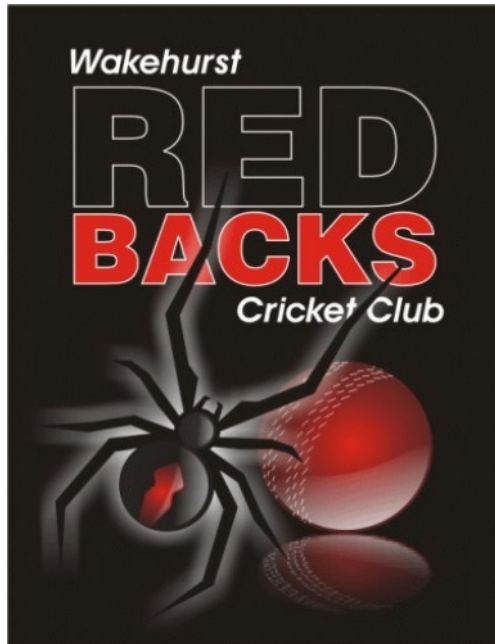


2023/2024 ANNUAL REPORT

WAKEHURST REDBACKS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED



Your committee has much pleasure in submitting for your consideration and approval the Annual Report for the 2023/2024 season.

President: Matthew White

Secretary: Charlotte Nash

Treasurer: Julian Humphrey



WAKEHURST REDBACKS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

(ABN: 71 887 994 585)

Annual Report

For the year ended 30 April 2024

This is the 42nd 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 400 players and officials across
Blast Skills, Blast, Manly Warringah Junior Cricket Association
Junior Boys (Under 10 to Under 18) and Junior Girls (Under 11 to Under 15) and Seniors.

Wakehurst Redbacks Club Values

Values are the core beliefs that shape the way people behave and make decisions. They provide a framework for how members treat one another and how they treat others.

Community – Wakehurst Redbacks encourage all people of various ages, cultures, ethnicities, and skill levels to connect through the common bond of cricket.

Respect – Respect forms the basis of our sport. At Wakehurst we respect the traditions of cricket, the opposition, the umpires and their decision's, and the supporters. We value and respect the club and the volunteers that help run it.

Teamwork – We play selflessly for the team and club, both on and off the field. We take pride in our team and rely on one another and understand that each player has a part to play.

Enjoyment – Enjoyment is the reason we play and support cricket. We use cricket to adopt a healthy lifestyle and build skills. We safeguard our young players and help them have fun and enjoy being part of a team and cricket family because it enhances confidence and self-esteem.

2023/2024 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	Deanne Hutt		* <i>Deceased</i>

Patron

Shawn Bradstreet

Committee



President:	Matthew White	
Secretary:	Charlotte Nash	
Treasurer:	Julian Humphrey	
Vice President—Blast:	Dean Fitzsimmons	
Vice President—Juniors:	Kevin Wesson	
Vice President—Girls:	Yvette Pallister	
Vice President—Seniors:	Ian Thompson	
Registrar:	Nadia Woods	
Gear Steward:	Ashley Jones	
Grounds Coordinator:	Kevin Wesson	
Website:	Blake Gregory	
Sponsorship:	Laurie Zanella	
Statistician:	Ross Denny	
Social Media	David Walker	
MWJCA Delegates:	Kevin Wesson	Diane Turner
MWCA Delegates:	Ian Thompson	Matthew White
General Committee:	David Nimmo	Ashley Jones
	Deanne Hutt	

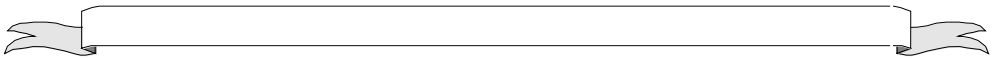
2023/2024 Age Coordinators



Age Group	Coordinator
Girls Cricket	Yvette Pallister
Blast	Dean Fitzsimmons
Under 10	Sean Moran
Under 11	Kevin Wesson
Under 12	David Casey
Under 13	Paul Burrows
Under 14	Sunny Rigzin
Under 15	Madhura Bhagwat
Under 17	Lisa Frew
Seniors	Ian Thompson

2023/2024 Junior Team Officials

Team	Coach	Manager
U10 Div 1 Red	Sean Moran	Kylie Westren
U10 Div 1 Green	Paul Burrows	Josh Luff
U10 Div 2 Black	Robert Pryer	Justin Noakes
U10 Div 2 Blue	Luke Doran	Lee Stroud
U10 Div 2 Orange	Scott Read	
U10 Div 2 Yellow	Will Willis	Gary Worker
U10 Div 2 White	James Higgins	Mark Chapman
U10 Div 2 Purple	Jared Crouch	Natalie Thomassian
U11 Div 1 Red	Peta Hanson	Jess Worboys
U11 Div 1 Green	Nick Graham	Dom Sargent
U15 Div Girls Sapphires	Darren Kilkeary	David Walker
U13 Div Girls Diamonds	Matt White	Zoe Knights
U12 Div 1 Black	Jonathon Steel	Suji Leroux
U12 Div 2 Red	Anthony Bruzzano	Anna Bateson
U12 Div 2 Green	Chris Greenaway	Kate Walker
U13 Div 1 Black	David Casey	Suzanne Maris
U13 Div 1 Red	Craig Glassock	Diana Turner
U13 Div 2 Blue	Paul Burrows	Tim Foy
U14 Div 1 Red	Sunny Rigzin	Sunny Rigzin
U14 Div 2 Green	Scott Doman	
U15 Div 1 Red	Craig McGregor	Angela Carter
U17 Div 2 Red	Kerry Frew	Lisa Frew



Honour Roll Premiership Teams



Under 10 Green Div 1

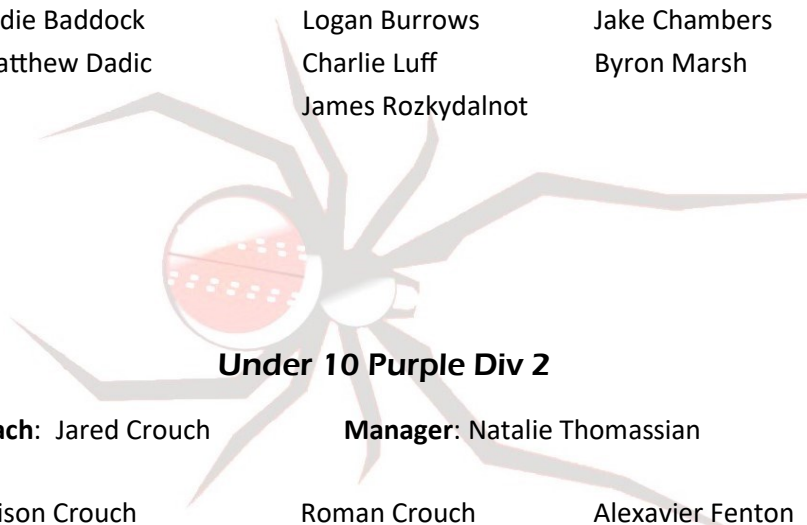
Coach: Paul Burrows

Manager: Josh Luff

Eddie Baddock
Matthew Dadic

Logan Burrows
Charlie Luff
James Rozkydalnot

Jake Chambers
Byron Marsh



Under 10 Purple Div 2

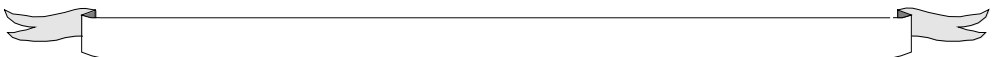
Coach: Jared Crouch

Manager: Natalie Thomassian

Edison Crouch
Brendan Harrison

Roman Crouch
Chase Ollerton
Daniel Thomassian

Alexavier Fenton
Finn Sorbara





Honour Roll Premiership Teams



Under 15 Red Div 1

Coach: Craig McGregor

Manager: Angela Carter

Nathan Cole

Rohit Jayaram

Beau Moran

Finlay Sorohan

Peter Hall

Mitch McCombe

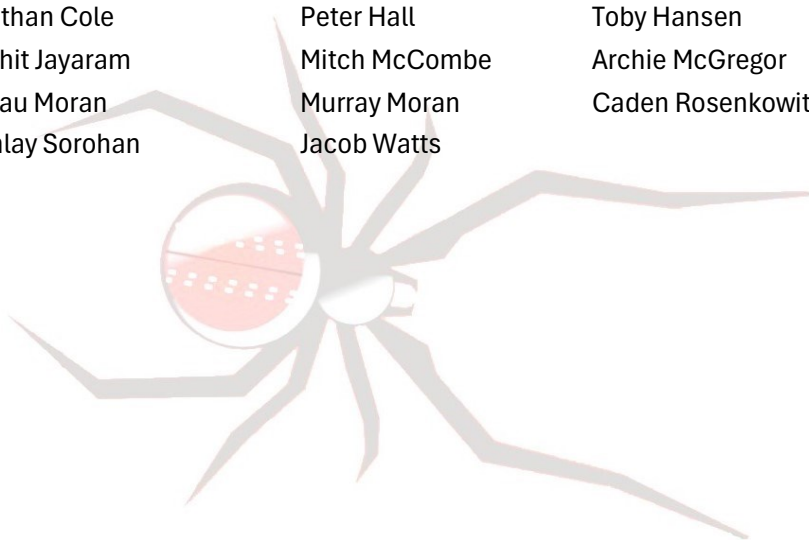
Murray Moran

Jacob Watts

Toby Hansen

Archie McGregor

Caden Rosenkowitz





Honour Roll - Club Awards



Junior Cricketer of the Year*

“Philpott Award”

Arlo Thompson

*Batting: 361 runs @ 60.17 HS 68**

Bowling: 11 wkts @ 14.36 BB 4/11

Fielding: 4 Catches

**Applies to traditional cricket only (U12 and up)*

Junior Rising Star “Bird Family Award”

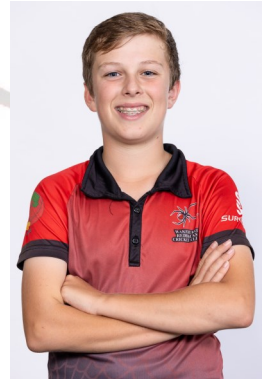
Stuart Turner

*Batting: 302 runs @ 50.3 HS 37**

Bowling: 31 wkts @ 4.1, BB 5/0

Fielding: 8 Catches

**Applies to age groups U13 and below*





Honour Roll - Club Awards



Female Cricketer of the Year (Joint Winners)

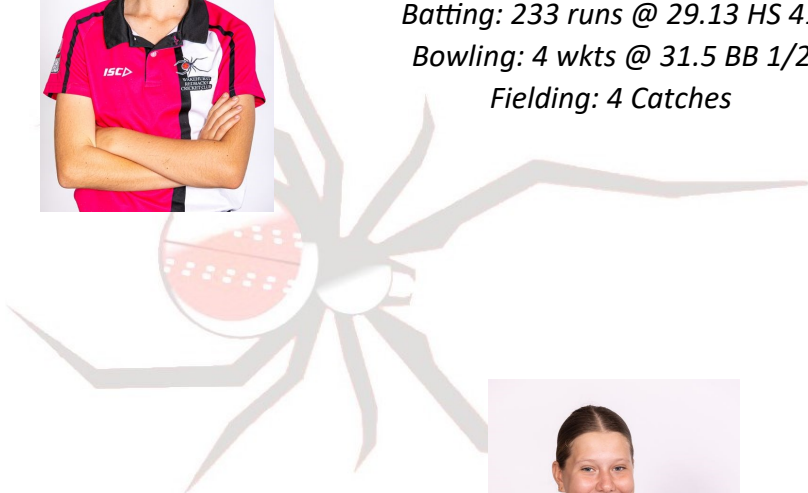


Tait Camburn

Batting: 233 runs @ 29.13 HS 41

Bowling: 4 wkts @ 31.5 BB 1/2

Fielding: 4 Catches

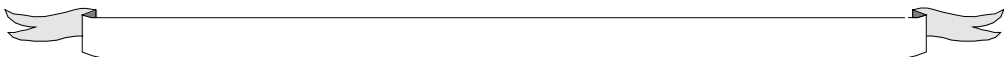
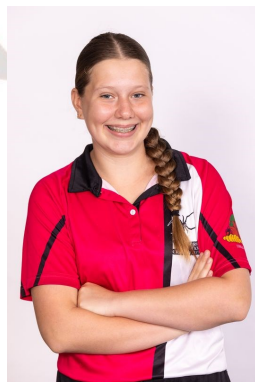


Elodie Spray

*Batting: 181 runs @ 36.2 HS 24**

Bowling: 8 wkts @ 12.63 BB 2/4

Fielding: 3 Catches





Honour Roll - Club Awards



"David Sheedy" Senior Rising Star Corey Frew



*Batting: 186 runs at 14.3, highest score 46**

Bowling: 7 wickets at 36.1, best 1-3

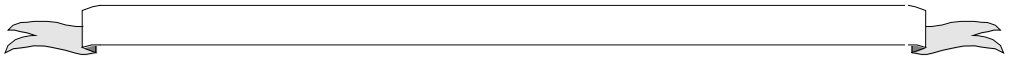
Fielding: 2 catches

Junior Club Person of The Year "David Nimmo" Award

Emily Horstead

Emily dedicated a significant amount of time this season to the club by volunteering as an Assistant Coach of the Girls U13 Diamonds. Her commitment to the team at training and on game day was outstanding. She attended trainings, ran the pre-game warm-ups and umpired every week. As a former Redback and current Manly Premier Cricketer, the girls looked up to Emily as a great mentor both on and off the field.





Honour Roll - Club Awards



Senior Cricketer of the Year Michal Banham



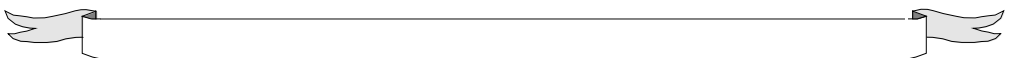
Michal has made significant contributions to Wakehurst over recent seasons, notably leading his 4th grade from the front, evidenced by his impressive statistics including 438 runs at 43.8 and 14 wickets at 28.5.

Beyond his on-field performance, Michal's commitment and leadership off the pitch are key for his team's success, making him a valued asset to the team.

"Bob Lind" - Special Achievement Award

Daron Ekmekjian

Round 15 - 4th Grade vs Seaforth
Bowling figures of 7-27





Honour Roll - Club Awards



“Murray Family” Coach of the Year

Kerry Frew



Kerry has been recognised as Coach of the Year due to his exceptional dedication and leadership over eight years, inspiring teams to reach their full potential through teaching skills, teamwork and fair play, while also fostering a love for cricket and a sense of belonging among players of all ages.

Kerry's impact extends beyond the game, aiming to develop his team members into better individuals as well as players.

“Ross Denny” Club Person of the Year

TBC

Ian 'Thommo' Thompson was a local junior and has been an integral part of the Redbacks over many seasons. He has worked very hard to coordinate our senior playing group both on and off the field. He has worked with our junior players by developing a pathway for junior players to play in our senior lower grades which gives them a great learning experience and will strengthen our senior playing numbers in future seasons. Additionally, Thommo contributed to the success of our Pink Stumps Day by coordinating our seniors' players fundraising efforts.





Representative Honours

Congratulations to the following Wakehurst players who represented Manly in Junior and Senior Representative competitions in 2023/2024.



Under 11 Presidents Cup Div 1

Thomas Turner, Jensen DuPlessis,
Hugo Hansen

Under 14 President's Cup:

Will Rigzin, Danny Deacon,
Archie McGregor

Under 12 Arch Cawsey Shield

William Mathlin, Justin Turner, Ryan
Rosenkowitz, George Hansen,
Mitch McCombe.

U15 Margaret Peden Shield

Tait Camburn, Olivia Kilkeary,
Charlie Woods

Under 12 WG Foster Shield Div 2

Jack Maris, **Leo Barnett**, Dylan Brabant

Under 15 Weblin Shield

Will Toohey, Patrick White,
Thomas Walker, Oscar Hansen,
Miles Milliner, Aidan Kurtis,
Aidan Boulton.

Under 13 WS Gee Shield

Stuart Turner, Nate Cole, Jacob Watts,
Beau Moran

Under 15 President's Cup

Conor Mulcahy, Stewart Hurt

Under 13 JH Creak Shield Div 2

Archie McGregor, Murray Moran,
Will Rigzin, **Danny Deacon**

Brewer Shield

Daisy Addison, Tait Camburn

Under 13 Mollie Dive Shield

Indigo Vale

Green Shield

Matthew Melville, Miles Milliner,
Thomas Walker

Under 13/14 Girls Presidents Cup:

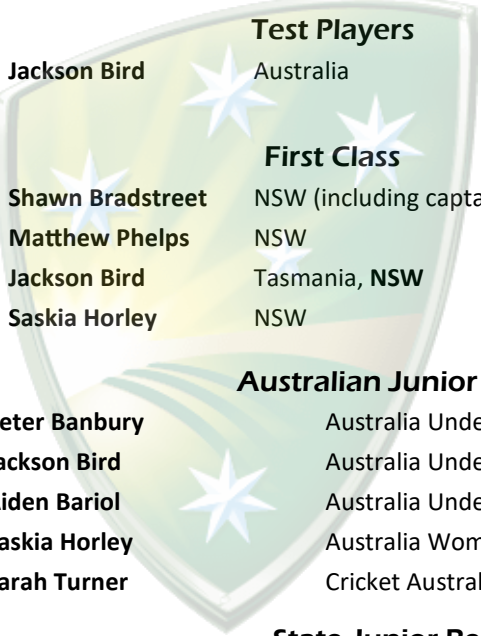
Isabella Pallister, **Marlee White**,
Taylor Wilmot, **Elodie Spray**

Under 14 Harold Moore Shield

Caden Rosenkowitz, Rohit Jayaram,
Murray Moran, Mitch McCombe



International and State Representatives



Test Players
 Australia

Jackson Bird

First Class

Shawn Bradstreet NSW (including captancy)
Matthew Phelps NSW
Jackson Bird Tasmania, **NSW**
Saskia Horley NSW

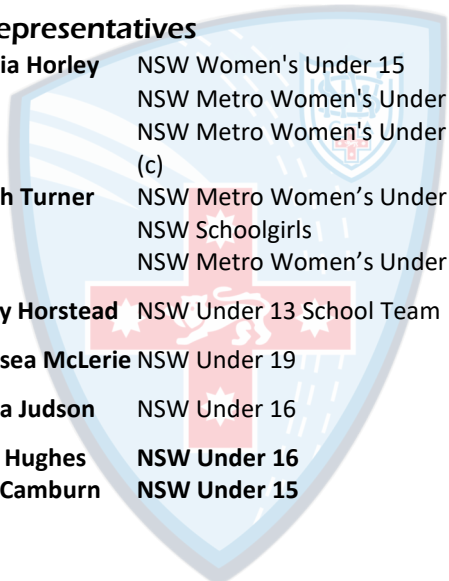
Australian Junior Representatives

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
Andrew Boulton NSW Under 13
 School Team
 NSW Under 17

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
Emily Horstead NSW Under 13 School Team
Chelsea McLerie NSW Under 19
Laura Judson NSW Under 16
Lara Hughes **NSW Under 16**
Tait Camburn **NSW Under 15**



2023/2024 Team Award Winners

Team Name	Batting	Bowling	Sports Person
U10 Div 1 Green	Charlie Luff	Logan Burrows	Eddie Baddock
U10 Div 1 Red	James Moran	Hayden Brabant	Eddie Leeming
U10 Div 2 Black	Tom Roberts	Tylah Warfield Smith	Eamon Fitzsimmons
U10 Div 2 Blue	William Crowe	Casper Jean	Lachlan Schindler
U10 Div 2 Orange	Samuel Read	Henry Hay	Angus Mayoh
U10 Div 2 Purple	Finn Sorbara	Roman Crouch	Dan Thomassian
U10 Div 2 White	Theodore Higgins	Owen Burke	Joshua Cutting
U10 Div 2 Yellow	Jack Willis	Bryn Jones	Jude Stewart
U11 Div 1 Green	Benjamin Newton	William Loyd	Charlie Tanner
U11 Div 1 Red	Mitchell Hall	Josh Zauner	Angus von Konigsmark
U12 Div 1 Black	Hugo Hansen	Daniel Hall	Hayden Marshman
U12 Div 2 Green	Xander Reid	Fraser Ker	Oscar Stoddard
U12 Div 2 Red	Liam Pallister	William Bruzzano	Bennett Crouch
U13 Div 1 Black	Leo Barnett	William Mathlin	Marcus Murchison
U13 Div 1 Red	Thomas Turner	Stuart Turner	Liam Jeffs
U13 Div 2 Blue	Elliot Copeland- Ognibene	Nate Morrow	Harry Foy
U13 Div Girls	Marlee White	Indigo Vale	Sarah Davidson
U14 Div 1 Red	Will Rigin	Danny Deacon	Henry Stone
U14 Div 2 Green	Isaac Kretchmer	Alexander Dudek	Isaac Kretchmer
U15 Div 1 Red	Murray Moran	Caden Rosenkowitz	Beau Moran
U15 Div Girls	Tait Camburn	Isabella Pallister	Elodie Spray
U17 Div 2 Red	Arlo Thompson	William Drury	Luke du Plessis

President's Report

The 2023/24 season was another great one for the Wakehurst Redbacks and it is a pleasure to report on some of the highlights. We had some great individual and team performances, and also the club had some great outcomes off the field with our community work.



Community and Fundraising

Our Pink Stumps Day was a great success.

Ashley Jones did another fantastic job organising the day. He arranged pink sunglasses, caps and sweatbands which made the day a lot fun. A big thank you to the players, supporters and coordinators, as a total of **\$8,609.12** was donated to the Jane McGrath Foundation which was an amazing effort by all involved. These funds will provide valuable support for the McGrath Foundation Breast Care Nurses ensuring they can continue to provide support to families experiencing breast cancer. Our Senior Cricket co-ordinator Ian Thompson, also co-ordinated a great day for the seniors on Pink Stumps Day. Our 2nd Grade Red and Black teams played a one-day game at Lionel Watts.

In addition to the Jane McGrath Foundation, the club and our Members supported Stewart House. Thanks to everyone who contributed during registration, the club raised \$350.00 which will help the organisation to support children in need. We hope to extend this next season.



President's Report



Grounds and Facilities

We are lucky to have good use of local grounds. It was great to see the Blasters and Blast Skills again using the synthetic field on a Friday night, which allowed for nice even bounce for the youngsters to learn and enjoy the game.

Coaches and Managers

Thank you to our many coaches and managers who volunteered their time on Saturdays and on training days, to assist the players in their development. Our coach of the season nominees were **Kerry Frew** (U17s) and **Paul Burrows** (U10/1).

Participation

This season we had 254 male and female junior players participating with the Redbacks for 2023/24. In our entry level programs on a Friday night, we had 32 players in the Blast competition and 60 players in the Blast Skills program. Additionally, we had 91 senior players in 5 senior teams competing in the MWCA competition.

Blasters

Both Blast and Blast Skills were run very well on a Friday night at Lionel Watts synthetic. Special thanks must go to our Blast coordinator **Dean Fitsimmons**, who co-ordinated the programs ensuring it all ran smoothly on the night, thanks Dean.



Thanks also to **Carlo Zanella** and **Tom Cole** who did a great job at co-coaching the Blast teams. Thanks to **Izzy Pallister**, **Hudson Woods**, **Elodie Spray** and **Charlie Woods** who assisted with coaching the Blast Skills. We had many positive comments about the environment they provided for the first timers allowing them to enjoy their first taste of cricket.

President's Report

Juniors playing Senior Cricket.

It was great to see several of our juniors playing in the senior competition this season. I would encourage any older boys and girls wanting to improve their cricket by playing senior's next season.

Junior Players in Cricket NSW Academies.

Congratulations to the following players have been selected in Cricket NSW Academies for 2024/25.

Female U15 Metro	Tait Camburn
Male U16 Metro	Aidan Boulton
	Thomas Walker
Male U17 Metro	Myles Kapoor



Finals

We also had some great success on the field with 9 out of 12 junior teams (U12 and older) qualifying for the finals. It was a great effort to have so many teams in premierships contention which shows great commitment to training by the players, coaches and managers.

Congratulations to the following teams who participated in grand finals.

- Boys U12/2
- Boys U14/2
- Boys U15/1
- Boys U17

Congratulations to our premierships winning teams for 2023/24.

- Boys U10/1 Green
- Boys U10/2 Purple
- Boys U15/1

Congratulations to all Wakehurst 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.

Volunteers

We had 50 plus volunteer coaches, managers, scorers and umpires this season. Thank you all for all your support.

PlayHQ Auditors

Thanks to **Diana Turner** who acted as PlayHQ auditor for the MWJCA U13s. This can be painstaking work and involves attention to detail to ensure scores are entered in PlayHQ. Thanks Diana for volunteering your time.

President's Report

Committee Members

I would like to thank the Wakehurst Committee for volunteering their time and the hard work they put in behind the scenes during the season.

Ashley Jones – Ashley has done a huge amount of work at the club this season. The new caps he organised are a great addition to the uniforms that was introduced in past seasons. He coordinated all the kits for each team along with distributing uniforms. He coordinated the Pink Stumps Day, edited this wonderful annual report and served as our Gear Steward.

Charlotte Nash – did a great job in her second season as secretary of the club. Thanks to Charlotte we had great communication between committee members, club members, parents, and supporters.

Kevin Wesson – Kev's great organisational skills once again helped the club throughout the whole season as VP of Juniors (boys). He also acted as our grounds co-ordinator organising team training allocations during pre-season. He assisted the coaches and managers with great communication around reinforcing laws and participation rules throughout the season. Kev represented the club as a delegate at the MWJCA monthly meetings.

Diana Turner – Diana acted as our child safety officer this season. She did a great job in organising our coaches and managers to obtain their Working with Children's Check and general child safety requirements. She was very helpful acting as a delegate to the MWJCA attending the association monthly meetings. Diana also managed to juggle commitments on the Manly Warringah Junior Rep committee and assisted the MWJCA with her role as U13s PlayHQ auditor.

Ross Denny – Ross did a great job preparing our statistics for the annual report. Ross has done this job for my years, and it is a great part of our annual report of which we are very proud of. Additionally, Ross supported the committee with the presentation day.

Dean Fitsimmons – Dean once again did an outstanding job at coordinating the Blasters programs. He organised the teams during pre-season and co-ordinated our Blasters coaches to help the kids enjoy the sessions on a Friday night.

David Nimmo – David gave support to the general committee by assisting our senior's co-ordinator Ian Thompson with the seniors.

Laurie Zanella – Laurie did a great job as sponsorship co-ordinator. His relationship with all our sponsors over many years has helped the club financially and maintained the club's presence as community member.

Julian Humphrey – Julian did a fantastic job as treasurer. Julian has spent hours organising the financials of the club which ensures the longevity of the club and cricket in the area.

President's Report

Blake Gregory - Blake did a great job managing our I.T again this season. Blake recovered from a senior's injury last season to play in our competition once again.

Ian Thompson - Ian's efforts this season were massive as our VP of Senior cricket in a demanding season. Throughout the season we struggled with player numbers on a Friday night and Ian managed to communicate with Warringah Shires and both our senior and junior teams in co-ordinating players to play each Saturday. He did a great job in representing the club at the MWCA meetings. Ian's work in organising the senior's pizza nights made it a great success and involved in some great turnouts at the pub on a Saturday night. Additionally, Ian's work rallying the senior teams to support the club's Pink Stumps Day fundraisers.

Yvette Pallister - Yvette is our as VP of Girls of cricket. During pre-season she co-ordinated the girl's teams throughout the season. Yvette did a great job co-ordinating our preseason girl's clinic and communicating with coaches and managers along with attending the MWJCA monthly meetings.

Nadia Woods - our pre-season organisation could not have happened so smoothly without Nadia. As club registrar she did a fantastic job in her first season as registrar. This is a big role leading up to the season. Nadia did a great job with the use of her knowledge of PlayHQ.

David Walker - is our social media co-ordinator. He improved our social media presence this season which helped us engage with the community.

Deanne Hutt - It's great to have Deanne around on the general committee. Deanne assisted the club on Pink Stumps Day helping the club raise money for the McGrath Foundation.



President's Report

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 presentation awards, our pizza nights and many Seniors attended the hotel following Saturday afternoon games.

CHARGRILL CHARLIES provided the very popular player of the match awards.

Sydney Cricket coaching - Thanks to **Mark McInnes** for your support.

Thanks to **Shawn Bradstreet** as our Club Patron.

Go the mighty Redbacks.
Matt White (President).



Treasurer's Report

WAKEHURST REDBACKS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

Treasurer's Annual Report

Statement of Income and Expenditure for the year ended 30 April 2024

	2023-24	2022-23
Income		
Registration Fees	60,186.88	63,296.86
Merchandise and uniform sales	4,278.00	6,610.00
Grants Received	0.00	1,000.00
Raffles and Fundraising	134.14	2,841.20
Sponsorship	0.00	4,000.00
	<u>64,599.02</u>	<u>77,748.06</u>
Expenditure		
MWJCA Junior Team Fees	12,121.00	10,940.00
MWCA Seniors Team Fees	8,700.00	8,400.00
Equipment Purchases - Balls	3,865.50	12,853.75
Equipment Purchases - Other	5,757.36	1,391.50
Playing Strip	0.00	0.00
Merchandise for sale	8,123.73	8,430.34
Coaching and Captains	500.00	2,645.00
Sporting fields and facilities	882.44	780.55
Team photos	2,487.50	2,311.10
Trophies	5,035.90	5,779.75
Printing of Annual Report	2,233.38	1,478.02
Events	3,280.90	6,719.82
Other expenses	4,907.08	4,066.74
	<u>57,894.79</u>	<u>65,796.57</u>
Net Profit	<u>6,704.23</u>	<u>11,951.49</u>
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$91,720.54	\$93,980.63
Prepayments and receivables	\$343.13	\$402.06
Equipment - Balls	\$2,869.50	\$0.00
Merchandise	\$9,084.46	\$7,780.71
	<u>104,017.63</u>	<u>102,163.40</u>
Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$0.00	\$0.00
Accrued expenses	\$19,925.00	\$24,775.00
	<u>19,925.00</u>	<u>24,775.00</u>
Net Assets	<u>84,092.63</u>	<u>77,388.40</u>
Current Year Earnings	\$6,704.23	\$11,951.49
Retained Earnings	\$77,388.40	\$65,436.91
Total Equity	<u>84,092.63</u>	<u>77,388.40</u>

Compiled by Treasurer Julian Humphrey

Bob Philpott

The 2023/24 Season marked 20 years since the passing of our Club's founder Bob Philpott. The following was a profile of Bob's life, written by his good friend Peter Gotting, was published in the Sydney Morning Herald after Bob's passing.

When most children want to play sport or act on the stage, their parents find a club. Bob Philpott created clubs. Not just a rugby side, not only a cricket team, but both those, together with one of Sydney's only youth theatre companies.

An English master at schools across NSW, Philpott, who has died suddenly from a heart attack aged 60, taught far beyond the classroom. He was long recognised by Warringah Council as one of the most significant contributors to community life on Sydney's northern beaches.

Born in Fairlight, Philpott was playing cricket almost as soon as he learnt to walk. One of four boys, Philpott followed the family passions of rugby and cricket, and also created small theatres in the backyard. He was skilled with the ball but never a sports star. His talent was as director - not just of the stage but throughout life.

Educated at Manly West Primary and Manly Boys High, where he was school captain, he established the Balgowlah Cricket and Rugby Club with a group of friends before leaving school.

Philpott earned a scholarship to the University of Sydney to study teaching and started his career at Ibrox Park Boys High School, which later became Leichhardt High. He showed his mischievous nature by working with other young teachers to organise practical jokes such as distributing a teachers' toilet roster which dictated when they could use the amenities.

In 1968, he met his wife, Penny. Philpott was best man at a friend's wedding, she a bridesmaid. In his speech, he told guests he would certainly see more of Penny. They married within two years.

Penny became his partner in everything. They had two sons, Lachlan in 1972 and Nik a year later, when the family moved to Narromine in NSW's Central West. There he became English master but he was not keen on administrative duties, preferring the classroom. After five years, the Philpotts returned to Sydney, building a home in Frenchs Forest.

When Lachlan and Nik said they wanted to play cricket, their parents told them to find friends and they would start a team. This created the Red-backs Cricket Club, which exists to this day.

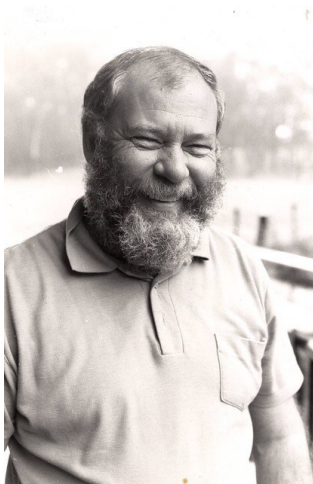
Bob Philpott

Warringah Council built Glen Street Theatre in Belrose in 1985, giving the Philpotts another idea: a local youth theatre. Four hundred people attended the foundation Forest Youth Theatre Company meeting. Philpott became Director and his Wife producer. Their production of *Oliver!* was the theatre's first full-scale show and over the 18 years at Glen Street the company has produced 35 musicals and plays, all funded through ticket sales and fundraising. Philpott had difficulty rejecting anyone, with up to 200 young people involved in each production.

Stretching the definition of youth, Philpott appeared onstage in a production in 1997 when a cast member was involved in a car accident. His young co-stars were highly amused by his performance, slightly awkward with a script in hand, but Philpott was in on the joke and played up to it too.

Most of Philpott's performances, however, were behind the scenes and off the sporting fields. But it was there that much of the fun was had, with plenty of functions and parties. The theatre company stuck with musicals mostly, simply because more people could be involved.

Philpott, who most recently taught at The Forest High School, ran unsuccessfully for Warringah Council in 1995. He was never a politician, however. He ran fiercely independent, more determined to create local dog parks than become embroiled in party divisions.



It was apt when he played Santa Claus at local shopping centres over the past five years. With his trademark, unkempt beard, he was often described as Father Christmas. Others saw him as Pied Piper, who loved to entertain the casts of his theatre productions with renditions of the French comic song *Alouette*. It was mandatory for everyone to join in.

The Philpott's received Centenary of Federation medals earlier this year in recognition of services to the arts. He is survived by Penny, Lachlan and Nik as well as his mother, Elizabeth.

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 Balgollah 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



The Foundation logo created by Penny Philpott

The Foundation of the Redbacks

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. Today 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 43 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.



Bob Philpott presenting awards at the club's very first presentation day held at Forty Baskets, Balgowlah.



A photo of the very first playing cap.

Blaster Skills

The Blaster Skills cricket program is an entry level format for boys and girls aged 4 to 7 years. Some of these players moved to the Blast competition.

The program ran from October to March and was designed for participants to build their cricket skills through fun, game-based activities. Each child received a player pack when registering for the program.

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 Blasters where they can play modified games of cricket.

A special thanks to **Isabella Pallister, Elodie Spray, Hudson Woods** and **Charlie Woods** 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.



Blasters

The primary focus with this form of cricket is to provide a positive, enjoyable introduction to the game using a variety of activities which develop basic cricket skills, provide physical fitness and encourage social interaction and team building. The children were taught specific skills including holding the bat, catching, throwing and basic bowling and batting techniques. Thanks to **Carlo Zanella** and **Tom Cole** for your assistance running this program.

Many thanks to the rest of the teams who participated in the Blaster Skills and Blaster Competitions this season. We look forward to their return next season!



The Teams

Black Houses



Ed Strang, Luka Smith,
Quinlan Higgins, Leo Hallinan,
Sonny Ying, Suhin Vemareddy

Funnel Webs



Oscar Pointing, Sammy Doran,
Hayden Schindler, Jack Curtis,
Ben Calacouras, Harry Stroud (absent)

Blasters

Harvest Men



Liam Daniels, Lennon Dresner,
Alfie Luff, Jet Waugh, Tristan Newling,
Henry Seubert (absent)

Huntsmen



Bradley O'Brien, Jack Hincksman,
Cooper Reid, Bill Hayes,
Nate Ferrie, Joey Palmer

Daddy Long Legs



Oliver Fitzsimmonds, Zac Brander,
Charles Fraser, James Fraser, Patrick
Davis, Finn Alexander

Redbacks



Sam Henry, Josh Henry,
Nina Barnett, Isla O'Connor,
Absent—Thomas Nichols, Lilah Scott,
Ben Thompson, Elijah Carnegie

Blasters

Tarantulas



Mitchell Duff, Josh Mead, Joseph Pepper,
Albie Wheelans, Patrick Baddock,
Matthew Wills, Oliver Leng,
Harry Poshoglian (absent)

Trapdoors



Ben Bacic, Thomas Ashton,
Jude Mair, Daniel Bell,
Lucas Bell, Jack Soper

White Tails



Harvey Stead, Elijah Bariner,
Hudson Bariner, Marcos Moir,
Finn Mactier, Austin Davelaar



U13 Girls Diamonds

The U13 Diamonds had a terrific season. We had some girls who played in the U13s last season and others who came up from the U11s to face the hard ball for the first time. It was great fun coaching and watching the girls learn and enjoy the game this season.

The team was undefeated up until round 12 of 15 which was a fantastic effort. We came up against a strong Beacon Hill side in the semi-final and were unable to get the win required to play in the grand finale.

All the girls applied themselves well at training on a Monday afternoon and this showed in great improvement by all. The girls learned how to rotate the strike when batting, which created a winning formula throughout the season. When bowling at training we worked hard at trying to hit the top of the stumps. Or catching improved throughout the season and we worked hard at developing our throwing.

Sarah Davidson

Sarah had a great all-round season. She scored valuable runs for the team when batting throughout the order. Her 20 not out off 19 balls against the eventual grand finalists Beacon Hill was a batting highlight. Sarah was one of our regular wicket keepers and was very tidy behind the stumps being involved in seven dismissals. She also bowled some tidy overs with good pace. Additionally, Sarah played the game with great spirit on the field, she was selfless with her attitude towards team and still maintained a competitive mindset when playing all facets of the game. Furthermore, Sarah is a good trainer, spending 30-60 mins after training to improve her game. Therefore, Sarah was our sportsperson of the season.

Sarah Eastmead

Sarah hits the ball hard. In the opening round she scored a valuable 13 off 15 balls with two boundaries to get us home for a comfortable victory. She did it again against the same team when she scored 16 off 20 balls against in round 10. Considering she battled shoulder injury for the first part of the season, Sarah also took some handy wickets for the team. She had something against the Harbord Stingers, after doing well against them with the bat, she took 2 for 7 against beachcombers involving a good catch by Sarah D to remove the opening batter. Sarah's all-round efforts were a great asset to the team.

Elin Evans

Bowling leg spin is probably the most difficult discipline of cricket to learn. Elin trained very hard all season on improving her leggies. Her economy rate for a leggie was very good. Only on three occasions did she go for more than 10 runs in her spell throughout the 13 innings she bowled in during the season. This miserly bowling effort allowed the team to build pressure in the field, resulting in wickets for the team. If Elin sticks to the art of leg spin, she will be picked in most cricket teams as good leg spinners are as scarce as hen's teeth. Elin also contributed with the bat, she and Sarah Eastmead put on a valuable partnership against Harbord in round 10. Elin is a good trainer as concentrates when trying to improve.

Georgia Smyth

Georgia contributed to good partnership with Marlee against the eventual grand finalists Beacon Hill. She worked hard on her batting at training. Georgia did a great job for us in the field this season. She took one of the best catches

U13 Girls Diamonds

of the season in round one where she showed great balance and soft hands to remove Harbord's no 4 batter by taking a sharp catch at point. She also took another 3 catches and was involved in a runout which helped the team. It was a pleasure to coach Georgia this season. She gave her all at training and was a great team member.

Mackenzie Grunig

Macca loves playing cricket. She contributed with the bat in some great partnerships for the team. Her 6 runs towards the end of the innings put on a great 6th wicket partnership with Phoebe in the semi-final against Beacon Hill. When Macca hits the ball the ball stays hit! Macca took 2 for 3 in a great bowling performance against the eventual premiers in round 2 where she removed two of the Peninsula rep players which helped the team to an exciting victory. Macca trains well and is always trying to improve at training, her height and interest in the game will serve her well in future seasons.

Phoebe Sorohan

Phoebe had a good crack this season. She is a great competitor with bat and ball in hand. She was involved in some good batting partnerships. In the semi-final final she helped the team get to a total decent total by some good running between the wickets. She also got the team off to a great start when opening the batting against Seaforth in round 4. Phoebe bowled some good spells throughout the season, she only went for more than 10 runs on one occasion throughout the season which restricted the opposition batters.

Marlee White

Marlee had a great season with bat and ball. She bowled some good spells taking some handy poles for the team. With the bat she was very consistent reaching double figures off her 20 balls on 6 occasions. Her 20 off 20 balls including three boundaries against Beacon Hill helped the team beat the eventual grand finalists, and her 18 off 20 balls against Harbord in round 5 put the game beyond doubt. Marlee scored 130 runs at an average of 32.5 which helped the team win many games. Therefore, Marlee has won our batting award for this season.

Grace Wilmot

Grace batted well through the season, her running between the wickets helped the team mount some good totals. She got the side off to a great start against Forest in round 7 with a valuable 11 runs. She scored another valuable 11 runs against a strong Beacon Hill to help us beat the grand finalists. Grace bowled valuable overs for the team, she worked hard at training on her bowling and with her natural athletic ability she could be a good bowler if she keeps training. Grace was very fast in the field; her speed allowed her cut of runs by chasing the ball to the boundary.

Piper Woods

Piper featured in some good partnerships in our batting this season. She was involved in a good partnership against Harbord which helped us reach an unreachable target with her 9 not out. She also contributed well against Seaforth in round 2 batting at no 3 where she steered us out of trouble after the loss of a few early wickets. Piper also bowled some good spells for the team. Against Seaforth in round 13 she took 2 wickets in one over to rip out the

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middle order. Piper has a rocket arm and uses it to help the team when fielding.

Indigo Vale

Indie had a great all-round season. She contributed to the team with her batting, bowling and wicketkeeping. Her batting was very consistent with reaching double digits (off her 20 balls) in 11 innings. Her 19 off 20 balls batting at no 7 against Harbord was a good knock. As part of our wicketkeeping duo she did a great job with the gloves. However, it was Indie's bowling that helped the team to multiple victories. Her 3 for 6 against Harbord was a great effort. Indie's haul of 10 wickets at an average of 11.1 contributed to the team and she won bowling award for this season.

Zoe Knights - Manager

Thanks to Zoe who did another fantastic job as manager of the team. Zoe's communication was very helpful organising training and distributing tasks for the parents on a Saturday. Thanks Zoe.

Emily Horstead - Assistant Coach

Emily was a crucial member of our team this season. Her commitment to the team at training and on game day was outstanding. She formed great relationships with the girls which was very special for them. The girls looked up to Emily as a great mentor to the girls and she was a great assistant to me at training and by assisting with umpiring and co-ordination on game day.

Scorers: thanks Nadia Woods who was very helpful guiding us around the online scoring and thanks to all the parents who assisted with scoring and helping with setting up the field throughout the season.

Team Awards

Batting: Marlee White

Bowling: Indigo Vale

Sportsperson: Sarah Davidson

U13 Diamonds Coach - Matt White
Assistant Coach—Emily Horstead



U15 Girls Sapphires

Our season kicked off way back on September 9th with great excitement, but we unfortunately went down in a tight 23 run loss to eventual premiers, the Harbord Marlins. We then had narrow losses to Forestville, Collaroy & Seaforth before securing our first win of the season with an impressive 84 run win against Peninsula.

Our season ebbed and flowed in similar fashion with wins against Forestville in our second meet of the season and two more wins against Peninsula before what I believe to be our best win of the season against Forestville in Round 17. Our girls were missing some key players compounded by losing the toss, but we went in with a 'win at all costs' mentality and win we did! In the final over!!! Having beaten Forestville, it was down to the last game of the season in a must-win game against Collaroy, who were a competition heavyweight. Our girls bowled first and took 3 vital wickets while applying a lot of pressure in the field which held Collaroy to 90 runs. Our girls then came into bat and the worm had Wakehurst in front at the 10 over mark thanks to a solid opening partnership from Elodie Spray, who ended up with 20no and Sophia Paz who was dismissed for 11. Agonisingly, our girls ended up going down by 1 lousy run in what was a fiercely contested game and a heartbreaking end to our season. The courage and determination shown by the Sapphires in this last game truly exemplified just how far this group had come over the season.

Now a little bit about each player.

Tait Camburn

What another fantastic year Tait has had & her first in the U15 comp. Tait was our #1 batter, amassing 233 runs for the season at an average of 29.13 which also had her sitting at #8 in the entire comp. Tait also contributed significantly in the field & led us as captain on several occasions, She also took 4 wickets throughout the season off her seriously quick bowling. Tait also represented Manly in the Peden competition finishing runner's up.

Jordan Hiscoke

Jordy was also a newcomer to the U15 comp and was always contributing to this team's performances. With the ball she took 5 wickets with her lofty right armers at an average of 20.6 with her best outing of 2 for 6. Jordy also scored 40 runs for the season.

Sienna Froggatt

In only 10 appearances throughout the season, Sienna managed to pile on 63 runs at an average of 31.5 with a highest score of 28. Sienna also snared 2 wickets for the season with her best figures being 1-11.

Isabella Pallister - With a preface of not ever having coached Izzy before I think this must have been her breakout year! Yet another player who was new to the U15 standard, Izzy certainly should hold her head high. Izzy was our #1 bowler, taking 9 wickets with her rock-eting left arm in-swingers at an average

U15 Girls Sapphires

of 15.11 & she also was extremely handy with the bat amassing 124 runs for the year as well as contributing as captain several times throughout the season. Izzy also represented Manly in the U14 President's Cup competition where they were crowned Premiers.

Elodie Spray

Again, having never coached Elodie, what a welcome talented cricketer she was to her first year in U15s. Elodie sits in #2 for batting for the Sapphires after knocking up 190 runs which also see her as #12 batter in the entire comp. Elodie also took 8 wickets for the season which made her our #3 bowler so like Izzy, this has to be her break-out season. Elodie also represented Manly in the U14 President's Cup competition where they were crowned Premiers. Great season 'D' and like all of the girls on this team, I very much look forward to watching you closely (from the couch now....) in your future seasons.

Lily Walker - Without a doubt, when I look back on where each cricketer was at the start of the season v where they were at the end, hands down, Lily is the most improved. Lily was our trusted wicket-keeper throughout the year but was also very handy with the ball, taking 4 wickets with her lofty right armers. Lily also scored 21 runs for the year in what was also her first year in U15s.

Olivia Kilkeary - Another solid year for Olivia amassing 139 runs for the season which was our 3rd best performer behind Tait & Elodie and Olivia also took 7 wickets for the year which highlights how valuable she is to this team with both bat and ball. Olivia captained the

team throughout the year and always brings the girls together. Olivia also represented Manly in the Peden competition finishing runner's up. Olivia departs U15s this year so we wish her all the best for her next cricketing chapter.

Rosie Stoddart - Rosie had another successful season (her last) in U15s notching up 49 runs for the season with her highest score of 24. Rosie also took 2 wickets for the season with her best figures, 1 for 3. Rosie was also always willing, able & reliable as a wicket keeper when we called on her. Thanks for your efforts Rosie & good luck with your next cricketing chapter.

Charlie Woods - Charlie had another successful U15 season which also saw her getting selected in the Manly Warringah Peden team which eventually came runner's up. With the Sapphires she took 9 wickets throughout the season (equal first) with an average of 20.33. Her best figures were 2 for 7. She also amassed 77 runs and played the vital role of keeping the girl's energy levels up! Well done Charlie & all the best for your cricketing future.

Taylor Wilmot - Another break out year for Taylor who entered her first year in U15s. Taylor very elegantly knocked up 103 runs for the season at an average of 20.6. Very solid stats! Taylor also took 3 wickets with her bamboozling leg spinners and she too was often relied upon to keep stumps which she always did well. Taylor's accomplishments were also rewarded with her selection in the premiership winning President's Cup team. Back to back premierships for you!

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Sophia Paz

Welcome to the Sapphire Pazinator! Although you really only played in the back half of the season, didn't you dominate here. Paz scored 64 runs at an average of 31.5 and really took it to every bowling attack. She was a welcome addition to our team & I am certain we would have gone deep into the finals had she played more games. I do hope your cricket continues Paz.

Emma Eastmead

Emma really only got a handful of occasions to shine throughout the season and shine she did. With the bat she knocked up 10 runs at an average of 5 & also took 2 wickets, both in the one game which gave her the nifty figure of 2 for 14. This was Emma's last season in U15s so I wish you all the best in your next chapter Emma, cricket or otherwise.

Special Thanks - Can I please give thanks to all the parents for any ounce of help they provided throughout the year. This includes throw downs, baking treats and/or lolly bags. Special thanks to Emma Van Herk, Nadia Woods, Gretta Eastmead & David Walker for scoring.

Lastly, very special thanks to David Walker & Yvette Pallister for their administrative (and at times emotional...) support throughout the season. David was a magnificent Manager of this team & together with Yvette, they worked tirelessly for the betterment of the girls individually & collectively as the Wakehurst Sapphires. Thank you.

Team Awards

Batting: Tait Camburn

Bowling: Isabella Pallister

Sportsperson: Elodie Spray



U10 Black

Our team of eight included seven players who go to school together, five of whom had played Blasters in the same team last year. This helped the team gel together very quickly at the start of the season. A couple of training sessions and our first game arrived.

The initial draw placed the team in U10/2 Red with five other Wakehurst teams, and our first game was against Wakehurst Blue. We put them into bat and made a good start – taking a wicket with the fifth ball. They scored 77 and it was our turn to bat. Our innings started well, with 10 runs scored off the first over. We continued to score well and ended up winning by 27 runs.

The next four games were also against Wakehurst teams, and all resulted in losses. One of these teams would go on to finish second in Division 1, and another would win Division 2 Red, so it was no surprise that they proved to be tough opponents.

After five rounds the U10 divisions were reorganised and we moved into U10/2 White. Our fortunes improved at this point, with a run of seven wins taking us to the top of the table after 14 rounds.

Notable in this period was our largest win, beating Seaforth Sea Eagles by 56 runs in round 12. A big factor in the win was taking nine wickets whilst recording one of our lowest totals for extras given away.

A couple of rounds earlier we had recorded our narrowest win. Bowling second in the game against Seaforth Saints, the scores were tied with one ball re-

maining. We completed a run out as the Seaforth batters tried to complete the winning run, recording our narrowest win of the season.

In round 15 we played against the team in third place. We had beaten them by 20 runs earlier in the season, but this time they managed to reverse the result, winning by 24. A narrow loss (9 runs) followed in round 16.

Those two losses meant that we went into the final round of the season needing to win and for the two teams above us not to. We held up our end, but the other two team managed wins as well. A third place finish (just three points behind the Premiers) was a good reflection of our season.

It was great to see how all of the players developed over the course of the season. They all played in a great spirit regardless of the results, supporting each other and working together.

Player Summaries:

Thomas Davis

Enthusiastic and always looking to get involved in games and training sessions, Thomas was an all-rounder. He made a top score of 14, backed up by a couple of 13s. In round 13 he took 3/15, including two wickets in consecutive balls.

Eamon Fitzsimmons

Eamon's enjoyment of the game was always clear to see, whether he was celebrating his own wickets or someone else's. Eamon greatly improved in all three aspects of the game through the season, something recognised by the

U10 Black

other players. One highlight was a direct-hit run out from deep third man in round eight.

Dylan Noakes

Dylan brought a lot of energy to games and to training sessions, and made regular contributions with the bat and the ball. At the same time, he developed an interest in wicketkeeping. He became quite effective in this role towards the end of the season, saving many extras.

Jackson Pryer

Jackson worked hard through the season on improving his consistency with both bat and ball. His efforts paid off, and the improvements were noticed by other members of the team. Always enthusiastic at training and at matches, Jackson brought energy to the team.

Tom Roberts

Tom very quickly fitted into the team, despite not knowing anyone at the start of the season. Batting and bowling left handed, Tom was effective in both disciplines. His best bowling performance was taking 4/14 in round 13. The other players voted Tom as having made the biggest contribution through the season.

Bastien Spray

Bastien's season with the bat started briskly, scoring our first boundary off his third ball. His biggest achievement, though, was the improvement in his bowling across the season. He worked hard in training, resulting in more consistency in his deliveries by the later rounds.

Luke Tomlinson

Always full of energy and enthusiasm, Luke always gave everything in training and in games. A handy bowler, Luke also enjoyed keeping wicket. One highlight was taking two catches with the gloves on in one over in round five.

Tyler Warfield Smith

Tyler made runs across the season, and was one of the better batters at identifying a quick single or an extra run after a wide or no ball. However his main contribution was with the ball in hand. The fastest bowler in our attack, he took 12 wickets across the season. In round 12 he took 4/8 (and picked up a run out).

Team Awards

Batting: Tom Roberts

Bowling: Tylah Warfield Smith

Sportsperson: Eamon Fitzsimmons



U10 Blue

The inaugural season of Stage 1 Cricket for all players of 10 Blues has been a journey filled with learning, camaraderie and growth. With a primary focus on learning the game, fostering enjoyment, and developing teamwork skills, the season has provided valuable experiences for everyone involved.

Throughout the season, the team encountered a series of close matches, where victories were not always reflected on the scoreboard. Despite facing adversity, the boys consistently demonstrated resilience and determination.

One of the defining moments of the season was the close loss in the first game against another Wakehurst Team. While the outcome may not have been in our favour, the boys emerged from the match with invaluable lessons and newfound knowledge, setting the tone for the remainder of the season.

As the season progressed, the team evolved and improved showcasing noticeable advancements in various aspects of the game. In particular, players demonstrated more accurate bowling, greater control and purpose when fielding. Additionally, there was a noticeable increase in confidence when calling for running between wickets, indicating improved communication and understanding among teammates. Furthermore, players showcased their dedication to skill development by actively working on a wider range of shots.

Importantly, the emphasis on fun and skill development remained constants both on the pitch and on the sidelines, fostering a positive and enjoyable environment for all involved. Close losses towards the end of the season further reinforced the team's resilience and determination.

As we reflect on the season, it's clear that the journey has been about more than just wins and losses. It has been a journey of personal and collective growth, where every challenge has served as an opportunity for learning and development.

Frederick Bracken

Frederick transitioned seamlessly from a strong season in Blasters to become a reliable performer in his first season of Stage 1 cricket. As a frequent wicket-taker throughout the season, Frederick consistently delivered strong performances, including several two-wicket hauls that showcased his bowling prowess. Frederick's success with the ball can be attributed to his compact bowling technique, characterised by a powerful shoulder drive that troubled opposing batsmen. Frederick also enjoyed playing strong leg-side shots to shorter pitched balls when batting.

William Crowe

William emerged as the top run-scorer of the season, consistently delivering impactful performances with the bat. One notable highlight was William's quickfire innings, where he scored 15 runs at a strike rate of 136 after bravely returning to the crease following an earlier injury. William's ability to produce strong leg-stump batting strokes has been a key asset to the team, consistently putting pressure on the opposition's bowlers and contributing crucial runs to the team's total.

Charlie Doran

Charlie was keen to test his skills in a higher level of cricket after a season in Blasters. Standing tall, Charlie utilised his height to his advantage, employing a high bowling technique that generated impressive speed and bounce, consistently troubling opposing batsmen. Notable highlights of Charlie's season included crucial wickets in rounds 1 and 12, where precision deliveries took the top of off stump, showcasing his skill and accuracy with the ball. Charlie was a valuable asset in promoting strong calling and running between wickets, contributing to the team's overall performance.

Joshua Ibrahim

Joshua faced an interrupted season due to family relocation, but his return to the team made an immediate impact. Joshua showcased his resilience and determination, returning for a match in February and making an immediate mark by taking his first wicket with the ball. Joshua's strong stroke play, fuelled by strong hand-eye

U10 Blue

coordination, was evident throughout many games and was particularly highlighted in Round 2, where he was named Player of the Match for his batting performance. Despite the challenges of limited game time, Joshua's contributions were invaluable, and his return added depth and strength to the team's lineup.

Casper Jean

Casper embarked on a journey of learning and growth throughout the season, demonstrating a commitment to improving his game. Significant progress was made in bowling technique and consistency, as Casper honed his skills and developed into the top wicket-taker for the team. A standout moment for Casper came in Round 3 when he secured his first wicket bowling, marking a significant milestone in his cricketing journey. Throughout the season, Casper proved to be a valuable asset with the ball, consistently taking wickets in many of the team's games and making important contributions to the team's success.

Archer Richardson

Archer embarked on his first season of Stage 1 cricket with a keenness to learn. Throughout the season, he made significant strides in his development, particularly in batting technique, mastering strong strokes on both sides of the wicket. One of the standout moments for Archer was securing his first wicket while bowling against Seaforth Sea Eagles, showcasing his growing confidence and control. Archer also showed his range of skills with many notable stints as the

team's wicketkeeper.

Lachlan Schindler

Lachlan proved to be a reliable and knowledgeable asset to the team throughout the season, bringing a wealth of experience and skill to the field. As a handy wicketkeeper, Lachlan played a crucial role behind the stumps, providing stability and confidence to the team's bowling attack. In the first game of the season, Lachlan showcased his bowling prowess by claiming two crucial wickets that laid the foundation for the team's confidence-building performance. Beyond his skills with the gloves and ball, Lachlan also displayed proficiency with the bat, particularly in playing strong leg-side shots, adding valuable runs to the team's total when needed.

Sam Stroud

Sam embraced the opportunity to learn and grow in his first season of Stage 1 cricket. Throughout the season, Sam showed sound progress, particularly in bowling technique, demonstrating a willingness to learn and adapt on the field. One of the standout moments for Sam was the first game of the season, where he showcased his big-hitting prowess by delivering two impressive boundaries and top-scoring.

Team Awards

Batting: William Crowe

Bowling: Casper Jean

Sportsperson: Lachlan Schindler



U10 Green

This was our second year as a squad playing the Stage One Format. After a very solid season in U10/2's last year, the team stepped up to Division One.

The boys are all good mates and attend Mimosa PS together, so already had a great camaraderie. The main focus was to continue to build on the basics they learnt last year.

Training this season included lots of practice on our technique, running between the wickets and my favourite - backing up in the field! A lot of the basics became automatic as the season progressed, which was really pleasing to see.

We started the season with a couple wins before coming up against the Wakehurst Red team and narrowly losing by 11 runs.

The boys then continued to play brilliant cricket. Our power hitting, running between the wickets, bowling accuracy and excellent fielding all really stood out.

We won our fourth game, before needing to loan players for our 5th game against the Seaforth Snakes, which resulted in a tie! Many thanks to Dan, Roman, Eddie and Brendan from U10 Purple for helping out. Dan and Roman helped out a second time after Australia Day, both played really well and it's no wonder U10 Purples won the U10 Div2 Premiership.

Our fielding all season was exceptional, with many tough catches taken that impressed all parents and opposing coaches. We also were sharp in the field, which resulted in many direct hit

runouts.

Our sixth game of the season was against the Beacon Hill Bouncers, where we narrowly lost by 8 runs. A good lesson for the boys as they started to celebrate when we were ahead by 18 runs batting two more overs to go. This format is never over until the last over - something that kept the boys focused until the very last ball for the rest of the season.

So after 6 rounds, we had 3 wins, 1 tie and 2 losses.

In Round 7, we levelled the ledger with Wakehurst Red with a 1 run win. We always enjoyed playing the Reds this year as they had a great culture and many of the boys are mates from school.

We then won our next 9 games, to go 10 games straight and finish on top of the ladder to secure the MWJCA U10/1 Premiership!

This team has played with great spirit, displayed terrific sportsmanship at all times and continued to improve their games throughout the year. We moved from an "I" culture to a "We" culture first, as it was always about how we performed as a team and how each team member contributes in their own ways.

Many thanks to Josh, Ed and Renee for scoring and Mark for umpiring a couple games in my absence. Also thank you to all of the parents for getting into the spirit of the game and coming with their families and extended families to cheer on the matches each week.

What a tremendous season, we are very

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proud of our boys!

Player Summaries

Eddie Baddock

Eddie really excelled this year. All of the extra hours he spent in the nets certainly showed this season.

His bowling was extremely accurate, with good pace and a natural inswing that troubled many batters. He took 13 wickets for the season and this was close to becoming a lot more as he certainly had many batters on their toes.

Eddie's batting improved out of sight, with some awesome performances. In particular, in our second last game, we needed 2 runs off the last ball, so Eddie smashed a 4 to seal the win. He earned the nickname of "the finisher". His last 2 innings were 23 and 20, finishing with 177 runs for the season.

Eddie also took 8 catches for the year, taking some absolute screamers. A great season for Eddie.



Logan Burrows

Logan enjoyed an incredible season, in particular with the ball in hand, taking a whopping 20 wickets for the year. This was one of the highest wicket yields for the comp, with his best figures of 4/9 - the best by any of our bowlers for the season. All the countless hours of bowling against the steps at home certainly helped!

Logan's fielding and brilliant running between the wickets was also a highlight. He has a great batting technique and often opened the innings for the team with his pal Charlie Luff. These two put on some amazing partnerships with a standout 43 run opening partnership in our last game of the season.

Logan also took some great catches and runouts, including a couple of caught and bowled. Awesome season Logan!

Jake Chambers

Jake really loves the game of cricket and always plays with a smile on his face. He is always listening to his coach and trying to improve his game.

Jake had another really solid season with the bat, hitting 127 runs with a top score of 18 runs. His bowling was also very good with 14 wickets for the season. Jake is a spin bowler and continues to work on his variety of deliveries, which was great to see.

He really excelled in his fielding this season, with some clever run outs, but it was his catching game that was very impressive. Jake took some blunders in the field, with a whopping 10 catches for the season (the most for any player in the entire competition). Well done Jake!

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Matthew Dadic

“Shoes” as he’s known to his mates, had a brilliant season across the board this year. He put in a tonne of effort into his training, resulting in some very visible improvements both with the bat and ball throughout the year.

Matthew ended up taking 11 wickets for the season, with 6 of those wickets in his last 4 games - showing how much he had improved. He also had a good season with the bat, improving his running between the wickets - with a top score of 13 runs.

Shoes was also one of our preferred wicketkeepers, as he was excellent behind the stumps every time he was asked to keep wickets. Well done Shoes on a great year.

Charlie Luff

Charlie has had another terrific year of cricket this season. He continued to excel with the bat, hitting a tonne of boundaries and smashing 267 runs for the season - the 3rd most runs for the entire comp. He saved his best innings till our last match, hitting 35 off 17 balls in another great partnership with Logan.

Charlie really improved with the ball this season, taking 13 wickets with his pace bowling. His accuracy improved from last season and he became a very reliable bowler. Again, he saved his best for the last match, with 2/2 off 2 overs. Charlie was also an excellent wicket keeper, fulfilling this role multiple times. He barely missed a ball behind the stumps. An unbelievable season by Charlie this year!

Byron Marsh

Byron was another standout in how much he improved his skills throughout the season.

He is a very powerful hitter and smashed a number of boundaries throughout the year, with 106 runs for the year and a top score of 18. His running between the wickets and backing up in the field were also areas we saw improvement from Byron.

His bowling continued to develop, and he contributed 10 wickets for the season. He saved some of his best efforts for our last match, with a brilliant catch in the outfield, a direct hit run out, tak-



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ing 2 for 5 off 2 overs with the ball and hitting 10 runs in a brilliant all-round performance. Awesome season Byron!

James Rozykdal

Jamie enjoyed another great year of cricket this season. One of our more consistent performers with the bat, ball and in the field.

In our first match of the season, Jamie smashed 28 runs, which included 6 4s (the highest score all year until Charlie's 35 in the last match). He continued to make runs all season, finishing with 176 runs and playing some lovely shots. His bowling was also very accurate and at a good pace, taking 12 wickets for the season with a highlight of 2/0 off 1 over (also taking a brilliant catch at

wicket keeper) against the Collaroy Plateau Breakers.

Like the rest of the boys this season, Jamie very rarely missed a chance in the field, taking 7 catches. Great effort, Jamie!

Team Awards

Batting: Charlie Luff

Bowling: Logan Burrows

Sportsperson: Eddie Baddock



U10 Orange

The first training session began as would be expected from a team put together with kids from different schools, different age groups and our most experienced player being 6-year-old Angus Mayoh. Despite not knowing each other the boys bonded very quickly at training and began showing a lot of promise in the nets especially with bowling.

The trepidation of not knowing the level of opposition we would face was immediately alleviated in Round 1 when the team scored 202 chasing the 81 made by Peninsula. Samuel top scored with 34 in his first game of cricket in addition to Henry and Patrick both taking 3 wickets on debut.

During Round 3 Henry blew our opposition away with 5 wickets for 4 runs including a hat-trick.

Our first real competitive game came in Round 4 versus the CPCC Breakers who were also un-defeated coming into the match. In a rain effected match at Seaforth oval we bowled first holding them to what we expected to be a comfortable target of 73 with Samuel taking 3 for 7. Low and behold their bowling proved much better than previous teams and we still required 21 runs to win when Samuel joined Angus in the middle as our final two batsmen. It all came down to the final over with Samuel hitting 2 fours off the first two balls to push us ahead with Samuel and Angus adding 34 for the final partnership.

After another comfortable win in round 5 the team was pushed up into Div 1. To say we were unprepared for the new level of intensity was an understatement with the boys shell-shocked versus CPCC Hydro's. The team bowled and fielded well as per usual taking 9 wickets including 3 run-outs from

Thomas. However, the Hydro's put us under a lot of pressure while batting and we fell to our only score under 100 for the year.

Round 7 pitted us against the top of the table Seaforth Snakes where we put up a valiant fight with the Snakes pipping us in the penultimate over. We didn't need to wait long for our first Div 1 victory with a miracle win in Round 8 versus the Seaforth Storm. Consecutive fours in the final over put them ahead by two runs. Despite the batsmen attempting to block the last few balls, Henry proceeded to clean bowl him and then a caught and bowled delivered us a memorable victory.



Team enjoying Pizza after raising the most money on Pink Sumps Day.

Round 9 saw us come up against the formidable compatriots in Wakehurst Green. As expected, they came out and set us a challenging target of 157 with great bowling by our speedster Toby taking 4-15. Toby and Thomas made an excellent start to the run chase adding 12 and 19 respectively. Samuel nearly got us home with 3 fours and a six batting last but we fell just short by 12 runs. The difference being great fielding by the opposition who took 5 catches. Little did we know at the time that this

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was the key match-up of the season with both Green and Orange going undefeated through the remainder of the season and Green pipping us by 2 points as premiers.

Post Christmas the team came out firing with extra pace and accuracy from our bowlers in addition to several batsmen breaking the shackles. Some of the highlights include Bodhi's 3 for 8 in round 10 followed by 3 for 3 in round 11. Henry blasted 34 including 3 fours and 2 consecutive sixes against the Breakers in round 12. In this match the team also took a combined 21 wickets with Angus leading the way with 4-12 followed by Henry with 3-6 and Thomas with 3-7. Round 13 was a slog-fest with Bodhi and Micah both hitting massive sixes and each scoring 19. Henry and Samuel both added 4 fours each with scores of 21 and 20 respectively.

In Round 15 we came up against the Hydro's again and this time around reversed the result with great bowling and fielding with Micah taking 3-5, Samuel 2-3 and Patrick 2-8.

Round 16 was a clash between 2nd and 3rd against the Snakes and as with the Hydro's we again showed how much we have improved during the season by coming out on top with Micah top scoring for the first time of the year with 18 and everyone contributing with the bat for a comfortable victory.

It all came down to the final round of the year with a match-up versus the ever-improving Seaforth Storm. Once again our bowling and fielding proved the difference in a 21 run victory with Toby leading the way taking 5-5. Following on from us Green also won their

match resulting in a 1-2 finish for Wakehurst with each team recording 14 wins, the difference being a draw for Green in the early rounds.

The result really exceeded our expectations for the year and is the outcome of the team camaraderie, encouraging each other and working together combined with all the players working hard at training to improve their skills. Tim and I were lucky to go along with the first step of their cricket journey.



Patrick (Paddy) Schofield

Patrick came flying out of the blocks taking 3-11 in his very first game and then continued to remain consistent during the year taking 13 wickets. For his batting he worked incredibly hard during training to continue to improve and by the final few rounds of the competition was adding important runs opening the batting for us and recording his top score in the final round. In all Patrick made 61 runs for the season, had 2 run-outs and 1 catch.

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Toby (Turbo) Jones

Turbo was out fastest bowler in the team with also the ability to generate massive swing making it incredibly hard to score runs from, his best bowling was 5-5 in round 17 and he also kept his economy rate around 3 all season. Batting wise he finished with 93 runs with a top score of 18. He batted extremely well in tight matches making sure he protected his wicket. In addition, he secured 3 run-outs and 4 catches.

Henry (Hat-trick) Hay

Henry simply took wickets all season, with his accurate bowling he took wickets in all but 4 games with his best being 5 for 4 in round 3. His potential was always there with the bat once he put Thor's hammer away and picked a bat at the right weight. He really exploded in round 12 with a 34 that included multiple sixes and from that time on didn't look back consistently hitting sixes and fours. A very good season with 174 runs, 26 wickets, 4 run-outs and 3 catches.

Samuel (Slammin Sam) Read

Slammin Sam transitioned straight into cricket scoring 34 in round 1 which included 7 boundaries. He continued to pile on the runs during the season amassing 309 in total. Often, he would come in at the end of the order to get us over the line or to make sure we retained our lead with sensible batting at the end. Through-out the season he had a running battle against Thomas for most run-outs with 11 in total added to his 14 bowling wickets, 7 catches and 1 stumping.

Angus (Warnie) Mayoh

Angus joined the team as a 6 year old at the start of the season but was already our most experienced player. With just an incredible love and enthusiasm for the game Angus would bedazzle batsmen week in and week out with his Warnie like leg-spin bowling. He would have added to his 13 wickets if the batsmen had been able to hit him more and a few more catches were taken. On top of this he was out 3rd highest run scorer with an ability to hit the ball all around the field he totalled 158 runs for the season. The speed and accuracy of his throwing improved throughout the season with 7 run-outs and 1 catch.

Bodhi (The Wizard) Webb

The Wizard joined us in round 3 and had an immediate impact with the bat, top scoring in our round 6 loss to the Hydro's. After much practice over the summer break Bodhi's bowling really came along and he took 3 wickets in both rounds 10 and 11 and continued to make it tough for batters during the rest of the season taking 12 wickets in all with 10 of them in the 2nd half of the season. His batting was highlighted with a top score of 19 against the Seaforth Jaguars which included 2 sixes. He scored 103 runs in all and had 2 run-outs.

Thomas (Tornado) Read

In his first season of cricket, Thomas proved to be a consistent all-rounder scoring the 4th highest runs with 152, taking 12 wickets with a best of 3-7 in addition to an amazing 14 run-outs and 4 catches. His best game was against

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compatriots Wakehurst green when he scored 19 runs and managed 3 run-outs. His inswingers beat the bat consistently making it hard for opposition batsmen but they were most wary when they risked taking a run off his arm.

Team Awards

Batting: Samuel Read

Bowling: Henry Hay

Sportsperson: Angus Mayoh

Micah (Mr Magic) Montgomery

Magic Micah had a great season both with the bat and ball, he began the season strong notching up a 15 and 20 but then struggled in our early games in Div 1. That all changed in round 13 when he came out smashing a 19 with 2 fours and a six. Over the season he compiled a total of 129 runs. Bowling wise Micah was very consistent taking a wicket in nearly every match with a total of 17 wickets and a best of 3-5 versus a very good Hydro's team. On top of this he also added 4 run-outs.



U10 Red

Congratulations to all of the little champions who played for the Under 10s Wakehurst Reds this season! From the very first game the side bonded extremely well. Over the course of the summer they supported each other both on and off the field and shared each other's successes wholeheartedly. Always eager for a laugh and a bit of fun the boys found the perfect balance between competitiveness and enjoyment.

We experienced virtually every possible scenario with regards to results. These included: resounding victories, crushing losses, successful last ball run chases and cruel 1 run defeats. No matter what unfolded on the day it was wonderful to see the boys express their emotions and then instantly move on! Our mid table result was a fair indication of where we were at collectively.

Every one of our players improved substantially over the course of the season. This wasn't always reflected in results but simple indicators such as significantly less wides and no-balls as well as gradually increasing the amount of runs we were scoring off the bat were very clear.

A big thank you to co-coaches Andrew Rooley and Craig Leeming for all of their work at training and during the games. They managed to pass on great levels of knowledge and tips whilst keeping enjoyment levels sky high. Thanks also to our superstar manager, Kylie Westren for keeping us all organized and on track throughout the season. Our entire parent group were amazing so thanks to everyone for your support.

All of the boys in the team are very talented and can progress as far as they choose. I wish them all the very best in their cricketing journeys.
Sean Moran - Coach

Oliver Westren

Oli is a super talented cricketer who went from strength to strength this season. With the bat he smashed many a straight drive for four, which is an impressive effort from a youngster. He also has a solid defence which will work in his favour moving forward. With the ball, Oli commenced the summer as a tearaway quick but then found his true calling and developed into a wonderful leg spinner, with a lovely smooth action that generates substantial dip and turn. This resulted in him taking 11 wickets. This is a high return for a leg spinner, as the extra bounce generated basically means you can't get many batters out bowled. Oli was also very solid in the field and did the basics extremely well. Great season, Oli!

Hayden Brabant

Congratulations Hayden on another wonderful season. Hayden is obsessed with cricket and tries his absolute hardest each and every ball...whether it be at training or during the games. His batting improved enormously this year. In particular, this was highlighted by a number of beautiful boundaries struck between the arc of mid-on the square leg. He is also fantastic between the wickets. However, it was his efforts with the ball that really stole the show. Bowling consistently full and straight with a hint of outswing, Hayden regularly went straight through a large number of batters. He finished with 19 wickets, earning him the tag of our leading wicket taker. He was also one of the highest in

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the competition. All the very best for the future, Hayden.

Jonothon Lister

Jono had a wonderful overall season. He has improved substantially with both bat and ball. With the bat he played a number of damaging innings and as the season progressed he became far more consistent, especially when he played straight. He ended the season as our second highest run scorer with 173 runs. With the ball Jono also excelled. As the season progressed, he became one of the competitions quickest bowlers. He also learnt to keep the seam upright which resulted in regular movement. Ultimately, Jono took 16 wickets, the majority being clean bowled, which is a wonderful achievement. He was also a very solid wicket keeper, putting his body on the line to save every run and take every catch possible. All the best moving forward, Jono.

Archie Rooley

Archie is another player who has come along leaps and bounds this season. With the bat, Archie has learnt to value his wicket. He has developed a very solid forward defence and can extend this to drive down the ground. This is a favourite zone for Archie, one where he hit lots of 4s. Archie's bowling has also developed steadily. He bowls consistent medium pace and picked up a number of wickets throughout the season. His accuracy ensured that the runs he conceded per over was exceptionally low. Another facet of Archie's game worth highlighting is his outfield catching. He caught multiple screamers on the boundary, which is extremely rare in the Under 10s. Well done Archie on an

awesome season. All the best for the future.

Eddie Leeming

Eddie was the heart and soul of our team, who was always one of the first to shout out encouragement to his teammates. He improved in all areas of the game throughout the course of the season and is quickly turning into a quality allrounder. With the ball, Eddie mixes it up between pace and spin. He can land both and took numerous wickets throughout the season, many of which were caught and bowled. With the bat, Eddie learnt the gift of placing the ball regularly through the covers, looking for singles. This resulted in a huge increase in overall run scoring and also flowed into smacking a number of boundaries as well. Wicket keeping was also another big area for improvement. Eddie is brave and gets his body behind the ball and his crisp lateral footwork ensured that he was able to catch balls on both sides of the wicket. Great season, Eddie and all the best for next year.

Tom Evans

Tom is a future left hand opening batsmen in my opinion. He places a high value on his wicket, has a very technically correct technique and is a very good runner between the wickets. Over the course of the season he rarely got out and progressively added more and more runs to his totals. With the ball, Tom is also very consistent. Coming off a reduced run up he bowled very accurate left arm medium pace which yielded a number of crucial wickets. He bowled a consistent full length which made it challenging for the opposition to score. In the field, Tom was always enthusiastic. He can also throw with both hands which surprised a number of batsmen and resulted in some key

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run outs. Congratulations on a fantastic season, Tom and good luck for next year.

James Moran

James is a hard-hitting left-hand batsmen who had a stellar year with the blade. He was particularly strong on the leg side, smacking numerous 4s throughout the season. However, he also gradually developed his offside play and steadily became much more fluent through point and cover. He was also very quick and assertive when running between the wickets and this led to numerous additional runs for the side. James ended up scoring 342 runs which was the highest for our team and for the competition. With the ball, James

bowled a combination of leg and off spin. High levels of accuracy and turn resulted in 16 wickets which is a good achievement. In particular, for a spinner. Always enthusiastic in the field James took a number of catches and effected multiple runouts with his powerful throw. Great season, James and all the best moving forward.

Team Awards

Batting: James Moran

Bowling: Hayden Brabant

Sportsperson: Eddie Leeming



U10 Purple

In October of 2023 a very excited group of boys, most of whom had never played cricket before joined a couple of Dad's who had a similar lack of knowledge and experience of Cricket came together for a wonderful journey together.

After a few you tube clips were watched the focus going forward was to be working as hard as we could to improve the basics of the game for each individual.

As the games began the natural improvement shone through and the highlights each week began to roll as someone new took their first wicket, scored their first run, Hit their first boundary, took their first catch and threw the ball to the wicket keeper to maybe create a run out but the improved throwing and catching was the true winner.

We had some wonderful individual performances during the season but the best part was constantly hearing 'I scored my highest score today, I took my PB for wickets in a game' every boy can look back with pride that they constantly improved throughout the season.

Player Summaries

Chase Ollerton

Our live wire in the field, Chase put a lot of pressure on the opposition by always being ready to get the ball when it was hit his way. He was also fantastic at backing up for his teammates. His personal numbers for batting don't reflect his contribution to the team score as he was always looking to grab an extra run from a bye should the wicket-keeper miss the ball. His bowling also improved over the season and while it did take 5 or 6 weeks to get that first

wicket he then managed to get 2 wickets in a game on a number of occasions.

Brendan Harrison

It was wonderful to see Brendan's improvement over the season in all aspects of the game. He was always a solid contributor with the bat scoring double figures or close too in most matches but his 23 in the second to last match against Wakehurst Yellow which included 2 fours and an amazing 6 was certainly a highlight. 3/6 against Seaforth was his best bowling figures and he was constantly taking wickets for the team.

Daniel Thomassian

One of our most consistent players each week scoring nearly 200 runs for the season. His best score of 25 included six 4's when he filled in for the div 1 side where he relished the tougher competition. Some of Dan's best work came as wicket keeper where he took 3 catches during his turn behind the stumps and also managed 3 runouts in one game for a season total of 10.

Edison Crouch

Our live wire 7 year old who held his own against the older bigger boys. Was another who didn't score big runs off the bat each week but was dynamic between the wickets and was looking for opportunities at every occasion. He took 14 wickets for the season the highlight was his final game against the 2nd placed Harbord Vikings where he took 2 wickets in a row and had LBW been allowed in the lower grades struck the opponent on the foot right in front for a Hat trick, Understandably not allowed but outstanding from someone so young. He was also very accurate with his throw and if you did try to take him on he wouldn't miss and took 9 runouts 3 in one game all by direct hits.

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Finn Sorbara

Finn sent fear into the opposition, his bowling was very fast! He was great at bowling line and length only problem was he was too quick for opposition to hit and the length outside off didn't hit the stumps often enough early. Against Wakehurst White he finally listened to slow down a little and aimed at the stumps which resulted in the amazing figures of 6/8 off his 4 overs. Certainly a team best. If it wasn't his bowling that scared the opposition then his batting would also. He scored a league best 271 runs for the year from only 14 matches he regularly scored 20's and 30's and loved hitting 6's and the occasional 4.

Alexavier Fenton

One of the biggest improvers in the team for the year. Alexavier worked very hard on his bowling and offered the team something different being left handed. It was great to see him take a vital wicket in the last game of the season against Harbord who were 2nd on the ladder and desperate for victory.

His batting also improved where he hit 2 fours in the second last game of the year for his top score of 13. His willingness to listen and learn helped his wonderful improvement over the season

Roman Crouch

If it wasn't Finn leading the division on a stat it was Roman. Roman was very consistent over the year scoring 270 runs second only to Finn, he led the division with 26 wickets taking 3 or more wickets in a game 7 times with a season best of 4/11 he also led the division with 9 catches and also contributed 14 run outs for the season. It was great to see him challenged when he filled in for the Div 1 team where he took 3/6 and also enjoyed the challenge of filling in for his older brothers U12 Div 2 side where he also snagged a couple of wickets.

Team Awards

Batting Finn Sorbara

Bowling Roman Crouch

Sportsperson Dan Thomassian



U10 White

The U10 Whites (renamed by the team as the Potatoes for purposes of politically correct cheering) had a fantastic first season playing together, with most boys stepping up from Blasters. Not having had much formal training, the team showed great resolve and focus to learn the game as they played and this commitment showed in their results, finishing the season third with a majority of wins for the season.

The calling card of the team was their ability to defend a total and hold on in close games. From two final-over wickets from Owen, clinching a come-from-behind victory against Peninsula Sixers, to a stunning win over Peninsula Heat courtesy of Theo's coolness under pressure to take a wicket from the final ball, the Potatoes could never be counted out.

Watching the boys develop their game throughout the season was pure joy, with each player contributing in their own way and showing great development which will put them in good stead moving into older age groups.

Sincere thanks to all parents who helped with training, umpiring and scoring each week, as well as the players who filled in throughout the season.

Go Potatoes!

Owen Burke

14 matches, 80 runs, 14 wickets, 2 catches, 12 run outs

Owen was the team's consistent performer in the field, taking 14 wickets with the ball and another 14 in the field (12 run outs and two catches). With a stand out performance to secure our first win of the season in only our sec-

ond game together, Owen's contributions kick-started the season and he continued to shine throughout.

Liam Chapman

15 matches, 59 runs, 6 wickets, 2 catches, 2 run outs

Liam's season was a story of remarkable growth. Though he took time to get rolling, by the second half of the season he was taking wickets both with the ball and in the field, and steadily growing his batting skills. His dedication paid off when he secured a spot on the school team, a testament to his progress throughout the season

.Joshua Cutting

14 matches, 74 runs, 9 wickets, 1 catch, 7 run outs

Josh was our stand out sportsman, encouraging his teammates on and off the field from the first game, leading to our weekly sportsmanship award. Josh's left-handed medium pace provided great difficulty for opposition batsmen, and his batting was the teams most technically proficient. Josh, always his harshest critic, epitomised this team's dedicated resolve to playing wholeheartedly to the very end of every game.

Spencer Ellis

15 matches, 88 runs, 12 wickets, 5 run outs

The team's speed demon, Spencer's game developed from wild balls in the early matches to lethal zingers at the end. The opposition's warnings with Spencer lining up to bowl was always to "look out, he's really fast", but his growing accuracy is what really stood out by season's end. Spencer was a quiet achiever with the bat, and in the field could always be counted on to keep spirits up (even if it was with a foot inside the circle).

U10 White

Theodore Higgins

15 matches, 126 runs, 15 wickets, 5 run outs

From hitting a boundary on the first ball of the season, to taking a wicket with the final ball of the game to secure a narrow victory, this was a great first season for Theo who grew to be known as the team's key allrounder. Scoring the most runs and taking the most wickets (albeit pipped to the award on bowling average) he could be relied upon to take a wicket or score runs just when the team needed.

Lachlan Thomas

11 matches, 66 runs, 9 wickets, 3 run outs

Lachie had a solid season with bat and ball. Without being flashy, he top scored or took the most wickets on several occasions, keeping the opposition on their toes with his left handed batting and right handed bowling. Lachie can always be relied upon to keep his team mates spirits high on and off the field

Yicheng Xu

15 matches, 58 runs, 8 wickets, 5 run outs

Yicheng was our most unassuming yet committed team member. With an unorthodox bowling action, his focus and dedication to hitting a line and length paid off time after time with balls that bamboozled opponents and wicket celebrations that rivalled the best in the game. Like his teammates, his game showed great growth throughout the season and his commitment to working on all aspects of his game paid off in spades.

Edward Strang

7 matches, 33 runs, 4 wickets, 1 run out

Special mention to our unofficial team member Ed, who stepped up from Blasters to play 7 games, including 5 with the Potatoes. Watching a younger boy play with such confidence (attempting ramp shots and all!) is a joy, and there's no doubt Ed has a great cricketing future ahead of him.

Team Awards:

Batting: Theodore Higgins

Bowling: Owen Burke

Sportsperson: Joshua Cutting



Absent: Joshua Cutting

U10 Yellow

Being a young team with only Blasters experience we weren't sure how the boys would adjust to serious cricket. The two new players fitted seamlessly into the group and brought great energy and enthusiasm. Despite mostly playing against older boys the team began the season with a win which gave them a nice boost of confidence, and with a great start of 3 wins from 5 saw the team graded into a challenging division 2.

There were nerves after being promoted and after a couple of heavy losses post re-grading the team persisted as they all showed signs of improvement with bat, ball and particularly in the field with a hatful of runouts. A fantastic run of 6 games unbeaten continued over the Christmas break saw the team climb to a season high 3rd place.

The team became a confident bowling outfit regularly taking more wickets than the opposition and they learned how to build an innings around different skill sets. Highlights in the unbeaten run were big wins over Seaforth Vipers and Seaforth Stingrays - key to the win over the Vipers was some excellent bowling and fielding. Bryn was a stand-out with 5 for 7 from his 4 overs.

The win over the Stingrays was much thanks to a solid opening partnership between Jack and Mitch which got the team off to a cracking start. Thrown into the unbeaten run were 2 close wins, one by 3 runs over the Peninsula Heat with a wicket from each of the final 4 overs what got the win; the other, an 18 run win over Beacon Hill Big Shots - with a very tight last 10 overs conceding only 24 runs and taking 4 wickets going a long way to getting the win.

A late season injury to one of the leading run scorers was a significant setback to the batting, but the rest of the team took this as a challenge to improve.

The season closed out with a tough run against the top 3 team resulting in 3 losses; one a close loss against Wakehurst White's on a soggy Terrey Hills Primary Oval and another a loss against top of the table Wakehurst Purple - a terrific game against a very good team, the Yellow's did themselves proud by keeping it close!

A great end to the season with a 60-run win over the Beacon Hill Boomers with a superb bowling and fielding effort to get 12 wickets! The win was never in doubt when our turn to bat, with smart batting by all and Bryn finishing with 24 runs.

The Yellow's had a great 1st season playing proper cricket and we look forward to them all returning next season to push on for improved performances and results.



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Player Summaries

Archer Halpin

Archer's bowling technique and in turn results improved immensely throughout the season. Archer was up there with being most improved with his bowling with tricky to judge high flighted deliveries getting him some valuable wickets.

Archer's batting also showed great signs of improvement during the season, this was displayed when he obtained his top scores in his final 2 games with a solid defence and quickly run singles.

An equal team high 4 runouts in round 4 highlighted Archer's fielding improvement as the season went on; he often outran the batter to take off the balls! Archer's highest score was 7 and best bowling figures 2 for 14.

Well done Archer, you showed great dedication to the team and consistent improvement as the season went on, I look forward to seeing you continue to improve.

Jake Hewitt

Jake's batting struggled early in the season due to effectively batting blindfolded because of helmet size issues; once Jake was able to see the ball and where to run his confidence grew and in turn his batting results improved.

Jake's bowling accuracy and consistency improved as the season went on, this meant he was able to bowl some tight overs to contribute to keeping the opposition score down.

Jake took the catch of the season when he snatched one out of the air at mid-off, he showed superb concentration to hang on to the ball after a near collision with the bowler!

Jake's highest score was 9 and best bowling figures 1 for 4.

Great season Jake, I look forward to seeing you improve next season and contribute to the team's success.

Brynmor Jones

Bryn has a natural batting technique and is a feared pace bowler who knocked over many stumps with his pace which had him sitting as 2nd top wicket taker for the Yellow's.

Bryn's confidence and skill with the bat improved as the season continued, he has a strong arm in the field and is as competitive and driven to win as anyone out there.

Bryn is another player with a strong leg side shot and he scored a number of boundaries using that technique.

Bryn's backyard cricket skills came to the fore and his insistence he's never out during training kept everyone amused!

Bryn's highest score was 24 and best bowling figures 5 for 7. Bryn finished the season 2nd for both wickets and runs.

Well done Bryn, great all-round performance – some exciting displays with both bat and ball. I look forward to seeing you smash one over the boundary next season!

Elliott Stead

Elliott's natural batting technique allowed him to contribute in most games throughout the season.

Elliott's an enthusiastic runner between the wickets, he inspired a team of quick single maniacs!

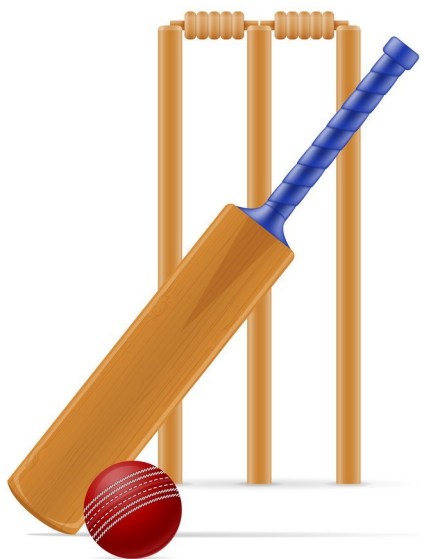
Elliott's a swinging bowler who is hard to catch up with when he gets them on target.

Elliott's speed across the field and

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throwing accuracy allowed him to achieve an equal team high 4 runouts in round 2 and 3 in round 14, well done! Elliot enjoyed his time in the nets, regularly keeping his own score as he batted, some interesting tales of half centuries amused us all! Elliott's highest score was 12 and best bowling figures 2 for 9.

Great season Elliott, I loved your enthusiasm in the field and enjoyed watching you run all those quick singles. You will continue to improve as you practise and I look forward to seeing your results next season.



Jude Stewart

Jude's bowling and batting technique improved significantly through the season. The hours he spent outside of training on perfecting his forward defensive and leg side shots was impres-

sive and he certainly reaped the rewards of his hard work.

Jude's bowling also improved out of sight, he continued to practise and this showed as his consistent line and length surprised many batsmen. Jude wears his heart on his sleeve with every delivery as he always wants to make a contribution.

Jude is one of the loudest players on the field, always encouraging his teammates and very loud, clear and confident 'yes' and 'no' calls when batting! Jude's highest score was 11 and best bowling figures 2 for 5.

Well done Jude, you displayed excellent leadership skills in encouraging your teammates in the field. You always had a smile on your face which was great to see! Your hard work was evident as the season went on and I look forward to seeing you grow next season.

Jack Willis

Jack is a naturally gifted cricketer, consistent and clinical with bat, ball and in the field. A 'mini-Steve Smith' in the making!

Jack lives for cricket and this is obvious in his knowledge of the game and eagerness to contribute in every game he played.

His ability to play a solid defensive shot and aggressive shots all around the ground meant he contributed in all games. Jack has a lovely cover drive which earned him many runs through the season. Jack finished as the Yellow's top run scorer and top wicket-taker.

Jack's pace and precision with the ball in hand resulted in many multiple wicket hauls through-out the season.

Jack's highest score was 20 and best bowling figures 4 for 4.

An excellent season for Jack in all facets of the game, well done! You were in-

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involved in some significant partnerships that got the team over the line. Jack played in every game this season, showing great commitment to the team. I look forward to seeing you grow next season, you'll be even better.

Mitchell Worker

Another cricket mad member of the Yellow's. Watching almost every game of the Big Bash through the summer influenced Mitch's love of smashing it on the leg side!

Mitch worked hard through the season to develop his defensive shots to keep the good balls out. Mitch had the shot of the season when he launched a leg side slog that bounced twice before going over boundary, it had the crowd cheering!

Mitch's bowling accuracy and consistency improved a great deal throughout the season as he took a number of key

wickets. Mitch always concentrated in the field and backed up well.

Unfortunately Mitch fractured his wrist with 4 games to go, this didn't stop him from getting involved - he continued to turn up to training to help the team and was able to contribute by bowling and fielding to close out the season.

Mitch's highest score was 18 and best bowling figures 4 for 12.

Well done Mitch, you were exciting to watch bat and your backing up at the non-strikers end for quick singles was excellent. You will continue to improve across all aspects of the game and I look forward to seeing the results next season.

Team Awards

Batting: Jack Willis

Bowling: Bryn Jones

Sportsperson: Jude Stewart



U11 Green

It was a great season for the mighty Under 11 Wakehurst Green team with many of the players making their debuts. From the start the team galvanised a strong culture and friendship within the group, supporting each other through the highs and lows of the season.

It was rewarding to see each of the players make a significant improvement in all aspects of the game throughout the season. Each player showed enthusiasm and pure enjoyment for the game. A highlight of the season was the win at Terry Hills where the team dominated from start to finish and they celebrated like it was a world cup final win, ending up at McDonalds.

It was an absolute pleasure to coach the team, the way they conducted themselves on and off the pitch is a credit to their families. I'm sure they will all grow up to be fine young men and cricketers. Also, thank you to all involved this season especially the parents who were involved in coaching, scoring, umpiring and supporting. Particularly Dom Sargent who managed and organised the team with such efficiency each week.

Charlie Tanner

Our very own Mr Cricket, showed his love for the game throughout the season. Always the first to training and last to leave, Charlie was our attacking weapon with the bat and ball. Whenever we needed a wicket, we could count on Charlie. He provided many great spells of bowling and batting throughout the season.

George Donnan

Our reliable opening batsman, always the first to put his hand up to face the new ball and take on the fast bowlers. George was the heartbeat of the team who brought the energy to training and games each week. Showing good leadership and positivity on and off the field. George is a great teammate who supported his team throughout the season.

Bailey Schramm

The team was very thankful Bailey joined them during season. As gifted all-round cricketer Bailey took many important wickets each game and had the ability to hit runs when we needed them. Bailey showed real technical ability each game demonstrating passion and a strong understanding of the game.

Benjamin Newton

A great first season of cricket for Benji, he picked up the technical aspects of the game very quickly. A focused all-round cricketer with the ability to entertain the crowd with big shots and make quick runs when needed. Also, very strong with his bowling and lightning in the field.

Bryce Sargent

A passionate cricketer who demonstrated his love for the game and his teammates throughout the season. Enthusiastic in every aspect of the game, Bryce provided some great spells of bowling which significantly improved as the season progressed. Particular highlights included a number of classic catches and run outs.

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Jack Terry

It was great to have Jack join the team through the season. An established cricketer who brought pace to our bowling attack and big hitting to our batting line up. Jack provided enthusiasm and energy to every training session and game he played. He will make a good T20 Cricketer in the future.

William Graham

A passionate team player who enjoyed entertaining his teammates and the crowd. Will's bowling significantly improved throughout the season as well as his batting focus and running between wickets. Always first to put his hand up to wicket-keep he provided the team with a safe pair of hand behind the stumps.

William Loyd

Will had a great season and it was evident that he enjoys the game. Will's bowling significantly improved this season resulting in a number of wickets for team. His consistency and focus on his bowling is to be commended. He also enjoyed his time at the crease delivering a number of fine shots and running well between wickets.

Team Awards

Batting: Benjamin Newton

Bowling: William Loyd

Sportsperson: Charlie Tanner



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We started the season with a mix of boys playing competitive cricket for the first time and those that had played with Wakehurst U10's last year. Early on we had some hard games against strong teams that had played together for a couple of years and whilst we did not win, the boy's energy was great and they came together as a team quickly. They were getting around each other, having fun and being great sports out on the field.

The boys batting really improved through the season and it was also great to see the improvement in building partnerships together, positive batting and running. We started to really take the game on with the bat. We quickly progressed from scores of 60-70 to consistently scoring over 100. Likewise, our bowling became more consistent and our fielding sharper and we started taking regular wickets. Everyone had a crack at wicketkeeping through the season with Mitch, Harrison C, Josh, and Harrison W stepping in regularly and really tightening the flow of leaked byes.

The team finished the season strongly with 7 wins from our last 10 games. Really pleasingly there were many times where opposition coaches commented on how good the sportsmanship of the team was.

A fun season of cricket and a huge amount of growth with all the boys who are going to enjoy the progression to U12 next year.

Player Summaries:

Angus von Konigsmark

Angus joined the team in his first season of cricket and quickly settled in to scoring runs. He quickly found a way to hit the ball cleanly and worked on his technique though the season which helped his batting even more, A top score of 18 of 15 in his first season was a terrific effort. Angus never left a run out there with the most energetic running in the team and the only thing quicker than his running between the wickets was how quickly he got through an over! Angus' bowling came a long way too with a highlight of picking up a 3 for in one game. Although Angus' batting and bowling was great, he will also be remembered through his addition of crumbly cheese and biscuits to the sideline!

Asher Burke

Asher was also playing his first season of cricket and his batting improved well through the season. He was not the biggest fan of running and hence would prefer to swing hard and hit big to save the trouble! While he was a handy batter, it was clear that Asher was all about the bowling. His bowling technique was smooth and, on his day, he was the fastest bowler in the team and enjoyable to watch as he troubled opposition batsmen. This resulted in a best bowling of 3 for but Asher was probably the unluckiest bowler in the team with lots of tight bowling that was often close to more wickets. One thing is clear is that Asher is going to thrive with the hard ball in his hand next year and will be a real challenge for opposition batters!

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Harrison Copeland

Harrison started the season with some solid foundations having played before and built nicely though the season. His batting became a lot more aggressive which was great to see. Balls that Harrison was letting go down leg at the start of the season he was whipping away at the end and converting them into runs. Harrison really valued his wicket and also built his straight bat technique well, which will be effective next year when you only get one wicket! Harrison played some of the nicest straight drives of the season and was frequently robbed of runs by long grass in the outfield! Tidy with the keeping gloves, Harrison took the only caught behind of the season with a sharp catch. Harrison's bowling improved well through the season too, finishing with a 2 for in one of our later games.

Harrison Worboys

Harrison was one of our most consistent players with bat and ball, in particular in the back half of the season. With 15 wickets for the season, he was one short of our best and he took wickets in 11 of our 15 games through the season.

Harrison was another energetic batter looking for runs and taking on the opposition to get the most out his partnerships. A highlight was a season high opening partnership of 44 with Mitch. Harrison was another batter that really learnt to value his wicket through the season and did not concede a wicket in 4 out of the last 5 games, setting him up well for U12's next year.

Josh Zauner

Josh played his second season of cricket and really took it up a level this year. He was another consistent batter that built on his technique well through the season. Josh was one of our more regular wicket keepers reducing the number of byes a lot by the end of the season. Josh really stepped up with the ball this year and was our leading wicket taker for the season with 16 wickets and best bowling of 4/7. When Josh was in his bowling element it was great to watch and the wickets flowed, picking up 4 wickets twice and 3 in another innings

Liam Shephard

Despite being in his first year of competitive cricket, Liam had a great batting and bowling technique that got stronger through the season. Liam was unlucky with bat and ball in the first half of the season but was rewarded with consistent runs and wickets towards the back end. His average with the bat in the last 5 games was 11.2 off 15 balls with a top score of 19 which included some classic drives and some nice back foot cut shots. There were also 2 games where Liam took wickets in consecutive balls and he is another bowler that will enjoy the heavier ball next year. Liam was sharp in the field and a safe pair of hands with 4 catches and 4 run-outs. On a rare occasion in our second last game when Liam dropped a catch, he picked the ball up and ran that batter out at the bowlers end to claim the wicket anyway!

Mitchell Hall

Mitch might be taking his inspiration from namesake Mitch Marsh as his batting style was 'go big.' Mitch was the top run scorer for the season with 174

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runs and two 20+ scores including a cracking 26 off 15 in our final game that included 3 fours and a six. Mitch enjoyed taking the keeping gloves whenever he could and was a handy wicket keeper. When he did get the ball in hand, he mixed it up but when bowling pace of his full run up was as fast as any in the comp. Mitch always turned up to give it his best and was a constant encourager of the team out on the field.

Zachary Simes

Zac was a consistently good batter through the season and was our leading run scorer early in the season. His cracking pull shots quickly became fa-

mous in the team as the “Zac Special” and he worked hard to become a solid straight bat player as well. Zac was a character in the field wearing his cricket sunnies even on days with no sun to be seen. He worked hard on his bowling through the season to develop a much more consistent bowling motion and was rewarded with some wickets in the back half of the season.

Team Awards

Batting: Mitchell Hall

Bowling: Josh Zauner

Sportsperson: Angus von Konigsmark



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Coach Summary

The U12/1 Black team for 2023/2024 season had a great development season. Overall, we won 3 games out of 18 which does not do the team justice. It was our first season of 'out is out' cricket and as a coach I made bowlers start to set their own fields for the first time, so it was a steep learning curve with lots of fun along the way.

The highlight of the season was the way the Individual players learned more about the game as the season went on. It was Immensely satisfying to see the 'penny drop moments' for each player as they started to understand how to place a value on their wicket and mix defence and attack when batting. Similarly, the coaches cry of 'bowl it full!' finally hit home and we were an excellent bowling and fielding team by the end of the season.

It made me very happy as coach to see the boys playing together in the rain for 90 mins after playing a full game at our end of season social. They had become a team.

A huge thank you to all the parents for their support and commitment this season. And a special shout to Terence Hall and our Manager, Suji. We could not have done it without you.

Player Summaries

Elijah Cook

It is no exaggeration to say that Elijah was probably our most consistent player with both bat and ball for the season. He is a naturally talented cricketer and really needed no coaching. By the end of the season 'Lij' had become our genuine all-rounder, finishing with the sec-

ond-best batting average. His batting is assured and confident and he is a lovely player to watch. He retired after 35 balls more than any other player in the team. With the ball his zippy action and pace caused quite a few batsmen problems. Elijah's keeping has the potential to be really good. He was a real delight to coach and have in the team, a popular team member and a dependable player who never lets us down week in and week out.

Luis Copeland

Luis had another strong season and continued his role as the 'cheeky chap-py' and always gives everyone a laugh and a giggle. His bowling has turned into his strength and his ability to bowl a good length really took off this season. On numerous occasions it was Luis who took crucial wickets and broke partnerships. Luis batting is captured in one word 'resilience'! He has this uncanny ability to stay in and not get out, which was crucial in several of our close games. He was a popular member of the team and always makes games more fun as one half of 'the dangerous brothers' with Ty.

Tom Dent

Tom's season felt like one of discovery. He can be very hard on himself and is his own biggest critic. It was so satisfying to see Tom's confidence grow with bat towards the second half of the season He started to really believe in himself, and his ability and it became obvious in his performances. He regularly batted in the top order and developed a sense of calm and control at the crease. If he can take this into next season, he is going to be a very effective batsman. Tom can harness the momentum and confidence to become the real deal as a

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batter. Tom's bowling and fielding also came on leaps and bounds and he is a great kid to have in the team and to coach.

Daniel Hall

Daniel had another strong season across the board. His batting continues to be a potential game changer. When Daniel is in form and gets his 'eye' in he has that rare ability to dominate a bowling attack. He hits the ball harder than anyone else and really has the ability to put fear into the opposition. I look forward to him continuing to balance defence and attack next season so he can stay in for longer periods and hit some big scores. Dan's wicketkeeping was solid all season and he does a great job with the gloves. It was his bowling which was probably the surprise package this season. Dan earned the nickname 'Golden Arm', and he took 16 wickets at an average of 13.5 in Division 1, which is a phenomenal achievement. Dan once said to me 'I think you overestimate my batting ability Jonathan', well I certainly don't with his bowling, he had a great season with the ball.

Hugo Hansen

Hugo had a very impressive season with our team. Considering he is playing up and it was first season playing 'out is out', Hugo's maturity with the bat is beyond his years. He is a lovely player to watch at the crease and has really understood the maxim 'play each ball on its merits'. Hugo balances defence and attack exceptionally well and he built some lovely innings to be our top run scorer by some way finishing with 271 runs for the season in division 1 a phenomenal effort. Hugo's wicketkeeping is also a real strength of his. He keeps with a natural ease and finishes the season our top catcher with 8 catches. It was great to see Hugo also start to set fields and he has a natural eye for game strategy. He is a great team member and never gives up, Hugo's cry of 'Energy Wakehurst!' was a feature of the season especially on some very hot days.

Kobi Leroux

Kobi had another great season developing both his bowling and batting. It was a real joy to see Kobi's bowling improve throughout the season and his spell against the Suns when he took 2 crucial wickets to help us win was awesome to watch. He believes he can take wickets now and his line and length are consistently dangerous. Kobi was a real live wire in the field, and he took a number of 'show stopping' catches. His batting also developed, and it was a moment of real pride for us to see him retire after 35 balls on a couple of occasions. Kobi is a delight to coach, he always listens, works hard, and wants to improve his game at every opportunity. Considering this is only Kobi's second season of cricket he should be very proud of his season.



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Hayden Marshman

It was Hayden's first season with this team, and he started with a bang, taking 3 catches in the first game of the season against a very strong Collaroy team, what a performance! His fielding and bowling were great all season and he should be proud of what he achieved. It was Hayden's batting that was the standout. Hayden's batting is the epitome of 'application'. He works hard, applies himself and makes absolutely the most of his ability. By the end of the season 'Haydos' was our go-to opening batsman. He is comfortable with fast bowling and spin and has learnt the key skill of how to keep the scoreboard ticking. He finished the season on 184 runs in division 1 and should be very proud if this. Hayden always gives 100%, he always listens and is always looking to improve. He was a joy to coach this season and we are excited to see where his batting goes next.

Ty Siladi

Ty continued where he left off last season bowling Leg Spin. Leggies are probably the hardest of all deliveries to bowl and Ty really has a talent to bowl them. I was really pleased that he stuck with it and continues to land the ball and crucially get some good turn. In more than one game Ty's leg spin had the opposition batsman totally bamboozled! I can't stress enough how much I want him to keep nurturing this skill as he has a genuine ability to bowl leg spin well. He finished the season with 8 wickets at an average of 20 and could have got many more. Ty's batting was solid this season and he has learnt how to value his wicket and stay in when needed, and how to support others and 'hold up an end'. He is a popular mem-

ber of the team and was a lot of fun as one half of the 'dangerous brothers' with Luis! Oh, and he's my Bro.

Oliver Steel

Ollie had a fine season in the team and has adapted his batting to the 'out is out' rule well. He has learnt to value his wicket. He was probably our fastest player between the wickets and his ability to run a 'quick single' is one of his key strengths. Ollie's bowling was again his standout skill this season. He bowls with a 'skiddy' style action and has added a yard or two of pace this season. He was our best bowler on more than one occasion finishing second in the bowling table with 12 wickets at an average of 17 in division 1. This is a record he should rightly be proud of, and he could easily have had a 20 wicket season. His competitive nature gave us a definite edge in a number of games, and he is a real team player.



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Tyson Storey

It was Tyson's first season of cricket after having played a lot of baseball. He had a great season and really took to cricket with some trademark baseball skills thrown in. Tyson has the strongest fielding arm in the team and put this to good use on several occasions. His batting has the capability to be destructive and he can hit a very long ball. The ability to balance defence and attack with the bat improved massively towards the end of the season. Tyson as an opening bat was quite a sight when he started to defend the good balls and hit the bad balls, I am excited to see where his batting goes next season. It was Tyson's bowling which was his real strength. He has the size and action to really push the ball through and bowl with genuine pace. There was no better

site than Tyse steaming in and taking the off-stump bail of a number of batters that he beat for pace. A great kid to have around the team as well.

Coach

Jonathan Steel

Manager

Suji Leroux

Team Awards

Batting: Hugo Hansen

Bowling: Daniel Hall

Sportsman: Hayden Marshman



U12 Green

The 2023-2024 Wakehurst Redbacks Under 12s Green were a nice combination of returning team members, some old friends from previous seasons and some new faces. The team played in good spirits and further developed a great sense of teamwork and enhanced existing friendships.

As a team and throughout the season they battled hard in all their games and were able to win 2, with many close losses by less than 5 runs. For many games the boys were able to perform well in either bowling or batting, unfortunately not always both.

All the boys continued improving and developing their respective skills. A special shout out goes to our wonderful Manager Kate Walker, who kept us on track all seasons.

Thanks to Phil Stoddard for his assistance with training and warming the boys up before the games.

Thanks also to all the parents how pitched in with scoring this season, it was much appreciated.



Player Summaries:

Xander Reid

Xander had an excellent season. His batting and bowling further developed throughout the season. He also helped out as wicket keeper. He was a good team player and always played with a positive attitude.

Andy McLennan

Andy had an excellent season and really developed his batting. He improved his consistency significantly and was a stable at the top over our batting order. Andy's bowling also improved this season, and he became a regular wicket taker.

Chris Lalor

Chris had a great season with some accurate, fast bowling and some solid batting. He took some wonderful and crucial catches. He puts in an excellent effort during the games and at training and always displays a positive attitude.

Fraser Kerr

Fraser was an excellent addition to the team this season. He brought accurate bowling and was our go to player when we needed a wicket. His batting also developed nicely over the course of the season. He always displayed a positive, listening attitude during the games and at training.

Brock

Brock is the team's genuine fast bowler with a lethal yorker. He improved his bowling action this season which produced some fast and accurate spells. Brock also supported the team as one of our out wicket keepers. His batting also improved.

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Sebastian Milne

Sebastian was a new member of the team and contributed throughout the season. His bowling improved over the course of the season and he was able to produce consistent and accurate spells. Sebastian's batting also improved with more consistent defensive strokes.

Oliver Ward

Oli continued to be one of the team's most energetic and dynamic players. He developed his bowling this season and produced some accurate, economic spells and was unlucky not to get a few more wickets. His batting was solid with a number of good performances.

Campbell Walker

Campbell is a genuine all rounder of the game who contributed to the team throughout the season with the bat, the ball and was one of our excellent wicket keepers. He always displays a positive attitude and can be relied upon to make a clutch play. His positive attitude is infective amongst the boys and he can be relied upon lead the team with his mature approach.

William Greenaway

Will had break out season with his bat-

ting with consistent performances. He was amongst the top run scorers throughout the season. He continued to develop his bowling and produced regular, accurate spells and took some timely wickets.

Oscar Stoddart

Oscar's had an excellent season where he contributed consistently with the ball and the bat. He was often able to produce accurate bowling and regularly broke the oppositions batting partnerships with his heavy ball. He was the anchor of many of our long batting partnerships and improved his overall batting average.

Lucas Casey

Lucas' bowling rhythm, accuracy and speed improved significantly this season. His classical left arm bowling action produced many unplayable balls and he was unlucky not to get quite a few more wickets. His attacking shots also improved this season.

Team Awards

Batting: Xander Reid

Bowling: Fraser Ker

Sportsperson: Oscar Stoddard



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The team was largely unchanged from last season with only 2 new players added to the squad. This was the first season of 'genuine' Cricket for these boys as we moved from the U/11's format to the U/12's format where 'when you get out you are out'. Also, moving from the cooler Weather of morning cricket to the hot summer afternoon timeslot. We also had half the team who are playing up an age group who were still eligible to play U11's.

The team had a hugely successful season finishing 2nd on the ladder out of 14 teams after the regular season, winning 14 matches and only losing 3. Our biggest strength was our bowling where we only conceded 100 runs or more on 4 occasions throughout the season with our ability to take wickets on a regular basis. This was most pleasing as the wickets were shared across all 10 players in the team with the total wickets taken ranging from 7 to 17 across all 10 boys. This meant that the boys had the opportunity to play 'Finals' Cricket for the first time.

In the Semi-Final we played Seaforth Hawks and batted first putting on a respectable 118 off our 30 overs. Seaforth were on target to win the game at 3 for 84 but our boys and their never say die attitude took some late crucial wickets including four run-outs to bowl them out for 107 and advance through to the Grand Final.

We played the Grand Final against a strong Beacon Hill Bashers team who finished the regular season on top of the ladder. We bowled first and it was the best first 16 overs we could have asked for, having Beacon Hill 7 for 20. The last wicket partnership got away from us, and Beacon Hill ended up scor-

ing 75 off their 30 overs. Unfortunately, with the bat we fell short getting bowled out for 24.

I could not be prouder of the season that the boys have had. They have all improved both individually and as a team and their attitude and commitment towards their Cricket is second to none.

The boys were a pleasure to coach and are all great mates who enjoy each other's company. I wish them all the very best in their cricketing futures and hope to see them all playing again next season.

I would like to personally thank all the parents for their support throughout the year. Not only getting the boys to training and the game each week, but for their help with scoring and game day duties. Also, thank-you to Rich who looked after the team when I was away for a few weeks of the season.

A special thankyou to our manager Anna for everything you did through the season and all the behind-the-scenes organisation, it is much appreciated by the whole team.

Noah Bateson

Noah continued to improve in all parts of his game this season. He was involved in some important batting partnerships through the season and his energy with his running between wickets was infectious. Noah finished the season with 65 runs. Noah's bowling and consistency with a good line and length particularly towards the end of the season was a real highlight which led to him getting 10 wickets with his best figures of 3 for 8.

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Josh Blinstrub

Josh was another big improver this season with both his batting and bowling. He is a great listener and always gives 100%. With the bat, he scored 67 runs and improved so much through the season, particularly playing straight with some really nice cricket shots. With the ball, Josh took some crucial wickets finishing the season with 8 wickets with best figures of 2 for 4. One of Josh's best bowling performances was in the final where he bowled 4 overs for only 3 runs and was unlucky not to get wickets.

Mitchell Bruzzano

Mitchell had an impressive season, working hard on all facets of his game. He took to wicket keeping this season and did a superb job only conceding an average of 2.15 byes / 15 overs. He took 10 catches and 1 stumping. With the bat, he scored 127 runs at an average of 14.11 and still made a handy contribution with the ball taking 9 wickets at an average of 13.89. Mitchell loves his cricket and is always looking to improve his game.

William Bruzzano

William had a really good season with the ball taking the most wickets in the team with 17 and a great bowling average of 6.06. His best bowling figures were 4 for 6 which helped lead us to victory against the top of the table Beacon Hill team. With the bat, Will scored 71 runs. He was also strong and energetic in the field and was instrumental in many run-outs during the season and took some really nice catches.

Bennett Crouch

This was Bennett's first season of cricket and he fitted into the team perfectly. He is a great team player, listener and has a positive attitude which rubs off on the rest of the team. Bennett scored 40 runs for the season and with the ball had some really handy contributions taking 7 wickets and had best bowling figures of 2 for 6. Bennett also has a good pair of hands in the field taking 6 catches for the season.



Liam Pallister

Liam had a really solid all-round season with all facets of his game. He scored the most runs in the team with 167 runs at an average of 15.18. The highlight was a superb 31 runs in the semi-final which was a big contributor in us winning the game. With the ball, Liam took 16 wickets at an average of 8.69 with best figures of 2 for 3 and was always dangerous when he bowled a good line and length. Liam also enjoyed wicket keeping and did a really good job only conceding an average 2.76 byes / 15 overs.

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Cedric Poling

Cedric had a really solid season, who was dangerous with both bat and ball. Cedric scored 106 runs with a high score of 29 and has a great ability to hit the ball utilising his size and power. This season he worked on his technique and played some really nice cricket shots. With the ball, he took 14 wickets at an average of 7.64 with a highlight being in the Grand Final opening the bowling and taking 2 for 5 off 4 overs.

Luca Rochaix

Luca is ever reliable and one of the most consistent cricketers in the team. He works hard on his game and is a great listener. With the bat, Luca often opened the batting as he has a solid defence and did a good job scoring 87 runs for the season. With the ball, Luca took 14 wickets at an average of 6.5 and was always consistently bowling a good line and length that tested the batsmen. Luca also bowled superbly in the Grand Final taking 2 for 7 off his 4 overs.

Riley Secombe

Riley's improvement throughout the season was great to see, particularly with his batting and fielding. With the

bat, Riley was also used at the top of the order and did a good job batting out his 35 balls and retiring on a few occasions. He finished the season with 73 runs. With the ball, when he got his line and length right, he was difficult to play finishing the season with 7 wickets. As a fielder, Riley improved significantly and was involved in quite a few run-outs and taking 5 catches.

Zach Ying

Zach joined our team this season and fitted in really well. He is well liked by all team members and always gives 100%. Zach made some good contributions with both bat and ball throughout the season. He scored 94 runs with a high-score of 25. He has a great ability to hit the ball on the leg side with power. With the ball, he took some important wickets and was hard to play when he bowled a good line and length finishing the season with 7 wickets. Zach also took 3 catches in the field.

Team Awards

Batting: Liam Pallister

Bowling: William Bruzzano

Sportsperson: Bennett Crouch



U13 Black

The U12's Wakehurst Black's squad assembled at the start of the season with some established team players from the previous season and one new member to the squad. The boys once again started the year pumped off the back of last years premiership win.

However, the year didn't quite start as per the script! Sam Rooley had to sit out the first half of the season with a badly broken leg, Marcus Murchison broke his arm two games into the season and sat out the rest of the first half and Harry Luff had to sit out a good chunk of the first half of the season due to a broken wrist. However, the rest of the boys dug deep and carried the team along with the help of the odd fill in from other teams.

The first half of the season results were a bit of a mixed bags. We started very strong then went through a tough period, but the boys dug deep for the second half, and we managed to claw our way back to the semi's where we unfortunately lost in an extremely well fought game. The boys finished up a strong season by finishing a respectable third in the comp.

Despite the final result we are incredibly proud of all the boys for the effort that they have all put in. Each player put their hand up to carry the team when someone else may have been having a bad day. Mateship, teamwork, positivity, sportsmanship, and resilience have been a strength of this squad for the past 5 years and this season was no exception.

A big thanks to Suzanne for managing the team again this season, to all the parents that scored each week and the coaches Dave and Gerald.

We are looking forward to next season already!

Leo Barnett

Leo once again proved to be standout member of the team. Leo's competitive nature has seen him consistently bat well each week with his controlled but aggressive style. Shot selection and running between wickets were a real strength. Notching up a massive 381 runs and 7 wickets for the season. He consistently bowled well starting the season as a competitive spin bowler but finished with a strong pace action. Leo was also a very tidy wicket keeper, from here he was able to drive the teams moral and had a keen eye for field placement. Leo was also selected for the Manly/Warringah rep squad. He was always ready to play and his energy rubbed off on the whole team. Well done!

Jordan Casey

Jordy once again was a huge improver for the season. We really enjoyed watching him bat showing off some great ground strokes. Jordy is not the most outspoken member of the team but he lets his actions do the talking, chalking up 138 runs and 7 wickets. Jordy is a great consistent member of the team always showing up ready to rip in as an opening bowler or batter or wherever he may be needed. Sportsmanship is a great strong point of Jordy. Well done!

Owen Evans

Owen was also a great team man always vocal and doing his best to keep the boys moral up during some tough games. He was solid with the bat and ball finishing up with 55 runs and 8 wickets. Although he didn't finish with a huge run tally Owen was one of our regular opening batsmen, we were al-

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ways able to rely on him to get the innings off to a strong start, run hard between wickets, take the shine off the new ball and regularly frustrate the bowlers. Conversely with the ball in hand he had a steady pace with great accuracy. Well done!

Billy Franklin

Billy was a big improver again this year. Billy has a natural talent to hit whatever ball is delivered to him, but we were most proud of how he was able to restrain himself from hitting a 6 every ball and showed us some beautiful cricket shots and was able wait patiently for the right ball to send to the boundary. Billy's leg spinners also proved to be a deadly weapon this year and always had the batsman guessing. Unfortunately, Billy missed a few weeks with injury but still managed to finish with a healthy 137 runs and 10 wickets. Well done!

Jack Maris

Jack has had another consistently strong year. His strong left arm pace proved again to be a massive weapon for the team. It was a pleasure to watch him bowl as it was obvious that he planned every ball. Whether he was thinking about a batsman's strengths and weaknesses, a different field placement or where he would place his next delivery, Jack was always thinking tactics. Jack also had another strong year with the bat and showed a lot of maturity out in the middle. Jack was selected again this year for the Manly/Warringah rep team. Finishing with 102 runs and 7 wickets. Well done!

Will Mathlin

Will is our Mr Consistent with the ball. We could always rely on his deadly pace that was the undoing of a lot of batsmen!

Will thought about every delivery and field placement while he bowled and this was a massive asset to slow an oppositions run chase. Once again Will had a very strong year with the bat, he played some beautiful ground strokes and consistently always ran hard between the wickets, no run was left out there. Will was again selected for the Manly/Warringah rep squad. Finishing the season very strongly with 276 runs and 14 wickets. Well done!

Marcus Murchison

Marcus was pumped for another big season, he played 2 games but unfortunately then missed most of the first ½ of the season with a broken arm! Marcus was again our consistent opening wicket keeper showing great strength in the area. Marcus was able to drive the team from this position and was always strong in keeping team moral up even when things got tough. He had another strong year with the bat showing great strength with his shot selection and strong running between wickets. Marcus also had a knack of taking a couple of cheeky tail end wickets. Finishing the season with 112 runs and 2 wickets. Well done!

Jordy Plummer

Jordy once again has proved himself as a consistently strong reliable member of the squad. Terrorising batsmen with his pace and his aggressive bating style he left the opposition bowlers wondering what to do next! Jordy's energy always carried over into his fielding and very rarely would a batsman be able to sneak something past him. Finishing the season with an impressive 328 runs, 11 wickets and 11 catches. Well done!

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Sammy Rooley

Sammy was pumped for a big season but unfortunately had to sit out the first half of the season with a badly broken leg. However, he made up for lost time and injected himself back into the squad showing great enthusiasm with everything he did. His deceptively accurate medium pacers were a constant headache for many batsmen. When batting we could always rely on Sammy adding positively to the total with his strong running, stoke play and never giving up his wicket easily. Finishing with as solid 47 runs and 3 wickets. Well done!

Finlay Whiteford

Finn dug in from the first game. Finn's biggest strength is his enthusiasm for the game. We could never question the effort exerted by Finn into everything he did whether it be his pace bowling, fielding, batting or just generally keeping the team moral high. Finn was a regular opening batsman and we could always rely on him to get us off to a

strong start, he never gave up his wicket easily. Finn's pace was a real weapon for him and was the undoing of a many batsman. Finishing the year with 119 runs, 8 wickets and an impressive 8 catches. Well done!

Harry Luff

Harry was a new and very valuable member of our team for the season. Harry demonstrated great all rounder skills and was always reliable in what ever he was asked to do. Harry showed a positive can-do attitude. For the first half of the season Harry's strength was his bowling but in the second half of the season he really stepped up with some strong batting innings, showing us some great stoke play and strong running between wickets. Finishing with a solid 130 runs and 6 wickets. Well done!

Team Awards

Batting: Leo Barnett

Bowling: William Mathlin

Sportsperson: Marcus Murchison



U13 Blue

This season we had a combination of returning players and new players joining the team.

It was a real season of ups and downs - at times we played brilliantly and other times not so well.

We started off with a heavy loss to the Pacers, but some good learnings and allowed the coaches to understand about how the boys played.

We then went on a 3-game winning streak, chalking up wins against St Augustines, Seaforth and Forest, playing some excellent cricket along the way. We then lost a few games but won another 2 games against Cromer and Harbord with a couple of very good performances.

At the Xmas break, we were sitting at a 6-6 record and 5th on the ladder - only 1 win from the top 4 and a real semi-final chance with a solid start to the season.

Unfortunately, during the Xmas break, Will's family moved to QLD and Elliot made the Div1 team for his school, which resulted in us effectively being 2 players down for the remainder for the season.

After the break, the boys played the Peninsula Pacers again, bowling them out for 91. We almost chased them down, falling a narrow 13 runs short. A terrific effort considering the Pacers would go on

to be the eventual champions and showed that we could be a top 4 team. Many thanks to Liam and Mitchell who filled in for us for this game.

Sadly, that's where the season derailed

for us, with two heavy losses, an abandoned match due to rain and a game where we had to forfeit as we could only muster 6 players. Illness, absenteeism, and weather really affected our chances in the 2nd half.

Pleasingly, in our last game of the season in the 9th vs 10th playoff, we rolled Forest for 24 runs and chased down the runs in 5.2 overs. Clearly showing we were a much better side than 9th place.

Our co-Coach Tim Foy has done a great job this year helping the team, and many thanks to Sam and Renee for doing the bulk of the scoring this year - it's much appreciated.

The boys showed a lot of spirit this season and always played fairly and to the best of their abilities. We are proud of their efforts, well done lads!



Player Summaries:

Jack Bowen

Jack is our most improved player this season, both with the bat and the ball. He was often used as an opener with the ball, bowling in tandem with Harry which proved very effective for the team. Jack took a very respectable 11

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wickets @ 15.18 (second most wickets for the team) for the season with 2/15 as his best figures.

He also put in some good performances with the bat, starting to show good power hitting with some nice boundaries scored. He scored 79 runs with a top score of 13 runs.

Jack was one of our wicket keepers for the year and did a great job in this role as well, taking one of the catches of the year vs Cromer at wicket keeper. A great season by Jack!

Bradley Burrows

Bradley worked really hard on his batting this season, with some more consistent performances with 91 runs and a top score of 20no. He swore he was going to make 50 that day, just that he ran out of balls!

Bradley is also a very handy medium pace bowler, often put on to slow the run rate down or break a partnership. He had another good season with the ball with 8 wickets @ 20.88 with 2/13 as his best figures.

He is a very passionate cricketer, one of the more vocal teammates in the field. His fielding was a real highlight, always trying to lift his team with his actions in the field. Well done Bradley on another great season with the Redbacks.

Elliot Copeland-Ognibene

Elliot joined the team from Div1 last year and was a little disappointed to start with however he was assured that a year in Div2 would be great for his cricket and that was certainly the case.

Elliot made remarkable improvements to his batting, holding firm at the crease

and taking the ball on. He became a very reliable and consistent performer with the ball, hitting his first half century with 58* (7 fou4srs and 1 6) vs Cromer in Round 5. He scored 36*, 31* and 36 in this purple patch of form around his half century. He ended up with 263 runs (7th in comp) @ 29.22.

His bowling was also at a good pace, with his accuracy improving, taking 7 wickets @ 18.29. Great effort Elliot.

Harry Foy

Harry had a brilliant first half of the season with the bat, with 7 scores of 12 or more for the first 7 rounds. In round 2, Harry came very close to his first ever half century, getting out for 49 (also his shirt no). I'm sure a 50 is on the cards for next

season. He ended up with 183 runs @ 15.25.

His bowling was also very reliable, generating a lot of bounce and pace. He filled in for our Div1 Black team and took 2/6 off 3 overs, so certainly didn't look out of place at that level. His best figures for our team were 2/3 off 3 overs. He ended up with 9 wickets @12.78.

Harry had a very solid all-round season, he can build off for an even bigger 24/25 season. Great stuff Harry.

Joshua Gurnett

Josh was a newcomer to Wakehurst and proved to be a surprise packet with his spinning deliveries. He took 3/8 in round 4 against the Cromer Cockatoos, his best figures for the season. He ended up with 9 wickets @ 15.11 with the ball.

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Josh worked hard in the nets on his batting, scoring a top score of 10 against Seaforth in Round 3, helping the Blues to a big victory.

He's an energetic cricketer who enjoys playing the game and was a pleasure to coach. He had a few matches as wicket keeper and did a stellar job as well as taking 4 catches for the season. Well done Josh!

Henry Johnstone

Henry was a chief gloveman for the year, wicket keeping for a good part of our games. It's a tough gig on a hot day, but

Henry enjoys being in the game and did a fantastic job this year also keeping his teammates on their toes.

He has a knack of taking important wickets with the ball when the team needs them. He took 7 wickets for the season @ 16.71.

He made runs throughout the year, with a top score of 17* against Seaforth in Round 3. He also assisted his teammates with their scores as he is an eager runner between the wickets and can sniff out a single if it's to be had. Keep up the good work Henry!

Levi McQuoid

Levi was a returning cricketer, after sitting the U12s season out. We were happy to have him back as he has a lot of potential in the game.

He realised his potential with the ball almost immediately, bowling very efficiently with his pace bowling (and deceptively quick). He ended up with 9 wickets @ 14.89 with top figures of 2/2 off 2 overs in vs Cromer.

His batting in the nets at practice blew the coaches away, as he blasted all bowling with great power (inc the coaches' bowling). It took him a few rounds for it to click in the middle of the pitch, but in Round 11 he smashed 25 off 25 then in Round 12 backed it up with 35 off 20 (5 4s and 1 6). He ended up with 91 runs for the season. Great comeback season by Levi.

Nate Morrow

Nate enjoyed another successful season with the Redbacks, with bat, ball and in the field.

His batting was great throughout the year with an amazing 66no off 35 balls which included 12 4s and 1 6 vs Seaforth in Round 3. The highest individual score of any of our players this season. He followed that up with 42 and a couple later innings of 36no and 29no. He ended up with 231 runs @ 25.67.

Nate's fielding was also top class, taking nearly every chance that came his way with 9 catches (4th in the comp).

Where he really stood out was with the ball in hand. With a long, menacing run up, he really picked up his pace throughout the season and was definitely one of the quicker bowlers in Div2. He ended up with 15 wickets @ 10.27 with his best figures in our final match with 3/4 off 2.3 overs vs Forest. Brilliant year Nate!

William Shellard

Will was a great addition to the team, moving over from NZ. He was really handy with the bat, ball and liked to keep wickets as well.

Unfortunately, Will only got to play 10 games pre-Xmas, as his family then moved to QLD. In this time, he took 4

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wickets @ 25.75 and made 59 runs with a top score of 12. Hopefully Will found a new club in Sunny QLD to join! We wish him all the best!

Aaron Stamoulis

Aaron had a really good year with us, showing improvements throughout the year, in particular with his batting. His friendly and enthusiastic approach always kept his teammates around him positive.

He bowled some nice deliveries throughout the season, taking 6 wickets

@ 24.50 with best bowling figures of 2/7 off 3 overs vs St Augustines in Round 2.

His batting improved throughout the year, making 14 in Round 12 vs Harbord then after the Xmas break hitting 16no against the Pacers in a terrific knock that showed a lot of character. Thanks for a great season, Aaron.

Team Awards

Batting: Elliot Copeland-Ognibene

Bowling: Nate Morrow

Sportsperson: Harry Foy



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The Under 13 Reds kicked off the season looking to show improvement in every game, enjoy each others company and play with great spirit and camaraderie. This was carried right through to the end of the season. The team fought hard in every game with most games being tight affairs right up to the last ball where the result could have gone either way. This went to show the tightness of the competition as unfortunately we fell only a few points (one game) short of the semi-finals.

Highlight of the year has to be the game against Beacon Hill where we dismissed them for 18 runs in 9.2 overs and chased down the total with no wickets lost in 2.2 overs.

As coaches, rather than just having weekly net sessions, we wanted to do a few different things throughout the year and try and replicate “match conditions” out in the middle and give the boys a better understanding of the game. Anything that was asked of the boys was met with great attitude and response. An example of this was call-

ing and running hard between the wickets with an emphasis on looking to take quick singles, which in turn rotates the strike and keeps the scoreboard ticking over. Then when the inevitable bad ball comes looking to pierce the field and find the boundary.

Thanks to all the parents for your support throughout the year in getting the boys to training and games and helping out whenever required.

Special thanks to Mark for being the team scorer and Di for her amazing managerial and organizational skills ensuring everything ran smoothly. Also big thanks to Graeme for his assistance and support at training and a lot of the time running the sessions if we were unable to attend.

We look forward to seeing the boys continued improvement and hearing of their cricketing feats in the years to come.

Craig and DJ



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Player Summaries

Justin Turner

Justin this year began to nurture and show great leadership/captain qualities and is developing a good understanding of the game. He was mostly back up keeper to Liam and performed this task admirably however Justin's batting is his great strength. He is very compact at the crease and has great power with a fantastic eye. He hits the ball as hard as anyone and has the base, work ethic and ability to occupy the crease and bat for long periods of time. Justin's bowling also is strong. He generates good pace and always chips in with wickets at a tidy run rate.



Stuart Turner

Stuart had a fantastic year with both bat and ball showcasing his all round qualities. He scored over 300 runs at a very healthy average of 50 and played shots all around the ground. He also placed great importance on the value of his

wicket making the opposition work hard for his dismissal. With ball in hand he also excelled with over 30 wickets for the year. Stuart has the ability to bowl stump to stump on a great line and length making the batsman play at most deliveries. This was highlighted in one particular game against Beacon Hill where Stuart had the remarkable figures of 5-0 with 4 dismissals being bowled and 1 being LBW.

Dylan Brabant

Dylan joined our team this year and fit in straightaway with his boundless energy and passion/enthusiasm for the game. A very component cricketer he contributed in all aspects of the game. Able to generate good pace with his bowling he is able to bowl a consistent line and length and trouble all batsman. A powerful batter with all the shots, he will greatly benefit in the years to come when he is able to control his emotions and forget about what has happened previously and concentrate on the only thing that matters, the next ball.

Jensen du Plessis

Jensen has continued on an upward trajectory with his cricket and although he is playing two years above his grade he is capable and confident and handles this with aplomb. He has great technique with his batting and plays with a very straight bat with bat and pad close together. As he matures this will stand him in good stead in being able to manipulate the field and work the gaps in order to rotate the strike. His leg spin bowling continues to baffle and he is able to bowl with great control. A difficult skill to master at such a young age!

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Liam Jeffs

Liam predominantly was the teams wicket keeper this year and did a fantastic job. He keeps exceptionally well to the spinners highlighted by his six stumpings. His footwork to the quicker bowlers will only improve leading to fewer byes being conceded. When Liam was called upon to bowl he bowled very steadily and always chipped in with a few wickets. His batting continues to develop and with more maturity he will be able to hit and time the ball better and work on his technique (elbow up, straight bat, bat and pad close together.) One of the most vocal in the field he always shows great support for his teammates accomplishments.

Thomas Turner

Similar to his mate Jensen, Thomas plays two years above his age group, however this is no deterrent whatsoever to this very talented cricketer. Displaying a solid base and technique Thomas has all the shots in the book and hits the ball very hard, continually finding the boundary. He also has the ability to leave balls alone to get a feel for the bowler and the wicket. His off spin bowling is very effective and by continuing to work on bowling a consistent line and length this part of his game will only improve. With maturity and working on having the right mind set and temperament Thomas has the cricketing world at his feet.

Joshua Foord

Josh continued to develop his game this year and is always one of the most vocal and enthusiastic team members. His batting went from strength to strength and he is showcasing an ability to become an opening/top order batsman with a sound defence against a newer

ball but also able to play effective cross batted shots (cutting and pulling). His leg spin bowling is also continuing to improve all the time. He has great flight and control which is a great attribute to have at this age in trying to master this most difficult art.

Lewis Riddett

Lewis is another who showed great signs of improvement throughout the year. His bowling proved difficult to get away as he was able to bowl such a good line and length with a natural ability to be able to swing the ball. He is capable of bowling tightly and restricting the opposition batsman and chipped in all the time with wickets at a tidy average. His batting also continued to evolve and he provided great support and contributed to some handy partnerships with his teammates.



Hugo Stone

Similar to other team members this year, Hugo's cricketing prowess has improved dramatically and he is showing the attributes to becoming a good all round cricketer. His batting has developed to the point he has the ability to occupy the crease and manipulate the field. Being left handed is also

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handy as this means the opposition bowlers need to adjust. His bowling however has progressed rapidly. A smooth run up to the wicket means Hugo is able to bowl at a decent pace and with good accuracy with the age old adage of bowling to your field and trying to hit the top of off stump.

Will Glassock

Another whose cricket is always showing signs of improvement, Will had another good year and was able to contribute in all aspects of the game. When batting and moving his feet Will has shown he has a good eye and has some great off side shots. His spin bowling, and especially his wrong'un, continues to bamboozle all batsman. Undoubtedly

the highlight of Will's year was his massive six over cover in the 20/20 comp at Long Reef. Unfortunately his father was not there to witness this, however I'm sure later that night at the dinner table Will would have been recounting the shot which would have travelled at least 100 metres!

Team Awards

Batting: Thomas Turner

Bowling: Stuart Turner

Sportsperson: Liam Jeffs



U14 Green

It was a great season for the U14/2 Green side. The team was a mix of the previous U13/2 side which was a very strong bowling and fielding side, with the additional of new players who added some additional strength in the batting.

Our Bowling was very diverse with a mix of left arm, right arm pace, medium pace and spin. And in the field, the quality of catching and runouts helped us restrict strong batting sides to chasable targets.

As a result of our balanced team, we did well. In a very competitive Division 2, we finished the regular season in 4th place with 10 victories and 5 defeats which meant playing finals for the first time for a lot of the players.

We saved our best performance of the year for the Semi Final where the team played a full strength Allies side (who finished in first place and had beaten us both times in the regular season) and won convincingly to go through to the Grand Final.

While the boys lost a close one against a very strong Collaroy side, they can still hold their heads up high with their fantastic performance in that game and across the season.

One of the most pleasing aspects of the team was the team spirit. The team were always encouraging each other in the field and supportive when going out to bat. Many times, opposing coaches and umpires mentioned that Wakehurst was playing the game the right way,

which as a coach is what you want to hear.

I hope they are all proud of their great season, had fun, and will return to play cricket next year.

P.S As always, thanks to all the parents who contributed to the team and assisted with umpiring and scoring

Player Summaries

Russell Baker

Russell had a strong season. After a slow start with the bat where he was averaging 10, he came back after the mid-season break energised with some quality innings including 24 in the grand final. In the second half of the season, he averaged 22 to bring up a season average of 15.73. He was generally one of our best openers with a good technique and powerful ground shots to punish the loose delivery.

With the ball, Russell's left arm pace bowling extracted 11 wickets at an average of 13.27, our third best bowler, including a season best figures of 2/8 in the semi final which earned him Man of the Match honours. As a left arm bowler, he needs to improve his over the wicket bowling control to ensure he minimises the wide ball.

In the field, Russell enjoyed being wicketkeeper and contributed with 4 catches and 2 runouts.

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Lachlan Benic

Lachlan had a consistent year with both bat and ball. He was one of our better Wicket Keepers and fielders, taking the gloves for half of the Semi Final and Finals and taking 3 catches and 2 run outs across the season. His batting was strong early where he was averaging 13, but declined slightly after the break to average 10.38 for the season with the total runs being 83. He needs to be watchful at the start of his innings rather than try to score when not properly set.

In regard to his bowling, Lachlan re-invented himself from a medium pacer to spinner at the start of the season. Such a big change meant that he often didn't get the rewards that his consistent bowling deserved, finishing the season with 8 wickets at 15. He saved his best bowling for the grand final when he finished his season best figures of 2 for 5.

Cooper Cameron

Cooper missed the first 4 games recovering from a broken leg at the start of the season. The recovery also impacted his running between wickets and his mobility in the field. Regardless of those challenges, his medium pace bowling was a revelation, earning him 10 wickets at a miniscule average of 9.8. In the Semi final and final, he took 4 wickets at an average 3.5 which showed what a clutch player he was with the ball.

With the bat, Cooper had a moderate season earning 57 runs at an average of 8.14. However, with a full recovery, that average could be improved.

In the field, Cooper's alertness resulted in 2 catches to his credit, even with his limitations in agility.

Harry Doman

Harry had a mixed season with the bat, earning 69 runs for season at an average of 7.67. His first game, when he batted, he received his season top score of 19 not out, and he also hit 18 not out against SPX late in the season in a man of the match performance. As a left hander strong on the leg side, he was able to take advantage of the bowling when it was wide, but needs to improve his technique against quality bowling on the stumps.



As a bowler, Harry's left arm medium pacers obtained 5 wickets for the season at an average of 30 and bowled tight when given the ball in the finals. More focus on the stumps and some variation in his bowling should reap better rewards in the future.

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Alexander Dudek

Alex was one of our new arrivals in the team and had an excellent season. He was our best bowler, taking 15 wickets at 10.33. His fast, accurate pace bowling made the batting difficult for his opponents and was unlucky not to take wickets in the finals.

With the bat, he had a strong start to the season averaging 19 before the break, with a top score of 44 not out against SPX which was the highest score by any batter in the season. However, he faded at the tail end of the season to finish with 151 runs at an average of 15.1. He was the top 6 hitter of our team, hitting 5 for the season. He has all the tools to be a quality all-rounder, but just needs to pace his innings better before attacking.

In the field, he was one of our best with 3 runouts and 5 catches for the season.



Ryan Eaton

Ryan joined the team after a big step up from his previous team. He had tough season with the bat, earning 15 runs at an average of 1.5. However, his last innings against the top ranked Allies side returned him his top score of 5 runs which was a great performance against some tough bowling. With some more practice on his technique and the use of leg side shots, his average should improve.

In regard to bowling, Ryans action is still a work in progress. However, when he delivered a quality ball, his height made him difficult to play. He returned 5 wickets at an average of 32, and he had his best performance opening the bowling against SPX and returned figures of 2 for 23.

In the Semi final against the Allies, Ryan had his best performance in the field, resulting in 2 runouts in that one game which went a long way to winning that game for his team.

Hunter Friedler

Another new player for Wakehurst, Hunter was one of our better strike bowlers with 9 wickets at an average of 18.89. His left arm pace was difficult to play and earned him rewards in the games. He was a little expensive at times when drifting balls down the leg side, however more dedication to a better line along with his natural variation should ensure he takes wickets in the coming seasons.

With the bat, he struggled in the season. His tally for the year was 38 runs at an average of 3.8, often getting out from a good delivery early. However, with a top score during the season of 11, he could

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improve this average by being more patient early and using his natural speed to gather quick singles

Zachary Greig

Zach improved this season. With a new application and focus to his batting he obtained 33 runs at an average of 3 for the season, utilising the leg side pull shot to good effect.

In regard to his bowling, he toiled with left arm pace and was unlucky not to get more wickets than the 3 wickets at an average of 42. I think if Zach developed some variation in his bowling, in the form of a slower delivery or different seam positions, the wickets would come.

But it was Zach's fielding that was the greatest value for the team, especially behind the stumps. 7 catches for the season (3 as wicket keeper), 1 run out and 2 stumpings (including 1 in the grand final) showed the quality impact Zach had for the team as its best fielder.

Caleb King

Caleb had a fantastic all-round season. He was easily our best allrounder figuring prominently in the top 2 in each category. With his batting, he was our second-best run scorer, scoring 216 runs at an average of 30.86 during the season which was a great result. Very strong in scoring behind the wicket. With a better use of shots on the off side, he could improve this average even further.

In regard to his bowling, Caleb again was our second best bowler with 14 wickets at 10.07. His right arm leg spin with good flight and bounce made it

difficult for opposing batsmen to get comfortable and play their shots. Highlight was Caleb's first ever hat trick against Harbord Dragons which was exciting for the team.

In the field, Caleb was also effective, taking 5 catches and 2 run outs in a quality season. He should be happy with his performances, but as a stats fan, I'm sure he already knows he well he played.



Isaac Kretchmer

Isaac was the linchpin of the Wakehurst batting. He was the best batter in the team earning 225 runs at an average of 45 which was an excellent return for the season. His strength was his patience, control and his ability to hit the ball on the ground which made him difficult to get out. In the Grand Final he scored 26 runs against quality bowling and was unlucky not to bat the team to victory.

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Isacc was also a quality bowler, taking 10 wickets at average of 11.7. In the field, he finished with 7 catches and 1 runout, including 3 catches alone in the grand final in a great Captains performance. His enthusiasm for the game is evident every time he plays and it showed in his performances

Hamish Wood

Hamish was another new arrival to the team and impressed with some quality batting and Bowling. He had a great season with the bat, especially in the first half of the season whereby he was averaging 22. He finished with total figures of 146 runs at an average of 18.25. But he proved himself to be a clutch batter in tight games; able to handle pressure in a couple of chases, including a great

innings in the semi final of 23 to hit the winning runs in that game. His batting was a good mix of watchfulness and power, the only weakness is a preference to hit the ball in the air at times when a ground shot might be a better choice, especially early in the innings.

His bowling was also a standout, taking 10 wickets at an average of 12.7, including a great delivery in the Grand final to bowl out Collaroy's best batter.

In the field 3 runouts for the season and 5 catches showed his abilities

Team Awards

Batting Isaac Kretchmer

Bowling Alexander Dudek

Sportsperson Isaac Kretchmer



U14 Red

Our team came together this season with a few new faces which was great to see. Building on few recent grand finals loses, our mission this year was to continue to develop the skill and cricket knowledge to hopefully get us one step further this year.

In summary, the season could be broken down into two groups of opposing teams. With one group, we often had well matched, close contests with the results going either way. With the other group of teams, we constantly came away with the points.

This led to an even end of the season final contest with the premiership being up for grabs for multiple teams. Unfortunately, however it wasn't to be our year, knocked out in the semi final after fighting right down to the wire, our score passed with only 2 wickets to go.

Regardless of the results however, the season was a great success with our boys coming together to further build on the close bond amongst themselves and improve on their cricket. This positivity even spread over to our opposition with good banner and mateship often shared between both teams. Ultimately the aim is about the boys enjoying the game and the time spent with their mates and this was certainly achieved.



Ryan Rosenkowitz

Ryan is an all-round cricketer with lots of class. He has great control of his legs breaks, consistently landing the delivery on a good length. He is cool as they come with the bat, never getting stressed when in the middle as he can easily accumulate runs with well-timed and placed shots. In the field, he is known for his classic catches, even sometimes putting a little “mayo” on it to make catches look even more spectacular.

Will Rigzin

Will was our consistent opening batter. He was solid up the top of the order often making it through his allocated 15 over. His strengths were his ability to score on both sides of the wicket while always keeping out the good balls. Will changed to bowling off spins this year as well and in the few overs that he got in he really showed that he has the knack for this kind of bowling.

Danny Deacon

Danny is natural cricketer. He bowls fast and hits the ball hard. He is known amongst the league's players as our danger man and he is often targeted by the opposition. This just shows how good he is. Danny can hit sixers at will and has often been the difference between us getting over the line for a victory or not.

Henry Stone

Henry was a new addition to our team this year and we were glad to have him. With the bat, ball or gloves Henry was all in 100% effort and engagement in the game. Known for getting the team up and about while in the field with his constant voice, Henry has great potential for all aspects of the game. By the end of the season Henry was our gun

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number 3 bat and he really showed his class.

Harry Pike

Harry was also a new addition to our team. With a big and strong frame, Harry bowled fast in swingers to right-handed batsmen in a similar style to Mitchell stark. He was our go to bowler in the middle orders to take some wickets a dry up the runs which he always did. He also placed well in our middle order with the bat. Harry could hit a powerful shot and was great source of runs towards the end of an innings.

Kyan Chalk

Kyan was our opening bowler. Accuracy is Kyan's specialty, there were very few loose balls and plenty of wickets when Kyan was bowling. Kyan claimed the prized lbw wicket of the league highest run scorer by stump-to-stump bowling that really typifies his bowling through the season. Kyan is a great team player, often batting down the order he achieved his first runs of the season in final game and raised his bat to his cheering teams' mate after doing so.

Lucas Richardson

"Richo" was our designated captain throughout the season. He was awarded this position due to his seniority and experience amongst the team and he was outstanding in this roll. Leading from the front, he set the field, fired up the boys with his stirring speeches and opened the bowling attack with sharp out swinging pace deliveries. Richo was rewarded by being the combined leading wicket taker of the season.

Harry Stock

Harry was solid performer again with ball this season. He was very accurate in

line and length and locked in his position of a reliable first change bowler throughout the season. Harry also had multiple fine moments in the field and with the bat, possibly with catch of the season and as well as some true stand-and-deliver power hitting through off-side to the boundary to good quality length bowling.

Jack Douglas

Jack was one of our core top order batsmen. Attacking by nature with the bat, Jack could not only be relied upon to make a score but also to get moving right from the start of his innings. He was also a handy medium pace bowler, with the ability to swing the ball into the batsmen. He was a great asset to the team.



Lachlan Rosier

Lachie is a true cricketer. He just understands how the game works and is at ease in everything he does on the pitch. Being our primary keeper, he provided certainty that all the edges were taken and there were no byes (even when our bowlers did their best to test him). With

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the bat Lachie is compact with his style and reliable for the runs, he even bowls a decent off break.

one chase with a big 50+ run partnership at the death showing true his determination and cricketing character.

George Hansen

George loves his cricket, and it shows in the way he goes about his game. Being one of the younger members of the team, his tactical knowledge of the game resulted in him taking on the vice captaincy roll to great effect. Whether it was his fast accurate bowling or batting with intent, George played a key role in the team throughout the season. An example of his cricket professionalism is his backing up and running between the wickets.



Presenting the Zinger Box Challenge!
(less than 10 wides or no-balls)

Wian Coestee

Wian was a new member of the team as well. Wian showed us his skill throughout the season with his accurate out-swing bowling. Coming on first change, Wian was only 1 wicket away from the top wicket taker. Wian was also handy with the bat, almost getting us home in

Team Awards

Batting: Will Rigzin

Bowling: Danny Deacon

Sportsperson: Henry Stone



U15 Red

The team had a couple of changes from last season, including the welcome addition of Toby Hansen and Mitch McCombe, who both fitted in perfectly and contributed significantly to the team's success - welcome to Wakehurst! We decided as a team to focus on 3 key areas this season: team first mentality, play positive cricket and have fun. These team principles held us in good stead throughout the season and the boys did a great job living up to them at all times.

Ultimately the results suggested a very successful season for the boys, winning the Grand Final in convincing fashion against Collaroy. More importantly from my perspective was how they played as a team, supported each other and hopefully forged some strong friendships that carry well into the future. Was awesome to see them grow as both cricketers and as young men throughout the season.

Special call out to our manager, Angela Moran, who did a great job keeping everything moving in the right direction throughout the season. Sean Moran was also very useful assisting "in the background" and I would like to thank him for his contributions.

I would also like to thank the parent group for their support and tangible help on match day in multiple areas. The player summaries follow, with a special thanks to Aidan Kurtis who played a few games at the start of the year.

Player Summaries:

Nate Cole

Nate loves the game, is very talented at

it and is always looking at improving. He is playing 2 years up in this age group but never looked out of his depth. Often batting in the top order, he has a very solid technique and looks to hit the loose ball when it is there to hit. The highlight of this year was his innings in the GF - batting at 3 after losing an early wicket he worked with Beau to set the innings up and finished on 33 no before retiring - a really crucial innings in the biggest game of the year. Nate also took some critical wickets throughout the year and is one of the teams' better fielders.

I am sure Nate has a great future in the game if he continues to show the passion and energy for the sport that he currently does.

Peter Hall

Peter is the ultimate team member - always putting the team first and giving 100% at all times.

He is a hard hitting batsman who is great to watch when he gets going. His 37 against Beacon Hill was an example of this.

Peter also bowls some handy medium pacers and it was a season highlight for all to see him rip through the St Aug's middle order to take 3 for 5 off 4 overs - unplayable!

Toby Hansen

Toby was a great addition to the team this season. He bowls natural outswingers at a good pace - a recipe for success at any level of cricket. He was our leading wicket taker in the first half of the season until suffering a back injury and also contributed some very useful runs with his improving batting. It was great to see him back in the finals and he contributed strongly in both those games. Toby is the ultimate team play-

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er, always supporting his mates in whatever way he could. I hope he enjoyed his first season at Wakehurst

Rohit Jayaram

Rohit is an extremely talented cricketer who loves the game. He scored over 330 runs at an average over 30 which included 2 50s. He was ever reliable with the ball as well and took some very important wickets throughout the season. Rohit has a big future in the game if he continues to work hard at his cricket and it was great to see his development this season.

Mitch McCombe

Another great addition to the team this year, Mitch played a critical role with both bat and ball in multiple games. His batting was always dangerous to the opposition as he definitely lived by the team principle of playing positive cricket. He scored 2 50s including 67 off 50 balls against Beacon Hill, and contributed strongly with his off spinners. Was awesome to have Mitch in the team this year and I hope he enjoyed being a part of it.

Archie McGregor

Archie is a very talented leg spinner whose 16 wickets at 14 showed how critical he was to the team. He often bowled in tandem with Caden and watching 2 leg spinners get the batsman in such a tangle was a season highlight for all our supporters.

Archie also improved his batting this year and became a very useful boundary hitter later in the order on multiple occasions. His 42 no against St Augs when we were in a little bit of trouble was the highlight, but he contributed with the bat on other occasions as well.

Beau Moran

Beau is an exceptional wicketkeeper/batsman for his age. He was another who was playing up 2 years and he thrived playing against players much older than him.

His wicket keeping alone gave the team a massive advantage over all opposition, in particular his work up to the stumps to our 3 key spinners was exceptional, as reflected in his 10 catches and 10 stumpings this season.

His 50 no in the semi final was a crucial innings in that game and I always admired how positive and upbeat Beau was throughout the season. A well deserved recipient of the Sportsperson Award for this season.

Murray Moran

Murray improved significantly this season and quickly became one of the most important members of the team. His batting came on in leaps and bounds and was highlighted by his unbelievable 94 off 48 balls against Peninsula. Murray deserved to be the leading run scorer this season, a real testament to his improvement in such a strong team.

Murray's bowling also improved, especially as he put on a yard or 2 of pace and often was too quick for many of the opposition. I am sure he will have more luck next season than he had this one with his bowling.

Great season Murray.

Caden Rosenkowitz

Caden is an extremely talented cricketer who has a very bright future if he works hard at his game. His leg spinners were unplayable at stages and he contributed almost every time he bowled, with 25 wickets at less than 10 being a great reflection of his dominance this season. Caden is a strong hitter of the ball and

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more talented with the bat than he probably gives himself credit for. His innings of 74 off 45 balls against Beacon Hill was a great example of what he can do. Great season Caden!

Fin Sorohan

Fin was the captain of the team and did a great job on a number of fronts. Captaining a cricket team is always a hard job, especially in juniors and in a team where there is no shortage of other opinions! Fin handled this scenario very well and was a great help to the coach as we planned for each game. He loves the game and understands it well. Fin also had an awesome year as a player - 235 runs at 33 and 17 wickets at 15 highlighted his all-round contributions. His 58 against SPX was a great innings and he took 3 wickets on 3 individual games this season.

Jacob Watts

Jacob is an outstanding young cricketer who has a lot of talent with both bat and ball. He is playing 2 years up in this age group but was never out of place and actually dominated on multiple occasions. His bowling is always accurate and he has learnt to swing the ball and his results of 19 wickets at 13 reflect his development. Jacob also played some very good innings throughout the year, with the stand out being an impressive 41 no off 29 balls against Beacon Hill. Jacob also took one of the best catches I have ever seen in our semi final to dismiss one of their key players. An all rounder in every sense! Well done Jacob.

Team Awards

Batting: Murray Moran

Bowling: Caden Rosenkowitz

Sportsperson: Beau Moran



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What a pleasure it has been to coach the boys this year. They came together as last year's 14/2's 15/2's 15/1's and 17's. They really enjoyed training sessions and had a blast on game days together.

We won all but one game heading into the semi final. Minor premiers wrapped up. We ended up winning the semi final in a landslide due to some very fine bowling by Will and some wonderful catches all around the ground.

Most of the boys stepped up to fill in for senior sides throughout the year and some even found permanent positions in their team each week. We headed into grand final against Peninsula Kingfishers, the only team that they had lost to. The Kingfishers scored 233 so we knew the run chase was going to be hard. After a valiant effort we came up a mere 5 runs short. It broke

our hearts to be so close and not come away with the trophy. I'm so proud of this team.

Josh Jones

Josh was able to step up a few ages to play 17's this year. He is a very capable bowler and took many opening wickets. He took the first two wickets lbw against our greatest rivals the first time we played we played them.

Corey Frew

Corey captained the team and made great bowling and fielding choices. He took some great catches in slips, bowled great wickets with accurate line and length. He is a very capable fielder. Unfortunately Corey broke a bone in his finger 3 days before the grand final and had to miss the game. Such a hard game to be on the sideline. Highlights 3/12 off 3 against St Pius and 3 catches in slips against Seaforth.



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Daron Ekmekjian

Daron was usually our opening bowler. His speed, line and length surprised many opening batters. Although he is mainly a bowler he had quite a few great batting innings and scored a superb 50 in a partnership with Ryan in the pouring rain at Dee Why. He took a screamer of a catch in the last game of the regular season against Seaforth to stop a certain 6 which probably won us the game.

Conor Mulcahy

We were very lucky for Connor to join our team halfway through the season. He is a wonderful consistent line and length bowler and can secure runs when required to bat. Highlight 3/7 off 4 overs against Beacon Hill.

Taveet Ekmekjian

Tav has a great love for the game. He took many surprise wickets and was near the top of the bowling table a long way into the season. A big 6 was a highlight of his batting this year. Highlight 2/14 off 4 overs.

Ryan Lloyd

Ryan only got to have a very short season in the team this year before his family unfortunately had to head overseas. His skills with the bat were producing the highest runs of his cricket career. A few games where he opened the batting he was one of only a few required to reach the oppositions total after a flurry of 4's and 6's. The team were very sad to lose him.

Luke du Plessis

To start the season Luke was very keen to be the non batter. A chance to change the batting order around a few weeks into the season Luke went into bat and certainly showed that he need-

ed to be in the batting line up. An all round great performance with the bat and ball in our 2nd game against the Kingfishers saw him take out man of the match.

Arlo Thompson

Arlo is a true all rounder. His spin bowling is just superb and left so many bowlers baffled at how the ball had gone around their legs. His precision and strength with the bat got us out of trouble many times. He filled the opening batter role perfectly after Ryan left. A magnificent 68 not out against the Kingfishers was just one of the highlights. Best bowling 1/3 off 4 and 4/11 off 3.

Thomas Mikhail

Thomas returned to Wakehurst this year after a few years away playing with school mates. We started the season with Thomas 1 of 2 wicket keepers. He is also a great spin bowler. He didn't get to bowl much in the 2nd half of the season. Highlight 2/12 off 4 overs against Seaforth.

Myles Nockolds

Myles strikes the ball beautifully. He is also such a great bowler and it was always hard to decide if he would open the batting or bowling. An all round great season with the bat, ball, took some incredible catches, run outs. Highlights 12 wickets at 8.42 and hitting the winning runs against the Kingfishers the first time we played them.

Dylan Nockolds

Dylan always arrives at training and games with a friendly smile and a big hello for everyone. He played a wonderful batting innings with Myles at Cromer Park before Christmas and bowled with speed and accuracy every week.

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Highlight 1/7 off 4 overs against Beacon Hill.

Special Mentions to our scorers Ashley, Graham, Lisa T, Julie, Ed and Lisa for managing

William Drury

When Will gets his timing right he can send the ball well over the boundary. The speed that he bowls I'm sure that some batters didn't even see the ball hit the stumps. He is very reliable fielder taking some incredible catches. Highlights were his bowling in the semi final 4/5 off 2.4 overs to win the game by a big margin and 55 off 33 balls plus 2 wickets in the grand final.

Kerry Frew - Coach

Team Awards

Batting: Arlo Thompson

Bowling: Will Drury

Sportsperson: Luke du Plessis

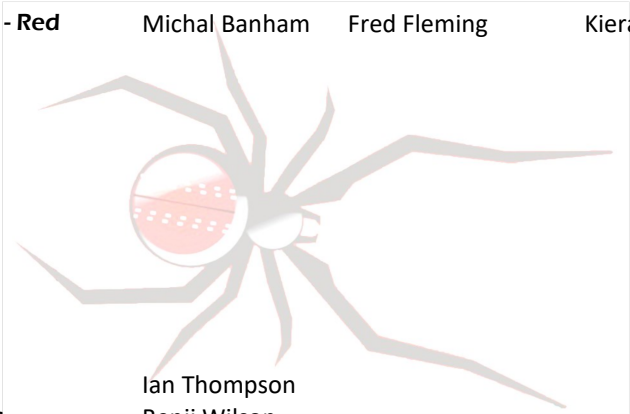
Thank you to Max Thompson for filling in when called upon.





2023/2024 Senior Award Winners

Team Name	Batting	Bowling	Sports Person
Seniors Firsts	Joey Braund	Kai Connors	Nick Simpkin
Seniors Seconds	Benjamin Wilson	Mackenzie Carrall	Darcy Carnahan
Seniors Fourths - Black	Rohan Brown	Luke Woodward	Liam Howells
Seniors Fourths - Red	Michal Banham	Fred Fleming	Kieran Young



Captains

Seniors Firsts	Ian Thompson
Seniors Seconds	Benji Wilson
Seniors Fourths - Black	Rohan Brown
Seniors Fourths - Red	Michal Banham

Vice President Seniors Report

The 2023/2024 season may not have had the successes of previous years on the field, but our senior club continues to display the qualities that I personally believe makes us the best in the competition to play for; playing good cricket, playing in the right spirit and most importantly playing with our mates.

Across all teams we won fourteen, lost forty-two, shared the points for three games and had a memorable tie this season. A disappointing campaign across all teams but not something that reflects the efforts the sides put in each and every Saturday on the park. A combination of travel, injuries and HSC studies made for some difficult weeks getting teams on the park and I believe this perhaps reflects the lack of consistency in points. We were joined this year by last years u17s led by Rohan and Warwick Brown who did a terrific job each week against the usual numbers problem and some strong opposition in 4th grade. Despite the somewhat disheartening season I think they can go on next year to be very competitive and show the rest of the competition how good they are as a team when not hindered by short numbers. Michal's 4th grade side returned for another crack and again made an impression with a very young side that is always improving. They have personified what Wakehurst is about with a collective group of all ages and skills coming together to support and back one another every Saturday.

I'm especially proud of the resilience they showed during the year in the face of a some pretty ordinary behaviour from opposition, they should be extremely proud of the way they represented our club. Our 3rd grade side started off with a bang and looked set to give the competition some headaches, but alas the problem with forming up a young side of talented juniors means we lost most of the team to shires midway through the season and unfortunately had to fold. Many of these players went on to win Manly's first Green Shield and will no doubt have massive futures. Andy Hansen and Matt White should be commended for all the hard work and support they showed these young man, and unsurprisingly they have gone on to succeed because of them.

The bad boys of park cricket, 2nd grade, led by Benji who stepped up to the plate had a troubling season. I think they would all agree they didn't play up to their potential, but what they lacked in points on the ladder they made up for with sportsmanship and a tight knit group who always turn up for each other. I know they will be back bigger and better next season. Last years 2nd grade got thrown into the deep end a few weeks out form the start and moved up to 1st grade. This team has members that originally played in 7th, 5th and 4th grade so to take on the top grades established teams was no small effort. Losing every game before Christmas only to win four from 5 after shows the character and dedication to each other that makes them special.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the efforts of Lisa and Kerry Frew (u17s), who along with Angela Carter in the u15s, answered the call late each week to support our seniors teams when short. All the boys who played up this

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year were outstanding in the effort they put in each and every time they were required, despite already playing games in the morning. To all the parents who enabled this, you are a massive part of our sides and the club as a whole, not just juniors.

My goal for the seasons to come is have more juniors and parents part of our senior teams. As a seniors club, we rely on the next generation of junior cricketers to move through the grades and develop their skills against men. Most importantly to me, they continue playing cricket with their friends and stay together as teams move on from age group cricket. There is no reason we can't foster this kind of culture moving forward to create a strong club from 1st grade to junior blasters.

Despite the club having an unsuccessful year on paper, I am extremely proud of the way we turned up every week on the field and together at the Belrose Hotel after to celebrate each others success. No other club has the mate-ship we have. From golf days, pink stump fundraising, extra hours at training, a quiet drink and a chat during on a Friday night before a game, this really is the reason we play cricket at Wakehurst.

A special mention should go to Blake, AJ, Matt, Nadia and all the committee for the efforts they put in every season to get us on the park.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Belrose for pre season training next campaign.

GTMR,

Ian Thompson



Seniors First Grade

The mighty Wakehurst 1st grade side, formerly 7th grade, 5th grade, 4th grade, 3rd grade, 2nd grade got the call a few weeks out from the season we would be moving up and taking on MWCA's best.

The easy way out would have been to argue to try and stay in 2s, but to the credit of this team we took to the task at hand, and this is how it went.

Pre Christmas

0 wins, 8 losses, 1 draw. A culmination of good opposition, poor fielding (particularly the first 3 rounds) and some trademark Wakehurst batting collapses made for tough viewing for anyone following our side. Despite the record we should have won a few games due to our own shortcomings and collectively we knew where we were going wrong, we just weren't able to put it all together on the field. Some individual efforts shone through but nothing to get that elusive first win in the top grade for the side.

On a much brighter note, we gained some incredible new players to the group who took to our team on and off the park with as much dedication and passion that befits the culture we've built throughout the past few seasons moving up the grades. As a playing group we never gave up on a game, however lost it may have seemed, and always made time off the field to enjoy what cricket at Wakehurst is about; having fun with your mates. This brings us to...

Post Christmas

After a break for everyone to gain some confidence in the backyard bouncing cousins and various other family members we took to the field



against our good friends Beacon Hill. Little did we know 59.4 overs later we would be celebrating our first win and off the back of that went on to win 4 of the next 5 games, including against the competition winners Harbord. The confidence and determination the playing group showed after that first win makes me extremely excited about what next season holds on the field.

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I won't mention any individual efforts, although they are very deserving and a better captain may, because I don't think our team is about that. Over the past 6 months as a group we have been about mate-ship. It's not been about the stats, the runs or the wickets. It's been about the team, forming friendships with new players playing the first season of cricket or returning to the field after time away. Spending countless hours at our sponsors the Belrose Hotel, going for beers in Brookvale, celebrating the birth of a new addition to the family, having breakfast and coffee at Glenrose, playing golf on Sundays, taking the time out to message or call in on the team to check in with them (especially Tigers fans), playing pool with the rest of the grades, the list goes on and I'll spare you the countless examples. All

these things make this team great, not just the cricket we've played on the field. I would dare anyone to find a better group of people who just happen to play cricket together.

A special mention to Matthew, Doug, Sam, Luca, Will and anyone I've forgotten who answered the call last minute to get us to eleven on a Saturday. You are as much a part of this team as the rest of us.

As always,
GTMR

Team Awards

Batting: Joey Braund

Bowling: Kai Connors

Sportsperson: Nick Simpkin



Seniors Second Grade

Wakehurst Blacks 23/24 Season Report
It has been a very rough season for the blacks, full of defeats and controversy, bar two mammoth mins over Forest District.

We would like to thank Ian as a team, for the countless hours he spent on phone calls and writing and emails responding to reports against the team.

Darcy Carnahan

Great season for Darc with the bat ball and in the field, an all round class player.

120 runs averaging 24, 2 wickets and 4 catches (no dropped catches).

Mackenzie Carrall

Another rough season with the bat for Macka, although still leading the team with the ball.

13 wickets with a bowling average of 17.15.

Anthony Denny

Although Anthony was supposed to be part time this season, he would always step up when the team was down numbers, putting the team on his back having huge performances with the bat and ball.

94 runs with the bat averaging 16, and 2 vital wickets with the ball.

Will Denny

Some serious opening bowling spells from Reg this season and has been a pleasure to watch. 44 runs with the bat as well as 9 wickets including a hat-trick.

Jake Dobson

Although Dobbo was unavailable for the majority of the season, when he was playing he had a huge impact, playing a part of our only two wins. 28 runs off the bat, 2 wickets and 1 screamer of a catch.

Jye Durkin

A great character in the dressing room throughout the season, always putting in immense athletic performances in the field. I think it's best we just leave it at that. Accumulating 9 runs off the bat this season.

William Helm

A great new addition to the side this season, putting in great opening bowling shifts as well as scoring handy runs, clearing the front leg and slog-ging over cow corner. 81 runs averaging 20 with the bat, as well as 4 wickets.

Ryan Kelleher

Kells was always turning up for the team this season, toughing it out and playing cricket on long hot Saturday afternoons.

46 runs with the bat, and 2 wickets.

Cohen Mantle

Cohen had a challenging season overall. Once a standout player for the club, he faced difficulties this season, often unable to participate due to a broken ankle. He still managed to contribute 105 runs with the bat this year.

Seniors Second Grade

Sam Massey

Serious stuff from Smass this season and I'll let the stats do the talking. Huge amount of runs off the bat at a high average, 2 handy wickets with the ball and plenty of catches alongside a direct hit runout (absolute panther in the field).

Nick McLachlan

An all round top performer at all facets of the game this season, being in the runs and wickets alongside a safe pair of hands. Well in Gurrey. 191 runs off the bat, 5 wickets and 2 catches.

Tim McLachlan

Much the same as his brother, a very serious and elite cricketer, having impacts in all areas of the game. 82 runs off the bat, 7 wickets, two catches as well as a direct hit runout.

David Nimmo

A role model for our young team, Dave really led by example this season having a couple good knocks with the bat to steady the ship, and showing the boys how to slow things down with the ball. 90 classy runs with the bat and 2 wickets.

Sean Nimmo

Sean Nimmo (son of David Nimmo) not only performed with his batting and wicket keeping, but also found himself becoming one of the most elite opening bowlers park cricket has seen, taking wickets with a swinging new ball - there's a first for everything. 152 runs with the bat, 2 wickets and 2 catches.

Jas Singh

Throughout the season Jas was always taking care of business with the bat and the ball, having such a presence within the team that even when he didn't show up, it still felt like he was on the team sheet. 65 runs with the bat, and 9 wickets.

Jadon Wilson

Plenty of tikka. 67 runs with the bat, 1 wicket and 1 catch.

Benjamin Wilson

267 runs with the bat, 2 wickets and 6 catches.

Team Awards

Batting: Benjamin Wilson
267 runs @ 29.67, HS 81*

Bowling: Mackenzie Carrall
13 wickets @ 17.15, BB 4/18

Sportsperson: Darcy Carnahan

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We had a challenging season, struggling to put together a full team of 11 this year. It was a big move for all of us coming up into seniors and having to umpire and score our own game. The boys took the challenge on well always turning up with 100 percent effort and many volunteering to score and umpire.

It was tough some weeks to compete with numbers as low as 8 but that's just what happens during the HSC period and especially schoolies. I would like to thank the club and the boys for helping me out this year and making the season quite enjoyable. We may have not had many results go our way but the jokes and the banter around the team was exceptional. Lastly, I would like to thank all the people who filled in for us throughout the season.

Lachie Winlaw

Lachie had an outstanding year with the bat playing some quality cricket shots and often making the game last longer than 3 hours. He had highlights in scoring a 69 and a 90 in the season which were incredible to watch. He was handy with the gloves but most importantly the KFC runs which were much needed for the team's performance.

Max Thompson

Max was our engineer on the ball, keeping it shiny and swinging all game. He was outstanding with the gloves and with his bowling. He was a go to for pace and spin although his loopy spinners had us worrying for the safety of our cars. The same can be said for when he was batting, hitting some

bombs into the carpark all though he didn't last too long usually scoring a duck or a quick fire 20 odd runs to finish of the innings. Young Max showed incredible energy in our team this year.

Liam Howells

Liam Howells showed off his electric pace with the ball. Without his occasional short ball his figures were pretty good. He always rattled the opposition with his pace and was unlucky not to take many more wickets. He improved a lot with his batting over the year scoring some handy runs towards the end of the innings. Notably he was left stranded on 35* in our final game, claiming he was on track for his maiden 50.

Luke Woodward

"Woody" was once again the sturdy opening bowler I could rely on. With his perfect line and length, he was always trusted with the new ball, and he did not disappoint taking a hat trick and a 6-for in the one game against the top team all year. Towards the end of the batting innings "The Finisher" often made the tail wag. Unfortunately, he sustained a knee injury over the summer break and was no longer able to play the rest of the season, but he still turned up every week to help umpire and support the boys.

Warwick Brown

Warwick Brown was monumental in our team this year. He brought veteran knowledge and skills to the team. His newfound bowling skills made him a surprise to the opposition in our bowling attack and he was unlucky not to

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take many more wickets.

Cooper Horley

Cooper was very handy with the bat when he wasn't away orienteering, often taking up the daunting spot of opening the batting. He notably saved us a few times from very embarrassing scores. Cooper was surprising with the ball when he did bowl also collecting some good wickets throughout the year.

Taveet Ekmekjian

Tav was very helpful to our team this year. He was very good in the middle order with some good innings with the bat and notably some massive shots. He was also very helpful with the ball with a highlight being when he took the only breakthrough of a session in a 2-day match.

Connor Mulcahy

Connor was a big help to our team this year joining halfway through the season to help out. He held up his end well playing some good proper cricket strokes which were foreign to our team this year. Connors medium pace was also very good bowling perfect line and length, he took some much-needed wickets throughout the season.

Ryan Lloyd

Ryan was very helpful to our team in the first half of the year before his move to Spain. He was great with the gloves taking many catches behind the stumps. He was good with the bat also offering to open, which the boys were thankful for.

Team Awards

Batting: Rohan Brown

Bowling: Luke Woodward

Sportsperson: Liam Howells

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A year of rebuilding after losing a couple important players last year to injury and studies, we had a lot of fun but in the end struggled to get enough results on the board. Our new players ranged from previous season's junior fill-ins graduating into full timers to internationals and a former coach who's never played an organised game of cricket before.

The team bonded quickly and many great memories were made throughout. Our rebuilding efforts included a couple of players have breakout seasons and almost all players smashed a new personal record with bat, ball or fielding. Although results may not have gone our way, I know that this team had plenty of fun and sank plenty of beers (or soft drinks) at the Belrose and I hope to be able to continue with them in coming seasons.

I had a very memorable season with this amazing group of guys, they've all been a great pleasure to play alongside and captain. A special thank you to all players who filled in for us when we were short and making our season unforgettable.

Lachy Anderson

It was a rather short season for Lachy, only playing 4 matches due to missing a substantial part of the season from a shoulder injury. Lachy's on-field chat made up for his absence, constantly keeping the spirits high. A few more net sessions would've inflated his batting figures, but otherwise he played well.

4 matches, 28 runs at 9.3, HS 21, 1 wicket at 9, BB 1/9,

Lukas Banham

First full season of senior cricket for Lukas 'Baby' Banham, and boy did he impress! In the first 8 rounds he top scored 4 times, splitting the top scoring duty evenly 4:4 with his brother Michal. It was clear to all that the Banham brothers would be anchoring the top order. Fuelled by the brotherly rivalry, Lukas took an early lead with a brilliant knock and new seniors high score of 44 in round 2 and a 36 two weeks later. Lukas finished as the 2nd top run scorer for the side, causing conversations within the team regarding who the better Banham was. Although a batsman, Lukas chipped in with 4 wickets at the attractive average of 6.5.

11 matches, 186 runs at 18.6, HS 44, 4 wickets at 6.5, BB 2/4, 1 catch

Michal Banham (c)

It was a breakout season in his second year of captaincy for Michal, cementing his transition from specialist bowler to batting all-rounder in the side. With the team struggling for runs, the pressure was on the captain to step up and help provide the team with some batting life, plus the indignity of his 14-year-old younger brother top scoring every second game. Whatever the cause, after finally discovering he could actually bat by hitting his maiden half century (83*), the floodgates opened, with another 3 fifties in the next 4 games, including leading the team to a narrow victory over arch-rivals Manly Breakers with a captains knock of 69* in the first game of 2024. Michal, still the front-line spinner, finished with 14 wickets, although this could've been more if Neal was aware

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that stumping is an actual mode of dismissal.

13 matches, 438 runs at 43.8, 4x 50s (83*, 69*, 57*, 56), HS 83*, 14 wickets at 28.5, BB 4/21, 10 catches, 2 run outs

Ben Coles

Travels and injuries really clouded Ben's season, fracturing his thumb in his first match back after travelling. If there was a team award for loving playing his cricket on Saturday afternoons, Ben won it, when he came back a week earlier than allowed by his GP. First prize: a refracture of his thumb. The team missed his batting and banter through his absence; however, his post-match pub appearances quickly exceeded his match appearances. It definitely would've been good to see more of Ben in what is likely his final season for Wakehurst Redbacks CC, as we all wish him well as he moves abroad to the UK.

5 matches, 46 runs at 11.5, HS 19*, 1 catch

Brendan Dodd

Our new South African import impressed early with the bat, notching up a handy 32 in his second match. An unfortunate dislocated shoulder wiped out a chunk of his season when going for what would've comfortably been catch of the season. We were careful to check for mints on his tongue when we discovered Brendan's magic talent at ball polishing, keeping the ball looking in near perfect condition for 50+ overs. His shining ability definitely contributed to many wickets, keeping the ball swinging for seemingly forever. A great mentor for the younger players and keen to fill any role necessary, Brendan

was a real team player and everyone is keen to see him a full injury free season next year!

7 matches, 75 runs at 8.3, HS 32, 1 wicket at 19, BB 1/19



Daron Ekmekjian

'Chicken Legs' was one of our star bowlers, impressing with his knack of taking wickets and incredible economic bowling. Daron was our most reliable bowler, when things were looking dire it was typically Daron who would get the breakthrough. Best mate of 'Chicken Wings' Corey, Daron earned his new title of our 'Armenian Assassin' after dismantling Seaforth's batting line up with a mesmerising 7/27 in wet conditions. Daron's batting stats serve him an injustice of how he played, playing the perfect anchor role

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when tapping out to not lose outright. Daron gave Beacon Hill nothing to even sniff at as he scored a calm 9* from 20 overs, securing the result. Daron was very mature in his approach to senior red-ball cricket, and will thrive in seasons to come.

12 matches, 33 runs at 11, HS 9*, 17 wickets at 15.3, 1x 5fa (7/27), BB 7/27, 4 catches

Fred Fleming

A much more mature season for Fred, stepping up as the front man with the ball in hand. Inspired to prove his critics wrong (the usual culprits being Kieran and his father Neal), Fred took wickets almost every game and came away as leading wicket taker in the competition at the close of the regular season. Fred played a very important role in our win over Manly Breakers at the start of the new year, taking a match winning 6fa, including a bagful of big top order wickets. Fred's batting could be described as quite explosive, although misfiring on many occasions, but was dangerous when he got going. An impressive break out season from Fred, it will be good to see him back next year taking more wickets.

15 matches, 118 runs at 10.7, HS 23, 28 wickets at 16.4, 1x 5 fa (6/38), BB 6/38

Corey Frey

'Chicken Wings' was relatively new to red-ball (seniors) cricket, but found his feet in 2024. His first real taste of red-ball batting came in the first 2-day game where he scored a nice 28 in a match saving 82 run partnership with the skipper, learning that batting in seniors is all about the mental game.

Corey finally found his feet with the bat in the last few games, scoring a beautiful 46 in the Wakehurst Derby and then being stranded on 46* in the last match of the season. Corey had something different about his bowling that confused batsmen and got the set batsmen out. We still can't figure it out either, but it's proven to work at times. He definitely has potential to be a star all-rounder, just needs more time out in the field.

15 matches, 186 runs at 14.3, HS 46*, 7 wickets at 36.1, BB 1/3

Luke Larson

Luke has been a team mainstay with both bat and ball for years, so to lose him to university interstate left a gaping hole in the side. He was our star player last season, winning everything there was to win in the team and it was great to have our very own Cam Green back again for the season. With the second-best batting average in the side, Luke was a constant run-scorer all season long. Whether it was anchoring down one end or turning up the pace and scoring at a higher clip, Luke was more than capable of performing. His bowling took a bit of a hit from last year, with more pressure to deliver. However, his season with us was unfortunately cut short due to university starting up. We hope to have a game or two with him when he returns.

11 matches, 173 runs at 21.6, HS 36*, 10 wickets at 28.9, BB 3/10, 1 catch

Rhys Nockolds

Rhys had a bit of an off-season bowling, his good balls were beating batsmen but he didn't seem to have much luck. This season was by no means an

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accurate representation of the Rhys we know and love. Nonetheless, Rhys stayed with us and stayed motivated to help out wherever he could. Our designated number 11 had little to do with the bat so became our designated scorer, mentoring the younger players how to score. He was great fun to be around and always provided a good insight and banter with the team.

Ed Nockolds

Ed was coaxed out for a game by his sons, resulting in a keen dad looking forward to playing a whole season with his sons next year. Shades of a former batsman were evident under layers of rust accrued from a decade long hiatus. Ed's beaming smile never left his face when fielding while his sons bowled, a sight we all hope to see a lot more of. There is a lot to look forward to for the Nockolds family cricket wise, such as seeing a team sheet with all four Nockolds boys in the XI. Hopefully there will be at least one father-son wicket combination next year, potentially one with each son!

5 matches, 21 runs at 5.3, HS 7

Neal O'Brian (vc)

Neal's keeping has improved significantly since last season, taking far more catches and letting through fewer byes than ever. "Taking catches behind the stumps is harder than you think" said keeper Neal as one flew between his outstretched gloves. "I agree, it is ****'ng hard when you do that!" said the skipper at first slip, catching it one handed to his left. Still needs some work on the finer points of stumping though, when he does remember to attempt a stumping it is a spectacular sight. Most memorably, Neal had a stumping attempt, taking

the stumps down and appealing vociferously, only to realise he forgot about the ball and left it behind. Barely 2 overs later Neal goes up for another loud stumping appeal, this time with the ball in his gloves, but with the bails untouched. All jokes aside, Neal's undoubtedly proudest moment was taking a catch off his son's bowling which contributed to Fred's stunning 6 fa. He has to be commended on his chat, the dynamic pairing of Neal and Kieran constantly in the ears of batsmen and often resulting in wickets of confused batsmen.

15 matches, 29 runs at 3.2, HS 8, 11 catches, 1 run out, 1 stumping

Connor Sheppeard

Connor seems to be improving in each season, with yet another personal best season for him. Connor was very excited at breaking the Banham streak of top scoring in an innings, his batting improving so much since last year. Finally breaking the 100-run barrier, this should release the floodgates and runs and fifties beckon for him in seasons to come. Connor has learned to become more mature and patient with his batting and his innings come together like a glove. His chat in the field never ceases to entertain as well as his beached whale impressions while taking screamers at point. Based on the number of times he retold the story his favourite highlight was knocking both middle and off stump out of the ground in a great spell against Beacon Hill.

15 matches, 103 runs at 7.4, HS 18, 1 wicket at 77, BB 1/28, 3 catches

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Chris Wright (vc)

Chris was once again a critical player in the side. More often than not, he saw the opening bowlers off, playing an unheralded but vital role in setting things up for the middle order to later flourish. This season Chris also started to accelerate with the bat once he had subdued the opposition quicks. As the Vice-Captain, he helped Michal lead the team through the season, stepping up when needed. Chris was often brought on to bowl to change things up and helped not only by taking wickets him-

self, but by tying the batsmen down and perfectly demonstrating the art of bowling in partnerships. Chris was the embodiment of a team player, mentoring all the younger players and providing valuable insight into tactics and strategies. He owned his little corner at backward square and saved countless runs there. We'd love to see what next season holds for him.

11 matches, 122 runs at 9.4, HS 32, 6 wickets at 19.6, BB 3/11, 4 catches

Jasper Young

Lost to the army, Jasper was only able to play just the two games for us, yet still being able to live up to the hype by demolishing the stumps in his first over back. He then repeated the feat by bowling a perfect replica ball to Jasprit Bumrah's yorker to dismiss Ollie Pope in the second ball of the day in the Wakehurst Derby. Keen to have him for more than just the two games next season and to share more matches with his dad, we'll have to request the MWCA if he can fly up for the day and land his chopper on LW1.

2 matches, 2 wickets at 25, BB 1/19

Kieran Young

Kieran played not only his first ever season of cricket, but his first ever game of organised cricket this year. Not only was he brave enough to open the batting on debut and week in week out, he was confident. Having locked down his defence, Kieran may have forgotten to learn the attacking strokes, instead reinventing the forward defence to play the 'outside-edge-through-the-cordon' shot. Kieran



Father (Neal O'Brian) and Son (Fred Fleming) together after taking 4 Father-Son wicket combinations for the year.

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teamed up with Neal to talk their way inside the batsmen's heads and occasionally redirecting towards the team with a bit of friendly fire.

Most memorably, his magical 4 over spell against Seaforth where he helped the umpire to signal wides after the ump's arms got tired. Somehow, he had half chances off his bowling and had everyone in stitches from laughter. He also had the team in disbelief after a skier fell his way and he hung on to the catch! Kieran was great fun on and off the field, always helping Michal with captaincy and even hiring one of his teammates. An inspiration for the team, we're keen to see him back next season.

13 matches, 57 runs at 3.8, HS 17, 0 wickets, BB 0/20, 1 catch

Team Awards

Batting: Michal Banham

438 runs at 43.8, 4x 50s, HS 83*

Michal had the 3rd highest batting aggregate in 4th grade at the close of the regular season and the 2nd highest average.

Bowling: Fred Fleming

28 wickets off 109 overs at 16.4, 7 maidens, 1x 5 wicket haul, BB 6/38

Fred also had the most wickets in all of 4th grade at the close of the regular season.

Sportsperson: Kieran Young

So much fun having him in the team, great to see him debut in park cricket and because there isn't a specific award for best on field chat



Juniors Records - Batting

Grade	Batting Average			Best Innings		
	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Innings	Season
11/1 ##	Xavier Ryan	84.33	2013/14	Lachlan Charles Luke Watts #	87* 113	2009/10 2017/18
12/2	James Wright Jack Douglas #	37.4 84.0	2010/11 2021/22	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 Joseph Sharp #	43.20 68.0	2012/13 2021/22	Liam Enright	81*	2010/11
13/1	Daniel Tabrett	247.0	2003/04	Adam McCormick	105*	2008/09
14/2	Anthony Denny Joseph Sharp #	60.17 66.83	2013/14 2022/23	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
15-17/1	William Toohey	90.5	2022/23	Miles Milliner	96*	2022/23
16-18/2 #	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
14/1 T20				Ryan Haskard	37	2011/12
U13/1 Girls	Daisy Addison	96.0	2020/21	Tait Camburn	50*	2022/23
U13/2 Girls				Daisy Addison	25*	2017/18
U15 Girls	Lara Hughes	65.2	2022/23	Annabel Hutt	56*	2017/18

* Included U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season.

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Juniors Records - Batting (cont.) & Fielding

Grade	Highest Aggregate Runs			Most Catches (minimum 5 catches)		
	Name	Aggregate	Season	Name	Catches	Season
11/1 ##	Adam McCormick	290	2006/07	Oliver Campbell	14	2012/13
	Luke Watts #	362	2017/18			
12/2	Ben Watkins	239	2013/14	Rory Sarkies	13	2013/14
	Jet McDade #	376	2016/17			
12/1	Michael Cosentino	425	1995/96	David Olver	14	2001/02
	Aidan Boulton #	471	2019/20			
13/2	Rory Sarkies	298	2014/15	Jack O'Shea	15	2012/13
	Aryan Reddy #	390	2018/19			
13/1	Javed Badyari	367	2005/06	Lachlan Johnson	16	2015/16
	Daniel Deacon #	435	2022/23			
14/2	Anthony Denny	361	2013/14	Anthony Denny	14	2013/14
	Joseph Sharp #	401	2022/23			
14/1	Javed Badyari	406	2006/07	Braden King William Bassett Matthew Balkus Jet McDade Beau Moran	13	2010/11 2014/15 2014/15 2018/19 2022/23
	Beau Moran #	414	2022/23			
15/2	Isaac Turner	449	2017/18	Ryan Lloyd	20	2022/23
15/1	Ben King	569	1997/98	Finlay Sorohan	16	2023/24
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
15-17/1	Miles Milliner	473	2022/23	William Toohey	24	2022/23
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
14/1 T20	Ryan Haskard	55	2011/12			
U13/1 Girls	Taylor Wilmot	304	2022/23	Georgia Cooper	14	2020/21
U13/2 Girls	Shae Hiskett-Jones	84	2017/18	Shae Hiskett-Jones	6	2017/18
U15 Girls	Lara Hughes	326	2022/23	Gemma Lacey	11	2018/19

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Juniors Records - Bowling

Grade	Bowling Average (minimum 30 overs)			Most Wickets		
	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Wickets	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
	Arlo Thompson #	3.85	2020/21	Jacob Watts #	29	2022/23
15/2	Saskia Horley	5.56	2014/15	Isaac Turner	18	2017/18
				Angus Castle		2017/18
				Billy Chaloner		2022/23
				Daron Ekmekjian		2022/23
				Max Plummer		2022/23
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
15-17/1	Myles Nockolds	8.42	2023/24	Arlo Thompson William Drury	21	2022/23 2023/24
16-18/2 #	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
14/1 T20				William Denny	6	2011/12
U13/1 Girls	Lara Hughes	5.53	2020/21	Lara Hughes	17	2020/21
U13/2 Girls				Shae Hiskett-Jones Olivia Champion	5	2017/18
U15 Girls	Emily Horstead	5.38	2020/21	Laura Judson	16	2018/19

* Included U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season.

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Juniors Records - Bowling (cont.)

Best Figures				Hat Tricks				
Grade	Name	Figures	Season	Grade	Name	No	Season	
11/1 ##	Daniel Tabrett	6/0	2001/02	11/1 ##	Brad Lind	1	1984/85	
12/2	Thomas Ogden	6/5	2007/08		Daniel Tabrett	Dbl	2001/02	
	James Dee	6/5	2009/10		Luke Whitten	Dbl	2002/03	
12/1	Nick Berney	5/6	2005/06		Marcus DuRoss	Dbl	2007/08	
	Noah Kasmar		2014/15	Elliot Copas	1	2013/14		
13/2	Cameron Weldon	5/17	2007/08	12/1	John McNally	1	2009/10	
	Sam Evans #	5/11	2021/22			Thomas Ivers	1	2012/13
13/1	Shawn Bradstreet	8/0	1984/85	13/1	Shawn Bradstreet	Dbl	1984/85	
14/2	Euan Dixon	5/3	2013/14			Daniel Tabrett	1	2003/04
14/1	William Denny	5/4	2011/12	14/1	Lachlan Molyneux	1	2014/15	
	Harry McCracken#	5/3	2020/21		Xavier Ryan	1	2016/17	
15/2	AJ Cerovic	4/7	2014/15		14/2	Abigail Powell	1	2017/18
15/1	Alexander Cook	7/12	2006/07	Euan Dixon		1	2013/14	
15-16/2	Russell Brown	5/1	2003/04	15/2	Caleb King	1	2023/24	
15-16/1	Jarryd Watters	4/11	2003/04	15/2	Jamie White	1	2017/18	
15-17/1	Luke Woodward	4/2	2022/23	15/1	Angus Jackett	1	2007/08	
16-18/2 #	Andrew Harris	4/10	2006/07	15-16/2	Russell Brown	1	2003/04	
16-18/1 #	Jason Tabrett	6/9	2004/05		16-18/1 #	Jason Tabrett	1	2004/05
						Nathan Heath	1	2009/10
14/1 T20	William Denny	5/4	2011/12			Thomas Rodwell	1	2015/16
				Declan McLerie		1	2017/18	
U13/1 Girls	Lara Hughes	3/2	2020/21	U13/1 Girls	Georgia Cooper	1	2020/21	
U13/2 Girls	Jemima Seward	3/4	2017/18	U15 Girls	Sophia Slater	1	2020/21	
U15 Girls	Laura Judson	4/1	2019/20	* Included U16-17 prior to 2012/13 season.				

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Seniors Records - Batting

Grade	Batting Average			Best Innings		
	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Innings	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	Jadon Wilson	57.0	2020/21	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 1st Grade				Tristan Lever	120	2009/10
Seniors T20 3rd Grade				Ronit Mahajan	84*	2020/21

Seniors Records - Batting (cont.) & Fielding

Grade	Highest Aggregate Runs			Most Catches <small>(Minimum 5 catches)</small>		
	Name	Aggregate	Season	Name	Catches	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	Jadon Wilson	513	2020/21	Adrian Hookham Sean Nimmo	14	2013/14 2020/21
B1/4th Grade	Andrew Davies	536	2019/20	Andrew Davies	25	2019/20
B2/5th Grade	Adrian Hookham	830	2009/10	Andrew Davies	15	2020/21
B3/6th Grade	Aaron Willey	623	2012/13	Andrew Davies	17	2012/13 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
14/1 T20	Ryan Haskard	55	2011/12			
Seniors T20 1st Grade	Tristan Lever	227	2009/10	Timothy Cameron	6	2010/11
Seniors T20 3rd Grade	Ronit Mahajan	125	2020/21	Karanvir Singh	3	2020/21

Seniors Records - Bowling

Grade	Bowling Average (Minimum 30 overs)			Most Wickets		
	Name	Avg	Season	Name	Wickets	Season
A1/1st Grade	Ronit Mahajan	9.0	2020/21	Ronit Mahajan	29	2020/21
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	Christopher Guyot	5.33	2020/21	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 1st Grade				Karinvir Singh	13	2019/20
Seniors T20 3rd Grade				Pranaydeep Kolcharam	10	2020/21

Seniors Records - Records - Bowling (cont.)

Best Figures				Hat Tricks			
Grade	Name	Figures	Season	Grade	Name	No	Season
A1/1st Grade	Varun Bali	6/19	2020/21	A2/2nd Grade	Steven Thomson	1	2015/16
A2/2nd Grade	Cameron Powell	6/44	2019/20		William Denny	1	2023/24
A3/3rd Grade	Cohen Mantle	8/87	2019/20	A3/3rd Grade	Jadon Wilson Cohen Mantle	1 1	2020/21 2020/21
B1/4th Grade	Gavin Franklin	8/38	2016/17	B1/4th Grade	Robert McColl Daniel Annakin	1 1	2010/11 2014/15
B2/5th Grade	Phil King	8/80	2009/10	B2/5th Grade	Cohen Mantle	1	2018/19
B3/6th Grade	Phil King	8/18	2007/08	B3/6th Grade	Robert McColl	1	2008/09
B4/7th Grade	Matthew Murray	8/97	2004/05		Michael Flynn	1	2008/09
				Randall Hinds	1	2008/09	
C1/8th Grade	Matthew Murray	5/30	2005/06	B4/7th Grade	William Denny Jacob Aquilina	1 1	2013/14 2013/14
One-day A Grade	Lachlan Charles	4/11	2015/16				
One-day B Grade	Euan Dixon	5/6	2015/16				
Seniors T20 1st Grade	Tristan Lever	5/11	2010/11				
Seniors T20 3rd Grade	Pranaydeep Kolcharam	3/15	2020/21				

Perpetual Club Player Awards

Season	Junior Cricketer of the Year	Female Cricketer of the Year	"Bird Family" Rising Star Award	Senior Cricketer of the Year	"David Sheedy" Seniors Rising Award
1982/83	Ryan Jones	-	-	-	-
1983/84	Peter Banbury	-	-	-	-
1984/85	S. Lane	-	-	-	-
1985/86	Peter Banbury	-	-	-	-
1986/87	Michael Ellery	-	-	-	-
1987/88	Chris Stolk	-	-	-	-
1988/89	Mark Smithers	-	-	-	-
1989/90	-	-	-	-	-
1990/91	Greig Holston	-	-	-	-
1991/92	Adam Grigg	-	-	-	-
1992/93	-	-	-	-	-
1993/94	Michael Dunn	-	-	-	-
1994/95	Michael Dunn	-	-	-	-
1995/96	Ben King	-	-	-	-
1996/97	Jackson Bird	-	-	D. Barker	-
1997/98	Ben King	-	-	D. Fitzsimmons	-
1998/99	Grant Wood	-	-	A. Boulton	-
1999/00	-	-	-	-	-
2000/01	-	-	-	-	-
2001/02	Ben Stinson	-	-	-	-
2002/03	Ben Gwilliam	-	-	-	-
2003/04	Javed Badyari	-	-	-	-
2004/05	Jason Tabrett	-	-	-	-
2005/06	Javed Badyari	-	-	-	-
2006/07	James Crombie	-	-	-	-
2007/08	Carlton Anand	-	-	-	-
2008/09	James Crombie	-	-	-	-

Perpetual Club Player Awards (Contd.)

Season	Junior Cricketer of the Year	Female Cricketer of the Year	"Bird Family" Rising Star Award	Senior Cricketer of the Year	"David Sheedy" Seniors Rising Award
2009/10	Nathan Heath	-	-	-	-
2010/11	Braden King	-	-	Andrew Bitmead	-
2011/12	William Denny	-	-	Nick Pye	-
2012/13	Alex Bain	-	-	Tristan Lever Tim Ryan	Hayden Gullick
2013/14	Hayden Gullick Anthony Denny	-	-	Jamie Murray	Toby Kovacs
2014/15	Toby Kovacs	-	-	Kevin Hume	Cameron Brown
2015/16	Cohen Mantle	-	-	Damian Wallace	Lachlan Charles
2016/17	Jet McDade	Annabel Hutt	Tai Addison	Andrew Davies	Cameron Powell
2017/18	Andrew Boulton	Lulu Ryals	Laura Judson	Andrew Davies	Cormac O'Donnell
2018/19	Cooper Horley	Gemma Lacey	Luke Watts	Jadon Wilson	Cohen Mantle
2019/20	Aidan Boulton	Laura Judson	Alex Cooper	Cohen Mantle	Christopher Guyot
2020/21	Thomas Walker	Emily Horstead	Aidan Boulton	Jadon Wilson	Kai Connors
2021/22	Aidan Boulton	Emily Horstead	Jacob Watts	Benjamin Wilson	Luke Larson
2022/23	Jacob Watts	Lara Hughes	Danny Deacon	Cohen Mantle	-
2023/24	Arlo Thompson	Tait Camburn & Elodie Spray	Stuart Turner	Michal Banham	Corey Frew

Perpetual Club Officials Awards

Season	"The Murray Family" Coach of the Year	"David Nimmo" Junior Club Person of the Year	"Ross Denny" Club Person of the Year
2005/06	Simon Crombie Michael Walsh		-
2006/07	Ross Denny		-
2007/08	Christopher Russell Matt Woodhouse		-
2008/09	Stuart Slocombe		-
2009/10	Tom Cooney		-
2010/11	Anthony Connolly		-
2011/12	Gordon Powell		-
2012/13	Danny LeMoy		-
2013/14	Brad Gordon Jess Ball		-
2014/15	Craig McGregor		David Brown
2015/16	Simon Smart		Julie Williams
2016/17	Ian Bassett		Deanne Hutt
2017/18	Stuart White Regan McCracken		Jeff Cook
2018/19	Mat Keen		Deb Kasmar Kevin Hume
2019/20	Anthony Nicey	Logan Nicey	Kevin Wesson
2020/21	Phil Stoddart	Nat Guyot	Karen Judson
2021/22	Darren Kilkeary	Jasper Young	Ashley Jones
2022/23	Andy Hansen	-	Chris Melville
2023/24	Kerry Frew	Emily Horstead	Ian Thompson

"Bob Lind" Special Achievement Award

Season	Winner	Achievement
1982/83	-	-
1983/84	-	-
1984/85	Shawn Bradstreet	8 for 0 - U13/1 vs St Augustine's
1985/86	Peter Banbury	8 for 14 Rep Game
1986/87	Brad Verrills	Clubs first century
1987/88	Mark Brady	101 not out
1988/89	R. Plummer	100 Rep Games
1989/90	-	-
1990/91	-	-
1991/92	-	-
1992/93	-	-
1993/94	-	-
1994/95	-	-
1995/96	Michael Cosentino	U12/1's - 109 not out in 25 overs
1996/97	S. Griffiths	A2's - 2 x 100's with one in Final
1997/98	Ben King	U15 Div 1 MWJCA Batting Aggregate record - 569 runs
1998/99	B1 team	Dismissed Forestville for 1 run
1999/00	-	-
2000/01	-	-
2001/02	Daniel Tabrett	U11/1's - Double Hat trick 6 for 0
2002/03	M. Gainsford	U16 - 122 in 59 Mins
2003/04	Russell Brown	U15/16 Greens – 5 for 1 incl. Hat trick
2004/05	Ryan Campbell	U11/1's - 80 runs
2005/06	Lloyd Rogers	U14 Green 92 runs
2006/07	Mitchell Pugh	U15 Red - 100 not out against St Augustines
2007/08	Marcus DuRoss	4 for 8 incl. Double Hat trick
2008/09	Adam McCormick	U13 Red 105 not out
2009/10	Adrian Hookham Tristan Lever	5th Grade 274 v Collaroy, 830 season runs 1st Grade 20/20, 120 runs in Semi, Avg 227 for 5 games

"Bob Lind" Special Achievement Award (Contd.)

Season	Winner	Achievement
2010/11	1st Grade Seniors team	First ever Wakehurst 1st Grade premiership team
2011/12	Jason Russell-Jones Benjamin Sykes	256 run 4th wicket partnership vs Long Reef (2nd Grade - Round 7) after being down 3/16
2012/13	-	-
2013/14	Jacob Aquilina	7th grade semi-final - Century (117) and 5 wickets (5/42)
2014/15	Damian Wallace	3rd grade semi-final - Century (154) and 7 wickets (7/11) plus 2 catches and direct hit run-out
	Hamish Green	Double century - 209 from 135 balls with 13 fours and 6 sixes
2015/16	Saskia Horley Anthony Denny	In the Under 16-18 competition, Saskia and Anthony combined for a 229 run opening partnership against St. Pius in Round 3. Both Saskia (102 off 122 balls with 13 boundaries) and Anthony (119 off 143 balls with 13 boundaries and a six) scored their maiden centuries.
2016/17	Gavin Franklin	8/38 in 4th grade - Club record for 4th grade. 3rd best bowling figures in history of the club.
2017/18	Luke Watts	Scored century (113) in under 11 age group
2018/19	-	-
2019/20	Cohen Mantle	Three consecutive 5 wicket hauls – 5/26, 5/22 and a record breaking 8/87 across Rounds 6, 7 and 8 in 3rd grade
2020/21	Timothy Radom	Match winning performance taking 12 wickets for the match in 6th grade Round 15 which included 4/36 and 8/25
2021/22	-	-
2022/23	Miles Milliner	Round 10 - 96 not out off 44 balls 11 x 6s. Also scored 94 Of 41 balls in another innings
2023/24	Daron Ekmekjian	Round 15 - 4th Grade vs Seaforth Bowling figures of 7-27

Batting Milestones



4000 Runs

Andrew Davies

3000 Runs

Tristan Lever

Cohen Mantle

Tim Cameron

Matthew Varjavandi

Adrian Hookham

Brad Gordon

Toby Kovacs

2000 Runs

Tim Bennett

Toby Kovacs

Matthew Murray

Jack Garay

Tom Bitmead

Hayden Gullick

Jamie Murray

Sean Nimmo

Randall Hinds

Andrew Gordon

Jess Ball

Ryan Valentine

Brad Gordon

Anthony Denny

1000 Runs

Nick Dowell

Phil King

AJ Fry

Ben Crawshaw

David Nimmo

Adam McCormick

Jake Fry

Joel McGregor

Adam McKern

Matthew Humphrey

Aidan Boulton

James Wright

Max Thompson

Will Toohey

Joey Braund

Michal Banham

Cooper Horley

Jason Russell-Jones

Adam Schober

Ben Gwilliam

Jarryd Watters

Jacob Aquilina

Brynn Mendel

Lachlan Molyneux

Kevin Hume

Luca Candotti

Richard Howard

Christopher Guyot

Kale Gabila

Tim Ryan

Luke Larson

Beau Moran

Patrick White

Thomas Walker

James Crombie

Andrew Bitmead

Braden King

Kian Mantle

Cameron Brown

David Sheldon

William Jonkers

Luke Richardson

Alex Cooper

Stuart Banham

Edward Hutt

Luke Watts

William Denny

Nick Ball

Rohit Jayaram

Arlo Thompson

Corey Frew

Michael Gainsford

Mark Callanan

Chris Hurley

Ryan Campbell

Lachlan Charles

Jake Alexander

Iain McKern

Reece Liddy

Ian Thompson

William Bassett

Jadon Wilson

Tom Cole

Benjamin Wilson

Michael Wright

Jacob Watts

Thomas Hughes

Bowling Milestones



200 Wickets

Jamie Murray Matthew Murray Tim Cameron

100 Wickets

Joshua Sheedy	Phil King	Tristan Lever	Michael Gainsford
Robert McColl	Andrew Bitmead	AJ Fry	Steven Thomson
Lachlan Molyneux	Harrison Scott	Hayden Gullick	Matthew Varjavandi
Thomas Fourie	Ryan Ludowyke	James Wright	Nick Dollman
Anthony Denny	Cohen Mantle	Adam McKern	Luca Candotti
William Denny	Jack Garay	Daniel Annakin	Jacob Aquilina
Matthew Martin	Kai Connors	Ian Thompson	Michal Banham
Luke Larson	Jake Dobson	Arlo Thompson	

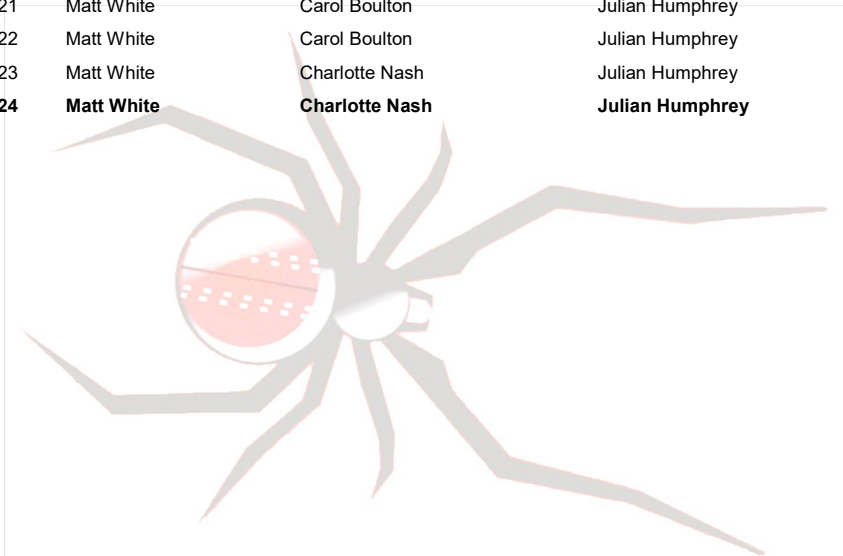
Batting and bowling milestones are only based on player statistics since electronic data entry began around 2004. As records were not kept prior to this, it unfortunately does not account for the player achievements in the earlier years when only paper based statistics were kept.

Office Bearers at Wakehurst Redbacks

Season	President	Secretary	Treasurer
1981/82	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Jo Gotting
1982/83	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Jo Gotting
1983/84	John Kleem	Warwick Brady	Jo Gotting
1984/85	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Peter Henry
1985/86	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Peter Henry
1986/87	Bob Philpott	Warwick Brady	Peter Henry
1987/88	Bob Lind	Warwick Brady	Tony Lovett
1988/89	Bob Lind	Ed Neill	Tony Lovett
1989/90	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Ernie Epplett
1990/91	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Ernie Epplett
1991/92	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Ernie Epplett
1992/93	Bob Lind	Gary Fitzsimmons	Colin Gough
1993/94	Bob Lind	Arman Cosentino	Colin Gough
1994/95	Bob Lind	Arman Cosentino	Colin Gough
1995/96	Bob Lind	Arman Cosentino	Colin Gough
1996/97	Bob Lind	Arman Cosentino	Colin Gough
1997/98	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn
1998/99	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn
1999/00	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn
2000/01	Bob Lind	Graham Lewis	Warwick Dunn
2001/02	Terence Olver	Danny LeMoy	Ian Vickery
2002/03	Terence Olver	David Liddy	Ian Vickery
2003/04	Ian Rose	D Good	Ian Vickery
2004/05	Ian Rose	Malcolm Leithhead	Ian Vickery
2005/06	Ian Rose	Ted Beecher	Ian Vickery
2006/07	Danny LeMoy	Ted Beecher	Ian Vickery
2007/08	Danny LeMoy	Ted Beecher	Anthony Garay
2008/09	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Anthony Garay
2009/10	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Mark Haskard
2010/11	Danny LeMoy	Ross Denny	Mark Haskard
2011/12	Danny LeMoy	David Nimmo	AJ Fry
2012/13	Danny LeMoy	David Nimmo	AJ Fry
2013/14	Danny LeMoy	David Nimmo	AJ Fry
2014/15	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam Stenner
2015/16	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam & Jane Stenner

Office Bearers at Wakehurst Redbacks

Season	President	Secretary	Treasurer
2016/17	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Adam & Jane Stenner
2017/18	David Nimmo	Deanne Hutt	Jenny Pittar
2018/19	-	Deanne Hutt	Jenny Pittar
2019/20	Deanne Hutt	Bernadette Chang	Julian Humphrey
2020/21	Matt White	Carol Boulton	Julian Humphrey
2021/22	Matt White	Carol Boulton	Julian Humphrey
2022/23	Matt White	Charlotte Nash	Julian Humphrey
2023/24	Matt White	Charlotte Nash	Julian Humphrey



Vice Presidents at Wakehurst Redbacks

Season	Blasters	Juniors	Girls	Seniors
2009/10	-	-	-	David Sheedy
2010/11	-	David Sheedy	-	Jake Fry
2011/12	-	Jake Fry	-	David Sheedy
2012/13	Ryan Erasmus	-	-	David Sheedy
2013/14	Tim Ryan	Tim Ryan	-	David Sheedy
2014/15	Tim Ryan	Tim Ryan	-	David Sheedy
2015/16	-	Kieran Young	-	Kevin Hume
2016/17	-	Kieran Young	-	Kevin Hume
2017/18	-	Laurie Zanella	Deanne Hutt	Kevin Hume
2018/19	-	Laurie Zanella	Deanne Hutt	Kevin Hume
2019/20	Matt White	Kevin Wesson	Karen Judson	Blake Gregory
2020/21	Matt White	Kevin Wesson	Karen Judson	Blake Gregory
2021/22	Dean Fitsimmons	Kevin Wesson	Katrina White	Blake Gregory
2022/23	Dean Fitsimmons	Kevin Wesson	Shona Stewart	Ian Thompson
2023/24	Dean Fitsimmons	Kevin Wesson	Yvette Pallister	Ian Thompson

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