to David Nimmo for getting this project through to where it is now. It can be difficult to deal with the Council at the best of times, and even though the nets are not finished, we are very happy with what you have managed to get done.

The new Lionel Watts 2 field however....is a mixed bag with the pitch breaking during Seniors games a couple of times However, when the field is working you get great value for your shots, and our teams enjoyed making our opponents pay for coming to our home ground.

Speaking of our teams, seniors had 132 registered players (including juniors), 72 full time players and a mixture of casual and Part-Season players. Matt and I ambitiously pushed to have 7 full teams running during the regular season to allow more players to have more games. Despite a few issues in the second half of the season, this paid off very well.

A big *Wakehurst Hello* and *Welcome* to two brand new teams formed in our club this season.

Firstly, Jagmohanveer Singh with other DYRSL players to join us and enter a full team into the 1^{st} grade. It was great seeing you guys out there on the field having a classic rivalry with Wakehurst 1^{st} Red throughout the season.

Secondly, a new Father and Son team, run and captained by Stuart Banham in $5^{\rm th}$

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grade. If they are anything like our other Father & Son team, they will be in 2^{nd} grade very quickly.

I had the opportunity of playing in 5 of the 7 teams throughout the season, and it was great to see everyone enjoying themselves.

Regular season

The season started off well, but soon mother nature got involved, first with bushfires that caused pain and grief throughout Australia but also meant that games were played in terrible conditions. Then near the end of the Season rain decided it wanted to get in on the action with 3 out of the last 4 rounds being washed out for most of the teams. Shout-out to my team, Wakehurst 4ths, scoring 3-305 first week but then getting week 2 washed out.

By the end of the regular seasons, we had 4/7 teams into the semifinal: Wakehurst $1^{\rm st}$ Red, Wakehurst $3^{\rm rd}$ Red, Wakehurst $4^{\rm th}$, Wakehurst $5^{\rm th}$. Unfortunately, rain destroyed any chance of progression as all 4 teams were not the highest team and had to Win the game to get through. I really believe that if it wasn't for the rain, most teams would have gotten through to the finals. 3rd Red were in a great spot bowling out Terrey Hills for 103, and $4^{\rm th}$ grade, after bowling out the outright leaders of the comp for 168, were 5/147 after 19 overs before the match was called off.

Sadly Covid-19 saw the finals cancelled.

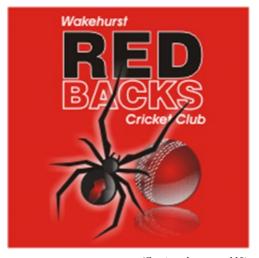
Juniors

This season we had an amazing amount of support from the juniors in the club.

At one point, they pretty much made up the majority of 3rd Grade Red's team for a few rounds. I would like to thank all of you for being so happy to try out seniors and see how much fun cricket still is once you no longer play in juniors and start your careers playing park cricket. Thank you to the commitment of our Juniors' parents, who had to get players from one game in the morning to another game in the afternoon.

Training

Training numbers this year fluctuated depending on the weather, but overall, we got between 3 and 5 nets running throughout the training session. Once



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again Wakehurst hired some coaches to come along and run drills and give instruction to players. Cameron Merchant was joined this year by fellow Manly Grade player Griffin Lea. This gave a lot of knowledge in bowling, batting and generally game plans that I feel our players took advantage of. It was great seeing some with batting drills and fielding throughout the training season.



It was great to see players from every team turn up throughout

the year, I know I certainly benefit from the variety of skills shown by different players. I am looking forward to pushing more fielding training next season as I think that our fielding left a lot to be desired in some games.

T20

I was very excited and happy once again to join Wakehurst in entering a team into the T20 tournament. T20 runs almost every year and is open, non-graded, which means you can play against players from other leagues, even Manly grade (looking at you Michael Counsell).

Jagmohanveer Singh captained this side full of 1^{st} grade players with some extras from 2^{nd} , third and 4's. He did a fantastic job making sure people got a good run whether it's bowling, batting or even specialist fielders such as myself.

The competition was fierce but not even the short format was immune to the weather, as many games were played in cold, wet and cloudy conditions. I must say I don't think I have ever seen as many runouts in a game of cricket then when playing in the T20 competition this year. Players from all teams really pushed hard and often paid the price.

3 wins out of the 5 pool games got us into the Quarter Finals, where Beacon Hill was handily swept aside to allow our guys to move forward. However, due to scheduling changes happening almost on an hourly basis due to the Bush Fires, the semi final was moved and some of our key players were no longer available, and we were unfortunately knocked out.

A great effort all around and I expect to be playing in the T20 comp next season with the team as it was a lot of fun. I also encourage everyone who might be interested to join next year.

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Next season I would be keen to enter a lower grade T20 side for WRCC as well. This would allow players who just want to have an extra game or 8 but not have the pressure of the higher level T20 competition.

Charity T20 - Kian Mantel and Bushfires.

Speaking of T20 games, there were two amazing charity games organised and run by Wakehurst players this year:

- The classic Kian Mantel game played at Manly Oval to help raise money for brain cancer research. Awesome work Harry Scott and co for another amazing day.
- The Bushfire Charity match held at Lionel Watts 2. It is amazing to see our players' commitment to our community and the community spirit we have. Well done and thank you to Luca Candotti, Adam McKern and everyone I nvolved.

Conclusion

A great year of cricket, even though it was hammered by nature left right and centre. We are all looking forward to next season, hopefully with even more player movement between grades so that people get to experience not only different teams, but also different levels of play.

Players may find out that they like playing higher or different grades than what they have been used to previously. Some of you might also see that it isn't that scary playing in higher grades as it's the same nice people of the WRCC and it's still a red ball, wooden bat and standing around a field for hours at a time!

Can't wait for Season 2020/21!! GTMR!! (Go the Mighty Redbacks!!)

BLAKE GREGORY Vice President - Seniors MATTHEW MURRAY Vice President - Seniors



Seniors 1st Grade Red

Another season, another semi-final exit. We're becoming a bit boring and repetitive! I don't think we've had a season of cricket where we played so little and were so unlucky consistently. In total, we played 15 games, which included 2 byes, 1 forfeit and 4 washouts. Lucky us it even decided to rain on Saturday and Sunday of the semi-final. Hey, at least we didn't lose a semi-final for once.

All in all, it was still a joy to play with these boys. We added four new boys from Shires this season and they fit into the team like a glove. Particularly because they were as bad as the rest of us at cricket. I can't wait to go around again in search of the illustrious 1st grade title.

Matt Varjavandi (Captain)

Varj had his best season for Wakehurst and should be named Player of the Association. After a disappointing last season with the bat, Varj scored a whopping 329 runs at 36.5. Varj also improved his bowling to take 22 wickets at 12.3. Varj was lucky enough to captain the Martin Shield team to some heavy defeats.

Highlights: Scored 104 at Lionel Watts and consistently took 2 to 4 wickets a game. 10 Player Votes.

Sam Worthington

Sam missed the start to the season due to the Rugby World Cup and unfortunately even when he came back he was still missing. Looks good out there so that's all that really matters. Highlights: One good spell of bowling full tosses. Don't think he batted. O Player Votes.

Andrew Gordon

Gordo remembered how to bat this year while still being in great physical shape. Had 1 game not hungover and scored 133. Despite this, he didn't turn up sober again. Clearly he has his priorities right. Gordo took 2 absolute screamers throughout the year, however when it counted, he would let the ball hit him in the stomach.

Highlights: A superb 133 with the bat and MVP (again) off the field. 3 Player Votes.

Kris Corbett

A massive fall from grace from last year's superstar. Started with a 50 and didn't score a total of 50 for the rest of his innings combined. His bowling was good when he was able to bowl. Too bad he has a body of a 50-year-old and can't run more than 20 metres without pulling a hamstring.

Highlights: Still probably living off the high of last year. Cracking end of season drinking game for a 2nd year in a row. 5 Player Votes.

Stu Wiblin

First of the ex-Shires boys. A keeper who wouldn't shut up about getting a bowl. To be fair when he did, he was pretty handy. We were hoping he would help boost our batting and showed that he was good but sucked when it counted.

Highlights: Blasted 80 odd off not many and got dropped 6 times. Didn't show up to any social events to have any off-field highlights. 1 Player Vote.

Reece Liddy

The absolute stalwart of the team. Another 'batsman' who couldn't score runs this year. Dropped a few catches.

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Reece was away at the end of the year and had to go into quarantine. He made a shocking decision by bringing his girlfriend and her mates to Christmas drinks.

Highlights: Again not much to write but he loves a beer and is a great bloke. Negative 1 Player Vote.

Jacob Aquilina

Another bloody Shires boy. Finally a spinner who can actually spin the ball. Too bad the batsmen could never hit it

and he couldn't hit the stumps. He ended up taking way less than he should have. Versatile batsman who batted wherever the team needed him. He took one catch in the first game and walked to 1st slip. Unfortunately, he struggled to take another for the rest of the year. His chat and inability to run kept him there. Highlights: Getting hit

for 46 off 2 overs in a Martin Shield. He kept for the celebrity's team in the KM Charity Game. 4 Player Votes.

Brad Gordon

New year, same old Brad. Brad loves a score between 10-20 but never goes on with it. He was the leading wicket taker after the first game and rightly so, didn't get a bowl after that. Brad had some big improvements in fielding this year and didn't drop a catch! He didn't take one either.

Highlights: Scored 26* on his birthday and was ready to make a big score. Unfortunately, the game got washed out. 2 Player Votes.

Harry Black

Harry is a keeper who reminded us that he can actually bat. Scored one of the quickest 100s by playing the same shot about 30 times. Great gloveman that will one day move his feet instead of full length dives every 2nd ball. First bloke to call the game off due to rain probably because he has other plans to get to.

Highlights: Maiden 100 with the bat and a few cracking catches throughout the year. 2 Player Votes.

Jono Hain

Jono is the manager of the team and is the only reason we actually got 11 players each week, every season. Jono really cemented his stop at number 3 with a classy 24 before Gordo ran him out on his way to a century. It was actually the most talked about innings all year until he hit his maiden 50.

He showed glimpses of being able to field however he still can't bend his knees.

Highlights: His 24 and constantly reminding everyone that Shires is garbage. 2 Player Votes.

Will Denny

Another ex-Shires player who was the most consistent bowler all year. Reg would have a few more wickets if the boys could actually catch. He also cannot take a catch to save his life. Loves a big hit with the bat, that's if he hasn't already run himself out.

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Highlights: 6 wickets in a game and won the major on wild monkeys. MVP of the end of season event. 3 Player Votes.

Cobi Stevens

The 4th and last ex-Shires player. Cobi forgot how to bowl on synthetic and had to come off 5 steps. Turned it around at the end of the year and showed everyone that he actually could bowl the ball outside off and not 5m down leg. Not the worst 10/11 batter you will see however didn't get much of a chance.

Highlights: 2/9 off 8 overs after bowling 5 wides straight in his first over. Scored 27 batting at 11 in his first game. 2 Player Votes.

Ryan Ludowyke

Ryan was in and out all year and really struggled to find any rhythm. We all know when he's firing, he's the best in the comp. Unfortunately, Ryan is too busy socialising and travelling overseas. Now we have those travel restrictions in place, we might get Ryan to play the full season.

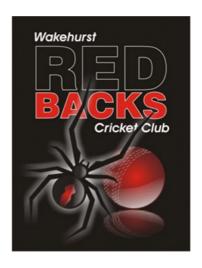
Highlights: Ryan had some cracking spells of bowling despite not always picking up wickets. He rolled the top order in the park vs grade game. Ryan attends more social events than actual games of cricket. 3 Player Votes.

Roland Schmidmaier

Rolls is a reliable go-to sub when low on numbers. Prefers golf. Highlights: Handy 21 in the first game of the year. 1 Player Vote.

Dan Annakin

Out most of the season with other commitments and then his usual shoulder injury. Came back and opened the bowling in the last few rounds. Dan loves fielding and is quite good at it. Highlights: He got out Harbord's number 3 for about the 10th time in his career. No Player Votes.



Seniors 1st Grade Green

Firstly, I would like to say thanks a lot for accommodating our whole team in WRCC and much appreciated for giving us the opportunity to play 1st Grade in the comp - couldn't be any prouder to be part of such an iconic cricket club. Although we all feel a little disappointed as the results didn't go our way as we were expected in terms of winning the games in this season. But in saying that we have learnt some valuable lessons going forward next year. One of the great things about cricket is that there's always room for improvement. And it's an absolute honour to be captain of such an enthusiastic team who are eager to achieve bigger and better things on big stage in upcoming seasons. I would like to mention few debutants for this season who will have bright prospects in coming seasons for WRCC: Ojas Suri, Aditya Kaushal, Ronit Mahajan and Hardeep Grewal.

Season Awards

Batting: Ronit Mahajan, he scored 298 runs at an average of 27.09 including his best 162* not out against Collaroy plateau. Bear in mind, this season was his first season with MWCA and he acted as a valuable player for the MWCA Martin Shield team and was part of the grand final winning team of Telegraph shield (under 23).

Bowling: Jag Singh, 19 wickets at an average of 14.79

Sportsperson: Harry Singh - Harry ticks all the boxes of true sportsmanship: passionate, work ethic, discipline, training attendance. He is super organ-

ised, professional, and endlessly a dedicated individual. First one to be on ground, always ready to lift the energies on and off the field. Tremendously honest character and dedicated team man. No one is more deserving a candidate than him to get this award.

Finally, I would especially like to acknowledge Blake Gregory. Without his tireless effort week in week out we couldn't run efficiently. Particularly when he had lot on his plate after the arrival of his first child. He is an enormous strength to the club who is always keen to give his 100% on very short notice.



Seniors 2nd Grade

A season that started very promisingly, unfortunately ended on a sour note as we finished in 5th place, just missing out on finals. An inability to capitalise on the winning positions we put ourselves in cost us dearly as we really should have made the finals. However, it was not a season without positives as we had some different people stand up and make important contributions throughout the season.

In particular our batting, after being a real weakness last season, was really strong this year especially early in the year. It was really positive to see many different people make strong contributions throughout the year, whereas in previous seasons we've been more reliant on certain batsmen.

Our bowling lacked a bit of penetration and consistency throughout the year. This was not helped by the loss of Matt Martin, first through injury and then overseas travel. However as we reached the conclusion of the season it was our fielding that let us down, which all culminated in the final game of the year where we dropped 21 catches (yes 21, that's not a typo..)

While disappointing in its conclusion, we were able to take some real positives out the season, and if we improve a few crucial details, I believe we are well positioned to make a premiership push next season.

Cameron Brown

9 Matches, 73 Runs, Ave 12.71, SR 55.30, 133 Mins, Highest Score: 26 (32) 0 Overs, 0 wickets, Ave -, SR -, Economy -, Best Bowling: -

Cammy had a bit of a stop-start season

this year as he missed several games. We realised how much we missed his wicketkeeping whenever he was away. Watching Cammy bat in full flow is always a pleasure with shots all around the ground. He was unable to convert any of his starts into big scores, but was remarkably consistent, getting out of for single figures just twice. His sparkling 26 off 32 on a slow outfield in Round 6 stands out as an important contribution in a big chase.

David Brown

7 Matches, 1 Run, Ave 0.33, SR 4.35, 23 Mins, Highest Score: 1 (6) 6 Overs, 2 wickets, Ave 11.50, SR 18.00, Economy 3.83, Best Bowling: 1/11

After he threatened to leave us for Long Reef, we finally convinced Dave to come around for another season 2 days out from Round 1. Under-bowled by the skipper, Brownie can always be relied on for a wicket, snaring a scalp in both of the games in which he bowled. His best bowling performance came in Round 10 against Harbord where he took 1/12 off four very tidy overs. He also produced a match-turning performance in the charity T20 match, removing the dangerous P Candotti early on and then producing a backward shuffling one-handed catch reminiscent of John Dyson at the SCG in 1982!

Luca Candotti

12 Matches, 284 Runs, Ave 31.56, SR 43.56, 820 Mins, Highest Score: 90 (164) 103.5 Overs, 15 wickets, Ave 20.67, SR 41.53, Economy 2.99, Best Bowling: 4/20

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son was not due to any lack of effort from the skipper. He led from the front with his bowling, finishing with a season-high 15 wickets. Even more impressive was his ability to anchor the team's innings as evidenced in him batting for over 10 hours to produce three big 50s. The highlight came in the final match of the season where, opening the innings, he batted for almost four hours, scoring a magnificent 90 as he desperately tried to win the match and give us a shot at making the finals.

Peter Candotti

6 Matches, 29 Runs, Ave 14.50, SR 58.00, 76 Mins, Highest Score: 20* (19) 1 Over, 0 wickets, Ave -, SR -, Economy 1.00, Best Bowling: 0/1

A frustrating season for Peter, including not one, but two broken fingers, which limited him to just a handful of games for the season. His highlight of the season came in Round 9 when coming to the crease with the Redbacks in real trouble at 6/87. Peter played an entertaining knock scoring a breezy 20 off 19 balls to take us to a somewhat reasonable total. Another memorable moment was a slip's catch in our final game of the season with the aforementioned two, not-quitehealed, broken fingers.

Mike "Phantom" Dunn

5 Matches, 24 Runs, Ave 12.00, SR 58.54, 44 Mins, Highest Score: 18* (14) 0 Overs, 0 wickets, Ave -, SR -, Economy -, Best Bowling: -

With the real estate market booming, Mike was certainly true to his nickname once again this season, showing up for his customary 5 games. Was never sighted before 1:30pm and usually disappeared again before we left the field of play. Whenever he did show up we would have to listen to him complain about being unable to see the ball because of being forced to wear a helmet. Made an appearance at training once for 5 minutes when he briefly left his kids at the playground (don't tell his wife).

Harrison Graham

9 Matches, 23 Runs, Ave 4.60, SR 28.75, 48 Mins, Highest Score: 8* (7) 48.5 Overs, 2 wickets, Ave 91.50, SR 146.50, Economy 3.75, Best Bowling: 1/23

Another victim of many dropped catches, Harrison's bowling figures don't reflect his bowling impact this season. Always economical, his tight bowling was responsible for many a wicket at the other end. A very capable batsman with a great eye, Harrison didn't have the opportunities to showcase his talent with the bat this season. A memorable moment was hitting the winning runs to seal a dramatic win chasing in the final over in Round 6 against Cromer.

Ric Howard

11 Matches, 398 Runs, Ave 39.80, SR 64.40, 735 Mins, Highest Score: 80



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Ric was the foundation of our batting. Opening the batting we could rely on Ric week in week out to get us off to a great start. He scored four 50s for the year and a 49 and was equally adept at building an innings in a two-dayer or taking on the bowling in the shorter format. His highlight of the season

came in Round 6 where Ric anchored our run chase scoring 80, including just two boundaries, as we chased down 224 on a slow Cromer outfield.

Nick Jarvis

11 Matches, 29 Runs, Ave 3.22, SR 29.00, 160 Mins, Highest Score: 14 (34) 0 Overs, 0 wickets, Ave -, SR -, Economy -, Best Bowling: -

A frustrating season on a personal level for Nick, who was never really able to get going with the bat. However, Nick's contribution to the team is so much more than just runs and wickets. The fun, banter and cheeky sledging that Nick brings to the table is often what keeps the team going on those long days out in the field. One of our most consistent trainers, Nick rarely misses a training session and his commitment to the team is unquestionable.

Toby Kovacs

11 Matches, 136 Runs, Ave 17.00, SR 50.94, 390 Mins, Highest Score: 65 (72) 65 Overs, 6 wickets, Ave 38.67, SR 65.00, Economy 3.57, Best Bowling: 3/23

It was a somewhat disappointing season from Toby however only by his own lofty standards. With the bat Toby would find creative ways to get out getting caught at fine leg on several occasions, as well as to some sharp

catches in the infield. Toby's bowling was consistent as always, building pressure and he was unlucky not to get more wickets. A highlight was in Round 6 against Cromer, Toby bowled a very tidy 20 overs taking 2/44, however the figures don't account for the many catches that were dropped off his bowling that day.



Matt Martin

8 Matches, 3 Runs, Ave 1.50, SR 30.00, 9 Mins, Highest Score: 3 (4) 46 Overs, 11 wickets, Ave 19.36, SR 25.09, Economy 4.63, Best Bowling: 3/22

Our best bowler this season, Matt was unfortunately limited to only 8 matches between a side strain and an overseas trip to Japan. As always Matt had a knack of taking key wickets and breaking partnerships, often taking a wicket in his first over. His short run up and deceiving pace caught many

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batsmen off guard in second grade. His best performance came in Round 4 as Mona Vale piled on the runs Matt came on to rip through the Mullets top order to take 3/32.

Cameron Powell

12 Matches, 194 Runs, Ave 24.25, SR 64.67, 388 Mins, Highest Score: 62* (63) 69.1 Overs, 11 wickets, Ave 26.73, SR 37.73, Economy 4.25, Best Bowling: 6/44

A new permanent addition to the team this year, Cameron had an immediate impact at the start to the season contributing in all facets of the game. His energy and effort in the field was particularly noteworthy and his left-arm leg spin brought some variation in the middle overs. An innings that stood out was in Round 2 where we were struggling at 3/28 before Cameron contributed 48 in a match winning partnership of 135 with Toby Kovacs to set up the victory.

Doug Wright

11 Matches, 57 Runs, Ave 9.50, SR 32.95, 165 Mins, Highest Score: 18 (76) 1 Over, 0 wickets, Ave -, SR -, Economy 1.00, Best Bowling: 0/1

Doug filled an important role as an opener seeing off the new ball and the opening bowlers on several occasions and frustrating the opposition. The ultimate team player, Doug is usually the first to arrive at the ground or training. A highlight of Doug's season came in Round 7 when Doug, opening the batting, scored 18 off 76 balls to blunt and frustrate a potent Manly Breakers attack to set a solid platform as we just fell short of chasing down 222.

James Wright

11 Matches, 166 Runs, Ave 23.71, SR 79.81, 284 Mins, Highest Score: 63* (48) 108.3 Overs, 12 wickets, Ave 23.83, SR 54.25, Economy 2.64, Best Bowling: 4/19

James continued on where he left off last year as our most consistent bowler. While he often wasn't the one to take the wickets, his economy and left arm angle frustrated many a batsman. We always knew James was very talented with the bat, however this year he was able to convert some of his starts into big scores. His first 50 against Beacon Hill sticks in the mind, including some towering sixes that he hit over the nets at Melwood oval.

Michael Wright

11 Matches, 186 Runs, Ave 20.67, SR 57.76, 389 Mins, Highest Score: 59 (67) 11 Overs, 1 wicket, Ave 44.00, SR 66.00, Economy 4.00, Best Bowling: 1/11

Michael took his batting to another level this year. After the departure of some key middle order batsmen in the off season, Michael stepped up to stake his claim in the middle order. He made an immediate impact to start the season, scoring two 50s in his first four innings and becoming a valuable part of the middle order. Michael continued this form into the charity T20 where he scored a match winning 50 to lead his side to victory.

Season Awards

Batting: Ric Howard **Bowling:** Matt Martin **Sportsperson:** Doug Wright

Seniors 3rd Grade Red

This season was my second season of being captain to the third grade red team and even though we had a few changes from last year the lads were able achieve a fantastic team chemistry and to bond together to create that same team environment that everyone enjoyed last year.

We started the season as strong favourites, leading the competition right up until Christmas where we brushed aside each opponent with class. After the Christmas break we had some bad luck and couldn't really get our first 11 back

on the park. This meant we limped into the finals and unfortunately due to some bad weather we would not progress any further.

Some highlights of the season included; Our final match against Terrey Hills.

I am of the belief that we had our best game as a team during this match. Backs against the wall kinda stuff where Terrey Hills were doing rain dance after rain dance to try avoid playing the full game against us. Some individual highlights that we were able to recognise through the season included Adrian Hookham and Nick Kough reaching triple figures scoring 114 and 106. Fantastic effort.

Finally one more highlight I must mention. I didn't see it personally, but it was stuff of legends around the team. Incredible figures that Harry would only dream about. Well done to Phil Dunne for taking 7/15 in 7 overs.

I hope everyone had a great season and hope to see you all back at the nets and safe after the challenging times we all face.

Jess Ball

Nick Kough (11 Matches, 374 runs, average 34, 1 Century)

Nick had another fantastic season topping the runs for a second straight season. One day I'll beat you for this award. One day.

Jess Ball (c) (12 matches, 249 runs,

average 27.67, 3 wickets) Still looking for a mate.

Jamie Murray (9 matches, 224 runs, average 37.33, 14 wickets) Jamie became the ultimate all-rounder this season. Unlucky not to

clean sweep the awards

Adrian Hookham (6 matches, 165 runs, average 41.25, 1 century)

for the team.

Only half a season from Hooks but he made it count. His century against Beacon Hill was especially crucial as we 3/6 before he showed everyone how to actually play cricket.

Harrison Scott (11 matches, 136 runs, average 17, 7 wickets)

One part of the Jess, Harry, Jack team. Harry showed that taking wickets isn't as important as holding down the end allowing the other end to have all the glory.

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Matthew Murray (14 matches, 131 runs, average 16.38, 3 wickets)
Matt is like a fine wine, gets better with age. His magic with the ball and the fact he glides along the pitch instead of running when batting still has me believing he is the real father of Harry Potter.

Jack Garay (10 matches, 128 runs, average 16, 12 wickets)

It was good to see Jack back again this season. Bowling spin and pace this season left the batsmen confused not to mention the rest of his team.

Chandan Kinger (13 matches, 156 runs, average 14.18, 13 wickets) Chandan was a new player to the team this year. He quickly became an icon in the team, not for his swing bowling but for all the food and drinks he would offer out.

Gavin Franklin (9 matches, 53 runs, 11 wickets)

The ultimate swing bowler, Gav would often tell me which way he was trying to swing it and how he was doing it to get all the wickets. I was just happy to land it on the pitch.

Cormac O'Donnell (8 matches, 40 runs, 2 wickets)

Cormac was the youngest player in the squad. He will need to work on his sledging over the off season. Try sledging the opponents, not your skipper.

Simon Horton (14 matches, 33 runs, 3 wickets)

Everyone knows Mondo. Mondo is that player who talks to the umpire at both ends to see how their days are going. I'm sure the conversations were about

cricket at some point....

Phil Dunne (9 matches, 26 runs, 10 wickets)

7 for 15 is not a bad day at office. In fact I'm sure the story of each wicket has been told the next day at the office. Bowling about 140km/h, that's how it got told to me at least.

Nick Dollman (8 matches, 0 runs, average N/A, 8 wickets)

The official team scorer who couldn't actual score any runs. I don't know how you did it Dolly but I'm so impressed that you did not score a single run this season.

Neal O'Brian (12 matches, 3 runs) Another new player to the team this year. Neil was the player we all wanted to be standing next to field on. He set the scene with a fantastic catch first game against Terrey Hills.

Other players

I really appreciate all the players filling in throughout the season. A team is made of 11 players each week and it's not a team without your help:

Andrew Toohey, Jack Toohey, Matthew Gribble, Carlo Zanella, Kevin Hume, Blake Gregory, Vishal Sharma, Lyle Docker, Apologies to any missed.

Season Awards

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

Sportsperson: Matthew Murray

Seniors 3rd Grade Green

The boys came together for our second year in seniors, with some familiar faces, a handful of fresh faces and a thirst to go back to back. The first two games of the season set a benchmark for the season we were hoping to have, with dominant displays helping us cruise to victory. However, it wasn't to be, with multiple injuries, high school certificates, travelling, shifts and hangovers, consistency was difficult to come by. When we didn't have a total batting collapse our bowlers were able to show their craftsmanship, and once more remind the other teams in the competition the threat we were. We were extremely lucky to also have many other seniors help us out during the season making valid contributions which were greatly appreciated. The most important thing to come from this season though has to have been the team culture and comradery shared within our tight-knit unit, formed from a love to waste our Saturdays and sink a couple of the Very Best at the Bowlo with some sticky chicken. Cheers boys - can't wait to do it all again next season. GTMR

Anthony Denny

A season sprayed with valuable starts; Ant was unable to go onto make one of those bigger scores we've grown accustomed to see from him when he does make a start. Unfortunately, he couldn't crack the 2000-run club, but he was able to build immense pressure in the field with surprising athleticism and a tap for a mouth. However, Ant's most valuable contribution had to be off field, with the finding of the "Beer with Me" app which definitely secured him a spot in our team next season.

Jadon Wilson

Unfortunately, Jado was chasing pow-

dery ski slopes most of the season, so we didn't get to have him as much as we would like. However, we loved it when we did, as his cricketing brain really helped lift the team. His consistent efforts with the bat, ball and in the field helped set an example, as the great Virat Kohli would say "let the bat do the talking". Jado really CLIMBED to some new heights this season, and we can't wait to have him back next season. P.S. You're not allowed in this club.

Mackenzie Carrall

What a bloody signing this young man was. Macca was Mr Consistent, whether or not we needed someone to completely dry up one end and take some wickets, or to pile on some runs to rescue us from a collapse Macca was the bloke as a skipper that you'd turn to. Macca's maiden ton was a well-crafted innings, full of determination, skill, power and grit and would have to be one of the most enjoyable innings we watched this season. Macca also brought a great energy on and off the field, regularly checking in the "Beer with Me" app. It was a pleasure Macca. P.S That 120 means you're in the club.

Take Dobson

An old face to a new team, Dobbo turned up every week. He was an absolute treat to have in the team, constant-



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ly helping out whether that be with scoring, set up or a cheeky wicket or two. When he pitched that new Tuff Pitch rock up outside off there was nothing prettier to watch from behind the pegs. His 5-7 against Long Reef was the perfect display of his swing bowling. Jake also was the go-to man in the field, being placed in all the key positions as the ball seemed to follow him. He took a total of 8 catches in his 13 matches! It was great to see Dobbo back in the whites and I know all the boys are hoping to have him sign back in for another beer soon. P.S. Welcome to the 5-fa club.

Ryan Kelleher

Another new signing who paid out tenfold, thanks again Smass! In his first game for the Mighty Redbacks it is rumoured Kells broke a couple of fingers. including his skipper's at first slip! What a start to his career in the magnificent red. Kells had some serious wheels and would constantly shock the opposition as he would send down thunderbolts, but Kells turned allrounder after being called upon, and met this chance with open arms with a highest score of 50 and best bowling figures of 2/13. Kells was also known for his elite capabilities in the field both honing in on the ball making everything stick and baffling the batsmen with sheer wit. Another selfless team player and all-round great bloke, shame about the Souffs but.

Will Basset

Far out! Where to begin with Will, other than how nice it would've been to have him play all season. He played 3 games for us this yet scored 210 runs with a highest score of 155 which has given

him the prestigious status of "best batsmen". Will is extremely easy on the eye to watch, with an incredibly still head and immense hand-eye coordination skills. With the great Sir Ian Basset's bat, he never mis-hits a ball and seems to have the ball on a string. On his way to 155 runs Will was only in for 28 overs, which depicts the rate at which he is able to score runs. Please play more next season, drink less and forget about footy. P.S. You're in the club.

Cohen Mantle

Cohen had his best season for Wakehurst this season and led by example with his captaincy. However, his conversion rate remains worse than Joe Roots, falling to a "brilliant off-cutter" and then shelling out a dolly in the deep the following week, both in the nervous nineties. After a slow start to the season he finally got firing with back-to back-to-back 5-fas following his fifties and pulled career best figures of 8-87. Would love to see you convert a fifty next season mate. P.S You're not in the club.

Kale Gabilla

The Accountant. Where to begin on his season? The Rock Show was unable to play as many games as we would like to have had him for. However, whether or not he was playing he did contribute through other forms which the boys thoroughly appreciated, due to his love for maths and excel spreadsheets. Kale did notch up a classy 55 in one of his few games for the mighty redbacks this season and was a definite highlight, once more proving how devastating he can be when not preoccupied with basketball or making Tik Toks. Hope you got home alright Kale and can make it

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Sean Nimmo

Shim had an absolute blinder of a start to the season, with back to back 50s in dominant and aggressive displays. Sean looked to be the Hayden-like batsman we had been searching for. Unfortunately, his season was hampered by the HSC and Sean wasn't able to convert anymore of his starts throughout the season, no matter how hard and far he hit those first few boundaries. Unlike his batting though. Sean's keeping DEFI-NITELY developed over the season, as his glovemanship really began to shine. We knew if anything was going behind his extreme horizontal jumps and mittlike hands would keep the ball off the ground... Great season mate and look forward to seeing you back at the pub soon!

David Nimmo

We were extremely blessed to be graced with the presence of Redback royalty. and undoubtedly the better Nimmo. numerous times throughout the season. Dave really did show why the new nets were named after him, as he played some vital knocks consisting strictly of boundaries and a dawdled single here or there. Davey's game didn't just stop with bat in hand, he notched up 50 career wickets for the mighty redbacks with figures of 2-21 and took a compiled 7 wickets in 3 matches at an average of 11.71. Suffice to say he is not a one-dimensional player, and it would've been extremely nice to have him play more within our team. Thanks for the games Davey, you best be joining us again!

Benjamin Wilson

Benji had a different role within our

team this season, as he was more relied upon as a bowler with the incredible average of 13.90. When Benji was bowling his meds and not spin as per the captain's requests, he would easily tie down one end and begin to build pressure shifting the game into our hands. Benji's long levers really plays into how he bowls, surprising the batsmen with extra bounce. He also has the capability to swing the ball both ways, no surprises there! So, in his final game with our team in the season he was able to claim career best figures of 5-14 off 11 overs, absolutely exceptional and was an extremely dominant display of his bowling abilities. Well done Benj, hopefully you're allowed outside a bit more next season and welcome to the club!

Harrison Caruso

It was great to see Caruso back in the whites playing with the boys. His technique may not have been as crisp as before, but his ability was still evident, and with a little work through the off season he'll be opening the batting for us next season. Harry was a great addition back into the playing 11 and he brought a great energy whether that be stories about prior events, uplifting chat in the field, or his SUPER chilled and laid-back attitude. Thanks for the season Demon and can't wait to see that cheeky smile next season.

Sam Massev

Unfortunately, Smass had a season that was interrupted several times by injury, which left him out of his best form. Despite this, he still was very quick in entering his availability for when he could play. He'd always feed batsmen throwdowns and would willingly throw his hand up to help umpiring, again adding to the team comradery, making

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the captain's life easier and setting a great example. Stats also don't reflect the way in which Sam played the game, whether or not that be coming in down the order and sticking around and rotating the strike to allow for a more experienced batsman to try add to the total, or his constant positivity within the field and towards other players from both our team and the opposition. It was a pleasure Smass and we look forward to a fully healed Sam next season!

Fraser Macleod

Fraser sadly only played two games with us during this season due to work commitments and being on a leash. However, Fras did contribute in those two games immensely lifting all those around him to better performances. Fraser is one of those blokes that also did turn up to several games despite not playing, and once again was one of those boys who contribute towards the amazing team culture and bond shared within our group of blokes

Matthew Ledbury

Led another new face to our team, DEFI-NITELY Mr. Reliable, he was always punctual with turning up to the game and with his availability. Led was always a good laugh in the field and surprised us a few times with athleticism whilst fielding. One particular one-handed grab back over his head wouldn't be out of place for classic catch contention. Led also did have one particularly memorable knock in which he dispatched the bowler a couple times back to the boundary rope and did show what he could provide for us next season.

Jackson Mackie

Jacko had an incredible turn-around from last season, dedicated work during the off season definitely didn't go unnoticed, as he now flaunted a newfound batting game. Jacko was able to contribute with bat in hand this season with a highest score of 38, but several other great starts. He also now boasted an average more than 15 times higher than last season, what an improvement, well done! Iacko also if not busy shadow batting would be scoring or umpiring and once more those contributions make life as a captain a lot easier and don't go unnoticed. Thanks Jacko, looking forward to seeing you back in THE Dave Nimmo nets soon

Season Awards

Batting: Mackenzie Carrall 345 runs @ 38.33, HS 120

Bowling: Cohen Mantle 30 wickets @10.37, BB 8-87

Sportsperson: Jake Dobson Best bowling 5-7, 8 catches, constant attendance to training, punctuality to games, helping the team with scoring and umpiring.



Seniors 4th Grade

WRCC's mighty 4th grade side had an outstanding year on, and off, the cricket field. After coming last the previous season, the team managed a huge turnaround to sneak into finals on run rate. Unfortunately, it wasn't to be the miracle we all hoped with rain getting the win in the semi-final against top placed Collaroy. WRRC ending 5/147 chasing 168 despite losing more than 50 overs over the weekend.

Although we weren't given the opportunity to make the big dance, the season had many highlights and I couldn't be prouder of the group. Piling on 3/305 vs Beacon Hill in Round 12, beating the eventual winners Collaroy in the last over in Round 7 (they only lost 3 games all year) and putting ourselves in a position to win the semi-final.

However, off the field is where the team had its best moments. By far this team trained the hardest and most of any park team I have been a part of. Countless sessions at the newly constructed Lionel Watts or spiritual home of the team, Melwood Oval, paid off in each individual's improvement throughout the year. As often as we trained, we made time to have a beer and dinner together and this brought the team closer. I would challenge anyone at the club to out-drink Will Lynch, best Ben Harris's enthusiasm or be a better team man than Blake Gregory.

A special mention to Tai Addison, Chris Guyot, Carlo Zanella, Josh Robinson, Simon Horton, Sam Massey, Luke Larson, Sentarou Murata-Davison, Chris Wright and Chandan Kinger for helping us out during the year when we were short.

Andrew Davies

Matches: 15; Innings: 16; Runs: 536 @ 38.29; HS: 82; Catches: 25; Stumpings: 4 Andrew, or Andy as he's affectionately known as, had his best year to date. Easily our go-to man with the bat, Andy passed fifty on five occasions this season. His determination to push on at the top of the order when wickets fell around him (a regular occurrence) guided us to a defendable total on numerous occasions. After captaining the side for the last seven years Andy could have easily taken the step away from cricket. The fact he staved with the team made everyone in it better and proved to be one of the defining reasons we had a such a successful year. His leadership and energy behind the stumps was invaluable and a testament to the great team man he is.

Aidan Murray

Matches: 7; Innings: 2; Runs: 3 @ 1.50; HS: 3; Catches: 1

Aidan was a newcomer to the team this year and despite only playing a handful of games fit in perfectly. His willingness to take on any role was much appreciated and didn't receive the recognition he deserved throughout the season.

Ben Harris

Matches: 14; Innings: 10; Runs: 20 @ 2.00; HS: 5; Catches: 3; Run Outs: 1; Overs: 29; Maidens: 1; Wickets: 4; Economy: 4.69; BB: 2/22
Ben, aka the People's Champion, is head and shoulders above the most enthusiastic man in the side. Training the house down every week, opening the batting, opening the bowling, running out opposition captains from mid-on, you name it, he does it all. A game of WRCC 4th grade cricket isn't the same

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Blake Gregory

Matches: 12; Innings: 11; Runs: 163 @ 18.11; HS: 40; Catches: 11

Blake proved to be the ultimate team and clubman this season. His dedication to Wakehurst cricket was second to none and often took him away from 4th grade to fill in for other teams short on players. His on-field performances also lifted and finished up the season as the competition's leading fielder taking eleven catches. With the bat, Blake scored valuable mid-order runs and steadied the ship on a few occasions

when early wickets fell. It was an absolute privilege to play alongside the great man and I hope he returns next year to do it all again.

Conor Dale

Matches: 6; Innings: 7; Runs: 119 @ 17.00; HS: 72; Catches: 1; Run Outs: 1; Overs: 6; Maidens: 0;

Wickets: 0

Economy: 7.67; BB: 0/20

Conor unfortunately left early in the season to go on exchange but still had an impact at the top of the order with bat in hand. Another great team man who took on every role thrown his way, Conor brought an energy and humour with him into the field and intent when at the crease. With a full season ahead next year he will no doubt continue where he left off.

Ethan Sheedy

Matches: 5; Innings: 2; Runs: 2 @ 2.00; HS: 2*; Catches: 1; Overs: 19; Maidens: 1; Wickets: 1; Economy: 5.16; BB: 1/11

Another newcomer to the team, Ethan was under-used as a bowler and often came on at difficult times. His ability to bowl great length and attempt to sweep almost every delivery bowled made him a shoe-in for our 4th grade side when available.

Hamish Moore

Matches: 14; Innings: 7; Runs: 1 @ 0.20; HS: 1; Catches: 3; Overs: 110.1; Maidens: 18; Wickets: 22; Economy: 3.74; BB: 5/28

Hamish lead the team in wickets this year and came joint first in the competition. His knack of picking up poles regularly was one of the main reasons we

made finals and he deserves every bit of success given how much he put into training all season. Luckily for him this made up for his efforts with the willow. He will only improve as he continues to play and I look forward to watching him dominate again next year.

Ian Thompson

Matches: 13; Innings: 13; Runs: 306 @ 34.00; HS: 81*; Catches: 8; Overs: 147.2; Maidens: 44; Wickets: 20; Economy: 2.28; BB: 5/69

Jack Pocklington

Matches: 14; Innings: 14; Runs: 205 @ 20.50; HS: 65*; Catches: 2; Overs: 41; Maidens: 8; Wickets: 11; Economy: 3.56; BB: 4/52

Jack had a breakout year with the bat and showed his true potential as a match-winner when given the chance. Pair this with his golden arm and he could be the best player in the competition next year if he wants to be. His

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high score of 65* against Beacon Hill was a joy to watch for everyone who was there and the attacking brand of cricket he plays changed more than one game for us.

Josh Capiron

Matches: 7; Innings: 7; Runs: 57 @ 9.50; HS: 15: Catches: 2

Josh, otherwise known as 'Fez', didn't play as many games as we would've liked but when he was there out came a smile on everyone's face. Probably the most entertaining batsman to watch when he's in full flow, he can score runs anywhere in the order and take catches you won't see anyone else getting close to.

Lyle Docker

Matches: 6; Innings: 1; Runs: 9; HS: 9*; Catches: 3; Overs: 37; Maidens: 15; Wickets: 6; Economy: 1.57; BB: 3/16 Lyle joined the side later in the year after lighting up the other grades with some consistent bowling. His ability to make the batsman play and miss regularly was an integral part of our season in the back half. Lyle also brought some outstanding chat and will be warmly welcomed back next year to have a full campaign.

Matthew Moore

Matches: 9; Innings: 7; Runs: 123 @ 24.60; HS: 67*; Catches: 3; Run Outs: 1; Overs: 36; Maidens: 8; Wickets: 9; Economy: 2.33; BB: 6/22

The dad of the team, Matthew 'Red' Moore is the man for any moment. His calm temperament at the crease and economic medium outswingers are a class above and held the team together. Not only was he exceptional when bowling and batting, his knowledge and advice to not only myself but the younger

players made us all better cricketers over the length of the season.

Nathan Bennett

Matches: 12; Innings: 5; Runs: 17 @ 5.67; HS: 10; Catches: 1; Overs: 31; Maidens: 5; Wickets: 4; Economy: 3.81; BB: 2/6

One of the longest-serving members in 4th grade, Nathan's passion to turn up every week and enjoy the game rubbed off on everyone around him. Few players put personal success aside and support team mates like Nathan does. His one and only catch of the season in the semi-final was many people's personal season highlight. He also is well on his way to becoming a dangerous left arm spinner that will prove difficult for the rest of the competition.

Nathaniel Bills

Matches: 10; Innings: 8; Runs: 95 @ 13.57; HS: 36*; Catches: 2; Run Outs: 1; Overs: 81.5; Maidens: 20; Wickets: 17; Economy: 2.44; BB: 5/18

Nate is a natural athlete who has improved out of sight. On his day he can score runs quickly and tear through opposition orders. Nate has picked up a yard of pace this year to go along with his height and reaped the rewards with seventeen wickets in his ten games including a nasty spell against Collaroy in which he claimed match figures of 23 overs, 9 maidens, 7 wickets for 27 runs.

William Lynch

Matches: 10; Innings: 10; Runs: 186 @ 20.67; HS: 43; Catches: 5; Overs: 12; Maidens: 1; Wickets: 2; Economy: 6.58; BB: 1/7

Will joined 4th grade this year after being promoted from 2nd grade and instantly became a team favourite. His personality and energy on and off the

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field made the season even more enjoyable and it showed in his cricket. Will is better than his stats show though and I have no doubt he'll hit that elusive fifty next year.

William Arnold

Matches: 5; Innings: 1; Runs: 0; HS: 0; Catches: 0; Overs: 40; Maidens: 3; Wickets: 5; Economy: 3.50; BB: 2/25 Will's first year in the team was inconsistent but successful when he was playing. Both his medium pace and leg spin are equally as fruitful and given some more game time could become a leading wicket taker by next season's end.

James Quillan

Matches: 6; Innings: 3; Runs: 13 @ 6.50; HS: 8*; Catches: 1; Overs: 48; Maidens: 8; Wickets: 7; Economy: 3.10; BB: 3/13 Jimmy unfortunately left the team to move to Canberra right as he was coming into form. One of the quickest bowlers in 4th grade and left arm, he often troubled batsman and didn't get the figures he perhaps deserved. He has a huge future if he continues and will allows be welcomed back with open arms.

Sam Thomas

Matches: 4; Innings:4; Runs: 125 @ 41.67; HS: 112*; Catches: 2 Like Lyle, Sam joined the team later in the year and played one of the best innings WRCC has seen to date. Batting in 40+ degree weather, Sam opened the batting and carried it for 5 hours to finish unbeaten on 112* against Beacon Hill in Round 12. Has the mind for batting and with a bit of confidence can climb the grades should he choose to.

Notable Innings

Andrew Davies 81 vs Mona Vale (Rd 3) Andrew Davies 82 vs Collaroy (Rd 8) Andrew Davies 54 vs Mona Vale (Rd 9) Andrew Davies 51 vs Beacon Hill (Rd 12)

Andrew Davies 60 vs Collaroy (Semi Final)

Ian Thompson 81* vs Collaroy (Rd 7) Jack Pocklington 65* vs Beacon Hill (Rd 12)

Matthew Moore 67* vs Cromer (Rd 10) Conor Dale 72 vs Mona Vale (Rd 3) Sam Thomas 112* vs Beacon Hill (Rd 12)

Notable Bowling Figures

Matthew Moore 6/22 vs Mona Vale (Rd 3)

Hamish Moore 5/28 vs Harbord (Rd 5) Ian Thompson 5/69 vs Collaroy (Semi Final)

Nate Bills 5/18 vs Collaroy (Rd 7)

Partnerships

165 - Sam Thomas & Jack Pocklington
97 - Andrew Davies & Sam Thomas
88 - Conor Dale & Andrew Davies
84 - Andrew Davies & Will Lynch
73 Ian Thompson & Will Lynch

Season Awards

Batting: Andrew Davies Bowling: Hamish Moore Sportsperson: Nathan Bennett

Seniors 5th Grade

Dads and Lads

This was a new team, with the majority of the team being 14-15 year old lads and 47-60+ year old dads. Before the first game it was a bit of a mystery quite how it would turn out, with sixteen of the seventeen squad members on senior Wakehurst debut. Could the lads step up and compete versus men? Could the dads still cut it having not played for 20-40 years ("I haven't played since U12's")?



We had nothing to worry about - we had loads of fun. Some high points of the year included taking down the arrogant, sledging and undefeated league leaders Manly Breakers after they had rolled us for an embarrassing 18 all out in the previous game. We also made the semi-finals in the last round of the season after an epic bowling and fielding performance "the great escape" taking 7/34 to win by 5 runs when defeat looked certain. We also finished the year with every father / son combining to take a catch off the other's bowling. But the best highlights were the comradery and confidence that developed, and watching players, both lads and dads, win that internal mental challenge and prove to themselves they could compete as men in senior cricket.

Funniest moment of the year: When the Beacon Hill opener played a textbook forward defence, only for Olly GS's express pace to shatter the bat, sending splinters and string everywhere and most of the blade cartwheeling back knocking middle and leg out of the ground! (Although not so funny when he was initially given not out...)

Matt H saunters down the pitch after depositing Collaroy's 2m tall opening bowler into the carpark (whilst on our tour in the Caribbean)

We ended up losing in the semi final to eventual champions Manly Breakers, but the season was still a massive success. Given we notched up victories against the top 2 sides, next season is looking promising.

If you're thinking of giving dads and lads a go and are not sure – the answer is YES, you will be OK, like we were. Next season we're keen to get a second Wakehurst dads and lads team and perhaps the whole 5th grade as a dads and lads competition...

The team:

Banham, Michal (Lad)

Our very own offspinning GOAT (well at least the KID) Michal was the association's top wicket taker in 5th grade and our go-to bowler when we needed a wicket. His canny variations earned the respect, and usually the wicket, of the opposition's best batsmen. Helped pow-

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Seniors 5th Grade (Contd.)

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er the team into the semi-finals taking 5/18 when the opposition needed only 39 runs to win with 7 wickets in hand, to seal off "the great escape". 44 runs at 4.9, HS 11; 25 wickets at 10.3, BB 5/18

Banham, Stuart (Dad)

Fulfilled the dream of playing cricket with my son! 329 runs at 25, two fifties, HS 65no.

Crawley, Wyatt

Gun fielder who owned deep midwicket, taking some difficult and important catches. Covered the most kilometres by anyone in the team this season going deep midwicket to deep midwicket in the process. Wyatt has his own unique bowling style, bowling the shortest ever bouncer in living memory - the only challenge being it hit and bruised his chest not the batsman's! Key contributor to team spirit. 4 catches. 17 runs at 3.4, HS 9.

Gilroy-Sarkies, Oliver

Our fast strike bowler, he answered the need when wickets or economy were required, and could bowl all day. However, despite heaps of wickets including a 5-wicket haul versus Beacon Hill, his personal highlight was hitting 45 batting at 10. Was the most surprised person at the ground when his old man smashed a boundary. A great role model and friend for the younger lads. 80 runs at 8.9, HS 45; 19 wickets at 10.2, BB 5/39, 5 catches.

Gribble, Matthew (Lad)

Highlight of the year was a great innings against second place Cromer, scoring 33 and was the rock around which the team recovered from 5/50 to get 184. Hit the most majestic six of the

year over long off in round 2. Seemed to get more runs and wicket keeping catches in his 2 appearances in 3rd grade than for 5th grade. Winner of the Tim Paine Best Sledger award for pissing off Manly Breakers helping trigger their batting collapse. 72 runs at 10.3, HS 33; 3 catches, 2 stumpings.

Shane Guyot (Dad)

Hadn't played since U12's and copped relentless sledging early on - although not from the opposition, it was all from his son Chris! This all stopped when he scored 35no in his debut innings for the club in round 2, versus Chris's tally of 5 and 4 at that point. Must have been a quiet trip home in the car! Respect earned. It also encouraged son Chris to step up with the bat too, next round hitting a patient and mature 62. Shane was a mainstay of the batting line-up, top scoring several times and showing the lads how it is done by digging in for long periods in key partnerships. Also a leading fielder under the high ball at mid on with 5 catches. Finished with 138 runs at 15, HS 35no. Despite trying we couldn't get him a wicket ;)

Guyot, Christopher (Lad)

Started the season with a Glenn Maxwell -esque style "I'm aiming for 30 runs after 10 balls" (although similar to Big Show he mostly didn't last 5 balls let alone 10!!"). After a few games had to pull the finger out because his dad had more runs than him - this new motivation and some coaching in the middle transformed his batting the very next innings, scoring a mature 62 in a 131 run opening partnership chasing 135 to win our first game. He just kept going like that for the rest of the season. Also impressed with the ball, the team's

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Seniors 5th Grade (Contd.)

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leading all rounder finishing the 3rd highest wicket taker with his offspinning darts. 285 runs at 22, two fifties, HS 62; 12 wickets at 12.9, BB 4/11

Humphrey, Matthew (Lad)

Work commitments meant we didn't see as much of Matt at the nets or on Saturdays as he or the team would have liked. A fun guy to have in the team. Showed his promise with the team's highest score of the season with 79 not out off not many balls to win the game versus Collaroy. Also a good keeper,

both off the spinners with 3 stumpings and a diving screamer of the catch to dismiss the dangerous Forest captain in "the great escape". Got a wicket bowling too. 107 runs at 17.8, one fifty, HS 79no

Hutt. Edward (Lad)

A seniors season cut short by too much cricket (!!!) during the junior rep

season, Eddie was a steady opening bat who showed great promise for the future – with more 2 day games, his technique and concentration suggest 50s and more beckon in senior cricket... Also proved a handy part time spin bowler chipping in with 5 wickets. 85 runs at 12, HS 25; 5 wickets at 18.2, BB 2/16.

Larson, Luke (Lad)

Ice-cold Luke was the team's No.1 death bowler in one-dayers, who wrapped things up at the end with wickets and tight economy despite batsmen going the tonk. A key contributor, finished 4th in terms of wickets. Just needs one

good knock with the bat in seniors to transfer his junior form into the afternoons. 22 runs at 4.4, HS 17no; 10 wickets at 14.1; BB 3/5.

Rose, Eric (Dad)

A handy bowler typically keeping it tight on the top of off and seaming and swinging it deceptively, picked up 6 wickets at key times. Tactically astute and had a 100% winning record as captain. Shared a heavy load of the umpiring too. 10 runs at 2.5, HS 5; 6 wickets at 20.5, BB 2/10.

Rose, Matthew (Lad)

Our rapid opening bowler early in the season, unfortunately school commitments cut Matt's senior cricket commitments short this year. Took the first wicket of the season. Also took the best catch of the year, one handed jumping high in the outfield. 2 wickets at 19.5, BB 1/10.

Rose. Sean (Lad)

Was man of the match against Forest, rescuing the team with a

fighting 23 when all around him lost their heads, only to agonisingly be the last wicket to fall 1 run short of victory. Picked up some key wickets opening the bowling with classic full outswingers. Solid in the field with 4 catches including a touch running catch in the outfield to snare a crucial wicket in the game that got us into the semi-finals. 33 runs at 4.7, HS 20; 8 wickets at 16.4, BB 2/6.

Sarkies, Phil (Dad)

Style icon and legend. From the antique 1970's genuine Grey Nicolls all leather kitbag to his innovative solution to not

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Seniors 5th Grade (Contd.)

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Style Icon Phil (centre) ready to umpire, with batsmen Wyatt (left) and Sean (right)

wearing just cricket whites when umpiring – blue soccer shorts over the top of his whites like the superman he is. Also dusted off the cobwebs from his leggies becoming the 4th highest wicket taker for the team, taking 10 wickets mostly in the second half of the season, including a man of the match winning 4/23 against Cromer. 25 runs at 8.3, HS 14no; 10 wickets at 18, BB 4/23.

Terleckyj, Andre (Lad)

Opening outswing bowler and handy with the bat. Stood up when it counted against the then undefeated Manly Breakers with the team's second highest score with the bat (16no) and second best bowling figures (2/12) including the final wicket to seal a close and im-

mensely satisfying victory. Reliable in the field with 4 catches. 45 runs at 7.5, HS 16no; 4 wickets at 20.7, BB 2/12

Wright, Chris (Dad)

Fielder of the year, taking several diving screamers at square leg and saving countless runs that appeared past him. Took a brilliant catch off his own bowling against Collaroy to get a dangerous batsman out. A tenacious opening bat, although not helped by the small number of 2-day games we got to play this year. 33 runs at 3.7, HS 10; 3 wickets at 26, BB 2/21; 5 catches.

Thanks also to Sentarou Murata-Davison, Oliver Allesch, David Thomas, Kale Gabila, Benji Wilson, Kai Connors, Tai Addison, James Thomas and Lukas Banham who filled in during the season, plus to Andy Hutt and Julian Humphrey for umpiring.

Season Awards

Batting: Chris Guyot, 285 runs at 22, two fifties, HS 62

Bowling: Michal Banham, 25 wickets at 10.3. BB 5/18

Best and Fairest: Chris Guyot, based on the team's 3:2:1 point system after each match.

Five wickets in an innings: Michal Banham 5/18 versus Forrest; Oliver Gilroy-Sarkies 5/39 versus Beacon Hill

Stuart Banham 5th Grade Captain

WRCC Records (2019/2020) - Batting

Juniors	Batting Average (minimum 8 innings)			Best Innings		
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Inn.	Season
11/1##	Xavier Ryan	84.33	2013/14	Lachlan Charles Luke Watts [#]	87* 113	2009/10 2017/18
12/2	James Wright Jet McDade [#]	37.4 41.78	2010/11 2016/17	Matthew Weaver Jet McDade [#]	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 62.60	2012/13 2018/19	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

^{*} Included U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season

^{##} 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	Inn	Season
13/2	Ivaille	Avy	Jeason	Daisy Addison	25*	2017/18
13/1	Ctanhania Llughaa	54.0	2017/18	-	40*	2017/18
	Stephanie Hughes			Lulu Ryals		
15	Laura Judson	49.4	2019/20	Annabel Hutt	56*	2017/18
Seniors						
Grade	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Inn.	Season
A1/1st grade	Damian Wallace	50.18	2015/16	Ronit Mahajan	162*	2019/20
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

[#] Boundaries were reduced from 40m to 30m in 2016/17 and junior format changes introduced in 2017/18.

WRCC Records (2019/2020) - Batting (cont.) & Fielding

Juniors	Highest Aggregate			Most Catches (minimum 5 catches)		
Grade	Name	Agg	Season	Name	Ct.	Season
11/1##	Adam McCormick Luke Watts [#]	290 362	2006/07 2017/18	Oliver Campbell	14	2012/13
12/2	Ben Watkins Jet McDade [#]	239 376	2013/14 2016/17	Rory Sarkies	13	2013/14
12/1	Michael Cosentino Aidan Boulton#	425 471	1995/96 2019/20	David Olver	14	2001/02
13/2	Rory Sarkies Aryan Reddy [#]	298 390	2014/15 2018/19	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 13	2010/11 2014/15 2014/15 2018/19
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

^{*} Included U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season.

^{##} 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	Laura Judson	247	2019/20	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	Andrew Davies	536	2019/20	Andrew Davies	25	2019/20
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

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WRCC Records (2019/2020) - Bowling

	Bowling (minimum	Averaç 30 overs)	ge	Most V	/ickets	
Juniors						
Grade	Name	Avq	Season	Name	Wkts	Season
11/1##	Daniel Tabrett	3.6	2001/02	Paul Campbell	26	2000/01
12/2	Jack O'Shea	2.92	2011/12	Jeremy Nicholson	20	2013/14
12/1	Brad Verrills	2.47	1985/86	Joel Chappelow	23	2014/15
13/2	Joel Trevor	2.24	2005/06	Brad Ashby	23	2006/07
13/1	Shawn Bradstreet	3.65	1984/85	Shawn Bradstreet	51	1984/85
14/2	Ashley Stoneham	5.54	2009/10	Cameron Gallo	20	2005/06
14/1	Richard Rainey	4.33	1993/94	Matthew Whittaker	26	2000/01
15/2	Saskia Horley	5.56	2014/15	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 U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season

^{##} 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 Matthew Varjavandi	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	-	-	-	Karinvir Singh	13	2019/20

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WRCC Records (2019/2020) - Bowling (cont.)

	Best F	igures	1		Hat-1	ricks	
Juniors				Juniors	S		
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		
16-17/1	Jason Tabrett	6/9	2004/05	14/1	Xavier Ryan	1	2016/17
					Abigail Powell	1	2017/18
Girls				15/1	Angus Jackett	1	2007/08
Grade	Name	Fig.	Season	15-16/2	Russell Brown Jamie White	1	2003/04
13/2	Jemima Seward	3/4	2017/18		Jason Tabrett	1	2004/05
13/1	Zoe Friedlein	3/4	2019/20	16-17/1	Nathan Heath	¦	2004/03
13/1	Emma du Preez	3/4	2019/20		Thomas	1	2015/16
15	Laura Judson	4/1	2019/20	16-18/1	Rodwell	'	2010/10
				10 10/1	Declan McLerie	1	2017/18
Seniors							
Grade	Name	Fig.	Season	Senior	s		
1st grade	Tristan Lever	6/20	2011/12	Grade	Name	No.	Season
2nd grade	Cameron Powell	6/44	2019/20	2nd	Steven Thomson	1	2015/16
3rd grade	Cohen Mantle	8/87	2019/20	grade			
4th grade	Gavin Franklin	8/38	2016/17	4th	Robert McColl	1	2010/11
5th grade	Phil King	8/80	2009/10	grade	Daniel Annakin	1	2014/15
6th grade	Phil King	8/18	2007/08	5th	Cohen Mantle	1	2018/19
7th grade	Matthew Murray	8/97	2004/05	grade	5.1.11.0		0000/5
	Matthew Murray	5/30	2005/06	6th	Robert McColl	1	2008/09
8th grade				grade	Michael Flynn	1	2008/09
	Lachlan Charles	1/11	2015/16	grade	D 1 0 1 P 1		0000101
One Day A	Lachlan Charles	4/11	2015/16		Randall Hinds	1	
8th grade One Day A grade One Day B grade	Lachlan Charles Euan Dixon	4/11 5/6	2015/16	7th grade	Randall Hinds William Denny Jacob Aquilina	1 1 1	2008/09 2013/14 2013/14

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Wakehurst Redbacks Perpetual Club Awards

"Bob Lind" Special J 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
	Ryan Jones		•	ı	
	Peter Banbury	,	ı	ı	ı
	S. Lane	1	1	ı	1
	Peter Banbury	-	ı	ı	1
	Michael Ellery	-	ı	ı	1
	Chris Stolk		ı	ı	ı
	Mark Smithers		1	1	1
				•	1
Θ	Greig Holston				ı
•	Adam Grigg			ı	1
			ı	ı	1
2	Michael Dunn	Y	ı	ı	1
≥	Michael Dunn		ı	ı	ı
	Ben King		-	ı	ı
ب	Jackson Bird			D. Barker	ı
	Ben King	-		D. Fitzsimmons	•
O	Grant Wood	ı	•	A. Boulton	1
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	Ben Stinson	ı	ı	ı	ı
ш	Ben Gwilliam	ı	•	ı	•

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 Senior Cricketer Person of the Year of the Year	Senior Cricketer of the Year	Rising Star - Seniors
2003/04	Russell Brown	Javed Badyari	•	ı	ı	ı
2004/05	Ryan Campbell	Jason Tabrett	-	•	ı	ı
2005/06	Lloyd Rogers	Javed Badyari	Simon Crombie Michael Walsh	ı	,	ı
2006/07	Mitchell Pugh	James Crombie	Ross Denny	ı	•	1
2007/08	Marcus DuRoss	Carlton Anand	Christopher Russell Matt Woodhouse	1	ı	ı
2008/09	Adam McCormick	James Crombie	Stuart Slocombe			ı
2009/10	Adrian Hookham Tristan Lever	Nathan Heath	Tom Cooney		ı	ı
2010/11	1st Grade Seniors team	Braden King	Anthony Connolly	ı	Andrew Bitmead	ı
2011/12	Jason Russell-Jones Benjamin Sykes	William Denny	Gordon Powell	1	Nick Pye	ı
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
2019/20	Cohen Mantle	Aidan Boulton	Anthony Nicey	Kevin Wesson	Cohen Mantle	Chris Guyot

Wakehurst Redbacks Perpetual Club Awards (Contd.)

Season	Junior Rising Star "Bird Family Award"	Female Cricketer of the Year	Female Cricketer of Junior Clubperson of the Year "David Nimmo Award"
2016/17	Tai Addison	Annabel Hutt	
2017/18	Laura Judson	Lulu Ryals	
2018/19	Luke Watts	Gemma Lacey	•
2019/20	Alex Cooper	Laura Judson	Logan Nicey



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 Matthew Murray Jamie Murray

1000 Runs

Nick Dowell Tim Bennett Tristan Lever Jason Russell-Jones Randall Hinds Ryan Valentine Tim Cameron Tom Bitmead Phil King Michael Gainsford Mark Callanan **Andrew Bitmead** Adam Schober Adrian Hookham James Crombie AJ Fry **Brad Gordon** Chris Hurley Ben Gwilliam Matthew Murray Jamie Murray Hayden Gullick Braden King **Toby Kovacs** Kian Mantle Jess Ball Ben Crawshaw Jarryd Watters Ryan Campbell **Andrew Davies** Andrew Gordon Jacob Aguilina **David Nimmo** Cohen Mantle Matthew Varjavandi Cameron Brown Lachlan Charles Adam McCormick Anthony Denny Jack Garay Lachlan Molyneux Brynn Mendel Jake Alexander Jake Fry David Sheldon Sean Nimmo William Jonkers Luke Richardson Iain McKern Joel McGregor Kevin Hume Reece Liddy Adam McKern Luca Candotti **Alex Cooper** Ian Thompson **Richard Howard** Stuart Banham William Bassett **Matthew Humphrey**



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 **Luca Candotti**

Tristan Lever Andrew Bitmead Lachlan Molyneux **Anthony Denny** William 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

VP-Seniors																								
VP-Girls	•	•	•	•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
VP-Juniors	-			1																•			_	ı
VP_Sub-Juniors/ Blasters			,												•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Treasurer	Jo Gotting -	Jo Gotting -	Jo Gotting -	Peter Henry -	Peter Henry	Peter Henry -	Tony Lovett	Tony Lovett	Ernie Epplett	Ernie Epplett	Ernie Epplett	Colin Gough	Colin Gough	Colin Gough	Colin Gough	Colin Gough	Warwick Dunn	Warwick Dunn	Warwick Dunn	Warwick Dunn	lan Vickery	lan Vickery	lan Vickery	lan Vickery
Secretary	Warwick Brady	Ed Neill	Gary Fitzsimmons	Gary Fitzsimmons	Gary Fitzsimmons	Gary Fitzsimmons	Arman Cosentino	Arman Cosentino	Arman Cosentino	Arman Cosentino	Graham Lewis	Graham Lewis	Graham Lewis	Graham Lewis	Danny LeMoy	David Liddy	D Good	Malcolm Leithhead						
President	Bob Philpott	Bob Philpott	John Kleem	Bob Philpott	Bob Philpott	Bob Philpott	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Bob Lind	Terence Olver	Terence Olver	lan Rose	lan Rose
Season	1981/82	1982/83	1983/84	1984/85	1985/86	1986/87	1987/88	1988/89	1989/90	1990/91	1991/92	1992/93	1993/94	1994/95	1995/96	1996/97	1997/98	1998/99	1999/00	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05

Official Positions held at Wakehurst Redbacks (Contd.)

Season	Season President	Secretary	Treasurer	VP_Sub-Juniors/ VP-Juniors Blasters	VP-Juniors	VP-Girls	VP-Seniors
2005/06	lan Rose	Ted Beecher	lan Vickery			ı	,
2006/07	Danny LeMoy	Ted Beecher	lan Vickery			1	
2007/08	Danny LeMoy	Ted Beecher	Anthony Garay			ı	ı
2008/09	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Anthony Garay			1	
2009/10	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Mark Haskard			1	David Sheedy
2010/11	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Mark Haskard		David Sheedy	1	Jake Fry
2011/12	Danny LeMoy	David Nimmo	AJ Fry	ı	Jake Fry	ı	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	ı	David Sheedy
2015/16	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam/Jane Stenner	ı	Kieran Young	ı	Kevin Hume
2016/17	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam/Jane Stenner	ı	Kieran Young	ı	Kevin Hume
2017/18	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Jenny Pittar	ı	Laurie Zanella	ı	Kevin Hume
2018/19	Vacant	Deanne Hutt	Jenny Pittar		Laurie Zanella	ı	Kevin Hume
2019/20	Deanne Hutt	Bernadette Chang	Julian Humphrey	Matt White	Kevin Wesson	Karen Judson	Blake Gregory/ Matt Murray

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