



Edinburgh Cricket Club

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Continuing on from a bumper 2013-14 season, expertly stewarded by Mick Symons who oversaw a rapid expansion in our junior ranks, Edinburgh Cricket Club again fielded 12 junior teams in 2014-15, with over 160 players registered. Add to that number nearly 100 kids in our Milo program this summer and we anticipate the number of players and teams to grow further in coming seasons. Its exciting times for the Burra juniors!

There were a few firsts for the ECC juniors this year...

Former Zimbabwean Test and ODI player Mluleki (Syke) Nkala was recruited over the winter. He not only spearheaded the 1sts to the minor premiership in the Macgibbon Shield, but has also been head coach for the juniors this season. Coaching the U16C team to a Grand Final, Syke was at junior training 4 afternoons a week. I was amazed at how quickly Syke seemed to know all the kids names and built such a strong rapport with all age groups. Coaching stocks were further bolstered, by visiting poms Matt Harris and Mark Friend who coached the U14C and U14B teams respectively.

The ECA introduced an under-18 competition for the first time this season. Many thanks to Lucien John for almost single handedly building our first ever U18 team. The team was recruited from amongst our older juniors, most of whom have already made the jump to playing seniors for the club, and in some cases are playing District and Representative cricket as well. It was a challenge some weeks, especially around exam time in October-November, for Lucien to scramble a team together, but he

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always seemed to manage it and the team did very well, winning more games than they lost and only narrowly missing the finals.

This season was also the first time Edinburgh had entered an A team at any age level since joining the ECA three years ago. With the burgeoning numbers at the club and many older boys needing to be stretched further it was decided to field an A side at the U14 age level. Eamon Drew quickly put up his hand to coach; all under 14 age players were eligible to tryout and 12 players were selected. Douglas Warren was the obvious choice as captain and fulfilled the role with calm assuredness, with able support from James Fear. Round one, saw the team go down by 2 runs to STC South Camberwell in a thriller. Further narrow defeats followed before the team broke through just before Christmas with a big win. It was a challenging but rewarding step up into a higher level of competition. With swelling numbers coming through the ranks, there will more than likely be A sides at U12, U14 and U16 age levels in years to come.

Following on from their premiership in the U12C category last season, Stephen Connelly's all conquering team this year took out the U12B competition. Winning all but one match for the season, the U12Bs wrapped up their flag with a comfortable win in the last round against Clifton Hill. Matt Harris' U14Cs made it through to a Grand Final convincingly winning their Semi Final before losing the Final to a very strong Surrey Hills outfit. Syke's U16Cs also made the Grand Final, going down to Burwood in a game that was tight all day – eventually falling 20 runs short. At Edinburgh we certainly do not measure success only in finals reached and premierships won but it was great to see 3 of our junior teams there on the last day of the season.

Twelve Edinburgh juniors featured in Representative competition over the summer with Lucien John and Harry Hopkins playing in a premiership for the ECA U18s; Chris Campbell, Nick White and Callum McIlveen playing for U18 pathways sides; Max Gray, ECA U16s; Will Clark, Coburg Hatch; Douglas Warren, ECA U14s; Darcy Munro, ECA U12; and Julian Marshall playing for the DVCA U12s. Three ECC juniors are also playing for Victorian Premier (District) sides: Chris Campbell at Northcote; Nick White at Carlton and Josh Robinson at Camberwell.

And in late breaking news, 3rd generation Edinburgh royalty, Katelyn Shadbolt, has just been selected in the State Schools Victorian (SSV) Girls team in another Edinburgh first. Several

members of the all-conquering U12B side are also currently in late stages of selection for the SSV Boys team.

As well as representative cricket many Edinburgh juniors reach the point where they are capable of playing senior cricket. Captains of the 4^{ths} and 5^{ths} Justin Beilin and Ron Pennefather are to be thanked in particular for guiding the Edinburgh juniors through into the senior ranks in record numbers this season.

Stan White, former ECC Junior Coordinator and life member, has since 2008 been running the Atherton gardens cricket program, introducing the game to kids in the Fitzroy high-rise flats, many of whom have never seen the game before. Stan's great efforts were recently featured in a front page spread on the Cricket Victoria website.

None of the junior program would be possible without the considerable contribution of senior players and parents in their roles as coaches and managers of junior teams. From organising rosters for tea and scorers, to making sure we have enough players each week and providing lifts out into the leafy eastern suburbs, the team manager's role is a very important one and for this we are all grateful. Thank you Jonathan, Bronwyn, Paul, Denzil, Meg, Nick, Christiana, Andrew, Tim, David, Helen and Dean.

George Di Scala, coach of U10 Burgundy had never played or coached the game before but brought a level of dedication, willingness to learn (and of course patience) which had his team beaming with a love of cricket each and every Saturday morning. He is a model for all those parents out there who doubt they have what it takes to step up and coach. To George and all the other coaches – Matt, Duncan, Michael, Dave, Stephen, Brett, Brad, Andy, Eamon, Paddy, Matt, Mark and Syke - a big thank you for a great season.

I would like to thank the Edinburgh club executive for the tireless support of the junior program, in particular President Conrad French, VP Brad Shadbolt, Director of Cricket, Stuart Whiley and Caterina Stella our most excellent Junior Administrator who has handled the growing number of juniors with aplomb.



In closing I look back to the tragic death of Phillip Hughes last November and the affect it had on a great many of us. Walking across to Brunswick Street Oval the following Saturday, the sight of a hundred little bats put out by our Milo kids was very moving but also reminded me that cricket is our national game and whatever pressures it might be under from other sports it really does have a special place in our culture. Long may it own the Australian summer.

Go Burra!

Randall Nodin

Junior Coordinator

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A second season playing in the under 10s for most of the players and a season marked by a steady and impressive development in all areas of the game. All the team made runs and took wickets and on two occasions all players in the team scored runs off the bat. Gracious in victory the team represented the club with pride and we are equally proud of them.

Harry Broderick had a season of big hitting with the style of a David Warner. 156 runs with an outstanding average of 39 including twenty-four 4s and five 6s. Harry's pace was fearsome as well and his season highlight was a magnificent 16NO off 4 balls including 2 big sixes, 1/1 with the ball and a catch in Round 13.

Tyler Drew had a solid season with the bat that saw Tyler's great timing deliver 89 runs at an envious average of 10 and the highlight of his season was 16 NO including three hard hit 4s and 2 run outs in Round 4.

Jack Driscoll had a sterling season with the ball that saw Jack take 7 wickets at an average of 11 and bowl 8 maidens; the highlight of his season was 6 runs including a slashing 4 through mid-wicket, 2/7 with the ball and a catch in Round 3.

Riley Flood is a great all-rounder and energetic behind the stumps, Riley made 131 runs at an average of 26 , took 11 wickets, 7 catches and 9 run outs, the highlight of his season was a top score of 15 NO, 3/1 with the ball, a catch and a run out in Round 6.

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TEAM MEMBERS

Aidan Watt

Harry Broderick

Jack Driscoll

Jules Pellegrino

Patrick Schickerling

Riley Flood

Rohan McKenzie

Rory Kennedy

Tai Hill

Tom Ladson

Tyler Drew

William Kaye

COACHING/UMPIRING

Matt

MANAGER

Denzil Flood

Tai Hill is a talented player who's batting total of 93 runs was a delight to watch and matched his steady bowling throughout the season (8 wickets), the highlight of his season was the well balanced 6 NO, 2/4 with the ball and a catch in Round 1.

Will Kaye had his first season in cricket and he burst onto the scene with a feisty hard bowling style that produced 12 wickets for the season at the very low average of 5, his season highlight being a ruthless bowling spell to take 3/3 including a wicket maiden in Round 4.

Rory Kennedy delivered runs and wickets a plenty in his first season courtesy of some beautiful cover drives, Rory amassed a hefty 71 runs, 7 wickets, a catch and 2 run outs, his season highlight being 10 runs and an unplayable spell that returned him 1/0 with the ball in Round 9.

Tom Ladson has a fast economical bowling style and was a big improver with bat. A poster boy for hard work in the field, Tom chalked up 57 runs, 5 wickets and 3 run outs, his season highlight a rock steady 5 NO and a deadly 2/3 with the ball to turn the match our way in Round 7.

Rohan McKenzie was a fine addition to the team and had a great first up season with 91 runs (including two 6s), 6 wickets and some acrobatic keeping, Rohan was never better than in Rounds 4 and 10 when he hit 19 NO and bowled 2/1 respectively.

Jules Pellegrino, captain of choice by his teammates, has a classic technique with the bat that delivers all the shots on both sides of the wicket from cover drives to late cuts and fine pull shots, Jules amassed 150 runs with the bat at a grand average of 18. He chalked up over 100 runs in the first 8 rounds including a chanceless 18 NO in Round 4.

Pat Schickerling is the boy who turned running on byes into an art form, Pat's commitment to improvement and the team saw him score 48 runs and take 5 wickets; his season highlight was scoring at a run a ball in Round 7 where he managed 8 runs and 4 byes from 12 balls.

Aidan Watt's first year in cricket saw great improvement all season long as evidenced by his season haul of 8 wickets coupled with his dashing 40 runs in his last 4 innings. His season highlight was a succession of perfect deliveries to return the figures of 2/2 in Round 11.

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Season 2014 – 2015 was an enjoyable year for all members of the team with a mixture of success and player development. From the start it was obvious the team was going to be competitive as the bowling standard was high, and playing on a narrow pitch like Cox oval gave the boys a good challenge. As coach my intension was to ensure the boys developed their skills progressively throughout the season whilst gaining confidence in their own ability.

Connor Hastings had a great season with both bat and ball amassing a total of 139 runs and 9 wickets. His highest score for the season was an impressive 18 not out.

Dane Thompson sets high standards for himself that inspires him to play terrific cricket. As our second highest runs scorer for the season with an average of 31.67 he has certainly set the bar high for the remainder of his career.

Will Moore provided great support with his bowling but it was his batting that was the standout this year. Surprising he only got 3 wickets for the season with an economy of 3.48 per over but he was our third top scorer with the bat.

James Wickett with his lofted drives over mid-wicket, what do I say? More like an approached shot to the 9th hole but seemed to be effective scoring 56 runs overall! His bowling was his strength with the

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TEAM MEMBERS

Alexander O'Keefe

Christian McKenzie

Connor Hastings

Dane Thompson

Francis Cameron

Fred Culham

James Wickett

Luke Campbell

Matthew Solomon

Patrick Gillian

Stanley Nicholson

Thomas Romano

Will Moore

COACHING/UMPIRING

Duncan McKenzie

MANAGER

Bronwyn Wickett

second highest economy rating in the team at 2.62 per over, well done James.

Luke Campbell was a surprise packet with the ball. Totaling 12 wickets, the most in the team with an average of 6.42 runs per wicket. I always had great confidence when I threw him the ball knowing either runs would be kept to a minimum or a wicket would fall.

Thomas Romano was one of our 8 first year players. With a classic bowling and batting technique he will certainly progress well throughout his cricketing career.

Stanley Nicholson was quiet and unassuming but boy could he hit a ball. Great confidence in his own batting meant he was always reliable when he went out to bat. His economy of 2.4 runs per over allowed us to keep opposition scores to a minimum.

Christian McKenzie loves to hit the ball as hard as he can with a classic slog sweep style of batting. Whilst he enjoyed bowling it was with the keeping gloves that he impressed.

Francis Cameron joined us part way through the season and contributed both with bat a ball. He was very reliable when bowling and made a fantastic 15 runs not out late in the season.

Fred Culham (alias 'Tiny') was the surprise packet of the team. Whilst small in stature was large in effort and ability. His bowling was very reliable and his batting technique was impeccable and great to watch.

Patrick Gillian had 9 wickets for the season making him our third highest wicket taker. He was incredibly reliable with both ball and bat.

Alexander O'Keefe was probably the player in our team that improved most from the start to the end of the season. He was a consistent bowler and had a highest score of 10 not out during the year.

Matt Soloman didn't play his first game with us until the second half of the season but once he started he was a great contributor. His bowling grew and he became



more confident and the 'leggies' that he bowled will make Shane Warne jealous in years to come!

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With five players retained from the previous season, we had ten new players start in the team. In many instances, having a team of 15 players can present many challenges particularly in ensuring each player has an equal contribution to the team's success. Thankfully, due to the dynamics of the team and their collective spirit, it never presented itself as an issue.

Throughout the season every player made a great contribution to the team with some outstanding performances. To sum up the season I will profile each player and their season highlights.

Patrick Quilty: Had an exceptional season with the bat, hitting a season high 108 runs at an excellent average of 15.43, with a top score of 18. His best performance was four fours off five deliveries. He was also terrific in the field and bowling. As the year progressed, Paddy's confidence grew and he became a key member and favourite of the team.

Finn Cleary: Impressed with hitting 84 runs at an average of 14. Made great improvements as the season went on and developed great eye ball coordination. In the last four games made 51 runs alone. Great work in the field with some great catches and made great improvements with his bowling with three wickets.

Josh Fitts: Had a terrific year with his bowling taking seven wickets at an economic rate of 3.04. He was the leading wicket taker for the team. Also very impressive with the bat and fielding. Contributed greatly to the team spirit and was a great team leader. One of the best runners between wickets.

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TEAM MEMBERS

August Stelma
Dominic Moore
Finn Cleary
Hamish Harvey
Jack Mortimer
Jack Oldfield
Joe Schickerling
Josh Fitts
Kieran Forbes
Luca Conduit
Patrick Quilty
Sam Ward
Tom Alexander
Tom Ward
Xavier Di Scala

COACHING/UMPIRING

George Di Scala

MANAGER

Jonathan Quilty

Tom Ward: Displayed excellent batting technique. Towards the end of the season made some of the best cover drives I've ever seen in the team. Showcased to the team on his batting style. Highest score was 19. The transformation by Tom in his batting technique was one of the highlights as a coach. His fielding and bowling skills also made big improvements.

Luca Conduit: Second half of the season saw Luca transform from a shy reluctant bowler to become the most consistent and disciplined bowler of the team. An outstanding commitment to improving his bowling saw this transformation, taking six wickets at an average of 11.5. His batting and fielding also saw great improvements. Luca is a great example of what hard work and commitment can do.

Sam Ward: A true leader particularly amongst the bowlers. Sam has a natural ability and rhythm when it comes to bowling. His batting and fielding was also very impressive and showed great leadership amongst the team.

Xavier Di Scala: Performed well with both the ball and the bat. Made 109 runs with an average of 18.17. His bowling average was 9.2 one of the most economical bowlers in the team. Highlight was a one handed catch to win a game early in the season. Great work done in the field.

August Stelma: Had an excellent second half of the year particularly with keeping and batting. One of the stand out fielders within the team. In the last four games made 45 runs with a highlight of 15 runs in round 13. Made a fantastic contribution to the team by travelling from Kyneton to play his games at the end of the season.

Jack Oldfield: Made significant improvements with his bowling and batting through the year. In the last game took two wickets. His best batting was in game 11 against Balwyn with 11 runs. Really started to understand the importance of running between wickets in second half of the season.

Kieran Forbes: A fantastic first season. Made huge improvements in all aspects of the game. Bowling showed real discipline taking five wickets. As the season progressed his confidence in batting made great improvements. Well done on a great year Kieran.

Jack Mortimer: Had a spectacular season with his bowling and made great improvements as the year progressed. Taking six wickets for the year at a rate of 3.76. His best figures were 3/4 in round 14. He batted particularly well in the second half of the season. A pleasure to coach.

Hamish Harvey: After a sluggish start, Hamish made some significant improvements in the second half of the season. The highlight was his 16 not out with two fours against Balwyn. He also picked up some handy wickets through the season and made a number of run outs.

Dominic Moore: Showed great improvement throughout the season considering he only joined the team half way through. A big hitter of the ball, had no problem adjusting within the team. Highlight was 9 not out against Boorondara. Made huge improvements on his bowling.

Thomas Alexander: Impressed in all areas of the game this season, a real natural talent. He batted steadily throughout the season and was one of the stand out fielders and keepers in the team. Has a great work ethic.

Joe Schikerling: Joe showed great improvement throughout the season. His batting in particular was very impressive, with an ability to place shots around the field. Good consistency in runs in the second half of the year. Made great improvements with his bowling.

Finally, I would like to thank Johnathan Quilty, our team manager, who made the season run like clockwork. Also thanks to all the parents for their support and who all helped out in padding up, providing snacks and scoring.

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Season 2014-15 was again an enjoyable year for all children and parents involved. The U'10 grade is a development grade – with all children being given the opportunity to bat, bowl, field and keep wickets on a regular basis. The group have forged a strong bond and managed to win a few games along the way – which was great for everybody's (mainly the parents) sense of achievement.

A special mention must go to Taz Child – a popular member of the group, who is continuing his battle with Leukemia – good luck Taz and we all wish the best as you face the challenge head on. We look forward to seeing you and your parents, Andrew and Minal, back at ECC next year after you have won the fight!!

A junior team wouldn't be able to function without an able Team Manager – and many thanks must go to Paul Moulday who again successfully organized all the off field requirements for 2014-15.

I need to formally thank Andy Olsen, Mark Friend and Mluleki Nkala (Syke) for their assistance coaching and mentoring the U10 Gold players on a Tuesday night and Saturday morning. And special mentions must also go to the legion of dads who were always on hand to help when required – lead by Frank Raso, Richard York and Nigel Baade.

Also to Junior Coordinator – Randall Nodin and Junior Administrator – Caterina Stella – a massive thank you from all involved In the U'10 Gold group – we appreciate your efforts in organizing the ECC junior program, which enable us and 200 others to have a game with appropriate equipment/resources each week.

The players:-

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TEAM MEMBERS

Alex Hyatt
Antonio Raso
Asher Baade
Christopher Barns
Darcy Varghese
Dylan Murphy
Fergus Hope
Hugh Collins
James Shadbolt
Katelyn Shadbolt
Kiera Grover
Kirin York
Sam Moulday
Sam Olsen
Sascha Pereira
Taran Child

COACHING/UMPIRING

Brad Shadbolt

MANAGER

Paul Moulday

Chris Barnes – a super talented player. Chris retired on numerous occasions with the bat, while able to constantly take wickets with the ball. Chris is also a superb fielder. Chris needs to improve his concentration, batting defense & we will see further good results.

Antonio Raso – reliable is a word that could describe Antonio. Fiercely competitive opening batsman and medium pace bowler. I was pleased with Antonio's development and look forward to his improved consistency with the ball. Batting wise – he needs to work on his front foot shots and defense. I look forward to big things from Antonio.

Sam Olsen – super talented wicket keeper, leg spinner bowler and batsman, for an 8-yaers old, I'm not sure there isn't anything Sam can do! I hope Sam keeps developing his keeping skills and front foot batting shots.

James Shadbolt – determined batsman who values his wicket and left arm swing bowler. James technique and defense is second to none in the U'10's, but needs to continue to develop his run scoring shots and concentration/follow through with his bowling. Great year fielding wise – with a rocket left arm from mid-wicket.

Kirin York – super talented fast bowler with a lovely action. Kirin needs to work on his follow through and accuracy – but has the potential to be a damaging bowler. With his batting – Kirin has a great defense and needs to work on his run scoring shots & confidence to do so. Look forward to big results from Kirin in the future.

Fergus Hope – Hard working wicket keeper batsman and popular member of the team. Personal highlight was the 5 catches against Clifton Hill. Ferg's kamikaze running between the wickets was a personal highlight for me as coach, as it certainly ensured his partner was backing up!! Ferg needs to continue to work on his keeping skills and batting defense.

Alex Hyatt – can be proud of his 1st year of competitive cricket. Alex's bowling came on leaps & bounds by the end of the year through practice and ensuring he is as tall as possible at the point of release. Alex needs to work on his defense batting wise

Darcy Varghese – much improved year that Darcy should be proud of. Darcy needs to continue to work on his bowling accuracy – but could be a very handy out swing bowler. Darcy needs to continue to work on his batting defence – but no doubt the highlight was the cacking cut shot for 4 in the last game!!

Kiera Grover – A great first year of cricket. Kiera bowling developed as she became more confident with her new action. Batting wise Keira defence is solid and she needs to work on her run scoring shots. I look forward to her improvement & results next year.

Sam Moulday – Probably the unluckiest cricketer I have seen. Sam's batting has improved significantly. Just needs to work on his defence and running – but I was very impressed with his increased run scoring cover drives and pull shots. Bowling wise Sam has huge upside and just needs to keep working on his action – but continued to be a wicket taker regularly.

Hugh Collins – Quiet and unassuming, but super talented player with bat and ball. Hugh needs to work on his defence and shot selection batting wise – but obvious talent who can hit a large ball. Bowling wise – exciting pace and bounce – Huge needs to continue to work on run up and follow through.

Asha Baade – Reliable opening batsmen, leg spin bowler and part time keeper. Asha should be proud of the way he attacked his batting. His defence is very solid – needs to work on run scoring shots. In regard to bowling – Asha needs to ensure he has a regular action that he can work with each week.

Dylan Murphy – Good 1st year of cricket. Very good fielder with a rocket arm. Batting wise improved to the point where he opened the batting successfully. Needs to continue to work on defence batting wise. Bowling wise continual work on his action will see Dylan progress with pace and accuracy. Dylan really needs work on his listening skills which I am sure will lead to positive results with his next coach.

Katelyn Shadbolt – Arrived late in year cricket wise – but obvious talent with bowling. Needs to work on delivery stride when bowling & batting defence – but must be congratulated on her State Schools Vic Rep trial success. Look forward to a big 2nd year.

Sasha Peeters – Arrived late in year cricket wise – but obvious very talented “thommo” type bowler. Look forward to Sasha becoming a regular member of the 2015-16 U'10 Gold!

To those children who move into the U'12 next – good luck, remember that the key to cricket is enjoying the game and that your first coach knows best!!

To the children who are returning for another year of U'10 cricket – I look forward to seeing you post winter all having put in hours upon hours of training.

Enjoy the winter – Go Burra

Brad Shadbolt

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Basile Michael popular and always keen. Bas greatly improved his bowling during the season. Bas was never scared to get behind the ball with the bat, a technique that has allowed him to avoid dismissal in a number of his innings. Bas' calm attitude and enthusiasm have been models for all of the players.

Billy is a true all-rounder, he is always ready to bat and bowl but his passion is his wicket keeping. Billy has excellent sense as a cricketer and really understands the principles of the game. Billy's big hitting and great running between the wickets has been a great demonstration to many of the other players.

Carlos Paatsch-Rubio a passionate player, Carlos' great talent was the element of surprise, his batting, bowling and fielding were always a mixture of the unexpected. Carlos really knows how to turn the ball. Great in a batting crisis, he could score the quick run when the time was right.

Dut Bol the most recent member of the team, Dut took a number of wickets through his ability to get the ball to bounce despite his slow medium pace. We also saw Dut's batting improve and he started to score some runs during the last few games.

Harry Mitchell a great student of cricket, Harry has wonderful style. His Alan Knott style wicket keeping saved many runs, his fast medium bowling improved steadily and he was often good for a boundary or two with the bat. Harry also wore the keeper's gloves on several occasions, and coped with the pace and the spin attacks with flair.

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TEAM MEMBERS

Basile Michael

Billy Daffern

Carlos Paatsch-Rubio

Harry Mitchell

Javier Belmar Osborn

Julian Marshall

Massimo Nodin

Pranav Srivatsan

Simon Paterson

Thomas Tyrrell

Xavier Wilson

Yenka Silberstein

COACHING/UMPIRING

Michael Daffern

MANAGER

Nick Silberstein

Javier's relaxed bowling action contained many batsmen, and his calm demeanour was great for team morale, a pleasure to have on the team. Javier usually fielded in the outfield and managed to save a number of boundaries over the season. Javier's hook shot in round eleven will be remembered by all, certainly by Javier.

Julian Marshall's professionalism has been a model for all. Julian is a fearsome fast bowler who bowled many maidens and conceded very few sundries. Julian had batting and bowling statistics that attested to his ability, as well as unwavering concentration, excellent backing up, catching ability and general attitude all of which will ensure him a great cricket future. We were lucky to have Julian on the team.

Massimo Nodin a true fast bowler who can also bat very well; once again a true all-rounder and a great sportsman with an excellent and mature attitude to his cricket, Massimo is also excellent in the field with a very good arm, throwing down the stumps on a number of occasions.

Michael Daffey dedicated to his cricket, and with a wonderful attitude to the game and an excellent relationship with his fellow players, Michael bats and bowls with great style and ability. He clearly sees the ball very well and was fearless in the field. Known to his teammates as 'Mickle', Michael was also a lively and effective wicket keeper.

Pranav has a wonderful bowling action and has real potential as a leg spinner. He has beautiful stroke-play as a batsman, a wonderful straight bat and has a great future in cricket. Finally Pranav's calm and cheerful personality has made him a popular team member.

Mr Unconventional, Simon has a novel bowling action that has seen him bamboozle the batsmen; and a safe approach to batting that helped him make a number of good scores. He conceded very few sundries as a bowler and successfully tried his hand at wicket-keeping on several occasions as well.

Thomas is a strong player who can bowl pace and hit the ball hard. He is an enthusiastic fielder never scared to throw himself at the ball. He took some excellent catches and made some great saves in the field. His running between the wickets was exceptional and this skill ensured some great partnerships.

Towards the end of season we had to share Xavier with his school team, Xavier is a true fast bowler; and a talented batsman who scored consistently. He took the catch of the season in slip, and also has a very balanced and mature attitude to his sport. Finally Xavier shared the wicket keeping when he could, a role which he clearly enjoys.

Yenka is an accomplished bowler who had much success with his consistent line and length, taking a number of wickets as a result. He batted well with some good scores, his favourite hook shot providing many boundaries. Yenka is keen in the field also willing to throw himself at the ball to save that extra run.



Thank you to all the parents for assistance with the various tasks, the cooperation and spirit between the parents and in the team has made it a pleasure to be involved.

Michael Daffern and Nick Silberstein

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We started this season with a mix of new and old, seven returning players and six new teammates. It was evident early that the amalgamation was well on track. There was a really good vibe at training as we all got to know each other. Playing together in games though is where it all comes together. Despite losing the first game we bounced back and won the next two in a row. The more experienced players showed some on field leadership skills by getting involved with field placement and helping out their less experienced teammates.

As the season went on a pattern developed in our results. We always beat some teams and always lost to others. Hawthorn and Bulleen beat us narrowly both times but we always saved our best for the local derby against Clifton Hill. All in all, we won more than we lost and every player developed their skill set. The parent group also bonded well and was very supportive of the team and the coaches. Thanks for all the coffees run out to the umpire!

Finally I'd like to congratulate all the players for the way they approached the game and their keenness to learn more. Our sportsmanship and respect for the game was fantastic. Thanks to all the parents who contributed to the coaching effort particularly Duncan for his great instruction at training and Matt for more than ably replacing me when I was away. The willingness of parents to help out was always on show and kept the team running smoothly. Lastly I'd like to give Christiana huge thanks for her efforts this season. She ensured everyone knew what was happening week in

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TEAM MEMBERS

Alexander Nikolajuk

Dashiell Spencer-White

Ethan McKenzie

Josh Hornsby

Lachlan Gill

Max Daphne

Mitchell Gunthorpe

Patrick Kingham

Quinn Doherty

Rudy Baker

Sophie Young

Soren McKenzie

Tom Miletto

COACHING/UMPIRING

Dave Scowen

MANAGER

Christiana MCCudden

and week out.

Rudy Baker - Rudy was one of the newcomers to our club and team this year and we loved having him around. He showed how much he loves the game, enthusiastically embracing the chance to bowl, bat field and keep. In particular we loved watching his patient determination to learn and master the intricate skills of spinning – watch this space! Rudy played important roles in some of our biggest games, scoring 12 not out in the nail biter against Hawthorn and taking the final wicket against Canterbury to lead our boys in dismissing the opposition all out for 41! A great year Rudy.

Max Daphne - Max has previously demonstrated his flair and love of big hitting but, this season, he wowed us and the competition with fast and accurate bowling as well. Max worked hard on his bowling style in the nets and it paid dividends with him taking 12 for 59 over the season. His bowling was tight too, three times taking 2 wickets (2/1, 2/1 and 2/2). Max also had many great games with the bat, in particular hitting an outstanding 19 not out in the first game against Clifton Hill, and 17 against Balwyn Blasters with power hitting that saw the infamous end of his bat. Max was also part of some great run outs in the field. Well done Max

Quinn Doherty - Quinn was a rock again for the team showing an unruffled nature, great humor, and respect for all in his team. It has to be said Quinn also showed a love of the big hit. Quinn hit some marvelous fours during the year – in particular two cracking shots straight over the head of the bowlers in our first match against Bulleen. Quinn had a season high of 12 not out that game and he scored in every game save one. He also worked hard as a bowler and was a very reliable fielder taking 4 catches including one as keeper.

Lachlan Gill - Lachie Gill furthered his reputation as a reliable all-rounder this year having a very good year with bat, ball and behind the stumps. Lachie played a lead role in many games including twice making 13 not out and twice taking two wickets in a game. With his unique mix of spin and/ or medium pace Lachie took 8 wickets for the year. His enthusiasm and determination as keeper was wonderful to watch and he was a great encourager of his teammates on the field. Lachie ended his season with 96 runs, (11 not out innings), 8 wickets and 4 catches – a great effort.

Mitchell Gunthorpe - Mitchell looks like he belongs on a cricket field. He worked really hard on all aspects of his game this year and had many good games with bat and ball. In particular



he took an important wicket in the first match of the season and in our third match had a true all rounder effort taking 1 for 2 and hitting ten off the bat including a classy four. He assisted with two run outs and a catch and was often the player reminding his teammates to stay on their toes in the field. Well done Mitch.

Josh Hornsby - New to Edinburgh Cricket Club and in his first year of competitive cricket Josh literally burst on to the scene taking two wickets in the first game of the season! He continued to enjoy a great season improving in all aspects of the game and working hard with the coaches at training. Josh's growing confidence with the bat was evident with the fantastic 10 he hit against Clifton Hill in the heat – many of which were smartly run singles and twos. It was great having Josh as part of the team this year.

Patrick Kingham - Patrick was another of our newcomers to Edinburgh club and competition cricket. Having only returned to Australia after a few years in one of those odd places that don't play cricket, Patrick took no time at fitting in and embracing the game. He impressed straight away taking a fantastic 9 wickets for the season including a 2 for 9 against Bulleen and amazing 2 for 0 against Hawthorn. Patrick also showed great enthusiasm with the bat – kick starting the hitting in the game against Canterbury after the teams' relatively sleepy start. A fantastic effort Patrick.

Ethan McKenzie - Ethan had a stand out year this season, producing some really wonderful all round cricket. He established himself as an impressive fast bowler taking 8 wickets for 54, and bowling 6 maidens for the year. In the field he snared 4 catches and was involved in 4 run outs. Ethan also starred with bat, hitting 15 or more in 6 matches including a 20 not out against competition leaders, Balwyn Blasters that had them stunned. Ethan hit a total of 177 runs for the year, which was a competition wide stand out effort. Most of all Ethan displayed great leadership, encouragement of his teammates and an infectious love for his club and the game. Well done on a great year Ethan.

Soren McKenzie - Soren joined us this year for the first time and had a marvelous year. New to the tricky art of bowling he managed a cleaned bowled wicket in his first game against Burwood! Soren quickly grasped the value of sneaky singles and keeping the runs ticking along. He was always ready to scamper down for a bye or sneaky single off the bat. His enthusiasm extended to the field taking 2 catches and assisting in a run out. Well done Soren.

Tom Mileto - Our own Mr Cricket had a wonderful year. Prowling the field Tom was always the first to urge his team on to snare the unexpected wicket and keep the pressure up. Tom took a blinder of a catch against Canterbury and saved many runs with his slick fielding. With his fast bowling Tom took 7 wickets – all cleaned bowled except for one caught and bowled! At the crease Tom demonstrated his growing confidence and the value of hard work on technique. The opposition only managed to get Tom out twice all year as he went on to hit many wonderful shots, scoring an impressive 101 runs for the season.

Ander Nikolajuk - Alexander "Ander" produced many wow! moments this year in a wonderful first up year with the club. With the bat Ander often showed us his great timing and power, hitting some great shots including a four over the head of the bowler as part of an innings of 13 not out against Clifton Hill. He also took five wickets, including an impressive 9 maidens for the year. In the field Ander took some amazing catches (5), and stunned us on the boundary with his throwing (including a great direct hit run out) and general athleticism. What a great year Ander.

Dash Spencer-White - Dash had a really great all round season this year. He hit 109 runs off the bat with a high of 19 not out in the thrilling match against Hawthorn. Only bowled by the opposition once (plus two run outs!) Dash learnt to mix the defensive arts with shot making and enjoyed some great slides into the crease. With his medium pacers Dash caught many batsmen by surprise taking 8 wickets including two in his last two deliveries of the year! So yes, Dash is on a hat trick over winter and we look forward to the next seasons first over.

Sophie Young - Sophie joined our team for the first time this year and brought an enthusiasm and determination that made her a real asset to the team. Showing great flair with running between wickets and having no fear of any bowler Sophie scored runs in every match save one. Sophie was also one of our hardest working players in the nets and it paid off dividends as her bowling improved a lot during the year. This resulted in her taking 6 wickets including 2 for 6 against Clifton Hill. Watching Sophie celebrate a wicket was one of the great joys this year! We can't wait to watch more of Sophie's cricket and wish her every success.

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The Edinburgh U12B team in 2014/15 ultimately showed that the achievements of the previous season were no fluke. This is not just a comment on winning the premiership for the second consecutive year, but also a comment on the boys' ability to continue to learn about the game, improve their skills, maintain a positive attitude to their cricket and show respect to the opposition - all the while enjoying themselves in the games as well as at training. The boys get genuine enjoyment from their teammates' success, and milestones such as personal best scores and wickets were noted and celebrated by the boys without prompting from coaches, managers or parents. Importantly, in the true spirit of Australian cricket, the boys are also developing a subtle sledging technique that is respectful, non-aggressive and highly witty. The fact that this seems to be directed mainly at coaching staff could be cause for some concern, but that is a minor detail.

Back to back premierships are rare, even rarer a group of boys that can play together in some cases for 4 season and still enjoy each others' company and look forward to each training night and game. All parents are intensely proud of these boys who have achieved so much and who deserve our congratulations and best wishes for their cricketing future. We've all been fortunate to observe their progress, and celebrate their successes. The parent group has been a great support to coaches and managers and deserve thanks and recognition as well.

An enjoyable season, a wonderful journey over several years, thanks boys for your efforts.

Brett, Stephen and Meg

UNDER 12 B

SEASON 2014-15

TEAM MEMBERS

Archie Taylor
Benjamin M
Donnellan
Dante Colosimo
Darcy Munro
Elliot Blanch
Ewan Grover
Finlay Bennett
Harrison S Thompson
Hemi Dietrich
Hugo O'Callaghan
Jakob Chetcuti
James Connelly
Joshua Ward
Miles Fricke

COACHING/UMPIRING

Stephen Connelly
Brett Munro

MANAGER

Meg Marsh

Edinburgh Cricket Club

Junior Season Report

Coming into the 2014/15 season I had no idea what to expect. After one training session I was thrust into the spotlight with a group of boys that barely knew each other. However, it has been a privilege and culminates in a fourth place home and away finish, a grand final, new found maturity, growing friendships amongst boys and parents, and finally some very good young cricketers.

The boys have developed as people and cricketers throughout the season, demonstrated with huge improvements with bat and ball, and most notably fielding which was an instrumental part of our semi-final win. From the first few games in which we were very quiet and subdued in the field, we now have an energetic and chatty group that always remain positive and often bring out the odd sledge.

Our first game away at North Balwyn saw us begin with only 6 players and fortunately we batted first. We didn't get off to a good start at 2/3 but a few crucial knocks from Nico 11, Darcy 24 and Clem 12 got us to a defendable score. Some very tight bowling saw North Balwyn reach 7/44 at the end of their 16 overs. Darcy the pick of the bowlers taking 3/6 from 2 overs, Hayden 1/4 from 2 and Nico 1/6 from 2; plus 2 key run outs, orchestrated by Clem.

Round two was home to a strong Deepdene Bears who reached 7/199. An excellent spell from Sam taking 4/24 from 5 and Max 1/13

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TEAM MEMBERS

Clement Lazzaro
Darcy Munro
Hayden Bant
James Connelly
Liam Gwynne
Max McKenna
Ned O'Leary
Nico Glas
Noah Hutton
Rohan Anderson
Samuel Doyle
Thomas Clark
Thomas Rupesinghe

COACHING/UMPIRING

Matt Harris

MANAGER

David Clark

from 5. Unfortunately the batting let us down and we were all out for 99. Top scorers Clem 34 and Max 28.

Next at home we bowled out Kew for 159. All the bowlers contributed and were very economical. Hayden, Rowan, Ned, Tom, Sam and Nico all took one wicket. We managed to bat exceptionally well to chase the target with 5 wickets to spare. Rowan 13, James 12, Tom 19, Darcy 28 and Clem top scoring with 37.

Round 4 away to Box Hill/Mont Albert. The fielding was brilliant - Ben took 3 excellent catches behind the wicket. However, they managed to get 10/197 - Nico, Clem, Ned and Tom all picking up 2 wickets. In reply we never reached the required run rate making 6/160. Max 12, Hayden 18 and Darcy 32.

Round 5 was the highlight of our season - we entertained the unbeaten and eventual winners of the competition Surrey Hills, who made a mammoth 6/223 - Ned the pick of the bowlers with 3/20 from 5. With the bat we excelled chasing the runs, 9 wickets down with a few balls left - Max 38, James 27, Hayden 17, Clem 35, Darcy 34 and Harrison 38 all making key runs to see us home. Also a special mention to Thomas who hit his highest score of 7 and first ever boundary.

Our first game after the holidays and the boys were a bit rusty. Clifton Hill made 6/96 from 21 overs. Liam who bowled superbly throughout the year (without the rewards) took 2/7 from 2. We lost too many wickets at key times and reached 8/77. Clem, top scoring with 25, supported by Tom 12 and James 10.

Back up against Kew we were thwarted by rain and thunder. Edinburgh again only had 6 players to begin with so we batted first and at 3/1 we were in real trouble before a brilliant partnership from Hayden 31 and James 33 restored our batting. They were supported by Tom 21 and Rowan 12. The following week we had Kew 3/42 before the weather set in - James, Tom and Rowan following up their batting with a wicket each.

Our final league game was a straight knockout between us and Canterbury for finals places. We set an imposing score of 3/175 - Tom 26, James 40 and Ben 22. Setting us up perfectly, a huge first ever wicket for Thomas had the crowd in raptures. James and Max took 2 apiece, supported from tight spells with Nico, Sam, Miles and Harrison all taking a wicket to bowl Canterbury out for 122. Onto finals

The boys were in great spirits heading into the semi against Deepdene Bears. A crucial run out of the Bear's best batsman inside the second over set the exceptional fielding standards throughout. They were bowled out for 100. Darcy 3/5 from 5, Clem 2/3 from 4, Tom 1/6 from 5, and Liam 1/3 from 2; some very economical figures. We made light work of the chase - all batsmen contributed - Clem 10, Ben 15, Tom 27, Darcy 17, James 11 and Hayden 7 got us into the grand final.

In the final we lost a key toss and were sent into bat. This looked ok at 1/25 before a major collapse occurred with key wickets falling regularly, which led to us to be bowled out for 87. Ben 20, Max 17 and Rowan 10 got us to a defendable score. But it was never to be as a very good, well drilled Surrey Hills side chased the runs 4 wickets down. James 1, Tom 1, Sam 1 and a run out from Clem were the wickets.

I would like to thank the boys, team manager David Clark, and all the parents for helping scoring, umpiring, brining teas and support. Thanks to Stephen Connelly and Shane O'Neill who helped with coaching when I was away. Special thanks to the boys who have filled in from the U12s - Mass, Darcy, James, Ben, Hemi, Harrison, Xavier, and Miles. Furthermore, thank you to everyone at Edinburgh CC.

Matt Harris

Edinburgh Cricket Club

Junior Season Report

Batting

Zak - The first of the batting awards goes to a boy who has scored the most runs this season. Despite not reaching 50 he was always somebody to rely on. One game I had to bribe him with a pack of snakes if he managed to survive the last 20 overs of a game in order to help us post a competitive score. With 217 runs, at an average of 31 with 3 not outs, Zak Connor.

Ollie - The second batting award goes to a boy who throughout the year at training always wanted the session to carry on going, always wanted to try and sneak in another hit at the end. He managed to retire once this season after making a well constructed 60. Scoring 168 runs at an average of 24, Ollie Brown.

Aleksander - The final batting award goes to a boy who also managed to get past 50 once this season. Even though I actually missed that week which he likes to always remind me about, I believe he batted brilliantly and I have seen glimpses of that all season with probably not as many runs scored as he would like. Scoring 122 runs with a top score of 56, Aleksander Gillian.

Bowling

All of the boys picking up bowling awards tonight took 7 wickets this season which goes to show that we didn't just rely on one bowler to do it all.

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TEAM MEMBERS

Alec Marghetts

Aleksandar Gillian

Conor Nunn

Darcy Greig

Finlay Symons

Jock Green

Lloyd Merrick
Fawlknor Skinner

Oliver Renkin

Oscar Kingham

Pascal Apostoloff

Raphael Glaspole

Simon Foley

Thomas Henry

Zak Connor

Zander McMaster

COACHING/UMPIRING

Mark Friend

MANAGER

Andrew Kingham

Alec - The first bowling award goes to a boy who you know you can trust and turn to too keep it tight and put pressure on the opposition batsmen. Probably why he bowled the most overs out of everyone this season. His attitude was always spot on and I can't remember him ever missing a training session. He is not the quickest bowler in our team but when you bowl as accurately as he does its no wonder he is picking up the first bowling award. He bowled 32 overs taking 7 wickets with an impressive average of 14.9, Alec Margetts.

Simon - Second bowling award goes to a lad who has shown great potential with bat and bowl all year. But his bowling has all season been tight and I have normally opened up with him as he gets good natural swing with a new bowl and has good control over it. Bowling 26 overs for his 7 wickets with an average of only 17.7, Simon Foley.

Lloyd - The third bowling award goes to a boy who has shown great potential with both bat and ball, finishing the season with his top score of 36 goes to show the progress he has made this season. But like the other 2 boys he has bowled tight all season with a great amount of control. I have stressed to the boys if you don't pitch the ball up you won't get wickets, and I am pretty sure if didn't fall on deaf ears with this boy. Bowling 27 overs for his 7 wickets at an average of 19.7, Lloyd Skinner.

Fielding Award

Jock - The fielding award could have gone to a number of players in our team. Arguably not our strongest element but all I asked was for the boys to put in a lot of effort in the field. This boy always remained positive, was always committed and has pulled off a number of good diving boundary stops throughout the season, testament to his concentration and application to do his best for the team. He also has a pretty decent pair of hands. The fielding award goes to Jock Green.

Darcy - The final award, the coaches award goes to a boy who always turned up for training week in week out, even without his kit sometimes and was happy just to bowl all evening even though he has kept wicket all season and has only bowled 7.1 overs. However, I will never forget my first game, I turned up at Alfred after being in the country about 2 weeks, not really knowing what was going on. This lad was first to the ground well ahead of the start of play and



helped me set up. Like I said he has kept wicket for the majority of the season, which is not as easy as you think. Takes a lot of courage and concentration, and has managed to take some catches and stumping along the way. He also managed to retire once this season scoring 62 which proved to be a winning knock that game. So for a great overall season and for introducing me to putting tomato ketchup on watermelon as a snack at afternoon tea. My coach's award goes to Darcy Greig.

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The Mighty Under 14A's

Season 2014/2015 was Edinburgh Cricket Club's first foray into fielding an Under 14 A grade side in the ECA and the lads did the club extremely proud.

There were boys selected from all the previous years three Under 14 sides so it took a little while for the team to click. Our first win was notched up just before Christmas after losing a couple of very close games earlier in the season.

That was the start of a hot streak where we went unbeaten for 3 games in a row and gave the boys a lot of confidence. I think the way we ended the year proved to the league, and ourselves, that we were good enough at this level.

I'm really proud of the way the boys carried themselves, always playing in the right spirit, showing great sportsmanship and from what I could tell, having lots of fun.

Many thanks to all the parents for coming along and cheering the lads on and special mention to Tim O'Meara for the hard work he put into managing the side and to Dave Foster for all the help.

Finn Blackman - Finn has the swagger of Dale Steyn and the inswing of Mitchell Starc. Generally opened the bowling and troubled all the best batsman in the league. Was unlucky not to take 20 wickets for the season the amount he beat the bat. Developed well over the course of the year and can go a long way with his cricket. Ended his

UNDER 14A

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TEAM MEMBERS

Cooper Forssman

Finn Blackman

Gus Galloway

Harry Syson

Harvey Daffern

Henry Sweeney

James Fear

Liam Proe-Carter

Mark Foster

Matthew O'Meara

Sasha Murphy

Warren Douglas

COACHING/UMPIRING

Eamon Drew

MANAGER

Tim O'Meara

season with best bowling figures of 3/17

Billy Daffern - Billy came along to most matches and was a valuable fill in for a game when we were a bit short. Fielded like a champion and went out to bat with his older brother and didn't get out. Star in the making

Harvey Daffern - Harvs was the go to man in the middle spells of bowling and was usually able to tie the batsman down. 30 overs for the year for just 112 runs is very solid. Also contributed 110 runs with a super average of 36.67 makes Harvs one of the top individual performers of the year and I was really happy to see him make his senior debut.

James Fear - is there anything he can't do? Bats like Stephen Smith, bowls legspin like Warney, fields like Ricky Ponting. Showed some real leadership this year at times on the field in his role as vice-captain and the whole club was stoked to see young Jimmy make his first senior half century. Bowled one of the great spells of the summer in the last game with 2/23 off 8 overs.

Cooper Forssman - Coops had a really solid season ending with 5 wickets and a bunch of runs. Went up a grade to play Under 16's and made a really strong 30 not out. Probably the biggest hitter in the Under 14's and really started to show great signs by batting with really good maturity towards the end of the year. Will be one to look out for in season 2015/16.

Mark Foster - Macca had a great year with the bat with 112 runs and a top score of 47. Has extremely solid defences and it was great to see him get a bit more attacking as the season went on. Did an amazing job with the gloves and at times looked like a young Adam Gilchrist throwing himself around out there. Picked up a wicket as well to cap off a fantastic year.

Gus Galloway - Absolute tear away is the only way to describe Gussy's bowling. Builds up super speed through the crease and has a natural bowling action. Bowled extremely well in the last game against the best batting lineup we came up against. Had a good season with the bat with a top score of 29 and I didn't think this would ever be possible but he took the best catch of the summer. Coaching Gussy was a pleasure this year.

Max McKenna - Maxy filled in for a game and did really well. Took 1/8 bowling his legspin and made some runs too. Fantastic effort!

Darcy Munro - Darce came up from the Under 12's to fill in for a game when we were a bit short and made a super impressive 28 not out which earned him a call up to stay with the

team for the rest of the season. Finished the year with an amazing batting average of 50. Bowled 5 overs for just 13 runs with an individual best of 1/10. The kid can play!

Sasha Murphy - The Sash attack retired mid season to concentrate on his soccer, but not before he notched up his season best score of 22 not out and took a wicket.

Matthew O'Meara - Matthew is a naturally attacking batsman who likes to get on with it and has great technique. Had a very good year with the bat with a top score of 22 and spent a lot of time opening the batting. Switched from mediums to legspin halfway through the year and shows a lot of promise with his leggies. Really enjoyed coaching Matthew this year.

Liam Proe-Carter - What more can be said other than the only one to take a 5 wicket haul this year!. 5/22 is an incredible performance. Liam bowls really good pace, pitches it up and bowls good lines. Has the potential to really develop into a great bowler. Was the best runner between the wickets all year and a great fielder to boot.

Henry Sweeney - Did a fantastic job behind the stumps this year. Threw himself around and put a glove on nearly everything. Took a couple of catches and did everything asked of him. If there was a beef of the year award Henry would be the number one contender.

Harry Syson - The Sysonator had a terrific season with the ball, finishing with 12 wickets at a super impressive average of 13 to take out the bowling award. Had a slowish start with the bat but came good late and destroyed them in the last game with a team high top score of 37 not out. Harry also took 4 senior grade wickets this year, which capped off an immense season.

Douglas Warren - Dougy. The skipper. 284 runs at an average of 31.56. 9 wickets at an average of 13.11. Took out the batting award, second in the bowling. Lead the boys all year and did a wonderful job as his leadership developed game to game. Highlight of the year was Douglas playing rep cricket and making a 60 whilst opening the batting. Legend.

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After a difficult start to the season the young U16 side moved down a grade, which allowed for a more competitive season and an opportunity for all the players to take part. Not only did they behave and work well as a team but they shared all the responsibilities fairly and evenly through the season with each player having a fair opportunity with bat and ball throughout the season. Even with a slow start to the season the boys managed to make it into the Finals. After winning a tightly fought semi they fell 20 agonizing runs short in the Grand Final. Both performances showed a maturity and growth in the team, and capped off a productive season. With most of the boys returning for another year in the U16 the team can hopefully build on the lessons of this season and reach the Finals again.

Nick Nodin - After a great start to the season, Nick was struck with a number of ailments that limited his participation to games and training through the season. When present he captained the team calmly with authority. His ability to share responsibilities around the team and keep winning the focus must be commended. Though not at his best, he brought out the best in others.

Will Clark - Lead from the front with his all-round performances through the season. He was a calm, steady consistent number 3 batsman, consistent first change and opening bowler, and took some great catches at slip. His contributions were important factor in getting the team playing with confidence and pushing us into the Finals. A fine

UNDER 16C

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TEAM MEMBERS

Alex Czarny

Ben Peach

Benjamin Gunthorpe

Felix Sharkey

Jerome Heywood

John Graham-Perez

Joshua Bradley

Max Gray

Nicholas Nodin

Sean Brickhill

Sebastien Wilson

Tyler McGregor

William Clarke

COACHING/UMPIRING

Syke Nkala

MANAGER

Helen McCracken

season from a promising young player.

Jerome Heywood - After a quiet start to the season his game went from strength to strength, and his willingness to stay on for Men's training and play for the Club on Saturdays must be commended. His diligence at practice and attitude to consistently improve paid off with him having a brilliant game all round game in The Grand Final. That elusive first 50 is not far away...

Jon Graham Perez - Always dependable with the ball, Jon got plenty of reward by keeping it simple, accurate and consistent. In key matches he dismissed the best batsman in the opposition. His batting improved immensely after Christmas and going into next season he now is a genuine all-rounder. His new found application at the crease will be important next season.

Felix Sharkey - Matured through the season, having to carry the important roles of opening batsman and strike bowler. Really started to show his talent as strike bowler at the end of the season, with his spell in the Semi Final cleaning up the tail being very memorable. He is working on his footwork as a batsman and this will increase his scoring options.

Seb Wilson - One of the most pleasing aspects of the season was his growth in performance and confidence through the season. He worked hard on his bowling in the nets and the improvements and rewards were well earned. His batting improved throughout the season and hopefully with more opportunities he will get tangible reward.

Ben Peach - After strong start with the ball, Ben struggled to find the consistency in length that made him so effective. His batting though was important as he added valuable runs down the order especially in partnership with Sean in the Semi-final. Though not his best season with the ball, his willingness to listen and work hard at practice will insure he bounces back.

Ben Gunthorpe - Unluckily dismissed early on in his last 3 innings, Ben's clean hitting was only on display a couple of times this season. Missing games through the seasons didn't allow him to get the consistency he might have got.

Max Gray - A great all round season. His attacking play at the top order was key in most of our wins and his spells of leg spin were decisive in turning the screw on opposition. In the field he was electric covering extra ground and saving plenty. Though he was visibly disappointed with his Finals he should be proud how he carried the load most of the season.



Alex Czarny - He was the energy and spark to our fielding unit. Willing to fling himself around with little care, he pulled many a brilliant stop and catch. Showed flashes of his potential with the bat, but needs to show more patience if he wants to score more.

Tyler McGregor - Struggled for confidence early in the year and even changed from pace to spin(successfully!!) He might be disappointed the season ended when it did as his form with the bat and ball had returned. He has loads of natural ability and needs to believe in himself all the time, as he has plenty of ability!

Sean Brickhill - The character of the team! Sean applied himself this season with the bat and from showing only flashes early on in the season, showed good maturity and game sense and played vital, long innings for the team improving his shot selection and playing the game situation. Though his wicket-keeping can be interesting at times, he brought energy and a great combative spirit to the team.

Josh Bradley - His wicketkeeping improved through the season. Limited chances with the bat didn't let him show the improvements he made in the nets. More authority and energy behind the stumps will only make him more effective. Take that energy he has off the field onto it!!

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Jordan French was only playing his 2nd season of competitive cricket this season. He didn't make as many runs as he would have liked but he was involved in some very important partnerships when batting including a partnership of 58 with Harry Hopkins against Burwood Uniting Canterbury and a partnership of 26 with Lucien John against Mont Albert. A highlight of Frenchy's season was taking his first ever career wicket in round 1. Frenchy was one of the few players that played every game this season.

Harry Hopkins was vice captain this season and really led by example with his performance on the field having a great all round season. His batting improved out of sight making 5 scores over 25, his highlight was his 53 against Burwood Uniting Canterbury that single handedly won us the game. He made 192 in 8 innings with an average of 32 and hit 32 fours and 2 sixes this season to earn himself a batting award. His bowling also improved a lot with him being able to consistently swing the ball and bowl a range of slower balls. Although his bowling conceded a lot of runs he always picked up wickets grabbing a total of 9 wickets for the season to earn himself a bowling award. Harry lead our fielding also taking a total of 8 catches and getting 1 run out.

Lucien John captained the side this season. He didn't make as many runs as he would have liked but stood up when the team was in trouble against Mont Albert to produce a captains knock of 46*. He made 119 runs for the season at an average of 19.83 and hit 16 fours and 1 six. His offies improved this season being able to vary his

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SEASON 2014-15

TEAM MEMBERS

Lucien John

Jordan French

Callum McIlveen

Christopher Campbell

Will Symons

Giovanni Colarossi

Harrison Reid

Stephen Di Ciocco

Nicholas White

Joshua Robinson

Harry Hopkins

COACHING/UMPIRING

Paddy Dwyer

MANAGER

Dean Robinson

Lucien Jon

pace and flight well, which was highlighted by his 3/20 against Burwood Uniting Canterbury. Lucien also did well with his fielding taking 7 catches and getting 2 run outs.

Callum McIlveen made the trek from Camperdown to play 3 games with the boys. He didn't make as many runs or take as many wickets as he would have liked. But was involved in a couple of crucial partnerships with the bat including a partnership of 31 with Josh Robinson against North Balwyn when we had lost a very early wicket and a partnership of 36 with Harry Hopkins when we were 5/84 against Mont Albert. When bowling Cal was very unlucky with his leggies so much so that he didn't pick up a single wicket for the season but he always bowled in the right areas and at a good economy rate.

Harrison Reid only played the first half of the season because of his football commitments. His highlight of the season was his game against North Balwyn where we bowled first and he grabbed 5/44 of 11.3 overs when we only had 7 players and he made 28 batting at number 8 out of our 8 players to nearly pull off a miracle victory as he put on 39 runs for the last wicket with Harry Hopkins as we fell 10 or so runs short of North Balwyn's target. He picked up 8 wickets for the season to unluckily miss out on a bowling award but his bowling action is classified as a chuck by many.

Josh Robinson had a very good consistent all round season. He made 3 scores over 30 with the bat including a highlight of 58 against Ashburton Willows where Josh and Will Symons put on a partnership of 112 when we had lost 2 early wickets. Josh compiled 148 runs in 6 innings for the season at an average of 29.60 to earn himself a well-deserved batting award. He also hit 18 fours for the season. His bowling was also a highlight; he opened the bowling regularly always hitting the right areas. Against Ashburton Willows he made a huge impact with the ball taking 3/29 off 10 overs. Josh took 9 wickets for the season to earn him a bowling award. He also took 5 catches and got 1 run out.

Will Symons only played 3 games this season because of other commitments but when he played, he played his role. His batting highlight was when he made 50 against Ashburton Willows where Will and Josh Robinson put on a partnership of 112 when we had lost 2 early wickets. His keeping was flawless; his highlight was his 2 very good catches against Burwood Uniting Canterbury both off spinners.

Nick White returned to Edinburgh this season to play a huge role for the team. He started the season of with a blaze of glory with the bat hitting 62* against Bulleen in round 1. He then went through a dry patch with the bat but in the last 2 games of the season he exploded hitting 42* against Mont Albert and 80 against Burwood Uniting Canterbury. Nick hit 200 runs for the season in 7 innings at an average of 40 to earn himself a batting award. He also hit 24 fours for the season and 11 sixes. His bowling of high quality leg spin was amazing to watch, he picked up 2 three wicket hauls and 2 four wicket hauls to finish the season with 17 wickets to earn him a bowling award.

Summary

I have really enjoyed captaining the team this season. Although we narrowly missed out on finals I thought we improved every game.

I would like to thank all the parents who provided generous support to the boys throughout the whole season by driving them to games all over the place.

I would also like to acknowledge the work done by coach Paddy Dwyer who got to every game early, set up the ground when needed, umpired when needed and discussed tactics with me. I would also like to thank the team manager Dean Robinson who scored every game with precision, got to every game early, set up the ground when needed and umpired when needed.

Lucien John

Outstanding Individual achievements

50 runs in an innings

Nick White	80	Rd 9	Burwood United Canterbury
Nick White	62*	Rd 1	Bulleen
Josh Robinson	58	Rd 4	Ashburton Willows
Gene Du Vernier	54	Rd 9	Burwood United Canterbury
Harry Hopkins	53	Rd 5	Burwood United Canterbury
Will Symons	50	Rd 4	Ashburton Willows

Felix Sharkey	66	Rd 3	STC South Camberwell
Will Clark	59	Rd 3	STC South Camberwell
Will Cark	65*	Rd 6	Wyclif
Sean Brickhill	63*	Rd 6	Wyclif
Max Gray	52*	Rd 4	Burwood United Canterbury
Max Gray	50*	Rd 9	Trinity Willison

Douglas Warren	66	Rd 2	Burwood United Canterbury
James Fear	55	Rd 4	Deepdene Bears

Darcy Greig	62	Rd 2	Canterbury
Oliver Renkin Brown	60	Rd 4	Box Hill
Aleksander Gillian	56	Rd 3	Kew Junior

5 wickets in an innings

Harrison Reid 5 for 44 North Balwyn

Liam Proe-Carter 5 for 22 Glen Iris

Selected in representative teams

Lucien John ECA U18

Harry Hopkins ECA U18

Chris Campbell Northern Falcons U18

Nick White Inner South East Scorpions U18

Callum McIlveen Western Waves U18

Max Gray ECA U16

Will Clark Coburg Hatch

Douglas Warren ECA U14

Darcy Munro ECA U12

Julian Marshall DVCA U12

Katelyn Shadbolt SSV Girls

Playing Victorian Premier (District) Cricket

Chris Campbell Northcote

Nick White Carlton

Josh Robinson Camberwell