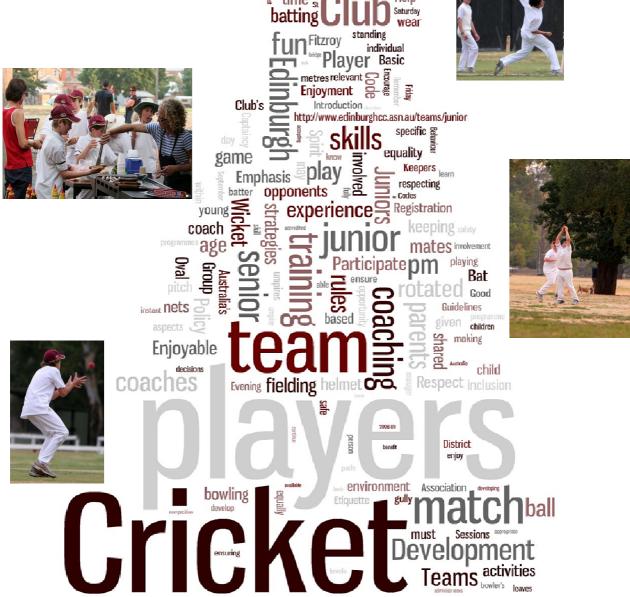
EDINBURGH CRICKET CLUB JUNIORS SEASON 2008-09





A LOOK BACK AT SEASON 2008-2009

This season saw consolidation of the changes introduced in the 2007-2008 season by the club in its approach to its junior section. Edinburgh CC wants the juniors to be *an integral* part of the club and for players and parents to feel this. The aim is that the junior players develop their cricketing skills and play their games in an enjoyable and safe environment with the emphasis on inclusion especially in the younger age groups. The motto being 'Cricket is fun'

The club has continued to develop its policy that there must be a clear *pathway* through juniors and, as they get older, through to seniors. That is, a progressive and planned development of personal and team skills through juniors that enables juniors to transit smoothly through each successive junior level and, from there, to senior cricket. This season attention was given to the beginning and final stages of the pathway. The MILO programme was moved from a Wednesday afternoon to a Saturday morning time slot in order to better suit the time availability of local parents. A twelve week programme was offered and attracted 29 youngsters. It was conducted by senior club members with the help from juniors and, especially, from MILO parents. The highlight of the Milo programme was the club being selected by Cricket Victoria to send a team to participate in the lunch time activities during the Boxing Day Test.

Attention was also given to the transition of juniors into seniors. It began with the Winter Development Programme which enabled 23 juniors, mainly from the U17 and U15 groups, to attend specialist coaching at Shaun Browns Cricket Academy. Of these, 11 went onto play senior cricket this season. In addition 6 of these players, including one of our female juniors, played representative cricket in HDCA or Cricket Victoria Pathway teams. Over the season, a total of 13 juniors played in senior teams. Over the coming winter and into next season, the club will consolidate the Winter Development Programme and the integration of junior players into senior cricket. As a part of this consolidation, the club will further strengthen the contacts established this season with Richmond Cricket Club which enables our most talented juniors to participate in their development programme and to gain experience playing turf cricket.

The club had the new nets at Brunswick Street available from the start of the season. However, the deteriorating condition of the Brunswick Street Oval and the Alfred Crescent Oval throughout the season made playing conditions difficult.

Coaching was conducted by a pool of accredited coaches drawn from within the senior players, who were helped by parents and supported by parental team managers. Training was conducted in age groups on set days rather than on an ad-hoc team-by-team basis. This allows the junior players access to a greater range of coaches and thus, skills, as well as building greater connections between the different teams. Arrangements were made with the club's senior coaching group to give the Under 15s and Under 17s the opportunity to train with seniors if they wished. Whilst training attendance was good overall, at Under 17 level it was generally poor and this will be looked at before next season.



A LOOK BACK AT SEASON 2008-2009 (cont.)

The juniors fielded one Under 11 Development team (Kookaburras), three teams in Under 13 (two in Green, one in Gold), one team in Under 15 Green and two Under 17 teams (one in Green and one in Gold). Generally, all the teams steadily improved during the year, with the best results coming at the end of the season. Individual performances are highlighted elsewhere in this report. At the start of the last game most teams were in a position to make it into the finals, however only the Under 15 and Under 17 Green teams made it through to the semi-finals. Unfortunately both teams lost. Congratulations to all players for their efforts over the year and especially to those who won places in representative teams and who won HDCA batting and bowling awards.

Off the field, during the season the club further developed the junior section of the new website. The Junior Working Group held three meetings over the season. The purpose of these meetings is to give junior management, coaches, managers and parents the opportunity to meet to review, discuss and advise the Club executive on the junior programme. The club also conducted social events specifically for juniors and parents during the season and has orientated some club social events towards juniors and parents. These will be further developed next season. Highlights were the two junior BBQs.

In looking back at the season and pre-season, special thanks are due to the Club's Director of Cricket, Brad Shadbolt, for his constant help behind the scenes and also to Naresh Pereira for developing the winter programme and his support for juniors playing senior cricket.

On behalf of the club, I thank all of our coaches and managers for their efforts. A special thank you to our visiting cricketer from Yorkshire, Peter Lawrence, who, in addition to coaching his own Under 17 team and the Under 11 Kookaburras, also helped with the coaching of the Under 15 and Under 13 teams. Thank you to David Cunnington for running the junior website. Thank you to all those who attended meetings and contributed to the Junior Working Group, especially Damian Dwyer, David Cunnington, Mick Symons and Pete Lawrence. Staff at Cricket Victoria, especially John Watkin, David Hall and Andy Lee, are thanked for their interest and advice throughout the season. The Richmond Cricket Club, particularly Craig Sharp, is thanked for inviting the Club to participate in their Development Programme and for the assistance given to our participants in the programme. Thank you to CalciYum, our junior sponsor, for their help in promoting grass roots cricket in the North Fitzroy area.

Finally personal thanks to the players, parents and families, to our seniors, to our club executive (especially Club President, Andy Olsen), to our senior coach Chris Branigan, to our senior players who helped with coaching (Pete Lawrence, Brendan Barron, Dave Mallen, Adam Nicholls, Jason Sutton, Stuart Whiley and Jarrod Ziemer) and to everyone mentioned above, for their assistance in making this a great season, which I am sure will be the foundation for an even more successful season in 2009-10.

- Stan White, Junior Coordinator

UNDER 11 DEVELOPMENT TEAM (KOOKABURRAS)



SEASON 2008-2009

TEAM MEMBERS

Chiara Cementon
Damian Chakhvorostov
Zachary Chakhvorostov
Ben Cuthbertson
Gabrielle Gadsby
Jackson Georgi
Daniel Johns
William Lyons
Domenic Meehan
Nicholas Nodin
Arun Patel
Advait Pillarisetti
Angus Ponsford
Patrick Quay
Declan Smith

COACH

Peter Lawrence

MANAGERDeborah Keir

The Under 11 Kookaburra's cricket team started the year with only 2 players from the previous under 12 team. The players quickly developed into a team, with a lot of commitment to training on Saturday morning and games on Wednesday afternoons.

The team met many other teams with a lot more experience and did well, improving over the year and culminating in their first win in the last game. We had some turnover of players during the season with Advait returning to the UK at the end of 2008 and Gabrielle and Chiara joining in January and Jackson in February. It was great to see the new and existing players work well together. As always the Kookaburra's emphasis was skill development and enjoyment and both these were achieved under the guidance of Coach Peter Lawrence with extra help from Stan. Nick and Murray White, John Smith and other parents. Players enjoyed it so much that they asked for practice to be extended to give them more time to work on their game and share the fun with their team mates.

The batting highlights during the year were the stylish six hit by Nick as part of his score of 20 and Jackson's score of 21 in only his second game. There were other good batting performances by Dominic, and Patrick, Angus and Declan. Bowling highlights included 3 wicket hauls by Arun and Gabrielle and miserly bowling by Declan, Patrick and Angus all getting on average just over 1 run per over and the team getting only 14 wides/no balls in a single game. Other good bowling performances were delivered by Will, Ben, Nick, Advait, Damian, and Chiara. Fielding highlights included wicket keeper catches by Zac and Daniel, and a stumping by Jackson. We also saw William hold a great catch in the field.

UNDER 11 DEVELOPMENT TEAM (KOOKABURRAS) (cont.)

Our final game is to be a parents / kids game which at time of writing had not yet taken place, but is expected to be fun for all.

It was very pleasing to see the relaxed, friendly but enthusiastic atmosphere of the players and parents throughout the year. Our thanks go to Sally Marsden for coordinating the season, Deborah Keir (manager) and all the parents who helped out. Also a special thanks to Peter Lawrence for coaching, John Smith who helped with umpiring, and Stan, Nick and Murray White who helped out at training sessions.

- Deborah Keir, Manager & Peter Lawrence, Coach



AWARDS

Batting Awards: Jackson Georgi

Domenic Meehan

Bowling Awards: Chiara Cementon

Damian Chakhvorostov Ben Cuthbertson

Gabrielle Gadsby
William Lyons
Arun Patel
Advait Pillarisetti

Wicketkeeping Awards Zachary Chakhvorostov

Daniel Johns

All-Rounder Awards: Nicholas Nodin

Angus Ponsford Patrick Quay Declan Smith

UNDER 13 YELLOW

SEASON 2008-2009



TEAM MEMBERS

Jack Bradley
Sean Brickhill
Tom Catoggio
Giovanni Colarossi
Leo Dunstan-Potter
Lucien Finch
David Jaques
Oliver Latham
Ben Le Mesurier
Josh Robinson
Daniel Ryan
Tom Shute
Jack Taylor
Henry Watson

MATCH COACH Adam Nicholls

TRAINING COACHES

Stan White Brendan Barron

MANAGERS

Paula Cosgrove Dean Robinson The boys in the Under 13 Yellow team started off the 08/09 season with an enormous amount of enthusiasm. Often coming up against opposition not only physically bigger but with a number of years more experience, no boy took a backward step. They approached each game in the same way, with fun/enjoyment and skill development being the main focus. No matter what position they found themselves in during the game, or the end result, there was always any number of boys putting their hand up to take the next important wicket or be the one to score the runs still needed to win.

Our batting often got off to a solid start with Jack T, Oliver and Tom C sharing the tough task of facing the new ball. Giovanni was always in the runs, a top score of 31, showing he was very adaptable with both bat and ball. Sean and Josh would always be there to help strengthen the middle order either by sticking around when required, or pushing for quick runs. Wherever they joined the batting fray, Leo, Tom S, Ben, Lucien, Henry and Daniel always chipped in with vital runs when the side needed them.

Jack B led the bowling attack and did a fantastic job, often bowling too well for the opposition. He was unlucky not to have taken more wickets, a best return of 2/4. The overs bowled were shared amongst the whole team each week which helped highlight a vast improvement in every single player. Fielding, often the forgotten art of cricket, was always carried out with incredible energy, often bringing about a wicket through the pressure applied. This in turn led to wild celebrations and many priceless moments as a coach. David was always in the mix in cover and improved immensely by the season's end.

UNDER 13 YELLOW (cont.)



All the parents should be proud of each of the boy's progress and achievement this year. I look forward to seeing all the boys develop in the coming seasons. Thank you to all the parents for their help during the season. Fitting 14 eager young boys into a side of 11 each week was not an easy task, however, judging by the level of enthusiasm at the end of the season, I believe we managed it well. To all the boys, you are to be congratulated on the wonderful sportsmanship this year. When we needed a volunteer each week to take their turn out of the batting, someone always put their hand up. This made my job a lot easier and was widely acknowledged by all the parents.

Keep up the practice in the break and I look forward to seeing you all in a few months for pre-season.

- Adam Nicholls, Coach

Note from Stan White: Thank you to the U11 Yellow parents who helped with training during the year, particularly Marc Bradley who helped out on a regular basis and Matt Dunstan-Potter and Dean Robinson who helped when they could.

AWARDS

All Round Contribution to the Team Awards Sean Brickhill

Tom Catoggio Leo Dunstan-Potter Ben Le Mesurier Daniel Ryan Tom Shute Henry Watson

Batting Awards 1st Giovanni Colarossi Bowling Awards 1st Jack Bradley

 2^{nd} Lucien Finch Jack Taylor 3rd

Giovanni Colarossi Oliver Latham

Coach's Award Josh Robinson Fielding Award David Jaques

UNDER 13 MAROON



SEASON 2008-2009

TEAM MEMBERS

Lachlan Angus
George BakerHolland
James Butler
Anthony Estephan
Max Gust
Aki Hatz
Declan HimmelreichBeaumont
Harry Hopkins
Lucien John
Ben Oliver
Will Symons
Nick White
Jesse Wilson

MATCH COACH Stan White

TRAINING COACHES

Stan White Brendan Barron The team consisted of a stable group of 13 players. Although originally scheduled to play 9 matches, the boys lost two through weather and one became a bye due to a team dropping out from the original list. The boys got less cricket than expected. Nevertheless, right from the first match they played as a team, supporting and helping each other with few excursions into boyish mischief. Individual and team skills consistently improved throughout the season with individual best performances with the bat and ball coming in the latter part of the season; wides became rare, fours more plentiful and catches held. By the end of the season the boys had become a formidable team and had their biggest win in the last match when they made 189 to 89 by Banyule. A loss on the last ball of the previous match was to cost a place in the finals.

All players contributed to team performances as can be seen below:

Lachlan: a tenacious batter and increased his prowess as a slow bowler over the season to take 1 for 2 off 2 overs in the last match.

George: the fastest and most economical bowler in the team who held a good line and length throughout the season. He consistently displayed a safe pair of hands in the field.

James: one of the season's great improvers until a sore ankle shortened his season. A mean bowler, a good bat and a great team player.

Anthony: a team strategist and best bowler. His batting steadily improved and he made 23 no in the last match.

Max: not only did his slow bowling improve steadily over the season but his batting did likewise. He made his highest score of 18n.o. in the last match.

Aki: improved all aspects of his game throughout the season. A fearless fielder. His best batting,11, was in the crucial penultimate match.

UNDER 13 MAROON (cont.)

Declan: the team's expert fielder in the deep, a hard hitting batsman with a liking for boundaries. His bowling showed steady improvement throughout the season.

Harry: another of the great improvers during the season; could always be relied upon to make runs or take a wicket when most needed by the team.

Lucien: batsman, bowler and wicket keeper. Put in a great all round effort over the season

Ben: a reliable bat, but it was as a bowler he did best. Improved over the season, took wickets when most needed. His best figures of 2 for 5 off 4 overs were in the last game.

Will: wicketkeeper, batsman, slow bowler and team strategist. Another player who put in a great all round effort over the season.

Nick: the fourth member of our slow bowling quartet and team analyst. Batted well throughout the season.

Jesse: He put in a good performance in each match with bat and ball. His batting consistently improved throughout the season, making 20no and 27no in the last two matches.

Thank you to the parents who helped out at each match, especially to Robyn Angus and Jenny Cocks for the sausage sizzles. And thank you to the boys for playing the game fairly and in a good spirit, about which they were congratulated by opposing coaches, and for their commitment to training. Well done team, I hope you enjoyed your cricket as much as I enjoyed coaching you.

- Stan White, Coach



AWARDS

All Round Contribution to the Team Awards Lachlan Angus

James Butler Max Gust

Declan Himmelreich-Beaumont

Harry Hopkins

Batting Awards 1st Nick White

2nd Lucien John

3rd Will Symons

3rd Jesse Wilson

Bowling Awards 1st Anthony Estephan

2nd Lucien John

3rd Ben Oliver

3rd Nick White

Fielding Award George Baker-Holland

Coach's Award Aki Hatz

UNDER 13 GOLD



SEASON 2008-2009

TEAM MEMBERS

Christopher Campbell Martin Deasey David Fogarty Rory McGrath Randeep Muker Lewis Robert Fiacre Ryan Thomas Salzano Michael Timlin Hunter Varghese Isaac Wattis

MATCH COACH Stuart Whiley

TRAINING COACHES Stan White

Brendan Barron

MANAGER

Dean Campbell

For a lot of the Edinburgh Gold boys this was a step up in class to the gold level. This was a step made really well and for some luck with heat and rain we would have snuck into the 4.

The boys started the season really well, beating Heidelberg Yellow by 2 runs after making 97 on the back of a very classy 40 from Isaac Wattis. Some tight bowling from Fiacre Ryan, with 3 overs one wicket for only 4 runs, and two wickets for Michael Timlin was enough to get us home.

Our first two-day game seen some very encouraging signs with the bat. The boys batted 44 overs for 170 runs, with Isaac continuing his form with 34 and Hunter Varghese making a valuable 29. It was though Martin Deasey's efforts of 30 not out when he knuckled down and got himself in which was to become the coach's often-cited batting benchmark for the boys through the season. Unfortunately, we got caught fielding in the rain on day 2 and struggled to take wickets and control our extras and just lost to Greensborough.

Game 3 saw us struggle with the bat, making only 52, but there were a couple of standout performances with the ball, as top-side Heidelberg Black made 101 chasing. Chris Campbell bowled superbly to have 3 wickets for 11 runs. Michael Timlin was again damaging taking 1 for 3, but it was Randeep Muker who started a run, that after the first game, seen him taking one wicket in every game he played for the rest of the season to see him finish equal second in the bowling averages.

We lost game 4 to rain halfway through, but did see Tom Salzano make 19 not out to show signs of what was to come after Chris Campbell and Hunter both made 11 in a solid opening partnership.

Rain again hit game 5, but probably saved us as despite 15 not out from Randeep we were 5 for 20 chasing West Ivanhoe's 123. David Fogarty was the shining light in this game taking 2 for 19 off his 5 overs with his handy offspin. Unfortunately, we lost David after Christmas due to an ankle injury, which did not help our chances.

UNDER 13 GOLD (cont.)

A week before Christmas, against East Ivanhoe White in round 6, we kept our season alive by returning to the winner's circle. Batting first we made 6-90, with Fiacre Ryan showing his wares with the bat for 13, Isaac again holding our innings together with 15 not out and Martin coming in at the end to show us his hitting ability with a quick 10 not out. It was however the bowling getting us home here with Chris Campbell taking 2 for 13 and Fiacre and Isaac topping off good all-round games with 2 for 2 and 2 for 0 respectively to clean up East Ivanhoe for only 60.

Game 7 is probably best forgot, as despite 18 from our supersub Nick White and 16 from Chris Campbell we only managed 56. Defending this was always going to be tough and only Randeep could get a breakthrough as East Ivanhoe Black made 199. Unfortunately, we lost our composure a little in the field, but this was a good learning experience for all the boys.

We finished the year in very encouraging fashion falling 9 short chasing 156 in a well-fought game, despite being 2 players short. Isaac again bowled superbly taking 2 for 15 off 6 overs when most struggled, but Chris Campbell's 1 for 21 was enough for the season's bowling award. On the day though it was Lewis Robert with 2 for 9 in his best showing for the season that was our best. In chasing, Tom Salzano pieced it all together to make a brilliant 66 and come from way behind Isaac to win the batting award. Special mention to my Coach's Award winner for the season, Rory McGrath, whose quick 16 included some brilliant shots through the onside and was responsible with Tom for getting us so close.

It was a season where the boys had some really good performances, learnt a lot about the game at a slightly higher level and enjoyed their (albeit limited) cricket. Thanks for your efforts and lets make another big step next year.

Stuart Whiley—Coach



AWARDS

All Round Contribution to the Team Awards David Fogarty
Lewis Robert
Fiacre Ryan

Fiacre

Batting Awards 1st Thomas Salzano Bowling Award

Hunter Varghese

Isaac Wattis

Bowling Awards 1st Christopher Campbell

2nd Randeep Muker 2nd Michael Timlin 2nd Isaac Wattis

Fielding Award Martin Deasey

3rd

Coach's Award Rory McGrath

UNDER 15 GREEN



SEASON 2008-2009

TEAM MEMBERS

Molly Fairweather Robbie Finch Nick Gibbons Sam Gill Finn Kinsella Owen Lewis Gabe Newnham Liam Oliver Rodger Paul Sean Pennefather Maddie Symons Sam Wilcox

MATCH COACH Dave Mallen

TRAINING COACHES

Stan White Peter Lawrence Jason Sutton Damian Dwyer

MANAGER Mick Symons

Despite a curtailed season due to adverse weather, the team played some enterprising cricket throughout the season, reaching fourth spot on the ladder by winning four matches, drawing one, and losing three – one in the last over of the game. Unfortunately the semi-final was lost to the top team, East Ivanhoe Saints.

The team had some stand-out performances over the summer, which I will capture with reference to several key matches.

The first game was against Viewbank over 36 overs. We lost an early wicket but good batting by Sam Gill (10) and Liam Oliver (13), and then a solid partnership between Sam Wilcox (20 retired no) and Nick Gibbons (30 retired no) took us to a reasonable position of 3 for 100 with 7 overs to go. Lusty hitting by Owen Lewis – 25 no with support from Rodger Paul and Gabe Newnham got us to a defendable 5 for 143. An early wicket to Rodger, a regular occurrence through the season, and later two quick wickets to Maddie Symons had them in trouble at 4 for 71 over half way. However, a well-paced partnership by their next pair got them over the line in the last over.

Two games later due to rain, a two day game was converted to a 22 over one-day battle against Rosanna. We were in deep trouble losing wickets regularly to be 6 for 25 half way through. A sterling partnership between Owen (25 retired no) and Sean Pennefather (9 retired no) arrested the slide, and Gabe (8 no) and Finn Kinsella (2 no) kept up the momentum for us to reach a defendable 6 for 77. A wicket maiden from Rodger got us off to the right start, which soon after was matched by Gabe. Sam Gill took a crucial wicket to keep up the pressure, but a splurge of runs left them just 11 to win from the last 2 overs. Up stepped Finn who conceded just one run from his over, and Sean finished off the job leaving us victors by 6 runs in a tense encounter.

The first game after Christmas against Heidelberg became a one-day game due to soaring temperatures the week before. Playing at the sparsely grassed Alfred Crescent ground, we started cautiously but gained momentum as Owen retired with 26 (6 boundaries), then Rodger (13 retired no) and Sam Wilcox (retired 9 no) ran aggressively between wickets before Liam (18 retired no) and Molly Fairweather (8 retired no) combined for another effective partnership. Nick chimed in with a quick 18 retired no, followed by adventurous batting from Gabe (7) and Robbie Finch (8 no) got us to an impressive 2 for 131 off 24 overs.

UNDER **GREEN** (cont.)

Heidelberg's openers were both clean bowled first ball by Rodger whose first three deliveries yielded 2 for 1. Gabe followed suit bowling their number three with his first ball to have them 3 for 1. They recovered well with a 50 run partnership before Liam produced an accurate spell of 2 for 10 off 3 overs. Sam Wilcox's elegant keeping work standing up to the stumps was a highlight. Their tail wagged a little but they fell 27 runs short, managing 6 for 104 off their allotted 24 overs.

The last game of the home and away season against Banyule became a virtual elimination final with the winner likely to proceed to the finals. Early wickets to Banyule set us back, but a deliberate, diligent partnership between Nick and Liam got us to 3 for 61 at the drinks break. Owen (14) and Rodger (20) lifted the scoring rate before guick wickets left us in bother at 7 for 101 with 10 overs remaining. Liam (20) returned, and Gabe (23 no) and Nick (61 no) combined for a crucial partnership getting us to an imposing 8 for 160 on a ground with a rather slow outfield. This time Gabe took two early wickets, followed by tight spells from Molly (2 for 11 off 5), and Liam and Sam Wilcox (both 1 for 4 off 4) together with excellent fielding and catching had them under pressure. When Maddie clean bowled their last recognised batter, the game was just about over. A few overs later they were all out for 91 giving a comprehensive victory to the Edinburgh side.



The team can be proud of its efforts over the season. The bowling load was Edinburgh shared across the team, with all players taking at least one wicket - Gabe's 3 for 13 against Banyule the best figures of the year. Notable innings included a maiden 50 from Owen Lewis against West Ivanhoe, and two by Nick Gibbons, one also against West Ivanhoe, and the other, a season high of 61 not out against Banyule. Both Owen and Nick's batting was very consistent, resulting in each scoring over 200 runs for the season. The even contribution amongst the team is borne out by the nine different trophy winners. Well played.

> Thanks must go to Dave Mallen for steering the squad to better performances, encouraging and supporting the players as well as bearing the umpiring load.

> And thanks also to all the parents who helped get their children through Friday night peak traffic to grounds across the north east of Melbourne.

- Mick Symons, Manager

AWARDS

All Round Contribution to the Team Awards Molly Fairweather Sam Gill

Finn Kinsella

Bowling Awards 1st **Batting Awards** 1st Owen Lewis Gabe Newnham

Nick Gibbons Rodger Paul 3rd Sean Pennefather Liam Oliver

Maddie Symons

Coach's Award Robbie Finch Fielding Award Sam Wilcox

UNDER 17 GREEN



SEASON 2008-2009

TEAM MEMBERS

Lewis Baker
Charlie Chafe
Mitch Clemens
Paddy Dwyer
Ganesh Hulme
Sid Kalra
Varun Khatter
Bryce McAdam
Alastair Moulding
Billy Noonan
Richard Vaxalis-Young
Tom Watkin
Murray White
Max Wilson

MATCH COACH

Peter Lawrence

TRAINING COACHES

Stan White Peter Lawrence Jason Sutton Damian Dwyer

MANAGER

Damian Dwyer

The season started with a cracking game against Greensborough played over two days in enemy territory. All players contributed with some outstanding individual performances only to go down on the last ball of the game. The coach's tactics were outstanding, deploying a 45 over strategy for a 36 over game!

The second game provided the first of two byes and then the wet weather set in.

Against East Ivanhoe Saints, 13 players batted and most players bowled, continuing the policy of maximum participation. We were a bit rusty around the edges and the two week bye brought a few cobwebs.

Cam's warriors from Rosanna visited the hallowed turf of the mighty 'Burra in yet another rain affected game. We batted first and were slowly building an innings, when the rain pelted down. The game resumed the following week but was reduced to 30 overs a side, affecting our run rate. But we did well to score a defendable total due to some excellent slogging on the day. The pitch was kept in pristine condition by the broom wielding square leg umpire! Some challenging bowling brought the team unstuck and we went down valiantly.

The next week against Heidelberg the boys batted well and stamped their authority on the game. Some deranged parent insisted that the leading scorer be retired in the 40s, despite having never achieved a 50! Even though we had a match winning total, we had to share the points. Again the weather had turned sour.

The New Year brought victory points with yet another bye. That week some of the Greens filled in for Gold at Banyule on a sunny afternoon!

Real victory ensued when we beat Greensborough at home in a one day game. This was the first time players were prioritised by their commitment to training and the team. This commitment showed in the great performance of those players and the team. Finally, we pulled ourselves off the bottom of the table and had a sniff of finals.

The showdown for finals glory was held at the Brunswick Street Oval against East Ivanhoe Saints. Rosanna, East Ivanhoe and Edinburgh slogged it out for the final two places in the four.

UNDER 17 GREEN (cont.)

The only option for Edinburgh was a win. An excellent opening partnership set up a formidable total, both retiring on 50 runs. We mounted our highest run total of the season of 3/222, and on the largest ground in the competition. A great effort.

East Ivanhoe Saints fell short after a spirited bowling performance, confirming our place in the finals.

Breaking news reached the ground. The unthinkable had happened. Rosanna had 'unofficially' lost due to a time and over dispute. East Ivanhoe were quickly contacted and told they had reached the finals and would meet Heidelberg the following week.

Edinburgh met Greensborough at Ford Park, and elected to bat. We got off to a poor start losing early wickets, but recovered to bat out the overs with an excellent rearguard action. On this day, however, Greensborough's batting subdued the bowling attack, despite a wicket in the first over.

Edinburgh



Greensborough went on to win the flag off the last ball of the day the following week.

Congratulations to a fine team.

It was a season of ups and downs. Inclement weather, byes and unprecedented heat, punctuated the season.

The development of the team was pleasing. We finished the year in the finals, only lowering our colours to the premiership team. The group is well poised to snatch the flag in 2010!

A special thanks to Pistol Pete for his support and encouragement of the players. We hope on your return in two seasons these players that you have developed are playing alongside you in the seniors for Edinburgh.

Thank you also to David Cunnington for doing the scoring each week and to Kerrie Moulding for feeding the team at tea each week.

- Pete Lawrence, Coach & Damian Dwyer, Manager

AWARDS

All Round Contribution to the Team Awards Charlie Chafe

Mitch Clemens Varun Khatter Bryce McAdam Alastair Moulding Richard Vaxalis-Young

Batting Awards 1st Max Wilson

2nd Sid Kalra 3rd Murray White **Bowling Awards** 1st Ganesh Hulme

2nd Tom Watkin 3rd Lewis Baker 3rd Murray White

Fielding Award Billy Noonan

Coach's Award Paddy Dwyer

UNDER 17 GOLD

SEASON 2008-2009

TEAM MEMBERS

Liam Alexander **Toby Anderson** Nick Coyne Alistair Fahie Eamon Fitzpatrick Mick Fogarty Will Gairns Paddy Guiney George Hardisty Alex Hatchett Alex Hehir Will Keating Alex Marles Paddy Martinkus Paul McConnell Jack Viola

MATCH COACH

Jason Sutton

TRAINING COACHES

Stan White Peter Lawrence Jason Sutton Damian Dwyer



The team had a disappointing season, winning only one game. This reflected the strength of the opposition rather than the weakness of the team, although the team was weakened after Christmas when a number of players went across to school cricket.

Individually there were fine performances throughout the season. Jack Viola not only batted well but bowled well enough to win the HDCA best bowling award taking 11 wickets at an average of 8.18. Jack captained the team until secondment to school cricket and the captaincy was taken over by Mick Fogarty who put in solid performances with bat and ball. Others who put in good all round performances were Liam Alexander, Nick Coyne, Will Gairns, Alex Hatchett and Will Keating. George Hardisty and Paul McConnell bowled well. Wicket keeping was safe in the gloves of Alistair Fahie. The team fielded well with Paddy Guiney excelling. Alex Hehir chipped in with bat when needed. Toby Anderson, Eamon Fitzpatrick, Alex Marles, and Paddy Martinkus were only able, through other commitments, to play the occasional game for which they are thanked.

AWARDS

All Round Contribution to the Team Liam Alexander

Awards Alex Marles

Alex Marles Alex Hehir
Toby Anderson Paddy Martinkus
Nick Coyne Paul McConnell
Alistair Fahie

Batting Awards 1st Jack Viola

2nd Alex Hatchett 3rd Will Gairns **Bowling Awards** 1st Jack Viola

2nd George Hardisty 3rd Mick Fogarty

Eamon Fitzpatrick

Fielding Award Paddy Guiney

Coach's Award Will Keating



SEASON 2008-2009 OUTSTANDING INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

50 runs in an innings (compulsory retirement)

Nick Gibbons 61* and 51* Jack Viola 55* and 50*

Thomas Salzano 66
Owen Lewis 51*
Max Wilson 51*
Murray White 50*

5 wickets in an innings

George Hardisty 8-3-5-9 Jack Viola 7-2-5-13

Hat-tricks

Jack Viola

50 Games for Edinburgh C.C.

Liam Alexander Alex Hehir
Charlie Chafe Will Keating
Mick Fogarty Tom Watkin
Alex Hatchett Murray White

Selected in Representative Teams

U16 North East Falcons Maddie SymonsU16 Northern Cowboys Murray White

Under 16 HDCA Mick Fogarty
Will Keating
Under 12 HDCA Christopher Campbell
Isaac Wattis

HDCA Trophy Winners

Under 17 Gold Bowling Jack Viola Under 17 Green Batting Max Wilson