WEST PENNANT HILLS CHERRYBROOK CRICKET CLUB

Established 1930

CLUB STRUCTURE 2020/2021

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Director Blowfly Cricket	Bill Peterkin
Director Girls	Grant & Suzanna Colburt
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Child Safety	Kirsty Newbury
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B1 Red	Rick Turner
B2	Phill Hando
C1	Joseph Cooray
C2 Blue	Steve Burrows
C2 Red	Stu Fiedler
C3	Indranil Mukherjee
C4	Rob Hanich
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Coaching	Tovin Honeysett
Trophies	Alicia Evans
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Kit Storage	David Flook
Clothing	Jane Bish

WPHCCC Age Coordinators

U8	Roshan Naran
U9	Simon Joyce
U10	Jo & Tim Wilson
U11	Rosh Goodewardne
U12	Ratna Siva
U13	Lyndal Harrison
U14	Steve Burrows
U15	Joseph Cooray
U16/17	Craig Hutchinson

GIRLS

Director Grant & Suzanna Colburt

JUNIOR BLASTERS

Director Bill Peterkin

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

As a Club we have survived the Great Depression (1930s) and WW2. Coming off last season that had bushfires, drought, flood and the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2020/21 Season, that includes the lead-up to the season, was unlike any that we have experienced with Covid-19 dominating every aspect of our lives.

I usually start my year in review with an overview of on-field performances. This season it is all about Resilience – resilience of our Leadership Team and Volunteers who navigated through the lock-downs and got the competition up and running seamlessly on 24th October – 7 weeks after the usual season start due to the delayed finish of the football season.

Our Volunteers

At Association level, the Executive team was superbly led by Andrew Miedler (President) & Rob Hanich (Juniors Secretary) and an Executive Team that focused on getting cricket underway.

At Club level our Volunteers, led by our Executive Committee were superb. To set the scene:

- Our Schools program, critical in our growth strategy was limited to visiting just one School (Cherrybrook Public) due to school access restrictions;
- The winter and summer seasons blurred into each other with the extension of the winter season and the community uncertainty around 'social distancing' and how this would affect parents willingness to let children play;
- Inability to have a Registration / Information Day with 100% of registrations done on-line;
- The high level uncertainty about job prospects raised the real prospect of the ability of people being able to pay registration fees.

All this where there was no rule book or guidelines on how to manage in a pandemic with decisions based on judgement and being agile. Adding to this was the inability to have face to face meetings and the use of Zoom technology for the first time.

Our 1st all-Zoom meeting during the Covid-19 lockdown in May 2020. This was a planning meeting with CNSW to start the 2020/21 season.

Members from left to right: Barry McDonald (Chair), Jane Bish Vice President), Sreeni Pillamarri (Sponsorship), Peter Lees (Finance); Middle row: Bill Peterkin (Junior Blasters & Blowfly), Ross Anderson (Operations), Daniel Anderson (CNSW), Rick Turner (Seniors); 3rd row: Steve Burrows (Juniors), Rob Hanich (Vice President), Suzanna & Grant Colburt (Girls), Andrew Miedler (President) and Akshay Trevedi (CNSW). Apology - Kirsty Newbury (Child Protection)

Despite a challenging 2019/20 season, that was, until the current season, the most challenging season in memory, every volunteer running the Club or Age Divisions in Juniors backed up again so we had a stable leadership team. This is a remarkable testament of the quality and commitment of our volunteers. It also gave a solid platform going into 2020/21.

The outcome was a spectacular success. The competition started on time and our volunteers, at all levels got full teams on the field. Registrations were also strong.

Collaboration

Covid-19 has brought with it a high level of collaboration. We have seen active and engaging support from CNSW and Association level, peak sporting groups have worked together with Councils, on changing competition start and finish times. Also, clubs have been more willing to accept Association decisions around the structure of competitions made in good faith without constant appeals. At Club level we have also seen a greater willingness for people to accept change and tougher rules around how games are played. If these changes can be embraced going forward this is a positive that we can all build on.

Record Team numbers

Initial planning focused on the budgetary impacts of reduced numbers of between 10% and 30%. The focus then turned to retention and setting out a start-up roadmap with contingencies for each major milestone. The registration outcomes are covered in later reports.

The new 'Normal'

Covid-19 has caused a change in the way we do things. Time will tell what is short-term and what is irreversible but it is already clear that we now have a new 'normal' in the way our Club is administered.

Zoom is here to stay. During the pandemic it allowed us to run the Club without the need to be physically present at meetings. Going forward, this will give our leaders the opportunity for flexible working arrangements for people with commitments such as child care. This will open up the opportunity to broaden our volunteer base.

On the field, it is likely that use of hand sanitiser will be familiar; physical distancing will be followed; shining the ball with saliva or sweat will be a thing of the past; sharing towels, drink bottles will cease. Also, use of team kit bags will come to a rapid end with players using their own playing gear.

Achievements

While off-field achievements were the outstanding achievement of the 2020/21 season our on-field achievements were also outstanding. These will be covered in more detail in subsequent reports herein.

However, let me say, that the on-field successes belong, not just to the winning teams, but to the Club as a whole – players, officials, coaches, managers, parents and volunteers.

To call out a few highlights: record team entrances for Juniors & Seniors; strong registrations for Junior Blasters, Girls & Blowfly Cricket; a very successful Academy & Skills Clinics sessions. Add to this the overall performance of our teams has been noteworthy. A highlight was winning the Junior Club Championship for the 1st time since 2008/09 despite the qualification being changed by the Association in the last decade to limit the ability of large clubs from winning this award and our 'Participation Over Results' policy that evened talent across teams.

Celebrating our Women

Andrew Miedler will cover this in more detail in his report. I would though like to touch on the amazing achievements of the women in our Club:

- Danielle Chivers – CNSW and Cricket Australia 'Young Community Leader of the Year'
- Lisa Sthalekar – Australian Hall of Fame Inductee;
- Maddie Jones won the Good Sports Award for NSW Champion & also Australian Club Champion Runner-up for the Good Sports Award

- Kirsty Newbury has been awarded a special achievement award by CNSW for her work on Child Protection
- The McGrath Foundation awarded us the prestigious 'Pink Service Award' recognition for being among the top 7 supporters of the Foundation over the last 10 years – nationally.

McGrath Foundation Pink Service Award

Closing thoughts

While work done by our volunteers has been amazing the support from our players, families and supporters has been outstanding. We can have the best processes and support available but ultimately, success is measured by our people having the confidence to want to play for us and for volunteers to offer their support. Player registrations have been strong and exceeded all pre-season expectations.

As a Club, our priority has been to provide a safe environment for everyone involved. There were a number of rule changes and health protocols and there was not a single complaint. Also, there were no COVID-19 cases from any of our club members. Finally, we got on the field, played the game we love and will take away many great memories of a season like no other.

Finally, a big thanks to everyone involved in making this season such a success.

Barry McDonald
Chair
May 2021

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At the end of the 2019/20 Season, I commented that this was a season like none before it with Bushfires, Drought, Flood and Covid-19 causing cancellation of Grand Finals. The 2020/21 Season has taken this experience to the next level with new protocols and rules around social distancing covering all aspects of the game.

The season started 7 weeks later than scheduled to allow winter sports to complete their shortened seasons in a collaborative arrangement between sporting codes. The cricket season started on 24th October and with protocols around the game changed to provide a Covid-19-safe playing environment.

The Association released detailed playing conditions covering all aspects of the game. Just when we thought that the season was progressing the last game before the Christmas / New Year break was cancelled:

> *"With the growing Covid cluster in Sydney's northern beaches, the HK&HDCA Executive have decided to abandon play for Saturday 19th December.*
>
> *The Executive has made the difficult decision in the interest of the welfare of players, coaches and parents. We believe this is a responsible approach to the health alert in helping reduce the risk of spread."*

The Country Carnivals (U14 @ Tamworth; U15 @ Armidale & U16 @ Taree) were also cancelled due to Covid-19 risk.

Ongoing change

Change was not limited to the new protocols around Covid-Safe playing rules. A mandatory helmet policy was introduced across all grades and the new junior pathways program across all Junior competitions was implemented.

The resilience, willingness to embrace the changes and level of compliance with Covid protocols by our players and families to these changes has been remarkable. Despite all this uncertainty and change it is worth reflecting on the many achievements of this season.

Registrations

To put the following numbers in perspective it is worth thinking about what was happening around the start of the season: uncertainty about the season even starting, how games would be played, social distancing and economic uncertainty with many jobs either lost or at risk. Add to this the ever present risk of the pandemic taking off again, as shown in Victoria. Key metrics for this season were strong:

- **767** unique registered players – not including Blowfly cricket or Women's Social Cricket participants
- **40** Junior Teams – equal to the Club and Association record we set in 2015/16
- **3** Girls teams – minus 2 on last season with 2 Teams graduating from Juniors
- **13** Senior Teams – plus 1 also a Club & Association record
- **94** Junior Blasters – plus 2 on last season
- **Blowfly Cricket** – approx. 20-25 participants
- **Women's Social Cricket** – approx. 15 participants.

Our Women

Barry called out the major awards won by our outstanding women. A highlight of the season was being awarded the Pink Service Award by the McGrath Foundation in recognition of being one of the top 7 Clubs, nationally, in fundraising support - $42,500 since 2010/11. To quote Foundation Ambassador and Director Tracy Bevan.

"It's incredible that Clubs like West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club turn out each year to show their support and raise funds for McGrath Breast Care Nurses – especially in such a challenging year. It's only through this generous support that we can continue to provide these vital nurses for free."

Support for women and girls cricket is not something that is new to us – it is part of our DNA. We have had dedicated girls teams since 1996/97 with over 950 registered players.

Our initiatives in 2020/21 have built on this platform. Women in our Club are increasingly taking on significant leadership roles and making a difference:

- We have a growing representation of female managers and administrators:
  The Junior Blasters have 8 female Managers / Coaches
  Juniors have 11 female Managers & Coaches
  There are 9 Women on our Executive & Junior Committees including a female Age Convenor
- In another initiative, Kirsty Newbury, our Child Protection Officer is starting a Girls Leadership Program for our U16 Girls on a trial basis with a view to rolling this out Club wide in 2021/22 season
- Danielle Chivers is our Deputy Head Club Coach and Junior Blasters Head Coach
- Our Junior Blasters Coaching Team is all women with Danielle supported by 2 Accredited Blowfly cricket players & coaches (Maddie & Akanksha).

Maddie, Danielle & Akanksha

- Our Coaching Team (Schools & Skills Clinics) had the following Female Coaches:
  - Danielle Chivers (U17)
  - Mary Hando (former Teacher)
  - Christina Phillip (Uni)
  - Minoli De Silva (Uni)

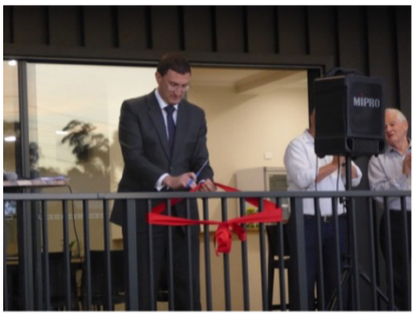
Integration of Boys and Girls cricket

Since WPHC started Girls cricket in 1996/97 we have had passionate girls leaders who have positioned us as one of the leading providers of girls cricket in community cricket. Covid-19 has shown us that change for the right reasons and with good engagement can happen. During the season, our Juniors Boys and Junior Girls Divisions integrated into a single entity – Junior Cricket.

This means we have both a dedicated Girls comp and a mixed Comp. It also means that the administrative functions are shared so that we have one Registrar, one Presentation Day and operate as a single entity.

Greenway Park Community Centre

The opening of the Greenway Park Community Centre on 30th March 2021 is a great example of Community Clubs in our District coming together to achieve the remarkable. The Community Centre is a $1.5m initiative and was championed by Julian Leeser, our Local Federal Member. The initiative brought together local sporting groups that worked together collaboratively: WPHCCC, Baseball, Westbook AFL, Little A's, and Penno Stags Rugby League.



Julian Leeser officially opening Greenway Park Community Centre 30th March 2021.

We now have a facility that is 2nd to none in the District and will provide a Community hub to build on the already great working relationship within our local sporting groups.

Significant Achievement Awards

The inaugural Special Achievement Awards were launched this season to recognise exceptional contribution over many years. Outside Life Membership, it is the most significant recognition our Club provides.

This season there were 4 outstanding recipients:

Julian & Jane Bish

Their contribution goes back to managing Kanga Cricket Teams. Julian was Juniors Director between 2013 and 16 and among many achievements redefined the concept of 'Participation over Results' policy. Julian also continues to compile the YearBook, which is a significant piece of work.

Jane was a driving force of our Pink Stumps contribution and has been our long-term Clothing coordinator and Executive Committee Member. For clothing she has turned what was an adhoc afterthought into a smooth end to end process that has also 'consumed' rooms in the Bish household

Steve 'Buzz'; Burrows

Steve has been Juniors Secretary between 2017 and 2018 and is the current Juniors Director. He is a Junior Age Convenor and long-term Seniors Captain since 2014-15.

Alicia Evans

Alicia has been our Juniors Registrar since 2016 and has actively supported all sections of the Club whenever help was needed. The sheer scale of the number of Teams combined with the MyCricket systems problems makes her contribution even more significant.

Andrew Miedler with Jane Bish, Julian Bish & Steve Burrows. These are the inaugural Awards acknowledging years of exceptional service. Seniors presentation Night @ Castle Hill RSL 7th May 2021

President's Award – Mike Kinchington

Mike has been playing Seniors since 2011/12 and has Captained many Senior Teams. His most significant achievement though has been his support for Blowfly Cricket. Since the Program started in 2018/19 Mike has been to every Friday session, supported the participants and generally made the program operate smoothly on the day. Despite a number of personal family setbacks Mike continued to support Blowfly and has been an amazing support for Bill Peterkin (Blowfly Director).

A picture says a thousand words.
Mike with a Blowfly Cricketer at James Henty Oval.

Closing thoughts

The 2020/21 season has changed the way our game is played and managed. Covid-19 has shown Administrators that the philosophy of 'build it and they will come' is old world thinking. At Club level we have been at the forefront of growing women and girls participation at all levels within our Club.

The adoption of the CA Pathways initiative by the Association has been embraced by our Club and other Clubs in our Association and shows that change, when communicated well, can be embraced.

The next wave will be to build on the momentum and appetite for change, continue to be a leader and not settle for the alternative of being a follower in initiatives such as the role of involving women in significant leadership roles, inclusiveness, integration of girls and boys cricket, both playing and administration and the willingness to challenge conventional thinking with constructive alternatives.

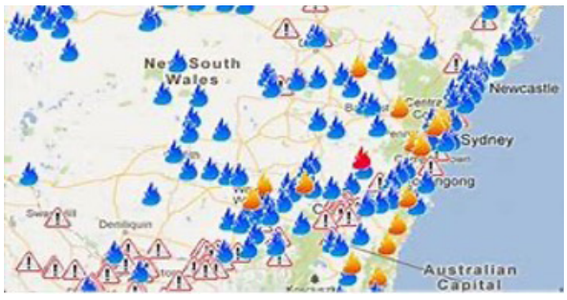
Andrew Miedler
President
May 2021

DIRECTOR – OPERATIONS 2020/21

Wow, what a season! When we look at 2020/21 we also need to put this in the context of the significant disruptions in the later part of 2019-20 and continued on to 2020/21.

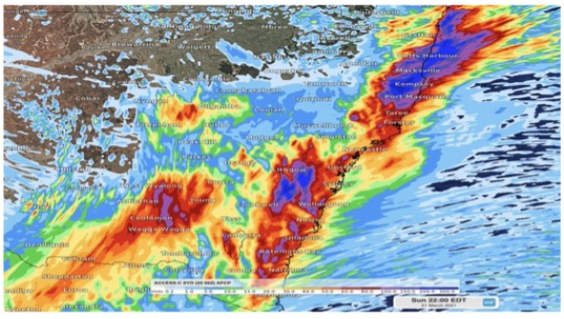
Rather than using a lot of words, the year 2020/21 is best captured in pictures.

Cricket during the drought of 2019/20



Bushfires during 2019/20 season

Covid-19 during the 2019/20 & 20/21 seasons



Rain Event that washed out the 2020/21 Semi Final & Junior Finals

Campbell Park during the big wet

The impact of Covid-19

Covid-19 created a new normal in the way the game is played and it is unlikely to revert to the old ways. For the historical record, a snapshot of the way the game changes is shown in the following playing guidelines:

"Players are advised to use a hand sanitiser prior to taking the field at the start of a match and prior to resumption of play following a break. Players should:

1. OBEY Physical Distancing, both on and off the field.
2. NOT use saliva or sweat to polish the ball.
3. NOT lick your fingers.
4. NOT high five or shake hands in the celebration process.
5. AVOID spitting.
6. NOT share towels.
7. NOT share drink bottles."

Achievements

While we had a tremendously successful season by way of Premierships, including the Junior Club Championship, it is what happened around the disruption that made 2020/21 an amazing season.

Within this context the achievements that Barry called out in his Report regarding the role of Women in our Club is a magnificent achievement and reflects the talent that we have available.

Registrations

Registrations were an unknown this season. We could only run 1 Schools Clinic (Cherrybrook Public School); lockdowns and economic uncertainty. There was also no rule book for dealing with these issues – decisions were based largely on judgement.

With this background, our registrations have been remarkable:

Junior (Mixed) – Teams	**Girls Registrations – players**
Master Blasters (U8s & U9s) x 11 Teams (last season – 11 Teams)	Junior Blasters – 10 (26 last season)
U10 x 6 (6)	Master Blasters – 35 (17 last season)
U11 x 5 (5)	U13 – 19 (22)
U12 x 5 (5)	U15 – Nil (Comp combined with U16s)
U13 x 3 (4)	U16 – 10 (U15 x 8 & U16 x 11)
U14 x 3 (5)	
U15 x 4 (3)	
U17 x 3 (1)	
	Total – 74 (84 last season)
Totals 40 Teams (39 last season)	Note: excludes Blowfly & Social Cricket

Club achievements

A lot has been achieved by our people off the field that has been amazing:

- Danielle Chivers won the CNSW & the Cricket Australia 'Young Community Leader of the Year'
- Lisa Sthalekar was inducted into the Cricket Australia Hall of Fame
- Maddie Jones won the Good Sports Award for NSW Champion & also Australian Club Champion Runner-up for the Good Sports Award with the ceremony at Parliament House in Canberra
- Kirsty Newbury has been awarded a special achievement award by CNSW for her work on Child Protection

- The McGrath Foundation awarded us the prestigious 'Pink Service Award' recognition for being among the top 7 supporters of the Foundation over the last 10 years.

- At Association Level, Andrew Miedler (President) and Rob Hanich (Junior Secretary) were elected to significant Leadership roles.
- Cricket Australia invited us to be the Club they are using for the national Coaching instructional video that will be viewed by many thousands of people around Australia and globally. Why the offer? Our reputation for inclusiveness and support of all forms of cricket is well known at senior levels of CNSW & CA.

Playing achievements

Club achievements

- Junior Club Championship for the first time since 2007/08 with qualification rules designed to make it almost impossible for large Clubs to win
- On the field we entered an equal record of 40 junior Teams and a record 13 Senior Teams
- A record 4 x Premierships (U12, U13, U15, U17) out of a possible 5 Grades. This beat the previous record of 3 set in 2007/08
- An equal record of 4 x Seniors Premierships – previously achieved in 2012/13, 2013/14 & 2014/15.

Individual

- Association average winners:
  - Michael Richards won the A1 bowling average (32 wickets @ 7.53)
  - Tom Hando won the B2 Grade average (36 wickets @ 8.33)
  - Dylan Bish (C2 Blue) won the C2 batting average (380 runs @ 38.8)
- Club level:
  - Siby Joseph's D2 bowling average 6.95 broke the previous record held by Steve Ison (7.58) way back in 1983/84
- In the Juniors, Association winners were:
  - Kristian Kohlhagen (U12s) won the bowling with 21 wickets @ 4.38
  - Rudhra Iyer (U17s) won the batting (254 @ 42.33).

Partnerships

- C4 Grade Association, 4th wicket record of 115 by Alistair Fullerton (63*) & Luke Fullerton (60)
- C4 Grade Club 10th wicket record of 48 by Robert Fynes-Clinton (22*) & Muditha Dissanayake (22).

Schools Clinics

Covid-19 prevented us from running Schools Clinics in all but one School – Cherrybrook Public School. Junior Blasters & Master Blasters numbers from our feeder Schools for 2020/21 are:

School	Junior Blasters	Master Blasters	Total	%
Cherrybrook Public School CPS)	22	18	39	19.1
John Purchase PS	22	9	31	15.2
WPHPS	11	13	24	11.8
ODPS	7	16	23	11.3
St Agatha's Catholic School	8	9	17	8.3
Other Schools	30	40	70	34.3
Total	100	105	204	100.0

Note: Other Schools include: Pennant Hills Public School, Dural PS, Castle Hill PS, Murray Farm PS, St Bernadette's Primary School, The Kings School & Beecroft PS.

Feedback from CPS follows:

Cherrybrook Public School

I thought they were excellent, well organised, great coaches. Kindy loved it.

My kids only had nice things to say. They absolutely loved it. I loved how even some of my students who usually are a little hesitant to get into sport had smiles on their faces after the lesson.

I absolutely loved them Kerrin. I thought they were as good as last year. The main guy that presents (Harry I think his name is) is really great with the kids. The drills are well-organised and the kids seem to love the drills.

2W enjoyed it thoroughly!

I was happy with them. I thought the main guy was really good with the kids.

Thanks so much for organising!

It was thanks to those clinics last year that I enrolled my son, who is now a keen cricketer :)

As you can see, very positive feedback for you. Thank you once again for your organisation and great communication.

Kerrin Townsend
Relieving Assistant Principal

Country Carnivals

In 2019/20 the Tamworth Carnival (U14s) and Stan Austin (Taree) Carnival were cancelled due to drought. In 2020/21 the reason was Covid-19.

The Armidale (Walter Taylor Shield) for the U15s played in 2019/20 but were also cancelled due to Covid-19 in 2020/21.

Transition from MyCricket

MyCricket has been with us since way back in 2008/09. Before then we used old manually completed scoresheets season summaries. Cricket Australia has advised that a decision has been made on a new Australia-wide system – PlayHQ.

A few things to note:

- The new system will be providing our future Competition and Program Management digital products.
- Transition will occur over the next two to three seasons to a new intuitive, user friendly platform that reduces time spent on administrative tasks.

Pink Stumps

The McGrath Foundation awarded us the prestigious Pink Service Award in recognition of being one of the top 7 Clubs nationally for supporting the Foundation. For the record we have raised the following amounts since 2010/11:

- 2010/11 – $1,900
- 2011/12 – $1,000
- 2012/13 – $5,000
- 2013/14 – $6,000
- 2014/15 – $6,800
- 2015/16 – $2,000
- 2016/17 – $6,000 (includes $2,000 raised at Armidale)
- 2017/18 – $9,000
- 2018/19 – $4,750
- 2019/20 – Nil (Covid-19 season)
- 2020/21 – $3,677
- TOTAL – $46,127

Greenway Park Community Centre

In March 2018, we met our Federal Local Member (Julian Leeser) plus various Federal Ministers (Mathias Cormann and Bridgett McKenzie) and our fellow Sporting Groups (AFL, Baseball, Little A's and Rugby League) to start the process to get $1.9m in funding to build the new Community Centre.

On 30th March 2021 the dream became reality when Julian Leeser officially opened the new Community Centre. This is an amazing Community facility that offers:

- Seating for 350 people
- Viewing balcony
- Apart from a main meeting area, there is a bar and fully equipped professional kitchen
- The main wall has 2 giant HD TV screens with the best being a roof mounted super HD video projection unit (worth $55k) that projects onto the wall. There will also be Trophy cabinets where each Sporting Group will be able to display major awards
- In the Meeting Room there is a large wall where each Club will be able to display Special achievements – Life Members, Highest run scorers and wicket takers and so on.

A photographic history of the initiative follows:

With Mathias Cormann 15 March 2018

Construction starts – 13 September 2020

Julian Leeser cutting the ribbon 30 March 2021

Official Opening 30 March 2021

Next season

This time last season we had no idea when the 2020/21 season would start, if at all, and what form it would take. Twelve months on and we completed a highly successful shortened season and we look forward to a full season in 2021/22 with a vaccine now available.

The experience has made us all more resilient and we have learnt smarter and better ways of doing things that will be carried into 2021/22. For most is the importance of high quality communication and a willingness to take risks to remain relevant in a world where conventional ways of doing things expose us to risk of inertia.

We look forward to 2021/22 and the opportunities that will be presented to us.

Ross Anderson
Director Operations
May 2021

SENIORS 2019/20

After starting 7 weeks late, the 2020/21 Season was remarkable. Despite the uncertainty around Covid-19, whether cricket would even be played we got on and had a tremendously successful season.

At a high level, we registered a record 13 Senior Teams, had 5 minor Premiers and won 4 Competitions.

While on-field performances were outstanding, for this season, the biggest achievements were off the field. We can't overstate the crucial role that our Club & Seniors Executive played in the success of the season. Despite all the difficulties we had a stable Leadership Team of experienced and talented Leaders who steered the Club through the crisis with incredible success.

Now to the on-field performances. First up, recognition of our Seniors Captains:

- A1 Grade – Phil Wurth & our 24th A1 Captain (Semi-finalists – 4th)
- A2 Grade – Michael Gunn (5th and 1 point off 4th spot)
- B1 Grade:
  - Blue – Rob Knapman (Semi-Finalists – 3rd)
  - B1 Red – Rick Turner (5th)
- B2 – Phill Hando (Minor Premiers & Premiers)
- C1 – Joseph Cooray (5th on quotient)
- C2:
  - Blue – Buzz Burrows (Minor Premiers & Runners-up)
  - Red – Stu Fiedler (Semi-finalists – 4th)
- C3 – Indranil Mukherjee (7th)
- C4 – Rob Hanich (Minor Premiers & Premiers)
- D1 Grade:
  - Blue – Ross Smith (Minor Premiers & Premiers)
  - Red – Ian Digby (Semi-finalists & 3rd)
- D2 Grade – Nirav Desai (Minor Premiers & Premiers)

Special performances
Major Award Winners

Congratulations to our major Award winners:

- Player of the Year – Tom Hando (B2)
- Outstanding Prospect – Nikhil Ninan (B1 Blue)

Centuries – 5 centuries –were scored. Our century scorers were:

494	2020/21	129	Michael Gunn	A2	Vs Castle Hill RSL @ Les Shore 1 07/11/2020
495		102*	Happy Rana	D1 Blue	Vs St Ives @ Bannockburn 14/11
496		151	Nikhil Ninan	B1 Blue	Vs ARL @ Headen Park 21/11
497		114	Gav Taylor	A1	Vs Kenthurst @ Kenthurst Park 28/11
498		100*	Vedant Virmani	C3	Vs Beecroft @ Campbell Park 06/03

Note:

- *The first number (494) represents the consecutive number in our History – e.g.; the first century this season is our 494th overall*

7 wickets in an innings

145	2020/21	7/36	Josh Elliott	C2Blue	Vs Kissing Point @ Auluba Oval 27/02/2021

Season High Achievers

Batting

1. Dylan Bish (C2 Blue) – 380 runs @ 38.0
2. Nikhil Ninan (B1 Blue) – 360 @ 72.0
3. Praneel Singh (D2) – 344 @ 38.2
4. Campbell Wallace (B2) – 323 @ 29.4
5. Vedant Virmani (C3) – 307 @ 43

Bowling

1. Tom Hando (B2) – 36 wickets @ 8.3
2. Michael Richards (A1) – 32 @ 7.5
3. Rob Knapman (B2 Blue) –27 @ 11.6
4. Nirav Desai (D) – 26 @ 8.0
5. Steve Ozvatic (B2) – 23 @ 8.6

Fielding

1. Campbell Wallace (B2) – 9 catches
2. Praneel Singh (D2) – 7
3. Robert Fynes-Clinton (C4) – 7

Wicket-keeping

1. Sam Kirkegard (C2 Blue) – 19 dismissals (16 catches & 3 stumpings)
2. Aden Hanich (C4) – 12 catches
3. Manoj Indulkar (D1 Red) – 10 dismissals (9 catches & 1 stumping)

Club Wisden

Batting	Grade	Performances
2,000 runs		
Tarun Lath	C2	2,000 runs Vs St Ives @ Dural Park 21/11/2020
Brent Larkham	A2	2,000 runs Vs Castle Hill RSL @ Caddies Creek 27/02
1,000 runs		
Ramil De Silva	D1 Red	1,000 runs Vs WPHC Blue @ Montview West, 09/01/2021
Tim Worthington	B2	1,000 runs Vs Kissing Point @ Auluba Oval, 09/01/2021
Steve Burrows	C2 Blue	1,000 runs Vs WPHC Red @ Campbell Park, 16/01/2021
Praneel Singh	D2	1,000 runs Vs Kissing Point @ Kenthurst Park, 16/01/2021
Nick Duck	C2 Red	1,000 runs Vs WPHC Blue @ Northholm Grammar 06/02/2021
Bowling		
300 wickets		
Rowan Keating	A2	300 wickets Vs Castle Hill RSL @ Caddies Creek 27/02/2021
100 wickets		
Tarun Lath	C3	100 wickets Vs Castle Hill @ Northholm 5/12
Ryan Loveridge	B1 Blue	100 wickets Vs Berowra @ Dural Park 12/12
Amith Ninan	D2	100 wickets Vs Thornleigh2 Thornleigh Park, 27/02/2021
50 wickets		
Jackson Preedy	A1	50 Vs Glenorie @ Kenthurst Park 7/11/2020
Paul Vink	C2 Blue	50 Vs St Ives @ Dural Park 21/11/2020
Tanay Hira	B1 Blue	50 wickets Vs WPHC Red @ Greenway Park, 16/01/2021
Connor Mayoh	D1 Red	50 wickets Vs WPHC Red @ Howson Ave 30/01/2021
Xander Vink	C2 Blue	50 wickets Vs Thornleigh @ Greenway Park 27/3/2021 – Grand Final

Partnerships

4th wicket C4 Grade Association Record partnership 115
Alistair Fullerton (63*) & Luke Fullerton (60) Vs Kissing Point @ Auluba 20/02/2021

10th wicket C4 Grade Association Record partnership 48 runs
Robert Fynes-Clinton (22*) & Muditha Dissanayake (22) Vs Castle Hill @ Fred Caterson 4; 21/11/2020

Grand Final Reports
B2 Grade (Phill)
WPHC 198 & 5/80 defeated Castle Hill 130 &4/156 dec
Day 1

After reports that parts of Kenthurst number 1 were underwater earlier in the week, we weren't quite sure what to expect from the conditions at the ground today... but upon first glance, it was clear we were up for a cracking day for a Grand Final.

The sun was out, the pitch was flat with a nice tinge of green, and the outfield looked fast (but thankfully, dry). Skipper Tim Worthington continued our good fortune with the toss this year, and we decided to lead with our strength and send Castle Hill in to bat.

First, the team photo to commemorate the year... but wait, where are Basil & Steve? Late for the grand final photo? Unacceptable. Basil eventually rocked up with some bizarre excuse about an aquarium emergency (really? sounds a litte...fishy), and Steve... well we're not really sure why he was late, but can only assume that his punting algorithm malfunctioned again, likely placing hundreds of bets on his behalf on the roughest nags it could find at Gosford races.

Anyway, they made it in the end. Full credit to Harry for role modelling social distancing, managing to keep himself at least 1.5m from any of his other players for the team photo. Unless Rick used Panoramic mode, the odds of him making an appearance in the final shot are slim.

On to the game. We opted for Hando's at both ends to open the attack, and it didn't take long for Jack to make an impact, with a skied ball flying straight to Scott Chapman at square leg. Just as he was about to swallow it, Campbell "The Seagull" Wallace snatched it from his grasp, after running 20 metres unnecessarily and making the latest call in the history of cricket. He held it though... Great start. 1/1.

Not to be outdone, Tom broke through in the next over with a lovely ball that nipped in and cramped their no. 3 who chopped it down onto his stumps. 2/2. Looking good.

Momentum shifted back to Castle Hill after this, as their skipper (who's amassed a mountain of runs this year) kicked into gear and put on a partnership of 65 with their number 4. We were prepared for this and had strong fields set, but he still found the gaps and hit some cracking shots to all parts of the field. He gave one chance, a full blooded drive he smoked to Harry at cover who dove full stretch and looked to have grasped it, only to have it spill out after hitting the ground. Later, Harry would disclose the twisted pleasure he got from seeing older brother Tom get spanked for 16 runs in 3 balls soon before the chance came his way.

Did he drop the catch to see his brother continue to suffer at the hands of this fellow? Maybe we'll never know...

In the end, it was Scott Chapman who made the breakthrough, with a short ball that held up in the pitch and got the opposing skipper playing a pull much too early, only to drag it down onto the stumps. 3/67.

Their next partnership was very park cricket in nature, with edges over the slips and cross-bat swings galore - but it was pretty effective for them until Steve found the perfect line to get a juicy edge which Tim gloved comfortably. 4/114... still feeling pretty confident.

This triggered the Castle Hill collapse, and in a stellar session we bowled 13 overs, 8 maidens, 7/14 to bring the innings to a close. Jack and Steve both ended up with 3 wickets each, 1 each to Scott and Tom, and Alec Silins had a lovely cameo in the final over taking 2/1 off 5 balls to clean up the tail.

130.

Definitely achievable... but in the back of our minds lingered the thought that we'd fallen short against this bunch twice in the regular season, largely undone by their slow bowlers tempting us into wild shots that rarely end up where we wanted them to.

Campbell Wallace opened up in the same way he has in a number of games this year, thumping the first ball of the innings to the boundary to make an immediate statement. But at the other end, Jack Hando fell cheaply and Campbell followed soon after. 2/19 off 8. Feeling a little shaky.

Determined not to see us fall to a similar fate as our previous encounters, Tim Worthington and Basil Butler dug in and got us through to tea and beyond, before Tim fell for 10 to an unlucky ball that came back off his pads onto the stumps.

Ben Dunkerley joined Basil and looked to be hitting the ball beautifully, but struggled to find the gaps with his shots and eventually was bowled for 13. The 36th over was a bad one for us, with Basil (16) and Steve Ozvatic falling in consecutive balls. Now it's 6/64, drinks, and things were looking a little gloomy.

But this team bats long. Very long. And Tom & Alec were at the crease, who faced a similar (in fact, worse) situation in the grand final last year turned the game around. Tom took the lead, playing smart, getting well behind the ball, and picking the right balls to send to the boundary. Alec at the other end was ably assisting, not getting many himself, but playing an important support role as Tom stepped up the attack, until Alec finally misjudged a quick single and was run out for 6.

Scott came to the crease with only a few overs remaining, and from ball 1 looked keen to get the target as quickly as possible. Sure, he didn't connect with anything... but at least his lofty swings leading up to the close of play added some extra excitement to the final stages of the contest. We passed their total in the final over, and will start tomorrow on 131, with Tom on 56 with Scott on 4.

With 90 overs to go, it's not over by any means, certainly not against the highest scoring team in the B2 comp. But it was a nice feeling to end the day with an innings victory, and we'll take confidence from that into our final day of cricket for 20/21 tomorrow.

Day 2

With the game poised for an exciting finish, an unexpected start to the day awaited us. An errant sprinkler had run amok overnight under the heavy covers, turning one end of the pitch into quite the quagmire and delaying play while the teams did all they could to dry out the end. Thankfully, we only lost 45 minutes, and given the rapid over rate yesterday we were confident that we could still get a full day's play in.

Starting just 1 run ahead with 3 wickets in hand, it was a simple equation. Bat for as long as possible to set as big a lead as we could. Tom & Scott were watchful early on, but quickly stepped up the run rate as they got more comfortable with the conditions. It certainly wasn't easy going, particularly at the sticky end, where balls were regularly kicking up off a length and keeping us on our toes. Scott was eventually dismissed for a very valuable 26.

Cam Bliss then joined Tom at the crease, looking as solid as he had all year and supporting Tom well before being caught for 11. With 9 wickets down, Tom decided it was time to accelerate to get the team the biggest lead possible, taking more chances to try and find the rope. Finally, just on lunch, Tom's innings drew to a close on 90 just before lunch, with the team on 198. With this most crucial of innings, he notched up the highest individual score of any of our batsmen this year, secured an invaluable 68 run lead for the team, and put us well and truly in the driver's seat of this grand final.

With 2 sessions to go, the game very much hinged on the ability for Castle HIll to score runs at a rapid rate, and we knew that this would largely (if not entirely) depend on the performance of their skipper. We also knew that this pitch was a doozy, and with the extra speed and bounce of our bowlers we should be able to extract much more out of it than they could.

We opened with Scott and Jack today, and once again Jack took a wicket in the 2nd over. Same batsman, dismissed in the same way, caught by the same fieldsman, on the same score (0). At the other end, we focused on containing their skipper, setting fields to restrict his run scoring opportunities and covering the boundary for his strongest shots. This nearly paid off, with a few tough chances going to ground or falling just out of reach. One of these was a spectacular effort off Cameron, taking an incredible boundary catch in mid-air before having to throw the ball back into the field of play to avoid it going over the boundary.

While their skipper managed to clear the rope on a few occasions, the other end was completely choked up and the run rate clearly wasn't accelerating as quickly as they would have liked. All our bowlers contained beautifully, and while the Castle Hill skipper's class shone through on his way to an unbeaten hundred, they just hadn't scored quickly enough to apply scoreboard pressure on us. They declared with a lead of 88 and less than an hour and a half to play.

Even with the pitch deteriorating we felt a very good chance of collecting the runs, but we had some wobbles early. Campbell, Basil & Tim all fell cheaply facing up at the rough end of the pitch, and at 3/10 with 20 overs remaining Castle Hill started to get some belief back. It took a strong and confident 35 from Ben Dunkerley, exceptionally supported by the patient and watchful Alec Silins (20), to get us back on track. Once they felt the energy levels drop from the opposition, they both started aggressively punishing bad deliveries. Ben and Alec both fell with only a handful of overs left, and Cameron and Tom comfortably steered us through to 6pm to secure the title thanks to our first innings victory.

What a tremendous and fitting end to the season. Both teams demonstrated exceptional teamwork and sportsmanship over the past 2 days, and particular thanks goes to Castle Hill for the genuine goodwill that they brought to the contest and the way in which they fought right to the end. And a huge thanks to all the friends, family and teammates from across WPHC who came down to support the boys in their pursuit of the title. It made a great difference to team morale and the wisdom and advice from other senior club members was particularly welcome today.

To our team, congratulations! You have worked hard to support each other throughout the year, and played great cricket in the progress. A well-deserved title, and you all should be proud of your efforts. Let's do it all again next year.

And the final callout goes to Phill Hando, who has worked tirelessly for us throughout the year as our skipper, our coach, our manager and our mentor. You've done an outstanding job all season and have the gratitude from all of us for the efforts you've put in to ensure we're at our best each week. Big big thanks to you, we've been lucky to have you steering the ship.

Back row:
Steve Ozvatic, Scott Chapman, Tom Hando, Peter Lee (Umpire), Tim Worthington, Phill Hando (Captain), Damien Lewis (Umpire), Basil Butler, Sam Hando
Front row:
Ben Dunkerley, Cameron Bliss, Alec Silins, Campbell Wallace, Jack Hando, Harry Hando
Absent: Mithun Mithun

C2 Grade
WPHC Blue (Buzz) 60 & 9 dec. 101 lost outright to Thornleigh 69 & 4/95
Day 1

Wow! What a day.

I think we all ran through most possible emotions today, from excitement to despair and then back through to belief.

With Thornleigh winning the toss, they still had to have a pow wow to decide what to do. Whilst Buzz was telepathically sending messages for them to bat, unfortunately they sent us in. There was some good bowling from the Opposition, but we just kept losing wickets at the wrong moments, and many of our batsman would love to have that split second back again to play different shots I'm sure.

Xander Vink stood almost alone in putting together one of the best innings of the season, especially given the fall of wickets around him. His 26* was invaluable and showed what was possible as the rest of the side folded for only 60 all out. I'm pretty sure Garry (those in the know will recognise our biggest canine supporter) was there to see him do so well.

For some unknown reason, teams playing in the Grand Final play two days of 80 overs a day instead of the usual 70 overs in every other two day match in the season. For those who have graced the playing grades of C Grade and lower, you will know that 160 overs is a very long time for teams of this level to play out. That being said, it may just be the saviour we need. Knowing there was so much time left in the match gave us the drive to know all was not lost from one bad display at the batting crease and that this game had more twists and turns to come.

Knowing the Opposition had one stand out batsman, we looked to tie him up early and challenge him with something different, so opened the attack with Paul Vink and Buzz to see if we could challenge him early with some variation of pace and style of bowling.

This batsman came out all guns blazing as we knew he had done to other Opposition teams during the season, but Paul (still runs like Pamela Anderson) Vink almost had his man in the first over but the catch fell short. There were attacking, but unimpressive shots played to take the score to 20 in the 4th over. Hmmm, maybe this plan wasn't working, but then Buzz managed to grab the breakthrough (not the desired batsman, but an early set-back for the opposition none the less) to have the score at 1/20.

The introduction of our speed ace Josh (I got a 7 for) Elliott bled a few runs in his first over, but with an incredibly accurate and challenging spell from the other end from Pamela Vink, Josh then started to hit his straps, ramp up the speed and aggression and destroyed their number three batsman's stumps with a scorching yorker. 2/38.

Vink Snr toiled away unrewarded but produced some of the most unplayable deliveries of the season without the luck to grab a scalp. Enter Xander 'I've got a new car wanna see it?' Vink who ambled in first ball and promptly dismissed their best batsman that we were targeting to have them 3/49.

From there on in we really piled on the pressure, Josh was just too quick for the remaining batsmen and started to have them ducking and diving and hot stepping around the crease just to lay bat on ball, he grabbed the next pole - possibly the most satisfying wicket of the day. A young bowler in the opposition had no hesitation to continually give our batsmen 'verbals' throughout his bowling stint, so he was greeted to the crease with a searing bouncer that laid him flat on his back, missed the next fire bolt from Josh and then tamely spooned one to mid wicket, seemingly happy to be back in the pavillion -4/50.

Xander was hitting a great line and clean bowled their Captain - 5/50. A few more streaky runs eked out before Josh struck again 6/58. We're on a roll here folks and in great C2 Blue spirit, we knew we'd evened up the match. Now to press hard to close this out. Josh tore in again and the batsman skied a loose shot, The Quan took flight from Mid off and covered what will undoubtably be 30 metres in stories told at the Club in years to come, but somehow covered a heap of ground and managed to cleanly snare a fantastic catch - 7/58.

We're still in this for a first innings win! The next partnership chanced their arm and managed to trip over the line past our score, but had by this stage entered the 'belief' stage of emotions. Josh cleaned up another to grab his 'Michelle'- 8/61.

This was a magnificent spell of fast bowling. 11 overs straight of fast, attacking, aggressive and clever bowling that yielded the stunning figures of 11-3-5-20. Awesome stuff to drag us back into the match.

It was then up to Bishy (apparently the Opposition have read our match reports, because they were sledging Bishy as being the 'lesser' Bish?! - Thanks Stuey). He grabbed the next wicket 9/69. Buzz ended the innings next over to have them all out 69.

This bowling effort was continually backed up by some super efforts in the field with great catches by Peter Lees, Quan, Harri, Connor, Tarun and Riley

Wickets went to: Josh 5, Xander and Buzz 2 each, and 1 for the 'still playing cricket this weekend' Bish.

Game on Folks!

With 7 overs to survive, we unfortunately lost a wicket, but we are pretty much even at the start of play tomorrow, and with a positive plan agreed to tonight at the Club, we'll head out tomorrow as definitely a team with everything to play for and the talent and belief that we have so much time left in the game that we can force a victory!

Thanks for all the supporters who came, cheered, then consoled, and then cheered again! If you're free tomorrow, we'd love your support on what should be a thrilling game of cricket.

Nothing to lose from here - everything to gain!

Day 2

Unfortunately, despite great fight shown by the team, we couldn't bring home the win.

We started the day with positive plans in place to bat for a further 30 odd overs and set a target as close as 100 as we could, then give ourselves a minimum of 45 overs to try and take the 10 wickets we needed to grab the Premiership.

The first part went to plan, mainly from another commanding innings from Dylan with 48 out of our total of 9 dec for 101. Setting 93 for them to chase - or 10 wickets for us to win.

So, on to part two.

Sadly this didn't go to the script and despite some challenging bowling, the opposition batsmen took risks and got away with them. Countless balls just clearing fielders or just missing the edge of the bat. We grabbed 4 wickets to keep us in the hunt, but alas they snuck past us and took the win.

All in all though, a fantastic effort to have been Minor Premiers after going up a grade this season. Disappointing to lose the big one, but in reflection it was a great season spent with a top bunch of blokes who are all keen to back up next season and finish the job by going one better!

Thanks again to all the supporters who came along and buoyed us with their enthusiasm.

Mostly though, thanks to my team who have made this another enjoyable season playing for the best Club in the universe!

The Players are (left to right): Paul Vink, Peter Lees, Xander Vink, Riley Paton, Steve 'Buzz' Burrows (C), Connor Hindmarsh, Harikrishnan Sankar, Sam Kirkegard, Tarun Lath, Dylan Bish, Steve Quanborough, Josh Elliott. Greenway Park - 26th & 27th March 2021

C4 Grade (Rob)
WPHC 113 & 3/49 defeated Berowra 89
Day 1

Hopes were high as the team arrived at Normanhurst Park on Day 1.

As usual Captain Rob lost the toss and we were put into bat. The first few overs were solid with Aden and Will reacting well to the opening bowling before both fell quickly within each other. Kamran followed and batted for a well fought 20 with some lovely shots. The Fullerton brothers supported well until the team fell to 5/57.

In came Daniel who batted brilliantly for a 24 and deserved far more. The lower order was able to chip in with a few runs and do the job that the top order couldn't. Bowled out for 113 in 65 overs, the team knew that it was going to be a tough job ahead. Out we headed to the middle for an hour before stumps with Reyhan grabbing an early LBW before taking a caught behind with a great catch behind the stumps from Aden a couple overs later.

Mudi then took a third wicket with a solid catch from Pravin with Daniel then taking the fourth wicket with a Glenn Maxwellesque leave from the batsman leaving Berowra at 4/29 at stumps on Day 1.

Day 2

The Sunday arrived quickly and the younger fellas arrived early to ensure a quick game of footy tennis to warm up. It worked with Daniel taking an early wicket before the batsman completely took out his own wicket in what was a moment of madness.

A couple of fruitful overs for Berowra ensued before Mudi was able to strike three times before the lunch break to reduce Berowra to 8/77. After the break, spirits were high as the volume in the field increased with notable voice cracks from Zia and Will before the ninth wicket fell when Aden caught a brilliant delivery from Rey behind the stumps.

The two tail-enders batted for what felt like ages until Luke "Junior" Fullerton struck demolishing middle stump. Bowled out for 89. The boys knew the job was done until Berowra's skipper decided they'll field again.

Out went Aden and Will again and played well to the tea break with both not out at 0/14. Both batsmen were batting well before both openers were given out to questionable decisions. Daniel and Pravin batted nicely before Daniel was bowled for 19 and just as the Berowra skipper called it.

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook were champions with an undefeated 2021 so far.

Well done to all the boys who have worked incredibly hard all season and have played some brilliant cricket as well. Let's go again next season!!!!

The players are:
Back Row from left to right: Kamran Bloach, Zia Ahmed, Rob Hanich, Muditha Dissanayake, Roger Friend, Rob Fynes-Clinton, Pravin Chanmugam.
Front Row from left to right: Luke Fullerton, Will McLennan, Daniel Vink, Reyhan Ahmed, Alastair Fullerton, Aden Hanich.
Normanhurst Oval - 27th & 28th March 2021.

D1 Grade
WPHC Blue (Ross S) 181 defeated Hornsby 141
Day 1

The team has been really nervous all week not knowing what the weather was going to do and what the state of our ground would be. It's the first GF for most of the team and I reckon I have seen close to 200 WhatsApp messages going backward and forward.

Once we knew where we were playing the anticipation became real.....I know half of the guys were up well past midnight the night before the game messaging....nervous tension...

Everyone arrived at the ground over an hour before play excited to be involved in a Grand Final.

Also the first time they have played with "real" umpires... The ground itself had just been mown, but was still lush and as it turned out very difficult to hit a boundary....the skipper was really hoping to win the toss and send Hornsby into bat, play to our strengths and protect us from our batting collapses that have dogged us all season. Unfortunately the Opposition stole the heads call (which usually works for Ross) and without any hesitation sent us into bat.

Instructions were clear... please try and preserve your wicket, runs will come if we manage to bat some decent overs and let's build some partnerships. The left hand/right hand combination of Muthindra and Gihan started slowly but soundly, however we lost our 1st wicket early, 1-8....

We then dug in given some solid Opposition bowling, runs were very hard to come by and as the season has panned out our woes continued and we lost a string of early wickets, mainly due to some good bowling and fielding. At 4-35 off 25 overs we were in heaps of trouble.

Ani and Ayush then put on 48 for the 5th wicket to get us back into the game. Ayush (12) was dismissed by another great catch....in the outfield, the story of his season. Unfortunately Ani (38) soon followed...just after the drinks break - 6/93 off 45 overs….just not enough runs.

However, the real pleasing thing about this side is the never say die attitude....in hot and humid conditions and with a very slow outfield, partnerships of 28 (7th wicket), 41 (8th wicket), 6 (9th wicket) and 13 for the (10th wicket) saw us all out for 181, a few minutes before stumps off 79.3 overs. We almost lasted the whole day.

Our best effort of the season by far....Contributions from Ram 35, Sach 21 no, Ross 13, Mike 7, and Anik 3.....(yes Anik who fractured his Ankle 6 weeks ago and was given the all clear by his specialist as long as no running) got us there. Also Kudos to Ram who retired hurt after fainting, then returning to the crease after a good rest and cool down.

Running 8 twos in a very short time, was just too much...very scary for umpires, fielders and his team mates....be rest assured he has recovered well and is all ok for tomorrow.

So we enter day 2 in a solid position. We know the field is slow as we only hit 10 boundaries in 80 overs... Looking forward to a solid bowling and fielding performance to protect 181 runs.

Team is excited about what Sunday will bring.

Day 2

Premiers.....yet to sink in....and today was a comeback to remember.

With a healthy score set on Day 1....we were buoyant and ready to go. During our team huddle on day 2 we talked about staying tough, patient and seizing the critical moments when they came.....prophetic.

Ram and Happy started strongly and runs were difficult to come by in the early overs.....an early wicket, when Happy clean bowled one of the openers was exactly what we needed. Hornsby 1-7 off 6 overs.

With this dismissal, both Hornsby batsmen then decided to go on a counter attack. With the ground playing significantly faster, and a large number of aerial cuts and edges over the slips the score advanced quicker than we had hoped.

At the first Drinks break the score had progressed to -39 off just 14 overs.....we were not bowling or fielding badly....the batting was aggressive and luck was with the batting side. At 1-49 Hornsby were cruising when Ani surprised the batsman with a slower ball that was scooped up to Mid off...a great catch to Muthindra.....Hornsby 2-49 off 19 overs. Our bowling was steady until the first break but we had no more success Hornsby at the session 1 break 2-59.....with their best 2 batsmen in.....

The second session was a real tough one for us....no wickets, 30 overs and 73 runs. Both Hornsby batsmen intent on protecting their wickets, pushing for quick singles, and running plenty of 2's.

Buoyed by loud support from the sideline for every run the batters became more confident, and try as we could things did not work out for us. Unfortunately the Hornsby opener was dropped 3 times in the session, our fielding got a little sloppy and the energy was disappearing in humid conditions. At 2-122 off 49 overs the 2nd break could not come quick enough for us. Heads were definitely down. Hornsby needing just 60 runs to win with 8 wickets remaining and an unbroken second wicket partnership of 73.

But how things can change.....as we walked onto the field after the break we talked about being tough and making it hard as possible for the batters....the strategy was to bring everyone in, and bring our opening bowlers back on to try frustrate the batters and force an error.

Worked perfectly .... in the space of 4 overs Ram and Happy dismissed both batsmen, including an opportune stumping by Aayush off Ram. So at 4-127, our energy levels increased and our team mojo returned as the Hornsby bench went silent.....8 straight maidens as we tightened things further.

A double wicket maiden to Ani, suddenly had Hornsby on the back foot.

At 6/133, needing a further 49 runs to win we felt we were now well on top and went full blown attack.....further wickets to Ram, Ani, and Sach in the space of 6 overs and just 3 runs saw Hornsby collapse to 9/138.

With just one wicket required and the batters not intent to score, the ball was thrown to Mike. 2nd ball clean bowled.....

The skipper was crushed by a gigantic huddle, Anik and Jake managed to sprint in from the boundary, a great moment to savour after being in such a bad position.

Taking 8/19 was an unbelievable achievement, and one that the guys can be proud off. A lesson learned... never give up, you are always in the game no matter how dark things seem.

Our bowling was great...we built pressure by bowling an incredible 20 maiden overs off 69.2 overs bowled...Seven of those in a 15 over spell from Aayush (0-24 off 15 overs straight). Wickets to Ani 4-10 off 10 overs, Ram 2-23 off 12 overs, Happy 2-33 off 15, Sach 1-4 off 5, Mike 1-0.....Gihan 0-19 and Muthindra 0-13 bowled tightly and without luck.

A big thank you to Lachlan Edwards who subbed for us all innings, roaming in the covers and at point..... Saving heaps of runs.....

An unbelievable team effort.

The players are from left to right:
<u>Back row:</u>
Peter Schouten (Umpire), Lachlan Edwards (sub), Gihan Thebuwanage, Muthindra Gunesakara, Anik Singh , Aayush Tamhankar, Sachman Maini, Alf James (Umpire), Mike Kinchington.
<u>Front row:</u>
Aniket Mahindre, Happy Rana, Brahadesh Ramamurthy, Ross Smith (C), Jake Smith, Waman Tamhankar.

D2 Grade
WPHC (Nirav) 151 defeated St Ives 59
Day 1

We arrived at the ground, ready to put ourselves in a good position for Day 2.

The outfield was lightening quick with a great pitch in the middle. Nirav lost the toss which wasn't even surprising for him after all his bad luck in the coin flipping business this season. The batsmen started padding up despite the butterflies in their stomachs.

After a few overs, Vishal attempted to dispatch a short ball over long on, but the bowler's great inswinger got his stumps. Praneel and Arun played brilliant and sensible cricket as shots started to flow from both ends.

A fast-paced bowler changed to around the wicket and that angle got to Arun as he was bowled after 9 hard earned runs.

Lakshya was bowled for a duck with the same trick in the same over.

From one end of the pitch, the ball was bouncing all funky and one ball stayed very low and went under Luke's bat onto the stumps. The pavilion was quite stressed at the point as only a few singles had been taken after the second wicket.

Parin and Lakshya put some music for the scorers, somehow that resulted in fours and sixes from Praneel and good support from Agniva. A six almost went over the M2 wall. Unfortunately, Praneel scooped a short ball up in the air and was out after adding 49 valuable runs.

Parin got out for his third duck in 5 innings this season but was determined to make up for it with the ball. After making a few runs, Nirav was given LBW by the official umpire. Then came the ultimate partnership between Amit and Siby. They kept getting those sneaky runs from all directions. Even though, all the fielders were very close, both batsmen kept adding runs by taking quick singles.

Another amazing swing ball saw the end of Siby. Tonoy and Amit in the end added some precious runs to come to a respectable total of 151 as we cheered for every single and even defensive blocks by the end of the innings.

After some fielding warm up, Praneel and Parin opened the bowling but the batsmen were out there just to get some quick runs. Lakshya and Nirav also bowled 3 quick overs between them and Nirav's bowing is still as tricky for them in the third match against us this season as it was in the first one.

We are determined and confident to get those 10 wickets quickly tomorrow and open all those beer bottles for the after party!

Day 2

Grand Final Day 2, perfect conditions for us to take those 10 wickets and win the championship. Thank you to all the spectators for raising our spirits both days.

Everyone came early and did a short warm session in the nets. Captain Nirav was awake since 4 in the morning watching movies and thinking about the game as were many other players probably. We were determined to get that trophy after months of training sessions, sometimes even 3-4 times a week.

The dressing room was a bit tense after St Ives' overnight score. But Amith and Siby started well and kept their line and length on the money throughout their spell. Amith got the first wicket (lbw) through some amazing variations in swing and bounce. Siby on the other end kept building up the pressure for the young batsman. Eventually, the batsman got a thick edge off one of Siby's good length balls and the leather landed in Agniva's safe hands.

Their top batsman, came to the crease looking to bat long. But Siby and Amith's tight line just frustrated him, and Agniva took a great catch considering how fast that ball went to him. Soon after Nirav and Praneel started their spell looking to keep the pressure high for the St Ives team. Nirav's spin and Praneel's pace was almost unplayable. They kept getting many chances and the game had almost stalled.

Then suddenly their patient opener started trying to get some runs off Nirav's bowling and scooped the ball very high up in the air. Lakshya called for it loud and clear and took the catch as he felt the pressure floating away from his shoulders after. The wickets then just kept coming from both ends.

Another batsman trying the glory shot missed the ball completely and was a victim to Luke's lightning-fast stumping. The umpires were spot on throughout the match to give him out as his bat was still in the air. Praneel's quick pace finished the innings with a clean middle stump hit for the final wicket. We are the Premiers!

Congrats to Nirav for leading us to victory in his first season as the captain. Congrats to Siby and Parin for breaking a 40-year-old bowling average record. And finally, congrats to the whole team who gave it their all in the field and outside to get this well-deserved result.

We finished the day by celebrating at the club with the other Premiers, congratulations to all!

The players are:
<u>Back row:</u> Armaan Desai (sub), Laksh Rao, Vishal Nathan, Praneel Singh, Parin Pillamari, Nirav Desai & Luke Christensen
<u>Front row:</u> Amith Ninan, Agniva Chakraborty, Siby Joseph, Arun Chaudhuri, Tonoy Ghosh
Cheltenham Oval 27th & 28th March 2021.

Record low score
D2 Grade
WPHC 7/143 defeated Kissing Point Red 6

Wow! Wow! & Wow! First up, read the match report of the D2 game Vs Kissing Point – the Team that was playing D1 before Christmas.

Some highlights worth calling out:

- Praneel Singh took 3/2 (5 overs)
- Parin Pillamarri took 6/4 (4.5 overs) there was one run out
- The boys bowled 7 players – last week they bowled out 9 players
- Of the 6 runs scored by Kissing Point, 3 were Sundries with 2 of these from Parin's first ball.

Now on to the records.

- At Association Level this is the lowest D2 score
- At Club level it is the lowest score by any Opposition side in all Grades. The previous record was 12 runs by C1 in 1967/68 against Arcadia
- It beat the previous record low score by a WPHC D2 side of 34 on 15 September 2001 Vs Kenthurst @ James Park
- In terms of Club low scores, the lowest in our history was when our B1 side was dismissed for 4 runs in the Grand Final played against Perseverance at Campbell Park in 1967/68.

ANECDOTES

Covid-19 – how this season was different

2020/21 was a season like none before it – we had to play under CovidSafe protocols. Apart from starting the season late and having games cancelled this meant:

- No hand shaking before, during or after games
- Team sheets are to be avoided with MyCricket Team listing preferred
- Umpires no longer hold caps
- During play all players must be at least 1.5 metres apart. The only exception is between w/k and 1slips field
- No use of sweat or spit to polish the ball
- The ball will need to be sanitised after the fall of every wicket
- There is no sharing of any equipment
- Dressing rooms were closed
- Club kits are a thing of the past

The following video probably best summarises the Covd-19 requirements and the game management protocols: www.youtube.com/watch?v=CnG_hQAKvXA&list=PLOL4lxepHZIr8oSk4vPZP_HqjuAqjexRp

"One Day you might play for Australia"

Lisa Sthalekar, is one of Australia's greatest Women cricket players and was recently inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame in recognition of her amazing achievements – www.hillstohawkesbury.com.au/lisa-sthalekar-a-fairy-tale/ .

This brings to mind a story about Lisa. Way back in January 1991 I was sitting next to Lisa at North Sydney Oval. She was 12 years of age, with her dad and playing Juniors for West Penno. They were at North Sydney Oval watching Australia play India and another West Penno Women's 'great', Denise Annetts who was on her way to another century was batting.

Lisa still remembers the conversation that went along the lines of *"One day you might even have the chance of playing for Australia."*

Her reply to this question: *"I will."*

187 games for Australia, 3,913 runs, and 229 wickets later – if only we knew then what we know now.

Lisa Sthalekar with the World Cup trophy,
Australia v West Indies,
Final, Women's World Cup 2013,
Mumbai, February 18, 2013

While on Women's cricket

At the start of the season we got a great email from Belinda Clarke, Executive General Manager of Community Cricket for Cricket Australia acknowledging that we are one of the top 30 Club's Australia wide for Women and Girls Cricket.

"West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club has played a vital role in the amazing success story of Australian women's cricket over the last four years…Your Club has been identified as one of the leading clubs in Australia for girls' participation"

One to watch

We had an interesting Registration in Junior Blasters this season – William Thornley. What makes this interesting is that William's dad is Dominic. Dom played for Australia A, Captained NSW and was an outstanding 1st Grade player for Northern District, IPL with the Mumbai Indians plus was our Club Patron in the early 2000's. His highest 1st class score is 261 Vs West Australia when he set an Australian record of 11 x 6's in an innings.

Anyway, Dom has put his hand up to help Coach the side along with mum Katie. He should go OK as a Coach given that he is the current WBBL Head Coach for the Sydney Sixers.

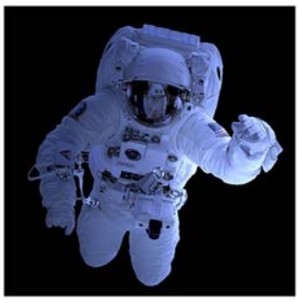
While on Coaching

A feel good story in these tough times.

Our Junior Blasters (5 to 7 years) have a reputation over many years of being an outstanding nursery for young cricketers to the extent that we have families travel from all over Sydney to play with us. This year is special again. Apart from our amazing Coaches (Dom being just one) we also have: Dani Chivers, our 16 year old Head Coach won the Cricket Australia "Young Community Leader of the Year' in July this year. Plus we have 2 x Blowfly Cricketers, Maddie and Akanksha who are both accredited Level 1 Coaches and will be coaching to help them on their coaching pathway.

Dom Thornely, former Club Patron, Australia A, NSW Captain and current NSW Breakers Coach with our all Girls Team. In the backrow are our Junior Blasters Coaches Akanksha & Maddie plus Danielle Chivers (Head Coach).
Edward Bennett Oval 24th October 2020.

Space Cadets



The Space Cadet Award is a prestigious achievement for those privileged enough to be considered for this memorable award that acknowledges random acts of basically being dumb.

Rob 'sharp as a bowling ball' Knapman
Rob is our B1 Blue skipper. After winning the toss and with rain around the boys were 1/59 and doing it easy. When a wicket fell it went downhill fast. A wicket fell and padded up to bat was Asees Rajput who was a week 1 player only. Asees explained to Rob, numerous times, that it may not be a good idea to bat him as Nikhil Ninan, a "Supreme batsman" according to the great Eric Junkkari was his replacement next week. Anyway, a wicket fell with what turned out to be 3 balls before rain stopped play and the 2/59 became 3/59 with Nikhil not being able to bat next weekend.

Our B2 side

The story from Rob (C4 skipper) is a good one:

We had a lengthy lightning/rain delay out at Northholm. After a little while, some of our more senior team members Zia, Kamran and Sreeni decided it was time for a proper afternoon tea and hopped into their car in search for a cafe. The problem was they were probably enjoying it so much they didn't hurry coming back.

Anyway, rain moved on and 30 mins passed since the last lightning strike and we were out on the field again.....but no Zia, Kamran and Sreeni in sight. Reyhan who came down to support his team (not playing due to HSC) had to sub field. But we were still 2 players down.

After two overs they slowly drove into the carpark, finished their coffees and came onto the field the following over. Hopefully not something that happens too often this season.

What makes this worse is Sreeni was halfway through an over when we left the field, so another bowler had to finish the over for him!"

Connor Mayoh (D1 Red)

On one of those 40+ degree days, Connor had the foresight to bring along an esky and ice to keep the drinks cold. The problem was that the esky was one of those large rounded ones. The lid, was one of those square ones that was never going to fit. This is where the genius status of our space cadet comes in. After about 3 minutes of manipulating the 'never to fit lid' one of the players mentioned straight away that the lid was never going to fit. The reality then struck – the lid was never going to fit. Such special awareness and persistence in trying to achieve the impossible is sheer genius.

Tarun Lath (C2 Blue)

Fresh from recently scoring his 2,000th run and taking his 100th wicket Tarun Lath (C2 Blue) could do no wrong. During the game we had a runner adding 3 players into the batting mix. Tarun, being a highly experienced cricketer, knew the problems that can occur with runners. So none of this marking the extended crease line with his boot. Tarun to the rescue – out comes the can of spray on chalk.

These spray cans are difficult things to master – they had a push button and a child proof safety pin. Anyway, Tarun understood the push button part but the challenge came with the safety pin. The result, Tarun ended up covered in chalk.

Quote of the week

When discussing his cricket background Marcus Exton (D1 Red) made the brutal, but fair, assessment to his Teammates *"…I have never played in a good side."*

Dual record holder

Billy Gaunt (A1 or is it A2) set a record when he became just the 2nd player in our 62 years of A1 Grade History to be selected as A1 Vice-Captain on debut. He may well have set another record and this assessment by Gunny (A2 Skipper) puts up a strong case:

"Also shout-out to Billy 'dropped' Gaunt, who before even setting foot on the field has been dropped from A Grade back to A2's. A truly remarkable achievement, surely a record. Might need to check the books on that one Rosco."

Try as we can do put a positive spin on this one, the facts speak for themselves.

Safe scoring

The photo shows Dave Larkham (left) and Marcus Exton scoring. The new Covid-19 rules about social distancing also applies to scorers. In this case Marcus is taking it to another level.

Dave Larkham and Marcus Exton (right) practicing safe scoring for the D1 Red 7/147 dec Vs Castle Hill 2/47 before rain washed out play – Arcadia Oval(31 October 2020).

Reelin in the years

For the many of us who have come through our Juniors, the U13's have our longest standing Award, the prestigious 'Charles Booth Memorial Award' that was first presented in 1969/70 to recognise the amazing work that Charles Booth did as a pioneer in developing Juniors in our Club. Charles was the Manager / Coach and unfortunately died in 1969.

This photo is of Charles' U10 Team in 1967/68. A number of these players went on to be very good players: Graeme Ellerton (back row 2nd from right) who regularly took 50+ wickets in a season, Phillip Kneale (centre with bat) who was one of the best bats in the Association and Phillip Smith (far right, front row) who played A1 between 1974/75 and 75/76.

It is awarded on the criteria always emphasised by Charles: the player must show the highest standards of sportsmanship, fair play and commitment to the team. The player does not have to be the best player but this is not a condition. Indeed, many of the winners are among our most outstanding junior and later senior players.

Current day Seniors Players to have won this Award are: Michael Richards (2005/06 now in A1), Lachlan McBrien (2006/07 also in A1), Cameron Bish (2012/13 in C2), Connor Hindmarsh (2014/15 in C2) and Shaan Bakshi (2016/17 playing B1).

Spirit of Cricket

Ben Burrows (U14 Blue)

This one is going to be hard to beat – Ben Burrows from our U14's. Many of our Readers may know Ben's Dad – 'Buzz' Burrows – Juniors Director, C2 Blue Captain & multiple Premiership winning Captain. Anyway, Ben is an outstanding left arm quick who had 2 overs to make an impact.

After taking 2 wickets in successive deliveries he was sitting on a hat-trick. With everyone around the bat for the hat-trick ball Ben comes pounding in. The ball hits the pads and everyone goes up for a great shout. Ben then makes the call:

'Not out – it pitched outside leg'.

This would most likely be the first time in our history that a bowler gave a batsman not out on a hat-trick.

Seriously though, while Ben may never get another opportunity – this is a rarer achievement, he walked away with a whole lot more and gave a great example to everyone at the game what true sportsmanship is all about – something even rarer that a hat-trick.

Tim Worthington (B2)

A good news story about B2 that typifies the way we play the game. In the Round 2 B2 game, our stand-in Captain, Tim Worthington, made the call of the season, although it was pretty much a Team decision.

Playing against Hornsby, one of the top order bats went to play a shot and damaged his knee badly enough to be out of his crease and not be able to get back. The boys fielded the ball and rather than run him out they instantly decided not to take the wicket but rather look after the batsman.

So while Wortho was the Captain and made the call, every player in this Team had the same view and put duty of care above a wicket. As it turned out the player couldn't bat again anyway but no one knew this at the time.

The most exciting Sheep Station result – ever!

The Sheep Station trophy was started on 16th December 2017 by Simon Smyth & Rick Turner when for the first time in Club & Association history, 2 x West Penno A2 teams clashed in the same Grade. The Captains that day were the 2 worst tossers (coin that is) in our history: Simon 'couldn't toss a salad' Smyth & Rick 'couldn't catch a cab' Turner.

The B1 Red & Blue Teams in the famous game
The Sheep Station Cups are traditionally tough Sheep Station Cups are always tough but good run. The Round 2 game played between the B1 Reds (Rick) & Blues (Knapper) was played on steroids. Excerpts from Snumpty Smyth's Match Report are priceless. Read and enjoy:

"…A cracking game with a few twists and turns. It's very hard to get too excited when you play against your own club. Credit to Snumpty and Rick as they weren't real keen on pushing for an outright against their own club, but at the start of today's play I asked them to take it like it was any other club. They could use 10 points and we needed to battle it out and toughen up if we were to step up to B1.

Both teams then got together and decided to play a 2nd innings. This was mainly due to the fact that no one wanted to go home to their wives and kids, knowing that an arvo with the boys was a far better option. For those concerned, I do love my wife and kids, but just not on a Saturday. It was written into my wedding vowels #clever.

A wicket 2nd ball to Deano, had the Reds up and about. A good partnership then formed, before a bowling change brought Manas 'Labuschagne Warne' Dhargalker on to bowl. Gunny 'Chin Strap' Jnr smashed one to the keeper, and in a blatant attempt at cheating, he didn't walk. I heard the noise Diggers. There was then some cricket played, until Birdcage gets another website mention, for skying a catch to me. That's twice I caught you champ.

More cricket got played, and there was more runs and more wickets. It got down to 16 needed off 2 overs. Everyone was as nervous as a virgin on his honeymoon, as it was going down to the wire. Both teams could still win outright. With 10 needed off the last over, then 2 off 2, Dan struck again, to leave 2 needed off 1 ball. A lucky French cut from Rahul through mid on for 4 got the Blues home outright, and they celebrated in an un-COVID like manner."

Picking the fieldsman

Dylan Bish (C2 Blue) scored a match winning 83 in Round 4 to steer the boys to an exciting win – effectively 9 wickets down. DB had a bit of luck though, as is the case with most big innings, in being dropped 3 times by the same fieldsman off the same bowler – a Masterclass in picking the right fieldsman.

There was also a Karma with this one. The fieldsman was also the most vocal about an LBW appeal being turned down from his great position at square leg. Adding to the Karma was the square leg umpire at the time who made the decision and must have taken a lot of pleasure from his fumbling opponent.

Coin Toss – the un-broken run comes to an end

In Round 6, Stu Fiedler won his 21st consecutive toss. Using some elementary maths the probability of this happening is close enough to 1,500,000 to:1 to have a 38% chance of seeing 21 heads in a row. For those who want to check the formula is to calculate fib21 (1,000,002) and then divide it by 21,000,000.

Come Round 7 in the Sheep Station Trophy game and Stu came out to toss the coin against the experienced 'Buzz' Burrows. Buzz all his experience and thought after 22 straight wins that run had to come to an end and let Stu test his luck on calling 22 consecutive Heads.

This coin toss also marked a moment of history with Stu (left & C2 Red) losing his first toss in 22 attempts against the experienced Buzz Burrows (C2 Blue), @ Campbell Park 16/2/2021

If Stu had won he would have cracked odds of 2,750,000 to 1. Without doubt this is a Club record and most probably the highest number of straight wins in the world history of cricket coin tossing.

Let's hope for Stu that the Laws of probability don't even too soon.

Spirit of Cricket

Our A1 side was cruising in 2nd position after 5 Rounds until they lost on the last ball of the day to the last placed Glenorie side. It isn't easy losing but to lose to the last placed Team who were 9 wickets down is painful. What made this worse is that the top score was 38* and the batter was a 13 year old on debut and batting at no 9.

Anyway, I got a note from Bruce Wood (Association Coaches Association):

"…..Glenorie CC (defending Premiers) have had a slow start to the season and were sitting in last position on the A Grade competition table, playing WPHC CC (second place on the table).

WPHC were heading for an easy win before young Riley came to the crease at No. 9 and steered his team to victory, in partnership with Adam West and Glenn Gittins.

You could imagine that the WPHC players were very disappointed in letting the match slip away and losing to the team in eighth position, however to their great credit, they put all that aside and warmly congratulated Riley on his batting.

Riley's proud father, Jack McDowell, sent me a few messages today, which I have copied (with his permission) for your information.

Jack has asked me to pass on his thanks to the WPHC Club……"

We lost a game but the players involved gained a lot more and built on our Club reputation of fair play and sportsmanship.

"The ball went that way"

What do you do in a top of the table clash when an Opposition player is motoring towards 200 with lots of time and overs to go? You go to your best bowler.

Enter Rob Knapman (Skipper B1 Blue) who is 2nd in the Association B2 bowling ranks. Showing tactical genius this is exactly what Rob did with the over, taking over 20 minutes to bowl. The only problem is that it went for a lot and included 3 lost balls at Greenway Oval of all places.

Rob perfected each ball and each one went further over the boundary and further down Shepherds Drive. When the boys had no idea where the last ball went someone who parked over 100 metres away was almost collected. When the boys jumped the fence, something they were becoming skilled at, the bloke pointed down Shepherds Drive and said, 'the ball went that way' – still rolling down the hill and probably at Pennant Hills by now.

History repeating

Back in 2013/14 Matt Digby (B1 Blue) made his Seniors debut playing for Buzz Burrows (C2 Blue Skipper) within 2 weeks of the current Round.

Ian Digby (D1 Red Skipper) with Ben Burrows on his Seniors debut - Caterson 4 - 23 January 2021

Fast forward to Round 8. This time Ben Burrows (U14s) made his Seniors debut playing under Ian Digby (D1 Red Skipper). So…7 years apart and within a couple of weeks of the same time of the year, we had the sons of our C2 & D1 Captains playing under Teams captained by their fathers.

Yesterday

We have had some great songs written by our Club Members with none better that Bryce Morley (2002/03 to 2012/13) who had a classic about his B2 side that lost every game in the season despite scoring over 300 on 3 occasions.

Now we can go one better. Eric Junkkari (B1 Blue), and one of our greatest ever players (490 wickets & 5,800 runs) has written a song about one of his Team mates – Tanay Hiray. The song is sung to the music of The Beatles, 'Yesterday'. What a great excuse to give a lead in to this song with the original by The Beatles from 1966–

https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=Yesterday+Beatles+Live&&view=detail&mid=087832CD609110DECC60087832CD609110DECC60&&FORM=VRDGAR&ru=%2Fvideos%2Fsearch%3Fq%3DYesterday%2BBeatles%2BLive%26Form%3DVDRSCL%26%3D0

As background, the B2 boys copped a hammering in Round 11 Vs Kenthurst with one player scoring 261 out of a total of 7/383 in 58 overs! All the bowlers went for big runs with Tanay also going big – 15 overs 2/83 (2 maidens).

YES-TANAY

Yes-Tanay You're our best bowler far and away
Just grab that ball and blow them away
Oh we believe, in our Tanay

Then suddenly
He's not half the man we thought he'd be
The ball now lives out near the boundary
From Hero to Hira, came mortality

Why'd Rob take him off, I don't know, he wouldn't say
He was just a little off, but we believe, in our Tanay

Yes-Tanay
Cricket was such an easy game to play
It gets harder as you move up the grades
But we still believe, in our Tanay

Yes-Tanay One, two, three wickets come quickly
This could be the collapse of the century
Our man is back, that's our Tanay

Yes-Tanay You're bowling is what the opposition fear
They walk on happy, but plod off in tears You're the best, our Tanay

You're our Tanay

Written by Eric Junkkari. Copyright 2021 Mobile 0411-429670 Season 2020 / 2021 West Pennant Hills Red
The Coach of the Reds was Rick Turner – our Seniors Director and B1 Captain.

Sydney Sixers training

How about the U9 Reds who entered a Sydney Sixers Competition and won a competition with over 1,000 entries. The prize – a training session with the Sydney Sixers.

It all happened on Thursday 11 March with the Team attending the CNSW Training facilities at Homebush. How about this for a thrill when the boys trained with Nathan Lyon, Moises Henriques and Ben Dwarshuis. Check out the Photo gallery to see how the experience the parents and players will never forget – https://wphccc.com.au/galleries/u9s/

The U9s with the Sydney Sixers - Nathan Lyon, Moises Henriques and Ben Dwarshuis - CNSW Training facilities @ Homebush - Thursday 11 March 2021

A double to remember

Relatively few people, compared to the number of participants, get to play in a Grand Final, let alone win one. Daniel Vink (U17 Orange & C4) plays with the U17 Minor Premiers and C4 Minor Premiers.

This Sunday (21 March) his U17 side are likely Premiers if games are washed out as expected. Next weekend he backs up in the strong C4 side with a chance to achieve a rare double.

As background, Daniel is also a more than handy player – averaging 47 with the bat (U17 & C4) and 15 with the ball.

A debut to remember – Humm Big Moment

Aiman Hasan (U10 Purple) was playing his first ever cricket game on Sat 24 Oct 2020. Not only did Aiman make his debut as Captain but he also won his first ever toss. In our Club, winning a toss already marks him as being special!

After 6 overs, Aiman came on to bowl and got a wicket, clean bowled, middle stump with the first ever ball he bowled in any game of cricket.

A video of this special moment was taken and sent in to the 'Humm Big Moment' contest. Humm is an on-line Buy Now Pay Later business. Not only did Aiman win this contest but he won $1,000 for our Club for being the best 'Big Moment' in the competition.

Well done Aiman!

Aiman Husan's first wicket with 1st ball

End of one Chapter and opening of another

Playing your last game in Juniors is a bit like a parent's emotions in having a child's first day at school. It is filled with memories, good and some not so good but importantly it is a moment to reflect on the many good things. Our Photo shows Jane Bish and Wendy Paton reflecting on the last game for their kids back in 2018 – what a special moment from 2 of our most amazing mums.

Jane Bish and Wendy Paton.

During the week one of our wonderful parents from the U17s commented on us winning the Club Championship, against all odds. This is worth sharing as it says everything about what we aspire to as a Club and why we have such a high retention rate from Juniors through to Seniors:

"Congratulations" to the Club.

I have had 3 sons go through Juniors. I have managed & scored their teams, my husband has umpired. We have had Rob & Steve always on hand for any queries (good or bad) they have gone above & beyond.

I have always encouraged anyone thinking of getting their child to play cricket to go to WPHCCC, even Dads. I have said "it's participation over results" they will get a go batting AND bowling.

As we say goodbye to Juniors we will remember the fun times, and of course the washed out semis & GF which could have been. The Tamworth carnival, Academy, Pink Stumps days, the u12 Cup victory, the many batting/bowling trophies, the scoring squabbles, the funny tantrums & bat throwing, the coffee runs, gazebo putting up & downs, everything! Such wonderful memories.

"THANK YOU WPHCCC"

For those of us who have just come out of Juniors it will stir up recent memories. For the mums and dads it will have more significance and bring back priceless memories of great friendships and lots of fun times of what being part of our great Club means.

Quote of the season

Thomas Weeden is a MasterBlaster and a pretty handy all-rounder. Anyway, Chris Green kindly came along to our Juniors Presentation on Saturday and after the presentations he was really keen to meet Chris and ask him a question.

Anyway, Thomas got his chance and his mum (Lyndal) expected a question about bowling advice as Thomas is a really good bowler.

The question – "How do you look after your hair"

This brings back another famous quote when Dom Thornely (now a Junior Blasters dad with us), came along to a Kanga game on 6 November 2004. The day before, Dom had scored 261* for NSW (that included a record 11 x sixes). While showing the kids the bat he used one of our Kanga's was underwhelmed by the 11 x sixers. His comment: "I got 12 sixes off my dad in the backyard last week."

GIRLS' REPORT

Wow, again! The 2020/2021 season was again action packed. Sun, rain, COVID, and a bit more rain. In the end, a good season for all three of our Girls teams. This year the great games, fun, smiles and skill development certainly continued.

This year we were able to form two junior teams and one senior team, with some of the older girls moving on to play in other competitions or focus on other endeavours. Thanks to those who recruited their friends and acquaintances to join our club. This season in the junior comp we were able to play other girls teams from Castle Hill, Thornleigh Normanhurst /Warrawee and Kissing Point.

Due to a lack of girls teams in other Hornsby Clubs the first half of the season saw us play only Castle Hill and a combined Castle Hills and Thornleigh team. However, a chance opportunity to play in the North Shore Competition arose and we seized the chance… soaring to some great, close victories against Lindfield, Mercy College, Epping, Lane Cove, with a loss to Gordon. It meant that our games were later (3:30) and we had to travel a bit further afield, but playing different teams was an exciting challenge.

Our amazingly talented junior Sthalekar team made it to the Grand Final against Normanhurst/Warawee. Despite their very best efforts and very enthusiastic cheering they didn't win the match, but their wonderful team spirit and camaraderie shone brightly.

A big congratulations to the Annetts team too. Their team had a number of new players to cricket and showed developing skills each week. Many laughs and fun times throughout the season were reported.

We had a number of girls, both Senior and Junior girls from WPHCCC, play representative teams, and Brewers competitions. Congratulations to all of the girls who made it to the next level; Teyana La Brooy, Mae Herring, Maya Singh-Grewal, Lilly Hayhurst.

A number of senior players also had the opportunity to play REP cricket in the North Shore comp. Congratulations Divyanshi Nirmal, Matilda Wilson and Aliya Colburt. A big shout out to Elysa Oliveri and Trinity Newbury for being selected to play some of the games in the Brewers competition. We look forward to seeing your names up in lights one day.

We are once again very proud and grateful to all previous WPHCCC players who have returned to coach younger players; Christina, Minoli, and Dani (through Academy). Your mentoring, skills and dedication have been invaluable. We would encourage any volunteers, in particular mums and senior players to assist us with this. The Club would happily support with training if/as required. Please send us an email if this is an opportunity you'd like to take up.

Once again a number of girls took up the opportunity to participate in Academy training with the club's coach Harrison, with Dani assisting. Their skill development and confidence grew throughout the season. These sessions are very cost effective and give the girls skills and confidence to play better. We hope that even more girls take up this unique club opportunity in the future. Early in the season Harrison (and his team) came to the girl's regular training sessions on Tuesday nights at John Purchase Oval to provide additional drills and skills training. The timing of this worked well and we hope to do the same next year.

"Participation over Results" is the club's mantra and we tried our very best to reinforce this to the coaches, managers and girls by rotating batting, bowling, captainship and other opportunities. We feel that this approach helps solidify team spirit and reinforce that everyone has a contribution to make that is valued. Each girl rose to the occasion with respect and responsibility, developing their leadership skills along the way. We will once again continue to uphold this ethos into next season. We look forward to seeing familiar faces and welcome any new ones who come along.

Girls Only Master Blasters, fills the gap for girls wanting to move to the next level up from Kanga, but who aren't yet ready for the challenges of hard ball cricket. To once again make this viable, Daniel Anderson from Cricket NSW, continued with the Thornleigh hub. The structure allows girls (ages 6-11) from West Pennant Hills, Thornleigh and Normanhurst join together to participate in fun, games based skills and drills, and finish the sessions with a modified game of Blast cricket. Parent involvement is encouraged and the girls play in a fun atmosphere with music, friends and lots of energy! If you are looking for the next step for your daughter after Junior Blasters, a.k.a Kangas, well, Master Blaster is it! Come and join us. A huge, "Thank You" to Monique for being the Hub Coordinator this season. If you are interested or able to help out with this position next year, we would love to hear from you.

A big thank you!

This year we continued to have coaches, assistant coaches and a manager for each team to share the load and support each other. Last year we felt we had the dream team... and this year were blessed to have an even dreamier team. Each one passionate about cricket and supportive. They encouraged the girls to enjoy the experience and learn some skills along the way.

Annetts – Minoli, Darrin, Jo

Sthalekar – Christina, Paul and Poonam

Lanning – Justin and Kirsty – with many parents chipping in each week and assisting in any way possible.

Thank you, thank you, and thank you! We hope you learned as much as we have, and enjoyed your summer. None of these is a paid position and cricket would not be possible or as much fun without these dedicated and amazing leaders.

To the parents who volunteered to help in any way shape or form; scoring, putting out cones, setting up stumps, giving throw drowns, cheering from the sidelines, bringing drinks on the field etc. Your support helps game days and training run all the more smoothly. If you would again like to help in any capacity next year, please let us know.

To each parent who simply got the girls to training and games each week. A big effort sometimes we know, given how busy our lives have become - a sincere thank you also.

To the Executive Committee,

Thanks to all, especially Ross Anderson and Steve Burrows, for helping us implement our second season as Girls Coordinators. Your continued guidance, words of wisdom and caring have been invaluable. We look forward to working with you next season to continue further enhancing the opportunities for the girls in our club.

We are very delighted and excited about the way Girls cricket has been embraced into the club at an executive level and look forward to bigger and hopefully better changes will come in the next season. Stay tuned.

After the season was finished our club had a request from Cricket NSW to gather some 13-15 year old players to film some new coaching videos in the school holidays. Thanks to all the players and coaches who were able to make it. We look forward to seeing our superstars some time later in the year in these coaching videos.

And finally, but most importantly - the reason we turn up each week.

To all the players, we continue in our role because we can see how much you enjoy the game. Your love of the game, your “sportswomenship” and sense of fun have all helped to make the 2020/21 awesome. The team spirit, friendships forged and skills developed will set you in good stead for the many challenges you will inevitably face. Playing team sports develops fitness and coordination, but more importantly many valuable life skills such as respect, responsibility and resilience. Enjoy a well eared break away from cricket, and we look forward to an even bigger and better 2021/22 season!

Suzanna and Grant Colburt

WPHCCC Girls Cricket Coordinators

Under 13s ~ Sthalekar Team Report
By Paul and Chrissy

In a season where cricket games were cancelled due to COVID, extreme heat and rain, rain, so much rain, the U13s Sthalekar still managed to shine brightly through it all.

The girls were a combination of first time players and experienced hands, who clicked so well from the outset that, by the second training session you would struggle to know who was new or "old". This strong bond was noticeable not only by the enthusiasm and enjoyment they shared at training but the support for each other during games (and the traditional head rubbing for each wicket taken!).

The fine team spirit soon translated into success on the field with bad weather not able to slow down the girl's momentum into a well-deserved Grand Final.

Good cricketers and a great group of girls, it was a pleasure to watch the Sthalekars play a wonderful season.

Thanks Paul

What a season of cricket did my West Pennant Hills under 13 girls have!! Not only did they all improve throughout the season but they also made it to the grand final and finished as runners up. Some of these girls only started this year but they were already hitting boundaries and getting quick wickets. The other girls who have been there for a few seasons were also shining brighter than they had in the previous years. For example, they would act as leaders to the younger and less experienced girls. What impressed me most was the team effort!! Every girl supported each other no matter what the result was. A lot of the girls took the initiative to support the other player when they realised that they may have needed help at games and training.

Our games were not won by one person with everyone contributing to make it a team effort. This is what impressed me the most, the passion and support shown by each player for one another. Coaching would not have been easy without the support of these girls towards myself and the other coaches. They made our coaching season a lot easier. I must say, out of the four years that I have coached this team, this is one of the best years so far. I believe a lot of these girls can go far with their cricketing career and I wish them all the best for the future years to come. See you next season for more cricket!!"

Your coach,

Christina.

U13s Sthalekars Player Profiles

Anousheh Bloach – Every team needs a comedian and Anousheh was ours. After hitting the winning runs in her first game, Anousheh continued to provide enthusiasm and laughter all season.

Charu Rawat – Charu brought a big smile to every training session. She also brought her best game of the season to the Grand Final where she saw off the fastest bowlers in the comp, retired and came back to do it again.

Eloise Dubsky – Eloise had never picked up a cricket ball before the season started. By the end of it she had taken wickets, performed run outs and retired not out with the bat.

Isha Balaji – Isha is the "professional" of the Sthalekars team always working hard on her batting and bowling. It really paid off for Isha during a season where she took great steps with bat and ball and played a fine finals series.

Lauren Wilson – A late inclusion into the squad, Lauren quickly became an invaluable member of the team. Her powerful drives down the ground made team mates cheer and opponents duck for cover.

Lilly Hayhurst – Another wonderful all-round season from Lilly with her bowling as good as any in the comp. In one game she took 4 wickets so quickly that the scorers even asked her to slow down!

Mackenzie Ryle – A new starter Mackenzie grew into roles as a batter, bowler and even wicketkeeper during the season. Lightning in the field with a couple of run outs, her highlight was a wicket in her first Grand Final.

Mae Herring – Mae can wicket keep well, Mae can bat well, Mae can bowl left handed and right handed. Is there anything Mae can't do? Not yet! A fine cricketer and very popular member of the team.

Maya Singh-Grewal – Maya came from 2 seasons of playing in a team full of boys and proceeded to take her frustrations out on the girls comp. Whether it was bowling with pace, regularly knocking the stumps down in the field for run outs or smashing the ball to all parts of the ground it was great to watch Maya play.

Rebecca Larkham – Another first timer, Rebecca brought great enthusiasm to every training session and every game. A powerful striker of the ball and great sense of humour who is already counting the days until next season.

Sharini Gobinathan – The most enthusiastic player in the team, Sharini could be heard shouting encouragement to her bowlers on the field or leading a chant when her team was batting. Sharini performed well with bat, ball and wicket keeping gloves all season.

Teyana La Brooy – Another wonderful season from a wonderful player. Teyana bowled quickly, batted with great touch and took some terrific catches this year. A real team leader who will be missed by the U13 but definitely moves on to bigger and better things.

Chrissy, Paul and Poonam.

Under 13s – Annetts Team Report
By Jo Ede (Manager) & Minoli De Silva (Coach)

The Annetts team had a lot of new players this season, some started at the beginning, some started in the middle and some left before the season was finished. Covid restrictions and wet weather interrupted our season greatly but the team Annetts played on, taking delays and changes in their stride.

The girls showed great enthusiasm and learned lots, by January many had found their comfort zones and are now on track to becoming fantastic cricketers. During the season the girls made every effort to support each other, improve their skills and have a lot of fun playing cricket together. Olivia learned that hitting 4s was the way to go and she proved that by scoring the most runs in our team and winning the team batting award with a high score of 23 runs. Lorelei, our fantastic all-rounder, figured out that quick running between wickets helps to creep up that run rate and she really improved her batting skills this season. When Olivia & Lorelei got to pair up in the batting order they formed a striking partnership.

Amy may be small in stature but that didn't stop her from batting well and bowling wickets. She really developed her bowling style this season to take 7 wickets and the team bowling award. Janumi was our resident pocket rocket proving to be a good all round cricketer. She was also the team's loudest supporter, shouting encouragement and cheering on her team from wherever she fielded. Her enthusiasm was infectious and she won the team spirit award.

Shreeya was one of our new players, but soon turned into a formidable cricketer with her best bowling sitting at 2/2 and always smiling as she improved. Trisha had a similar best bowling of 2/5, and batted with skill and precision, and always showed enthusiasm for the team. Aarappi was our newest player, joining halfway through the season but impressing us all with her commitment to the team and her best bowling at 1/5!

We are very proud of each and every single player in the Annetts team, several players earned their first wickets in their whole cricket career in this team, and many players scored their first boundary shots while batting.

Senior Girls ~ Lanning Team Report
By Justin Newbury – Coach

This truly was a season of two halves. The first competition being amongst the three HKHDCA teams and the second being in the North Shore competition. In the first half of the season, against the same three teams, being the youngest team out there, we struggled and could only achieve one draw (the last game of that competition). However, in the North Shore competition, we found our feet and won most of the games we played!

We were a new team, brought together from existing U15, some U13 making the step up and new team members. There is always a chance that it can take some time to build team spirit, but this team clicked immediately, and they formed a very close team bond and developed a great team culture. Even in the first half of the season, when we lost a bunch of games, the girls were all smiling and encouraging each other and having a great time.

Not to labour the point, but before every game our girls were out on the field playing their version of French Cricket meets Murder Ball. After the game, the kids and the parents would often stay behind to discuss the game, kick the football or just have a chat. Whether we won or lost, the attitude and spirit of our girls was by far the best in the competition. Parents, be proud of your kids, they were a true delight to coach and I hope they go on to play social cricket for many years to come.

Cassidy McArthur – started the year as a new player and quickly gained confidence. She finished the year as a fearsome opening bowler and took a bunch of wickets. A new addition to the team, Cass fitted in perfectly and was so confident in her place in the team that she started referring to herself in the third person. Cass will forever be known in the team as "The Cass".

Aliya Colburt – a real powerhouse, the opposite to Scott Muller (one for Wikipedia), can bat, can bowl and can field. Took one of the best catches I have seen this year. A real cricket brain, good attitude and definite captaincy material. Aliya found a couple of new ways to be dismissed, like the day she was caught off the back of the bat – Aliya is a much better batter than she gives herself credit for.

Elyssa Oliveri – often came away from the game with less wickets than she deserved, but that was because her bowling was too good for the opposition. Could have won the bowling award under different circumstances. The improvement in her batting was a highlight this year. Enjoyed her exposure to captaincy and thought quite deeply about all aspects of the game.

Trinity Newbury – after a solid start to the year, her batting suffered due to some disruptions from injury and school commitments, however Trinity did well to take out the batting award. Her bowling was always solid and her fielding and catching were always super dependable. Another very good captain and leader in the team.

Halle Newbury – moved up from the U13 a year earlier than she needed to. Her growth in batting self-confidence was great. Halle took out the bowling award and by the end of the season had developed into quite a quick bowler. Took an immediate shine to the captaincy opportunity when she realised it allowed her to tell people what to do.

Grace Keane – played one of the games of the season against Gordon this year where she nearly single-handedly won the game for us with a wonderful batting display while others around her fell. Grace refuses to bowl, but she makes up for it by being a great keeper and saving us plenty of runs. Has two speeds as a batter, slow and fast, will benefit if she develops a third speed somewhere in the middle.

Tanvi Singh – another new addition to our team this year, Tanvi always had a smile on her face and a wonderful attitude. She is quietly competitive and a great asset to the team dynamic. Her bowling came along as did her batting. Doesn't mind having a laugh at her own expense (which is the greatest quality of all) and we joked that Tanvi is yet to receive her 'running between wickets' licence. Taught the girls an important lesson, as the non-striker you can refuse the call to run!

Divyanshi Nirmal – Divy was just a delight to coach. She was at every session and willing to listen and to learn. This reflected in Divy becoming a real 'go to' bowler for me when I needed to control the game. Her batting was much improved, and I hope she continues with the game to develop into a fine all-round player.

Jana Roy – Jana was a key part of our squad. Adept in both batting and bowling, she contributed in all the games that she played. While she had a quiet determination, I genuinely enjoyed seeing a real competitive streak within her. Jana was a vital part of our team's performance and culture and a delight to coach.

Matilda Wilson – what a fantastic growth 'Tilly' had during the season. New to this team, we struggled to get her to bat or to bowl in her first game. By the end of the season her bowling was quick and accurate. Tilly played some key innings as a batter which got us over the line a few times. She really fitted in with the team and by the end of the season was not lacking any confidence.

Devja Withanage – sadly we didn't get to see as much of Devja as we would have liked. Scheduling conflicts and difficulty in getting to some of the games meant that she missed more than she played. However, Devja was instrumental in helping us achieve our first draw and I credit her in that game for the turnaround in the team's fortunes and the development of our winning culture.

Finally, a big thank you to Kirsty as Team Manager and to all the parents who did a wonderful job pitching in and helping out, allowing me to concentrate on coaching this wonderful group of players.

The Lanning team with Justin and wearing their team spirit marbelled socks that truly rock!

JUNIOR BLASTERS REPORT

2020/21 saw us conduct and conclude our 29th Junior Blaster (Kanga) season, a huge achievement for everyone involved – There have been many people over this time that have put a huge amount of effort in to make this a success, the fact we continue each season and go from strength to strength is directly related to all the hard work put in by these people.

We finished the season with over 94 boys and girls registered allowing us to have 8 Teams. Since starting in 1992/93 we have now registered 2,816 children, all who have been given exposure and the basics to play cricket for the rest of their lives.

With the uncertainty around Covid we were unable to run our preseason schools program on the scale that is has normally been run. We thank all the schools for their support and understanding and hope we can kick off next season with greater access.

For many of our children and Parents this was their first taste of cricket. It was great to see all games run like clockwork with lots of involvement from parents and supporters. The sessions each week were a lot of fun and it was great to see the children and family support right until the end.

Excitingly this season we were also able to offer 2 of the Blowfly Coaches Akanksha Swarup & Maddie Jones paid coaching positions (this was in partnership with Blowfly Cricket) on a Saturday morning, working with Dani and gaining more knowledge in the coaching ranks. We hope the girls enjoyed themselves? I know the kids enjoyed them being taught how to hit sixes!!

We look forward to offering this again next season

None of the amazing work that happens to facilitate Kanga would be at all possible without all the volunteers. This year we ended up having 8 coaches and Managers, a HUGE thank you to each and every one of you for giving up your time to help so many other kids out each and every Saturday, I know the kids all appreciate everything you have done for them.

The children enjoyed the season thoroughly and learnt everything they did because of you guys. It was very clear to see the skill levels from the start of the season to the final weeks had increased greatly. A big thank you too all the parents, your help and assistance made each week run much more smoothly

There are a few other people I must thank individually for all their help. Our Head Coach Dani Chivers who was always willing to help out and assist, watching you grow into the head coach role has been great to watch – The kids love having you around and hope we see you again next year. David Flook who looks after the entire clubs gear during the off season - The Club is very lucky to have such a place to store all our gear. To Craig Hutchinson our gear coordinator, thank you for all your help in ordering our gear and delivering to us (sometimes on pretty short notice!)

This year we also introduced a new inaugural trophy for a volunteer of the year. The winner this year was a very simple decision going to Luke Palmer. Luke has been a volunteer in the Kanga ranks for the previous 6 seasons either as a coach or manager. He has also been a great sounding board for me personally. I once again I would like to take this opportunity to thank Luke for all his time and effort, next season will be a little different without him there as his boys have all now moved on to the next levels within the club.

We hope to see all the boys and girls back out there playing cricket again this season. Once again thank you to everyone involved for all their help and support

Bill Peterkin

JUNIORS' REPORT

With the ongoing challenges of the COVID Pandemic, it was a testament to all involved in the organisation of the Junior Club that we were able to get season 2020/21 underway, albeit a little bit later than usual.

Despite the challenges, this season saw the Club grow once more. This enabled us to enter an amazing 40 teams into the Junior mixed competition and this again highlights the 'Participation over Results' ethos of our Club that so many players return and how many join as new players each season.

The constraints of COVID meant that we approached the start of the season in a slightly different way as Zoom meetings took over as the new normal in arranging the introduction of new coaches and managers, as well as ensuring that all sides complied with the recommended safety protocols. The flexibility of all involved made sure we had players out on the field and enjoying their cricket.

Our Master Blasters (U8s & U9s) fielded 11 teams, with U10s & U11s adding a further 10.

All teams adapted well to the new Cricket Australia programs and there has been some great feedback on how to refine things to make these formats even better. The Association Junior Committee has met with all the Clubs and are looking at adapting a number of improvements to provide an even better experience.

From all reports and the many photos of kids having fun on the field, we hope to see everyone back next season so you can continue to develop your skills and most importantly have heaps of fun enjoying your cricket.

Whilst we had our fair share of inclement weather during this La Nina Summer, plenty of cricket was still able to be played, with many of our teams in the Competition age groups (U12 and above) competing well and providing us with 10 teams which qualified for the Semi Finals and several just missing out, but performing strongly throughout the season. An amazing result and congratulations to all who went out and played their best each week to represent WPHCCC so well.

Unfortunately, the rain came on Semi Final Day and sadly put an end to the challenge for a Grand Final spot for many sides, however, 4 teams advanced to the Grand Final in their age groups but with Noah seemingly sailing by in what seemed like 40 days and 40 nights of rain, the Grand Final was also unable to be played due to the weather.

This scenario meant that our 4 teams who had played so well and so consistently during the season to take the mantle of Minor Premiers were then crowned as Premiers for the season.

A special congratulations to our Minor Premiers & Premiers for 2020/2021:

U12 Blue
U13 Green
U15 Purple
U16/17 Orange

Junior Club Champions 2020/2021

With these fantastic results, and the combined efforts from all teams to compete strongly within their age groups, WPHCCC was able to secure the Junior Club Championship for the first time since 2008/2009.

Being such a large Club, we often struggle to come into contention for the overall Junior Club Champions as this championship is based across an average of how all teams perform and usually a smaller Club is more easily able to achieve this.

Being crowned as Club Champions is a wonderful achievement and is a credit to all who contributed – players, parents, supporters & officials alike - to win such a coveted prize.

Individual Performance Awards

Throughout the season there were a number of individual performance highlights. Congratulations to these recipients:

Hat Trick:

William Hurst
Senith Goonewardene
Vraj Patel

5 or more wickets in an innings:

Ryan Wojtowicz
Rashmintha Walawage
Tyler Edwards
Kristian Kohlhagen
Luke Fullerton

Centuries:

Rigved Sodal

Outstanding Achievement Awards

Each season we award a number of perpetual trophies for Outstanding Achievement. There are always a number of worthy players and it is always a difficult task to select just one player for each category. All those nominated should be especially proud to have been considered as they have all contributed greatly. The winners for 2020/2021 are:

John Coulthard Trophy (Junior Player of the Year) – Luke Fullerton
Charles Booth Memorial Award (U13) – Jacob Dawson
Ross Anderson Trophy (U11) – Suhas Abeysinghe

Further recognition is acknowledged each year is the Arthur Souter Award. This is awarded to any player who has played all seasons continuously from Kangas to U16/17.

This year we were able to add these names to the Arthur Souter Shield:

Tim Sachdev
Lachlan Woolnough
Vihaan Sahai
Daniel McEwen
Jack Hutchinson
Luke Fullerton
Steven Easton
Jay Nanda
Joshua Wright
Nathan Samuel
Ronan Bennett
Jack Marsden

Presentation Day and Pink Stumps Day

Our Junior Committee had worked on a number of initiatives to integrate our Girls teams into the Junior Club and combine the Pink Stumps day, Girls Presentation Day and the Junior Presentation Day into one combined event. We were set for this in 2019/2020, but with COVID rampant at the time we unfortunately had to cancel. Thankfully this season we were able to hold our big day as planned and were treated to a couple of special appearances. Daniel Anderson (Cricket NSW) was able to secure a visit from the Big Bash trophy which was an awesome treat. Our special guest presenter was none other than BBL Sydney Thunder Superstar Chris Green who so generously gave of his time to come along and support us along with presenting a number of trophies on the day and plenty of photo ops! So great to have such wonderful support.

Thank you also to everyone who contributed so generously to the Pink Stumps appeal. Huge credit to Jo & Tim Wilson and all their U10 volunteers who raised close to $4000 for such a worthy cause. Earlier in the season, our Club was honoured by the McGrath Foundation with a 'Pink Service' award recognising us as one of the top six contributing clubs in Australia – over the last 10 years we have raised over $46K. Fantastic work to everyone involved.

Great work from everyone who assisted throughout the morning. A very successful day and we plan to make it even bigger and better next year.

Volunteers

We are blessed to have so many wonderful people who give their time and efforts to ensure a successful season, we are greatly appreciative of each and every volunteer and I would like to make special mention of our two award winners for Volunteers for 2020/2021.

Craig Hutchinson – Craig has contributed immensely as equipment coordinator managing the ordering, collection, collation and distribution of balls, scorebooks and all team equipment as well as coordinating our Kingsgrove Sport discount days and securing valuable memorabilia that is auctioned on our Pink Stumps Day. He has been age coordinator from Kangas through to U16/17, arranged Country Carnivals and coached and managed teams throughout his time, always providing his assistance and expertise.

Indranil Mukhergee – Indranil is our Grounds Coordinator and looks after the booking of grounds throughout the season for matches and training, works with the schools and Councils to ensure our use of their facilities, coordinates insurances and also schedules the rostering of ground keys for each match. It is one of those unsung roles without which we wouldn't have a game each week. Indranil has dedicated countless hours to ensuring this always runs as smoothly and seamlessly as possible.

The Junior Committee has a bunch of wonderful volunteers who work tirelessly to make things happen as smoothly as possible and ensure an enjoyable season for everyone involved. A sincere thank you to all below who have contributed so much to another successful season:

Ross Anderson (Club Secretary / Director Operations)
Peter Lees (Treasurer)
Grant Colburt (Juniors Secretary)
Ratna Siva (Deputy Director)
Alicia Evans (Registrar & Trophies)
Craig Hutchinson (Equipment)
Jane Bish (Clothing)
Indranil Mukhergee (Grounds)
Kirsty Newbury (Child Protection and Compliance)
Tovin Honeysett (Training)
Harrison Norrell (Head Coach)

Our Age Coordinators play such an important part in setting up the season and communicating all the required information to players and parents throughout the season, and few have been trickier than this one! Thanks to all for your dedication, time and effort:

Master Blasters U8 – Roshan Naran
Master Blasters U9 – Simon Joyce
U10 – Jo & Tim Wilson
U11 – Rosh Goonewardene
U12 - Ratna Siva
U13 – Lyndal Harrison
U14 - Steve Burrows
U15 – Joseph Cooray
U16/17 – Craig Hutchinson

Sincere thanks go to all who have contributed to make 2020/21 such a successful and enjoyable season for players and families. The time and effort committed by parents, carers, siblings, and everyone who helps each training day, match day and throughout the season is greatly appreciated and it's what makes our Club great and ultimately delivers a fantastic experience for our Junior players each season.

I look forward to seeing everyone back for another great season ahead in 2021/2022!

Steve Burrows

Director of Junior Cricket

TROPHY WINNERS

Team	Bowling Award		Batting Award		Team Player	
U8 Blue	Shankaran	Thillainathan	Sophia	Sathiyendra	Emily	Whiting
U8 Gold	Samuel	McMullan	William	Hayes	Daniel	Ma
U8 Red	Arvin	Bhattarai	Dhruv	Mangal	Krishiv	Shah
U8 White	Oliver	Schmidhofer	Asher	Rehman	Viaan	Virmani
U8 Purple	Anika	Joshi	Andrew	O'Brien	Yash	Shukla
U8 Green	Ryan	Wojtowicz	Aaron	Green	Thomas	Weeden
U9 Green	Nakiah	Batra	Thomas	Loats	Thomas	Hopson
U9 Red	Angus	Madigan	Raghav	Sharma	Henry	Byrom
U9 White	Armaan	Hossain	Jesse	Lawrence	Aaryan	Raparia
U9 Blue	Adrian	D'Amore	Riyansh	Shah	Jacob	Devenish
U9 Gold	Ryan	Soni	Sachin	Dixit	Vedant	Bharathram
U10 Blue	Hayden	Ross	Alex	Wojtowicz	Ashton	Kophamel
U10s Purple	Mihin	Goonewardene	Mitchell	Ryle	Rayyan	Macan Markar
U10 Red	Benjamin	Strefner	Matthew	Busuttil	Jack	Munro
U10 Gold	Achsharan	Ramanan	Thomas	McIntosh	Lachlan	Henry
U10 Green	Anirudh	Gunna	Joshua	Nicolson	Dean	Pinchbeck
U10 White	Reuben	Taylor	Reyansh	Chaudhary	Avi	Patel
U11 Purple	Vraj	Patel	Thomas	McMullan	Louie	Bennett-Brown
Under 11 Gold	Anthony	Lo	Lucas	Matherson	Luke	Neilson
U11 Blue	Armaan	Abbas	Kabir	Sehgal	Jaydev	Singh
Under 11 Green	Leonard	Watson	Mitchell	Gryst	Andrew	Boys
U11 Red	Isaiah	Marcus	Jaisal	Bachhal	Hridhaan	Saini
U12 Green	Daniel	Fagg	Aushada	Rallage	Tejas	Joshi
U12 Blue	Edward	Byrom	Rizul	Gulati	Andre	Guerin
U12 Gold	Ryan	Redhead	Oscar	Honeysett	Ishaan	Kanji
U12 Orange	Will	Deverson	Will	Deverson	Jimmy	Wilkin
U12 Red	Kristian	Kohlhagen	Ranuk	Dassanayake	Malinda	Dissanayake
U13 Green	Ayush	Agarwal	Akith	Ekanayake	Yasith	Polwaththe
U13 Blue	Finlay	Hitchcock	Bronson	Marsden	James	Lubrano
U13 Orange	Curtis	Fullerton	William	Byrom	Angus	Aoutal
U14 Blue	Ben	Burrows	Nadil	Jayakody	Archie	Smith
U14 Red	Zac	Irwin	Sebastian	Murray	Lucas	Kohlhagen
U14 White	Samih	Muktar	Rashmintha	Walawage	Aarush	Mitragotri
U15 Blue	Anshuman	Mahajan	Siddharth	Ramachandran	Arjan	Aujla
U15 Purple	Anish	Patel	Oscar	Irwin	Elysa	Oliveri
U15 Green	Hemansh	Nayampalli	Rigved	Sodal	Liam	Everett
U15 Orange	Ryan	Diblasio	Jake	Condon	Ryan	Manson
U17 White	Joshua	Kodituwakku	Jack	Hutchinson	Daniel	McEwen
U17 Red	Nathan	Watkins	Rudhra	Iyer	Liam	Rushe
U17 Orange	Daniel	Vink	Luke	Fullerton	Steven	Easton

John Coulthard Award
Luke Fullerton
Charles Booth Memorial Award
Jacob Dawson
Ross Anderson Trophy
Suhas Abeysinghe
U8-11 Perpetual Trophy
Indranil Mukherjee
U12-16 Perpetual Trophy
Craig Hutchinson

Arthur Souter Shield
Tim Sachdev Lachlan Woolnough Vihaan Sahai Daniel McEwen Jack Hutchinson Luke Fullerton Steven Easton Jay Nanda Joshua Wright Nathan Samuel Ronan Bennett Jack Marsden
Premiers
U12 Blue U13 Green U15 Purple U16/17 Orange

Centurians
Rigved Sodal
5 or more wickets
Ryan Wojtowicz Rashmintha Walawage Tyler Edwards Kristian Kohlhagen Luke Fullerton
Hat-Tricks
William Hurst Senith Goonewardene Vraj Patel

Girls Volunteer of the Year
Christina Phillip
Tina McPherson Award
Teyana La Brooy
Lisa Sthalekar Award
Trinity Newbury
Girls' Runners Up
Sthalekar U13 Sixers Girls League

PERPETUAL AWARDS

John Coulthard Award
Outstanding Junior Player
Luke Fullerton

Lisa Sthalekar Award
Outstanding Girls Player (Senior)
Trinity Newbury

Charles Booth Memorial Award
Outstanding Junior U13 Player
Jacob Dawson

Tina McPherson Award
Outstanding Girls Player (Junior)
Teyana LaBrooy

Ross Anderson Award
Outstanding Junior Player U11
Suhas Abeysinghe

Volunteer of the Year Awards
Junior Volunteer of the Year
U12-U16
Craig Hutchinson

Volunteer of the Year – Girls
Christina Phillip with Chris Green

Junior Volunteer of the Year
U8-U11
Indranil Mukherjee

Kanga Graduates

Junior Presentation 2020-21

Pink Stumps day – volunteers

Pink Stumps day – volunteers 2020-21

TEAM ENTRANCES

Year	Seniors	Juniors	Kanga / Junior Blasters (#)	Girl (numbers)
Parramatta District Junior Cricket Association				
1930/31	1			
1931/32	1			
1932/33	1			
1933/34	1			
1934/35	1			
1935/36	No team			
1936/37	No team			
1938/39	1			
1939/40	1			
1940/41	1			
1942/45	War years			
Sub total	8			
Hornsby Kuringai & Hills District Cricket Association				
1946/47	2			
1947/48	3	1		
1948/49	2			
1949/50	2			
1950/51	2			
1951/52	2			
1952/53	3			
1953/54	4			
1954/55	1			
1955/56	1			
1956/57	2			
1957/58	2			
1958/59	2			
1959/60	2			
1960/61	2			
1961/62	2			
1962/63	2			
1963/64	3			
1964/65	2			
1965/66	3			
1966/67	3			
1967/68	3	3		
1968/69	2	3		
1969/70	3	6		
1970/71	3	6		
1972/73	4			
1973/74	4	7		
1974/75	3			
1975/76	3			
1976/77	2			
1947 to 1976	(74)	(79)		
1977/78	3	5		
1978/79	4	3		
1979/80	4	4		
1980/81	4	4		
1981/82	5	11		

Year	Seniors	Juniors	Kanga / Junior Blasters (#)	Girl (numbers)
1982/83	6	10		
1983/84	7	13		
1984/85	8	15		
1985/86	8	10		
1986/87	6	10		
1987/88	7	11		
1988/89	6	10		
1989/90	7	11		
1990/91	7	11		
1991/92	7	11		
1992/93	7	11.5*	70	
1993/94	7	14	108	
1994/95	6	16	130	
1995/95	7	20	85	
1996/97	8	23	100	44 (4)
1997/98	9	28	99	44 (4)
1998/99	7	29	100	85 (7)
1999/2000	6	29	126	72 (6)
2000/01	8	32	86	50 (4)
2001/02	10	26	92	29 (2)
2002/03	10	24	86	20 (2)
2003/04	11	29	97	23(2)
2004/05	10	27	100	37 (3)
2005/06	11	28	100	13 (1)
2006/07	10	29	118	13 (1)
2007/08	9	32	101	11 (1)
2008/09	11	35	110	31 (3)
2009/10	12	35	128	32 (3)
2010/11	11	30	100	31 (3)
2011/12	12	29	94	28 (3)
2012/13	12** (1 SPL)	31***	90***	24 (2)
2013/14	12** (2 SPL)	30.5*	121	8 (1)
2014/15	12** (2 SPL)	31	103	10 (1 Breakers) 34 (T20)
2015/16	12** (2 SPL)	40	87	11 – U17 (1) 23 – U13 (3) 35 – T20 Blast 69
2016/17	10	36	123	22 – T20 Blast 26 – U17 (3) 13 – U13 (1) 53
2017/18	11	34	112	34 (U13, U15, U17)
2018/19	11	35	73	30 (3)
2019/20	12	39	95	80 (4)
2020/21	13	40	94	74 (3)
Sub-total	351	903		
1930 /42	8	0		
1942 to 45	War years			
1947/46 to 1976	(74)	(79)		(153)
TOTAL	458	1,061	2,929	980 (74)
Aggregate	1,519			

Note:

- *U10s 1979/80 – Average Cricket introduced.*
- ** The .5 team was a shared team with:*
  - *St Ives U14 1992/93*
  - *Kenthurst U15 in 2013/14*
- *** Includes Sunday Premier League Team (SPL)*
- **** U8s – 2012/13 we entered Teams in the U8s. These children previously would have played In2Cricket / Kanga.*
- *Kanga introduced 1992/93*
- *On 31/5/2006 we agreed to be part of the Milo 'Have-a-go' programme.*
- *Girls introduced 1996/97*
- *2014-15 CNSW launched the Breaker's Junior Cricket League for Girls 10 to 16*

BLOWFLY CRICKET REPORT

I know I say it every year but once again our Blowfly Cricket has had another amazing year. We have been able to continue the growth of our established centres and as well as extend our blowfly sessions both in Sydney & Melbourne.

The friendships that develop from this program are just exceptional and what we are all about. Players have become close friends, as well as players & the volunteers and this then organically grows into volunteers forming great relationships as well!!!

Again the senior players have continued to take on more and more ownership of Blowfly Cricket and this couldn't be more evident than via the Coaching opportunities offered to our Level 1 Coaches!! Once again we ran a very successful Level 1 coaching course this season. A huge congratulation to the participants who are now qualified coaches.

We must thank Craig Stubbs for his outstanding work as our long term coaching consultant who works amazingly with the players to help them obtain their certificate

This time next year I am very confident we will have our first candidates starting their level 2 coaching certificate!!

In partnership with the Junior Blasters & Blowfly Cricket we were able to offer Akanksha & Maddie the opportunity for some more coaching on a Saturday morning assisting our head coach Dani. We hope the girls enjoyed it and look forward to offering this again next season

Our newsletter has continued to grow this year and we must offer huge thanks to our Director of Operations & in this case Editor Kate Guild for preparing and sending this out to everyone each week. I have really enjoyed receiving this and is also a nice way for us to recognise our sponsors for all that they do to help Blowfly. Kate's joke section is something that can't be missed!

I cannot thank ALL our sponsors enough for their contribution – it is all your generous support that allows this association to continue to grow and just get bigger and better every year!

To our volunteers, a thank you never seems enough but without you guys Blowfly Cricket would not be what it is today. Every single one of you has made a huge contribution to the ongoing success of this amazing Cricket Association. It is amazing to think of just how many people help out in some way to make this what it is.

This year we had some challenges with firstly fires & smoke and then the season finishing earlier than anticipated with the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic.

We thank our special visitors this year who came down and took part in our sessions. I would like to make specific mention of Julian Lessor (Federal Member for Berowra) who took time out to spend the entire session with us – We hope he and his son James can make this an annual event as the players love nothing more than smashing a pollie for six or getting him out!!!! To Gavin Taylor and the team at Veri Shades – Your ongoing sponsorship is fantastic.

To George's Fine Meats at Cherrybrook Village – Thank you for the wonderful meat you provide every Friday for our barbeques.

I would also especially like to single out Mike Kinchington, your help, support and guidance to all the players every single week is amazing. We are very lucky to have you and can't thank you enough for your ongoing support. We hope that you may be back next season!!!!

Like every year I marvel at what Mark Rushton does for Blowfly Cricket. He never lets his own daily hurdles get in the way of making sure everyone is being looked after and having a great time….. Thanks Marky Boy for everything you do

I hope to see everyone out there again next year playing cricket and having fun with their friends

Bill Peterkin

UNDER 8 – TEAM REPORTS

U8 White
Coach: Steve Schmidhofer
Manager: Steve Manton

If only we had recorded the first game and the last game of the season…. What a tale of progress it would tell! It was pleasing to see the way the boys worked so well as a team as the season went on – calling and backing each other up in the field, running between the wickets, celebrating success and giving encouragement after a mistake. A pleasure to coach and manage!

So many highlights to distil from the season but a few noteworthy awards:

The 'Screamer' Award - Sam McMurtry - for the catch of the season. Full stretch dive, one hander… a screamer in every sense of the word. Sam's passion and enthusiasm was infectious. Sam sometimes spent more time on the ground than on his feet but this was just reflection of his desire to save or make every run he could for the team.

The 'No Bendys' Award - Viaan Virmani - for most improved bowling action. What started with a bent arm became a tall, straight and accurate action to be feared. The perfect example of practice pays off.

The Closer Award – Inesh Balaji - for a double wicket maiden to close out a win. Not that the scoreboard matters (….or at least we try to tell them that) but this was clutch bowling with scoreboard pressure personified. Inesh always brought his accuracy radar with him to game day.

The 'Hat-trick Award' – Asher Rehman - for three wickets in three balls in the first over of a game. Ok, not technically a hat-trick because there was a run out but it was the bowling pressure that caused it so I say claim it! Asher is a talented all-round cricketer who showed great commitment to the team by continuing to turn up each week after he relocated mid-season with a long drive to games.

The 'Don't run when you hit it to me' Award - Sam Manton - for outstanding fielding efforts. Sam is a natural with good hands and a good eye. Batsman soon learned not to hit it in Sam's direction because a run out was on the way. Another one that improved their bowling action significantly as the season went on due to lots of hard work!

The 'Quick Single' Award - Peter Olsen – for outstanding running between the wickets. We couldn't hear a peep from Peter at the start of the season, relying on telepathy to run between the wickets! By the middle of the season, Peter was our loudest caller and our best runner between the wickets. Regularly pinched singles and turned 1s into 2s – he lifted the standard for the whole team!

The 'Glenn Maxwell Ramp Shot' Award – Oliver Schmidhofer - for the most creative shot of the season. A fast full toss at head height (accidental) had the coach nervous at square leg, but no need to be because Oliver stepped inside it and played a deliberate ramp shot over the keeper's head for 4. He couldn't understand my surprise……. The T20 generation!

The 'Googly' Award – Hussain Abbas – whether it was a fast ball, slow ball, wrist spin or finger spin, short run or long run, Hussain would try anything suggested to him. Hussain's nothing is off limits attitude will hold him in great stead as he continues his cricket journey.

A big thanks to Steve Manton for his fantastic role as manager and to all of the parents for their continued support, chauffeuring and treats after the games.

Well done boys, a season to be proud of!

U8 – Green
Coach: Roshan Naran - Manager: Michael Wojtowicz

What a season!!! A year not to be forgotten due to the challenges the team and club faced due to Covid-19 and with more than 70% of the games played in wet conditions. Despite all this, the boys thoroughly enjoyed the season.

The kids' all round skills and capabilities improved tremendously over the season with them applying what they learnt at training week in and week out. They were always well-presented, rearing to go during game day and wore the club colours with pride.

Highlights of our season included losing by a mere 9 runs against Glenorie at the start of the season and then bouncing back with a smashing 35 run victory in the last game of the season. This showed the tenacity and perseverance of the boys to stay motivated through the season despite results not going our way at times.

Ryan Wojtowicz our star bowler captured staggering figures of 6/1 (3 Overs Bowled) and a run out against an U9 opposition late in the season. A tremendous feat no doubt which earned him a special bowling trophy at the year-end presentation

One of the hardest jobs as a coach and with my manager was figuring out whom to give what award to due to the increasing efforts and improvements by each kid. In the end, we settled for the following:

Bowling Award: Ryan Wojtowicz
Batting Award: Aaron Green
All round performance: Thomas Weeden

A special THANKS to all the parents who assisted during our weekly training sessions and on game day. I had the pleasure of coaching these wonderful young lads and am very proud of each one of them. I look forward to doing this all over again next season and hopefully for many more years to come.

Under 8 Blue Team Report

This was the first "real" season of cricket for all 8 players, with 6 playing Kanga cricket last season and 2 new recruits. The team quickly gelled and all players and parents had a great time throughout the season.

It was really enjoyable and rewarding to see all the kids play in the right spirit, never give up even when a win seemed like it would never come our way and develop their cricket skill whilst having fun. I was especially proud of the way the team performed in the field throughout the season with particular pride in their accurate bowling and backing each other up.

Parker - featured in some great batting partnerships with a highest score of 15. With some work on his bowling Parker will turn his height and left arm advantage into a bowling weapon!

Frederick - bowled consistently well and with great variety in his deliveries. Fred is an excellent fielder and the results with the bat will come next year with the experience gained from this first season.

Ewan - has an excellent batting technique and played some elegant and powerful shots throughout the season. Ewan's bowling improved as the season progressed with some great spells of bowling.

Emily - received our Spirit Award for consistently being the first to training and games and always playing with great energy and a smile. Emily showed major improvement to her bowling initially and then towards the end of the season also got more comfortable with the bat and belted one of the memorable boundaries of the season.

Aravindh - an excellent runner between the wickets and another with a strong batting technique who scored plenty of runs. Aravindh's bowling improved as the season progressed.

Ryan - a run-up and bowling action that is beyond his years, Ryan will be much stronger in all areas next season. One of the best fielders in the team, he never let a ball go past him and threw the stumps down on many occasions.

Sophia - received our Batting Award and played some excellent innings for us. Sophia also showed her skills with some fast bowling that had the batters hopping around.

Shankaran - received our Bowling Award and bowled with great accuracy and pace all season. Shankaran is also an excellent fielder who was always in the game and a pleasure to coach.

Thanks to all the parents for their support and assistance during the season, especially Sathi, Greg and Vargi who helped each and every week and made my job so much easier.

Aron Kramlik - Coach

Under 8-Red
Coach: Nick Caboche

The team had a wonderful season of cricket. It was the first time for the 8 boys and 1 girl playing competitive cricket in a team, (and a first time coach too). It took no time for new friendships to develop. They always brought a lot of enthusiasm and energy and fun to training and game day.

The individual improvement in skills and understanding of the game was fantastic to watch as the season progressed. They were very commited to learn and apply what was practiced at training, and their confidence grew with each match played. And they certainly showed their own competitive nature at the end of each game by running to the score sheet to find out who won. The team won about half of the games this season.

A big thank you to all the first time cricket mums and dads that assisted on game days(and quickly learnt on the job).

And lastly a big thank you to the team, Dhruv, Ellen, Ekansh, Olivier, Zac, Krishiv, Aaron, Arvin, and Namit. You were a pleasure to coach and watch grow and develop as young cricketers. Hope to see you all again for the next season.

UNDER 9 – TEAM REPORTS

U9 Coordinator's Report
By Simon Joyce

We had five teams in the U9's this season, with a mix of boys and girls returning for another crack at the Master Blasters format, a number of kids moving up from Junior Blasters and several new players to the club.

With the main focus on having fun and learning the basics at this level, it was pleasing to see the development in the confidence and skillset of all the kids as the season progressed.

Special thanks to all the managers and coaches for volunteering their time.

Looking forward to seeing everyone again next season!!

Under 9 Blue
Coach: Tony D'Amore

We had a wonderful season with the boys working really hard and showing that the old saying 'practice makes perfect' is so true. Under 9 Blue won 10 matches and only lost 5 this season which was an outstanding result, particularly considering how young our team was (the ages of our lads ranged from 5-8). Six out of the eight players were backing up from last season and the other two fellas were playing their first full season of competitive cricket. The improvement in all the boys was so great to see as was witnessing the enjoyment they are getting out of playing the wonderful game of cricket.

Adrian- Scored plenty of runs and took lots of wickets. Is developing into a great little fielder who loves throwing down the stumps. Was awarded the bowling trophy this year.

Liam- Continues to make incredible gains in his all-round game. I can't wait to see his bowling next year. Is rapidly developing into a potent fast left arm bowler, angling the ball towards the right hander's off stump and bringing it away from the left hander.

Sam- Did wonderfully well in his first ever season picking up a bat and bowling a ball. Sam scored his share of runs and bowled nice and straight, helping us to build pressure on the opposition. His fielding was also very solid.

Viren- Loves his cricket and is developing to be a technically sound batsmen who also took his fair share of wickets this season. His fielding is also excellent.

Guru- Bowls well, generating decent pace and bounce. He knows how to hit the ball hard and is a reliable fielder. Guru has a bright future ahead of him.

Jesse- Was clearly one of the most dangerous batsmen in the comp. He is a real excitement machine out in the middle. I lost count of how many run outs he took for us and great catches. His bowling continues to develop well. We missed Jesse when he and his family moved to Victoria in the new year.

Jacob- Enjoys his cricket and was so reliable with the bat, very rarely getting out. Jacob has developed into a really dependable batsman with a rock solid defence. His bowling improved well and he was the deserving recipient of the most improved award.

Riyansh- Bowls very fast and is destined to take a lot of LBWs when he is older as he regularly hit the pads of opposing batsmen. His batting in the new year was unbelievable, I lost count of the number of times he cleared the rope on the full. When Riyansh hits the ball, it certainly stays hit. His fielding is also very strong.

Tony- The guy who had the pleasure of coaching these wonder young fellas, I am very proud of each and every one of them and look forward to following their progress for many years to come.

20/21 Cricket Season
U/9 Blue

U9 Red Team Report
By Simon Joyce (Coach)

The team had an outstanding season!! While U9's is a non-competitive age group, the boys had a sneaky look at the scorecard at the end of each game and knew that they finished the season undefeated – an extremely rare achievement for any team, at any level.

Even more pleasing than the results, was the way the boys applied themselves each and every week – they always brought the right attitude to training, the level of improvement in cricketing ability and awareness over the season was amazing, played each match in the correct spirit and all contributed equally to the team's success.

One of the hardest jobs was figuring out who to give what award, but in the end, we settled for the following:

- Best Batsman – Raghav Sharma
- Best Bowler – Angus Madigan
- Best All-Rounder – Henry Byrom
- Best Spinner – Jeremy Palmer
- Most Improved – Oliver Katsikogianis
- Most Catches – Sebastian Bale
- Run Out King – Blake Erdmanis
- Running Between Wickets Master – Billy Joyce

Off the field, one of the highlights involved the team (and their siblings) being lucky enough to win a competition to train with the Sixers. The opportunity to receive some tips from their cricketing idols including Nathan Lyon, Moises Henriques and Ben Dwarshuis, is something they will cherish for the rest of their lives.

Well done again boys and hopefully we can keep the team together for many years to come!!

WPHCC U9 White Season Report
Coach: Animesh Raparia

The story that the young Bradman practised alone with a cricket stump and a golf ball is part of Australian folklore, thanks to Cricket Australia and their local partners the youngsters now get opportunity to train and play matches together to hone their skills.

2020 started with devastating bushfire and as the first half of the year passed under COVID, starting of cricket season was like a breath of fresh air. Most of the U8 team was back along with couple of new players in the team. Majority of the team had played at least one year of cricket and the aim for this year was to learn new skills, get introduced to cricketing sense and have a continuous improvement of one's abilities by identifying short comings in a match and work on those in next training session.

Over the course of summer, the team started coming together and supporting each other. Saturday mornings became a festival of fun and excitement with a lot of energy and passion.

Each of the players did their bit in the field, and the overall results were incredible. Below are details of our amazing players.

Jesse Lawrence: Jesse, the athlete, can be found somersaulting off the field if not busy accumulating runs on the field. He loves to bat and can do some serious damage to fielding side. He is one of the most fun-loving players in the team.

Ethan Rutenberg: Ethan, the sprinter is one of the quickest in the field. He is an amazing fielder and one of the best runners between the wickets. Ethan loves to be involved in everything and gets really engrossed in the game.

Kaiven Gandhi: Kaiven is the quiet one but make no mistake, he can stand all day when it comes to holding his end. A difficult batsman to get out an amazing fielder in the field.

Connor Clarke: Connor is the first one to put his hand up when asked to volunteer. An amazing sportsman and a budding batsman, Connor plays his cricket with lot of energy and knows how to keep it fun.

Armaan Hossain: Armaan is the focussed one, he has improved leaps and bounds in the bowling department over the season. He has learned to be consistent and has developed control on his line and length. Armaan loves to learn new things and enjoys being part of the team.

Aaryan Raparia: Aaryan is the passionate one, has improved immensely in both batting and bowling over the season. Very enthusiastic about the game both in theory and execution, he loves to talk about cricket, learn new skills and plays with lot of energy.

Corey Bell: Corey is the brave one, he is ready to face all kind of fast bowling and holds his fort, no matter what. A quick learner, though this was his first season he gave his teammates a run for their money. Corey is someone who is always smiling and makes most of all situations.

Havish Lalloo : Havish is the accumulator, he is one of the best sweepers of the ball and can continue to make runs at will. Havish had a wonderful season with bat and made some good friends in the team.

Game over, Who Won?
From left: (Front) Havish Lalloo, Jesse Lawrence, Ethan Rutenberg, Aaryan Raparia; (Back) Armaan Hossain, Kaiven Gandhi

How did we do, today?
From left in circle : Ethan Rutenberg, Kaiven Gandhi, Corey Bell, Havish Lalloo, Jesse Lawrence, Connor Clarke, Armaan Hossain, Aaryan Raparia

U9 Green Team Report.
Coach: David Rapp
Manager: James Osborn

Another marvellous season for the Green Team with some new faces to the side for the U9s. We played some enthralling games this summer with the boys showing an even stronger team spirit than last season. It is wonderful to see how far our team has come this season with their skills and understanding of the game. You are all a pleasure to coach and once again, thank you to James and our awesome parents.

Some brief player profiles for the Green Team…

Nakiah Batra
Nakiah displayed excellent skills in all aspects of the game this season with his bowling accuracy the stand out improvement, resulting in him winning the trophy for best bowler. His stylish stroke play and sharp reflexes in the field make him an asset to the team.

Beau Chant
Beau showed that he had improved his skills in all areas of the game throughout the season with his bowling accuracy and fielding standing out. We wish Beau good luck for next season where he plans to take on another sport.

Thomas Hopson
Thomas was the recipient of the Coach's award for his commitment to improving his skill levels in all aspects of the game. He has shown great maturity in learning new skills and taking on board my advice, particularly with his bowling where his pace and accuracy have improved markedly. Nice job with the bat too Tom!

Thomas Loats
Thomas was a new addition to our team this season bringing in some awesome catching skills, next level enthusiasm and displaying his ability to connect willow with the ball on frequent occasions, being awarded the batting trophy as a result.

Ewan Osborn
Ewan proved once again that he is always keen to get in and have a go! His bowling and batting have improved a great deal this season and it was a very rare occurrence to see a ball get past him. Ewan's fielding was excellent!

Andrew Rapp
Andrew displayed his passion for the game and his all-round abilities once again this season with his skills leaning heavily towards batting and keeping. His bowling has also improved greatly being on a hat trick on at least 2 occasions.

William Tegg
Will was back to play in U9s this season bringing with him excellent all-round skills with an emphasis on batting. It was a very close call when deciding on who would take out the batting trophy between Will and Thomas Loats!

Neelan Thirunavukkarasu
Neelan proved once again that he is an outstanding fast bowler with the ability to change his pace considerably to fool the opposition. Neelan's batting has also improved this season and once again, only the brave would dare take another run on his arm.

U9 Gold
Coach: Raj Pandya

The U9 Gold team have had a great season together. From the first game where we were trying to find our feet (and also the coach understanding the rules J), we went on a great run of 7 wins on the trot.

During that time, the team grew in confidence and learned how to play as a team and playing for each other. We addressed our weaknesses and improved on our strengths. It filled me with such joy to see the boys running for every single run in the last few games of the season (also proved they were listening to their coach). Whilst we had some stand out players everyone contributed. Breyten, Ishaan & Riyaansh improved a lot during the season, with their batting & bowling. Joshua & Nyle & Thenuk kept things tight with their bowling, fielding and kept the runs flowing (I think Nyle must have run a marathon in one game), Vedant & Ryan kept getting wickets and Sachin hit everything that came his way, scoring a boundary or six in most games.

A great team to coach, lots of energy and always wanting to do better in the next games.. U9 Gold Team, you guys rock!

UNDER 10 – TEAM REPORTS

U10 Age Co-ordinator

We just wanted to thank everyone involved whether coaching, managing, scoring or just helping out with the U10 cricket this year. There were 6 teams this season from the club in a 27-team competition. We particularly want to thank those who volunteered to help make Pink Stumps Day such a success. Raising $3677 valuable funds for the McGrath Foundation !! Thank you to our coaches Henry Goonewardene, Paul Kelly, Conor Hamilton, Bec Williams, Luke Munro, Andrew Kophamel & Russell Nicolson. Thank you, to our managers for organising the teams throughout the season Lyndal Taylor, Maruthi Dhurjati, Anne Durkan, Simon Brooks, Ceri-Ann Ross & Jo Wilson. Look forward to seeing you all in the U11 next year!!

Jo & Tim

Under 10 Green

The Under 10 Green team played extremely well over the 2020/2021 season and were competitive in all games. The boys really enjoyed training each week as we worked to improve their skills as well as having fun together. Over the season, all the boys showed improvement in both batting and bowling and, best of all, played with great sportsmanship at all times.

These nine cricketers are an awesome bunch of boys and coaching them this season was both fun and rewarding. Each of them contributed to the success of the team in different ways and here are some memories:

Dean – an entertaining quick tip and run mostly paid great dividends. Found the gaps with the bat. Bowled with a keen eye getting the ball up around the batters' feet. Quick keepers' hands stopped many singles.

Christian – new to the team he improved his batting technique over the season scoring many valuable runs. Also worked hard on his bowling resulting in wickets for the team.

Flynn – running in from the fence he showed true stamina and a graceful bowling style. Always reliable with the bat and a keen energetic fielder.

Max – another new member to the team his patience at the crease won him great rewards with the bat. Hard work in the nets with his batting paid off this season

Josh – steady batsman who never threw his wicket away. Taking from where he left off last year, his bowling continues to grow with accuracy

Liviru – played a straight bat past the bowler with a big stride forward and bowling good line & length. Always energetic and enthusiastic in the field.

Hayden – a reliable batsman often finding the boundary all around the park. Another great season with the ball with some amazing classic catches

Ani – new to the club Ani showed the desire and enthusiasm to make sure that all balls went over the fence for "six". His reliable bowling hitting the pitch nicely.

Zac – started leg spin bowling this year with consistent accuracy and some nice ball flight. Batting to find the gaps with some deft touches. Took some great catches all over the field.

Thanks to all parents who helped out each week, whether it be scoring, umpiring, assisting at practice or cheering the team on – it was all appreciated. Finally a special thanks to Russ our coach for another year of dedicating his time to our team!

Jo & Tim Wilson
U10 Green Managers

U10 Gold

Lyndal and I couldn't have asked for a more wonderful group of kids and parents to spend the season with.

You all worked hard, improved your skills, and grew as individuals and as a team. It was wonderful watching each of your confidence grow each and every week.

A big thank you to all the parents for your support and assistance throughout the season.

Remember fun is #1.

U10 Red

A fantastic season for the boys all round.

Consistently executing their batting and bowling skills held them in good stead with some very strong performances and the ability to perform when needed in the close ones.

With batting and bowling continuing to deliver and develop nicely, the fielding was taken to the next level with some outstanding catching and runouts that should live long in the memories of those lucky enough to witness them.

An obvious desire to win coupled with great teamwork with contributions from all players gives a team spirit that makes the games all the more enjoyable.

We hope the love of the game is retained and if not within the game of cricket the commitment shown to do their best is used in all endeavours.

U10 White

Our philosophy for the U10s white this year was that everyone gives it a go and gets to try out each of the positions on the field. All the kids were very enthusiastic and I was constantly asked 'can I bat first...can I bowl first...can I wicket keep?' which showed this.

Reyansh hit the first six of the year, some great bowling from Reuben and Jagjot and wicket keeping from Eden and Advay. Avi showed us what great batting technique looks like and the twins Adhvik and Rithvik were always keen to get involved. Saim improved each week with the bat and ball and overall a very successful season was had by all.

Connor Hamilton

U10 Blue

Another season over,
disrupted by COVID
Yet stronger we finish;
a team that's devoted.

Thirteen games played,
Eleven of those won,
Is a fair result,
By team on a run.

It's a great record
Of which we are proud
Thanks to the boys
Their positions now found

Hayden and Alex
Walking out to the crease
With Max and Toby
Behind stumps; dirty knees.

Bowler Dev
Gets better and better
Spectacular catches
From both Shay and mate Asher

And let's all clap
The change we have seen
from Jet and from Ashton
Most improved in the team

So the time is now right
to farewell our old coaches
5 great years given
From their start back in kangas

So proud they've been
And so sad to depart
But happy to see
their team play with such heart

So handover the reins
To new coaches will they
The blues will be back
And more games will they play.

Andrew Kophamel

U10 Blue

U10 Purple

The U10 purple team was a brand new team of boys who had never played full games of cricket before. The team, by the end of the season, was unrecognisable from the ragtag group at the start. (Mind you the new white pants didn't fare so well!) The boys came on in leaps and bounds and each individually contributed something special to the team.

Mihin welcomed everyone to the team like they were old friends and encouraged the boys throughout the season. He won the bowling award and proved that you don't need to be giant to make a big difference. Hugo was so keen to practise at home that he tried to coach his twin sister so that she could bowl to him, though her heart was probably elsewhere. Hugo hit some great balls and won the award for being first to ask the final score each week! Lachlan was our most laid back player but he had a keen eye and loved to smash the ball. He would lull the opposition into a false sense of security with his unrushed demeanour, before unleashing some fiery balls. Rayyan was the personification of enthusiasm, with a great bowling arm thrown in for good measure! He won the team player award and is to be congratulated on nagging his mother so much that he still attended training when heavily affected by hay fever and barely able to see the ball. Mohammed knew no-one when he started out in the team but left with many new friends and a possible future career as a cricket "nightwatchman". It didn't matter how many balls came his way, there was no getting him out! Aiman had a nasty mid-season injury that would have put most men out for the rest of the season, but not Aiman! When injured he continued to turn up to games, just to watch, before re-joining the team later in the competition. He was a strong contender for the bowling award, despite missing many games, with several parents saying a quick prayer when they saw the speed of the ball leaving his arm and hurtling towards their child. He won the Instagram competition, netting the club a tidy little jackpot - well done Aiman! Sebastian was our little rocket. Every ball was worth running for, resulting in a good number of catches. A future all-rounder without a doubt, but will it be for Australia or Sri Lanka? Kirran started the season with enthusiasm and developed his skills along the way, with his bowling improving beyond belief. He learned the ecstatic feeling of a good catch and has already signed up for the team next season. This just leaves us with Mitchell who can be seen bowling 24 hours a day and 7 days a week! Most of the local grounds have applied to extend their ovals to allow Mitch's long run ins (think airport runway rather than cricket oval)! Despite Mitch's bowling prowess, it was actually his batting that won him the award. There will be no stopping this kid and his dad, Paul, will have many years of team coaching ahead of him. Thank you Paul and Henry, Mihin's grandfather, for your dedication to coaching the team. Along with skills improvement, the team also learned cohesiveness and inclusiveness. Thank you also to our regular scorers; Tariq, Peter, Davinder and Rashedul. The U10 purple team may have been new to the competition but they will be back in force next season, bigger, better and ready for action!

U10 – Purple

UNDER 11 – TEAM REPORTS

Under 11 Gold – Season 2020/2021

This year continued to build on the team unity from the last two years with everyone except Nekiah returning to play from last season. The team picked up a recruit in Rohan Shiju who was warmly welcomed by the boys and quickly integrated into the team.

Jon Pride took up the coaching role with technical skills assistance from Andy aka "Ando Commando" and team discipline by Tim Beitch.

With a late start to the season this year due to Covid-19, the team got off to a positive start winning the first two games of the season and by the end of the season had a 65% win record.

Coming off the long run, Rohan's bowling throughout the season kept many of the opposition batsmen ducking for cover. If the following bowler was Eddie, or Christian then the opposition were in for a double dose of pace. Tristan continued to work at his leg spin and the rest of the team's consistency and accuracy tied down many of the opposition teams. Anthony's performance throughout the year resulted in him wining the bowling award for the year.

Strong batting performances by all players this year resulted in some big batting totals. Eddie's performance in demolishing not only the opposition bowling, but the opposition teams parked car at Thomas Thompson Oval was one of the standout performances of the year. Lucas Matheson's consistent batting throughout the season and his impeccable timing of the ball was rewarded with the batting award for the year.

Shared keeping duties throughout the season allowed all the boys to continue to develop their skills further in this area. Lucas Pride, Luke, Archie and Rohan showed a particularly good set of hands behind the stumps and they may find themselves there on a more full-time basis moving into the older age divisions.

The teams fielding continued to improve this year with some of the boys becoming more aware of the importance of field positions. Good catching and outfield play by Hamish, Eddie and Luke restricted the opposition teams running between wickets.

Once again this year, the boys had a great time playing cricket and continued to enjoy the game and are more than ready for some hard ball cricket next year.

A big thanks as always goes to the parents who supported the team throughout the season, enduring the Thursday afternoon training sessions, providing the bowling machine for practice, and transporting players to early morning starts. All this coupled with having to engage the brain on a Saturday morning for scoring duties. This support has made coaching and managing the team a pleasure for Jon and I this year.

Brendan Titley / Jon Pride
Manager / Coach

U11 Gold

Anthony

Luke

Tristan

Lucas M

U11 Green

The under 11 Green Team had a great season of cricket winning most of the games we played with all the boys developing their skills, attitude and discipline. From a batting perspective, we put a big focus on judging each ball on its merits and protecting our wicket. The bowling improved significantly during the season with each of the boys getting some great wickets. We had a couple of great games against our fellow WPHCC U11 teams often coming away with the win. I would like to thank Jason Cooper for managing the team and filling in for me when I was unavailable and thanks to all the parents for supporting the team and organising drinks and a BBQ for after the games.

U11 Blue

What an amazing season! Started with almost an all new team but ended the season with an amazing group of young cricketers. As a coach I can't wait to see the smiling faces at practice and also the sleepy eyes on game mornings. If you look at our wins, you might miss the progress that I have seen this season. I have seen bowlers who started with bowling 6 wides in an over, to bowl leg breaks on to stumps bouncing 1 metre away from the line, every ball. I have seen lighting one handed screamers being caught by a player who was scared of putting hands behind the ball. I have seen 4 runs being scored by running between the wickets by batsmen who would almost fall down with pads and helmets on. I have seen drives getting straighter and those little brave movements towards the pitch of a fast ball, rather getting away from it. I have seen only winners this season. Good luck, cant wait for summer.

Coach
Sachin Singh

UNDER 12 – TEAM REPORTS

Gone are bubbles and hubs, but I should say that despite the health issues we faced and the restrictions imposed, the Under 12s had a great season with 3 out of 5 teams entering semi finals and vast improvement and progress of the other two teams. Congratulations to all 5 teams. Special mention to the champion U12 Blue team and Suhas Abeysinghe for his achievement of the Ross Anderson award.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the coaches, managers and the parents for their time, commitment and continued support to this group, and a special thank you to Tovin Honeysett, our coaching coordinator and the Coaching Academy which helped the kids advance their skills.

Ratna Siva
U12 Coordinator 2020/21

U12 Gold

The U12 Gold Team had another great year of cricket and welcomed three new members to the team. A huge congratulations to the players who improved noticeably over the season, particularly in the field. They showed strong character, never giving up until the last ball was bowled and played the game in the spirit promoted by West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club. They experienced some very close games, some they won & some they lost, including a hard-fought draw. A big thank you to Paul Higham for coaching the team and the very supportive parents that helped set-up, score and ensured the players enjoyed their cricket.

Coach : Paul Higham
Manager: Tovin Honeysett

U12 Red

With a new season just around the corner Under 12s Red was doubtful after how they had performed last season, finishing 12 out of 16. So it was a surprise when most of the team returned for the season with some new additions who proved they were capable players on the field. It is clear how season 2020/21 has played out for the boys especially seeing as how their batting and bowling has improved with all players adapting well.

Having lost the previous coach due to unavailability, Roshan Withanage took over as the team's new coach proving that he could somewhat control the horde of kids that he was tasked with mentoring. You can see how much of an influence he has been on the boys as they took down the number one team on the ladder (at the time) Hornsby green. Quite an achievement that kept the team going even after their downfall towards the teams that followed after.

The weather seemed to madden endlessly as if it had rage-quit while playing a video game. The rain and storm spoiled the games with their anger forcing them to be paused at annoying times. Indeed it seemed like the rain was a leading factor in U12 Reds downfall. Although the games were often harsh there was some extraordinary effort put in by all the players.

Kristian had not lost any form over the offseason, threatening the opposition with the ball from the first game onwards. Ranuk has shown exceptional batting and managed to take many runs throughout the season making big scores for his team. Malinda has been a great team player and has been encouraging his peers during matches. The coach recognised Malinda's improvement in skills and performance awarding him the Player of the Team.

The newcomers to the team did a great job as well. Rehan a newbie to the team came very close to beating Ranuk's run tally. He also proved to be a great keeper and has the highest number of catches in this group. Direin was another pro wicket keeper and when he wasn't wearing the gloves, we could see his unique aeroplane celebration which he did whenever he got someone out. Shashwath, another newbie took the opposition by surprise by attacking their bowlers from the first delivery he faced. Another person who showed his power at the games was Hesandu who appeared to be a gentle bowler on the outside but was really a savage bowler on the inside. Hesandu was a bomb waiting to explode. Big hitter Ryan Mortimer

was a dedicated player, he showed up to every training session and every game. Ryan made a promise to beat his previous best score and he definitely kept the promise. When he middles it people have to move their cars for safety. His deliveries are just fricking fast.

Due to IPL commitments, Ansh could only make it to a handful of games but he clearly made his mark in that duration of time. Heck, he was really needed for the games after December. Shiven was late to the party too but surprised everyone after taking some valuable wickets and catches. Saharsh was promoted from the U11 team to U12 Red after December because the U11 batters didn't know how to handle his spin. Harsh!

The team's assistant coach Ronan constantly helped them at training with everything they needed to work on. Without his help, the team would be destroyed by the other groups who opposed them.

This season has been a rollercoaster and a crazy one as it seems. The team finished 8th place out of 19 teams. Huge improvement from the last season.

Coach : Roshan Withanage
Assistant coach: Ronan Bennett
Manager: Muditha Dissanayake

U12 Green

What a great team and what a fantastic year the WPHCCC Under 12 Green team had this season. Firstly, it was great to see so many boys returning to play another season with the same team. We had 8 boys return from the 19/20 season and 4 newcomers. The team dynamic was awesome and they got off to a terrific start, winning the first 7 matches of the season. Only two losses and two rainouts saw the team finish in fourth place and qualify for the finals. In what was a wet summer, there were multiple times when the parents tended to the soaking pitches and outfields with brooms, mops, blowers and towels – anything to get the boys on the field (who were itching to play.)

Some highlights included: 6 different wicket takers in the game against Glenorie – with 2 run outs to complete the innings; Aushada making an unbeaten 56 runs off 35 balls, helping him to achieve the batting award for the team; Daniel taking 4 wickets for 6 runs against another WPHCCC team, helping him to achieve the bowling award for the team. Tejas was awarded the team player of the year due to his team spirit displayed, tenacious effort put into all training sessions and tremendous improvement throughout the whole summer.

The most pleasing moment for the coaches and parents to see was the amazing sportsmanship and camaraderie shown in the game against Berowra. An opposition player was trying cricket for the first time who had a pronounced disability. The Green team picked up on this, and rather than show fierce determination to take his wicket, helped the boy to his first runs of the season – resulting in huge celebration from both teams, on and off the field. A truly wonderful sight to witness, and one that will live long in the memories of all involved.

Every boy in the Green team played with great spirit and were often commended from the opposition for their sportsmanship and encouragement. It is a pleasure to be part of this team with such wonderful kids and I look forward to the 21/22 season.

Coach: Kamran Bloach
Manager: Anthony Gray

U12 Orange

The 2020/21 season kicked off with most of the boys returning from last season, and the addition of three new teammates. Despite plenty of enthusiasm to be back playing cricket, things began slowly for the boys with a couple of early losses in our first few games. From there though the team settled, going undefeated for the remainder of the season including a succession of close finishes to secure our spot in the finals. Sadly the weather robbed the boys of the opportunity to challenge in the finals, but that didn't detract from

what had been a highly enjoyable summer of cricket for all of the boys, parents and coaches. Each of the boys made a strong contribution to the team at different times, and can be very proud of their development as cricketers, of their sportsmanship and of their team's achievements.

- Dhuryah – another season of entertaining, attacking batting and threatening leg spin, including a memorable run of 4 wickets in 7 balls (narrowly missing a hat trick).
- Dom – a wicket taking medium pacer and much improved batsmen this season. Dom left a big hole in the team when unavailable due to school cricket.
- James – a new addition to the team who grew in confidence with the ball as the season progressed and developed into a wall with the bat.
- Jimmy – our most improved this season, and a key figure in our run home to the finals. Bowled with control and pace, taking wickets when it mattered most, and developing into one of our most reliable batsmen.
- Kristian – another big improver with the bat and always reliable with the ball. Maintained his status as having some of the safest hands in the comp.
- Lennox – did what Lennox does best; bowled fast and took wickets. Also a consistent performer with the bat, Lennox showed more patience this season and was rewarded with plenty of runs.
- Leon – one of the most reliable members of the team with bat and ball, and a constant source of energy and enthusiasm in the field. Another key player when games got tight at the end of the season.
- Manning – a new player to club cricket, Manning showed great enthusiasm throughout the season and loads of improvement (and potential) in both his batting and bowling.
- Nick – a welcome addition to the team this season providing another fast bowling, wicket taking option. Nick showed plenty of development across the season and lots of potential for the years ahead.
- Ryan – continued his consistent form from last season. Nagging pace and steep bounce made batting against Ryan hard for most, and his determination with the bat made sure he was as difficult to dislodge as ever.
- Will D – picked up where he left off last season scoring runs and taking plenty of wickets with his consistent leggies. Leading run scorer and second highest wicket taker across all WPCCCC u12 teams this season.
- Wil P – a genuine all-rounder, Wil's tight bowling was rewarded with regular wickets and he showed great improvement in his batting, particularly early in the season when the team was struggling.

Well done boys, and congratulations on another great season. Hope to see you all back next year.
Manager: Gavin Smith
Coaches: Nick Deverson and Mick Wilkin

U12 Blue

The Blue team had another outstanding season this year winning the U12 Grand Finals and finishing at the top of the ladder.

All the boys from last year returned to side for the 2020/21 season and most of them have been playing together since U8's. We have a great bunch of boys who love to play with their mates every week and their love & positive attitude towards the game could be seen in the high performance once again in this season.

The U12 Blue team remained unbeaten in the preliminary round which consisted 15 games. One of the key highlights of the season is that none of the Blue team players were among the top 10 batting or bowling performances for HKHDCA and this clearly shows the true team work that has been the essence of winning the premiership. Mick has always encouraged a "Team First" culture and it has to be mentioned that every player has equally contributed to the success of the team. Most importantly every player has improved their skill levels during the season, whilst having a great time building valuable friendships.

At this stage, all the players (except one player who was assigned to the team by the club with an age dispensation) are expected to return for the 2021/22 season and I am sure they are looking forward coming back in few months' time. Finally, we would like to thank you for all the support extended to the U12 age group and looking forward to a great 2021/22 season.

Coach : Mick Dalton
Manager: Thilina Abeysinghe

UNDER 13 – TEAM REPORTS

U13 Blue

WPHCCC U13 Blues had another enjoyable season with most of the boys returning from last season, with the inclusion of two new players Jacob and Bayden.

Both on and off the field the boys enjoyed each other's company whilst playing cricket together. The cricket was played in great spirit and with respect to opposition and umpires.

There was marked improvement in the skill level from all the team, which led to some great wins and some individual brilliance.

Jacob – first season with the team and outstanding with the ball, has an uncanny knack of keeping the ball low and on the spot. 14 wickets for the season, best 3/1 Great team man

Ryan - great ground fielder who took some amazing runouts and catches during the season, has great anticipation. 11 wickets for the season, best 3/7. Some attacking batting during the year forming valuable partnerships

Harry – valued member of the team whose overall cricket is improving. Has shown greater consistency with his bowling

William – big improvement in his cricket this year, has a lovely outswinger and is difficult to get away when he is on. Took his first Hat trick at Campbell Park v WPH Orange. He consistently took wickets at crucial times throughout the season. His batting improved with his confidence and built some great partnerships. 14 wickets, best 3/9

Bronson- great team player and head of social for the team. Loves his cricket and his teammates. Some great batting partnerships during the year and his commitment in getting the team over the line on a few occasions. Batting 138 runs @ 27.60. Good ground fielder and wicket keeper and a handy leg spin bowler

Bayden – new to team but fitted in well. Hit his first six at Brooklyn Dairy v Berowra. Has a great bowling action, will grow in confidence when he backs his ability

Dehan – the smallest in the team but the most determined. Loves to compete and fits in well with the older boys. His batting and bowling have grown from previous seasons, batting at crucial times and forming key partnerships in games.

Isaac – a fierce competitor who loves playing with his teammates. Some excellent ground fielding, 4 catches,4 runouts and 1 direct hit. His top score batting of 22 is something to build on for next season

Angus – solid performer again this season with a top score of 31 with the bat. He maintained his consistency with his off breaks all season causing havoc with the opposition, leading to wickets, and run outs off the back of his bowling

Fin – the dedication and effort all year round to his cricket shows in his results. His bowling was first class, which was backed up by the teams fielding. 18 wickets @ 3.5 Has a real passion for the game and never gives in, enjoys being around his teammates

James – massive improvement this season, Bowling was more consistent with a bit of spice. His batting and maturity at the crease were outstanding, forming crucial partnerships throughout the season. Ground fielding and anticipation was first class, took out the team player award which was well deserved

Henrik – another good season. Some excellent catches taken in the covers and mid off at crucial times. Top score with the bat of 21 whilst opening the batting at certain times during the season. Loves to compete and is a great team player

Some great team performances in extreme conditions throughout the season. This team has a great team spirit and once they start to believe in their ability the overall team confidence will grow.

A special thanks to Alison for managing the team and keeping us in line. To Rob for his help coaching and mentoring the boys this season is much appreciated and valued by the team.

To Marty for his dedication to scoring and being there for the team, thankyou

Thank you to the parents for being part of the kids cricket and helping on game day, ground setup, scoring, warmups etc.

Mat Marsden - Coach

U13 Orange

The U13 Orange team was made up of the core of the U12 Orange team, with the welcome additions of Angus Aoutal, Liam Hecimovic, and Finn and Charlie Johnson. The new boys fitted in seamlessly to a team that were already a very close bunch of mates. While we were never in contention for finals, the boys achieved more wins than the previous season, and continued to improve with every game. And most importantly, the boys always enjoyed their cricket and played in the right spirit.

Angus Aoutal announced his arrival to the team, with an innings in the first round that will last long in the memory. Against one of the top teams of the competition, he dispatched their rep bowlers to every corner of the ground. His 62 not out off 30 balls almost single handedly got us over the line but unfortunately we fell just short. Angus was frequently the backbone of our batting. He also contributed with wickets and solid wicketkeeping. He deservedly won the team award. William Byrom was also a great contributor with the bat and finished the season with an average over 50. He won the batting award. William always bowled and fielded well. Curtis Fullerton won the bowling award. He had best figures of 4 for 15 and was unlucky not to get a 5 for.

There were other solid contributors with bat and ball. Liam Hecimovic and Liam Deverson both averaged over 20 with the bat. Will Vella made some vital runs and was dangerous with the ball in hand. Harrison Hames continued to improve his bowling and was unlucky not to get more wickets. Big improvers throughout the season were Nate Lowe, Xander, Lachie Paxton, and Finn Johnson and they all worked hard on improving their techniques and consistency. Charlie Johnson was our leg spinner, and showed great skill and control for his first season of cricket.

A big thank you to Mark Lowe, who was our regular scorer, and who stepped in to coach when I missed the latter part of the season. Also a mention to Nick Hecimovic and Peter Fullerton who would regularly assist with umpiring and organising the boys. Like last season, I was very grateful to have a supportive group of parents, who would always be there to help out or cheer the boys on. Finally, to the boys, you were a pleasure to coach. Training and games were always fun and I hope to see many of you continuing to play this great game.

Matt Deverson, U13 Orange Coach

U13 – Green

What an amazing season for the Greenies !

It's a story of a new team that was formed with boys who played in different age groups last year, performing amazingly together as a team throughout the season topping the ladder undefeated, Minor Premiers and eventually ending the season as Premiers for their age group. This feat was achieved purely through teamwork where everyone in the team contributed towards the success of the season enforcing the club mantra of participation.

The new team had a passionate coach & manager, Indranil and Mohit and the team was made up of boys with varying degrees of skills, some of whom had never met each other before. The 2020-21 season started off with the dark cloud of Covid-19 hanging around, but the boys set the tempo from the first game onwards with a stellar performance of limiting their opposition to low score and topping it up with a solid chase and thereafter carrying on that same form throughout the season.

"Cricket is a team sport" and playing in a true sense as a team, what made the U13 Green so promising. No batsman or bowler in the top 3 of the association but 6 players scoring 100+ runs and 7 bowlers getting 7+ wickets.

The biggest strength of the team was their bowling attack with a great mix of pace and spin bowling. The pace attack was led by Ayush, Yasith, Abhinav, Ansh, Haseeb, Gary and Akith whilst the spin attack led by Arjonil and Rohan who came in middle of the innings and foxed many batsmen with their loopy leg spin. Rumeth, Hugo and Ammar then kept it tight whilst chipping in with wickets in the rest of the overs. The fact that everyone contributed with tight bowling and taking wickets ensuring there were no loose balls on offer was one of the main reasons the team was so successful this season. One of the wonderful sights of the season was the boys encouraging each other on the field and backing up their bowlers with exceptional fielding.

When the bowlers were performing so well, the batting needed to back that up for the team to succeed. And the batting mainstays of the team - Akith , Yasith, Abhinav, Ansh, Ammaar, Haseeb and Gary delivered magnificently. When there was a target to set the batsman used a great mix of aggression and caution to set high totals and when there was a large target to chase down they did so with great maturity. In those rare occasions when the top order failed we had the middle and lower order players coming in and saving the day such as some of Rohan and Ayush's innings at the latter part of the season.

Our key glove-men behind the stumps were Abhinav and Arjonil whilst Ammar chipped in few games. One of the main features of the 2020-21 season was the significantly reduced byes given away by the team. This itself is testimony for the great work done by our wicketkeepers. The fielding was outstanding throughout the season where everyone backed up the bowler, in many cases crippling the opposition.

Overall, congratulations to all of the team players for an amazing season with special mention to Akith for winning the team batting award, Ayush for winning the team bowling award and Yasith for winning the allrounder award. A special note of thanks should be conveyed to Indranil, our very passionate coach and Mohit, our dedicated manager. Indranil's commitment and dedication to coach and gel this team together was amazing.

And finally a big thank you to all the parents who dedicated their time to show support, volunteer with scoring, umpiring and ground set up. Everyone enjoyed the morning coffee chats and the team performances and we look forward to the next season!

U13 Green team

A wash out semi final game at Caddies Creek Reserve. They team was raring to a have a go after multiple nets session through the week in preparation for the big day.

U13 green Minor premiers after last round at Campbell Park.

After a hot day at Les Shore oval 2, U13 Green enjoying some cold treats during break.

UNDER 14 – TEAM REPORTS

U14 Blue

Another successful year for the Blue team with few hiccups early in the season which put us no 5 in the ladder, otherwise we could have been the champions. Last game of the season was the unforgettable one. Even though we lost by two runs, the kids showed their commitment and fighting spirit against Castle Hill RSL White, No 1 in the ladder. Most of us ended up with tears by feeling the bravery and never give up attitude from the bunch of young kids.

The success of the Blue team is the team spirit and we were lucky to add two great players, Tom and Blake, into the team this season to lift our team bowling, batting and wicketkeeping strength for Season 2020/21. There was a marked improvement in the skill level from all players this season which led to the team showing some outstanding performances, picking up some fantastic wins, but also fighting hard against some tough opposition. There were a couple of inconsistent days when a few top guns were unavailable, but that's something that can be worked on to improve the win ratio next season!

Among the Batsmen there were some excellent performances, 3 Half Centuries were scored by Nadil and 1 each by Riley, Ben, Archie and Blake - Congratulations! With some good totals from Alex, Akash, Tom, Isaak and Hunter as well – there was some fierce and healthy competition each match for each of these to do their best and top the run scorers list. Dylan was able to contribute with useful runs whenever he got a chance. Big improvement compared to the last season!

Nadil and Archie batted with form and consistency and Nadil won the Batting Award - 280 runs @ 46.6 HS: 50* and Archie was just few runs behind- 271 runs @ 67.7 HS 51*. Archie hit seven sixers during the season and best in the club in hitting sixes! Archie wins the Team Player of the Year.

Tom, our new wicketkeeper showed his great skills behind the stumps as our top wicket keeper snaring 4 catches and 5 runouts.

The bowling was stronger than last season with Ben and Isaak both were firing some unplayable deliveries. Ben bowled fast and improved his accuracy to win the Bowling Award – 13wkts @ 8.5 BB: 3/3. Isaak finished the season with 8wks, but his bowling against Castle Hill RSL White was one of the best bowling we have seen during the season. Great spin bowling from Akash and accurate fast bowling from Riley always helped us to restrict oppositions to a smaller total. In addition, there were strong bowling performances which got wickets whenever required, from Nadil, Alex, Archie, Hunter, and Blake. Dylan's bowling improved a lot and we were able to see his piercing attacks with some top teams. Laxman's spin bowling reached another level and he contributed by taking wickets of some good batters throughout the season.

Ben stepped up as captain and did a wonderful job throughout the season. All the players enjoyed each other's successes and were always supportive of their teammates and respectful of the opposition. They showed excellent sportsmanship and were always happy and keen to play throughout what was a crazy season weatherwise!

A big thank you to Steve for managing the team and Grant for sharing the coaching throughout the season, and to all the Mums and Dads who helped make 2020/21 another enjoyable season.

Badde Jayakody -Coach

Under 14– Red | 2020-21 Season Report

Congratulations to the Under 14 Red Team for a fantastic 2020-21 cricket season. The consistent effort from all players throughout the season delivered the best result the team has ever had, qualifying for the finals for the first time. Unfortunately, the team didn't get to make their long-awaited finals series debut, with the rain washing out their semi-final match up against Castle Hill. Oh well, something positive to build on going into next season.

At the start of the season, we welcomed Arnav to the team, a competent bowler who immediately added even more value to the team's bowling stocks. After the Christmas break however, we lost one of our foundation players, Zach Hawkins, whose family made the move back to Melbourne in January. Zach is a talented cricketer, both with ball and bat. To the team's credit, they overcame this loss, and continued their consistent form through to the end of the season. Each player should feel proud of how they contributed to the team, but also pleased with the development and progress they have made individually.

A lot of success during the season was delivered by our bowling. Possessing a good mix of pace and spin, our bowling attack had good depth and flexibility. Congratulations to Zac on receipt of the Bowling Award. He took 11 wickets at an average of 7.09 runs per wickets. His bowling at the death of the innings was invaluable, proving that a consistent line and length will always be effective. Sohan had another strong season with the ball, picking up 9 wickets at an average of 13.96 runs, while Arnav and Eamon also collected 8 wickets for the season, a good reward for their consistent and accurate efforts.

Sebastian is to be congratulated on receiving the team's Batting Award, amassing a total of 248 runs at an average of 41.33. His composure in being able to build an innings was a highlight, a watchful approach at the start of his innings and dashing finish at the end. Other commendable batting achievements included Lukas, scoring 190 runs at an average of 38.00 runs, and Zac, with a total of 177 runs at an average of 25.29. Lukas' willingness to push the run rate from the beginning proved effective, and perhaps the difference in some matches. Zac's measured approach, often when opening the batting, laid a solid foundation for the following batters.

Finally, the contributions of Narelle Irwin (Manager) and Richard Jones (Scorer) throughout the year have again been immense. Narelle's clear and prompt dissemination of information and communication about training and match information kept parents well informed and coaches well prepared. Richard's dedicated and accurate efforts as scorer, not only highlights his interest towards the game, but also his commitment to the team and Junior sport. It's this type of support from parents that makes a coach's job easy and the team operating efficiently and achieving their best.

It was a successful and enjoyable season, delivering a positive and encouraging outlook towards the seasons ahead.

Matt Kohlhagen & Matt Macauley (Coaches)

U14 White

U14 White team stepped into this year with most of the players coming back for the fifth successive season. We must be doing something right for them to continue playing the game together with their mates. The team was also joined by some players from other clubs/suburbs and two players who decided to play up an age group moving from U12 into U14.

Playing the U14 format was a massive change for players. Playing with 156gm ball and full-length pitch for the first time wasn't easy. All players were up for the challenge.

The team kicked off their season with a massive win against the Kissing Point U14 team. Yash and Samih shone with the ball together with Peter and Rashmintha grabbing two wickets each with their unplayable spin. What a great way for the players to start!

We focussed on learning to play as a team and cherish each other's successes. Every single player put in hard work during practice and it showed at most of the games of the season.

We witnessed half-century knocks from Krish, Samih, and Rashmintha. Samih and Ajeet showed their punch and panache and bettered their record of hitting towering sixes while showed immense maturity by putting a price on their wicket.

The most exciting game of the season was against the Hornsby team who we won by the skin of our teeth. Rashmintha's fifer led the team to win by 8 runs on a low target set by our team.

Aayush found sparkling all-rounder form and sprint fielding. Tanush continued to be our fastest and fiercest bowler.

Aarush and Krish focussed on batting to their strengths and got us out of trouble seeing off the new ball on many occasions.

Jason showed a lot of improvement in picking up his batting and bowling skills.

Nirvaan, who played hardball for the first time, showed great courage in facing fierce bowling attacks. The moment of joy for him was when he took his debut wicket of a set batsman. The team celebrated his first wicket like there was no tomorrow.

Yash continued his fine form with his bowling and improved on batting.

Samih continued to trouble the batters with his immaculate line and length and his offside shots and cover drives improved remarkably well.

We also had some cracking catches that were taken by our players this season. The first slip catch by Aarush and a diving catch by Aayush at a point are a few to remember.

The season ended with Rashmintha scoring 238 runs and Samih pocketing 13 wickets for the team.

Thank you to the parents who managed to score and set up the grounds for our home games. The support of all parents was exemplary and yet again we ensured we made cricket fun for everyone to play.

Thanks to Buzz Burrows for being the age coordinator and for his support throughout the season. The team is looking forward to the next season already!

Faisal Mukhtar
Team Coach

UNDER 15 – TEAM REPORTS

U15 Purple

After an agonising loss in the previous years semi final the start of the 2020/2021 season couldn't come around quick enough for the Purple team. This year we welcomed a number of new players including our first female team member and all slotted into the team as if they'd been there for years.

The pre Christmas period saw the team perform strongly building each week winning 6 out 7 matches with the only loss being to the defending premiers Hornsby Green. The standout performance during this period was the 195 run opening partnership between Himantha Walawage (97 no) and Oscar Irwin (85 no) against Hornsby Gold.

The post Christmas period saw the team again play well winning 3 with only 1 loss to CHRSL in the last round. The strong performances by all team members during the season saw Purple finish the regular season as minor premiers with a tough finals series to follow.

Unfortunately the following 2 weeks saw mother nature intervene washing out both the semi final against WPH Blue and the grand final the following week against Hornsby Green. The resulting washout saw the Purple team achieve their second premiership in 4 years and the results are a credit to the team as a whole. They showed great resilience coming from behind a number of times and played with great spirit and as a team in general. It was pleasing to see the comraderie the team showed right through the season.

U15 Orange

U15 Orange had 12 returning players from the previous season and for 2020/21 we were joined by Leo Herring (from Castle Hill and former Orange player) and Shriram Raveendran (from the Red team) bringing us a squad of 14 eager young men ready to start the season.

Some early pre-season training showed its worth with a good win against Hornsby Gold in the opening round. The following week saw the boys come up against premiers Hornsby Green and had it not been for an ugly amount of extras the boys would have come close to beating one of the best teams in the comp. A run of losses saw renewed effort at training with a particular focus on extras and not giving our opposition any freebies. And despite losing to Castle Hill in round 5, it was pleasing to see that our focus at training was paying off and the boys gave away only six extras for the entire match, the lowest in any junior or senior game in the district that round.

A win against Berowra and a really hard-fought win against Blue saw us remain in contention for the finals. Three tough losses followed, tough because all three games went right down to the wire and the boys were incredibly unlucky to lose all three. Our biggest ever team total saw the boys get a big win against Mt Colah in the last game of the season.

Despite not making the finals the boys should hold their heads high. They are one of the only teams in the competition with no rep players but their effort and their attitude each week sees them compete at a high level. Their respect and support of each other, and the game, makes them an absolute pleasure to coach.

Liam Cunningham- our captain led the team well all season, his record for winning the toss is amazing! After focusing on improving his batting he was rewarded with 75 runs in the final match of the season which was no doubt a highlight

Ryan Diblasio- our vice-captain had a standout year with the ball, 18 wickets saw him equal first in the district. Twice in two weeks he was unlucky not get a hat trick and five wickets, a superb season.

Jake Condon- always reliable, Jake batted incredibly well all year and was a worthy recipient of the batting award. Jake also proved handy with the ball with a couple of wickets off his medium pacers.

Vipul Manjunath- Vipul revealed himself as quite the strike bowler this season, devastatingly accurate with 9 wickets for the season. He also spent some time opening the batting and his ability to hold up an end frustrated many opening bowlers.

Raynaldo Howard- a quieter year from a stats point of view but always able to break a partnership with his mystery bowling! Raynaldo was deadly in the field this year with a bunch of outstanding catches.

Lance Tabone- Lance has had a great season with the bat with some good scores in some really important games. When at his best with the ball he is one of the fastest in the district.

Thomas Shannon- for many seasons Thomas has been one of our most accurate and lethal swing bowlers. This season was no different and he bagged a bunch of crucial wickets. A spectacular ball that swung from off to clip the batters leg stump was one of the best balls of the season.

Jack McFadden- Jack spent a bit of time opening the batting this year and proved himself worthy of the spot with some good innings. His bowling really came to the fore this season also, his 3 for 12 against Blue set up the foundation for the win.

Ryan Manson- the swinging slinger had a few issues with the radar early on in the season but his never give up attitude and willingness to listen saw the good times return. He also took a couple of outstanding catches. Ryan also won the Coach's & Manager's award for his team spirit, his attitude and for his constant encouragement of his teammates when out in the field.

James Higham- James has the most terrific attitude to the game. His bowling has improved out of sight and his ability to keep the batters from scoring has been remarkable this year.

Henry Kelly- Henry has bowled really well this year, the emergence of some off spin later in the season looks very promising for next year. Good also to see some improved batting with a couple of good scores this season.

Shriram Raveendran- it was Shriram's first season with Orange and he quickly proved himself crucial to the team with his outstanding spin bowling. He opened the bowling for a lot of the season and frustrated many opening batsmen with his pinpoint accuracy.

Leo Herring- it was fantastic to have Leo back in the team. Leo spent all season as our full-time wicketkeeper and was brilliant behind the stumps with some great catches and leadership in the field. He helped to reduce our extras significantly! Leo also had some good runs with the bat.

Toby Conway- we only saw Toby for half the season but his confidence and self-belief with bat and ball is inspiring for someone in only his second season ever!

U15 Blue

Overall, U15 Blues had an outstanding season. We were always a competitive unit, but this year the boys took a big leap to become a winning team – strategizing well, winning the crucial moments in each game, beating more fancied teams consistently.

We welcomed 5 newcomers into the team this year – Anshuman Mahajan, Layanga Vithanage, Shenal DeSoysa, Soham Agarwal, Vishal Kannori. Given that they all have played cricket together at various levels in the past & mostly hang out together at school – the camaraderie was there for all to see.

Having achieved our first goal of reaching the semis & with the team hitting peak performance, we were keenly looking forward to the knock-out stage. Unfortunately, rain gods had other ideas & that brought our season to an abrupt end.

A creditable team performance indeed, apart from having loads of fun! A note on our players:

- Aditya Krishnamoorthy – has been one of the mainstays of our batting and pace bowling last few years. Played a few vital innings & strung together some intense partnerships – to power the team to victory.
- Akash Krishnamoorthy – Made the opening slot his own, with two brilliant 50s. Couldn't bowl much given a shoulder injury; the team can't wait to see more of his offspin next season.
- Anshuman Mahajan – Given his formidable reputation as a leg spinner, we expected nothing but the best….and got it in good measure. Finished third best in the entire competition with 16 wickets at an impressive average of 10.75.
- Arjan Aujla – Voted Most Valuable Player for a good reason! Took up the responsibility for opening the bowling & a couple of 40s in the batting; 101 runs partnership for the 2nd wicket with Sid, against Oakhill being the most memorable.

- Layanga Vithanage – Extremely dedicated cricketer - good batting and bowling skills and even better attitude. Surprised one and all (including himself) with an excellent innings of 72 against Berowra, the highest individual score for us during the whole season!
- Mayank Jain – a hard hitting middle-order bat, he has also developed significantly in his bowling – be it in pace or accuracy – with a deadly yorker to boot
- Nikhil Nankani – Whether we needed an explosive start or a rapidfire finish, he was our go-to man. His reputation as a big hitter stands vastly enhanced at the end of this season.
- Shenal DeSoysa – By far, the best fielder in the team. Shenal also contributed to our success with his all-round performances
- Siddharth Ramachandran – Led the team from the front with his batting (263 runs @ average of 52.60) to finish 5th in the competition. Sid also had a decent season behind the stumps
- Soham Agarwal – His innocent face & mild manners can be quite deceptive as he can be deadly with a cricket ball in hand. It was a pleasure to watch many a batsman bit the dust against a brilliant display of offspin bowling. One of the main reasons the team did so well!
- Teshan Pereira – Has been a bonding force within the team. Teshan has developed enormously as a cricketer – leading our fast-bowling unit with 9 wickets at a miserly economy rate. Our opposing teams could just not get him away
- Vishal Kannori – Playing his first season, Vishal really punched above his weight, with his athletic fielding and some fearless batting in the late order.
- Yash Shivpuri – Has been with team from the first season. It has been good to watch Yash grow into a mature cricketer & developing further on his leg spin bowling. He came into his own with a nice cameo against Castle Hill RSL in a high pressure chase, to get us past the finish line.

A big thank you to all the parents who volunteered for umpiring, scoring, managing the team as well as training them. Look forward to seeing most of them back next season.

UNDER 16 - 17 – TEAM REPORTS

We had a wonderful season fielding 3 teams which is a credit to all of our coaches and managers over the years, most other clubs numbers have dropped off along the way ours have stayed very stable. I would like to thank all of our coaches and managers Richard Stalenberg, Satish Samuel, Ron Marsden, Julie Morris and Todd Hutchinson for their tireless efforts this season. Let me not forget to give a special thank you all the parents that have: set up fields, umpired and scored over the season. All of our teams have played with wonderful sportsmanship, skill and spirit, and we managed to get all 3 teams through to the semis and had a grand final winner. Overall an awesome season.

Craig Hutchinson
U16/17 Co-ordinator

White

U17 White started the season with some exciting new off-season recruits and the team couldn't wait to get on the field for their final season of Juniors. The season got off to a rough start with final over and final ball losses, however, the players picked themselves up and put a string of wins together before Christmas. The most encouraging aspect of the season was that every player contributed throughout the season whether it was taking a speccy in the field, an economical spell of bowling during a critical point the match or a valuable knock with the bat.

The highlight of the season was a final round victory against Glenorie to progress to the team's first semi-final, a fantastic achievement! Unfortunately, the weather washed out the Semi-Final Derby with the Orange team, however, the effort and sportsmanship from both teams to attempt to dry the field was outstanding!

Todd Hutchinson
U16/17 White Coach

Red

This past season for the Reds had a real emphasis on team. With the loss of a few key members of the squad from last season, everyone had to step up & contribute.

I'm very proud of how, across the board , nothing was ever an issue. Batting & bowling lists were constantly changing.

The season proper started with 3 wins in a row. Key contributors were Rohan & Adi with the bat & Jake,Nathan & Rudhra with the ball.

All wins were close with everyone adjusting to different roles. We were able to bowl the whole squad most games. Pat,Ronan,Will & Rohan provided plenty of heat wherever they bowled in the lineup. Jack,Jake,Dev & Liam provided the accuracy while Nathan,Adi, Rudhra,Louis & Cory provided the guile.

Either side of the Christmas break the Reds suffered a few losses, with one crucial one. After having the eventual premiers at 4 for 15 we lost the game with a ball to spare.

The Reds made the semis after qualifying 3rd, unfortunately the weather put a stop to any further progress. The season was a successful one with many players realising their potential.

The team award was a difficult one with such selfless acts. I had opening bowlers prepared to open the batting because it was helping the team. Eventually Liam won because of his all round performance, runner up in the batting & bowling well.

Everyone contributed to the wickets column with Nathan coming out on top.

Rudhra as the youngest member of the squad was also the captain & thoroughly deserved the batting award.

Thank you to the scorers Byron,Mick & Narayan. To the mums & dads who got the lads to training & later in

the season a few L plates appeared.

Huge thanks to Geoff Richards who has coached the Red team whilst his son Ryan was a member of the squad. His influence on the team made my job easy this season & good luck to Ryan with his Golf.

Congratulations to Richard & the WPHCCC Orange team , who on being the most consistent team throughout the season, deserved their premiership

Most of the Red team will qualify for the U17's next season so it's looking like a great season ahead.

Ron Marsden
U16-17 Red Coach

Orange

U16 Orange finally had a season that went according to plan – well not exactly! The weather had other ideas.

The team again improved on their season from last year, where they made the Grand Final.

WINNING BOTH THE MAJOR AND MINOR PREMIERSHIP!

The season presented some challenges with a few injuries and limited player numbers, however the team consistently pulled together and performed when it counted.

I could provide a long list of personal achievements (there are many – including the John Coulthard Trophy winner) and compliment each individual player on his own personal contribution to the season and the end results. However, this season has been all about an outstanding team performance, and in turn the results this has achieved. On several occasions when some individual performances slipped or numbers were tight, there were strong contributions from fellow team mates to make up the difference, and continued support from each player, which was the key to our season's success.

The team was strong and played well all season – arguably the team to beat. They truly learnt how to win and built on lessons learnt from some narrow losses last year.

As a team we achieved an impressive 10 wins out of 11 matches, finishing on the top of the table and winning the Minor Premiership with 63 points - compared to second place on 39 points (with 5 wins out of 10 matches), a team we beat three out of three times during the season.

The weather was unkind to us at the end of the season, robbing us of a Semi Final and a Grand Final appearance. However, the overall seasons performance and results confirm that WPH U16 Orange are deserved Champions and PREMIERS of this year's U17 competition.

As I have said before, our team consists of great young men with strong morals and respectful attitudes – developed by respective families. We are also fortunate to have a great support crew week in, week out. With this solid support and the right attitude we had a successful season in all regards.

Thanks team, for a great season. Again you have made our Coaches, Manager and parent group very proud.

Congratulations PREMIERS!

Richard Stalenberg
Coach U16 Orange

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Kangas - SCG

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Back: Danielle Chivers (Head Coach), Paul Keating (Coach), Harrison Campbell, Samkit Shah, Jayden Trivedi, William Keating, Quinn Walker, Jackson Reidy, Kaleshni Narayan (Manager), Chintan Shah (Coach)
Front: James Keating, Blake Hunter, Daniel Worsley, Sachin Narayan, Parker Newey, Hayden Trivedi, Rakesh Kuppusamy
Absent: Aathavan Muthuthamby

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Kangas - Gabba

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Back: Simran Suchde (Manager), Sasen Abeysinghe, George Byrom, Hunter Lee, Joseph Ackerman. Danielle Chivers (Head Coach)
Front: William Hill, Vihaan Suchde, Minh Le, Hudson Cooney.
Absent: Aaryaveer Tangri, Darcy Clifton-Smith, Tyler Tabrett. Arjun Chauhan, Kapil Tangri (Coach)

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Kangas - Adelaide

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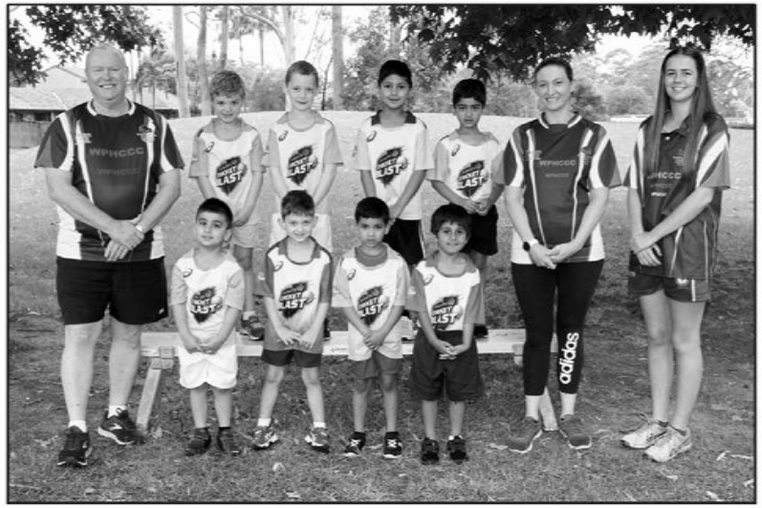
Back: Asita Galappatti (Coach), Ria Galappatti, Nairah Malik, Eleanor Taylor, Chanya de Mel, Ashmita Girdhar, Eshan Bhide (Manager), Danielle Chivers (Head Coach)
Front: Monishka Badasu, Emily Staley, Ira Bhide, Georgia Benson
Absent: Valentina Sahni

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Kangas - MCG



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Back: Elijah Devenish, Lachlan Tegg, Viraaj Rathor, Avik Narang
Front: Tim Byrnes (Coach), Arjun Chauhan, Jade Nayna, Ryan Garg, Ethan Kapoor, Jane Devenish (Manager), Danielle Chivers (Head Coach)
Absent: Absent: Hayden Howells, Edward Howells, Ruaan Ubhi

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Kangas - Bellerive

Back: Danielle Chivers (Head Coach), Duncan Bell (Coach), Vihaan Sing, Ashwin Aponso, Reyansh Jain, Jackson Lawrance, Rowan Ramanah, Vicky Votoupal (Coach), Nisha Aponso (Manager)
Front: Jeev Randhawa, Aaren Rumesh, Flynn Bell, Gerry Votoupal, Ahreyan Rumesh
Absent: Neil Bajaj

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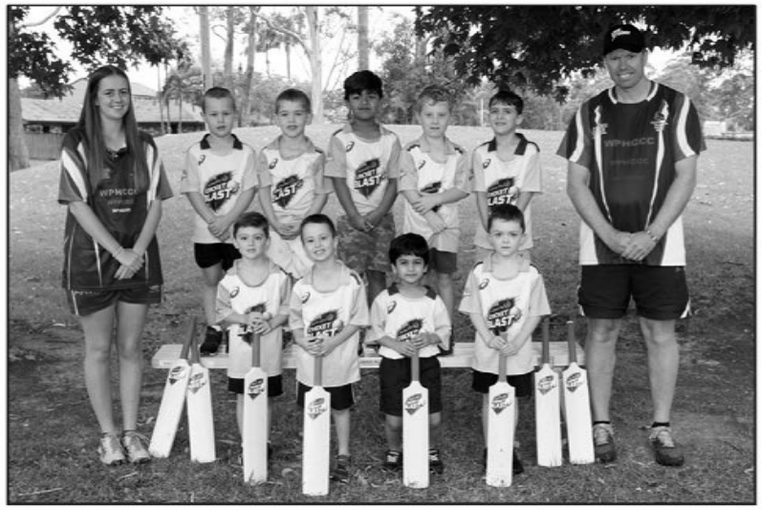

Back: Danielle Chivers (Head Coach), William Schwebel, Caellum Badenhorst, Sidharth Arvind, Hugh Thorpe, Harvey Vale, Dom Thornely (Coach)
Front: John Murphy, Joshua Gregson, Amogh Sadavarte, William Thornely
Absent: Hunter Bracey, Liam Kruger

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Kangas - WACA

Back: Naveen Geera (Coach), Mann Attly, Jay Lavu, Ethan Smith, Gurjeevan Rai, Jaith Amarasinghe, Yohan Amith (Manager), Danielle Chivers (Head Coach)
Front: Yannick Amith, Bhairav Lalloo, Siddhaan Mudaliar, Dhruv Somani, Ryan Gera

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Kangas - Lords

Back: Luke Palmer (Coach), Harrison Ottery, Taaj Maan, Leon De Silva, Louis Mariasson, Damian McGuirk, Alfie McCarney, Edward Ottery (Manager), Danielle Chivers (Head Coach)
Front: Cameron Palmer, Oliver Shankland, Samuel Kent, Lachlan Wong, Rohan Dixit, Conor Munro
Absent: Edward Cooper

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 8 Green

Back: Samuel Mitchell, Thomas Weeden, Archie Dowel, Aaron Green
Front: Roshan Naran (Coach), Veer Bikha, Ryan Wojtowicz, Luke Sarah, Praneel Naran, Michael Wojtowicz (Manager)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 8 Blue

Back: Frederick Kramlik, Parker Pride, Sophia Sathiyendra, Emily Whiting
Front: Aravindh Kumar, Ryan Sathiyendra, Shankaran Thillainathan, Sathi Kunaratnam (Coach)
Absent: Ewan Titley, Aron Kramlik (Coach/Manager)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 8 Purple

Back: Andrew O'Brien, Cooper Knight, Saafir Alam, Augadh Shukla
Front: Kapil Shukla (Manager), Yash Shukla, Anika Joshi, Shabarish, Deepak Kumar, Vihaan Tanna, Deepak Kumari (Coarch)
Absent: Aarush Joshi

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 8 Gold

Back: Matthew Miks, William Hayes, Sebastian Odd, Henry Sismey
Front: Rishabh Sharma, Daniel Ma, Sebastian Hall, Samuel McMullan, Justin Hall (Coach)
Absent: Hamish Smith, David Sismey (Manager)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 8 White

Back: Oliver Schmidhofer, Hussain Abbas, Inesh Balaji, Sam Manton, Steve Schmidhofer (Coach)
Front: Vaan Virmani, Sam McMurtry, Asher Rehman, Peter Olsen

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 8 Red

Back: Nick Caboche (Coach), Olivier Caboche, Ellen Chen, Aaron Bhattarai, Zak Taylor, Dhruv Mangal, Satish Bhattarai (Manager)
Front: Krishiv Shah, Ekansh Gulati, Namit Matta, Arvin Bhattarai

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 9 Green

Back: David Rapp (Coach), Thomas Hopson, William Tegg, Thomas Loats, Andrew Rapp
Front: Beau Chant, Nakiah Batra, Neelan Thirunavukkarasu, Ewan Osborn

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 9 Blue

Back: Sam Marson, Viren Pokala, Jacob Devenish, Jesse Hawkins, Tony D'Amore (Coach)
Front: Adrian D'Amore, Riyansh Shah, Gurucharan Gobinathan, Liam D'Amore

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 9 Red

Back: Simon Joyce (Coach), Sebastian Bale, Jeremy Palmer, Raghav Sharma, Henry Byrom
Front: Billy Joyce, Angus Madigan, Blake Erdmanis, Oliver Katsikogianis

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 9 White

Back: Armaan Hossain, Jesse Lawrence, Havish Lalloo, Corey Bell
Front: Animesh Raparia (Coach/Manager), Ethan Rutenberg, Connor Clarke, Aaryan Raparia
Absent: Kaiven Gandhi

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 9 Gold

Back: Breyten van Straaten, Vedant Bharat, Riyaansh Rana, Nyle Suhaib, Joshua Kao
Front: Thenuk Thebuwanage, Sachin Dixit, Ryan Soni, Ishaan Pandya, Rajain Pandya (Coach)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 10 Gold

Back: Sohum Vora, Tom McIntosh, Lachlan Henry, Kian Kapoor
Front: Rebecca Williams (Coach), Michael Williams, Acksharan Ramanan, Lachlan Taylor
Absent: Lyndal Taylor (Manager), Ishaan Sharma, Ishaan Pansari

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 10 Green

Back: Zac Wilson, Max Becker, Christian Bouwer, Joshua Nicolson
Front: Russell Nicolson (Coach), Anirudh Gunna, Hayden Love, Flynn Kramlik, Dean Pinchbeck, Jo Wilson (Manager)
Absent: Liviru Liyanage

WPHCCC

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 10 Blue

Back: Asher Pratheesh, Shay Sweeney, Max Kophamel, Ashton Kophamel, Jett White
Front: Ceri-Ann Ross (Manager), Dev Kadaba, Alex Wojtowicz, Toby Musumeci, Hayden Ross, Andrew Kophamel (Coach)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 10 White

Back: Reyansh Chaudhary, Muhammad Saim Shirjeel, Advay Rathor, Reuben Taylor
Front: Conor Hamilton (Coach), Adhvik Dhurjati, Eden Hamilton, Rithvik Dhurjati, Maruthi Dhurjati (Manager)
Absent: Avi Patel, Jagjot Mangat

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 10 Purple

Back: Paul Kelly (Assistant Coach), Aiman Hasan, Kirran Singh-Grewal, Muhammad Haani, Mitchell Ryle, Hugo Hutchinson, Henry Goonewardene (Coach)
Front: Mihin Goonewardene, Sebastian Sugunananthan, Lachlan Hirst, Rayyan Maccan Markar

WPHCCC

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 10 Red

Back: Luke Munro (Coach), Neelay Agrawal, Patrick Connell, James Kent, Vansh Girdhar, Luke Brooks, Simon Brooks (Manager)
Front: Angus Wighton, Benjamin Strefner, Matthew Busuttil, Jack Munro

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 11 Blue

Back: Samuel Shine, Jaydev Singh, Mitchell Hawse, Kabir Sehgal, Haran Kumar
Front: Sachin Singh (Coach), Harrish Premashanthan, Kavan Kewlani, Ayaan Dani, Armaan Abbas, Aaminah Abbas, Shalini Villaitrani (Manager)

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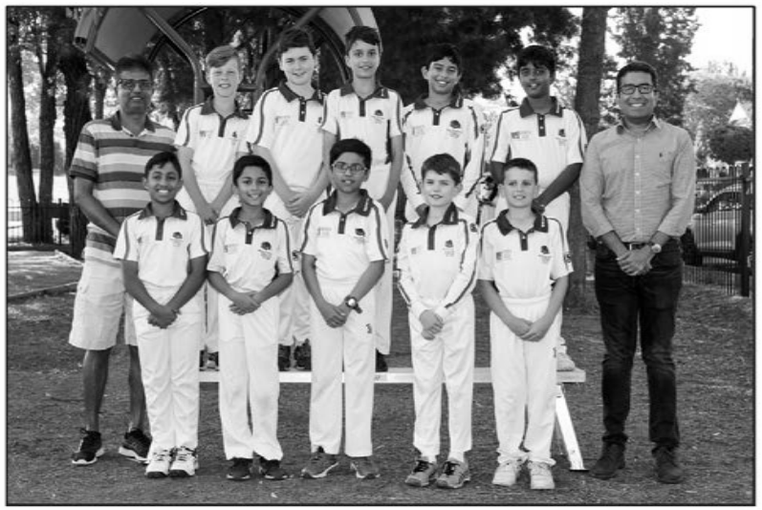

Back: Bala Palaniswamy (Coach), Elijah Wood, Jacob Appino, Ethan Collins, Nived Krishnakumar Srivanth Balaguruswamy, Krish Padmanabhan (Manager)
Front: Senith Goonewardene, Neel Ghosh, Vraj Patel, Thomas McMullan, Louie Bennett-Brown

WPHCCC

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 11 Gold

Back: Lucas Pride, Eddie Pollock, Rohan Shiju, Archie Beitsch, Hamish Collins
Front: Jon Pride (Coach), Anthony Lo, Christian Poimer, Tristan Titley, Lucas Matherson, Brendan Titley (Manager)
Absent: Luke Neilson

WPHCCC

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 11 Red

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Back: Hridhaan Saini, Isaiah Marcus, Aaditya Mehta, Zak Rashid
Front: Mohammad Rashid (Assistant Coach), Jaisal Bachhal, Chris Charles, Marcus Jayashekar, Sujan Mehta (Coach)
Absent: Rijul Saini, Saharsh Subramanian, Krish Subramanian (Manager)

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 11 Green

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Back: Greg Byrnes (Coach), Samuel Leader, Mitchell Gryst, Riley Ferris, Andrew Boys, Thomas Cooper, Jason Cooper (Manager)
Front: Caelan Govender, Liam Byrnes, Luke Kay, Jake Wheadon
Absent: Leonard Watson

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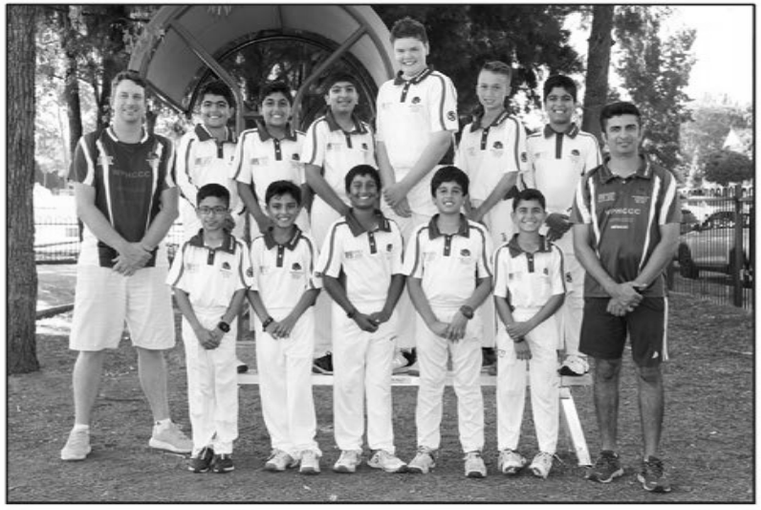

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Back: Anthony Gray (Manager), Saavar Bajaj, Uday Singh, Tejas Joshi, Daniel Fagg, Dylan Gray, Sean Mukhtar, Kamran Bloach (Coach)
Front: Eshaan Tanna, Aarush Shah, Aushada Rallage, Aaryan Bloach, Alish Hirani
Absent: Jai Bhatia

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Back: Thilina Abeysinghe (Manager), Andre Guerin, Edward Byrom, Sarthak Khatri, Strauss Vosser, Sam Dalton, Luca Bale, Mick Dalton (Coach)
Front: Suhas Abeysinghe, Arjun Kodaganti, William Harris, Lucas Heyes, Rizul Gulati
Absent: Ulrich Vosser

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 12 Orange

Back: Nick Deverson (Coach), Dhuryah Sapra, Nick Regina, Manning Johnson, Ryan Coleman, Kristian Erdmanis, Lennox Smith, Gavin Smith (Manager)
Front: Wilhelm Palmer, Jimmy Wilkin, James Day, Dominic Ryan, Will Deverson
Absent: Leon Cooray, Steve Smith, Nathan Lyon, Mick Wilkin (Coach)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 12 Gold

Back: Tyler Edwards, Rohan Menon, Alex Higham, Ishvar Sandaram, Dulneth Jayasekera, Dinesh Manu Ananthan
Front: Tovin Honeysett (Manager), Vineet Atreya, Oscar Honeysett, Ishaan Kanji, Ryan Redhead, Naman Bhatt, Paul Higham (Coach)
Absent: Steve Anish

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 12 Red

Back: Shiven Bhardwaj, Adisesh Polla, Ryan Mortimer, Shashwath Magesh, Kristian Kohlhagen, Ronan Bennett (Assistant Coach)
Front: Muditha Dissanayake (Manager), Malinda Dissanayake, Hesandu Withanage, Direin Ratnasiva, Ansh Gupta, Ranuk Dassanayake, Roshan Withanage (Coach)
Absent: Rehan Nasim

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 13 Green

Back: Rohan Joshi, Ayush Agarwal, Rumeth Thebuwanage, Gary Roberts, Hugo Dwyer, Akith Ekanayake
Front: Mohit Budhwar (Manager), Abhinav Budhwar, Yasith Polwaththe, Ammaar Syed, Ansh Pratheesh, Haseeb Rehman, Arjonil Mukherjee, Indranil Mukherjee (Coach)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 13 Orange

Back: Matt Deverson (Coach), Lachlan Paxton, Finn Johnson, Liam Deverson, Will Vella, Liam Hecimovic, William Byrom
Front: Curtis Fullerton, Harrison Hames, Xander Oktorusdian, Angus Aoutal, Charlie Johnson, Nate Lowe

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 13 Blue

Back: Rob Hitchcock (Asst Coach), Dehan van den Heever, Isaac Taylor, Angus Weeden, Finlay Hitchcock, James Lubrano, Heinrik van den Heever, Mat Marsden (Coach), Alison Hurst (Manager)
Front: Jacob Dawson, Ryan Lowe, Harrison Hawes, William Hurst, Bronson Marsden, Bayden Wood

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 14 White

Back: Zirui Zheng, Krish Joshi, Yash Kinariwala, Samih Mukhtar, Nirvaan Matta
Front: Faisal Mukhtar (Coach), Rashmintha Walawage, Aarush Mitragotri, Aayush Kumar, Tanush Kanuru
Absent: Ajeet Kasi, Peter Davis

WPHCCC

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 14 Blue

Back: Akash Merai, Isaak Bale, Ben Burrows, Archie Smith, Thomas Heyes, Dylan Hanley
Front: Steve Burrows (Manager), Riley Colburt, Nadil Jayakody, Alex Polmer, Hunter Pollock, Lakshman Nirumalan, Blake Morrison, Grant Colburt (Coach)
Absent: Badde Jayakody (Coach)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 14 Red

Back: Matt Macauley (Coach), Ryan Kelleway, Eamon Macauley, Lukas Kohlhagen, Sam Baker, Zach Hawkins, Charlie Jones, Matt Kohlhagen (Coach)
Front: Harry Pratt, Sebastian Murray, Ashwyn Tyagi, Arnav Sharma, Sohan Gowda , Zac Irwin, Narelle Irwin (Manager)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 15 Blue

Back: Teshan Perera, Arjan Aujla, Aditya Krishnamoorthy, Nikhil Nankani, Akash Krishnamoorthy, Mayank Jain
Front: Bala Krishnamoorthy (Manager), Vishaal Kannori, Anshuman Mahajan, Layanga Vithanage, Siddharth Ramachandran, Yash Shivpuri, Dinesh Ramachandran (Coach)
Absent: Soham Agarwal, Shenal De Soyza

WPHCCC

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 15 Purple

Back: Oscar Irwin, Sumedh Kundu , Andrew Murdoch, Bailey Chapman, Samuel Cutler, Nathan Gelding
Front: Louis Malandrino, Travis Love, Anish Patel, Aadi Bagade, Elysa Oliveri
Absent: Kai Carney, Himantha Walawage, Philip Carney (Coach), Mario Malandrino (Manager)

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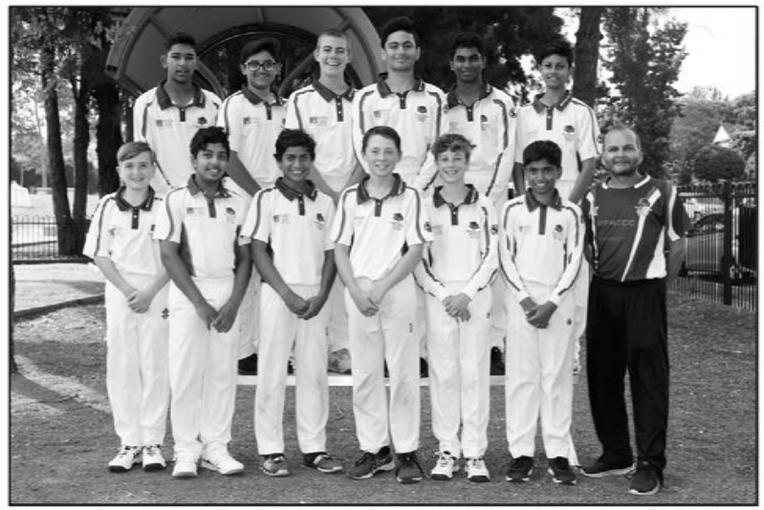

Back: Rigved Sodal, Hemansh Nayampalli, Liam Everett, Abhijay Singh, Sanudha Waidhyathilaka, Shakeel Mistry
Front: Benjamin Taylor, Anuj Shankar, Deeptanshu Rawat, Nathan Joyce, Harry Flower, Vishnu Raman, Varinder Rawat (Coach)
Absent: Raman Swaminathan (Manager)

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West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 15 Orange

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Back: James Higham, Shriram Raveendran, Lance Tabone, Ryan Diblasio, Liam Cunningham, Vipul Manjunath
Front: Darren Kelly (Coach), Jake Condon, Raynaldo Howard, Leo Herring, Jack McFadden, Ryan Manson, Henry Kelly
Absent: Thomas Shannon, Toby Conway, Chris Shannon (Manager)

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 16 Red

WPHCCC

Back: Liam Rushe, Rudhra Iyer, Cory Brookhouse, Rohan Narayan, Patrick Watkins, Will Jamison
Front: Nathan Watkins, Adithya Nair, Devmith Lewanda, Jake Collyer, Jack Marsden, Ron Marsden (Coach)
Absent: Ronan Bennett, Sidhant Singh, Louis Wang, Deborah Marsden (Manager)

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 16/17 White

WPHCCC

Back: Lachlan Woolnough, Vihaan Sahai, Evan White, Lachlan Edwards, Josh Kodituwakku, Jack Hutchinson
Front: Daniel McEwen, Tim Sachdev, Danielle Chivers, Ritish Manocha, Surendra Sathappan, Todd Hutchinson (Coach)
Absent: Harishan Nirumalan

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Under 16 Orange

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Back: Nathan Samuel, Matthew Nealon, Steven Easton, Luke Fullerton, Rishi Bajaj, Satish Samuel (Manager)
Front: Rod Wright (Asst. Coach), Joshua Wright, Jehan Polwaththe, Benjamin Stephen, Jay Nanda, Thomas Stalenberg, Resandu Silva, Richard Stalenberg (Coach)
Absent: Dylan Ranjan

TEAM PHOTOS

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Girls - Lanning
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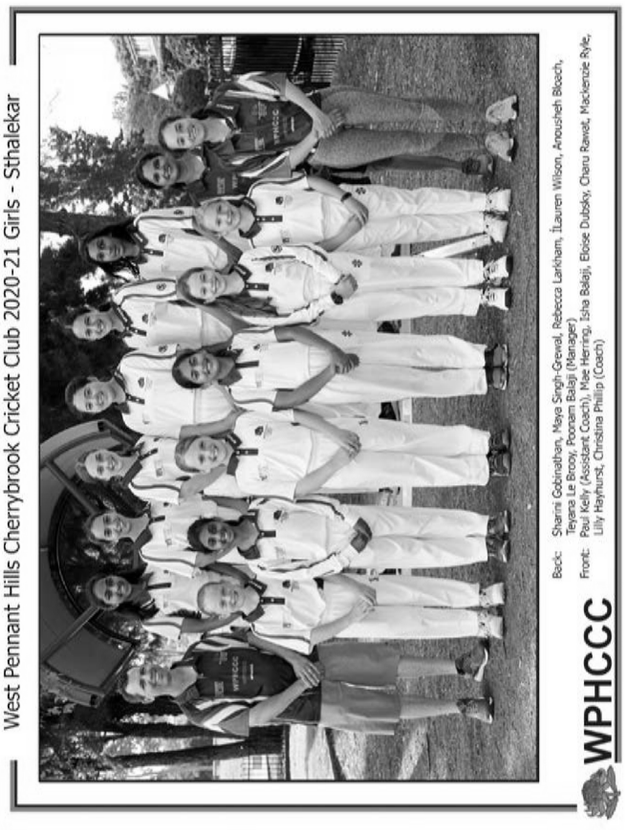
Back: Trinity Newbury, Divyanshi Nirmal, Hollie Newbury, Grace Keane, Alivia Colburt, Matilda Wilson
Front: Justin Newbury (Coach), Alyssa Oliveri, Tanvi Singh, Jana Roy, Cassidy McArthur, Deyja Withanage, Kirsty Newbury (Manager)

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Girls - Annetts
WPHCCC
Back: Harlene Hanjra, Tanmeya Badasu, Olivia Lowndes, Lorelei Graham, Trisha Yadav
Front: Damini Ede (Assistant Coach), Sreeeya Jakkrishna, Amy Ede, Khushi Dhamija, Janumi Kondasinghe, Minoli De Silva (Coach), Joanne Ede (Manager)
Absent: Anushka Choudhary, Sreenidhi Gunturu, Aarappi Muthuthamby


West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Cricket Club 2020-21 Girls - Sthalekar
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Back: Sharini Gobinathan, Maya Singh-Grewal, Rebecca Lanham, Lauren Wilson, Anoushch Bloch, Teyana Le Brooy, Poonam Balaji (Manager)
Front: Paul Kelly (Assistant Coach), Mae Herring, Isha Balaji, Eloise Dubsky, Charu Rawat, Mackenzie Ryle, Lilly Haynurst, Christina Phillip (Coach)