



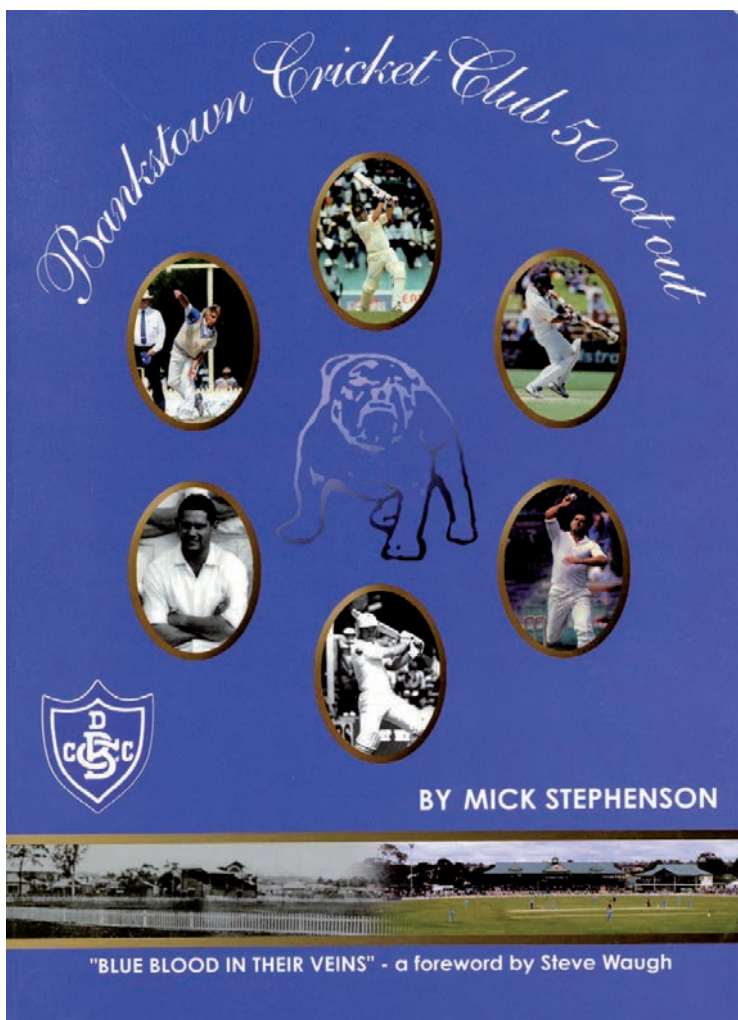
BANKSTOWN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

SEVENTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22

Bankstown
Sports

BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB
PLAYER OF THE YEAR
DANIEL SOLWAY





INTRODUCTION

Mick Stephenson



In 1993 Steve Small mooted the idea that the Bulldogs cricket club should have its history documented for posterity, and in time for the 50th season celebrations. The inevitable committee was formed comprising Dion Bourne, Wayne Cousins and Mick Stephenson. Several meetings at the Bourne household, enlivened by the occasional glass of ale and vintage wine, resulted in an outline of what we thought should go into the book. We wanted it to be more than a summary of the fifty years, although a precis of the Annual Reports would be essential for historical accuracy.

It was decided that a chapter be dedicated to the representative players, including our six Australian Test cricketers and our N.S.W. Blues reps. We also agreed that a chapter be devoted to the many characters who had played for Bankstown over the years, not only the leading rungetters and wicket takers, but the legendary yarn spinners and larrikins as well.

The intrepid trio also thought that an attempt should be made to capture the Bulldog spirit and determination, with particular emphasis on the underlying sense of humour that has prevailed from the club's inception. The traditional Aussie laconic sense of humour, plus the loyalty and camaraderie that only those who have spent six hours chasing a leather ball around in 35-degree heat can appreciate, was to be highlighted. This mixed with the fact that Bankstown developed so dramatically in the 1950s that people were extremely proud of the fledgling area and most were young, enthusiastic and hardworking, gave Bankstownians a particularly distinctive character.

As any baby boomer who grew up in the area would know they were certainly used to hardship. Electricity blackouts occurred regularly with candles and hurricane lamps providing lighting. Sewerage facilities had not yet wended their way out west and the sanitary man called regularly to pick up and empty the pan. Later in the day the ice man arrived (no, not Steve Waugh) with a block of ice which was placed in an ice chest to keep food cool. These were the so-called 'good old days' but everybody pulled together, there were very few robberies, certainly no drug problem, and youngsters could play in parks unsupervised. However, no Bankstown kids were spoiled that's for sure, and the word 'wimp' was non-existent.

I can recall in my crickering days a lot of good-natured banter on and off the field so I have named a chapter *Bulldog Banter* which struggles valiantly to capture the Bankstown spirit. It contains anecdotes collected over the years which involved some heroism, or provided great merriment amongst the players at the time.

A chapter is also included on Bankstown Oval and its progression from a park where woodchopping competitions were held, to a magnificent facility which boasts the 'Steve and Mark Waugh' pavilion and the 'Kevin McCormick' grandstand. Who would have envisaged in 1950 that Bankstown Oval would be the venue for New South Wales Blues home games, or that the oval would consistently win the 'Ground of the Year Award'?

Many officials have worked diligently behind the scenes and these have included some great characters who are mentioned in the chapter titled the '*Bulldogs Bench*'.

One of my friends at Bankstown Sports Club castigated me for taking over seven years to produce this voluminous document and wanted to know why it had taken so long when the very busy Steve Waugh was able to churn out a book almost every season. My only defence was that Steve writes about Australian cricket tours involving one particular season but I was writing about fifty seasons so that puts me 43 years in front! It has definitely been a labour of love but I must point out in advance that memories of some incidents recalled in the *Bulldog Banter* section may have grown a little hazy in the

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intervening years and I apologise for any inaccuracies.

The first recorded cricket match in Sydney was in 1804 and the venue was what is now known as Hyde Park. By the 1830s there were also a number of geographically-based clubs in areas representing Sydney, Burwood, Liverpool and Cumberland. The N.S.W. Cricket Association was formed in 1859, and through to the 1880s Sydney cricket was dominated by non locality based teams from the Albert, Warwick, Carlton and Belvidere clubs. On Saturday 7th October 1893 a competition based on Sydney districts was commenced following the expansion of the population, and the development of suburbs away from the heart of Sydney. The eight inaugural clubs were Canterbury, Central Cumberland, East Sydney, Glebe, Manly, Paddington, Redfern and University. Four new clubs were added in 1894 and they were Leichardt, North Sydney, South Sydney and Waverley.

The competition was extremely popular and 10,000 people watched a game at Wentworth Park in 1896. By 1924-25 St. George, Mosman, Marrickville, Randwick and Northern District had been added and the competition thrived. The earliest recorded cricket match in the Bankstown area was in early 1892 between Bankstown juniors and Rookwood juniors with Bankstown victorious. As Bankstown developed, local players were forced to travel to Marrickville to play grade cricket and it was ironic that the amalgamation of Petersham and Marrickville paved the way for Bankstown to enter the competition.

The Bankstown Cricket Club was formed in 1951 with the founding fathers Harry Tooley, Jack Fitzpatrick, Sid Boddy, Maurie Lilienthal and a host of other local cricket enthusiasts. They were fiercely loyal to the Bankstown area and rejected suggestions that the club be called Canterbury-Bankstown, to follow in the footsteps of the local rugby league side. Initially the district cricket club was titled Bankstown-Canterbury, but in the year 2000 the word Canterbury was deleted. The founding fathers would not have been too disappointed.

As the population increased rapidly after the Second World War, with the baby boomers and an expansive immigration programme, it was a shrewd move to admit the club into the Sydney grade cricket competition. Success was instantaneous as the first grade side easily won its inaugural game by defeating a very strong Glebe-South Sydney side which, ironically, included Bob Madden. The Bulldogs first premierships came in the 1952-53 season with the successful third grade side, followed in the 1953-54 season with a resounding win by the under 21 Poidevin-Gray side.

In 1958-59 Bankstown achieved the ultimate with a first grade premierships and victory in the prestigious club championship. Bob Madden had left Glebe to play with Bankstown that season and along with Ron Briggs, Jack Giffen, Grahame Thomas, Bruce Urry, John Clift, Ken Hall, Bill Britton, Bill Gibson, Ken Rogers, Wal Pickles, Derek Lonsdale, Alan Kelly, Alan Ellis, Norm Seach and Jeff Hickey helped capture the club's first Belvidere Cup.

Bankstown snared the club championship title again in 1966-67 and performed the first grade/club championship double in 1987-88. The Bulldogs struck a purple patch in the nineties with first grade premierships in 1993-94, 1994-95 and 1999-2000 plus the limited overs cup in the 1995-96 and 1997-98 season. In its 50 year history the club has won the A.W. Green Shield competition no less than nine times and Poidevin-Gray three times. Altogether, the club has clinched 35 titles in its fifty years which is a magnificent effort by any standards.

The Bulldogs have provided six Australian Test players and what an imposing six they are. Grahame Thomas was the first, followed by Jeff Thomson, Len Pascoe, Steve Smith, Steve Waugh and Mark Waugh. They have all added immense pride to Bankstown's crickering history, but it was a crowning moment in February of 1998 when it was announced that Steve Waugh was to be Australia's 40th Test captain. Bob Holland and Ian Davis also played for Bankstown but were with other clubs when they represented Australia, whilst Wayne Holdsworth went on the 1993 Ashes tour to England but did not play a Test match. The Bulldogs have produced 21 N.S.W. players and countless other representative players over the years.

Brian Freedman reached the pinnacle of administrative success when he became a member of the Australian Cricket Board, whilst Maurie Lilienthal received an Order of Australia Medal for his services to cricket, particularly in the country areas of N.S.W. However, it is not the premierships and number of reps that makes the Bankstown club so successful. It is the character and dedication of the people involved and their individual traits that have made the club so influential.

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Mick Stephenson

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BANKSTOWN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

OFFICE BEARERS

Patrons

John Murray OAM
Daryl Melham AM

President

Reza Bilimoria

Senior Vice Presidents

Darryn Bull

Vice Presidents

The Directors of Bankstown
District Sports Club

Life Members

J H Fitzpatrick OAM (dec.),
H Toohey (dec.), J L Lewis
(dec.), S F Boddy (dec.),
M Lilienthal OAM (dec.),
L Theobald (dec.),
J Theobald, N Murray (dec.),
A Taylor (dec.), R Amson (dec.),
A Amson (dec.), B Urry (dec.),
Mrs M Boddy (dec.), W Silas
(dec.), D Bourne (dec.), J Bull,
I Gorman (dec.), L Pascoe,
MC Stephenson, J Dunn,
R J (Bob) Bower (dec.),
K Ferris, K Scully, J Scully
(dec.), G Crowfoot, M Klumpp
OAM, S Small, B Freedman
OAM, E Dignam, D Freedman,
W Holdsworth, S Waugh AM,
M Waugh OAM, I Gill,
M Grant PSM, S Thompson,
G Spotswood, M Dignam,
R Freedman (dec.), D Bull,
D Magee, S Grant, K Hall,
L Roworth, P Kelly, D Clifton,
A Bird, J Bourne

Honorary Secretary

M H Klumpp OAM

Assistant Secretary

B Freedman OAM

Treasurer

M Smith-Grant

Assistant Treasurers

E Dignam and M Dignam

Delegate to the New South Wales Cricket Association

B Freedman OAM

Delegates to the Sydney Cricket Association

B Freedman OAM and
R Bilimoria

Management Committee

Scott Grant, Meegan Smith-
Grant, Linsey Roworth, Mark
Grant, Martin Klumpp OAM,
Eris Dignam, Brian Freedman,
David Clifton, Rob Smith
(BSWCC), Phil Kelly, Geoff
Price, Reza Bilimoria, Darryn
Bull, Kash Patel, Andrew Divan
(BDCA), Iain Ridley, Chris
Ridley, Jehan Bilimoria, Troy
Freeman

Cricknet Operations Committee

M Grant PSM, P Kelly, G
Crowfoot, L Roworth, C Ridley,
I Ridley, J Bilimoria

Selection Committee

Dean Magee (Chair) D Solway,
T Clark, A Kouventaris, T.
Ramage (4th Grade stand in
Skippers contributed on a match
by match basis)

Publicity Officer

M Stephenson (with support
from P Kelly and D Clifton)

Webmaster D Clifton

Instagram and social media R Patel

Honorary Solicitor

K J Scully (Finn Roche Lawyers
incorporating Scully Legal).

Auditors

Bentleys NSW Audit Pty Ltd

SUCCESSFUL CLUBS

Club Championship
"Sydney Smith" Cup
Northern District
First Grade (Belvidere Cup):
Mosman
Kingsgrove Sports T20 Cup:
Randwick Petersham
Second Grade (Albert Cup):
Mosman
Third Grade (Mitchell Cup):
Northern District
Fourth Grade (Reid Cup):
Manly Warringbah
Fifth Grade (David Sherwood
Cup): Eastern Suburbs
Poidevin-Gray Shield:
Sutherland
AW Green Shield: St George

CAPTAINS

To the following gentlemen,
your Committee extends the
Club's appreciation for the
sincere and dedicated manner
in which you handled your
respective teams.

First Grade: **Daniel Solway**
Second Grade: **Tony Clark**
Third Grade: **Alex Kouventaris**
Fourth Grade: **Jehan Bilimoria,**
Prash Sivapragasam, Ryan
Malcom, Travis Low.
Fifth Grade: **Tom Ramage**
Poidevin-Gray Shield:
Liam Marshall
AW Green Shield:
Daniel Louka

PREMIERSHIP TEAMS



Third Grade - Grand Finallists

Twenty20 Kingsgrove Sports Cup Winners	2020-2021	Third Grade Premiers	1989-1990
Club Championship Winners	2019-2020	Poidevin Gray Premiers	1989-1990
Second Grade Premiers	2019-2020	AW Green Shield Premiers	1988-1989
First Grade Premiers - Belvidere Cup	2015-2016	Club Championship Winners	1987-1988
First Grade Premiers - Limited Overs	2015-2016	First Grade Premiers	1987-1988
First Grade Premiers - Limited Overs	2014-2015	AW Green Shield Premiers	1982-1983
AW Green Shield Premiers and State Champions	2014-2015	Third Grade Premiers	1978-1979
AW Green Shield Premiers and State Champions	2013-2014	Fifth Grade Premiers	1976-1977
Poidevin-Gray Premiers	2013-2014	Second Grade Premiers	1974-1975
AW Green Shield Premiers	2010-2011	Fourth Grade Premiers	1971-1972
AW Green Shield Premiers	2009-2010	AW Green Shield (Joint Premiers)	1969-1970
Poidevin Gray Premiers	2008-2009	Club Championship Winners	1966-1967
First Grade Premiers - Belvidere Cup	2006-2007	Third Grade Premiers	1966-1967
First Grade Premiers - Limited Overs	2006-2007	Shires 'C' Division Premiers	1966-1967
Club Champions	2003-2004	AW Green Shield	1965-1966
AW Green Shield Premiers	2003-2004	AW Green Shield	1964-1965
AW Green Shield Premiers	2002-2003	AW Green Shield	1962-1963
First Grade Premiers	1999-2000	Second Grade Premiers	1961-1962
AW Green Shield Premiers	1999-2000	Fourth Grade Premiers	1961-1962
AW Green Shield Premiers	1998-1999	Second Grade Premiers	1960-1961
Second Grade Premiers	1997-1998	Poidevin Gray Premiers	1960-1961
Foster's Light Ice Cup Premiers	1997-1998	Club Championship Winners	1958-1959
Diamond Draft Cup - Limited Overs	1995-1996	First Grade Premiers	1958-1959
First Grade Premiers	1994-1995	Second Grade Premiers	1957-1958
First Grade Premiers	1993-1994	Poidevin Gray Premiers	1953-1954
AW Green Shield Premiers	1990-1991	Third Grade Premiers	1952-1953

SERVICE ROLL

YEAR	PRESIDENT	HONORARY SECRETARY	HONORARY TREASURER
1951-1955	H Toohey	J H Fitzpatrick	S Swane
1955-1956	R Sloane (resigned 8/12/55) J L Lewis (elected 13/12/55)	A C McKeon (resigned 6/12/55) S F Boddy (elected 9/12/55)	N W Wright
1956-1961	J L Lewis	S F Boddy	N W Wright
1961-1970	J L Lewis	S F Boddy	N L Murray
1970-1972	J L Lewis	S F Boddy	D P Bourne
1972-1973	J L Lewis	T T Radanovic	D P Bourne
1973-1975	S F Boddy	F G Cicutto	D P Bourne
1975-1977	S F Boddy	J F Mackinnon	D P Bourne
1977-1979	S F Boddy	R J Bower	D P Bourne
1979-1982	J Bull	R J Bower	D P Bourne
1982-1986	B F Freedman	R J Bower	D P Bourne
1986-1989	B F Freedman	M H Klumpp	D P Bourne
1989-2006	B F Freedman	M H Klumpp	E Dignam
2006-2017	S A Grant	M H Klumpp	E Dignam
2017-2020	S A Grant	M H Klumpp	M Smith-Grant (E & M Dignam Assnt.)
2020-2021	S A Grant	M H Klumpp	M Smith-Grant
2021-2022	R Bilimoria	M H Klumpp	M Smith-Grant

1ST GRADE SCORERS

SEASON/S	SCORER	YEARS
1951/52	Muriel Graham	1
1952/53-1955/56	Ralph Sloane	4
1956/57-1958/59	John Smith	3
1959/60-1965/66	Laurel Boddy (Kirton)	7
1966/67-1974/75	James Doherty	9
1975/76-2003/04	Arthur Couper	29
2004/05-2010/11	Sherrol Gane	7
2011/12-	Geoff Price	11
	TOTAL	71



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At the outset let me take this opportunity to congratulate Scott Grant on his contribution over the past 15 years as President of our great Club. He has positioned the Club to a point where its level of professionalism, corporate governance and commercial acumen are regarded as a best practice model for other cricket and sporting clubs to follow.



Reza Bilimoria

The Club could not be in such a strong position without his leadership and the support of a committed management committee and group of volunteers.

Taking on the position of President of this great club is truly an honour and I look forward to growing our success both on and off the field ably supported by a fantastic management committee.

The lockdowns in various LGAs in South West Sydney along with a delayed start to the season, a change in playing formats with a focus on one day games coupled with the wettest summer in history meant that as a Club we weren't as prepared for season 2021/2022 as we could have been. Despite these setbacks and disruptions, we did have a competitive season on and off the field with some key highlights as follows:

- A youthful third grade side captained by Alex Kouventaris making the grandfinal against Northern Districts
- A 2nd grade just missing out on the top six, and
- A much-improved

AW Green Shield team

- The Bankstown District Sports Clubs Womens teams adopting the colours of the Club (Blue and White) . We look forward to an all-inclusive Club of men's and womens teams under the one 'Bulldogs' banner.
- Successful sponsorship and funding for our planned infrastructure upgrades to Memorial Oval and Graeme Thomas Oval

The Bankstown mantra of success in the face of adversity is still strong. No matter what is thrown at our Club we continue to succeed and grow. We have a lot of young, enthusiastic, committed and highly talented players which bodes for future success in years to come.

With thanks

A Club is only as strong as those who support us and those who volunteer their time.

Canterbury Bankstown City Council

Without the support of the Council, we would not be able to play a game of cricket. We

are fortunate to have perhaps some of the best suburban grounds in Sydney, the envy of many other Clubs. A special mention to Nick Mamolis the newly appointed groundskeeper to Bankstown/ Graeme Thomas Ovals who ensured no matter what the weather conditions, we played cricket and played on pitches of first-class standard.

Bankstown Sports Club

The lockdowns in Southwest Sydney not only impacted our Community and Club but our major sponsor, the Sports Club. But despite this adversity the Sports Club honoured their financial support of our Club, something many other Organisations would have let go. The partnership that we have with the Sports Club is one that many sporting clubs' envy, professional and amateur. We share common values and place members and, in our case, players at the centres of all that we do. We are very excited to be partnering with BSC to develop the Memorial Oval and Parkland Precinct concept that will provide amazing greenspace for the local community while continuing to enhance our elite cricket facilities.

We look forward to many more years of our trusted partnership and thank Chairman John Murray OAM, CEO Mark Condi and his amazing management team and all staff for their support.

Our Volunteers

Volunteers are essential to the sustainability of sports clubs. Volunteering Australia's recently commissioned report revealed the wider impact of COVID-19 on volunteering across Australia. Two thirds of all volunteers stopped volunteering between February and April this year. Volunteering plays a critical role in our Club, and we are dependent on volunteers to keep our Clubs open and our players playing. So, to our committee, coaches, selectors, captains, scorers and training and game day helpers I thank you because without you we have no Club.

Whilst there are too many names to mention there are

two individuals who ensured we played every week where possible. Our Secretary Marty Klumpp whose dedication, full time, to this great Club has been nothing short of remarkable and our Chairman of Selectors, Dean Magee, who after 5 years in this key role has decided to spend more time with his young family rather than spending countless hours on the phone to players, captains and sometimes disgruntled parents to actually get players playing cricket in every grade.

Coaching Update

There is no more committed and dedicated person to the game of cricket than Gary Crowfoot. After 9 years of coaching first grade and the rest of the Club for that matter he stepped aside as first grade coach for season 2021/2022 preferring to take a backseat role in coaching and mentoring .

How do you replace Gary?

Well, we were extremely fortunate to attract back to the Club the highly credentialled Corey Richards as our Head Coach. Being an extremely successful player when he was at Bankstown, Corey knows the culture of the Club and how to get the best from all players in all grades. Welcome home Corey.

The Future

As I go into my second year, I can't help but think that with the quality of people on our Committee, our volunteers, coaches, players and sponsors our future looks bright. With work to commence on upgrading player facilities at Memorial Oval and the installation of broadcast quality lighting, we add to our already enviable title as one of the best suburban cricket grounds in the state if not the Country.



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HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT



Marty Klumpp

I have pleasure in presenting the Club's 71st Annual Report.

Highlights of our 2021/22 season were:

- Our volunteers and players showing great resilience to put the severe COVID lockdown restrictions behind them and field competitive teams for grade, Poidevin Gray Shield and AW Green Shield competitions following very short pre-season.
- Alex Kouventaris leading our 3rd grade to within a whisker of winning the Mitchell Cup.
- Hosting a successful Sheffield Shield match and the Belvidere Cup final at Memorial Oval.
- Securing a \$1m Greater Cities Sports Facility Fund (GCSFF) grant for our Memorial Oval Masterplan Upgrade. This grant adds to the \$1.5m financial commitment from Bankstown Sports Club, \$200k via a Cricket Australia Infrastructure Grant and \$200k from CB City meaning we have circa \$3.1m committed to Stage 1 of the Masterplan capital works. We have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with CB City and established a Project Control Group with Council to manage the project.

The Club's coaching team was led by Corey Richards who 'found his way home' to Memorial Oval after coaching stints overseas (Bangladesh) and in NSW Premier Grade (Uni of NSW). Corey is a highly-rated technical coach and there is no doubt he will have a very positive influence on our talented but inexperienced playing group. Crippling lockdowns, a truncated pre-season and the loss of experienced players like Nathan McAndrew, Ben Taylor and Mitch Brown was some sort of a homecoming for Corey, but there's no doubt he's established a platform to ensure improved performances in coming years.

Assisting Corey was Gary Crowfoot (Batting/Pathway), Michael Polson (T20/Spin),

Chris Ridley (Assnt Grade Coach/AWG Coach), Nick Carruthers (PG), Tony Clark (Bowling/Lower Grade Mentor) and Aaron Bird (Fast Bowling).

The pandemic-related challenges for Chairman of Selectors Dean Magee in 2020/21 season were significant, but in retrospect, 2020/21 was a cake-walk compared to 2021/22. The disparity in the Government's lockdown strategy across suburbs meant all our formal off-season programs were cancelled and our pre-season program was severely disrupted. When the SCA decided to start competitions as soon as Government restrictions were lifted, Dean was left with a difficult challenge to get initial gradings sorted. He then had to deal with the

constant loss of players testing positive to COVID throughout the season. It wasn't always pretty – sometimes teams weren't announced until late on Friday. But somehow, Dean always produced the goods. It's testimony to Dean's razor-like focus to get the job done (bloody-mindedness) that we fielded a competitive 11 in each grade, every week. Probably 100+ phone calls and text messages every week to pull the sides together. Dean has decided to hand over the Chair of Selectors reins after five years; he leaves very big shoes to fill. One thing for sure is that Dean's passion for the club will not wane and we look forward to having him back in an active role in future.

Whether it's helping with scoring, laying or lifting wicket covers or helping with lunches or drinks breaks, we value each and every contribution from volunteers. There are some people who go way 'above and beyond', making exceptional contributions to ensure our club continues to function as efficiently as possible...

Reza Bilimoria

Reza took over as President from Scott Grant in a planned succession after serving as a Senior Vice President since 2019/20. Reza has a wonderful Bankstown cricket history. He played junior cricket with Bankstown Sports Club before enjoying many years of grade cricket with the Bulldogs. Reza also played several seasons of Shires cricket with Macquarie Uni, so he brings a very practical understanding of Premier and Shires cricket to the role. Reza's first season as President was very challenging as the club faced severe COVID-19 lockdowns that totally disrupted our off-season and pre-season programs. Reza led the Management Committee with a calm style that ensured everyone got to have a say (despite the difficulties of hosting virtual and hybrid meeting formats). His friendly manner and genuine interest in people's opinions was appreciated by volunteers, players, and match officials. A highlight of Reza's first year was the Club's success in achieving a \$1m grant from the Greater Cities Sports Facility Fund that has enabled us to commence Stage 1 of the Memorial Oval Masterplan re-development in partnership with CB City

Council, Cricket NSW and Bankstown Sports Club (total \$3.1m budget). Despite living on the north shore, Reza very frequently makes the long drive to Bankstown for sponsor presentations, project and committee meetings and (for him the most enjoyable of all) to sit and watch matches and work with our other volunteers. Reza also attends SCA meeting as a Club Delegate.

Brian Freedman

Brian again provided support at every level of our operations and it's very hard to imagine the club without his knowledge, experience, clear thinking, mentorship, and sheer hard yakka. Brian represented the Club at NSWCA and SCA meetings (which he's done for over three decades). He's at the oval pretty much seven days a week – Monday to Friday it's cleaning the Indoor centre and packing materials for Uganda and weekends it's an early morning start and late evening finish at Memorial Oval, GT Oval or Kelso North - doing anything that's needed. Brian really enjoys chairing the Captains and Umpires match review meetings following 1st and 2nd grade matches as it provides him with good feedback for his role on the SCA Committee of Management. It was a very happy Brian Freedman when the Club dispatched our 15th shipping container to Uganda in March 2022. Over 300 kit bags of new and used equipment that will underpin continued growth of the game in Uganda.

Eris and Margaret Dignam

Despite some health challenges, Eris continues to display typical Bulldog spirit doing whatever he can to support the Club. Eris continued to help coordinate practice sessions, stock the canteen, organise covers etc etc. Doesn't matter if he's hobbling on one leg or bleeding from his latest scrape with a hard object... you can always rely on Eris. That's just how the #1 Bulldog likes to roll. Margaret, as always, made an enormous practical contribution to the Club in 2021/22. Whether it's ordering and packing stock for the canteen, serving in the canteen (especially for Rep matches) sorting out temperamental EFTPOS devices or helping make the computer work so Eris can join zoom meetings, Margaret rightly deserves to share the #1 Bulldog jersey!

David Clifton

With long term Publicity Officer Mick Stephenson incapacitated last season, David added responsibility for writing weekly press reports to the already impressive list of tasks he handles at the Club. DC designed and produced our 71st Annual Report, another outstanding publication that is highly valued by players, supporters and sponsors. He secured a \$13k sponsorship from The Primary Club to provide equipment for participants of our Disability Cricket program. He live-streamed matches at Memorial Oval and continued to build our vast library of digital photos. For good measure he manages our website,

assisted with the Uganda equipment project and sits on the Management Committee. Thanks DC.

Scott Grant

As 'Immediate Past President' Scott was a great support for Reza Bilimoria as he transitioned to the role. Scott attended matches whenever he could, sat on the Management Committee and played a leading role in shaping the thinking behind our successful Greater Cities Sports Facility Fund grant application. He also carried the brunt of the workload preparing the on-line application. Scott's ability to understand and communicate complex ideas is a huge asset. The fact he finds time to contribute around his busy professional career is something we should never take for granted.

Meegan Grant

Meegan was again the mainstay of our match day canteen support and her bubbly personality and helpful manner mean she's a favourite with both Bulldog and visiting players and supporters. Added to this Meegan handles our financials including using the Xero accounting software and liaising with our Auditor. Meegan's professional role has been severely disrupted by COVID; the fact she's continued to make such a valuable contribution to the Club over the past two years speaks volumes to her sense of loyalty and sheer ability to 'muck in and get stuff done'.

Geoff Price

Pricey is always a wonderful contributor but in 2021/22 season his effort was enormous. On top of being 1st Grade Scorer, he trained and supported several new lower grade scorers. He also supported Eris with practice co-ordination which was a huge bonus for Corey and the coaching team. Geoff is also a quiet achiever on our Uganda Project, regularly jumping in to help Brian with collections and packing. Thanks Geoff, without people like you the Club simply would not function.

Kash Patel

Kash was a great help taking on special projects and tasks for the Management Committee. He also helped Eris and Geoff coordinate activities at training which is greatly appreciated by players and the coaching team.

Craig Prideaux

Craig is a highly valued volunteer; doesn't make a song and dance but just gets in and helps not matter what needs to be done. Whether it's helping Eris and Pricey with training coordination, running errands, fixing equipment he's always on call. Also, a huge contributor to the packing of the Uganda shipping container. Thanks Craig.

Linsey Roworth

Life member and champion bloke, he's there every grade and representative match day doing whatever need to be done. Never needs to be asked. No task is too hard, no job too menial.

Ray Richards

Was great to have Ray back looking after the squads, keeping everything and everyone in line. Like Linsey, Ray's a self-starter and just gets the job done, no fuss. Thanks Ray.

Ken Hall

We're so lucky to have Emu around the Club. A life member of BDCC and the Sydney Cricket Association, Emu has forgotten more about the game than most will ever know. Our young players are very lucky to have a player of his calibre in the sheds sharing his experience in his own quiet way. Like Linsey and Ray, no job beneath him and nothing Ken does ever has to be done again. Champion.

Mark Eschbank

Eschy is President of Blind Cricket NSW, so we have a lot of engagement with Mark as BCNSW has been based at Memorial Oval for the past 6 years. On top of the BCNSW connection, Mark is a huge support for BDCC – he regularly assists Brian with Uganda collections and packing and helps with facility maintenance/odd jobs. Mark always volunteers for canteen duty for representative matches and 1st grade finals etc and really puts in on those occasions. Another who never walks past a broom without picking it up and putting it to work.

SCORERS

Scoring is such an important task for the efficient running of matches. We extend our thanks to the following people who helped make life much easier for players and match officials last season.

Ist grade Geoff Price
2nd grade Jennifer Campbell
3rd grade Gamini Perera
4th grade Kash Patel
5th grade Adam Condon,
Glenn Cordingly,
Tony Louka

Charles Howard who helped with 3s and 4s when available

PG Geoff Price, Gamini and Dave Debono

AWG Tony Louka and a bevy of other helpers.

SPONSORS and SUPPORTERS

Bankstown Sports Club continues to provide amazing administrative and financial support for our operations. The Club's commitment of \$1.5m to support the Memorial Oval Masterplan development was instrumental in enabling us to win a \$1m grant via the Greater Cities Sports Facility Fund. This means we now have \$3.1m to complete Stage 1 of the redevelopment, with detailed planning work underway in conjunction with CB City Council.

We thank Chairman John Murray OAM, CEO Mark Condi, CFO Rod Dearsley, GM Michael Clancy and the entire management team for their professional support. BSC continues to support local charities and its 46 sporting clubs. We are grateful for the guidance we get from Jenny Noble (Executive Manager Corporate and Community Relationships) and her terrific lieutenants Matt Starr (Sport) and Isabella Cini (Community).

APPRECIATIONS

BDCC Patrons Daryl Melham AM and John Murray OAM

Mayor Khal Asfour and all Councillors at CB City Council

Jason Clare MP, Member for Blaxland

Tania Mihailuk MP, Member for Bankstown for your enthusiastic support for our club and our community. Tania always remembers to make Community Recognition statements in the NSW parliament to celebrate club achievements and programs (e.g. Uganda Project).

President Daryl Melham and the Directors of Revesby Workers' Club; thank you for your on-going support. We look forward to working together to do good things for our community

Matthew Stewart General Manager Canterbury Bankstown City Council.

Graeme Beattie, Director Community Services, CB City for advice on operational matters and future planning

Andrew Smithwick, Manager City Plan, James Coorey Manager Customer Experience and Recreation, Rachel Symons (Forward Works Planning Coordinator), Sean Mooney (Team Leader Urban Policy and Planning), Jess Atoui (Recreation and Open Space Planner), Ryan Borg (Recreation and Sport Officer), Madison Mooney (Park Bookings) and all support staff at CB City for your on-going guidance and support as we continue our plans to develop the memorial Oval precinct into something the community can be proud of.

Nathan Watson, Craig Beveridge and Brett Luth for guidance and practical help with facilitates planning and management.

Pat Towle and the team of electricians who maintain the digital screen at Memorial Oval. Your prompt and courteous support is always appreciated.

Dean Magee our hardworking Chairman of Selectors.

New South Wales Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association headed by **Darren Goodger and Troy Penman and Bede Sajowitz**

Bankstown District Cricket Association - sincere thanks to **President Peter O'Shea and Secretary Dianne Ford** and all executive members.

Andrew Divan, BDCA Junior President a tireless advocate for junior cricket. Andrew is a big supporter of the Bulldogs Pups Program, and he liaises closely with Gary Crowfoot to make this program effective. **Darren McLean** is a champion fella who does anything asked of him; his efforts organising grounds for rep matches last season was outstanding.

Nick Carruthers for your support of our Poidevin-Gray Shield team.

Chris Ridley our AW Green Shield coach.

Tony Louka, our AW Green Shield Manager.

Mike Simpson for some amazing photos that were published in the TORCH newspaper and social media accounts as well as match highlight videos.

Rohin Patel for handling our Instagram social media account and this was a very positive initiative for the Club. Despite illness and study commitments Ro did a fine posting of many vox pop style interviews, photos and graphics that generated much on-line activity and engagement with the club.

Troy Freeman who does heaps of facilities maintenance work about the place. A huge bonus for us.

Lee Germon CEO of Cricket NSW

Teale Blessington, State Infrastructure Manager Cricket NSW for your assistance with the development of grant applications for the Memorial Oval Masterplan project.

Roy Formica, Premier Cricket Manager, CNSW

Mark Eschbank, Graham Coulton and Lindsay Heaven from Blind Cricket NSW. Always a pleasure to work with you on the development of Blind Cricket in NSW.

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UGANDA COMMUNITY PROJECT

BRIAN FREEDMAN



This scheme which started in 2005 was only ever planned to be one container and the fact we shipped number 15 recently is truly remarkable considering our only advertising is word of mouth .

Many clubs, organizations and individuals have donated gear and clothing on numerous occasions and it is pleasing to note the quality and value of the contents of each container continues to rise.

We are very grateful to CNSW who were the major contributor to this container. A change in clothing supplier was the catalyst for freeing up redundant supplies and next season will see many Speed Blitz Blues teams gracing the playing fields of Uganda. A special thank you to CNSW

staff members Roy Formica and particularly Harjit Singh who act as our unofficial spotters in steering donations in our direction.

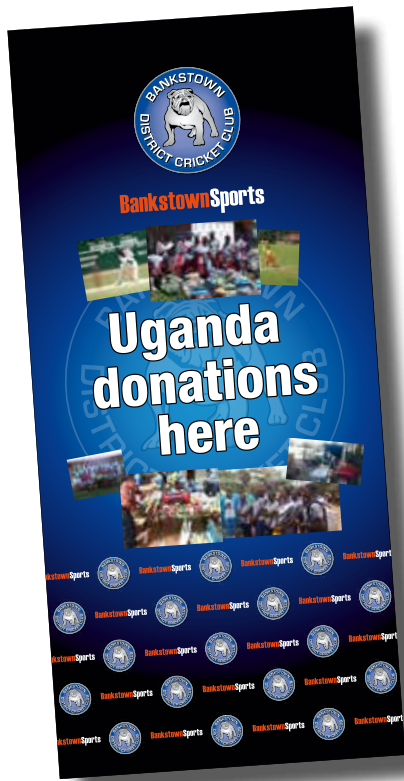
St. Gregory's Collage at Campbelltown donated a variety of gear and clothing including 12 synthetic grass wicket mats which will be a great asset in Uganda.

What we send is used to support the total of the Uganda Cricket Association operations from introductory programs to clubs and representative teams. We are fortunate to have the UCA partnering us as they are meticulous with their inventory control ensuring every item is used wisely.

We were not immune from the freight cost explosion rising

from the pandemic with the recent container costing almost double that of the previous one to ship As they have done with every shipment the Bankstown Sports Club have again met this cost and we remain ever grateful to the Board and Management of the Sports Club for their amazing support.

We have been informed the current Uganda Cricket Association CEO Martin Ondeko is shortly leaving the Association. Martin, who was a member of the Ugandan team at the ICC U/19 Cricket World Cup in Bangladesh in 2004 where this scheme had its beginnings has played a major part in its success. We have enjoyed working with Martin and wish him well with his future endeavours.



"It's due to the amazing support from Bankstown Sports Club that gets donations by Cricket NSW and St Greg's Campbelltown to cricketers in Uganda"



ALL ABILITIES CRICKET PROGRAM

DAVID CLIFTON AND DARREN MCLEAN



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Providing sports & recreation opportunities for people with disabilities



RSAC players, coaches, guests and Primary Club representatives at the presentation of the sponsorship at Bankstown Oval, 19th June, 2022.



The new range of players' gear - thanks to The Primary Club.



Once again, COVID-19 cause suspension and delays for our All Abilities program for the RSAC. But, we got the program back on track early in 2022 and almost everyone returned, and we also gained a few new cricketers. .

Unfortunately we lost one of our guest coaches - local women's cricketer Angie Genford - who went on to represent NSW Metro and Hobart Hurricanes in WBBL07. We wish her every

success at the elite level. Angie was a wonderful role model to our young women athletes, as well as imparting her skills to all players.

But the biggest news this season was the securing of sponsorship by The Primary Club of Australia. The dialogue commenced between us and Rob Stevenson (of Primary Club) in 2019 just before COVID struck... so has taken until June 2022 to be realised. For our players, it was worth

the wait. The Primary Club generously provided \$13,000 which was used to buy bats, helmets, pads, gloves, balls, playing shirts and jackets for all our players. Coupled with the incredible support of Bankstown District Cricket Club and Bankstown Sports Club along with Canterbury Bankstown City Council, the program enjoys community backing to enable players with a disability to avail themselves of top quality gear, facilities and coaches.



In the relay race player warm-up, Keiron Langford takes on Amanda Sivier.



Coach Dureen McLean watches George Shaloub and Matt Beer's catching technique.



William Tran practises close-in throwing at targets.



Ricky Snape lines up a ball from Ed Smith.



Simon Byers sends one down, watched by William Tran.



Tim Andrews faces the bowling of Mark Bekir.

Darren and I are genuinely grateful for the great coaching support we get from the parents and carers such as Ian Russell, Bruce Andrews and Michael Katzakis. Without you all, this program simply could not run.

Thank you so much for your continued involvement and dedication to the players' benefit.

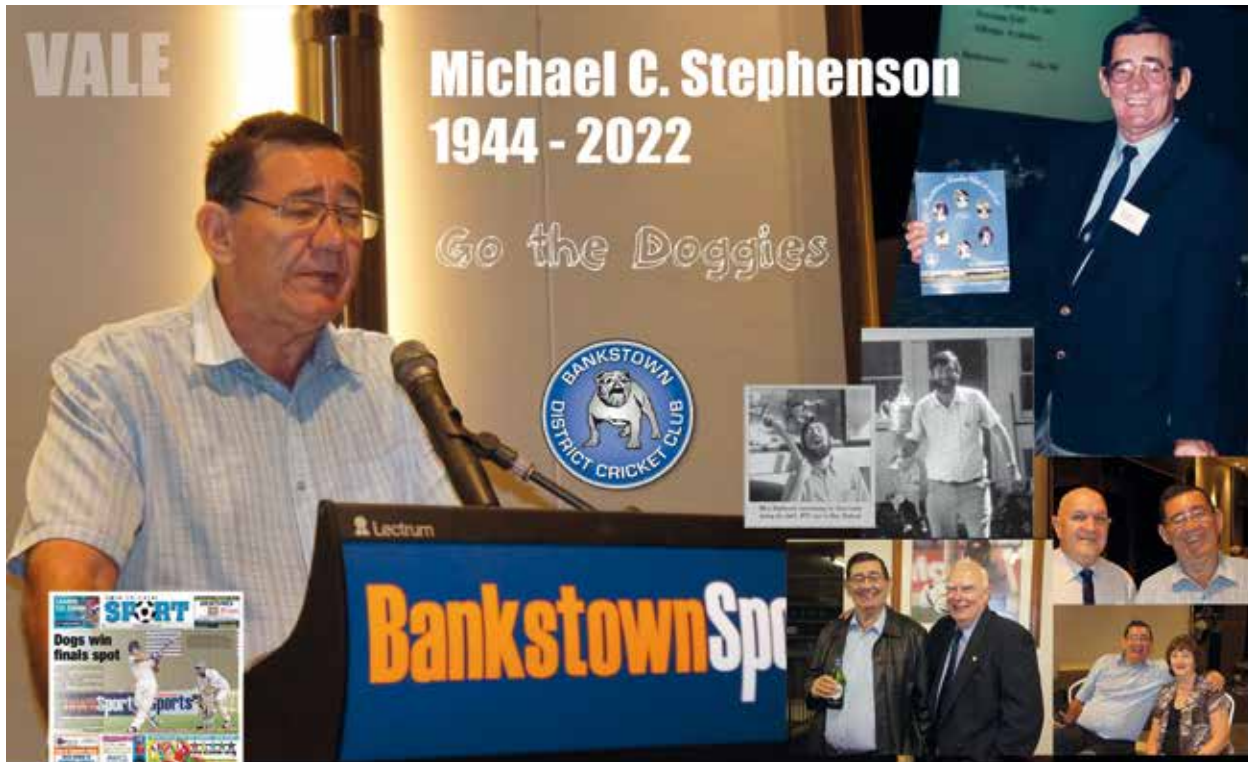
As was said at the Sponsorship launch by BDCC President Reza Bilimoria "cricket is a *game* - and it was clear how much the

players were enjoying playing." Thanks to our wonderful new sponsorship from The Primary Club, our players are ready to take their own playing as far as they want.

OBITUARIES

WE OFFER OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES IN THE PAST YEAR

Michael Charles Stephenson (1944 – 2022)



It is with deep sadness we advise the passing of BDCC Life Member, Player, Club Historian and Publicity Officer Michael Charles (Mick) Stephenson on 24th March 2022 aged 77.

Mick Stephenson was an iconic figure of the Bankstown District Cricket Club (BDCC). Like many others he started his involvement as a young kid operating the Bankstown Memorial Oval scoreboard. That scoreboard was later named after Mick's great mate Dion Bourne (Dec'd).

Mick played 23 seasons with the Bulldogs, scoring 6642 runs and taking 23 wickets, penning the Club's 50th Anniversary Book 'Blue Blood in Their Veins' and being recognised with Life Membership.

Mick holds 1st Grade Cap Number 81. He is by far BDCC's longest serving Publicity Officer, his 'superlatives' gracing the pages of the Canterbury-Bankstown TORCH newspaper for 35 years.

Mick always spoke with great pride that he saw every ball of Bankstown's six Belvidere Cup 1st Grade victories and that he's played grade cricket with each of Bankstown's six Test cricketers.

He is also well known for his stentorian voice that has echoed around Memorial Oval with his trademark chant "Go the Doggies" urging players to do their very best or lift flagging spirits.



Mick's memory will live through his writings and the club history video that provides a fascinating insight into growing up in Bankstown, the development of cricket as a sport as well as Bankstown Oval and also Mick's myriad jobs and grade cricket experiences. The video is available through the clubs' website www.bankstowncricket.com.

The Club records its deepest condolences to Michael's brother Haydn and Michael's long-time companion, best friend and country music dance partner Joy (Joyful) Van Dijk and their families.



Michael's funeral at Mary Mother of Mercy Chapel Rookwood Cemetery was attended by a who's who of the BDCC past and present players, family, friends, and Labor Party colleagues.

The wake in the Stephen and Mark Waugh Pavilion was a fitting tribute with a steady flow of amber fluid and lots of stories about a life well lived.

Vale Big Mick.

"Go the Doggies"

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CLUB GROUNDS AND FACILITIES



BDCC remains very grateful to CB City council for providing high quality facilities that are the envy of other NSW Premier Grade Clubs.

Nick Mamolis took over the reins for 2021-22 season at Memorial Oval from Warwick Starr who performed the role for 25 years. We're delighted to report we have developed a great working relationship with Nick. As Brian Freedman said at a recent function "Nick is a delight to work with; nothing is ever a problem, and we are very lucky to have him supporting us".

Nick and his team successfully hosted a Sheffield Shield match in March as well as the Belvidere Cup final from 1st – 3rd April. The positive feedback from match officials and players speaks volumes to the efforts of Nick and his team. The La Nina weather pattern over the east coast saw Nick and his crew running covers on and off seemingly every hour and it's fair to say they all slept very well after some big days doing everything possible to maximise playing time.

Nick also worked hard to improve the quality of the Grahame Thomas Oval practice wickets and his efforts were rewarded with teams having high quality training wickets whenever the weather was favourable.

Grahame Thomas Oval is very popular with local residents who love using the venue for recreation activities. Despite the high volumes of active and passive traffic, Nick and the team always ensure match wickets are of the highest order.

Former Memorial Oval apprentice Mitch Gardner transferred from Sefton Golf Course to take over the reins at Kelso Park North. The wicket square showed much better pace and carry following the repair work Nick Mamolis started during the 2020-21 season and there's every indication the square will produce top quality decks in coming seasons. Mitch is assisted at Kelso North by supervisor Ralph Robinson and we appreciate very much the support Ralph provides. There is no doubt the Kelso North outfield struggles in periods

of persistent wet weather. CB City Management is aware of this issue and is investigating solutions.

On a positive note, the off-field amenities at Kelso North are being fully upgraded; along with new dressing rooms we will also have access to a double story scorer's pavilion, an electronic scoreboard and new storage facilities.

The Club formally places on record its genuine thanks to Senior Curators Warwick Starr and Nick Mamolis, and team members Mitch Gardner, Darryl Thatcher, Neville Rae, Dragan Stricevic and Jim Koutsikos. We appreciate the efforts of this group very much and enjoy the friendly working relationship we've established over many years.

Special thanks also to senior managers Nathan Watson, Craig Beveridge and Brett Luth for their guidance and practical help, especially organising and providing support for the Sheffield Shield and the Belvidere Cup final.



BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB PLAYER OF THE YEAR

HONOUR ROLL

1982-83	I McRae	2002-03	P Moy P Maraziotis
1983-84	G Patterson P Kelly	2003-04	A Bird
1984-85	P Talbot	2004-05	C Richards M Beaven
1985-86	R Bilimoria	2005-06	D Freedman
1986-87	G Spotswood	2006-07	B Van Deinsen D Ettridge
1987-88	D Freedman	2007-08	A Bird
1988-89	P Talbot	2008-09	S Keen
1989-90	S Moss	2009-10	J Burke
1990-91	D Freedman	2010-11	E Leten
1991-92	S Thompson	2011-12	J Burke
1992-93	K Ferris	2012-13	P Wells
1993-94	K Roberts	2013-14	J Burke
1994-95	G Trevena	2014-15	P Wells
1995-96	DP Waugh	2015-16	M Kelly
1996-97	D Magee S Deitz	2016-17	M Kelly M Brown
1997-98	S Thompson	2017-18	A Kouventaris
1998-99	S Thompson	2018-19	D Solway
1999-00	G Spotswood M Betsey	2019-20	N Carruthers
2000-01	G Roden	2020-21	B Taylor N Wijewardene
2001-02	M Bright		

This year marked the 40th year of this great competition. The winner is decided by each of the five grades awarding 3, 2 and 1 point(s) to the best contributors in each grade where all grades play.

A batting bonus point can be earned for scoring 50 with a further point for every 25 thereafter. Bowlers and wicketkeepers earn a bonus point for taking three wickets or dismissals with an additional point awarded for each further wicket and each team decides a fielding point for each match. After 15 rounds the top five were...



BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB PLAYER OF THE YEAR 2021-22

Equal 5th place on 16 points

Bryan Handunetthi 16 points

Tyler Van Luin 16 points

Brendan Smith 16 points

Liam Marshall 16 points



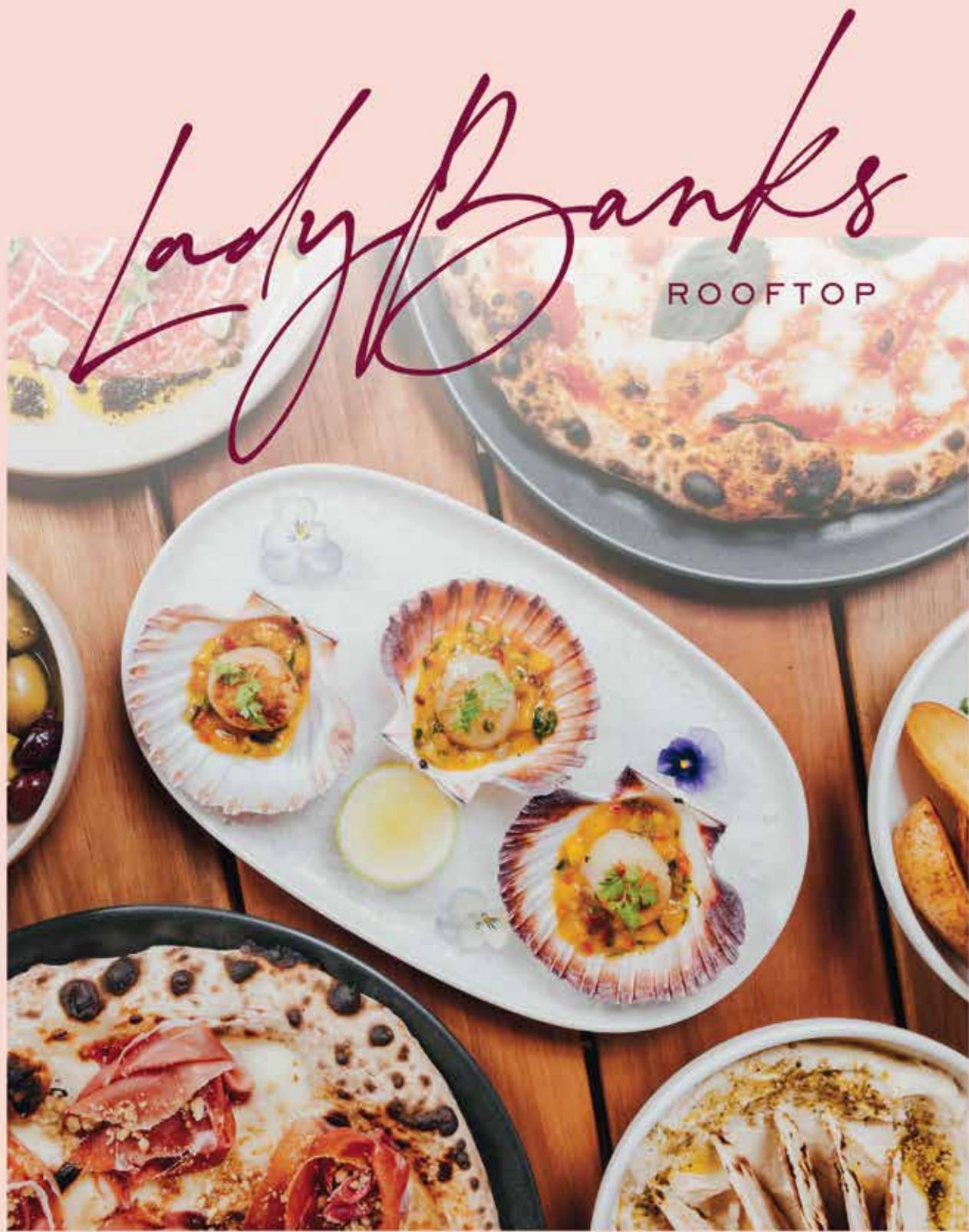
Equal 2nd place on 18 points

Rhys Ward 18 points

Matt Bursa 18 points

Zeeshan Ahmed 18 points





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BANKSTOWN SPORTS CLUB
WINNER ON 21 POINTS
PLAYER OF THE YEAR 2021/2022

Daniel Solway

In the most difficult of seasons it was our 1st grade captain who came through to win this prestigious award for the second time. Daniel's application to the task is a lesson for all our youngsters who aspire to play higher levels.

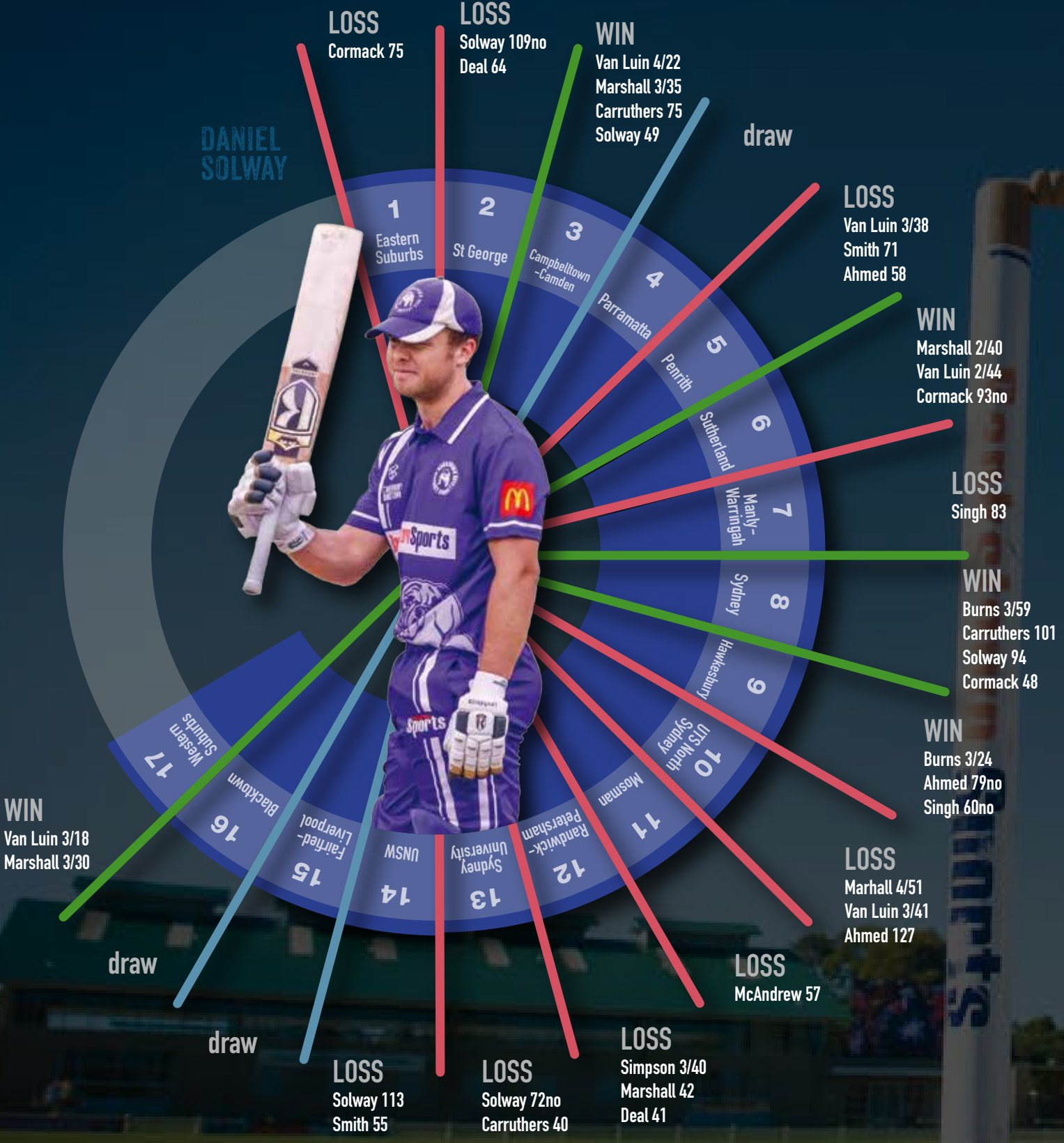
In playing all but two of the rounds in the limited over format his 564 runs at a great average of 56.40 puts into perspective the importance of the role he played in opening the batting for the team.

It would not be a surprise to see him elevated to the all time batting record holder in the not too distant future.

In congratulating the other place getters it is interesting to note that with one exception they are all from the young brigade which is very exciting for the club.



DANIEL SOLWAY



1ST GRADE

The 2021-2022 season again presented many challenges thanks to COVID lockdowns that had a huge impact on our off-season and pre-season preparations. On behalf of the first-grade group, we wanted to say a huge thankyou to the club, volunteers and coaches who made it possible to get so much cricket in. We truly do appreciate your efforts.

As we shift to our cricketing efforts, we had a mixed year which showed great promise but unfortunately ended on the wrong side of a few very close games.

The season saw a few new and familiar faces it was great to have Tyler Van Luin making the trip up from Canberra week in and week out and he took some really vital wickets for us throughout the year. The return of Brendan Smith from a few seasons up north and Ethan Deal taking the gloves meant we had a new look team for the 2021/22 season. With Nathan McAndrew moving on to some well-deserved higher honours interstate, it also provided a great opportunity for Brad Simpson and Liam Marshall to really lead our attack. A big challenge at such a young age/. They certainly embraced the opportunity and will continue to showcase their class and skill over the years to come.

There were many highlights to look back on, including Zeeshan Ahmed's breakthrough first grade hundred, which was truly fantastic to see! This innings was truly sublime with the maturity and tempo of the innings showing experience beyond his years. And who could forget Nick Carruthers's hundred off almost half as many balls! It was also great to see Mansukh Singh earn his spot in first grade through lots of consistent performances in lower grades. Singhy shows awesome potential for the future.



1ST GRADE BATTING 2021-22

player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg
Solway, Daniel	13	13	3	2	2	35	4	113	564	56.40
Ahmed, Zeeshaan	13	13	2	1	2	31	9	127	384	34.91
Carruthers, Nick	12	12	0	1	1	41	8	101	325	27.08
Cormack, Jake	9	7	1	0	2	23	6	93*	258	43.00
Smith, Brendan	12	12	2	0	2	28	2	71	257	25.70
Deal, Ethan	11	10	0	0	1	14	2	64	220	22.00
Singh, Mansukh	9	8	1	0	2	13	10	83	207	29.57
Van Luin, Tyler	14	11	3	0	0	5	2	21	117	14.63
Marshall, Liam	13	8	3	0	0	6	1	42	77	15.40
McAndrew, Nathan	1	1	0	0	1	8	0	57	57	57.00
Middleton, Cameron	3	1	0	0	0	3	1	33	33	33.00
Clark, Ryan	8	5	1	0	0	1	0	7*	21	5.25
Burns, Daniel	14	6	2	0	0	0	0	5*	16	4.00
Simpson, Bradley	14	7	2	0	0	0	0	9	14	2.80
Hinds, Mitchell	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	7	7	7.00
Le Bas, Ben	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2.00
Bursa, Matthew	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0*	0	-
Brockley, Joel	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00

1ST GRADE PARTNERSHIPS BY WICKET 2021-22

wkt	runs	players	round	opposition
1	142	Nick Carruthers - Daniel Solway	8	Sydney
2	54	Daniel Solway - Zeeshaan Ahmed	17	Western Suburbs
3	122	Zeeshaan Ahmed - Mansukh Singh	9	Hawkesbury
4	45	Brendan Smith - Brendan Smith	6	Sutherland
5	142	Daniel Solway - Ethan Deal	2	St George
6	42	Daniel Solway - Ethan Deal	2	St George
7	73	Zeeshaan Ahmed - Cameron Middleton	10	UTS North Sydney
8	31	Zeeshaan Ahmed - Ryan Clark	10	UTS North Sydney
9	27	Zeeshaan Ahmed - Bradley Simpson	10	UTS North Sydney
10		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		

1ST GRADE BOWLING 2021-22

player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Marshall, Liam	13	129	16	577	23	0	4/51	25.09	33.65	4.47
Van Luin, Tyler	14	114	4	542	20	0	4/22	27.10	34.20	4.75
Simpson, Bradley	14	136	10	643	16	0	3/40	40.19	51.00	4.73
Burns, Daniel	14	117.3	4	542	11	0	3/24	49.27	64.09	4.61
Clark, Ryan	8	73	2	308	4	0	2/32	77.00	109.50	4.22
Heward, Dayne	3	27	4	121	3	0	2/67	40.33	54.00	4.48
McAndrew, Nathan	1	8	0	40	2	0	2/40	20.00	24.00	5.00
Smith, Brendan	12	7.4	0	45	2	0	2/36	22.50	23.00	5.87
Bursa, Matthew	1	1.3	0	17	0	0	0/17	-	-	11.33
Le Bas, Ben	2	14.4	0	73	0	0	0/29	-	-	4.98



While we didn't have the success of the previous year, I have no doubt that we will be better for the run. With such a young group and everyone continuing to develop their game, we have all the platform to grow for an even better and bigger season next year! What a fantastic group that I feel very privileged to be a part of, and look forward to what lies ahead!

1ST GRADE TWENTY 20 BATTING 2021-22

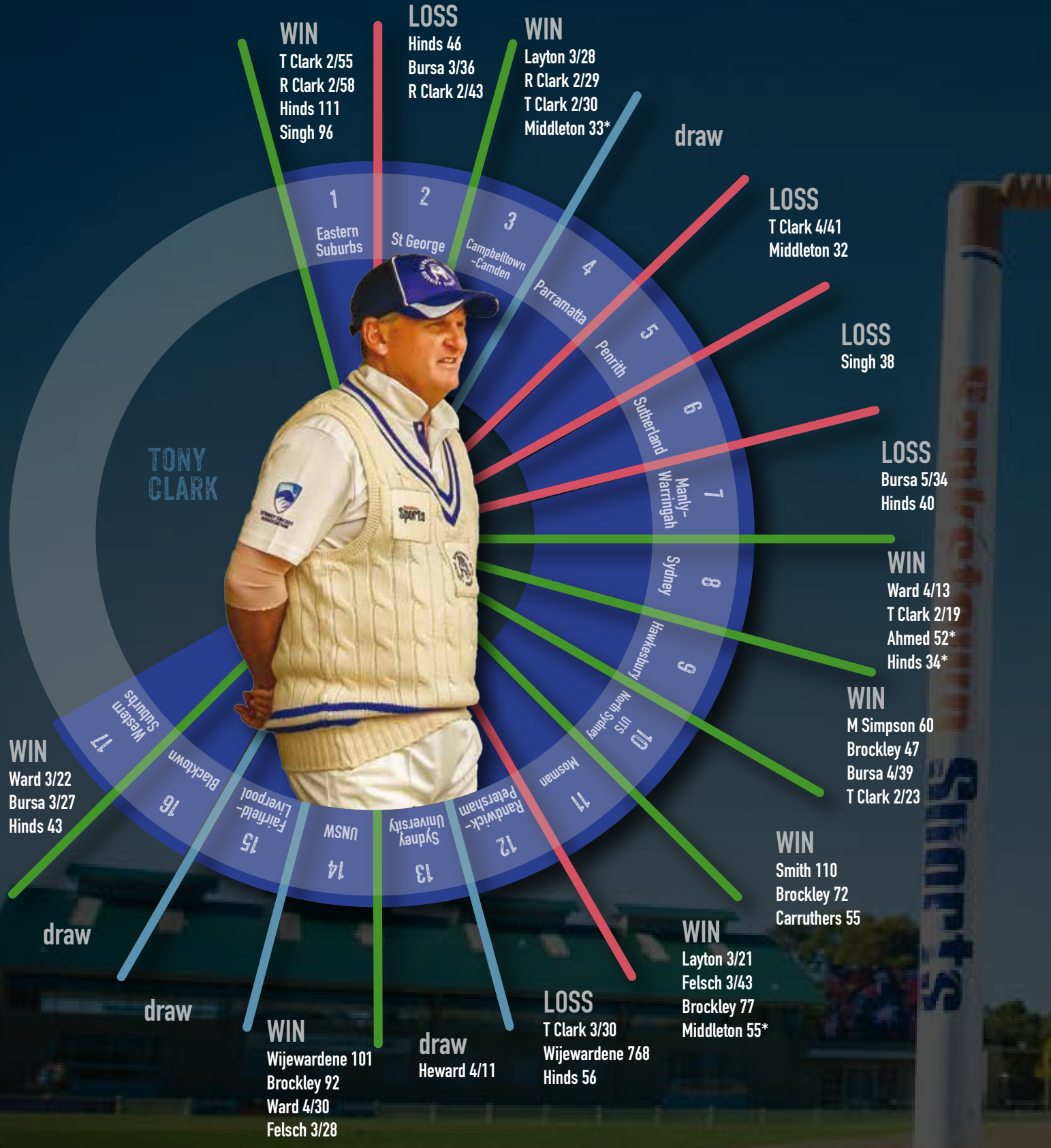
player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg	str
Solway, Daniel	4	4	1	0	2	6	3	72*	151	50.33	108.63
Ahmed, Zeeshaan	4	4	0	0	0	12	3	37	116	29.00	131.82
Singh, Mansukh	4	4	0	0	0	3	5	47	87	21.75	110.13
Carruthers, Nick	4	4	0	0	0	7	5	47	80	20.00	160.00
Bird, Aaron	4	4	4	0	0	3	0	19*	41	-	107.89
Smith, Brendan	4	4	0	0	0	3	0	23	38	9.50	108.57
Van Luin, Tyler	4	4	0	0	0	2	0	11	24	6.00	100.00
Deal, Ethan	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	14	14	7.00	93.33
Le Bas, Ben	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	8*	8	-	100.00
Marshall, Liam	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	3*	5	-	125.00

1ST GRADE TWENTY 20 BOWLING 2021-22

player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Bird, Aaron	4	11	0	90	4	0	2/22	22.50	16.50	8.18
Van Luin, Tyler	4	14	0	95	4	0	1/17	23.75	21.00	6.79
Simpson, Bradley	4	16	0	120	4	0	3/34	30.00	24.00	7.50
Burns, Daniel J	2	8	0	39	3	0	2/16	13.00	16.00	4.88
Marshall, Liam	4	14.2	0	107	3	0	1/14	35.67	28.67	7.47
Clark, Ryan	3	10	0	52	2	0	2/18	26.00	30.00	5.20
Le Bas, Ben	1	4	0	31	1	0	1/31	31.00	24.00	7.75

PLEASE NOTE: All T20 figures are also included in the main figures.

TONY CLARK



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2ND GRADE

First of all I'd like to congratulate the 3rd Grade side for reaching the Grand Final and coming so close to taking out the trophy this season. But most of all, I think everyone involved with the club should be proud of the way we conducted ourselves in such an unusual and disrupted season with every player competing week in week out with so many issues at all levels to overcome due to Covid-19 - it was an outstanding achievement just getting through each week. Everyone played their part again as best as they could from the Committee to the Coaches to the playing staff in achieving another successful Premier Cricket Season and again there is a lot to celebrate in one way or another.

Now about the 2nd Grade 2021/2022 season.

To all of the 19 guys that represented 2nd grade this season congratulations on another good year, we fought hard to play Finals Cricket again specialty after an indifferent start but a good win in round 9 against Hawksbury showed me we were heading in the right direction to finish well and make a run at the finals but history will show the worst rain seen in years hit Sydney over the last 6 weeks of the competition and affected us most of all being washed out in 4 games out of our 6 and after a slow start we just couldn't catch up the ground at the back end of the season to make the 6th. In my mind we had the finals teams covered and who knows what could have happened if we could have found 1 more win but it was not meant to be and after watching 3 games on phones on the last day at Bankstown nothing again fell our way and we were out of the finals but congratulations to the Minor Premiers Mosman who had an outstanding season finishing on 85 points won the Albert Cup in a well fought out final against Sutherland Cricket Club at Mosman Oval.

Within 4 seasons this group has gone from 15th 2018 to 4th 2019, Premiers in 2020 and 5th in 2021 and now 7th in 2021 which is a great achievement and something to all be proud of. Again we had the luxury of great experience within the group to choose from each week in Matt Bursa, Mitch Hinds, Joel Brockley, Mitch Curruthers before injury who was a welcome return to the club from Campbelltown DCC always leading from the front and combine that with the improving class of Mansuk, Justin, Cameron, Ryan, Dane, Wij and Matt that have been in the team for some time now we have a playing roster any club would kill for. The improvement of our younger group this season was exciting as they are the future of our club and I would like at this time to congratulate Dane, Mansuk, Ryan, Brocks, Matt B, Mitch and Cameron for all being part of the 1st Grade group which was well deserved. We also had Brendon and Zeeshaan make brief appearances and showed they were in the wrong grade with a brilliant hundred and a classy 50 respectively and Koby 14 wickets @ 18 and Reece 15 wickets @ 17 moving up and down from 3rd Grade showed they



2ND GRADE BATTING 2021-22

player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg
Brockley, Joel	13	13	1	0	3	51	7	92	415	34.58
Wijewardene, Niran	14	12	1	1	1	33	7	101	373	33.91
Hinds, Mitchell	13	12	1	1	1	32	6	111	355	32.27
Simpson, Matthew	14	11	1	0	1	21	1	60	218	21.80
Singh, Mansukh	5	5	0	0	1	27	2	96	196	39.20
Middleton, Cameron	11	8	2	0	1	22	1	55*	159	26.50
Smith, Brendan	1	1	0	1	0	10	3	110	110	110.00
Felsch, Justin	7	7	1	0	0	11	3	29	95	15.83
Carruthers, Mitchell	7	5	0	0	1	6	2	55	87	17.40
Clark, Tony	14	10	4	0	0	5	0	16	86	14.33
Clark, Ryan	5	5	2	0	0	2	0	26	58	19.33
Heward, Dayne	7	4	1	0	0	4	2	23	54	18.00
Ahmed, Zeeshaan	1	1	1	0	1	4	3	52*	52	-
Freeman, Ryan	5	3	1	0	0	2	0	25	32	16.00
Layton, Koby	8	6	2	0	0	1	0	10	29	7.25
Kouventaris, Alex	1	1	0	0	0	3	0	27	27	27.00
Salman, Muhammad	6	2	1	0	0	0	0	6	6	6.00
Bursa, Matthew	13	6	3	0	0	0	0	1*	2	0.67
Ward, Rhys	9	3	2	0	0	0	0	0*	0	0.00

2ND GRADE PARTNERSHIPS BY WICKET 2021-22

wkt	runs	players	round	opposition
1	88	Mansukh Singh - Joel Brockley	6	Sutherland
2	192	Mansukh Singh - Mitchell Hinds	1	Eastern Suburbs
3	126	Joel Brockley - Brendan Smith	10	UTS North Sydney
4	140	Joel Brockley - Niran Wijewardene	14	USW
5	49	Brendan Smith - Niran Wijewardene	10	UTS North Sydney
6	57	Cameron Middleton - Ryan Freeman	7	Manly-Warringah
7	61	Matthew Simpson - Tony Clark	9	Hawkesbury
8	26	Niran Wijewardene - Tony Clark	14	UNSW
9		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
10		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		

are ready for the step up next season whilst Alex and Ryan Freeman proved they can be a 2nd Grade cricketers and more in time, I'm sure they will be very important to this team moving forward in 2023.

Also a special mention has to go to Niran Wijewardene who with 373 runs @34 followed up from his brilliant season in 2021, Wij is a star in our team and gives everyone a sense of confidence when he is batting or in the field, he is a pleasure to have in the team, admired by all of his team mates and showed if you put the hard work in it does pay off in the end. Congratulations Niran on your performances in 2021/2022 and look forward to watching your progress in the coming season.

Some individual statistics to come out of this season that I thought were important to mention,

Our leading batsmen were Joel 415 runs H/S 92 @ 35 was in another class after Christmas, Mitch 355 @ 33

again had a solid season and we are always a better team when we have Mitch Hinds at No 3, mate another wonderful season together and thanks for all your support throughout a long year.

Our bowling was shared around nicely with everyone doing their job week in week out with Matt B 23 @ 19 the 3rd leading wicket taker in the competition, Justin back from injury 15 @ 18, Koby 14 @ 18, Reece most improved 15 @ 17 and myself chipping in with 20 wickets were our main bowling group but we had Ryan, Dane, Salman and Ryan F also contributing in important games.

Special mention to our keeper Middo who had a great season behind the stumps and was rewarded with a some 1st grade games which was thoroughly deserved through hard work all season.

To be successful is not all about the 11 players that take the field each week, it is a collective achievement from some fantastic people

and Bankstown DCC has plenty of them. To our Coach's Cory and Gary their staff Chris, Aaron, Alan, Mick Poulson and all the helpers at training including Geoff, Eris and Cash, it was a long and at times tough season for you all to navigate through so thankyou for your dedication to the cause as there is always a quality session for the players week in week out to help them improve.

Special mention to Gary and Smithy for being our support staff each week on game day, we could not have been as successful as we have been without you all being involved. To Jenny our wonderful scorer the whole team thanks you for all you have done for us this season as I say every week you are the first picked and hope to see you next season.

I would like to congratulate Dean for his contribution over his time at the club in all departments that he has been involved in, thankyou for your friendship over the past 4 years mate and

2ND GRADE BOWLING 2021-22

player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Bursa, Matthew	13	108	12	420	23	1	5/34	18.26	28.17	3.89
Clark, Tony	14	96	13	369	20	0	4/41	18.45	28.80	3.84
Ward, Rhys	9	79.1	9	249	15	0	4/13	16.60	31.67	3.15
Felsch, Justin	7	62.4	4	258	15	0	3/28	17.20	25.07	4.12
Layton, Koby	8	72	2	256	14	0	3/21	18.29	30.86	3.56
Clark, Ryan	5	47	4	183	9	0	2/20	20.33	31.33	3.89
Heward, Dayne	7	54.1	7	258	8	0	4/11	32.25	40.63	4.76
Salman, Muhammad	6	49	7	205	4	0	1/26	51.25	73.50	4.18
Wijewardene, Niran	14	14	1	72	2	0	1/16	36.00	42.00	5.14
Simpson, Matthew	14	2	0	17	1	0	1/17	17.00	12.00	8.50
Carruthers, Mitchell	7	6	0	36	1	0	1/36	36.00	36.00	6.00
Freeman, Ryan	5	7	0	50	1	0	1/34	50.00	42.00	7.14
Ahmed, Zeeshaan	1	2	0	9	0	0	0/9	-	-	4.50
Smith, Brendan	1	3	0	15	0	0	0/15	-	-	5.00
Singh, Mansukh	5	6.4	0	51	0	0	0/16	-	-	7.65



to my fellow Captains, congratulations for a job well done and I thank them once again for their friendship and support in 2021/2022.

To all our sponsors thank you for all your ongoing support, without it we do not get to do what we all love doing so much.

To Reza, Brian, Marty and all the committee plus Nick and the ground staff at both Bankstown Oval and also the wonderful canteen ladies with the best lunches in Sydney Grade Cricket - thank you so much on behalf of the 2nd Grade team for all your efforts and

support over 2021/2022 season and congratulations to you all for an outstanding year culminating in another successful season in such tough times.

In closing: Most players over the last 4 seasons have bought into the culture I have tried to bring to this team, it may not have suited everyone and for that I'm truly sorry especially for those where it has affected their love for the game. But ultimately it is your own results on the field that you will be judged on. It has been a pleasure to be your Captain over that time as you

are all such a mature and talented group of young men and hope we can do it again next season and play finals cricket once again.

Again I would like to thank my wife Jodie and all my family for their support as you have all been a part of another wonderful season.

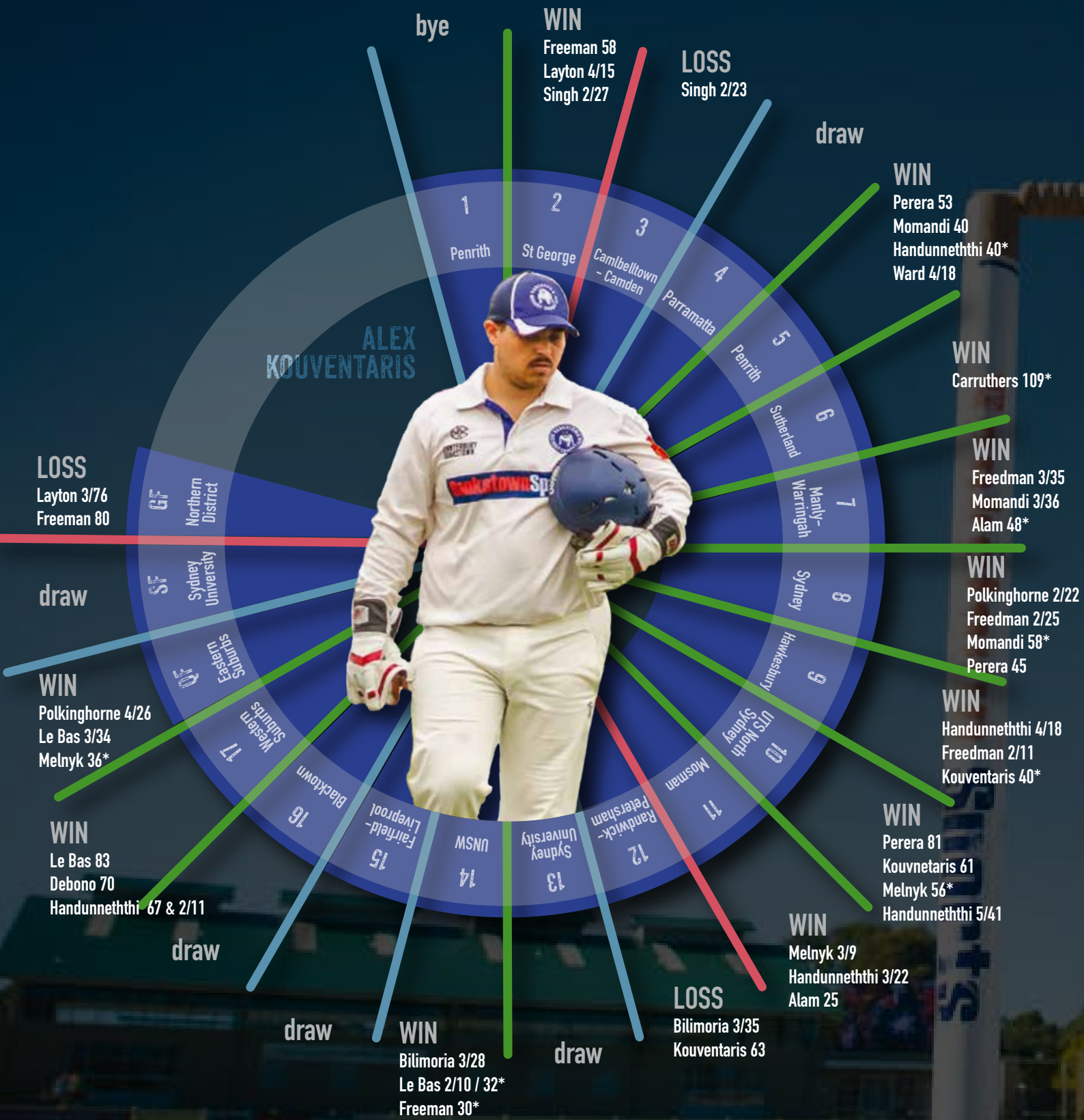
Last but not least I want to wish all involved at Bankstown DCC a safe off season and look forward to whatever lies ahead for us all.

Regards
Tony Clark



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3RD GRADE

The 2021/2022 3rd grade season was challenging but extremely successful. With the competition being impacted heavily by covid, everyone turned up each week to continue the success from previous years. After a great season last year making the semi finals, the boys were determined to do one better which was evident by the success shown this year in being able to play in a the grand final. I would like to make special mentions to the coaching staff, committee, parents, volunteers and to all the players. Everyone's efforts through these challenging times played a massive role in the success Bankstown had this season.

With a strong 2020/2021 season behind us, it was evident that everyone had a positive attitude to the upcoming season. 3rd grade were able to continue to build the unique bond shown in previous seasons, which allowed players to grow in confidence which was evident on the park.

I would like to give a special mention to Dean Magee. The countless hours and effort put in to this role can sometimes be taken for granted, but I would like to personally thank Dean for his effort and commitment over the years, but also for the support and trust he has shown in me.

I would like to extend special mentions to Corey Richards, Gary Crowfoot, Brian Freedman and Martin Klumpp for their tireless efforts week in and week out. I would also like to thank the management committee for all your hard work behind the scenes. To Geoff Price and Eris Dignam, the effort and commitment you two provide each week is nothing short of amazing and for that, not only myself, but the whole club thanks you both.

The 2021/2022 season for 3rd grade showed a bunch of young men who were hungry to do better than the previous season. The group had one goal and that was to win a grand final. Facing a difficult season ahead not knowing exactly what was happening, the boys continued to show up to preseason, ensuring they were prepared for the upcoming challenges. Very quickly, we had to adapt to one day cricket. Along the way mistakes were made but the team were able to come together to overcome these challenges. As a result of a determined group of young men with a clear goal, we were able to make a grand final. Unfortunately we didn't achieve the result we were after, but nonetheless I couldn't be prouder of the effort and commitment shown by the whole squad throughout the course of a very challenging but rewarding season.

All 26 players who played a game in 3rd grade this season should be proud of what they achieved and everyone played a massive role in the success that 3rd grade had this season. The most pleasing thing was seeing everyone achieve milestones throughout the season, whether it was with ball, ball or in the field.

Even after a tough loss in the grand final, each player was able to walk away from that game with their heads held high knowing that each and everyone on of us gave it a red-hot crack this season. The most rewarding part about this season was that we built such a tight and unique bond that allowed us to play the brand of cricket that we wanted. Each and every player was able to go out and play with freedom and confidence because they knew they had the full support of their team mates. That's what made this team so special and successful.



I honestly believed that last season was the most challenging but I can safely say this one takes the cake, but in saying that, this season has by far been the most rewarding. Even though it wasn't exactly the result we were after, we achieved great things on the park and I am confident we will be able to continue to grow and learn from previous experiences allowing us to continue to be successful. It has been an absolute pleasure to be able to captain 3rd grade this season, and an even bigger pleasure to be able to play alongside all of you. Many great memories were made on and off the field and I can't wait to be able to do it all again.

3RD GRADE BATTING 2021-22

player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg
Perera, Johann	12	11	1	0	2	32	4	81	297	29.70
Kouventaris, Alex	15	11	3	0	2	20	1	63	251	31.38
Momandi, Modacer	16	15	1	0	1	21	0	58*	248	17.71
Freeman, Ryan	11	10	1	0	2	25	3	80	241	26.78
Melnyk, Anthony	14	10	6	0	1	11	2	56*	180	45.00
Handunneththi, Bryan	14	8	2	0	1	11	0	67	175	29.17
Le Bas, Ben	6	5	2	0	1	11	3	83	154	51.33
Alam, Rahid	11	7	1	0	0	16	0	48*	138	23.00
Carruthers, Mitchell	3	3	1	1	0	15	4	109*	124	62.00
Debono, Ethan	2	2	0	0	1	5	7	70	71	35.50
Ramage, Thomas	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	37*	37	-
Kelly, Mathew	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	36	36	36.00
Polkinghorne, Brady	13	4	2	0	0	0	0	14	27	13.50
Felsch, Justin	3	2	1	0	0	2	1	16*	25	25.00
Malcolm, Jacob	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	11	20	10.00
Bilimoria, Jehan	14	3	0	0	0	1	0	15	20	6.67
Layton, Koby	7	2	1	0	0	0	0	17*	17	17.00
O'Sullivan, David	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	13	13	13.00
Malcolm, Ryan	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	7*	7	-
Singh, Harjapan	5	2	2	0	0	0	0	4*	4	-
Ward, Rhys	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	1.50
Ali, Zain	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2.00
Salman, Muhammad	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	2.00
Freedman, Nicholas	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Gotsis, Andrew	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Sivapragasam, Prashanthan	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0*	0	-



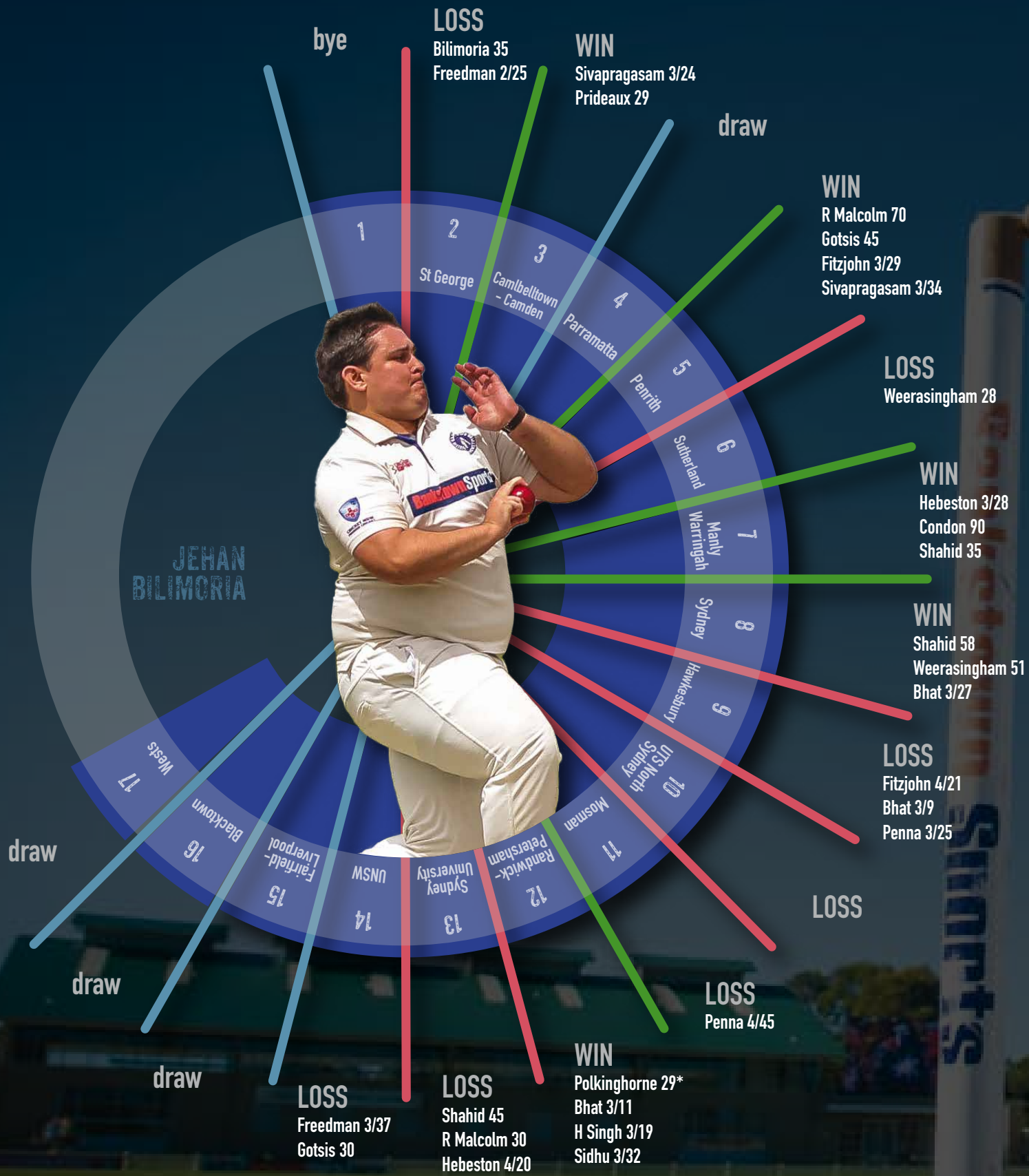
3RD GRADE PARTNERSHIPS BY WICKET 2021-22

wkt	runs	players	round	opposition
1	96	Johann Perera - Modacer Momandi	5	Penrith
2	92	Bryan Handunneththi - Ethan Debono	17	Western Suburbs
3	129	Bryan Handunneththi - Ben Le Bas	17	Western Suburbs
4	27	Ben Le Bas - Thomas Ramage	17	Western Suburbs
5	55	Bryan Handunneththi - Anthony Melnyk	5	Penrith
6	44	Anthony Melnyk - Rahid Alam	QF	Eastern Suburbs
7	38	Anthony Melnyk - Bryan Handunneththi	QF	Eastern Suburbs
8	60	Rahid Alam - Brady Polkinghorne	7	Manly Warringah
9	No partnerships of 25 runs or greater			
10	No partnerships of 25 runs or greater			

3RD GRADE BOWLING 2021-22

player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Handunneththi, Bryan	14	110.4	14	354	22	1	5/41	16.09	30.18	3.20
Polkinghorne, Brady	13	96	13	328	14	0	4/26	23.43	41.14	3.42
Freedman, Nicholas	8	48.3	6	156	12	0	3/35	13.00	24.25	3.22
Layton, Koby	7	47	8	165	12	0	4/15	13.75	23.50	3.51
Billimoria, Jehan	14	97	12	305	12	0	3/28	25.42	48.50	3.14
Le Bas, Ben	6	42.1	7	145	10	0	3/34	14.50	25.30	3.44
Singh, Harjapan	5	29	1	125	6	0	2/23	20.83	29.00	4.31
Momandi, Modacer	16	30.3	0	128	6	0	3/36	21.33	30.50	4.20
Ward, Rhys	4	25.4	6	60	4	0	4/18	15.00	38.50	2.34
Melnyk, Anthony	14	7.2	3	9	3	0	3/9	3.00	14.67	1.23
Salman, Muhammad	3	20	5	83	3	0	2/51	27.67	40.00	4.15
Kelly, Mathew	2	9.2	1	23	2	0	2/10	11.50	28.00	2.46
Sivapragasam, Prashanthan	2	16	2	49	2	0	2/12	24.50	48.00	3.06
Hebeston, Nathan	4	21	5	61	2	0	1/10	30.50	63.00	2.90
Felsch, Justin	3	6	1	20	1	0	1/20	20.00	36.00	3.33
Freeman, Ryan	11	10.2	0	65	1	0	1/45	65.00	62.00	6.29
Debono, Ethan	2	1.5	0	5	0	0	0/5	-	-	2.73
O'Sullivan, David	1	3	0	15	0	0	0/15	-	-	5.00
Malcolm, Jacob	2	7	2	26	0	0	0/26	-	-	3.71

**JEHAN
BILIMORIA**



STURMETS

4TH GRADE

Season 2021/22 presented another challenge for the club to adapt to, Covid, a short preseason and what felt like endless rain in the back half of the year combined with 4 different captains in only 13 games made this year a very unique season.

Congratulations has to go to Andrew Rochford and his Manly side for winning the premiership, a great achievement after coming 5th on the ladder and beating some strong sides.

One win in the last 9 rounds of the season capped off a disappointing season, where often our bowling was strong but our batting let us down, struggling to score over 150 most weeks makes it difficult.

Big positives were the emergence of our bowling attack, with young pace bowlers Roshan Bhat, Charlie Fitzjohn & Bailey Penna leading the way with consistent results throughout the year, with Roshan topping the wicket charts for us with 17 wickets in only 11 games. The young bowlers were supported by seasoned campaigners Prash Sivapragasam & Nathan Hebeston who spent plenty of time in 3rd grade contributing to their grand final run.

Another great sign was the emergence of a trio of young leg spin bowlers, with Harjapan Singh, Reagan Sidhu & Nicholas Freedman all contributing with some great legspin bowling when selected. I have no doubt that all 3 will be playing higher grades in years to come and if it wasn't for some disappointing catching, all 3 would have had double figure wicket tally's this year.

With the bat, it was a disappointing season, with only Subtain Shahid scoring over 200 runs, but even he would have been frustrated with only scoring 150 for the year. Max Condon & Ryan Malcolm also put some good performances with the bat, with Max showing class and maturity in his first 4th grade game to put together a match winning 90 against eventual premiers Manly who had a very experienced bowling attack, Max was able to hold the innings together and guide us to a chase of 232, hopefully he is available for a few more games next year!

A big thank you must go to Prash, Ryan and Travis Low who all captained the side during the year, often at short notice. All 3 lead with great confidence and have shown that the club has some great senior players in the lower grades. I'd also like to thank Kash Patel who scored the majority of our games and made sure that Kelso was always opened, and new balls were available despite the rotating carousel of captains.

Lastly, I'd like to thank Dean Magee for his commitment over the past 5 years as chairman of selectors, I don't think anyone has had to deal with as many phone calls or emails as Dean has over the past 24 months of pure chaos due to Covid and rain impacted games. His passion and commitment have ensured that the club always had 55 players each weekend and his advice will be missed next season!

I'd also like to thank Nick and Mitch who did an amazing job in ensuring Kelso and our other grounds were always covered early in the week giving us the best chance to get on week in and week out. I look forward to seeing as many possible back at the club next year and pushing for another successful Bulldogs season.



4TH GRADE PARTNERSHIPS BY WICKET 2021-22

wkt	runs	players	round	opposition
1	47	Johann Perera - Ethan Prideaux	3	Campbelltown-Camden
2	103	Manoj Weerasingham - Subtain Shahid	8	Sydney
3	83	Maximilian Condon - Andrew Gotsis	7	Manly-Warringah
4	46	Andrew Gotsis - Zain Ali	14	UNSW
5	43	Manoj Weerasingham - Ryan Malcolm	6	Sutherland
6		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
7		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
8		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
9	28	Nathan Hebeston - Prashanthan Sivapragasam	2	St George
10		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		

4TH GRADE BOWLING 2021-22

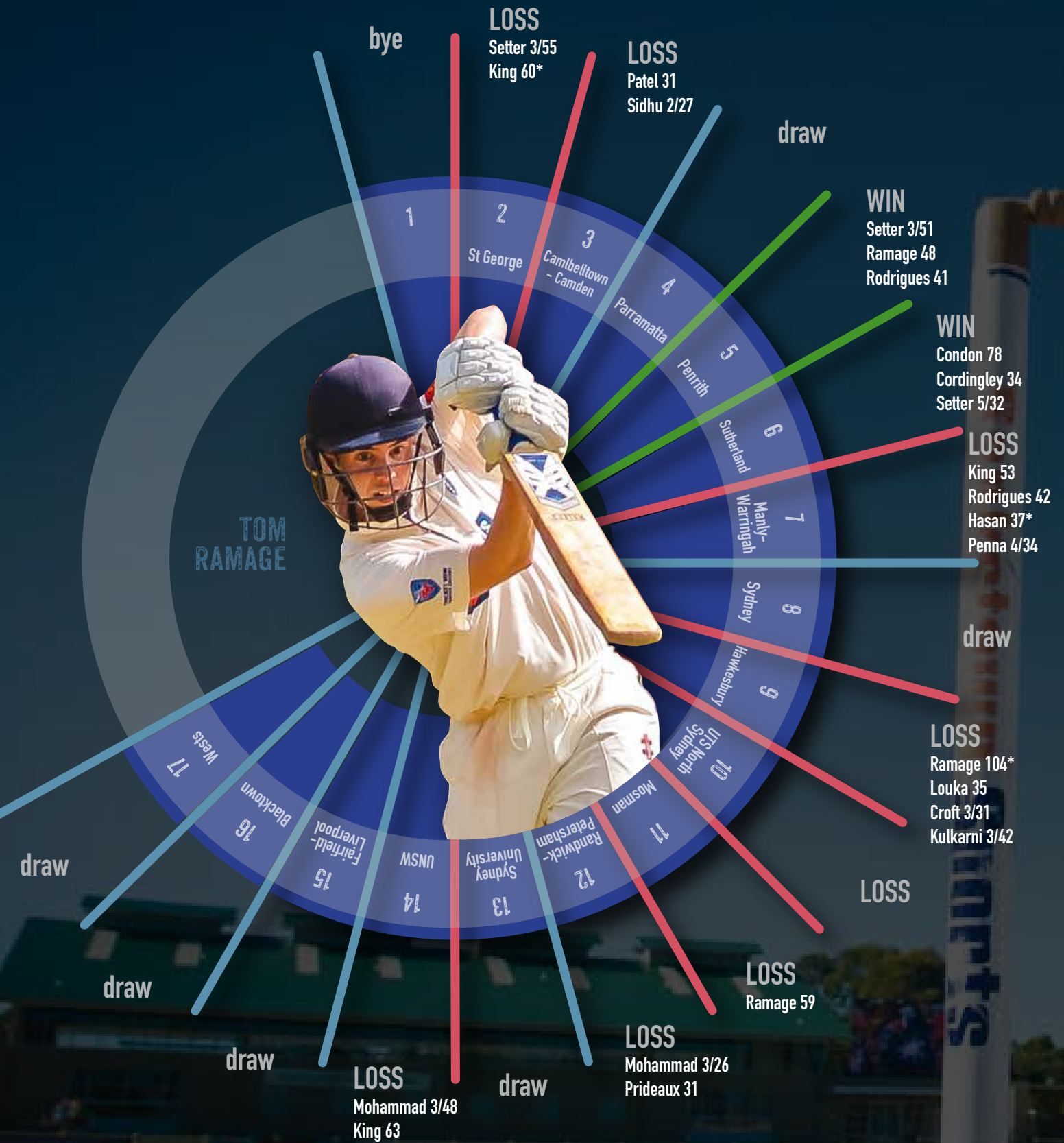
player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Bhat, Roshan	11	68.2	11	251	17	0	3/9	14.76	24.12	3.67
Fitzjohn, Charlie	10	70.4	7	285	15	0	4/21	19.00	28.27	4.03
Penna, Bailey	8	45	0	183	9	0	4/45	20.33	30.00	4.07
Hebeston, Nathan	7	52	7	183	8	0	4/20	22.88	39.00	3.52
Sivapragasam, Prashanthan	7	46	7	175	7	0	3/24	25.00	39.43	3.80
Freedman, Nicholas	7	47	7	189	7	0	3/37	27.00	40.29	4.02
Sidhu, Reagan	6	43	3	174	6	0	3/32	29.00	43.00	4.05
Singh, Harjapan	6	33	3	117	4	0	3/19	29.25	49.50	3.55
Handunneththi, Bryan	1	6.1	1	8	2	0	2/8	4.00	18.50	1.30
Prideaux, Ethan	8	12	0	41	2	0	2/22	20.50	36.00	3.42
Stefanish, Chris	1	1	0	4	1	0	1/4	4.00	6.00	4.00
Polkinghorne, Brady	2	3	0	15	1	0	1/15	15.00	18.00	5.00
Weerasingham, Manoj	9	6	1	25	1	0	1/25	25.00	36.00	4.17
King, Jordan	4	2.1	0	13	0	0	0/13	-	-	6.00
Billimoria, Jehan	1	6	0	20	0	0	0/20	-	-	3.33
Ali, Zain	5	11	0	39	0	0	0/18	-	-	3.55



4TH GRADE BATTING 2021-22

player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg
Shahid, Subtain	13	13	1	0	1	14	0	58	235	19.58
Condon, Maximilian	5	5	0	0	1	14	0	90	157	31.40
Malcolm, Ryan	6	6	0	0	1	18	0	70	156	26.00
Weerasingham, Manoj	9	9	1	0	1	6	0	51	140	17.50
Gotsis, Andrew	7	7	0	0	0	4	0	45	131	18.71
Patel, Rohin	10	10	2	0	0	4	0	19	98	12.25
Prideaux, Ethan C	8	8	0	0	0	5	0	29	77	9.63
Ali, Zain	5	4	0	0	0	9	0	21	64	16.00
Perera, Johann	3	3	0	0	0	8	0	25	60	20.00
Penna, Bailey	8	8	0	0	0	4	0	14	52	6.50
Bhat, Roshan	11	10	2	0	0	4	0	15	42	5.25
Polkinghorne, Brady	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	29*	36	36.00
Bilimoria, Jehan	1	1	0	0	0	5	0	35	35	35.00
Singh, Harjapan	6	5	2	0	0	1	0	10	33	11.00
King, Jordan	4	4	1	0	0	1	0	14*	28	9.33
Hasan, Shanaq	2	2	0	0	0	1	0	23	24	12.00
Hebeston, Nathan	7	6	1	0	0	1	0	14	22	4.40
Freedman, Nicholas	7	5	3	0	0	1	0	11*	22	11.00
Alam, Rahid	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	21	21	21.00
Sivapragasam, Prashanthan	7	3	1	0	0	2	0	17*	17	8.50
Handunneththi, Bryan	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	13.00
Sidhu, Reagan	6	4	3	0	0	0	0	7*	12	12.00
Fitzjohn, Charlie	10	6	1	0	0	0	0	10	11	2.20
Dreyer, Dane	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	9.00
Stefanish, Chris A	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4.00
Low, Travis M	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4.00

**TOM
RAMAGE**



5TH GRADE

It was my absolute pleasure to yet again to captain the 5th grade side for the 2021/22 season. With a seemingly ever-present pandemic delivering difficulties to our season, the club's efforts to make sure our preparations and matches went as smoothly as possible, yet again proving, this is the best club to be a part of in Sydney cricket.

5th Grade is often an ever-changing side at the best of times, never mind players pulling out due to illness and isolation. We struggled to create any momentum throughout the season, with performing players being instantly called up to higher grades. Two wins did not reflect the ability and efforts of the boys throughout the season. Due to cruel weather and unlucky scheduling, we were often playing against in form, final contending teams. Each and every game, we fought valiantly, taking games against vastly more experienced teams deep into the innings. Unfortunately, we struggled to take the next step towards finishing games off.

Like Head Coach Corey Richards remarked, the group of boys coming through the grades are a great group, the efforts at training and game day make for an enjoyable experience for myself. But more importantly, they will be an asset for the club in years to come. The manner in which the 27 players we had, conducted themselves throughout the season is a credit to themselves and will take them far into the future of the sport. A particular moment which stood out, was when a large contingent of the 5th grade and train-on squad got to a Saturday morning training session, late in the season when our game was rained off. The intensity and focus during the session made it one of the most enjoyable I had ever had.

I want to firstly thank every parent who helped the side throughout the season. From scoring, to helping with covers and sightscreens, to following up with admin. I really appreciate every bit of help, it makes my life infinitesimally better, and allows me to enjoy the game.

A huge thank you must go to Dean Magee. The miracle of getting 55 players on the park every week is hugely understated. Over the past 4 seasons, he has been exceptional at keeping the pressures of selection off me and giving sound advice for on and off field matters. I hope he enjoys the break away from the stress of Friday night and Saturday morning phone calls.

Thank you to our coaches, Corey Richards and Gary Crowfoot, worked exceptionally with both myself and my players. The long hours and incredible planning, especially with restrictions, was outstanding, and I think you would be hard pressed to find another club with such dedicated coaches. I just want to say thank you to Crowy, who has been my coach at Bankstown throughout my time at the club. His commitment to the club and improving every player is unrivalled. Without him, I would not have been able to get as much out of my game as I have.

Thank you to Eris Dignam and Geoff Price for their commitments at training and home games to make our preparations for games as effortless as possible. Also thank you to Marty Klumpp, Brian Freedman and the Committee for all their help throughout the season, and throughout the last 2 seasons for me. The work put into running the club often goes underappreciated but without them, the club wouldn't run and be in such a great position for the future.

Thank you to our groundsman Nick and his staff of groundsmen. In a particularly tough year with regards to the weather, we played many more games than other teams in the area, and that's a credit to the ground staff. GT continues to be the best ground in 5th grade, and it's been a delight playing home games there for many years.

I hope the players realise what an opportunity it is to be involved with Bankstown. In the words of our club president, Reza, at the start of the season, you won't find anything like it at any other club. It has been an amazing ride and have loved every moment playing and captaining Bankstown over the past 7 seasons.



5TH GRADE PARTNERSHIPS BY WICKET 2021-22

wkt	runs	players	round	opposition
1	119	Maximilian Condon - Tomas Cordingley	6	Sutherland
2	62	Tomas Cordingley - Aryan Rodrigues	5	Penrith
3	52	Aryan Rodrigues - Thomas Ramage	7	Manly-Warringah
4	53	Aryan Rodrigues - Jordan King	7	Manly-Warringah
5	100	Thomas Ramage - Daniel Louka	9	Hawkesbury
6	58	Shanaq Hasan - Shanaq Hasan	3	Campbeltown-Camden
7	29	Farhann Mohammad - Ronit Kulkarni	10	UTS North Sydney
8	No partnerships of 25 runs or greater			
9	51	Jordan King - Charlie Fitzjohn	14	UNSW
10	No partnerships of 25 runs or greater			

5TH GRADE BATTING 2021-22

player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg
Ramage, Thomas	11	10	1	1	1	37	0	104*	312	34.67
King, Jordan	7	6	1	0	3	17	0	63	206	41.20
Penna, Bailey	5	4	1	0	1	13	0	68*	122	40.67
Hasan, Shanaq	9	8	2	0	0	6	0	37*	120	20.00
Rodrigues, Aryan	5	5	0	0	0	14	0	42	108	21.60
Cordingley, Tomas	10	9	0	0	0	6	0	34	97	10.78
Condon, Maximilian	2	2	0	0	1	11	0	78	79	39.50
Devoy Paino, Dylan	6	4	0	0	0	3	3	29	67	16.75
Louka, Daniel	4	4	0	0	0	4	1	35	50	12.50
Mohammad, Farhann	8	6	0	0	0	1	0	24	49	8.17
Prideaux, Ethan	3	2	0	0	0	3	0	31	31	15.50
Patel, Rohin	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	31	31	31.00
Kulkarni, Ronit	6	6	3	0	0	1	0	11*	30	10.00
Gotsis, Andrew	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	20	26	13.00
Adhikari, Utsab	6	6	0	0	0	2	0	9	25	4.17
Baba, Saarang	7	3	2	0	0	0	0	14	25	25.00
Bhat, Roshan	1	1	0	0	0	2	1	24	24	24.00
Weerasingham, Manoj	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	23	23	23.00
Sidhu, Reagan	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	6	16	5.33
Fitzjohn, Charlie	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	13*	13	-
Setter, Nathan	5	4	1	0	0	1	0	6*	13	4.33
Christensen, Brad	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	13	13	13.00
Low, Travis	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	13	13	13.00
Stefanish, Chris	4	3	0	0	0	2	0	4	9	3.00
Collison, Riley	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	8	8	8.00
Croft, Luca	4	3	2	0	0	0	0	3*	5	5.00
Talha, Muhammad	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0.50

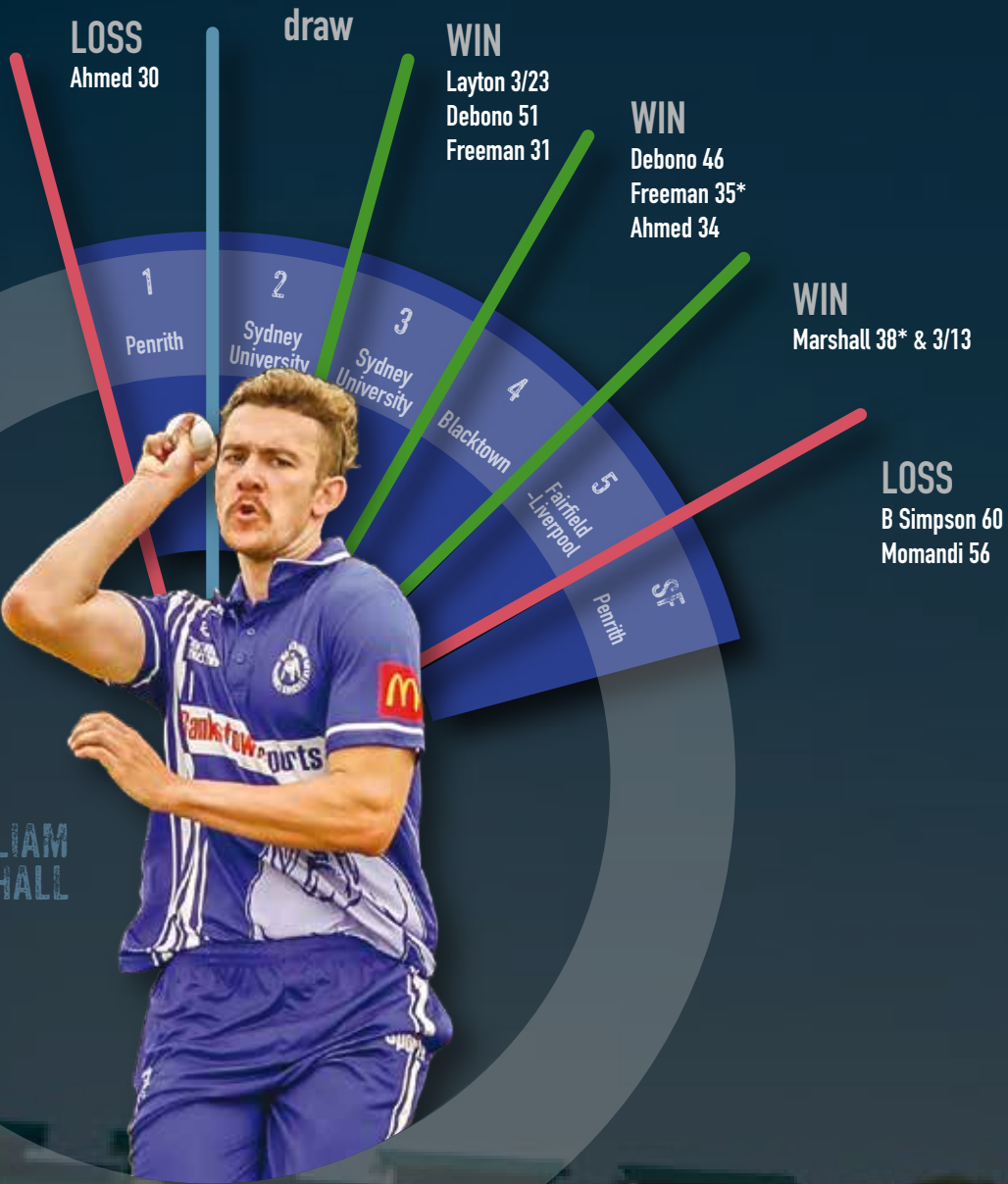


5TH GRADE BOWLING 2021-22

player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Setter, Nathan	5	47	3	285	12	1	5/32	23.75	23.50	6.06
Mohammad, Farhann	8	39.5	2	185	9	0	3/26	20.56	26.56	4.64
Kulkarni, Ronit	6	46	4	203	8	0	3/42	25.38	34.50	4.41
Baba, Saarang	7	62	7	260	6	0	2/46	43.33	62.00	4.19
Penna, Bailey	5	38.1	5	149	5	0	4/34	29.80	45.80	3.90
Sidhu, Reagan	6	48	4	164	5	0	2/27	32.80	57.60	3.42
Stefanish, Chris	4	24	6	71	4	0	2/41	17.75	36.00	2.96
Croft, Luca	4	24	0	119	4	0	3/31	29.75	36.00	4.96
Devoy Paino, Dylan	6	32.1	4	134	4	0	2/10	33.50	48.25	4.17
Fitzjohn, Charlie	2	11	2	77	2	0	1/20	38.50	33.00	7.00
Bhat, Roshan	1	7	5	6	1	0	1/6	6.00	42.00	0.86
Prideaux, Ethan	3	13	1	29	1	0	1/4	29.00	78.00	2.23
Ramage, Thomas	11	7.1	0	43	1	0	1/21	43.00	43.00	6.00
Cordingley, Tomas	10	21	3	72	1	0	1/32	72.00	126.00	3.43
Rodrigues, Aryan	5	16	0	79	1	0	1/33	79.00	96.00	4.94
Gotsis, Andrew	2	1	0	20	0	0	0/20	-	-	20.00
Weerasingham, Manoj	1	4	0	38	0	0	0/38	-	-	9.50



LIAM
MARSHALL



Bankstown
Simpson's

POIDEVIN-GRAY

Making the finals in four consecutive years is a terrific effort and the club should be excited that the talent and depth we currently have should progress into winning grade competitions in years to come with the likes of Ryan Freeman, Johann Perera and Rhys Ward who showed huge improvements to their overall skills this year.

The “Thunder” conference I believe is the strongest of the two and having all five matches as T20 formats meant sides had to be at their best to qualify for finals.

Starting our campaign with a close 8-run loss at home to Penrith and then travelling to Sydney Uni for a washout thanks to “La Nina” was foreign territory for us and we were staring down the barrel of missing the finals for the first time in a long while.

However, the group pulled through and it was led by Liam Marshall’s captaincy in our next match at home against Parramatta to restrict them to 117. Koby Layton was outstanding with 3/23 off 4 overs and he ended up our leading wicket taker with 8 wickets @ 17.63. Despite being 3/13 early, that didn’t stop Ethan Debono showing his class with a quickfire 51 – who was our leading run scorer with 159 runs @ 31.80 and a strike rate of 145.90 – along with a crafty 31 from Ryan Freeman got us a chance to win. But it was our second gamer Johann Perera batting at 6 who usually opens the batting in 3rd grade got 26 off 20 balls and hit a four on the second last ball of the game to get us our first win. He still reminds me of his innings!

Our last home game was against Blacktown. Defending a modest total of 147 with majority of the batters only getting starts and the Warriors’ openers went hard from the start and were 0/98 from 10 overs. This is where our senior leaders stood up, didn’t panic and steadied the ship to pull them back to only a run a ball leading into the last 2 overs. Liam’s wicket maiden in the 19th over gave us the box seat to defend 12 off the last over – in which Brad Simpson bowled us to victory.

A win against Fairfield Liverpool away would cement our finals spot. Winning the toss on a dicey wicket, batting first looked the only option for us to make sure we had the best of the conditions. Our top order struggled but again Liam’s leadership took over, 38no off 32 balls was the highest score of the match which gave us a competitive 137 to defend. Our bowlers gave nothing away and restricted the Lions to only 100 runs.

Thanks to COVID, both Liam and myself were isolating at home and had to watch our 50 over semi-final match on FrogBox against Penrith. Huge appreciation on such short notice to Crowie and Daniel Burns to run the side and Zeeshan Ahmed to captain the side. Batting first at Howell Oval is gold as very few teams ever win chasing there so when we lost the toss and Penrith decided to bat first we knew we had to be at our absolute best to minimise our run chase to somewhere near 200 runs, however Penrith made 5/249. In the run chase, losing wickets early made work hard for us to reach their total with us 6/91 off 23 overs. Then came a 110-run partnership between Brad Simpson and Modacer Momandi which gave us some hope from nowhere, to now only requiring 48 runs from the remaining 30 balls. Penrith opening bowlers came back on and cleaned up our last 4 wickets resulting us falling 28 runs short of their total.



Although we didn't get the result we were after, they conducted themselves on and off the field in a way that the club can be proud... "grit, passion, pride and determination".

Finally, I would like to thank the committee for everything they do behind the scenes and on game days. Geoff Price for scoring our matches before 1st grade. My assistant Crowie who I enjoy bumping ideas to and calming me down at times. Liam Marshall for steering the side for the past two seasons and to the guys who aren't able to play on due to age restrictions.

Nick Carruthers

POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD BOWLING 2021-22

player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Layton, Koby	5	25	0	141	8	0	3/23	17.63	18.75	5.64
Marshall, Liam	5	14	1	93	7	0	3/13	13.29	12.00	6.64
Simpson, Bradley	5	25	1	116	4	0	2/45	29.00	37.50	4.64
Momandi, Modacer	5	9	0	62	3	0	2/17	20.67	18.00	6.89
Freeman, Ryan	5	11	0	69	2	0	1/19	34.50	33.00	6.27
Polkinghorne, Brady	2	5	0	35	1	0	1/12	35.00	30.00	7.00
Handunneththi, Bryan	5	9	0	62	1	0	1/35	62.00	54.00	6.89
Felsch, Justin L	2	8	0	49	0	0	0/49	-	-	6.13
Ward, Rhys	5	24	1	117	0	0	0/17	-	-	4.88

POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD BATTING 2021-22

player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg
Debono, Ethan	5	5	0	0	1	12	5	51	159	31.80
Freeman, Ryan	5	5	1	0	0	5	3	35*	117	29.25
Momandi, Modacer	5	5	0	0	1	7	1	56	98	19.60
Ahmed, Zeeshaan	5	5	0	0	0	10	0	34	83	16.60
Simpson, Bradley	5	4	0	0	1	2	0	60	69	17.25
Marshall, Liam	5	4	2	0	0	2	3	38*	63	31.50
Perera, Johann	5	5	1	0	0	2	0	26*	38	9.50
Deal, Ethan	5	5	0	0	0	2	0	18	29	5.80
Felsch, Justin	2	1	0	0	0	3	0	27	27	27.00
Layton, Koby	5	4	2	0	0	1	0	12*	19	9.50
Handunneththi, Bryan	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	5	9	4.50
Ward, Rhys	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	1*	3	3.00
Polkinghorne, Brady	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1.00



POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD PARTNERSHIPS BY WICKET 2021-22

wkt	runs	players	round	opposition
1	34	Zeeshaan Ahmed - Ethan Deal	4	Blacktown
2	51	Zeeshaan Ahmed - Ethan Debono	4	Blacktown
3	26	Zeeshaan Ahmed - Modacer Momandi	1	Penrith
4	67	Ethan Debono - Ryan Freeman	3	Parramatta
5	29	Ryan Freeman - Johann Perera	3	Parramatta
6		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
7	108	Modacer Momandi - Bradley Simpson	SF	Penrith
8		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
9		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
10		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		

DANIEL
LOUKA



WIN

Smith 98*
Amadio 3/11
Croft 3/30

WIN

Condon 75
Smith 71 & 2/52
Jamil 2/29
Singh 2/30

LOSS

Singh 2/31
Smith 2/39 & 47
Louka 40

LOSS

WIN

Cordingley 50 & 4/25
Sidhu 2/22
Smith 2/29

LOSS

LOSS

Sidhu 2/33
Cordingley 53
Louka 37
Condon 34

1
Eastern
Suburbs

2
Randwick-
Petersham

3
Sydney

4
Mosman

5
Manly-
Warringah

6
Campbelltown
-Camden

7
Perth

Smith's

GREEN SHIELD

The AW Green Shield planning started in around mid-April with over 190 applicants for 15 playing positions. With help from a plethora of club members the trials ran smoothly and we were able to select the playing squad plus 4 development players. The squad of 19 completed the 10-week preseason which challenges the boys to grow and expand their knowledge on their own games, while focusing on the specific skills required to contribute to a successful AWG campaign.

While this campaign didn't go as hoped the results against Easts and Manly showed the depth of skill that we had in the squad this year. The fight shown in the final game against Penrith – which if successful would have meant a finals berth – gave the boys an understanding of what all the hard work in the preseason is all about, rallying together against a quality attack to get within arms reach was a brilliant effort. The look on the boys faces after the game said it all. After a closely fought campaign with some outstanding performances, the boys could each give themselves a pat on the back as they had left everything on the park.

I would like to thank Tony Louka for all your efforts this year, from organising the running of the game days to the extra things you organised for the boys and parents throughout the season. Very much appreciated by all and especially myself.

We had our 3 leggies at the top of the wicket-taking ladder with Reagan Sidhu the top with 8 @ 24.75, closely followed by Jake Smith with 7 @ 34.86, and Harjipan taking 6 @ 23. These three took on the responsibility of bowling through the middle overs, each sharing their roles and learning a lot along the way.

Jake Smith lead the charge with bat in hand, his patience and knowledge of his own game was beyond his years and this was shown with Jake scoring 268 @ 53.60 followed by Maximillian Condon scoring 178 @ 29.67 who had a breakout year with the bat at the top of the order, showing he has a big future at the club.

With the campaign ending early I was very proud to get the mail through that our Captain Daniel Louka and leading run scorer Jake Smith had made it through to the AWG Merit Side for the best performing players, with Daniel taking the most wicket keeping dismissals (17) in the 7 games and Jake securing the number 6 position with his run feast (268 @ 53.60). Both these boys lead from the front on and off the field – at some stages throughout the seven games there needed to be some words put to the playing squad and these two went about it the right way. It was great to see the players respond and the performances pick up towards the last few games.

Finally, I want to thank the Management Committee for the continued support for the last 4 years and for providing what is needed to get the boys on the park.

To the playing squad from this year's Green Shield team, I wish you all the best for the off-season and hope you all continue your Cricketing journey with the best club in Sydney.

Chris Ridley, Coach.



AW GREEN SHIELD PARTNERSHIPS BY WICKET 2021-22

wkt	runs	players	round	opposition
1	74	Maximilian Condon - Tomas Cordingley	7	Penrith
2	55	Tomas Cordingley - Daniel Louka	7	Penrith
3	123	Maximilian Condon - Jake Smith	2	Randwick-Petersham
4		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
5	77	Jake Smith - Jordan King	3	Sydney
6	32	Jake Smith - Aaran Sarna	1	Eastern Suburbs
7		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
8		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		
9	35	Dylan Devoy Paino - Luca Croft	5	Manly-Warringah
10		No partnerships of 25 runs or greater		





AW GREEN SHIELD BOWLING 2021-22

player	mat	overs	m	r	w	5wi	bbi	avg	str	ecn
Sidhu, Reagan	7	54.3	6	198	8	0	2/22	24.75	40.88	3.63
Smith, Jake	7	55	7	244	7	0	2/29	34.86	47.14	4.44
Singh, Harjapan	6	42	3	138	6	0	2/30	23.00	42.00	3.29
Amadio, Michael	6	43	5	161	6	0	3/11	26.83	43.00	3.74
Croft, Luca	7	31.4	1	141	5	0	3/30	28.20	38.00	4.45
Cordingley, Tomas	7	16.2	2	76	4	0	4/25	19.00	24.50	4.65
Jamil, Hassaan	5	16	1	46	2	0	2/29	23.00	48.00	2.88
Devoy Paino, Dylan	6	21	0	113	2	0	1/13	56.50	63.00	5.38
King, Jordan	7	2	0	9	0	0	0/9	-	-	4.50

AW GREEN SHIELD BATTING 2021-22

player	mat	inn	no	100s	50s	4s	6s	hs	runs	avg
Smith, Jake	7	7	2	0	2	7	1	98*	268	53.60
Condon, Maximilian	7	7	1	0	1	11	0	75	178	29.67
Cordingley, Tomas	7	7	0	0	2	9	0	53	145	20.71
Louka, Daniel	7	6	0	0	0	9	1	40	117	19.50
Devoy Paino, Dylan	6	4	1	0	0	7	1	29*	66	22.00
King, Jordan	7	6	0	0	0	5	0	14	40	6.67
Rodrigues, Aryan	7	6	0	0	0	4	0	12	35	5.83
Sarna, Aaran	7	4	0	0	0	0	0	16	27	6.75
Croft, Luca	7	5	3	0	0	1	0	14*	26	13.00
Talha, Muhammad	5	4	1	0	0	1	0	11	23	7.67
Singh, Harjapan	6	5	0	0	0	3	0	10	17	3.40
Amadio, Michael	6	3	1	0	0	0	0	7*	9	4.50
Jamil, Hassaan	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	8	8	8.00
Sidhu, Reagan	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	3.50

BANKSTOWN WOMEN'S CRICKET



The Bankstown Sports Women's Cricket Club 2021-22 season once again proved very successful. However, this season, not only did the club have to cope with another season impacted by the COVID-19 global pandemic, the weather also significantly impacted the season with one of the wettest Sydney Summers on record! Despite these “overheads” the club's players, administrators & supporters remained positive towards their cricket – be it training or playing.

The club also continued to focus on player development as the playing strength continued to build – it was pleasing to see a number of the younger players in the club now moving through to play games in higher grades – where they generally performed very well! Unfortunately, 1st Grade's season came to an end when the team was beaten by Sydney in the semi-final, however, 2nd Grade won their semi-final when they defended a modest score against Minor Premiers Sydney. Sadly the 2nd Grade Grand Final (and also the reserve day) were both washed out without a ball being bowled – certainly not the way anyone wanted to see

the season end. Being the lower finishing team after the home & away games 2nd Grade were declared runners-up. This was a disappointing end to the season as both 1st and 2nd Grades had produced some excellent results to make the finals with 2nd Grade on a roll after their emphatic semi-final win.

The club fielded an additional team this season being 2nd Grade which was something that had been a club goal for the past few seasons – to be represented in all 4 grades of the NSW Women's Premier Competition (1st, 2nd, 3rd Grades and U18 Brewer Shield) is very important for the club going forward to offer cricket to as many players as

possible. In addition, our club supported the Bankstown District Cricket Association (BDCA) in fielding teams in the U15 Sixers Cricket League and District Cricket Association (DCA) competitions, as well as contributing players in the Youth Championships representative teams.

Congratulations to **Ashleigh Gardner** on once again representing Australia this season and being a member of the undefeated ICC World Cup (50 over) Competition champions and the Ashes winning Australian team against England. Ashleigh was also crowned the Belinda Clark Medalist to top off a fantastic season. Congratulations also



to **Erin Burns** and **Katie Mack** who also represented Australia A against England A this Summer as well as playing in The Hundred competition in England over the Australian Winter for Birmingham Phoenix. Erin was also recognized with the Breakers WNCL Player of the Year award this season – congratulations Erin! In terms of the NSW Women's Premier competition this season, congratulations to **Sam Devlin** and **Shannon Mazurkiewicz** for being the leading wicket takers in 1st and 3rd Grades in the NSW Women's Premier Competition – outstanding achievements!

Unfortunately, once again this season, due to COVID restrictions, most of the elite and representative competitions and carnivals were either not held or had very limited matches

– hopefully these will return next season. Towards the end of this season the U19 National Championship did go ahead in South Australia where **Angelina Genford** captained the NSW Metro U19 team. Also, this season our club had 7 junior players selected in Academy squads from U15 through to the U19 age groups. We continue to be extremely proud to have so many younger players in our club selected in these squads and are very pleased that the talents of so many of our younger players continue to be recognised outside our club. We are also pleased to see many of the younger players in the club now earning selection in higher grade teams where they are proving to be extremely capable.

Our thanks to **Emma Newman** and **Paul Stathis** for their work in coaching and managing the junior teams

as well as parents who also contributed to running these teams. Our special thanks to **Chris Lauchlan** for your coaching of the BDCA U15 Margaret Peden team and to **Andrew Divan** and **Darren McLean** for your assistance with this team – your contributions were much appreciated! Our NSW Women's Premier Competition teams (including our Brewer Shield team) were filled with many players who have progressed through our junior ranks over recent seasons, which is confirmation that the Player Pathway in place within our club is allowing junior players the opportunity to develop their cricketing skills and giving them opportunities to play at higher levels.

In regard to player development, special acknowledgement to the Club's Coaching team led by dedicated



Club Coaching Director **Sarah Aley** and **Charlie Mandleberg** who did a fantastic job in his first season as Club Coach – Charlie put in so much effort this season working with players in all grades with the players really benefitting from his coaching expertise. We were once again privileged to have coaching assistants including Club Legend **Therese Stewart** and **Laura Wright**, **Gary Crowfoot**, **Michael Polson** and **Chris Ridley** from the Bankstown District Cricket Club who also contributed significantly throughout the season as did parent coaches including **Gus Fernando**, **Paul Stathis**, **Stephen Peters**, **Greig Harland** and **Venkatesh Thirupathy** who shared their expertise at training and on game days.

The club also acknowledges the contributions of parents

and players including **Virginia Errington**, **Paul Stathis**, **Alanna Yates** and **Brianna Fraser** who managed teams so well and to our brilliant 1st Grade scorer **Jennifer Campbell** and scorers from all teams.

Volunteers are an integral part of our club's operations and we were once again this season extremely fortunate to have so many committed volunteers within our club and so many "special achievements" off the field. To this end our thanks to **Virginia Errington** who continued in the role of Secretary - Virginia was meticulous in all the meetings held as well as handling all the correspondence and being the primary club contact point. Our appreciation also to **Gus Fernando** who was again Vice-President this season and also again took on the roles of Head of the Cricket

Operations Sub-Committee and Head of Selectors. **Roger Errington** took on the role of Club Treasurer this season (taking over from **Meegan Smith-Grant** who had been Club Treasurer for a number of seasons – thanks Meegan!) handling all our income & expenditure meticulously. Roger spent numerous hours, supported by **Emma Newman**, reviewing the financial details over recent seasons as part of establishing a separate bank account to manage the club's finances – our thanks to Roger for his commitment to this activity which has set the club up to enable the finances to be managed in a robust manner going forward. Finally, a special call out to **Rose Whelan** who continued as the club's Clothing Officer again this season. Rose not only maintained supplies of our current playing and



training clothing, however, also organised for the club to have new training and playing uniforms which included a colour change to blue & white. This had been a project that has run for 2 seasons and to be able to distribute the new uniforms at this year's Presentation Night in preparation for next season is an exciting time in the club's history. Our thanks also to **Jade Errington, Sam Devlin, Emma Newman** and **Virginia Errington** who supported Rose on this massive project.

Our Social Media covering the club's publicity, website & Facebook pages were once again this season operated extremely effectively by **Emma Newman**. Social media continues to be crucial in everyone being kept up-to-date on club activities. The publicity not only enhances the brand of our club, it also enhances the positioning of

female cricket in our area.

Our thanks to all members of the club's Management Committee for their untiring efforts this season in enabling the club to operate so smoothly especially given the many uncertainties and additional administration requirements - everyone rolled up their sleeves again and got on with it!

Once again this season a number of players from our club achieved elite selections including playing in the WNCL and WBBL07 competitions. Congratulations to **Ashleigh Gardner, Erin Burns, Maddie Penna, Katie Mack** and **Angelina Genford** who all played at the 1st Class level this season. Our special congratulations to **Angie** who made her WBBL debut for the Hobart Hurricanes and WNCL debut for the NSW Breakers this season! We also had

England A and Sydney Thunder player **Issy Wong** make her club debut this season. Issy was a great addition to our 1st Grade side and provided elite level experience for our young side.

Our club also congratulates the **Bankstown Men's Cricket Club** on another successful season - we are very appreciative of the continued support we receive from the Men's Club - we are extremely fortunate to be associated with such a wonderful Men's Club.

Our club also welcomed 2 new sponsors this season being **All Cricket Gear (Cherry)** and **AusWindows** - we appreciate the support these sponsors have provided our club especially in contributing to the costs associated with the uniform refresh.



Many people contributed to making this season such a success:

The Management Committee members included:

President:	Robert Smith	Publicity & Website:	Emma Newman
Vice-President:	Gus Fernando	Junior Development:	Samantha Devlin
Secretary:	Virginia Errington	Club Coaching Director:	Sarah Aley
Treasurer:	Roger Errington	Club Coach:	Charlie Mandleberg
Registrations:	Andrew Lawler		

Committee members: Marty Klumpp, Brian Freedman, Sharon Cooper, Rose Whelan, Colleen Genford, Sharon Cooper, Paul Stathis, Venkatesh Thirupathy.

Cricket Operations Sub-Committee: Gus Fernando (Chair), Sarah Aley, Samantha Devlin, Paul Stathis, Andrew Lawler, Roger Errington.

Team Managers: 1st Grade: Virginia Errington; 3rd Grade: Brianna Fraser, Alanna Yates; Brewer Shield: Paul Stathis, Sixers Cricket League (SCL): Kim Hession, Dallas Robertson, David Dancy

Scorers: 1st Grade: Jennifer Campbell; 2nd Grade: Denise Martin, Phil Coghlan; 3rd Grade: Brianna Fraser; Brewer Shield: Lyn Stathis, Jennene Abrook, Brad Abrook, Terry Danne; SCL: Denise McMahon, David Dancy.

Coaches: Sarah Aley, Charlie Mandleberg, Emma Newman, Therese Stewart, Laura Wright, Paul Stathis, Stephen Peters, Clint Gaughan, Chris Lauchlan, Venkatesh Thirupathy, Gus Fernando, Greig Harland

Captains: Club Capt.: Sarah Aley; 1st Grade: Samantha Devlin; 2nd Grade: Emma Newman; 3rd Grade: Brianna Fraser / Alanna Yates; Brewer Shield: Chrissa Stathis

The club congratulated **Justin Newman** on being recognised in 2020-21 with Life Membership in for the many years service that Justin provided to the club both as Secretary as well as in organising and supporting many functions across the club. The club continues to be supported by all **Life Members** Sharon Cooper, Megan Wilson, Therese MacGregor, Sue Hewitt, Richard Phillips, Melissa Penman and Gary Penman.

Finally, the club once again acknowledges the ongoing support that **Bankstown Sports Club** provides including the Sporting section led by Matthew Starr as well as Marty Klumpp, Beverley and Richard Phillips.

The major award winners for the 2021-22 season included:

Dick Phillips Award (for Outstanding Performance)	Madison Rutherford
Rookie of the Year (for best 1st year player to the club)	Shannon Mazurkiewicz
President's Award	Samantha Devlin
Megan Wilson Award (Wicket Keeper of the Year)	Jade Errington
Max McLeay Memorial Award (U18 Player of the Year)	Chrissa Stathis

Representative Awards:

Australia	Ashleigh Gardner
Australia A	Erin Burns, Katie Mack
NSW Breakers	Ashleigh Gardner, Erin Burns, Angelina Genford
Sydney Sixers	Ashleigh Gardner
ACT Meteors	Katie Mack, Maddie Penna
Adelaide Strikers	Katie Mack, Maddie Penna
Hobart Hurricanes	Angelina Genford
NSW U/19 Metro XI	Angelina Genford

Player service awards for 14+ games played during 2021-22 season:

19 Matches: Rosalyn Ou
18 Matches: Shekinah Lowe
15 Matches: Mridula Thirupathy
14 Matches: Chrissa Stathis, Maeve Martin, Cynthia Coghlan, Tyra Cooper, Danielle Moyes

Service Loyalty Awards:

5 Years Mridula Thirupathy, Chrissa Stathis, Bianca Vella, Maeve Martin, Shekinah Lowe
15 Years Danielle Moyes, Annie Pham

Outstanding Performances:

Bowling:

Samantha Devlin	5 wickets - 10/2/5/22 vs Parramatta R11 Merrylands Oval 13/2/22
Jannatul Sumona	5 wickets - 10/1/5/17 vs St George Sutherland R12 Bankstown Oval 20/2/22
Brinly Peters	5 wickets - 8/3/5/11 vs Northern District R15 Grahame Thomas Oval 13/3/22
Emily Lawler	Hat Trick - Northern District R7 16/1/22 Bankstown Oval 4/0/3/19

Club Contribution Acknowledgements:

Virginia Errington	Rose Whelan	Paul Stathis	Roger Errington	Gus Fernando
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Robert Smith
President, April 2022



Awards 2021-22

1st Grade

Batting Award	Jade Errington 246 runs @ av 22.36
Bowling Award	Samantha Devlin 21 wickets @ av 13.62
Fielding Award	Angelina Genford
Player of Year	Jade Errington

2nd Grade

Batting Award	Cynthia Coghlan 170 runs @ av 24.29
Bowling Award	Cynthia Coghlan 7 wickets @ av 14.00
Fielding Award	Maeve Martin
Player of Year	Cynthia Coghlan

3rd Grade

Batting Award	Emelye Blades 133 runs @ av 19.00
Bowling Award	Shannon Mazurkiewicz 14 wickets @ av 10.93
Fielding Award	Rosalyn Ou
Player of Year	Alanna Yates

U18 Brewer Shield

Batting Award	Mridula Thirupathy 166 runs @ av 55.33
Bowling Award	Brinly Peters 10 wickets @ av 7.30
Fielding Award	Katie Abrook
Player of Year	Chrissa Stathis

U15 Sixers Cricket League

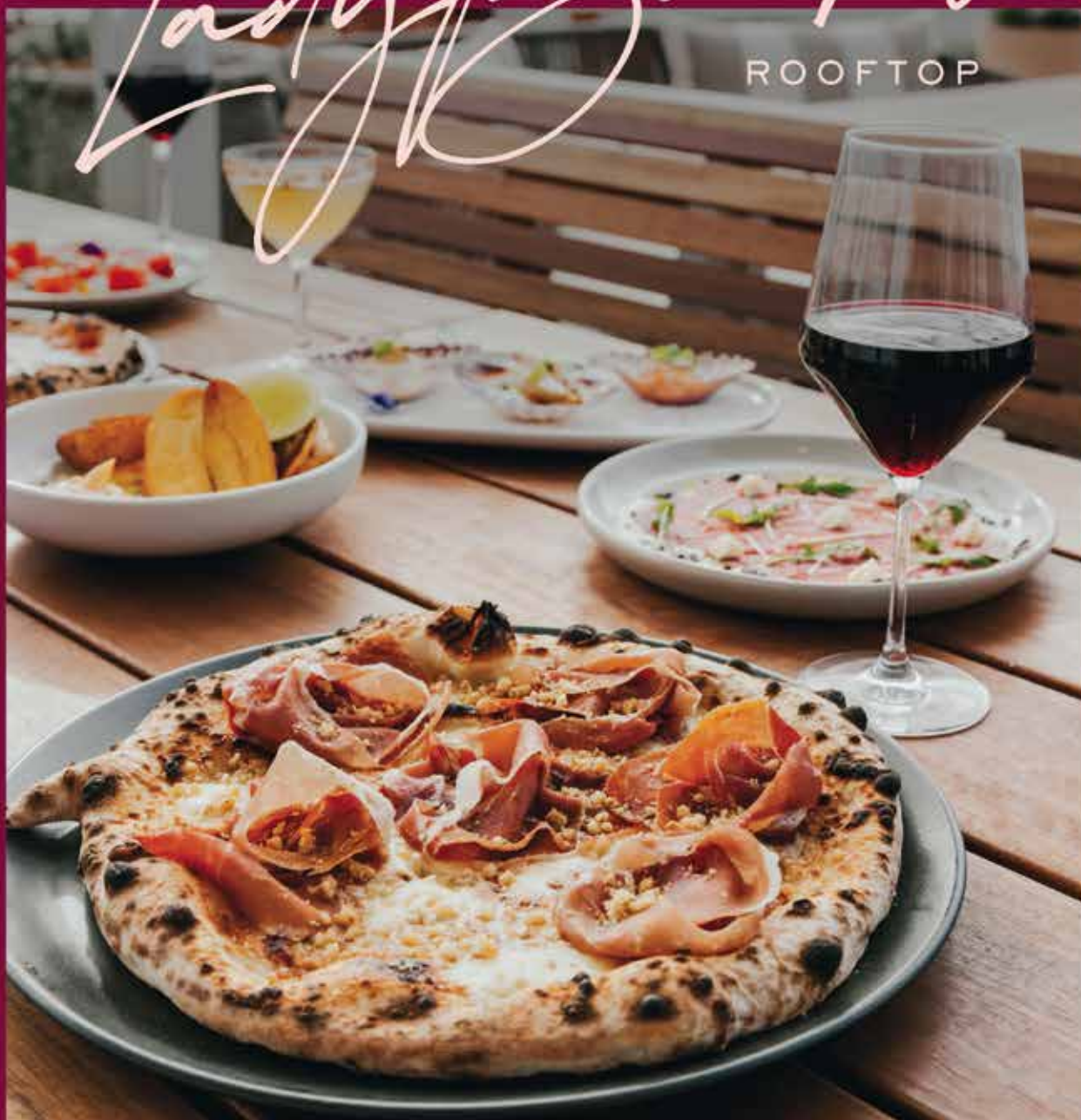
Batting Award	Taylor McMahon 97 runs @ av 97.00
Bowling Award	Bismah Choudhry 10 wickets @ av 9.50
Fielding Award	Summer Hession
Player of Year	Bismah Choudhry

BDCA U15 Margaret Peden - Youth Championships

Batting Award	Ava Gaughan 45 runs @ av 22.50
Bowling Award	Jessica McMillan 4 wickets @ av 24.00
Fielding Award	Christine Brazier
Player of Year	Jessica Robertson

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FIRST GRADE PLAYERS AND CAP NUMBERS 1951 TO 2021/22

1	Fred Johnston	47	Jeff Hickey	93	Ian Madden	139	Grant Pride
2	Roy Amson	48	Charlie Smithers	94	Garry Heggie	140	Craig Hogan
3	Ron Briggs	49	Ken Gray	95	Ken Scully	141	Terry Davies
4	George Connelly	50	Norm Morrissey	96	John Bull	142	Phil Kelly
5	Bill Gibson	51	Alan McDonald	97	Bob Grange	143	Geoff Liddle
6	Jack Giffen	52	Les White	98	Dick McDermott	144	David Thompson
7	Herb Harris	53	Dion Bourne	99	Barry Thebridge	145	Ian McRae
8	Ted Miller	54	Don Breeze	100	Bob Holland	146	Phil Harmer
9	Ron Nay	55	Roger Ingham	101	Graham Robinson	147	Mark Willey
10	Jack Theobald	56	Don Jones	102	Kevin Chevell	148	Tim Sullivan
11	Bruce Urry	57	Barry Bates	103	Ken Robinson	149	Mark Waugh
12	George Allen	58	Dave Cathro	104	Ken Dixon	150	Steve Waugh
13	Ray DeFries	59	Bobby Justice	105	Nev Girardin	151	Greg Briggs
14	Bill Devine	60	Graham McMillan	106	Trevor McDonald	152	Stuart Green
15	Ron Duncan	61	Paul Scahill	107	Laurie D'Costa	153	Greg Swanson
16	Max Fox	62	Arthur Taylor	108	Alan Lamb	154	Andrew Divall
17	Neil Holden	63	Bob Pareezer	109	Bob Wyatt	155	Craig Sinclair
18	Roy McHarg	64	David Paull	110	Les Andrews	156	Peter Vidler
19	Lloyd Thomas	65	Kevin Tyson	111	Clayton Jones	157	Shane Cusick
20	Arthur Asquith	66	John Dunn	112	Mark Fisher	158	David Freedman
21	Bill Britton	67	Joe French	113	Steve Small	159	Mark Grant
22	Noel Carroll	68	John Corbett	114	John Brand	160	Jim Wilson
23	Ern Condran	69	Geoff Doyle	115	Graeme Pitty	161	Nick Geale
24	Kevin Lang	70	Ken Ferguson	116	Graham Thorpe	162	Gary Lovett
25	Gordon Russell	71	Harry Bunton	117	Ken McDonald	163	Darren Mitchell
26	Norm Wright	72	Wayne Boardman	118	Bob Vidler	164	Steve Sydes
27	John Clift	73	Bob Byrne	119	Ross Wheatley	165	Wayne Holdsworth
28	Alan Ellis	74	Ron Erickson	120	Mick Maude	166	Scott Prestwidge
29	Peter Power	75	Greg Hinks	121	Frank Cicutto	167	Billy York
30	Bill Silas	76	Brian Lewis	122	Chris Heywood	168	Dean Waugh
31	Leo Smith	77	Bob LeFevre	123	Greg Irvine	169	Todd Cramer
32	Jack Fitzpatrick	78	John Convery	124	Rod Bower	170	Mark Freedman
33	Jack Urry	79	Les Johns	125	Luke Orlovich	171	Brett Patman
34	Don Rixon	80	Greg Beisler	126	Ian Davis	172	Brett Hugo
35	Dave Stanley	81	Mick Stephenson	127	Ken Ferris	173	Steve Moss
36	Grahame Thomas	82	Paul Fitzpatrick	128	Geoff Spotswood	174	Ken Hall
37	Reg Hobden	83	Ian King	129	Martin Vaughan	175	Scott Thompson
38	Derek Lonsdale	84	Dennis Madden	130	Paul Talbot	176	Mick Bartley
39	Ken Rogers	85	Bill Palmer	131	Alan Hamblen	177	Glenn Cubitt
40	Ken Hall snr	86	Ken Thorpe	132	Kevin Everson	178	Scott Philipson
41	Norm Seach	87	Ian Gorman	133	Peter Summers	179	Steve Dignam
42	Wal Pickles	88	Bob Lamaro	134	Gary Crowfoot	180	Sean Pope
43	Alan Kelly	89	Ken Jones	135	Steve Smith	181	Rob Luc
44	Graham Sylvester	90	Len Pascoe	136	Brett McKirdy	182	Steve Luc
45	Bruce Webster	91	Jeff Thomson	137	Glen Tyndall	183	Brett Elliott
46	Bobby Madden	92	Tony Radanovic	138	Lee Sterrey	184	Chris Madden



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| 185 Darryn Bull | 226 James Bourne | 267 Ethan Leten |
| 186 Greg Trevena | 227 Bevan Van Blerk | 268 Michael Stretton |
| 187 Kevin Roberts | 228 Pat Darwen | 269 Michael Arblaster |
| 188 Ben Smith | 229 Gavin Atkin | 270 Kerrod White |
| 189 Scott Vidler | 230 Simon Keen | 271 Jason Haywarrrd |
| 190 Danny Waugh | 231 Daniel Burns | 272 Ayden Brown |
| 191 Scott Grant | 232 Chris Small | 273 Mitch Farag |
| 192 Nathan Bracken | 233 Chris Ridley | 274 Rhys Williams |
| 193 Shane Deitz | 234 Brett Van Deinsen | 275 Adam Coyte |
| 194 Trent Woodhill | 235 Scott Truashiem | 276 Brendan Smith |
| 195 Corey Richards | 236 Mick Polson | 277 Daniel Hayes |
| 196 Sean McKiernan | 237 Anthony Sams | 278 David Lozinski |
| 197 Dean Magee | 238 Dave Ward | 279 Thomas Sowden |
| 198 Gary Baldwin | 239 Jackson Bird | 280 Mitch Brown |
| 199 Kym Beazleigh | 240 Jerry Cassell | 281 Mitch Claydon |
| 200 Graeme Smith | 241 Byron Hackshall | 282 Luke Docherty |
| 201 Jason Deitz | 242 Dean Burke | 283 Joel Brockley |
| 202 Anthony Smith | 243 Jarrad Burke | 284 Alistair McDermott |
| 203 Shane Duff | 244 Tim Freeburn | 285 Kyle Brockley |
| 204 Damien Benson | 245 Daniel McLauchlan | 286 Ben Le Bas |
| 205 Grant Roden | 246 Ben Smith | 287 Ben Taylor |
| 206 David Sidie | 247 Daniel Sams | 288 Matt Simpson |
| 207 Paul Clarke | 248 Luke Reece | 289 Wallace Marshall |
| 208 Matt Betsey | 249 Jake Cormack | 290 Tushaar Garg |
| 209 Paul Maraziotis | 250 Brett Collison | 291 Peter Dignam |
| 210 Vaughan Williams | 251 Philip Wells | 292 Liam Marshall |
| 211 Hilal Dannaoui | 252 Nick Carruthers | 293 Brad Simpson |
| 212 Daniel Moy | 253 Mitchell Phelps | 294 Matthew Waite |
| 213 Troy Brown | 254 Tim Burns | 295 Ryan Clark |
| 214 James Allsopp | 255 Daniel Solway | 296 Jake Fawcett |
| 215 Chris Gane | 256 Daniel Harding | 297 Jarred Lysaught |
| 216 Scott Jamieson | 257 Alex Patterson | 298 Cameron Middleton |
| 217 Andrew O'Brien | 258 Darryl Tuffey | 299 Zeeshaan Ahmed |
| 218 Brad Roworth | 259 Nathan McAndrew | 300 Daniel Nicotra |
| 219 Aaron Bird | 260 Harry Gurney | 301 Matt Bursa |
| 220 Michael Bright | 261 Ryan Beaven | 302 Mitch Hinds |
| 221 Craig Parkinson | 262 Andrew Jamieson | 303 Dayne Heward |
| 222 Clintin Price | 263 Ashley Paddison | 304 Mansukh Singh |
| 223 Peter Dugmore | 264 Aaron Yabsley | 305 Ethan Deal |
| 224 Gian Scuglia | 265 Mark Stoneman | 306 Tyler Van Luin |
| 225 Darren Ettridge | 266 Matt Smith | |

CURRENT PLAYERS' CAREER STATISTICS FOR BANKSTOWN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

	RUNS			WICKETS				RUNS			WICKETS		
	1st	Lower	TOTAL	1st	Lower	TOTAL		1st	Lower	TOTAL	1st	Lower	TOTAL
Z Ahmed	1218	2833	4041		5	5	R Kulkarni		33	33		13	13
R Alam		685	685				K Layton		435	435		163	163
Z Ali		117	117		3	3	B Le Bas	239	2541	2780	54	109	163
K Adhi		25	25				D Louka		255	255			
M Amadio		9	9				T Low		100	100			
S Baba		25	25		6	6	N McAndrew	2743	538	3281	271	56	327
J Bilimoria		2335	2335		188	188	J Malcolm		1032	1032		19	19
R Bhat		80	80		18	18	R Malcolm		1089	1089			
A Bird	4185	357	4542	412	31	443	L Marshall	223	222	445	96	135	231
J Brockley	73	2696	2769				A Melnyk		700	700		27	27
D Burns	517	519	1036	84	102	186	C Middleton	83	2087	2170			
M Bursa	19	49	68	10	56	66	M Momandi		822	822		11	11
M Carruthers		465	465				D O'Sullivan		13	13			
N Carruthers	3706		3706				R Patel		375	375			
B Christensen		3699	3699		50	50	B Penna		249	249		27	27
R Clark	22	631	653	7	64	71	J Perera		1630	1630			
T Clark		431	431		91	91	B Polkinghorne		209	209		87	87
R Collinson		8	8				E Prideaux		679	679		9	9
M Condon		485	485				T Ramage		1532	1532		4	4
T Cordingley		242	242		5	5	A Rodrigues		143	143		1	1
J Cormack	3426	2488	5914		4	4	M Salman		14	14		24	24
L Croft		31	31		9	9	S Shahid		803	803			
E Deal	234	29	263				A Sarna		27	27			
E Debono		1448	1448				N Setter		170	170		41	41
D Devoy Paino		133	133		6	6	R Sidhu		35	35		19	19
D Dryer		9	9				B Simpson	76	169	237	69	70	139
M Farhann		49	49		9	9	M Simpson	115	2720	2835		1	1
J Felsch		732	732		27	27	M Singh	308	2648	2956		21	21
C Fitzjohn		176	176		51	51	H Singh		68	68		34	34
R Freeman		1132	1132		36	36	P Sivapragasam		259	259		44	44
N Freedman		22	22		19	19	B Smith	1164	1350	2514	2	16	18
A Gotsis		279	279				J Smith		287	287		7	7
B Handunneththi		1059	1059		92	92	D Solway	6365	2487	8852		2	2
S Hasan		144	144				C Stefanish		420	420		154	154
J Hassan		8	8		2	2	M Talua		24	24		2	2
N Hebeston		216	216		42	42	T Van Luin	141		141	24		24
D Heward	5	539	544	8	195	203	R Ward		67	67		60	60
M Hinds	283	1564	1847				M Weerasingham		1083	1083		26	26
M Kelly		2232	2232		206	206	N Wijewardene		2651	2651		154	154
J King		318	318										
A Kouventaris		2704	2704		57	57							

Please note: Metropolitan Cup (6th Grade) figures are not included above



HONOUR BOARD AND STATISTICS UPDATE

NOTE RE STATISTICS: In order to align with MyCricket reports and the usual practice of a majority of DCA clubs, the career records of current (page to left) and honour board-listed players (below) have now been adjusted to include A.W. Green Shield and Poidevin-Gray Shield performances.

Highlights from this season's performances include...



Daniel Solway

Has now powered onto 8852 runs in all grades with 6365 in 1st grade taking him to 4th in the all grades and 3rd in the 1st grade all time records.



Zeeshaan Ahmed

Has now passed 4000 runs in all grades (4041) including 1215 in 1st grade. Remarkable for one so young.



Dayne Heward

Despite missing a lot of cricket through injury has passed 200 (203) wickets in all grades.



Liam Marshall

Has gone past 200 (231) wickets in all grades including 96 in 1st grade.



Cameron Middleton

Has now passed 2000 (2170) Runs in all grades.

Those nearing personal milestones include:

Mitch Hinds

1847 runs in all grades

Mansukn Singh

2956 runs in all grades

Alex Kouventaris

2704 runs in all grades



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PLAYERS WHO HAVE REPRESENTED WHILE PLAYING FOR BANKSTOWN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

The following statistics were added in 2002/03 after extensive work by Michael C. Stephenson and Brian Freedman using available reference sources. Please accept our apologies for any errors or omissions and let us know about them so they can be corrected for future prints.

Player and Year First Represented	Player and Year First Represented	Player and Year First Represented
AUSTRALIA	AUSTRALIA UNDER 16	NSW COUNTRY/ACT
G Thomas 1960-61	B Dickinson 2015-16	M Phelps 2014-15
J Thomson 1972-73	T Sowden 2015-16	N McAndrew 2014-15
L Pascoe 1976-77	B Simpson 2017-18	K White 2015-16
S Smith 1982-83	N. Radhakrishan 2017-18	D Solway 2016-17
S Waugh 1984-85		B Taylor 2018-19
M Waugh 1988-89		
W Holdsworth 1992-93		
	NEW SOUTH WALES	NSW 2ND X1/FUTURES LEAGUE
AUSTRALIAN X1	R Amson 1952-53	R Briggs 1954-55
R Briggs 1953-54	R Briggs 1952-53	R Nay 1955-56
G Thomas 1959-60	G Thomas 1957-58	L Pascoe 1973-74
D Freedman 1992-93	R Madden 1959-60	B Thebridge 1973-74
	J Thomson 1972-73	R Bower 1982-83
	L Pascoe 1974-75	B McKirdy 1983-84
	R Vidler 1977-78	M Waugh 1984-85
AUSTRALIA 'A'	I Davis 1979-80	W Holdsworth 1987-88
S Waugh 1995-96	S Smith 1981-82	S Prestwidge 1989-90
D Freedman 1995-96	R Bower 1983-84	P Talbot 1989-90
S Thompson 1995-96	S Waugh 1984-85	D Freedman 1991-92
C Richards 1998-99	M Waugh 1985-86	S Thompson 1992-93
	S Small 1987-88	K Roberts 1993-94
	W Holdsworth 1988-89	S Pope 1994-95
AUSTRALIA UNDER 19	D Freedman 1991-92	DP Waugh 1995-96
S Waugh 1983-84	K Roberts 1994-95	M Betsey 2000-01
M Waugh 1983-84	S Thompson 1994-95	P Maraziotis 2001-02
S Prestwidge 1986-87	DP Waugh 1995-96	V Williams 2001-02
W Holdsworth 1986-87	C Richards 1995-96	M Bright 2002-03
N Bracken 1995-96	N Bracken 1998-99	A Bird 2002-03
A Bird 2002-03	V Williams 2001-02	S Keen 2008-09
M Bright 2002-03	A Bird 2005-06	D Burns 2008-09
S Keen 2005-06	S Keen 2009-10	J Bird 2009-10
D Burns 2006-07	D Solway 2019-20	C Small 2010-11
B Smith 2015-16	N McAndrew 2019-20	P Wells 2013-14
L Marshall 2018-19		D Solway 2014-15
B Simpsons 2019-20		
AUSTRALIA INDIGENOUS		
Brendan Smith 2017-18		

Player and Year First Represented	Player and Year First Represented	Player and Year First Represented
NSW Twenty20/Sydney Thunder	NSW UNDER 17	NSW UNDER 19
S Keen 2008-09	C Hughes 1986-87	S Waugh 1981-82
N McAndrew 2015-16	B Hugo 1986-87	M Waugh 1982-83
	S Collins 1990-91	D Freedman 1982-83
NSW Colts	D J Waugh 1991-92	S Prestwidge 1985-86
R Nay 1955-56	G Trevena 1991-92	D Mitchell 1985-86
B Bates 1961-62	S Deitz 1991-92	W Holdsworth 1986-87
R LeFevre 1965-66	S McKiernan 1995-96	G Lovett 1986-87
I Gorman 1968-69	L Piper 1995-96	R Luc 1991-92
T Radanovic 1968-69	B Roworth 1999-00	G Trevena 1992-93
L Pascoe 1968-69	J Allsopp 2000-01	V Williams 1994-95
B Thebridge 1971-72	S Jamieson 2001-02	N Bracken 1994-95
R Vidler 1979-80	S Keen 2002-03	S McKiernan 1996-97
G Pitty 1979-80	P Darwen 2003-04	K Beazleigh 1997-98
R Bower 1979-80	R Beaven 2003-04	T Brown 1999-00
S Smith 1979-80	C Bennett 2004-05	B Roworth 2001-02
B McKirdy 1979-80	D Burns 2004-05	J Allsopp 2001-02
G Crowfoot 1983-84	C Ridley 2004-05	M Bright 2002-03
S Waugh 1984-85	C Small 2004-05	A Bird 2002-03
M Waugh 1984-85	A Sams 2005-06	S Jamieson 2003-04
D Freedman 1984-85	B Smith 2009-10	P Darwen 2004-05
S Prestwidge 1986-87	D Solway 2011-12	S Keen 2005-06
W Holdsworth 1988-89	A Brown 2012-13	D Burns 2005-06
S Thompson 1992-93	D Hayes 2014-15	C Ridley 2006-07
G Trevena 1994-95	B Smith 2014-15	C Small 2006-07
S Deitz 1995-96	D Lozinski 2014-15	A Sams 2007-08
N Bracken 1995-96	T Sowden 2016-17	B Smith 2011-12
J Allsopp 2001-02	L Marshall 2017-18	D Sams 2011-12
A Bird 2002-03	Z Ahmed 2018-19	J Cormack 2012-13
M Bright 2003-04		Brendan Smith 2015-16
	NSW UNDER 16	T Sowden 2016-17
	S Grant 1983-84	W Marshall 2017-18
	W Holdsworth 1984-85	L Marshall 2019-20
	G Lovett 1984-85	B Simpson 2019-20
	D P Waugh 1984-85	Z Ahmed 2019-20
		E Deal 2020-21



PLAYERS WHO HAVE SCORED 3000 RUNS IN 1ST GRADE

NAME	SEASONS	INNINGS	NOT OUTS	RUNS	AVG.
D P Bourne	1960/61– 1979/80	311	24	8149	28.39
C Richards	1996/97 – 2007/08	193	27	7415	44.67
S Thompson	1990/91 – 2009/10	249	35	6793	31.74
B Urry	1951/52 – 1966/67	218	24	6089	31.39
D Solway	2013/14 – 2021/22	167	21	6078	41.63
D P Waugh	1987/88 – 1997/98	190	24	5903	35.56
P Wells	2011/12 – 2016/17	128	20	5407	50.06
S Small	1973/74 – 1995/96	165	29	5297	38.95
G Crowfoot	1979/80 – 1992/93	186	19	4984	29.84
R Bower	1977/78 – 1985/86	140	19	4918	40.64
R Briggs	1951/52 – 1964/65	123	10	4815	42.61
T McDonald	1972/73 – 1984/85	198	20	4739	26.62
K Roberts	1993/94 –1999/2000	123	18	4680	44.57
G Thomas	1954/55 – 1965/66	107	22	4276	50.31
R Vidler	1974/75 – 1986/87	196	27	4204	24.88
A Bird	2002/03 - 2021/22	213	41	4171	24.25
P Maraziotis	1999/00 – 2004/05	110	22	4129	46.92
J Burke	2009/10 – 2016/17	150	18	4127	31.27
M Waugh	1982/83 – 2003/04	110	9	3899	38.60
J Dunn	1963/64 – 1977/78	194	21	3889	22.48
DJ Waugh	1990/91 – 2010/11	136	28	3845	35.60
N Carruthers	2011/12 – 2021/22	121	25	3706	38.60
J Cormack	2008/09 – 202/22	126	17	3522	32.31
J Giffen	1951/52 – 1958/59	107	11	3421	35.64
R Madden	1958/59 – 1971/72	148	10	3316	24.03
V Williams	1993/94 – 2004/05	90	4	3093	35.97

PLAYERS WHO HAVE SCORED

DOUBLE CENTURIES IN 1ST GRADE

Dean Waugh	226*	Hawkesbury	1991/92
	210	North Sydney	1995/96
C Richards	203*	Western Suburbs	1996/97
	200*	Gordon	2004/05
S Pope	275	Hawkesbury	1993/94
K White	226*	Hawkesbury	2015/16
S Smith	215*	Sydney	1981/82



PLAYERS WHO HAVE SCORED 5000 RUNS IN ALL GRADES

NAME	SEASONS	INNINGS	NOT OUTS	RUNS	AVG.
M Grant	1981/82 – 2012/13	387	111	10700	38.76
G Spotswood	1977/78 – 2016/17	466	64	10579	26.31
D P Bourne	1960/61 – 1980/81	346	31	9131	28.98
D Solway	2008/09 – 2021/22	268	46	8852	39.87
D Magee	1990/91 – 2016/17	334	33	8838	29.36
K Ferris	1968/69 – 1997/98	442	66	8820	23.45
J Dunn	1960/61 – 1983/84	390	38	8365	23.76
A O'Brien	1995/96 – 2016/17	306	26	8256	29.48
D P Waugh	1982/83 – 1997/98	296	31	8229	31.05
S Thompson	1987/88 – 2009/10	302	41	8087	30.98
G Crowfoot	1975/76 – 1995/96	330	50	8058	28.77
S Small	1975/76 – 1996/97	260	40	7829	35.58
R Bower	1974/75 – 1985/86	240	35	7681	37.46
D Thompson	1976/77 – 2006/07	350	24	7670	23.52
C Richards	1996/97 – 2007/08	193	27	7415	44.94
MC Stephenson	1962/63 – 1984/85	334	25	7130	23.07
J Bourne	1996/97 – 2019/20	303	18	6864	24.08
DJ Waugh	1990/91 – 2010/11	253	43	6827	32.50
C Ridley	2003/04 – 2020/21	222	25	6762	34.32
B Urry	1951/52 – 1974/75	244	26	6574	30.15
C Gane	1998/99 – 2010/11	218	24	6554	33.78
A Divall	1980/81 – 1996/97	236	18	6296	28.88
J Theobald	1951/52 – 1970/71	233	36	6281	31.88
S Dignam	1984/85 – 2003/04	254	25	6263	27.34
A Smith	1990/91 – 2004/05	230	14	6132	28.38
R Vidler	1972/73 – 1986/87	274	38	5924	25.10
G Thomas	1953/54 – 1965/66	142	30	5861	52.33
J Cormack	2008/09 – 2021/22	221	35	6021	32.37
A Ellis	1953/54 – 1968/69	225	35	5605	29.50
D Moy	1995/96 – 2016/17	223	24	5527	28.02
L Reece	2005/6 – 2017/18	214	25	5448	28.82
P Wells	2011/12 – 2016/17	128	20	5407	50.00
D Mitchell	1982/83 – 1993/94	195	26	5202	30.84
S Cusick	1981/82 – 2005/06	253	41	5196	24.50
T McDonald	1972/73 – 1986/87	213	20	5127	26.56
K Roberts	1993/94 – 2000/01	135	19	5108	44.03

PLAYERS WHO HAVE SCORED CENTURIES IN 1ST GRADE

score/s	opposition	season	score/s	opposition	season	score/s	opposition	season
D Solway			134	Northern Districts	1995/96	102	St George	1953/54
154 *	Sutherland	2013/14	119	Sydney University	1995/96	102	Gordon	1953/54
177	Sutherland	2014/15	107	St George	1996/97	103	University	1955/56
184 *	St George	2014/15	116 *	St George	1997/98	124	Paddington	1955/56
128 *	Western Suburbs	2014/15	119	Gordon	1997/98	117	University	1956/57
101	Hawkesbury	2016/17	102	Hawkesbury	1998/99	118	Northern District	1956/57
110	Cambelltown	2016/17	163	Campbelltown	1998/99	109	University	1957/58
102	Mosman	2017/18	P Wells			S Small		
168	North Sydney	2017/18	157 *	North Sydney	2012/13	128 *	Waverley	1977/78
177	St George	2017/18	107 *	Sydney	2012/13	129 *	Western Suburbs	1987/88
174	Northern Districts	2017/18	121 *	North Sydney	2013/14	145	Fairfield	1988/89
125	Sutherland	2017/18	150	St George	2014/15	105	North Sydney	1988/89
104 *	Central Coast	2017/18	138	Manly-Warringah	2014/15	103 *	Gordon	1990/91
146	Cambelltown	2018/19	106 *	Eastern Suburbs	2014/15	116	University	1993/94
118 *	Gordon	2018/19	109	Manly-Warringah	2014/15	113	Parramatta	1993/94
107	St George	2018/19	190 *	St George	2014/15	140 *	North Sydney	1994/95
106	Northern Districts	2018/19	150 *	Blacktown	2015/16	G Crowfoot		
122	Campbelltown	2019/20	146 *	Mosman	2015/16	107	Western Suburbs	1980/81
109	St George	2021/22	114 *	North Sydney	2015/16	124	Uni of NSW	1981/82
113	UNSW	2021/22	103	Sydney	2015/16	100	Petersham	1981/82
C Richards			152	Blacktown	2015/16	124	Manly	1983/84
154	Balmain	1997/98	127	St George	2016/17	118 *	Manly	1985/86
115	St George	1997/98	170	Eastern Suburbs	2016/17	118 *	Hawkesbury	1985/86
104	St George	1999/00	100	Sutherland	2016/17	135	Mosman	1986/87
108	Fairfield	1999/00	G Thomas			102	Sutherland	1987/88
117	Balmain	2000/01	139 *	Paddington	1956/57	M Waugh		
130	Northern District	2000/01	110 *	Petersham Marrickville	1957/58	108	Mosman	1983/84
112	Uni of NSW	2002/03	125	North Sydney	1958/59	102	Manly	1984/85
125	Gordon	2002/03	113 *	Gordon	1960/61	177	Petersham	1985/86
126	Northern District	2002/03	155 *	Northern District	1961/62	113	Penrith	1985/86
162*	Randwick Petersham	203/04	151	Paddington	1962/63	146	Northern District	1986/87
120	St George	2004/05	147	University	1962/63	119 *	Parramatta	1987/88
101	Balmain	2005/05	100	Mosman	1962/63	113	Northern Districts	1994/95
123	Eastern Suburbs	2005/06	143	Cumberland	1963/64	136	Randwick Petersham	2003/04
140	St George	2005/06	105	Glebe	1963/64	V Williams		
121	Sydney University	2006/07	102	Paddington	1963/64	140	Uni of NSW	1999/00
111 *	Gordon	2006/07	162	Petersham Marrickville	1964/65	177	Penrith	1999/00
100 *	Randwick Petersham	2006/07	R Bower			100	Northern District	1999/00
113	Sydney University	2006/07	100 *	Petersham Marrickville	1982/83	113	Eastern Suburbs	2001/02
115 *	Randwick Petersham	2007/08	101 *	Cumberland	1982/83	128	Gordon	2001/02
P Maraziotis			101 *	Northern District	1982/83	108	Fairfield	2001/02
109 *	Hawkesbury	2000/01	109 *	Uni of NSW	1983/84	104	St George	2004/05
138 *	Manly	2000/01	122	Sutherland	1983/84	S Thompson		
119 *	Sutherland	2000/01	143	Mosman	1983/84	100	Waverley	1993/94
115 *	Uni of NSW	2001/02	115	St George	1984/85	129	St George	1993/94
110 *	Northern District	2001/02	116	Uni of NSW	1984/85	103	Petersham Marrickville	1994/95
137	Campbelltown	2001/02	124	Gordon	1985/86	100	Randwick	1997/98
135	St George	2001/02	176	Balmain	1985/86	114	Randwick	1997/98
162 *	Blacktown	2002/03	Dean Waugh			161 *	Gordon	1998/99
106 *	Parramatta	2002/03	100	Fairfield	1988/89	D Bourne		
125 *	Campbelltown	2002/03	125 *	Campbelltown	1991/92	111	Northern District	1963/64
186	Gordon	203/04	114	Mosman	1992/93	162	Randwick	1967/68
101	Campbelltown Camden	2003/04	110	St George	1992/93	119	Gordon	1967/68
102 *	Mosman	2003/04	104	Balmain	1994/95	101	Gordon	1970/71
K Roberts			167	Campbelltown	1995/96	100	North Sydney	1971/72
115 *	Campbelltown	1993/94	106 *	Waverley	1995/96	R Briggs		
134	Balmain	1993/94	131	Campbelltown	1996/97	151	University	1951/52
131	North Sydney	1993/94	J Giffen			114	Gordon	1951/52
139	Parramatta	1993/94	109	Waverley	1951/52	103	Cumberland	1951/52
160	Penrith	1994/95	114 *	Glebe	1953/54	124	Northern District	1953/54
133 *	Petersham Marrickville	1994/95				140	Petersham Marrickville	1957/58

PLAYERS WHO HAVE SCORED CENTURIES IN 1ST GRADE

score/s	opposition	season	score/s	opposition	season	score/s	opposition	season	
S Waugh									
127 *	University	1983/84							
110	Waverley	1984/85							
136 *	Gordon	1984/85							
141	University	1992/93							
182	Northern District	1995/96							
C Gane									
141	Balmain	2006/07							
116	Blacktown	2006/07							
129	Eastern Suburbs	2006/07							
113	Randwick Petersham	2008/09							
144	Blacktown	2008/09							
J Burke									
116 *	Sydney University	2013/14							
114	Fairfield-Liverpool	2009/10							
100	Manly Warringah	2009/10							
147 *	Western Suburbs	2010/11							
104	Blacktown	2011/12							
100	Sydney University	2016/17							
A Divall									
113	University	1986/87							
109	Western Suburbs	1990/91							
102	Penrith	1991/92							
116	Uni of NSW	1993/94							
J Cassell									
133	Sydney University	2008/09							
132	North Sydney	2008/09							
164 *	St George	2008/09							
114	Fairfield-Liverpool	2009/10							
N Carruthers									
150	Hawkesbury	2019/20							
107	Parramatta	2019/20							
120	Northern Districts	2018/19							
112	Sutherland	2020/21							
101	Sydney	2021/22							
S Smith									
162	St George	1981/82							
181 *	Western Suburbs	1987/88							
151	Mosman	1988/89							
R Amson									
127	Cumberland	1952/53							
103 *	North Sydney	1952/53							
116	Glebe	1952/53							
B Urry									
101 *	Manly	1953/54							
103	Cumberland	1960/61							
112	Waverley	1964/65							
S Deitz									
122	Petersham Marrickville	1996/97							
109 *	Hawkesbury	1996/97							
101 *	Sutherland	1996/97							
Daniel Waugh									
104 *	Uni of NSW	1996/97							
105 *	Mosman	1997/98							
101 *	Western Suburbs	2006/07							
K White									
156	Manly-Warringah	2014/15							
106	Randwick Petersham	2014/15							
105	Eastern Suburbs	2014/15							
M Brown									
103	Sutherland	2016/17							
104	Eastern Suburbs	2016/17							
161	Gordon	2016/17							
126 *	North Sydney	2018/19							
J Cormack									
126	Sydney	2015/16							
111	St George	2017/18							
101	Eastern Suburbs	2020/21							
102	Parramatta	2020/21							
M Stoneman									
142 *	Mosman	2015/16							
117	Eastern Suburbs	2015/16							
K Rogers									
103	Northern District	1956/57							
101	University	1959/60							
R Madden									
130 *	Glebe	1958/59							
135	Petersham Marrickville	1959/60							
J Dunn									
100 *	University	1967/68							
103 *	Manly	1970/71							
T McDonald									
100 *	University	1972/73							
102	Penrith	1979/80							
I Davis									
113	Balmain	1979/80							
115	Petersham Marrickville	1979/80							
S Pope									
135	Fairfield	1994/95							
110	Petersham Marrickville	1994/95							
D Magee									
133	Penrith	2004/05							
126	Hawkesbury	2010/11							
C Small									
112	Northern District	2011/12							
105 *	Fairfield-Liverpool	2012/13							
A Bird									
116	Northern District	2011/12							
103 *	Manly-Warringah	2013/14							
Brendan Smith									
121	Parramatta	2017/18							
125	Northern Districts	2017/18							
C Ridley									
100	Mosman	2018/19							
112 *	Parramatta	2018/19							
S Grant									
104	North Sydney	1994/95							
S Duff									
122	Campbelltown	1998/99							
M Betsey									
115	Petersham Marrickville	1999/00							
G Trevena									
104 *	Petersham Marrickville	1999/00							
A O'Brien									
106	Blacktown	2002/03							
C Parkinson									
125	Penrith	2003/04							
B Van Deinsen									
168 *	Fairfield Liverpool	2006/07							
S Keen									
143	Sutherland	2010/11							
M Stretton									
108	Blacktown	2015/16							
N McAndrew									
109	Northern District	2019/20							
M Waite									
106	Western Suburbs	2018/19							
W Gibson									
111 *	Balmain	1956/57							
A Ellis									
101 *	Balmain	1964/65							
L Johns									
106	Sydney	1966/67							
M Hinds									
106	Penrith	2019/20							
K Jones									
104	Western Suburbs	1968/69							
J Convery									
101 *	North Sydney	1968/69							
M Fisher									
173 *	North Sydney	1974/75							
K Thorpe									
105	Randwick	1975/76							
R Vidler									
117 *	University	1977/78							
K (Emu) Hall									
102 *	Parramatta	1993/94							
Ben Smith									
101 *	Gordon	1994/95							
Zeeshaan Ahmed									
127	UTS North Sydney	2021/22							



PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 200 WICKETS IN 1ST GRADE

NAME	SEASONS	OVERS	MAIDENS	WICKETS	RUNS	AVG.
W Holdsworth	1986/87 – 2001/02	3495	717	511	10844	21.19
S Thompson	1990/91 – 2009/10	3338	640	496	10902	21.97
D Freedman	1984/85 – 2007/08	3275	701	474	10697	22.56
A Bird	2002/03 – 2021/22	2309	382	412	8689	21.09
L Pascoe	1968/69 – 1983/84	1821	277	393	6798	17.30
K Hall	1990/91 – 2006/07	3844	1338	380	8804	23.16
B Urry	1951/52 – 1963/64	2026	191	376	8641	22.98
J Burke	2009/10 – 2016/17	2223	621	318	5981	18.80
N McAndrew	2012/13 – 2021/22	1605	270	271	6102	22.51
T Radanovic	1968/69 – 1977/78	1716	271	266	6170	23.19
P Talbot	1979/80 – 1994/95	1992	687	261	5950	22.79
W Britton	1952/53 – 1963/64	1153	90	216	4565	21.13
B Thebridge	1970/71 – 1974/75	1182	168	234	4626	19.76
M Betsey	1999/00 – 2005/06	1556	269	207	5125	24.75
B McKirdy	1979/80 – 1983/84	1541	380	205	3542	17.27

PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 300 WICKETS IN ALL GRADES

NAME	SEASONS	OVERS	MAIDENS	WICKETS	RUNS	AVG.
A Taylor	1952/53 – 1978/79	4978	689	1188	17286	14.55
D Freedman	1980/81 – 2016/17	6124	1276	976	20178	20.67
P Talbot	1973/74 – 1999/00	4545	1400	696	12998	18.67
W Holdsworth	1983/84 – 2001/02	4442	926	642	13267	20.66
S Thompson	1987/88 – 2009/10	3829	763	563	12334	24.92
L Pascoe	1965/66 – 1983/84	2457	398	537	8613	16.03
P Kelly	1975/76 – 1997/98	3271	765	521	8487	16.28
D Bull	1988/89 – 2012/13	3642	1091	475	9083	19.12
K Tyson	1959/60 – 1977/78	2404	469	466	8188	17.57
J Bull	1965/66 – 1981/82	2321	642	445	6192	13.91
A Bird	2002/03 – 2021/22	2423	391	443	9061	20.45
G Spotswood	1977/78 – 2014/15	4452	821	440	9748	22.15
B Urry	1951/52 – 1974/75	2195	208	403	8903	22.09
G Trevena	1989/90 – 2001/02	2750	591	388	8539	22.00
K Hall	1990/01 – 2006/07	3814	1338	380	8804	23.16
N Morrissey	1957/58 – 1966/67	1781	343	354	5073	14.33
W Silas	1951/52 – 1970/71	1325	91	349	4970	14.24
S Cusick	1981/82 – 2001/02	2568	367	348	7690	22.09
T Cramer	1982/83 – 1997/98	2694	709	340	9234	27.15
B Van Blerk	1991/92 – 2007/08	2747	553	334	8424	25.22
N McAndrew	2012/13 – 2021/22	1873	308	326	7056	21.64
J Burke	2009/10 – 2016/17	2223	621	318	5981	18.80
N Seach	1955/56 – 1967/68	1602	283	313	5266	16.82
T Radanovic	1968/69 – 1977/78	2283	753	312	6784	21.74

PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 9 WICKETS IN 1ST GRADE

NAME	SCORE	OPPONENT	SEASON
K Gray	9/43	Petersham Marrickville	1959/60
L Pascoe	9/59	Sydney	1978/79
A Bird	9/33	Manly	2003/04

PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 8 WICKETS IN 1ST GRADE

NAME	SCORE	OPPONENT	SEASON
K Lang	8/100	North Sydney	1952/53
R Holland	8/55	University	1970/71
B Thebridge	8/53	Randwick	1973/74
L Pascoe	8/57	Sutherland	1978/79
S Thompson	8/29	Fairfield	1993/94
D Tuffey	8/36	Randwick-Petersham	2012/13

PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 7 WICKETS IN 1ST GRADE

NAME	SCORE	OPPONENT	SEASON
L Pascoe	7/24	Sutherland	1975/76
	7/45	University of NSW	1975/76
	7/76	University of NSW	1976/77
D Freedman	7/68	Fairfield Liverpool	2006/07
	7/102	University	1992/93
	7/143	Manly	1997/98
J Thomson	7/34	Gordon	1968/69
	7/44	Gordon	1972/73
W Holdsworth	7/40	Mosman	1995/96
	7/38	North Sydney	1997/98
	7/62	North Sydney	1999/200
B McKirdy	7/46	University of NSW	1982/83
	7/33	Mosman	1982/83
J Burke	7/58	Fairfield-Liverpool	2016/17
C Price	7/21	Manly	2009/10



PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 6 WICKETS IN 1ST GRADE

NAME	SCORE	OPPONENT	SEASON
D Freedman	6/122	Northern Districts	1990/91
	6/31	Western Suburbs	1993/94
	6/76	Campbelltown	1994/95
	6/18	Mosman	1994/95
	6/35	Parramatta	1995/96
	6/45	Penrith	1998/99
	6/42	Parramatta	1999/00
B Urry	6/44	Eastern Suburbs	2000/01
	6/51	Blacktown	2005/06
	6/71	Glebe	1951/52
	6/82	North Sydney	1955/56
	6/53	Randwick	1956/57
	6/56	North Sydney	1962/63
	6/35	Sydney	1965/66
	6/58	Western Suburbs	1965/66
	6/54	Balmain	1966/67
	6/46	Mosman	1980/81
T McDonald	6/39	University of NSW	1980/81
	6/52	Randwick	1980/81
	6/28	Manly	1980/81
	6/27	St George	1982/83
	6/43	Waverley	1982/83
	6/44	North Sydney	1956/57
W Britton	6/28	Waverley	1957/58
	6/49	Waverley	1958/59
	6/73	Western Suburbs	1958/59
	6/33	Mosman	1959/60
	6/48	North Sydney	1986/87
W Holdsworth	6/77	Penrith	1987/88
	6/33	Western Suburbs	1991/92
	6/34	Western Suburbs	1881/92
	6/75	Sutherland	1998/99
	6/44	Western Suburbs	1968/69
J Thomson	6/75	Mosman	1971/72
	6/31	Mosman	1973/74
	6/66	Penrith	1973/74
	6/37	Manly	1972/73
L Pascoe	6/31	North Sydney	1975/76
	6/55	University of NSW	1975/76
	6/41	Northern Districts	1983/84
	6/89	Cumberland	1969/70
T Radanovic	6/107	Randwick	1969/70
	6/65	St George	1971/72
	6/31	University of NSW	1974/75
	6/50	Petersham Marrickville	1981/82
B McKirdy	6/22	Sutherland	1981/82
	6/48	Sutherland	1982/83
	6/59	Mosman	1983/84
	6/94	North Sydney	1951/52
E Miller	6/45	Western Suburbs	1952/53
	6/84	Gordon	1953/54



PLAYERS WHO HAVE TAKEN 6 WICKETS IN 1ST GRADE

NAME	SCORE	OPPONENT	SEASON
P Talbot	6/56	Northern Districts	1988/89
	6/58	Penrith	1988/89
	6/45	Fairfield	1990/91
A Bird	6/21	St George	2007/08
	6/75	University of Sydney	2002/03
	6/65	Northern District	2009/10
S Thompson	6/35	Balmain	1997/98
	6/104	Mosman	1998/99
	6/26	Hawkesbury	2003/04
K Hall (Snr)	6/27	Randwick	1962/63
	6/32	Paddington	1963/64
N Morrissey	6/36	North Sydney	1963/64
	6/37	Paddington	1963/64
I King	6/47	Northern Districts	1967/68
	6/72	Cumberland	1967/68
G Pitty	6/79	Penrith	1978/79
	6/92	Petersham	1984/85
K Hall (Emu)	6/75	North Sydney	1990/91
	6/31	Parramatta	1992/93
N Bracken	6/49	Balmain	1995/96
	6/14	Western Suburbs	1998/99
M Betsey	6/34	North Sydney	2001/02
	6/31	North Sydney	2001/02
H Dannaoui	6/48	Campbelltown	2002/03
	6/33	Hawkesbury	2002/03
J Burke	6/29	Campbelltown	2011/12
	6/74	Northern District	2011/12
M Phelps	6/9	Sydney University	2013/14
	6/41	Mosman	2011/12
N McAndrew	6/65	University of NSW	2014/15
	6/17	Eastern Suburbs	2015/16
D Bull	6/21	Western Suburbs	1992/93
D Cathro	6/25	Glebe	1963/64
K Ferguson	6/37	Balmain	1965/66
B Thebridge	6/39	Mosman	1971/72
K McDonald	6/41	Cumberland	1974/75
J Bird	6/44	St George	2009/10
R Lamaro	6/46	Sutherland	1976/77
G Smith	6/53	University of NSW	2002/03
S Waugh	6/53	Sydney	1984/85
B Lewis	6/57	Balmain	1964/65
W Pickles	6/58	Cumberland	1960/61
C Sinclair	6/61	Waverley	1984/85
T Sullivan	6/61	Hawkesbury	1985/86
M Waugh	6/63	Balmain	1985/86
J Hayward	6/65	St George	2014/15
C Hogan	6/71	Sydney	1981/82
R Le Fevre	6/89	North Sydney	1965/66
B Taylor	6/73	Parramatta	2018/19

LEADING ALL-ROUNDERS IN 1ST GRADE

	RUNS	WICKETS
S Thompson	6811	492
B Urry	6089	372
T McDonald	4739	194
A Bird	4171	412
J Burke	4127	318

MOST DISMISSALS BY A WICKETKEEPER IN 1ST GRADE

PLAYER	CATCHES	STUMPINGS	TOTAL DISMISSALS
J Allsopp	395	38	433
L Andrews	263	33	295
I Gorman	152	46	198
S Deitz	115	35	150
T Davies	113	30	143
S Pope	81	41	122
S Duff	98	18	116

WICKETKEEPER DISMISSALS IN ALL GRADES 2021/22

PLAYER	CATCHES	STUMPINGS	TOTAL DISMISSALS
C Middleton	23	0	23
E Deal	16	2	18
S Louda	14	4	18

WINNERS OF FINALS MATCH MEDALS

Benaud Medal

1st Grade

1993/94	Steve Small
1994/95	Scott Grant
1999/00	Matthew Betsey
2006/07	Brett Van Deinsen
2013/14	Mitchell Phelps

Michael Bevan Medal

1st Grade Limited Overs

2006/07	Corey Richards
2014/15	Philip Wells
2015/16	Jarrad Burke

Shane Lee Medal

Poidevin-Gray Shield

2003/04	Aaron Bird
2008/09	Anthony Sams
2013/14	Ethan Leten

Kingsgrove Sports

T20 Cup Medal

2020/21	Daniel Solway
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Kevin Cunningham Medal

A.W. Green Shield

1998/99	Brad Roworth
1999/00	Peter Dugmore
2002/03	Simon Keen
2003/04	Ryan Beaven
2009/10	Evan Goodrick
2010/11	Damien Mortimer
2013/14	Alexander Schipp
2014/15	Creedence King

CLUB RECORDS

Qualifications: Batting – 7 Innings and 250 Runs, Bowling – 15 Wickets

HIGHEST BATTING AVERAGE BY GRADE

First Grade	P Wells	101.80	2014/15
Second Grade	M Grant	95.00	2001/02
Third Grade	J Bourne	67.50	2003/04
Fourth Grade	H Kelly	94.00	1954/55
Fifth Grade	P Amson	91.50	1977/78
A W Green Shield	M Hopkins	111.00	2005/06
Poidevin Gray Shield	R Bower	183.50	1980/81
C. Shires	I Madden	31.60	1965/66

HIGHEST BATTING AGGREGATE BY GRADE

First Grade	P Wells	1527	2014/15
Second Grade	G Spotswood	876	1986/87
Third Grade	G Spotswood	717	1997/98
Fourth Grade	C Gane	802	2003/04
Fifth Grade	A Kouventaris	632	2017/18
A W Green Shield	C Ridley	668	2003/04
Poidevin Gray Shield	R Bower	367	1980/81
C. Shires	R Clarke	350	1965/66

HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SCORE BY GRADE

First Grade	S Pope	275	1993/94
Second Grade	G Baldwin	205no	1997/98
Third Grade	M Morley	203no	2012/13
Fourth Grade	Ben Thorpe	170	1995/96
Fifth Grade	J Hilder	209	2010/11
A W Green Shield	V Williams	211no	1993/94
Poidevin Gray Shield	S Smith	201no	1981/82
C. Shires	J Chippendale	148	1968/69

BEST BOWLING AVERAGE BY GRADE

First Grade	P Talbot	8.38	1987/88
Second Grade	R Ingham	7.10	1961/62
Third Grade	W Britton	4.60	1955/56
Fourth Grade	J Bull	6.25	1968/69
Fifth Grade	K Everson	7.10	1977/78
A W Green Shield	P Graham	5.00	1971/72
Poidevin Gray Shield	D Stanley	5.00	1953/54
C. Shires	R Waddington	6.67	1966/67

MOST WICKETS BY GRADE

First Grade	B.Thebridge	71	1973/74
Second Grade	P Talbot	55	1984/85
Third Grade	A Taylor	73	1957/58
Fourth Grade	H Bunton	77	1961/62
Fifth Grade	P Moy	50	2002/03
A W Green Shield	G Sargent	35	1982/83
Poidevin Gray Shield	G Pitty	30	1975/76
C. Shires	R Waddington	59	1966/67

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MOST DISMISSALS BY WICKETKEEPER BY GRADE

		Catches	Stumpings	
First Grade	S Pope	29	18	1994/95
Second Grade	S Jamieson	36	10	2003/04
Third Grade	I Gorman	28	13	1966/67
Fourth Grade	L Andrews	27	11	1969/70
Fifth Grade	A Cooper	23	10	1986/87
A W Green Shield	J Morrice	16	11	1965/66
Poidevin Gray Shield	S Pope	12	8	1990/91

BEST WICKETKEEPING PERFORMANCE 2010/11-2021/22

			Catches	Stumpings
2010/11	M Morley	Fifth Grade	21	9
2011/12	J Allsopp	First Grade	13	2
2012/13	J Allsopp	First Grade	25	1
2013/14	J Allsopp	First Grade	44	1
2014/15	M Stretton	First Grade	39	2
2015/16	M Stretton	First Grade	22	6
2016/17	M Stretton	First Grade	28	5
	M Simpson	Second Grade	30	3
2017/18	M Stretton	First Grade	32	5
2018/19	C Middleton	Second Grade	38	2
2019/20	M Simpson	First and Second Grade	35	5
2020/21	M Simpson	First Grade and Poidevin Gray	40	4
2021/22	C Middleton	First and Second Grade	23	0



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1ST GRADE

	BEST BATTING AVERAGE		MOST RUNS IN SEASON		BEST BOWLING AVERAGE		MOST WICKETS IN SEASON	
2010/11	S Keen	38.88	S Keen	622	J Burke	18.41	J Burke	37
2011/12	C Small	29.50	N Carruthers	488	J Burke	13.39	J Burke	44
2012/13	P Wells	56.50	P Wells	791	D Tuffey	8.58	J Burke	30
2013/14	J Burke	39.88	J Burke	638	M Phelps	18.97	M Phelps	37
2014/15	P Wells	101.80	P Wells	1527	J Burke	17.98	J Burke	58
2015/16	P Wells	66.10	P Wells	1388	N McAndrew	17.79	J Burke	50
2016/17	M Brown	46.52	M Brown	977	J Burke	17.08	J Burke	52
2017/18	D Solway	79.25	D Solway	1268	N McAndrew	24.75	N McAndrew	28
2018/19	M Brown	51.80	D Solway	841	B Taylor	19.93	B Taylor	56
2019/20	M Brown	50.33	N Carruthers	969	L Marshall	13.10	B Taylor	38
2020/21	J Cormack	43.35	N Carruthers	820	N McAndrew	17.05	B Taylor	49
2021/22	D Solway	55.00	D Solway	715	L Marshall	25.35	L Marshall	26

1ST GRADE HIGHEST PARTNERSHIPS

WKT	SCORE	OPPOSITION	BATSMAN 1	SCORE	BATSMAN 2	SCORE	YEAR
1	246	Paddington	G Thomas	151	A Kelly	85	1962/63
2	336	St George	D Solway	177	P Wells	150	2014/15
3	314 u/f	Western Districts	S Smith	181	S Small	123	1987/88
4	205	Sydney	P Wells	103	J Cormack	126	2015/16
5	189	Northern District	N McAndrew	109	B Taylor	90	2019/20
6	164	North Sydney	S Small	80	S Grant	80	1994/95
7	213	Northern District	A Bird	116	C Small	112	2011/12
8	147	Penrith	M Betsey	83	G Smith	83	2003/04
9	118	Parramatta	W Holdsworth	71	K Hall	44	1993/94
10	155 u/f	North Sydney	P Wells	121no	M Phelps	80no	2013/14

2ND GRADE

	BEST BATTING AVERAGE		MOST RUNS IN SEASON		BEST BOWLING AVERAGE		MOST WICKETS IN SEASON	
2010/11	L Reece	33.92	L Reece	407	M Phelps	23.00	M Phelps	33
2011/12	J Cormack	41.86	A O'Brien	356	A Jamieson	16.92	A Jamieson	38
2012/13	A Paddison	50.60	D Magee	438	D Harding	10.53	A Jamieson	37
2013/14	M Challita	37.80	M Challita	378	A Jamieson	17.95	A Jamieson	40
2014/15	M Farag	53.71	L Reece	646	A Paddison	13.00	A Jamieson	36
2015/16	D Hayes	34.87	D Hayes	523	A Jamieson	20.19	A Jamieson	31
2016/17	M Simpson	37.13	M Simpson	557	T Garg	23.11	T Garg / M Smith	18
2017/18	C Ridley	51.75	J Brockley	541	T Garg	21.73	T Garg	22
2018/19	B Le Bas	42.22	M Hinds	445	B Simpson	15.13	B Simpson	30
2019/20	D Nicotra	35.00	M Hinds	413	T Clark	8.85	T Clark	33
2020/21	N Wijewardne	65.80	M Singh	507	M Bursa	22.27	T Clark	21
2021/22	J Brockley	34.58	J Brockley	415	R Ward	16.60	M Bursa	23

2ND GRADE HIGHEST PARTNERSHIPS

WKT	SCORE	OPPOSITION	BATSMAN 1	SCORE	BATSMAN 2	SCORE	YEAR
1	338	North Sydney	G Baldwin	168no	A Smith	147	1997/98
2	274	Western Suburbs	J Bourne	179	G Scuglia	87no	2002/03
3	202	Randwick-Petersham	C Parkinson	103	A O'Brien	80no	2001/02
4	186	Manly	B Smith	95	DJ Waugh	91	1993/94
5	188	Parramatta	M Parkins	116	DJ Waugh	68	1992/93
6	236	North Sydney	S Cusick	129	V Williams	96	1994/95
7	202	Manly	G Spotswood	138	D Freedman	63	1986/87
8	229	Sydney Uni	D Magee	162no	G Trevena	59no	1996/97
9	99	Manly	S Wise	24	A Smith	72no	2002/03
10	110	Mosman	M Grant	64no	S Burt	65	2006/07

3RD GRADE

	BEST BATTING AVERAGE		MOST RUNS IN SEASON		BEST BOWLING AVERAGE		MOST WICKETS IN SEASON	
2010/11	A O'Brien	39.00	A O'Brien	468	D Bull	11.96	D Bull	27
2011/12	M Baker	35.92	M Baker	431	S Powell	14.59	D Bull	21
2012/13	M Morley	64.00	M Morley	640	M Kelly	16.94	M Kelly	32
2013/14	M Baker	36.80	M Baker	368	D Lozinski	14.89	M Kelly	21
2014/15	D Hayes	60.00	D Harding	323	M Smith	19.57	C Stefanish	22
2015/16	A O'Brien	37.46	A O'Brien	487	C Stefanish	14.69	T Garg	20
2016/17	J Bilimoria	66.80	J Bilimoria	334	A Schipp	20.26	A Schipp	23
2017/18	I Ridley	44.31	I Ridley	576	D Slane	12.71	A Schipp / D Heward	24
2018/19	D Hayes	44.60	D Hayes	446	C Stefanish	12.21	A Schipp	23
2019/20	J Felsch	45.38	J Felsch	363	K Layton	14.44	K Layton	18
2020/21	A Melnyk	63.00	A Melnyk	252	B Ali	10.88	B Ali	25
2021/22	A Melnyk	45.00	J Perera	297	N Freedman	13.00	B Handunneththi	22

3RD GRADE HIGHEST PARTNERSHIPS

WKT	SCORE	OPPOSITION	BATSMAN 1	SCORE	BATSMAN 2	SCORE	YEAR
1	187	Sutherland	G Crowfoot	101	MJ Stephenson	65	1977/78
2	241	Campbelltown	M Baker	181	M Morley	92	2011/12
3	218	Campbelltown	M Clifton	98no	M Morley	154	2012/13
4	235	Blacktown	A O'Brien	138no	D Moy	115	2004/05
5	201	Penrith	M Waugh	103	MC Stephenson	98	1980/81
6	176	St George	G Roden	116	K Roberts	86no	2000/01
7	104	Sutherland	J Bilimoria	118no	S Melham	37	2016/17
8	149	Hawkesbury	M Grant	67	S Wise	71no	2002/03
9	100	Randwick Petersham	A Matsoukis	na	L James	na	2003/04
10	68	Western Suburbs	R Monaghan	37	D Stocks	28	1982/83

AW GREEN SHIELD

	BEST BATTING AVERAGE		MOST RUNS IN SEASON		BEST BOWLING AVERAGE		MOST WICKETS IN SEASON	
2010/11	D Mortimer	43.86	D Solway	337	D Mortimer	9.41	D Mortimer	17
2011/12	D Loy	43.20	D Loy	216	D Loy	15.56	D Loy	9
2012/13	Brendan Smith	46.17	Brendan Smith	277	M Lozinski	8.00	M Lozinski	17
2013/14	Brendan Smith	47.43	B Le Bas	343	D Lozinski	6.53	D Lozinski	19
2014/15	L Hawksworth	36.86	L Hawksworth	258	D Heward	7.67	D Heward	21
2015/16	T Sowden	42.40	T Sowden	212	T Sowden	10.20	T Sowden	15
2016/17	Z Ahmed	33.00	Z Ahmed	198	J Eljed	13.44	N Setter	11
2017/18	Z Ahmed	57.50	Z Ahmed	345	M Brockwell	17.45	M Brockwell	11
2018/19	M Weerasingham	50.50	B Handunneththi	117	B Pearson	22.15	B Pearson	11
2019/20	A Raina	43.38	A Raina	347	I Raza	16.67	I Raza	15
2020/21	L Malcolm	40.33	A Raina	189	M Weerasingham	13.40	M Weerasingham	10
2021/22	J Smith	53.60	J Smith	268	H Singh	23.00	R Sidhu	8

POIDEVIN-GRAY SHIELD

	BEST BATTING AVERAGE		MOST RUNS IN SEASON		BEST BOWLING AVERAGE		MOST WICKETS IN SEASON	
2010/11	J Cormack	25.00	T Burns	129	D Bush	14.46	D Bush	13
2011/12	D Solway	58.67	T Burns	287	L Condron	15.40	D Bush	9
2012/13	Ben Smith	41.57	Ben Smith	291	N McAndrew	17.57	M Phelps	11
2013/14	D Solway	53.14	D Solway	372	R Williams	15.24	R Williams	17
							N McAndrew	17
2014/15	A Paddison	52.50	A Paddison	209	A Schipp	9.27	A Schipp	11
2015/16	D Solway	75.75	D Solway	303	R Williams	14.50	T Garg	15
2016/17	T Sowden	56.00	T Sowden	280	L Docherty	21.00	L Docherty	8
2017/18	B Smith	26.67	B Smith	240	D Heward	15.44	D Heward	9
2018/19	B Smith	45.33	P Dignam	302	B Taylor	12.00	N Wijewardene	15
2019/20	Z Ahmed	52.00	Z Ahmed	312	D Heward	13.50	D Heward	16
2020/21	E Debono	65.00	M Simpson	228	L Marshall	14.92	L Marshall / B Simpson	12
2021/22	E Debono	31.80	E Debono	159	L Marshall	13.29	K Layton	8

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4TH GRADE

	BEST BATTING AVERAGE		MOST RUNS IN SEASON		BEST BOWLING AVERAGE		MOST WICKETS IN SEASON	
2009/10	M Grant	81.75	M Grant	327	D Nichols	15.35	D Nichols	20
2010/11	S Wise	29.45	S Wise	324	M Kelly	19.91	M Kelly	23
2011/12	M Grant	54.20	M Grant	270	G Robson	14.19	G Robson	26
2012/13	J Bourne	39.86	I Ridley	714	D Bull	15.50	L Condron	27
2013/14	D Hayes	51.67	J Hawkesworth	415	M Lozinski	26.63	M Lozinski	14
2014/15	A O'Brien	35.45	A O'Brien	390	T Garg	13.00	T Sowden	22
2015/16	K Grove	38.50	D Loy	370	D Heward	18.88	D Heward	25
2016/17	J Grove	39.33	J Grove	354	M Singh	20.80	R Ward	19
2017/18	C Cotter	44.13	C Cotter	353	C Stefanish	12.95	C Stefanish	39
2018/19	C Wilkinson	30.10	C Wilkinson	301	N Wijewardene	17.25	M Hossain	17
2019/20	D Khan	29.00	D Khan	290	B Pearson	7.93	A Melnyk	18
2020/21	A Raina	17.70	J Perera	187	B Polkinghorne	8.81	B Polkinghorne	21
2021/22	M Condon	31.40	S Sahid	235	R Bhat	14.76	R Bhat	17

4TH GRADE HIGHEST PARTNERSHIPS

WKT	SCORE	OPPOSITION	BATSMAN 1	SCORE	BATSMAN 2	SCORE	YEAR
1	211	Mosman	M Davis	118	MJ Stephenson	81	1981/82
2	169	Blacktown	K Butcher	67no	T Muir	104	2007/08
3	232	Gordon	C Dunn	115no	B Christensen	141	2006/07
4	156	Penrith	M Coton	569	P Dugmore	101	1999/2000
5	182	Balmain	V Williams	109	M Smith	50	1993/94
6	181	Manly	R Schultz	100	K Ferris	79	1993/94
7	126	Balmain	D Ward	59no	J Way	150no	1999/2000
8	165	North Sydney	B Christensen	110no	J Cormack	74no	2008/09
9	85	Manly s/f	L Tucker	50	A Sidie	33	1999/2000
10	154	Gordon	J Bilimoria	100no	R Williams	66no	2012/13

5TH GRADE

	BEST BATTING AVERAGE		MOST RUNS IN SEASON		BEST BOWLING AVERAGE		MOST WICKETS IN SEASON	
2010/11	E Leten	44.78	E Leten	430	L Condron	13.94	T Sims	21
2011/12	P Yannopoulos	36.13	P Yannopoulos	289	J Bilimoria	14.71	S Khan	22
2012/13	D Hayes	50.88	D Hayes	407	D Lozinski	14.50	D Lozinski	24
2013/14	B Dickinson	35.71	G Spotswood	392	L Maloney	14.78	L Maloney	18
2014/15	H Probert	39.36	H Probert	315	L Maloney	19.20	L Maloney	25
2015/16	M Kelly	32.91	M Kelly	373	M Kelly	15.60	M Kelly	30
2016/17	M Kelly	41.33	M Kelly	496	M Kelly	14.92	M Kelly	26
2017/18	H Brett	66.43	A Kouventaris	632	D Carr	14.65	A Kouventaris	36
2018/19	A Kouventaris	28.78	J Perera	267	N Hebeston	9.10	B Handunneththi	25
2019/20	J Perera	37.50	J Perera	300	L Hewitt	9.78	M Clissold	13
2020/21	S Shahid	48.66	S Shahid	328	H Singh	17.00	C Fitzjohn	18
2021/22	J King	41.20	T Ramage	312	M Farhann	20.56	N Setter	12

5TH GRADE HIGHEST PARTNERSHIPS

WKT	SCORE	OPPOSITION	BATSMAN 1	SCORE	BATSMAN 2	SCORE	YEAR
1	223	Western Suburbs	E Leten	135	D Solway	101no	2010/11
2	188	Penrith	M Baker	69	B Christensen	153	2005/06
3	175	Parramatta	J Hilder	209	I Ridley	63	2010/11
4	248u/f	Fairfield	P Crossan	148	L Stevenson	100	1994/95
5	210	Randwick	A Dunn	107	D Angel	102	1984/85
6	149	Western Suburbs	H Probert	99no	M Simpson	52no	2014/15
7	152*	Fairfield-Liverpool	G Spotswood	120no	M Clifton	62no	2009/10
8	86	Petersham-Marrickville	F Theodore	54	P Raymond	30	1985/86
9	73	Western Suburbs	D Allsopp	53no	P Henry	16no	2012/13
10	78	Randwick	P Taylor	34no	A Klumpp	37	1996/97

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1951/52	10	9	12	5	4					
1952/53	5	9	4	1	2					
1953/54	9	9	14	5	7		1			
1954/55	13	14	10	15	11					
1955/56	9	3	14	3	4					
1956/57	13	11	14	14	9					
1957/58	3	4	1	2	9					
1958/59	1	1	5	6	2					
1959/60	3	5	4	8	7					
1960/61	2	3	1	8	5		1			
1961/62	4	14	1	2	1					
1962/63	8	12	4	6	5			1		
1963/64	4	6	4	9	12					
1964/65	8	7	7	10	5			1		
1965/66	11	15	9	5	3			1		
1966/67	1	10	3	1	4					
1967/68	6	7	10	7	2					
1968/69	9	11	7	11	5					
1969/70	15	15	10	14	7	11		1		
1970/71	7	7	8	9	7	3				
1971/72	8	9	14	15	1	5				
1972/73	10	10	13	11	2	3				
1973/74	14	12	17	6	13	3				
1974/75	10	9	1	10	15	5				
1975/76	7	2	5	13	12	3				
1976/77	8	4	13	7	3	1				
1977/78	3	8	5	3	5	3				
1978/79	3	9	8	1	6	2				
1979/80	17	16	8	16	11	9				
1980/81	4	9	3	5	2	11				
1981/82	11	10	10	5	17	3				
1982/83	4	2	4	5	13	3		1		
1983/84	3	7	8	2	3	2				
1984/85	4	6	3	15	3	7				



Year	Club	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	PG	AWG	1st L/O	T20
1985/86	6	13	6	5	12	2				
1986/87	9	13	4	7	15	9				
1987/88	1	1	3	3	7	4				
1988/89	4	4	9	6	3	11		1		
1989/90	9	13	8	1	17	8	1			
1990/91	17	8	15	19	9	16				
1991/92	12	10	14	7	10	6				
1992/93	16	11	11	19	15	7				
1993/94	2	1	9	7	5	13			5	
1994/95	2	1	6	2	3	6			3	
1995/96	2	2	2	9	7	14			1	
1996/97	3	2	6	14	13	12			2	
1997/98	3	1	4	10	9	17			1	
1998/99	5	2	9	9	14	12		1	5	
1999/00	4	1	8	17	5	10		1	5	
2000/01	7	12	11	5	16	9			11	
2001/02	3	7	3	8	17	12			3	
2002/03	11	13	10	6	19	3	10	1	9	
2003/04	1	3 MP	2	4	3	12	2 MP	1 MP	3 MP	
2004/05	5	8	7	12	12	12	8	2	6	
2005/06	15	9	13	12	13	15	8	20	7	
2006/07	13	1	8	14	19	19	16	6	1	
2007/08	2	8	2	8	9	2	6	9	7	
2008/09	5	3 MP	11	14	7	15	1	9	3 MP	
2009/10	6	8	4	7	11	9	6	1	12	3 MP
2010/11	6	4	16	2	8	5	14	1 MP	12	9
2011/12	13	14	14	14	11	11	9	13	17	15
2012/13	2	7	2	3 MP	4	9	13	11	14	12
2013/14	11	2	7	8	18	19	1	1 MP	8	9
2014/15	7	2	3	13	10	14	15	1	1 MP	3
2015/16	12	1 MP	19	12	14	18	5	3	1 MP	4
2016/17	14	2	17	16	13	20	11	17	4	2 (Thunder conf.)
2017/18	11	7	15	12	12	7	18	6	4	5 (Thunder conf.)
2018/19	7	8	4	14	16	11	3	19	4	4 (Thunder conf.)
2019/20	1	3	1 MP	3	8	12	1 (Thunder conf.)	4	7	1 (Thunder conf.)
2020/21	9	11	5	4	13	16	3 (Thunder conf.)	20	3	1
2021/22	10	14	7	2	14	16	3 (Thunder conf.)	13	na	5 (Thunder conf.)



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Bulldogs runs not enough against Dolphins, but Hinds shines with century in 2nd grade

**Opposition: Easts - Round 1
Waverley Oval, Sat 6 Nov 2021**



In the first match of the COVID-affected Sydney Premier Cricket season, the Bankstown Sports Bulldogs found the going tough at Waverley Oval. With the recent rain across Sydney, it was going to be an important toss to win in a one-day match — but unfortunately captain Daniel Solway lost the toss and the visitors were sent in to bat on a new wicket. Losing the top order early, the Bulldogs were reeling at 3 for 26. However, replicating his form from last season, Jake Cormack started to bring both stability and runs to the Bulldogs' innings. Jake rattled the fence frequently and sent one flying into the outer at Waverley with seven fours and a towering six. New Bulldog Ethan Deal partnered Jake and they enjoyed an 84-run partnership with clever running and deft placement and pushed the score along. Jake again showed his class today but stood alone. Indeed, once Ethan (27) and Jake (75) departed, the tail barely wagged and the Bulldogs only scrambled together a total of 150 off their 50 overs. In reply, the Bankstown bowlers struck early and had the Dolphins at 2 for 20. This had the Bulldog supporters hopeful as Tyler Van Luin - another new recruit from ACT - was also applying pressure. Unfortunately, the Easts batsmen stabilised their innings and were methodical in what was a modest run chase and so achieved the win 3/156 in the 42nd over.

2nd grade

At Bankstown Oval, second grade won the toss and captain Tony Clark sent the Dolphins in to bat in their one-day encounter. Opening bowler Muhammad Salman beat the outside edge of the bat frequently and was very difficult to score off early. The Bulldogs bowlers all shared the wickets but Salman was the pick of the bowlers. While the Dolphins' batsmen all got good starts, it was consistent pressure by the bowling unit and good fielding that kept some control on the score with good outfield catching by Joel Brockley, Tony Clark and Niran Wijewardene that slowed the scoring down at crucial times. Nevertheless, Eastern Suburbs posted a very competitive 7 for 265 after their allotted 50 overs. The Bulldogs batsmen showed how well the wicket was playing after the moisture had evaporated and put on a master class of big hitting. Mansukh Singh took the lead and was heading for a quick-paced century. Falling just short at 96 runs off 86 balls, he shared a 192-run stand with Mitch Hinds which paved

the way for Bulldogs' victory. Singh was stunned as he absolutely belted a ball back to the bowler who unbelievably managed to take the catch. Singh stood there in disbelief it was hit that hard. This gave Mitch Hinds the cue to lift his scoring and he did so with class and aplomb. Hinds was just as happy to sneak a cheeky single to close cover as he was sending them into or over the fence. The batting display by Hinds was simply superb and he was well supported by Matt Simpson (21no) and Wijewardene (18). Scoring a brilliant 111 runs before being bowled, Hinds had set up the Bulldogs win and deserved to carry his bat. The Bulldogs reached the target with over 3 overs to spare when chasing a sizeable total and have started their season in fine form.

Bulldogs outclassed in local derby

**Opposition: St George - Round 2
Bankstown Oval, Sat 13 Nov 2021**



The Bankstown Sports Bulldogs were unfortunately outclassed at Bankstown Oval on Saturday in the local derby against St George. Winning the toss, captain Daniel Solway elected to bat and it could be argued that was all that went right for the beleaguered Dogs. Absolutely reeling at 3 for 13 the top order batsmen were (again) not playing a circumspect innings to help build a defensible total. However, Solway did his best to hold the team together and along with Ethan Deal, put on a fantastic 142-run partnership. Solway had the honour of carrying his bat with 109 not out and was well supported by Deal with 64. The Bulldogs limped to a potentially defensible total of 5 for 216 off their allotted 50 overs. Despite an early breakthrough in the Saints' run chase when Liam Marshall skittled the poles of Stapleton - and the Saints were 1 for 5 - the rest of the afternoon was spent chasing leather to and over the fence. Local rivals St George were just too good and won by 9 wickets in the 37th over.

2nd Grade

At Hurstville Oval, second grade captain Tony Clark lost the toss and the Bulldogs were sent into bat. While the top order all got decent starts, none went on with the vital job of laying a solid foundation of runs. Indeed, it was only Mitch Hinds who kept the scorers busy with a well-fought 46. But Hinds was losing partners at the other with regularity and so it was difficult to build a

sizeable innings and the Dogs struggled to get to 164 off 48.1 overs and were all out. St George's run chase took a similar vein as most batters got good starts but none scoring over 30. In spite of some good bowling by Matt Bursa with 3 for 36 and Ryan Clark (2 for 43), the Bulldogs' total was simply not enough and the Saints reached 6 for 165 with nearly 9 overs to spare.

3rd Grade

In the only good news for Saturday, the Alex Kouventaris-led thirds snuck home with a one run win at Kelso North. The nail-biting finish came down to the last ball of the day and the Bulldogs held on to a tightly fought win. After losing the toss, Bankstown were sent in to bat. Ryan Freeman top scored with 58 but needed more support to ensure the Dogs would use the willow to set a large total. However, the Dogs managed to set a modest total of 8 for 161. Chasing 162 to win, St George were losing wickets at regular intervals and so were making hard work of the small total. However, with St George at 5 for 110 and with victory in sight, the Dogs bowlers and fielders had other plans. Three quick wickets for zero runs saw the Dogs break the Saints' heart and were now reeling at 8 for 110. Koby Layton with 4 for 15 was the pick of the bowlers and started the Saints' rot with two wickets for zero runs. Layton helped swing the match back to the Dogs who snuck home chasing 2 runs to win but only sneaking a single. A very close match that had everyone on their toes until the end.

4th Grade

At Harold Fraser Reserve, the Bulldogs won the toss and batted. Captain Jehan Bilimoria was the only batsman who got going with 35 but lacked support despite other players getting small starts. Unfortunately, the Dogs were all out in the 48th over for 184. Chasing a moderate total, Saints worked their way to a win in the 47th over. A bright note to the match saw the debut of Nicholas Freedman - who is Bankstown Cricket's club legend Brian Freedman's grandson and son of former NSW and Australia A spinner David Freedman. Nicholas had a good day with the ball with 2 for 25 on debut and looks a promising talent.

5th Grade

Tom Ramage's fifths also suffered defeat at the hand of Saints at Grahame Thomas Oval. After winning the toss, Bankstown sent St George in to bat. Most Dogs' bowlers copped the willow, although returnee player Nathan Setter was a bright spark with the ball and claimed 3 for 55. Saints' batsmen scored very well and set an imposing, but gettable target of 276 to win. Lower order players Jordan King (60 not out) and Bailey Penna (68 not out) were shining lights and gave hope to the chase. While they went reasonably close it just wasn't enough with the Dogs falling 50 runs short.

POIDEVIN-GRAY T20 vs Penrith : Sunday 14th November 2021

In Sunday morning's T20 Poidevin-Gray match at Bankstown Oval, captain Liam Marshall won the toss and sent Penrith in to bat with a great result in the first ball of the day. Speedster Brad Simpson rattled

the pads with opener Smith adjudged LBW. What a start by the young tyro. With the Bulldog bowlers applying pressure from both ends, it took some determined batting to keep the Dogs at bay. Despite wickets falling along the way as Koby Layton put the brakes on (2 for 21), Penrith were able to post a healthy 5 for 153 off their allotted 20 overs. In the run chase, the Bulldog openers were steady without setting the scoreboard alight. It wasn't until Ethan De Bono entered when sparks and the balls went flying with a quick-fire 28 off just 16 balls. Zeeshaan Ahmed opened and scored 30 at a strike rate of 100, but most of the other Dogs batsmen either struggled to get scoring or played rash shots. A late order charge by captain Marshall (18 not out) with Simpson and Brady Polkinghorne had the crowd excited as Bankstown were provided 10 extra runs by the umpires for slow over rates by their opponents. Falling just 9 runs short highlights the need to get a good start in this frantic twenty over format.

FIRST GRADE T20 vs Penrith : Sunday 14th November 2021

In Sunday afternoon's game, Daniel Solway won the toss and batted first. While Solway couldn't replicate his form of Saturday, Nick Carruthers and Zeeshaan Ahmed stamped their authority with lusty strokes all over Bankstown Oval. When Carruthers fell for a very quick 18 off only a few balls, and Brendan Smith the very next ball, Mansukh Singh continued the assault. Ahmed was cleaned bowled for 37 off just 28 deliveries while Singh got ever closer to 50 with three towering sixes - one into the upper floor of the Stephen and Mark Waugh Pavilion. Singh was run out by some very sharp outfielding for 47 off 38 balls and had laid some foundation. The remaining batsmen all scored at a rate above 100 and so the score ticked over nicely with contributions from Ethan Deal and Aaron Bird with 15 not out. The Dogs posted a respectable 7/151 off their 20 overs. Penrith started the run chase relatively slowly, but slowly built their innings. However, captain Bird rotated his bowlers to great effect and reaped the rewards as wickets fell in succession - 4 wickets for 16 runs which were shared amongst the bowlers. Today saw some outstanding fielding from both sides - none more so than the great outfield catch at deep mid wicket on the fence by Brendan Smith to remove Penrith's big hitter Watson for 46. The Penrith tail wagged and made the Dogs' supporters a bit nervous in the last few overs. But it was the wily captain Bird who showed all his skill and experience to take 2 for 22 off his four overs and bowl at the death and enable the Bulldogs to eke out a close win by 6 runs.

Ghosts haunted by Bulldogs Birthday Boy

Opposition: Campbelltown-Camden - Round 3 Raby Oval, Sat 20th November 2021

In Round 3 of Sydney Premier Cricket, the Bankstown Sports Bulldogs ventured out to Campbelltown for a one-day match at Raby Oval 1. Captain Daniel Solway lost the toss and was asked to field which proved profound as one of the Ghosts' openers was heading back to the sheds



immediately after a very sharp caught and bowled by lanky paceman Liam Marshall. Marshall turned 21 on Saturday and was obviously determined to celebrate his special day with a memorable performance. Marshall was simply too quick for the batsmen and showed his genuine pace and maturity and he has really stepped up as one of the Dogs' opening bowlers following Nathan McAndrew's move to South Australia. With the first three wickets (and 3 for 35), Marshall had now stamped his authority on the match and the Ghosts were reeling at 3 for 30. Marshall was well supported in the field and new wicketkeeper Ethan Deal took a screamer when fully stretched to his right with a great dive to dismiss former Bulldog Isakka. The other bowlers all bowled a solid line and length, but new recruit Tyler Van Luin really emerged as a truly destructive bowling partner. One of his best was the diving catch by Jake Cormack at extra cover to dismiss Nunn. Van Luin showed his guile and smarts with the leather and was simply 'all over' the Ghosts' batsmen - earning his outstanding 4 for 22 with 2 catches, an LBW and a clean bowled. Runs were especially difficult to earn, and no Ghosts batsmen managed a scoring rate close to 100 - which is critical in a one-day match. At 9/169 after their allotted 50 overs, the Ghosts were stifled into a very modest total by Marshall and Van Luin with 7 for 57 between them.

In the run chase, the Bulldogs took to the Ghosts bowlers, with opener Nick Carruthers highlighting how hard he strikes the ball with a magnificent 75 off 71 balls. The fielders were fetching the ball from the fence frequently - with Carruthers hammering nine boundaries for 4 - and a few fence pickets may need replacing after Carruthers' wielding of the willow. Carruthers was well supported by Solway with a solid 49 and Zeeshaan Ahmed with 26 not out off just 14 balls. By the time the first Dogs' wicket had fallen at 122, the result was never in doubt. To highlight the point of the need to score quickly, three Dogs' batsmen scored at a rate over 100 and the match finished in the 30th over and so earned the Bulldogs a very valuable bonus point.

2nd grade

The Tony Clark-led seconds lost the toss and were asked to field at Bankstown Oval. With cloud cover and a new wicket and a beautiful outfield, it was hoped the Bulldogs bowlers could take advantage of the bowler-friendly conditions. Opener Muhammad Salman beat the bat with monotonous regularity and was too sharp for the Ghosts' batsmen, but he just could not get the wickets he deserved despite some big swings. The Ghosts' batsmen were making slow and steady progress, but the Dogs' bowlers made them fight for every run. Indeed, wickets were falling in clumps and the Ghosts struggled to get partnerships going to build a total to defend. The Ghosts lost four for just 12 runs and the Ghosts were shell-shocked and the Dogs' bowling and fielding was on fire. After a modest 40-run partnership after being 5 for 94 with wickets shared amongst four bowlers, the Dogs' bowlers again put the brakes on and really took control sending the Ghosts' batting into reverse. Slow bowling by Koby Layton (3 for 28) and Ryan Clark (2 for 29) demoralised the middle order and tail with a stunning 5 wickets for just 24 runs to finish off the Ghosts' batting nearly 10 overs early. They were well supported in the field with Joel Brockley taking two catches - one a very sharp catch at slips off Salman as well as Mitch Hinds taking a running catch on the fence. Campbelltown-Camden all out 157 in the 41st over.

In the run chase, Brockley was in a measured but aggressive mood and absolutely belted the ball into the fence with alarming regularity considering he was facing the openers. Brockley hammered 27 off just 13 balls and was looking ominous. Mansukh Singh had hardly seen the ball yet and so he took over the hitting to the fence as well as sneaking some quick singles. All batsmen got starts and so the total was really a foregone conclusion as the batsmen took full advantage of the Dogs' bowlers' and catchers' great earlier work - with Cameron Middleton 33 not out and Ryan Clark 23 not out - to finish off the Ghosts very early in the 35th over.

3rd Grade

Captain Alex Kouventaris lost the toss and was sent in to bat at Raby Oval 2. With only one batsman getting into double figures, it was not a good day for third grade and perhaps one that the Bulldogs should perhaps use to reflect upon how to place a higher value on their wickets. With a total of just 63 it was unlikely to be defensible and the Ghosts' batsmen quickly sent the Dog's home with their tails between their legs, reaching the winning total in under 20 overs.

4th Grade

At Kelso Park North, stand-in skipper Prashanthan Sivapragasam lost the coin toss and was asked to bowl - a decision that came back to haunt the Ghosts. With the Ghosts' best partnership being a very modest 26 runs and wickets falling regularly, the Dogs' bowlers applied pressure with every single delivery. The freshly minted skipper Sivapragasam (3 for 29) started the rot with the first three Ghosts' wickets, to which they simply had no response. The damage was relentless as wickets fell every few overs, with the

Dogs snaring in bunches with 3 for 16 runs then 3 for just 3 runs and so restrict the visitors to just 105 in the 39th over. Charlie Fitzjohn (3 for 22) and Brian Handunneththi (2 for 8) mopped up the tail. In reply, the Bulldogs' batsmen scored slowly but surely and were circumspect in their chase and made sure they did not throw away a win due to rash shots. Ethan Prideaux (29) and Perera (21) helped set up the Dogs' total, reaching 3 for 106 in the 33rd over for a convincing win.

5th Grade

Winning the toss and batting first at Raby Oval 3, captain Rohin Patel led the way for the very young Bulldogs side with a solid 31 not out. However, he was only supported by three other batsmen who got starts and so the Dogs limped to a total of 153 which was unlikely to be enough at Raby 3. In reply, the Ghosts batsmen took their time to chase down the modest total in the 43rd over and lost only 3 wickets along the way. Plenty of solid efforts with the ball including Reagan Sidhu snaring two wickets, but in the end just not enough runs to defend.

4 washed out

Pups Keep the Flag Flying as Top Dogs Go Under

**Opposition: Parramatta
T20 Double Header
Bankstown Oval, 28th November 2021**



In a rain-affected weekend of Sydney Premier Cricket, only Sunday's T20 matches went ahead at Bankstown Oval against Parramatta after Saturday's Limited Overs matches were washed out.

The Bulldogs top grade struggled against a classy Parramatta outfit but the Poidevin Gray Shield Under 21 squad secured an exciting win with one ball to spare.

In the 2.30pm T20 First Grade match also against Parramatta, the Bulldogs captained by Life Member player Aaron Bird lost the toss and were sent in to bat. Opening pair Nick Carruthers and Daniel Solway were restricted to rapidly run singles and doubles and so kept the runs ticking over without authority, until Carruthers decided to take charge with his 14 runs off the 4th over including a massive six and a laser-like boundary

straight back over the bowler. Solway was caught in the deep next over for 8 runs, bringing Ahmed to the crease with the Dogs 1 for 28 after 5 overs. Carruthers was starting to warm up like only he can, with very powerful and clean hitting over the bowler's head again out of Memorial Oval when the ball is bowled where Carruthers likes it or quick defensive singles around the wicket. Carruthers was now taking risks and giving chances and was dropped near the deep mid-wicket boundary when on 29 with the fielder chewing the cud after an unpleasant face plant. Carruthers took 14 off the next over himself with 2 sixes and a 2, but a rash shot gifted to the catcher at backward point saw him depart for a rapid-fire 47 off only 31 balls. Joining Ahmed in the middle, Brendan Smith provided great support as Ahmed started to lift the scoring, primarily with quick singles for them both. However, Smith tried to take on the bowling and was caught at deep mid-wicket for just 2 runs — bringing Mansukh Singh to the middle and the Dogs at 3 for 74 in the 12th over and starting to feel some pressure. Singles rather than boundaries were also adding to the scoreboard pressure, and the next boundary wasn't until the 15th over by Singh with a distinct edge through slips with the Dogs at 3 for 94. After lodging a ball over the deep mid-wicket fence and disappearing into the trees, Ahmed then holes out to long off for 33 and wicketkeeper Deal joins Singh only to last 2 balls to be adjudged LBW. As Tyler Van Luin comes to the crease at 5/108 in the 18th over, the Bulldogs are on shaky ground and could really struggle to set the total they wanted — primarily due to the effectiveness of the Parramatta slow bowlers and the Dogs' inability to score boundaries regularly. However, Singh was not going to go down without a fight and despatched a maximum to the John Mackay Centre only to be caught next ball just in front of the fence for 23. With one over to bat and the Dogs 6 for 120, captain Bird joined Van Luin who was subsequently caught on the fence. Marshall and Bird did their best but could only muster a few runs. The Bulldogs end their innings at 7 for 126 after their allotted 20 overs and will have to bowl and field to their best ability to defend such a modest total.

Opening the bowling, Liam Marshall nearly continued his recent and freakish form of first ball wickets, but it fell just short of Brad Simpson near third man on the fence. A few balls later, Ben Abbott skied the ball towards Simpson again who ran in twenty metres and took a great catch as the ball was swirling around in the air like a dervish - taking an age to before landing in Simpson's safe hands. Simpson then partnered Marshall and was unlucky not get an edge to 'keeper Deal. Van Luin then almost snagged a catch to Bird at mid-off, but it was not to be. The out fielding was very sharp, as shown in Aaron Bird's first over when Dayne Heward took a difficult catch at deep mid-wicket — the Eels 2 for 29. Then Ryan Clark's slow bowling was used to good effect and gave away little as the batsmen had to force the pace and take risks and nearly gifted Clark a caught and bowled. But they were able to keep the scoreboard ticking over and moved to 62 runs after 10 overs. The momentum was swinging Parramatta's way and the

Dogs needed a breakthrough. Despite a late catch to Smith in the 16th over, the damage had been done to the Dogs' bowlers who were getting carted and the Eels were cruising to victory at 3/115 and passed the Bulldogs just three down in the 18th over.

Poidevin Gray Shield

In the morning's Under 20 Poidevin-Gray match, Bankstown won the toss and fielded which proved to be a great choice given the recent weather in Sydney. Captain Liam Marshall opened the bowling from the Bankstown Sports Club end and was bowling with venom to beat the bat regularly until he hit the stumps to clean bowl the opener and finishing with 2/17 off 3 sharp overs. Parramatta then built their innings until Koby Layton came on and slowed the match down. With 3 wickets for 23, Layton was controlling the pace and keeping the Dogs well in the hunt as the batsmen simply struggled to put him away. Indeed, Brad Simpson took three great outfield catches — one at cover and two skied balls at long off — and was supporting his bowlers with high quality catches. With four wickets for just 13 runs in the latter part of the innings, the Bulldogs bowlers and fielders had done a great job. Finishing at 6/117 after their 20 overs, Parramatta had posted what seemed a very modest total.

Starting the 118-run chase the young Bulldogs weren't taking enough precautions to value their wickets, with Ethan Deal caught in 1st slip and then next over, Zeeshaan Ahmed run out with neither bothering the scorers much. Consolidation was badly needed with the Dogs stunned at 2/11 in the third over. But wickets kept falling and Modacer Momandi was caught behind in the very next over. The 118 needed to win was looking a long way away at just 3/15 on the Dion Bourne scoreboard. Ethan DeBono and Ryan Freedman steadied the very nervous Bulldogs ship to build a badly needed partnership. DeBono started to show his class and balls started rattling pickets as well as clearing them with some powerful strokes straight past the bowler as well as over the mid-wicket fence. Freedman provided great support to DeBono by working the ball around and both were taking the quick singles when on offer with little risk. This really started to swing the match back towards Bankstown. DeBono was batting beautifully and reached his 50 off just 31 balls in the 13th over. Unfortunately, DeBono fell on 51 in the 14th over with the Dogs now 4 for 80 and still needing 38 runs off 6 overs. Johann Perera joined Freedman and the pair worked well together although some risky shots had the supporters nervous at times. But with just over a run a ball needed, Freedman despatched a huge six over mid-wicket to the delight of the crowd in the grandstand. Then Perera flexed his muscles and was hitting the leather hard for doubles. With just 9 runs now needed off the remaining 2 overs, it was edge of the seat cricket. Freedman contributed a great 31 before being caught on the first ball of the 19th over. Marshall joined Perera to chase down the 9 runs needed for victory, but he skied a ball to long on with the Dogs still needing 7 to win off 8 balls. Brad Simpson now joined Perera.

The final over arrives and the Dogs still need 6 runs to win. Two runs off the first ball to Perera. Then a single. Simpson now on strike with the Bulldogs needing 3 runs off 4 balls. Simpson out caught in cover but fortunately the hard-hitting Perera gets on strike. Layton comes out and next ball Perera hits it hard for 2 - the scores are tied with 2 balls to go. Then Perera hits the ball to the fence and deservedly hits the winning boundary. The Bulldogs home by 3 wickets (and 4 runs) with one ball to spare, and most supporters' fingernails gone.

Panthers last gasp victory over Dogs

**Opposition: Penrith - Round 5
Bankstown Oval, Sat 4 Dec 2021**



At Bankstown Oval under threatening heavy clouds, the Bankstown Sports Club first grade team won the toss and elected to bowl. With the outfield looking magnificent the bowlers hoped to glean whatever early movement might be offer on the new wicket. Unfortunately, there were too many wides in the early overs and this kept the Penrith score ticking over. While openers Liam Marshall and Brad Simpson looked speedily dangerous at times, it wasn't until Tyler Van Luin hit the pads for the second time in the one over for Liddiard to be adjudged LBW. Penrith were going very well at 1 for 52 in the 8th over. At the Grahame Thomas end, Ryan Clark was now slowing things somewhat, but any loose balls were finding the fence. Nevertheless, the run rate was being rapidly reduced by the tight Bankstown bowling and focused fielding pressure. At first drinks after 18 overs, Penrith were 1 for 102 and starting to look very comfortable as the Dion Bourne Scoreboard just kept rolling along wicketless and three fours in one over from Daniel Burns started to really push the Panthers scoring along. The Dogs bowlers just seemed to lack penetration and so found the going very tough. "Looks like a good batting deck" quipped Geoff Price the Dogs' scorer, as Penrith were helping themselves to boundaries. However, some tight bowling by Brad Simpson saw Smith pull the ball to square leg for a very sharp catch by Brendan Smith. More wickets were needed to really apply genuine pressure as the second fell at 2 for 152 in the 27th over - so a very large total to chase was looking ominous. However, this

wicket had renewed the on-field vigour and talk and saw the Dogs much more motivated. Tyler Van Luin grabbed a skied pull shot off Daniel Burns' much more controlled bowling to take a catch at mid on with Penrith now 3 for 170 in the 32nd over. With plenty of wickets left, Penrith could easily come out swinging to try and set a total worthy of their start. However, Burns and Van Luin put the brakes on and the momentum was slowly swinging away from the mountain men. But, wickets in hand can be a dangerous thing to a bowling side. Nevertheless, recent recruit and tall pace tyro, Van Luin snared another LBW with great line and length to dismiss Adams for 71 and Panthers now 4 for 186. Then three balls later, Van Luin struck again with a great caught behind to 'keeper Ethan Deal and Penrith having had the brakes firmly applied (if late) at 5 for 187 in the 37th over. Van Luin is really developing as a wicket taker by using his height to swing the ball very late - not unlike the great Terry Alderman from WA and to the delight of the Bulldog supporters. Indeed, Van Luin is growing in stature each match as he evolves into his role as first change bowler that keeps taking wickets at a low run rate. His 3 wickets for a miserly 38 runs off 10 overs ensured Van Luin really was the pick of the Dogs' bowlers. Van Luin was well supported by, and bowled in tandem with, Burns - who finished with 1 for 45 off his 10. Simpson (2/59 off 10) came back on and Burns took a juggled catch at mid on as he made everyone nervous but took it on the third grab as he went to ground without spilling the ball. Panthers now 6/219 in the 44th over and looking to still set a healthy total to chase. Marshall (1/64 off 10) got the next wicket with a simple catch to Solway at cover. Nevertheless, the Dogs will have to bat well and deep to overtake the Penrith total which concluded at 7 for 4 249 after their allotted 50 overs. Bankstown Coach Corey Richards said after the start Penrith had, he'd "happily take 250 to chase" and that is exactly what Bankstown needed to win.

The Dogs' opening batters of Nick Carruthers and Daniel Solway showed plenty of purpose without risk or aggression and worked balls around the field and occasionally into the fence. But, with the score on 32 in the 6th over, Carruthers was easily caught at mid wicket for 21 runs off just 15 balls and was clearly disappointed at what might have been. Zeeshaan Ahmed joined Solway at the crease and was lucky to survive the first ball after nearly chopping it onto his stumps. Solway and Ahmed kept the score ticking over with a few good shots, but the crowd was not yet convinced. Unfortunately Solway was caught behind for 28 and the Dogs now 2 for 61 and still a very long way from home in the 12th over. The talented left-handed Brendan Smith joined Ahmed and the two started to rebuild the Bulldogs innings with a solid 50-run partnership. While ticking the scoreboard over well that included Ahmed's massive six onto the roof of the Steve and Mark Waugh Pavilion, the required run rate was kept under control and never got away from the pair. Indeed, both Ahmed and Smith got to 50 runs each comfortably before Ahmed was caught behind for 58 runs off 70 balls, including three sixes. With a stoic 101-run partnership, Ahmed and Smith had helped

provide a platform for the Dogs. Smith has only recently rejoined the club from Queensland and showed all his guile and experience from having represented both NSW (where he captained his state to a Championship win) and then Queensland in the Imparja Cup (National Indigenous Cricket Championships). Smith also represented Australia in the Australian Aboriginal XI tour of England in 2018 and demonstrated his explosive talent by brilliantly outscoring one of Australia's best-ever T20 players in Dan Christian - against Surrey XI - with 61 off just 24 balls. Smith kept the Memorial Oval scoreboard lighting up with some lovely shots, until he fell for a sterling 71 off 88 balls. The Dogs now needed 59 runs off 10 overs to win with wicketkeeper Deal joining Cormack under immense pressure. The Panthers bowlers were not offering much at all and so the run chase was starting to slip through the Dog's fingers as they just kept hitting straight to the fielders. Cormack belted a ball over the mid-wicket fence followed by a deft single and then Deal wanted to send the ball out of the oval, only to take a wild swing and be stumped. Van Luin joined Cormack with Bankstown needing just over 7 runs per over to win. Not impossible, but not easy with the pressure being applied. Cormack and Van Luin played clever cricket and brought the equation to win much closer to nearly a run a ball with 4 overs to go. Such pressure meant the Dogs were taking risks and Cormack was run out for 28 and the likely result swinging back to the visitors. Van Luin and Marshall did their best to push the run rate and Marshall looked like hitting over the fence for a badly needed boundary at long on, only to be caught. Clark and Van Luin now needed 19 runs off 11 balls and the Dogs looking down the barrel of a loss. Van Luin would not go down without a fight and scored 2 runs a ball for three balls. The last over arrives and Bankstown need 10 to win. First ball sees Van Luin caught at deep long on just in front of the fence. Paceman Simpson joins Clark with 10 runs off 5 balls to win. Clark managed two runs off a few balls, but the final ball was just a single and so the Dogs fall agonisingly short at 8/245. With only 3 wides by Penrith and 13 extra ball wides for 18 runs by Bankstown, it could readily be argued this was where the game was won and lost.

2nd Grade

At Howell Oval, the Tony Clark-led seconds lost the toss and were asked to bowl after a delayed start due to a wet pitch which saw the match reduced to 48 overs. This yielded wickets within just a few overs - with both wickets to the captain - one a sharp run out and then a clean bowled shortly after. The Panthers at home were now reeling at 2 for 23 in the 8th over. With just 10 runs added Matt Bursa got a great caught and bowled but then the runs started to flow with a 52-run partnership until Tony Clark did the damage with another clean bowled as well as a great catch by Mansukh Singh. Clark finished with the outstanding figures of 4 for 41 off 9 overs and like wine, just gets better. Blacktown worked their way to 7 for 209 off their allotted 50 overs. In the run chase that could only be described as mediocre, the Dogs could only must 96 runs in total in the 30th over and so came home with their tails between their legs.

3rd Grade

At Kelso Park North, Alex Kouventaris lost the toss and was sent in to bat. This proved to be a toss to lose as the top three batsmen all scored well and it wasn't until the score was 96 that the Dogs lost their first wicket. Johann Perera top scored with 53 and he was well supported by both Modacer Momandi with 40 and Brian Handunneththi who also was also 40 and not out. A great tail wag by Anthony Melnyk with 27 saw the Bulldogs muster a healthy 4 for 177. In reply, the Mounties could not get going as wickets fell at regular intervals with Blacktown losing 2 wickets for just 1 run after 2 overs and the yips were running riot. Two more wickets and Mounties now 4 for 19 and 177 was a long way off. Rhys Ward was clearly the pick of the bowlers with 4 for 18 off 10 overs and he simply was too good for the Mounties batsmen with his nagging line and length with three clean bowled and an LBW. He was well supported by Jehan Bilimoria with 2 for 10 and so these two simply strangled the batsmen out of the match, despite Blacktown getting reasonably close to be all out for 155. A well-deserved Bulldogs win.

4th Grade

At Cook Park, Prashanthan Sivapragasam lost the toss and Bankstown were sent in to bat. The decision to send the Dogs in to bat backfired somewhat as Ryan Malcolm worked his way stoically to a fantastic 70 that helped lay the backbone for the team. With great support from Andrew Gotsis with a sterling 45 and all other players contributing, the Dogs got to 5 for 196 off their allotted 50 overs. With some tight bowling, Blacktown lost 3 wickets for just 5 runs with the wickets shared amongst the bowlers. However, Charlie Fitzjohn was the pick of the bowlers with 3 for 29 off 10 overs and was causing chaos in the Mounties shed. He was very well supported by captain Sivapragasam who also took 3 wickets for just 34 runs and Rohan Bhat with 2 for 23 provided the final piece in the bowling jigsaw that saw Blacktown all out for 164 and a great win to the Dogs.

5th Grade

In 5ths played at Grahame Thomas Oval, captain Tom Ramage lost the toss and was asked to bowl. While Blacktown scored consistently, the Dogs managed to take two or three wickets in sets, and this really slowed the Mounties' scoring rate down. Nathan Setter was again the pick of the bowlers with 3 for 51 off his 10 overs and the rest of the wickets were shared. Blacktown tallied a respectable 8/206. In the run chase, the Dogs were too clinical, working the ball around for short singles and punishing bad balls as evidenced but the team tally of 18 boundaries. times. Captain Ramage top scored with 48 off 57 balls and was unlucky not to get to his fifty. He was very well supported by Tomas Cordingly (24) Aryan Rodrigues (41), Shanaq Hasan (33) and Bailey Penna (32) who all scored runs in good time. The run chase never seemed in any doubt as the batsmen were methodical and passed the required runs in the 49th over. The Bulldogs worthy winners with 8/207.

1st Grade T20 v Blacktown - Bankstown Oval - Sunday 5th Dec 2021

Life member and captain Aaron Bird won the toss and elected to bat first in the Bulldogs' Sunday afternoon T20 match against Blacktown at Memorial Oval. Nick Carruthers and Daniel Solway opened the batting and immediately Carruthers made his intentions clear with a laser-like four to fine leg into the fence which was followed a few balls later with a great four to long off. However, his luck didn't last and he edged a ball to the keeper on the last ball of the first over having scored a rapid but underwhelming 9 runs. The Dogs 1 for 12 after the first over. Zeeshaan Ahmed joined Solway and the two re-established the striking with some deft touches and beautiful drives. With the Dogs at 50 after just 6 overs, the pair were keeping the scorers very busy and ensuring the run rate high during the powerplay. With aggression comes risk and Ahmed holed out to deep cover for 15 off 9 balls in the 7th over and the Bulldogs 2 for 53 - although the pair had put on 41 runs off just 34 balls. This brought Saturday's big hitter Brendan Smith to the crease and with Solway, they also kept the run rate above a run-a-ball. Solway soon achieved his well-deserved 50 (off 44 balls) while Smith was providing great support. At 2 for 90 after 12 overs, the stage was set for the Dogs to build to an imposing total. As is always the case in cricket, the best laid plans come unstuck - as Smith gently lifted a ball to backward square to be caught for 13 and the Bulldogs 3 for 92. Mansukh Singh and Tyler Van Luin only added a few before being adjudged LBW and caught respectively. Now 5 for 98, the Dogs' great start was being eroded due to wickets lost. Nevertheless, Bankstown reached 100 in the 15th over and still had firepower to burn in the middle with Aaron Bird joining Solway. But, scoring opportunities were running out, so urgency was imperative. Onto the penultimate over with the Dogs at 5 for 119. With Solway scoring mostly doubles, he overextended and reached for a ball that should have been allowed to be called wide. Instead, Solway was caught for 70 with just 7 balls remaining and the Dogs now 6/126. Into the final and 20th over and Bankstown add runs through a few doubles and a boundary to close at 6 for 136 and a total well below early expectations.

Early wickets are needed to defend such a modest total and Blacktown tried to give the Dogs the catches they wanted in the first over bowled by Marshall. But they just didn't go to hand. Nevertheless, Marshall and then Simpson were really bowling well and cutting the batters in half at times. Despite their bowling accuracy, it was a brilliant direct hit run out by Solway at mid off that got the Dogs barking with Mounties at 1 for 9. Unfortunately, the pressure was just as quickly released, and Blacktown scooted to 29 off just 4 overs. Bird came on and demonstrated his bowling smarts in pressure situations and only went for 2 runs. Van Luin went for a few in his first few balls but then DiBartolo gifted a catch to Solway - who cannot stay out of this game whether batting or fielding - at mid-on for 27 and Blacktown 2 for 41. Wily Daniel Burns with his left arm spin enticed the Blacktown batsmen to try and sweep him out of the oval

only for Fawcett to be clean bowled and Bankstown now into the Mounties' middle order at 3 for 47 in the 7th over. Ryan Clark partnered Burns with slow bowling but was less effective. But bowling is done in pairs and so as a unit, Burns and Clarke were applying the brakes reasonably well. Indeed, Clark earned a great catch by Singh at mid-wicket after the Mounties batsman top edged his shot that was taken easily by Singh. Blacktown 4 for 64 in the 10th over and the Dogs barking louder each dot ball. Young tyro Simpson comes back on to bowl and again give Solway the opportunity to skittle the stumps with another direct hit that ensured the umpire had no hesitation in giving the run out. Mounties 5 for 79 in the 13th over and the Bulldogs looking in control as Simpson was making the batsmen miss with regularity. At the other end, Clark sent Fox flying for zero with a plumb LBW. With 5 overs to go and Blacktown needing 48 to win with just 4 wickets left, the Dogs were really applying the screws and giving nothing away. While very run had to be earned, Mounties were not going away without a fight and anything loose was sent to the fence. However, 2 runs a ball is very difficult and Van Luin was mixing his speed and line to prevent giving runs away. Captain Bird on for the 19th over and a first ball six. Mounties have a sniff of victory. A huge shot for an attempted six saw Van Luin take a very difficult jumping catch at deep mid-on and once again the Dogs take control with Blacktown 7 for 199 and needing 18 runs off 9 balls. A huge six gives Blacktown another chance as they now need 8 runs off the final over - to be bowled by Marshall. First ball is a contentious wide as the batsmen walked across. A quick double and Blacktown need 5 off 4 balls. Then another double - 3 needed off 3. Then 2 to win off 2. Marshall cleans bowls Verma and it's even money for a super over. One ball with one run to tie. Last ball and Blacktown steal the win with two runs at 8/137.

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The Liam Marshall-led Poidevin-Gray team lost the toss and were sent in to bat on a misty morning at Memorial Oval. The weather soon brightened and Zeeshaan Ahmed and Ethan Deal strode out to take on the Blacktown Mounties' bowlers. Unfortunately, keeper Deal was out quickly which brought Ethan Debono to the crease, and he was not there to waste time. While Ahmed placed some great shots into the fence, Debono decided over the fence was a better option - which was much to the delight of the small but vocal crowd. Trying to emulate Debono somewhat, Ahmed took a big swing only to get himself stumped for 34 in the 12th over and had missed an opportunity to score. Bankstown 2/85 and doing well, if a little wobbly, as Ryan Freeman joined the red hot Debono whose bat seemed twice as wide and twice as fast as the bowlers were being despatched. Freeman showed his willow skill and placed the ball beautifully into the fence a few times. Unfortunately, Debono missed his opportunity for a very well-deserved 50 and was clean bowled by the Mounties' wily spinner for 46 off just 29 balls with the

Dogs on 98 in the 13th over. By scoring so quickly, Debono had really help provide the backbone for the Bulldogs innings. Modacer Momandi joined the now free-scoring Freeman as they rebuilt the Dogs' innings. Freeman took over and was sending the leather flying over the fence as well as snappy singles. At 3/125 at the start of the penultimate over, the Dogs needed to make sure they rammed home their advantageous position. Freeman sent the next ball to the fence at long on with a classic drive and the team took 10 runs off the over. Momandi given out caught behind with three balls to go and Johann Perera joins Freeman. A lovely tinkle down leg side for 4 before Perera was caught next ball. Captain Marshall comes out for the final ball of the innings and sends it over the fence for a great maximum. Freeman remained not out with a powerful 35 off 23 balls and Bankstown complete their 20 overs with a competitive 5 for 147.

Following in the footsteps of current Big Bash League attacking trends, Marshall opened with spin from Koby Layton. After taking four wickets in 3rd grade on Saturday, Rhys Ward was using his height well and cramping the batsmen and restricted their ability to free their arms with his late swing. Koby was bowling a fraction short and so the balls sat up nicely for the batsmen who despatched them into the pickets at deep mid-wicket. Unfortunately, the ball was hitting the fence instead of the stumps as the Blacktown openers started to settle in very comfortably. Making matters worse, a no ball free hit sailed out of the ground for six runs. Speedsters Brad Simpson and Marshall helped slow the runs briefly, but no breakthrough was forthcoming with a catch dropped on the fence at deep fine leg. Brian Handunnethi was brought in with his slow bowling but once the batsmen were used to his length and turn, started to work him around the oval and anything loose was into and then over the fence. At 0 for 96 after the 11th over, the Bulldogs' total was looking meek in comparison as the Blacktown openers demonstrated their range of shots - to which the Dogs had little answer. Freeman (1 for 19 off 4) eventually got the dangerous Singh for 65 with a wide ball that he slashed at and Deal took a sharp catch diving to his left. However, the damage had probably been done as the Mounties needed 50 to win with 8 overs available. With a new batsman at the crease, the Dogs' resilience was tested as they had to dig very deep as Blacktown were not yet home as they still needed 6 runs an over. Indeed, a sharp run out from Simpson throwing to Deal saw the Dogs apply the pressure they needed to bring another new batsman at the crease at 2/110. Indeed, shortly after, Marshall snares Doshi caught for 32 and Blacktown now 3 for 118 in the 15th over and still needing 30 runs to win at run-a-ball pace. With just two overs to go, and Blacktown needing 11 runs, it was anyone's game to win or lose. Captain Marshall (2 for 22 off 4) shows his immense skill with three dot balls followed by a clean bowled as the game swung back to the Dogs with 4/137. New batsman - dot ball. The tension around the ground was palpable. Marshall delivers a wicket maiden to lead by example. Mounties need 11 off the final over from Simpson (0 for 25 off 4) to win and the Bulldogs now holding the

upper hand for the very first time in the match. Two runs, a single and a run out opportunity missed. Eight runs needed off 3 balls. Edge of the seat cricket. Two balls and 7 runs needed. A single off the second last ball. Only a six can deliver a Mounties win. A dot ball and Bankstown scrape home with a most unlikely win as Blacktown only reach 5/142 off their allotted overs.

Hot Dogs on a Roll

**Opposition: Sutherland - Round 6
Glenn McGrath Oval - Sat 11 December 2021**



After a couple of close results going against the locals last weekend saw the young Bulldogs burst back into the winning circle with solid winds in both the Limited Overs and T20 formats.

1st Grade

The Bankstown Sports First Grade team had their match start against Sutherland Sharks at Glenn McGrath Oval delayed until 2.00pm as the curator needed to prepare a new pitch due to the main wicket being too damp. This saw the umpires reduce the match to 35 overs a side. Bankstown won the toss and captain Daniel Solway chose to bowl - clearly hoping to avail themselves of any ball swing early on. This decision paid dividends early for the Dogs. Liam Marshall continued his purple patch of snaring early wickets and again dislodged both Sharks' openers within his first 2 overs and Sutherland Sharks struggling for air at 2 wickets for just 3 runs in the 3rd over and the Dogs were howling. But Doyle and Arnold put on a near 100-run partnership to put the Dogs back in their kennel before Doyle was caught behind by Nick Carruthers off Brad Simpson's pace bowling. Tyler Van Luin continued his great form with ball in hand and snared two wickets - one a great caught and bowled to remove Green who was scoring at a rate over 200 and was exceptionally threatening. Marshall with 2 for 40, and Van Luin with 2 for 44 were the pick of the bowlers, although Ryan

Clark's slow bowling was very economical indeed, if wicketless. The Sharks continued their late charge despite losing a few wickets and after their (reduced) 35 overs were 6 for 205 - a very challenging score that would take a massive effort by the Dogs' batsmen to chase down. Unfortunately, the loss of early wickets made the chase even more difficult as the Dogs had lost 3 for 44 with openers Nick Carruthers and Solway and then Zeeshaan Ahmed all back in the sheds with none of the three scoring more than 16 runs. Nevertheless, ever-reliable Jake Cormack and Brendan Smith steadied the Bulldogs ship magnificently with a solid 45-run partnership before Smith was run out for 24 as he hit it straight to the fielder but couldn't make it back in time. This brought Ethan Deal to partner Cormack and the runs kept flowing. Cormack belted three sixes over the mid-wicket fence as well as ten fence rattlers. Cormack has been in amazingly consistent form and continues to shine as an outstanding middle order batsmen. With Deal, the pair put on another 62 runs at a steady rate as Sharks' bowler Jassal kept it tight from the southern end. However, once his overs were done, normal hitting resumed. Deal scored 29 before being caught behind - but he had provided great support to Cormack who was head and shoulders above in class and skill. Indeed, towards the end of Bankstown's chase needing 30 off 24 balls, Cormack absolutely took the reins by his teeth and scored 18 off one over to really swing the match back towards the Bulldogs. Van Luin joined Cormack and scored better than a run a ball and helped push the win tantalisingly close the Dogs' way as these two put on a 53 run partnership before Van Luin was caught for 17 and the scores were now tied. Cormack has the pleasure of hitting the winnings runs on the first ball of the 34th over with four runs. Cormack was simply too good for any bowler and ended with a superb 93 not out. The Dogs home with 9 balls to spare.

2nd Grade

Despite the overhead clouds and slight humidity from recent storms, the Tony Clark-led seconds won the toss at the magnificently prepared Memorial Oval on Saturday and decided to bat. You really could not tell there had been huge rain storms during the week when looking at the outfield and wicket. Bankstown's openers worked stoically and kept the ball moving around the outfield and occasionally into the fence. Joel Brockley and Mansukh Singh were doing a good job by ensuring the scoreboard ticked over without any loss of wickets. Indeed, they put on 88 runs before Brockley fell for 32 and very shortly after, Singh for 38 - both caught playing shots while trying to increase the run rate. Most players got starts scoring over 20 runs - Matthew Simpson 35, Niran Wijewardene 29 and a few others. But, as has been the case in seconds too often this season, none went on to get a big score. After their allotted 50 overs, Bankstown limped to a modest but potentially defensible 7 for 184.

However, despite some good bowling on a deck that had dried out somewhat since the morning, it was difficult to dislodge the Sharks' openers. They quickly raced

to 61 before losing their first wicket in the 11th over as Dayne Heward clean bowled Barton. The wicket falling and then Koby Layton bowling with Matt Bursa and Heward slowed Sutherland's run chase significantly. However, the pressure could not be sustained and it did not matter which bowler was on, Sutherland were starting to help themselves to too many boundaries in chasing a total that was now clearly insufficient. Sutherland's Daniel Rixon - who is the son of Steve Rixon, the former NSW and Australian wicketkeeper during the original World Series Cricket - reached his 50 with very few chances and provided the backbone for the Sharks. While captain Clarke bowled very economically as usual (0 for 13 off 5 overs), and rotated the bowlers around which proved somewhat effective, the total was simply too low to defend and Sutherland reached the target only 2 wickets down in the 39th over with Rixon on 80 not out. It was a much improved performance by Tony Clark's team which shows the tremendous potential they are yet to realise this season.

3rd Grade

At Tonkin Oval Cronulla, third grade also had their match reduced in overs to 40 per side due to the water - hardly surprising given the storms around Sydney over the last few days. Captain Alex Kouventaris won the toss and sent Sutherland in to bat. Former Bulldog Luke Hawksworth proved very difficult to remove and indeed went on to score a well-deserved 84 before being clean bowled by Modacer Momandi. With only three wickets lost, the Sharks never looked too threatened as they worked their way to a decent total. All the Dogs' bowlers toiled well with Jehan Bilimoria only going for 20 runs off a very economical 8 overs, despite not earning a wicket. In the run chase, after opener Johann Perera was dismissed for 13, Momandi and Mitchell Carruthers were helping themselves to runs and Carruthers was especially damaging as he sent the ball into the Gunnamatta Bay fence with regularity. Captain Kouventaris with 21 provided great support to Carruthers who was outstanding and stamped his authority on the match. He sent the ball to the fence an astounding thirteen times and over it four times. It was a surprise that the ball didn't land in one of the ferries plying across Port Hacking River Carruthers was despatching them that hard. He really showed his ability and Carruthers was well rewarded with a brilliant 109 not out off just 80 balls to ensure a very early and stunning Dogs' win.

4th Grade

At Kelso Park North, the Ryan Malcolm-led fourth grade lost the toss and were asked to bowl. Like most other grades, this match was also reduced in the available overs per side to 35. The Sharks' opening batsmen found the going tough with some good line and length bowling that they just could not put away. Nathan Hebeston (7 overs, 1 for 22), Bailey Penna (4 overs, 0 for 14) and Zain Ali (5 overs, 0 for 18) all made sure Sutherland worked hard for every run. After Sutherland's allotted 35 overs, the Sharks were 3/161. Chasing 162 to win, the Dogs lost both openers for ducks and then the third wicket of Subtain Shahid with just 10 runs on the board and

so Bankstown were in very deep water. Manoj Weerasingham and Ryan Malcolm provided some glimmer of hope with 28 and 24 respectively but another two ducks put too much pressure on the following batsmen who added some runs but it just wasn't enough. The Dogs fall short in the 32nd over for just 119.

5th Grade

At Grahame Thomas, the fifth grade side led by Tom Ramage lost the toss and were sent into bat on another rain-affected oval which saw the match reduced to 42 overs per side. Openers Max Condon and Tomas Cordingley laid a great foundation with a 119-run partnership before Condon was adjudged LBW after scoring 78 runs off just 82 balls with the ball rattling the Grahame Thomas fence eleven times. What is most pleasing is these young Dogs are also batting openers in the upcoming Green Shield and show tremendous promise. While other batsmen all got starts Cordingley proved super resilient with a well compiled 34. The other Dogs batsmen all scored quickly even if they contributed a handful of runs and so helped the Dogs reach a very respectable 7 for 195 off their allotted 42 overs. The experience of Nathan Setter - who returned to the kennel this season - showed through as he just applied pressure to every batsman at the crease. While wickets were falling, modest partnerships were being established as the Sharks attempted to hunt down the Dogs' total. But it was Setter who really dictated the afternoon's outcome with his great line and length that snared him five wickets for just 32 runs and so was instrumental in the demolition of the Sharks. Every time the Sharks got a sniff of a partnership, captain Ramage brought Setter back on to stop the runs. However, bowling is a pairs attack and all the Dogs' bowlers did their job admirably and went for relatively few runs and so applied pressure at both ends. A stunning win to the Dogs as Sutherland fell 20 runs short.

T20 v Fairfield-Liverpool Sunday 12th December, 2021 - Rosedale Oval

Bankstown captain Aaron Bird lost the toss in Sunday's afternoon T20 match at Rosedale Oval and was sent in to bat. Nick Carruthers and Daniel Solway opened the batting and the very first legal ball went to the car park courtesy of Carruthers - which gave a clear message of his intent. Unfortunately, the aggression did not pay off as he was caught skying a ball to short mid wicket on the last ball of the first over and the Dogs 1 for 6. Zeeshaan Ahmed joined Solway and in just a few balls Ahmed also sent one flying over the fence much to the delight of the quite large crowd. The two really hammered the Lions' bowlers and brought up the 50 in 21 mins off 29 balls and so were pushing the run rate with gusto in the powerplay. Ahmed scored a quick-fire 31 off just 19 balls before coming forward and pushing a leading edge back to the bowler. The Dogs 2 for 54 in the 7th over. Brendan Smith joins Solway and immediately puts his foot on the accelerator with some great running between the wickets as well as sending the ball over the rope boundary. Smith was powering along with 23 off just 13 - including three fours - before he lobbed a (diving) catch to point and the Dogs 3 for 87 in the 10th

over. The Bulldogs were 4 for 124 in the 16th over and Tyler Van Luin now out in the centre. Solway kept his foot firmly off the brakes and rapidly brought up a very well-deserved 50 off 44 balls. With three overs remaining, and the Dogs barking vociferously at 4 for 143 with Solway on 56 and ably supported by Van Luin - they put so much pressure on the fielders and converted many singles to doubles. The shot variety was just brilliant with laser-like hammers into the fence coupled with deft touches behind the wicket. The 20th over delivered 13 runs including a massive Solway six and the Dogs reach a very solid 5 for 171 and Solway with a magnificent 72 not out off 58 balls including four 4s and two 6s.

Young tearaway Brad Simpson opened the bowling and immediately gets a caught behind to replacement 'keeper Ethan Deal on the first ball of the Lions' run chase. The large crowd of locals were very quiet indeed - until a couple of boundaries got them back in the match. Liam Marshall (4 overs 0 for 35) bowled from the southern end but he too went for runs. The Lions' run chase, enjoyed a solid start with 1 wicket for 19 runs after just 2 overs. However, next over Simpson went for a boundary only to clean bowl Naqvi shortly after and have the Lions at 2 for 24 after 3 overs. Slow bowling from the experienced Daniel Burns only allowed 3 runs and push up the required run rate. The pressure from Burns' over drew results the very next ball of Van Luin's bowling (4 overs, 1 for 24) - with a great catch to Singh at mid wicket and the Lions 3 for 7. Burns finished with 2 for 16 off his 4 overs - but it was his ability to stop runs as much as his wickets that did the real damage for the Bulldogs. The Lions needed 39 to win off the last over and finished 6 for 138, the Bulldogs winning by 34 runs with Simpson ending up with 3 wickets for 34 runs.

T20 Poidevin-Gray Under 21

Bankstown's captain Liam Marshall won the toss and batted at Rosedale Oval in Sunday morning's T20 match against Fairfield-Liverpool. Openers Zeeshaan Ahmed and Ethan Deal faced spin in the first over and quickly took on the bowler and eight runs off the first over. Deal kept up the pressure and was scoring well square of the wicket but was clean bowled for 18 in the 3rd over with the Dogs on 20, which brought Ethan Debono to the crease. Ahmed was then adjudged LBW two balls later to the Lions' left arm pace bowler and the Dogs now 2/21. Ryan Freeman and Debono were scoring well before Freeman popped a catch to point (6) and the Dogs under severe pressure at 3 for 30. Modacer Momandi and Debono were scoring very well with T20 lap shots over the head, some great fours into long off and a huge six nearly into the stand. Unfortunately, Momandi was run out backing up (for 17) as the bowler touched a drive straight back to him from Debono which deflected onto the stumps.. The Dogs 4 for 69 in the 11th over and Johann Perera joined the big-hitting Debono. But Debono went to the well once too often and was caught at deep midwicket for 27 and the Dogs now 5 for 71 and in some serious trouble. However, captain Marshall is known for being a genuine all-rounder and can hit a very big shot. While the runs

kept ticking over, some sharp fielding at point saw Perera run out well out of his crease and the Dogs 6 for 79 in the 13th. The young Bulldogs were just losing too many wickets with frequency and so partnerships were simply not developing to help build a total. Brad Simpson worked the ball well with Marshall belting a huge six, but soon after Simpson gifted a full toss catch to mid on for 4 and the Dogs 7 for 93 in the 16th over and now needing to make sure they bat out their 20 overs. Marshall decided he needed to lead the way with some glorious shots to the boundary. The final overs saw a flurry of wickets and runs as the visitors finished with 9 for 137 with Marshall not out on 38 off 32 balls.

Simpson started the bowling with serious heat and the Lions were 1 for 15 after 4 overs. Rhys Ward replaced Simpson and was economical while Koby Layton replaced Marshall to introduce his wily spin to great effect and stifle the attempted big hitting. Fairfield-Liverpool now 2 for 38 and Layton was just too clever and used length to alter the batsmen's ability to get anything but singles and finished with 1 for 17 off 4 overs. The Lions slumped to 4 for 65 after trying too many risky shots and at 6 for 86 in the 17th over, the Lions were up against the wall as the Dogs were really howling for victory. Skipper Marshall bowled the last over and on the third ball 'keeper Deal took a terrific catch over his head as the Lions finished with 8 for 100; a comprehensive victory to the young Bulldogs by 37 runs.

Sea Eagles soar against Dogs

**Opposition: Manly Warringah - Round 7
Bankstown Oval - 18th December, 2021**



In a lop-sided match, the cross-harbour rivals from Manly took to the Bulldogs' bowlers with venom and power. Captain Daniel Solway won the toss and sent Manly Warringah in to bat - a decision he was soon to rue. With only one wicket to the bowlers, it was a day to learn from and move on. Manly Warringah simplified piled on the runs and were rarely threatened by the Dogs' bowling - despite their best efforts. Amassing 272 runs off their

allocated 50 overs for the loss of just 3 wickets, the visitors were in the box seat. Bankstown were under pressure from the first ball in their run chase and wickets fell regularly. Mansukh Singh was the only batsman who provided stoic resistance, but he received scant help from the tail. With a defiant 83, Singh kept the score from becoming embarrassing. Nevertheless, it was a comprehensive victory for the Eagles over a poor batting effort.

2nd Grade

In a tighty-contested match at Manly Oval, the Tony Clark-led secons just fell short of a hard-fought win in the final over. Winning the toss and sending Manly in to bat seemed to generate the result expected as Manly were all out in the 50th and final over for 180. Matt Bursa was on fire with the ball and showed his true skill and guile. Returning the brilliant figures of 5 for 34, Bursa was a class above at times and and the ball talking. But, in chasin a modest and gettable total, the Dogs struggled to get momentum, with only Mitch Hinds (40) and Cameron Middleton (31) doing any real damage. In spite of the regular falling of wickets, the Dogs' batsmen fought all the way - but just couldn't get over the line and fell short to be all out for 175 in the 50th over.

3rd Grade

At Kelso Park North, the Alex Kouventaris-led 3rds snuck home to win in a close match. Manly won the toss and batted and fortunately for the Bulldgs, only one batsmen shone. On the other hand, young spinner Nicholas Freedman showed his immense potential and snared 3 wickets for 35 off his allotted 10 overs. Along with Modacer Momandi with 3 for 36, the pair stamped their authority on the match and ensured Manly never got going. Chasing 178 to win, the Bulldogs made it a somewhat difficult task. Rahid Alam was circumspect and worked his way to a very well-deserved 48 not out to help steer the Dogs home. He was well supported by club stalwart Mat Kelly with 36. The Dogs clinching a gritty victory in the final over.

4th Grade

At Graham Reserve, Bulldogs captain Prashanthan Sivapragasam lost the toss and was asked to bowl. Despite some excellent bowling by Nathan Hebeston with 3 for 28, Manly's score reached 6 for 229 after their 50 overs. Captain Sivapragasam was confident on the relatively small oval that this was ceratinly a total that could be chased down. Opener Max Condon showed tremendous skill with deft power and placement as he scored 14 fours in his brilliant innings of 90. It was a shame he didn't reach his century as he showed he has power and patience that belies his young age. With support from all the other players, Bankstown won the match at the end of the the 48th over.

5th Grade

At Graham Thomas Oval, captain Tom Ramage won the toss and batted. With youngsters Jordan King (53) and Aryan Rodriguez (42) showing glimpses of very bright futures and most other batsmen getting decent starts, the Dogs closed their innings on 8 for 232 after 50 overs. Defending a good but not imposing total was going to take something special in the

field. Despite the excellent lin and length from Bailey Penna with 4 for 34, the Dogs struggled to contain the vistors' hitting. Even though Manly lost 5 wickets for just 6 runs near the end of their innings, they held on to deny a Bulldogs win.

**Opposition: Sydney - Round 8
8th January, 2022 - Drummoyne Oval**



The Bankstown Sports sponsored Bankstown Premier Grade Cricket Club started the new year on a positive note with 4 wins from 4 matches last Saturday (Fifth Grade at Ryde Oval was unfortunately washed out).

1st Grade

After winning the toss Sydney Tigers elected to bat and were rewarded with a very handsome total of 6/272 from their 50 overs. Bulldog spinner Daniel Burns was the leading wicket taker with 3/59 but pacemen Liam Marshall (1/55), Brad Simpson (1/45) and Ryan Clark (1/50) each provided good support in their 10 over spells.

While many spectators felt the victory target of 273 was out of reach, nobody told the Bulldogs opening pair of Nick Carruthers and Daniel Solway who showed from the first ball they would take the challenge up to the Sydney bowlers. Their partnership of 142 ended when Carruthers was run out for a stunning 101 off just 67 balls (8 x 4s and 6 x 6s) , but the pair had given the 'Dogs innings just the filip it needed. After Mansukh Singh departed for as duck the Bulldogs were again facing an uphill battle. The redoubtable Solway and Jake Cormack steadied the ship with an 87-run partnership before Solway was run out for a wonderful 94 off 138 balls. The loss of Brendan Smith (9), Ethan Deal (0) and Cormack (48) on the same score, left the visitors precariously placed at 6/258 and it was left to Tyler Van Luin and Liam Marshall to try and concoct a win against the odds. Fortunately for the Bulldogs with the scores level on 272 with one ball remaining, Marshall was struck on the pads and Van Luin scrambled through for a leg bye to secure the six valuable competition points.

2nd Grade

Sydney won the toss and elected to bat on another magnificent Nick Mamolis prepared Bankstown Memorial Oval wicket. The visitors began steadily but

young paceman Rhys Ward was 'on song' and his magnificent spell of 4/13 off 8.1 overs tore the heart out of the Sydney innings. The visitors dismissed for 98 in just 31.1 overs. Ward has worked very hard at developing his skills and this performance is just reward for that effort. In reply, the talented Zeeshaan Ahmed made light work of the run chase hammering 52 off 27 deliveries as the Dogs reached 1/99 off 10.5 overs.

3rd Grade

Skipper Alex Kouventaris won the toss at Birchgrove Oval and asked the home side to bat first. His judgement proved correct as Sydney was dismissed for 123 off 41.2 overs with all bowlers contributing. In a real team effort, the exciting paceman Brady Polkinghorne (2/22) and promising spinner Nicholas Freedman (2/25) led the way with great support from Jehan Bilimoria (1/12), Brian Handunneththi(1/19), Justin Felsch (1/20) and Nathan Hebeston (1/10).

The Bulldog's run chase was dominant with Modacer Momandi smashing 58 (not out) off 54 balls and Johann Perera 48, also off 54 balls, as the Dogs took the points with 1/124 in just 19.4 overs.

4th Grade

After a late start to play due to surface water on the Kelso North outfield, Bulldog's skipper Prashanthan Sivapragasham won the toss and elected to bat. After losing promising young opener Max Condon for 8, Manoj Weerasingham (51 off 84 balls) and Subtain Shahid (58 off 79 balls) laid a solid platform with the home side scrambling to 6/154 off 36 overs, following a late flurry of wickets as batsmen chased quick runs.

The Sydney top order was solid under pressure, but all players were keeping one eye on the skies as the predicted afternoon storms loomed over the Georges River. And rain did intervene with the covers being needed before play could re-commence. Following the interruption play was very tense with Sydney set a revised (DLS) target of 129 (28 overs) for victory. However, the young Bulldogs held their nerve containing the visitors to 7/120 to secure the valuable 6 competition points. The victory featured excellent bowling from a determined group of young bowlers, Roshan Bhat (3/27), Charlie Fitzjohn (2/33), Reagan Sidhu (1/22) and Bailey Penna (1/23).

Opposition: Hawkesbury - Round 9 15th January, 2022 - Bankstown Oval



The Bankstown Sports sponsored Bankstown Premier Grade Cricket first grade has moved to within one win of the top six after a comprehensive win over Hawkesbury on Saturday.

Hawkesbury had first use of the excellent Nick Mamolis prepared Memorial Oval wicket and compiled a respectable 7/186 from the allotted 50 overs. Pace duo Liam Marshall (1/60 of 10 overs) and Brad Simpson (0/27 off 10 overs) kept a tight rein on the Hawks top order but it was spin twins Daniel Burns and Ryan Clark who did the most damage with Burns snaring the excellent return of 3/24 off 10 overs and Clark 2/32 off his allotted 10 over spell.

Openers Nick Carruthers and Daniel Solway could not repeat their heroics from last week with Carruthers out for 25 off 14 balls and Solway 17 off 22 balls to leave the locals at 2/69. The keen local crowd needed not worry however as two of the club's talented youngsters showed their wares; Zeeshaan Ahmed scoring 79no off 75 balls and Mansukh Singh 60no off 49 balls as the home side reached 2/191 off just 26.2 overs. Ahmed has represented NSW at Under 19 level and he continues to push his claim for higher honours. Singh has been serving his apprenticeship in the Bulldogs 2nd Grade side in recent years and is really building on that experience now he's cemented a regular spot the top-grade.

2nd Grade

A remarkable late innings collapse by Hawkesbury saw the Bulldogs secure a wonderful victory at Owen Earle Oval. Matt Simpson (60 off 81 balls) and opener Joel Brockley (47 off 51 balls) were standouts on the Bulldogs total 197. Keeper-batsman Simpson is a highly regarded clubman, and his innings rescued the visitors who were struggling at 6/131.

The home side looked to have the match in control 7/185 but the experienced Bulldogs pace trio of Matt Bursa (4/39), Tony Clark (2/23) and Justin Felsch (2/31) held their nerve, and the Hawks were dismissed for 192. Young Bulldog Koby Layton also deserves special mention for this performance snaring 2/49 from his impressive 10 over spell.

3rd Grade

A reduced overs match at Kelso Park North due to the wet weather but nonetheless it was a very exciting affair. The Hawks batsmen struggled in the humid conditions against a talented Bulldogs bowling attack led by Bryan Handunneththi with the outstanding figures of 4/18 off 9 overs. No one works harder at his game than the popular Handunneththi and he thoroughly deserves this result. Handunneththi was well supported by the talented Nicholas Freedman (2/11 of 5.1) who bamboozled all batsmen with his well flighted spin. Muhammad Salman (1/16 off 8) and Brady Polkinghorne (1/12 off 6) provided great support as the Hawks were sent flying for 80.

The Bulldogs innings got off to the worst possible start with Modacer Monandi and Johann Perera both out for ducks however skipper Alex Kouventaris (40 no) and Anthony Melynk (14 no) steadied the ship as the home side reached 4/81 to secure

the valuable 6 competition points.

4th Grade

Outstanding bowling efforts from youngsters Charlie Fitzjohn (4/21 off 7 overs) and Bailey Penna 3/35 off 6 overs) restricted the Hawks to 111 in the heat and humidity at Bensons Lane No 2 Oval. Despite the very gettable total the Bulldogs batsmen failed to fire with Subtain Shahid with 27 the only resistance as the visitors crumbled for 90.

5th Grade

A magnificent 104 not out from skipper Tom Ramage saw the Bulldogs post a solid 7/190 off 50 overs at Grahame Thomas Oval. Ramage is a popular clubman, highly respected for his efforts mentoring the young Fifth Grade Bulldogs Pups and his form this season has been outstanding. Ramage received great support from promising keeper-batsman Daniel Louka with 35 off 39 balls to help shore up the middle order. In a nail biting finish the visitors reached 9/192 despite excellent three wicket hauls from Ronit Kulkarni (3/42) and Luca Croft with 3/31.

Opposition: UTS North Sydney- Round 10 22nd January, 2022 - North Sydney Oval



1st Grade

The Bulldogs fought hard but could not match the classy UTS North Sydney outfit that excelled with bat and ball at the picturesque North Sydney Oval.

The home side batted first at the quaint North Sydney Oval venue and reached 8/273 from their 50 overs. Liam Marshall struck early snaring Thomas Jagot; 1/8 and the Dogs feeling good! Tyler Van Luin was bowling with good pace and accuracy grabbing the next three wickets before the Bears Jimmy Greenslade and Oliver Knight combined for a 108 fifth wicket partnership that saw the Bears reach an impressive 8/273. Marshall toiled hard in the steamy conditions and was rewarded with 4/51. Van Luin continued his great form with 3/47 while fellow paceman Brad Simpson took 1/64.

The Bulldogs run chase faltered early when prolific run scorer Nick Carruthers was out for 9 followed by skipper Daniel Solway

(20) to leave the visitors struggling at 2/46. The loss of Mansukh Singh (13), Jake Cormack (1) and Van Luin in dire straits at 5/92 with only Zeeshaan Ahmed offering any meaningful resistance. The talented Ahmed followed up his 70 not out against Hawkesbury last week with a brilliantly defiant 127, carrying his bat through to the 9th wicket partnership. Despite Ahmed's heroics, the Bulldogs were dismissed for 238 in 45.4 overs.

2nd grade

Tony Clark's second grade scored a comprehensive victory over UTS North Sydney at Memorial Oval. The Bulldogs scored 8/320 underpinned by a magnificent 110 off 94 ball from Brendan Smith. The talented Smith was well supported by opener Joel Brickley with 72 off 76 balls.

The Bears batsmen were always in trouble against the accurate Dogs attack led by Justin Felsch (3/47) ably supported by Matt Bursa (2/41), Rhys Ward (2/29), Koby Layton (2/42) and Niran Wijewardene (1/26) and succumbed for 206 in 44.3 overs.

3d grade

The Bulldogs 4/282 was far too good for North Sydney's 183. Highlight of the Bulldogs innings was the brilliant 81 off 76 balls from Johann Perera. Perera was well supported by skipper Alex Kouventaris's with 61 not out. Bryan Handunneththi was absolutely brilliant with the ball in hand destroying the Bear's innings with 5/41 off 10 Overs. Handunneththi was in great form and his recent excellent results are testimony to the hard work he puts in at training. Nicholas Freeman picked up 2/36 off his 10 overs while Modacer Momandi snared 1/26 off 5 overs.

4th Grade

The Fourth grade effort was very disappointing, the Dogs scoring a meagre 78 that Norths ran down with the loss of just one wicket. Young Max Condon was the only standout for the home side grinding out 29 off 117 balls. Well done young man!

5th grade

The Dogs went very close against UTS North Sydney at Tunks Park. After scoring 134 (Dylan Devoy Paino 26) the Dogs looked in good shape when the Bears slumped to 6/69 but a late revival saw them take the six competition points with 7/135. For the Bulldogs Dylan Devoy Paino (2/10) Ronit Kulkarni (2/42) and Farhann Mohammad (2/10) all bowled well in the close fought match.

Bulldogs marooned by Whales

Opposition: Mosman- Round 11 29th January, 2022 - Mosman Oval



The Bankstown Sports Bulldogs travelled across the harbour to take on Mosman at Alan Border Oval in a 50 over one day match last Saturday. Winning the toss, captain Daniel Solway elected to bat - a decision he was soon to rue. Indeed, the Bulldogs had lost their top three batsmen for just 14 runs and were on the ropes early - primarily due to the risks inherent in poor shot selection. Coming in at number five, visiting Sydney Thunder star and former Bulldog, Nathan McAndrew was the only batsman who stood up and really showed both his class and ability with willow in hand. Mc Andrew was having a well-deserved break at home with his family following the Thunder's Big Bash campaign, but such is his passion for the Dog's that he asked the SA Redbacks for permission to play a one-off game as a guest professional. Disappointingly, McAndrew had no one to go with him as no other batsman scored over 10 while McAndrew fought his way to a gallant 57 runs. However, the outcome was inevitable as the 'Dogs limped to a total of just 110. Mosman started their innings in the same vein and also lost three early wickets for 19 runs which gave the Bulldogs a sniff of victory. With such a low total to defend, the result was not in doubt once Mosman stabilised their innings - despite the Bulldogs being on a hat trick when Mosman reached 70. But that was the end of the Bulldogs' hopes and the Whales cruised to victory in just the 19th over and earned a bonus point. Next Saturday, Bankstown take on Randwick-Petersham at Memorial Oval starting at 10am.

2nd grade

At Memorial Oval, the Tony Clark-led Second XI lost the toss and bowled. While all the Whales' top order got decent starts, none attained 50 runs as they simply could not get on top of the bowling. The Bulldogs' bowlers applied consistent pressure and shared the wickets, although spinner Koby Layton with 3 for 21 really flighted the ball with guile and helped strangle the scoring. Layton was well supported by Justin Felsch who ear 3nt for 43 with accurate line and length. The Whales' batsmen could not get a foothold and lost their last 7 wickets for just 36 runs - which highlights the stranglehold Tony Clark's team had over the Whales with the ball. Mosman bowled out for 176 in the 45th over. Chasing 177 for victory, the Bulldogs relied on two of their

power hitters in Joel Brockley and 'keeper Cameron Middleton to bring home the win in style. Brockley showed his true ability to really smash the ball into and over the Memorial Oval fence - with two huge sixes and eight fence-rattling boundaries. Brockley was at his attacking best but was also circumspect when needed. With Middleton, the pair put on a 117-run partnership to all but seal the win when Brockley fell for an outstanding 77 and the Bulldogs on 163. Middleton provided the base at the other end with some big hitting and stoic defence, and ended up with a sterling 55 not out. The Bulldogs winning comfortably with a boundary at the end of the 33rd over with 3/180.

3rd grade

Alex Kouventaris' third grade team won the toss at Rawson Oval and sent the Whales into bat. This proved to be a master stroke as the Bulldogs' bowlers controlled all aspects of the Mosman innings. While Mosman lasted to the 46th over, no Whales batsman was able to score 15 runs. It was defensive batting against consistently probing bowling. The Bulldogs' bowlers asked questions with every delivery and Mosman simply had no answer. Anthony Melyk was superb with 3 wickets for just 9 runs. But it was a team bowling attack, and Bryan Handunneththi was also all over the batsmen with his slow bowling and earned 3 for 22; Nicholas Freedman and Prashanthan Sivapragasam both had 2 wickets for 12 runs and even though Jhean Bilimoria was without a wicket, his miserly 14 runs off 10 overs highlighted both the bowling skill and team approach to prevent any scoring by the Whales who were all out for just 84. The Dogs' chase was not without risk and low scores can often be problematic. While the Dogs lost a few wickets along the way, Rahid Alam top scored with 25 and the Bulldogs reached their target in the 25th over to also earn a bonus point. The Do's remain in second place on the competition table.

4th Grade

At Kelso Park North, the Travis Low-led Bulldogs won the toss and sent Mosman in to bat. The top four Whales' batsmen all got good starts, although none went on with the job. However, Mosman kept the score ticking over slowly but surely. Bailey Penna was the standout bowler with 4 wickets for 45 off his 10 overs and was well supported by Charlie Fitzjohn's pace (2 for 29) and Ethan Prodeaux (2 for 22). The Whales worked their way to a solid 186 and were all out in the final (50th) over. Unfortunately, the Bulldogs' batsmen could not get going at all and found scoring very difficult with only Shanaq Hasan (23) keeping the scorers busy. The Dogs were disappointing and only reached 90 - falling well short.

5th Grade

Tom Ramage led his fifth grade side across the bridge to picturesque Balmoral Oval but it was not a happy trip. Losing the toss and being sent in to bat, the Bulldogs struggled with willow and it was only Ramage who scored well with a fighting 59. As always, when only player gets going, partnerships are hard to form and so Ramage was running out of partners despite his best efforts. Limping to a

modest 130, the Bulldogs were going to need to bowl and field out of their skins to bring back a win. While the 'Dogs bowlers toiled very well, most Whales' batsmen got decent starts and so the total was chased down relatively easily with Mosman winning at 4/132 in the 33rd over.

Poidevin-Gray Semi Final v Penrith at Howell Oval - Sunday 30 Jan, 2022

Stand-in Poidevin-Gray captain Zeeshaan Ahmed lost the toss and Penrith elected to bat and in so doing set a very healthy total from their allotted 50 overs. Reaching 5 for 249, the Panthers' batsmen did a great job ensuring the scoreboard kept ticking over nicely. Without the pace of usual captain Liam Marshall, the 'Dogs were behind the eight ball somewhat and chased leather much more than they would have hoped. The pace of Brad Simpson saw him earn 2 for 45 off his 10 overs, and Koby Layton was consistently challenging (2 for 55 off 10). But Penrith had set a substantive total that would require the Bulldogs batsmen to focus on the run chase. The Bulldogs' youngsters started with mixed effect - some batsmen got starts but none could go on with the job - all scoring under 30 - while others were out too cheaply. At 6 for 91 and then 6/155, the middle order of Modacer Momandi and Simpson had started to develop a very promising partnership. Momandi went on to score a brilliant and stoic 50 to keep the Dogs' hopes alive at 6/174 with 9 overs to go and needing 76 for the win. Difficult, but not outside the realms of possibility. Both Simpson and Momandi showed the grit and determination needed to get the Bulldogs within reach of victory. Unfortunately, Simpson's great effort ended when he was caught for 47 - and missed out on a thoroughly deserved 50. The Dogs under serious pressure at 7/198. Indeed, Momandi had shouldered much of the pressure but succumbed and was bowled for an outstanding 69 and the Dogs 8 for 201. Losing two quick wickets puts even greater pressure on the new batsmen, and the job was just too much for the tail enders. While the Dogs chased well and almost snuck home, unfortunately they fell short - all out for 221.

Dogs struggle against Randwick-Petersham

Opposition: Randwick-Petersham - Round 12 4th February, 2022 - Bankstown Oval



With some of the top Dogs' players not on the field at Memorial Oval last Saturday, it was always going to be tough for the Bankstown Sports Bulldogs against visitors Randwick-Petersham especially with injury ruling out star batsman Daniel Solway. After a lengthy rain delay, stand-in captain and former Australia Under 19 and Aboriginal Tour of England X1 team member Brendan Smith lost the toss with the visitors deciding to bat first. Despite Brad Simpson and Smith getting some early breakthroughs, Randwick-Petersham built a strong platform with two partnerships of 75 and 69 runs - which meant the visitors were in command with the willow in hand. At 3/172, the game was slipping away from the Dogs. However, a fightback of tight bowling through line and length and fielding pressure saw Bankstown claim 4 wickets for just 21 runs. Unfortunately, much of the damage had been done and while the visitors were bowled out for 221 in the 43rd over, they had set up a very solid total. Pick of the bowlers was the young pace duo of Simpson (3/40) and Liam Marshall (2/31) who snared 5 wickets between them. In reply, the Dogs started poorly and lost wickets at regular intervals. It was only wicketkeeper Ethan Deal (41) and Marshall (42) who provided substance to the Dogs' innings, although a few others got starts. With the best partnership being only 33 runs, a large total was a challenge too far and the Dogs were all out in the 40th over for just 166.

2nd Grade

At picturesque Coogee Oval, the Tony Clark-led seconds won the toss and decided to bowl first in a reduced overs match (47 overs). With Randwick-Petersham at 2/30, the Dogs were in control early. However, Randwick-Petersham built steady middle-order partnerships which saw the scoreboard tick over nicely for the home team. All the Dog's bowlers toiled hard, and it was wily Clark who showed his experience snaring an excellent 3/30 off his 10 allotted overs. Similarly, the pace of Dayne Heward (2/46) and Justin Felsch (2/41) made it difficult for the batsmen. At the end of their 47 overs, Randwick-Petersham had set the Bulldogs 234 to win. With some very good batting by Felsch (29) and Mitch Carruthers (11), the Dogs got going and the chase looked in sight. However, both fell within a few balls of each other and the Dogs were 2/42. But, Randwick-Petersham couldn't cope with the batting storm to come - with a stunning 108-run partnership between Mitch Hinds (56) Niran Wijewardene (68) - which saw the Dogs fight to 3/150 when Wijewardene was bowled. While the Dogs kept fighting, they also kept losing wickets which slowed the run chase and the total became just out of their reach - falling agonisingly short by just 13 runs.

3rd Grade

At Kelso Park North, the Alex Kouventaris-led thirds won the toss and sent the visitors in to bat. With a great start by the home team with Randwick-Petersham at 2/8 and then 3/25 (Jehan Bilimoria 2 wickets and Muhammad Salman 1), the Dogs were howling. However, the visitors stabilised their innings with two batsmen scoring over 50, and started to build a decent total. Randwick-Petersham were

7/215 off their allotted 50 overs, with Bilimoria (3/35) and Salman (2/51) the pick of the bowlers. Chasing a modest 216 for victory, the Dogs' reply faltered a few times as wickets fell in sets - losing a total of 5 wickets for zero runs (2 at 50 and then at 3 at 137). Other than captain Kouventaris' excellent 63 off 89 balls, there was not much joy for the Dogs who were all out for 137 in the 43rd over.

4th Grade

In another reduced overs match, Ryan Malcolm's fourths lost the toss and were sent into bat at Kensington Oval. With most batsmen getting starts but not going on, it was only Brady Polkinghorne who scored well - remaining 29 not out. With 3 run-outs in the innings, perhaps the scoreboard pressure was affecting the calls between batsmen. Nevertheless, the Dogs set a very modest 8/130 off their allotted 37 overs and must have been worried it simply was not enough to defend. But, the Dogs' bowlers were just unplayable or caused the batsmen to pop catches (seven in total) frequently. Rohan Bhat (3/11), Harjapan Singh (3/19) and Reagan Sidhu (3/32) were simply just too good for the home team. Even though two batsmen got starts, the bowlers and the fielding made sure Randwick-Petersham simply could not get going at all. Despite the low total, Randwick-Petersham were all for 109 in the 35th over - a relatively big win under the circumstances.

5th Grade

At Grahame Thomas Oval, another rain-delayed match saw Tom Ramage's fifths win the toss and send Randwick-Petersham in to bat - a decision that looked wise with Randwick-Petersham being all out for just 157 in the 30th over. While all bowlers toiled well, it was Farhann Mohammad with 3/26 that was the pick. In the run chase, the Dogs started reasonably well, with opener Ethan Prideaux scoring 31. Unfortunately, only Dylan Devoy Paino also scored runs with 29 - and so the Dogs found the chase too much and only reached 9/124 off their allotted 30 overs.

Bulldogs fall short against Sydney University

Opposition: Sydney University - Round 13 12th February, 2022 - Bankstown Oval



At Memorial Oval, Bulldogs' captain Daniel Solway - fresh from playing for NSW Metropolitan Second XI during the week - won the toss and sent Sydney University in to bat. However, while just two balls were bowled before the storms, it wasn't until

5.30pm Saturday that the game started properly. The speed of young tyros Brad Simpson and Liam Marshall on a now remarkably dry pitch and outfield brought instant results - with Marshall getting a sharp caught behind to 'keeper Ethan Deal in his first over before University had scored. This was followed soon after with Marshall (now 2/15) clean bowling the prized wicket of Larkin. Simpson also applied the heat and clean bowled Danne and Sydney University finished Saturday after 17 overs under pressure at 3 for 41. Early Sunday, the Bulldog quicks toiled to no avail. When wily spinner Daniel Burns came on, the runs stopped and the Dogs quickly took a wicket to stem the aggressive University batting. Mansukh Singh caught Litchfield at deep mid-wicket after running 30 metres from deep square leg - giving Burns the breakthrough. Importantly, in tandem with fellow off-spinner Ryan Clark, the pair were strangling the batsmen with maidens. And then the rains came again. After the rain break, the Sydney University batsmen took control and sped up their run rate significantly. Declaring at 5/292, the students left the Bulldogs needing 293 to win off 67 overs. Nick Carruthers and Solway opened the batting and Carruthers started in his usual style - sending leather to and over the Memorial Oval picket fence with laser-like accuracy, until Carruthers fell to spin for 40. The very next ball sees Zeeshaan Ahmed caught and bowled for a duck. The Dogs at 2/58 and University's McElduff on a hat-trick - which Brendan Smith deftly avoided. McElduff continued to be all over the Dogs' batsmen like a cheap suit and simply gave them nothing to hit. With spin now from both ends, the Dogs really struggled to get the scoreboard going when Smith (17) departed with the Dogs at 3/82. But, Solway and Singh showed some stoic resistance and grit to put on a decent partnership of 44 before Singh was caught behind for 28 and the Dogs 4 for 126. While Solway provided the backbone with a hard-fought and determined 72 runs (not out), he ran out of partners, as many batsmen got starts of sorts but due to a distinct lack of discipline, did not go on to get big scores or enable large partnerships - which is crucial when chasing nearly 300 runs in 67 overs. The Dogs all out for 211 in the 64th over.

2nd grade

In second grade and despite the match being a draw due to rain, the highlight was Dayne Heward's 4 for 11 off just 7.1 overs. Heward really showed his impeccable line and length and troubling pace to decimate the Sydney University middle order and tail.

3rd grade

In a reduced-overs and also-tied match at Kelso Park North, opener Johann Perera was 28 not out in the Dogs' 18.5 overs.

4th grade

At St Paul's Oval, captain Ryan Malcolm won the toss and elected to bat. Again, rain affected the result with the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern method being necessary to determine that Sydney University achieved the required total in just the 14th over. This was despite Nathan Hebeston bowling his accurate mediums to snare four wickets for 20 runs off his allotted overs and Subtain Shahid opening the bat and scoring a

well-deserved 45. Captain Malcolm also contributed with 30, but with the loss of 9 wickets, the Dogs were always likely to be struggling to control the Sydney University required run rate.

5th grade

At Grahame Thomas Oval, captain Tom Ramage won the toss and sent Sydney University in to bat. Unfortunately, the skies determined the result with just over 7 overs bowled until rain halted all play for a draw.

Dogs lose agonising last ball thriller

**Opposition: UNSW - Round 14
20th February 2022 - David Phillips South**



On Saturday, the Bankstown Sports Bulldogs travelled to Kensington to take on the UNSW Bees at David Phillips South in the featured Indigenous Round of grade cricket. Captain Daniel Solway lost the toss and was sent into bat and the Dogs stood up with the willow. Solway showed why he is one of Sydney's best opening batsmen with a majestic 113 runs which kept the Dogs' supporters cheering as 40 of his runs were fence-rattling boundaries. The Dogs' Australian Indigenous player, Brendan Smith, partnered Solway and the pair put on a massive 108-run partnership to really get the Bulldogs barking. Smith fell on a well-deserved 55 but they had provided a very solid base for the Bulldogs' bowlers and fielders to defend. But Solway took the overall batting honours and his captain's knock underpinned the team's final score of 6 for 246 off their allotted 50 overs. With ball in hand, the Dogs' bowlers were earning wickets in sets, with Liam Marshall, Dayne Heward and Tyler Van Luin all taking two wickets apiece. Two Bees' wickets fell at 35, then two more in the 70s - so 246 seemed a long way away. Similarly, three wickets in the 150s saw the Dogs look like cruising home as UNSW were now 8 for 156 and still needing 90 runs for victory. In what is normally reserved for movie endings, the Bees needed 4 runs off the last ball of the day - and got a six - stealing victory from the Dogs with 8/249.

2nd grade

The Tony Clark-led seconds had an emphatic win at Memorial Oval on Saturday.

Winning the toss and batting, the Dogs showed their ability with willow in hand with power hitting opener Joel Brockley took to the Bees' bowlers - scoring a magnificent 92 off just 72 balls. The speed and power of Brockley's scoring opened up opportunities for the other batsmen to score well. Despite losing some very cheap wickets, Niran Wijewardene partnered with Brockley and the pair added 140 runs before Brockley fell and the Dogs at 4/154. Indeed, Wijewardene continued on to a brilliant 101 in his three and a quarter hours at the crease and showed a glorious range of cover drives and glances as well as seven boundaries. Finishing their 50 overs with 9 for 260, the Dogs knew they had set a imposing total for the visitors. With scoreboard pressure on their side, the Bulldogs' bowlers were just too good and took wickets every 10 to 15 runs - and so the Bees never established any decent partnerships. Rhys Ward was the pick of the bowlers with an outstanding 4 for 30 off 9.1 overs. He was well supported by Justin Felsch with an excellent 3 for 28. The Bees were never in the hunt and the Dogs never gave an inch - and earned a comprehensive win with a bonus point.

3rd grade

Alex Kouventaris led his thirds to Olds Park where he won the toss and sent UNSW in to bat. University struggled against the line and length of Jehan Bilimoria's bowling and he finished with 3 for 28 off 10 overs. Wickets fell in clumps and the Bulldogs' bowlers kept up the pressure. Indeed, Ben Le Bas bowled five maidens in his allotted ten overs, to take 2 for 10 and prevented the Bees' batsmen scoring. Wickets were tumbling regularly and the Dogs' bowlers took a stranglehold on the runs with UNSW all out for 111. With such a modest total, it can be easy to lose wickets, but the Dogs' batsmen stuck to their task and chased the runs in just over 26 overs. Modacer Momandi (29), Ryan Freeman (30 no) and Le Bas (32no) all helped guide the Dogs to a well-earned bonus point.

4th grade

At Kelso Park North, the Dogs were led by Prashanthan Sivapragasam who lost the toss and bowled first. While the Dogs got two early wickets, they struggled to maintain the pressure and allowed the Bees to forge a solid 205 off their allotted 50 overs. Pick of the Dogs' bowlers was young spinner Nicholas Freedman with 3 for 37, who was well supported with the pace of Roshan Bhat (2/47). In reply, the Dogs struggled to get runs and so very partnerships developed. With the top Bulldogs' score being 30 (Andrew Gotsis) chasing 205 was always going to be difficult and the Dogs were all out for 123.

5th grade

Tom Ramage's fifths lost the toss at David Phillips South Oval and bowled. Despite some good bowling, it wasn't until the Bees were on 120 before the first wicket fell and so a large score looked ominous. Farhan Mohammad (3/48) and Chris Stefanish (2/41) were the pick of the Dogs' bowlers, but the Bees kept scoring well despite losing wickets regularly. With an imposing 272 to defend, the Bulldogs chase would not be easy. Indeed, it was mainly due to Jordan King that the Bulldogs kept in the hunt with a determined and stoic 63. But

he had little support and the Dogs were all out for 137 in the 42nd over.

15 washed out

16 washed out

Last round sees Bulldogs' bowlers on fire

**Opposition: Wests - Round 17
13th March, 2022 - Pratten Park**



In Sunday's match at Pratten Park, and in the final round of the season before the finals, the Bankstown Sports Bulldogs captain Daniel Solway won the toss and bowled. In an amazing start, Wests lost three wickets within the first two overs. Liam Marshall opened the bowling and snared Cutler caught at 2nd slip by Daniel Burns. Next over saw Brad Simpson bowl a sharp ball to be defended to point - but ever-present Brendan Smith at point immediately threw down the stumps at the non-striker's end to effect a brilliant run out. Then three balls later, Simpson clean bowls Clarke and Wests are positively reeling at 3 wickets for just 6 runs and the Bulldogs are all over our local cousins. While runs were hard to come by, Wests were moving along slowly until Tyler Van Luin struck in his second over. Wests in trouble at 4 for 36 before rain intervened. After the short break, Van Luin struck again - and again caught by Burns at slip. Dayne Heward was not to be denied and of course it was Burns again with the catch (his third). Wests in very deep trouble and Van Luin and Marshall smelling blood. Both ensnared their 3rd wicket in quick succession and Wests really struggling at 9 for 57. The tail wagged a bit, but the Dogs' domination was complete as Wests were all out for 86 in the 33rd over - with Burns finishing the rout. Van Luin (3/18) and Marshall (3/30) were the pick of the bowlers with 6 wickets between them. With such a low total to chase, and Sydney's rain halting play again, on resumption, the Dogs' batters needed to take their time and

work their way to victory. Solway partnered with Zeeshaan Ahmed to steadily wear down the total. Despite a few close calls, the pair brought the required runs to just 25 before Ahmed was caught behind for 25. Smith joined Solway and brought the runs needed down with some deft shots, including a massive six to long on. In the last game of the season, the Bulldogs were home in a canter as they lost just 2 wickets for 87 in the 20th over (Solway 28no, Smith 18no), but first grade missed out on making the finals.

2nd grade

In a must-win match to have a chance of making the finals, Tony Clark's second grade team took on Wests at Memorial Oval on Saturday. While the ground looked magnificent thanks to Nick Mamoulis and his team, the toss would be vital given there had been so much rain during the week. Subsequently, Clark won the toss and bowled and this paid immediate dividends. With Wests 3/15 after just a few overs, Rhys Ward had already taken two wickets and was using his height to get some balls to rear up off a good length. Wests struggled to get valuable partnerships going, as the Bulldogs took wickets at regular intervals and no batsmen scored over 30 runs. Along with Ward with 3 for 22, Matt Bursa showed his pace and guile to snare 3 for 27. Wests were all out for 165 in the 48th over. To have a chance of making the finals, the Bulldogs needed to win with a bonus point as well as other results to go their way. The batting started on fire with Joel Brockley and Justin Fesch both scoring at double the balls, although they fell cheaply. Mitch Hinds and Alex Kouventaris (27) kept the run rate well up and both were flying - as were the balls that smashed into the fence with regularity as they put on a 61-run partnership in very quick time. Hinds scored 43 off just 39 balls and laid the platform for the Bulldogs. After Hinds was adjudged lbw, Niran Wijewardene and Matt Simpson kept the runs piling up as Wijewardene was showing his ability to time the ball over the fence with three glorious maximums. Unfortunately, Wijewardene fell on 49 but had set up the win in just the 29th over, despite the Bulldogs losing a few late wickets. So, while they earned a well-deserved bonus point for a truly comprehensive win, Tony Clark's 2nds missed this year's finals.

3rd grade

At Blick Oval, captain Ben Le Bas lost the toss and was sent in to bat - a decision Wests ended up regretting as the in-form Bulldogs' thirds took to the bowlers. Brian Handunneththi opened and was hitting the fence regularly before falling for 69. Along with Ethan Debono, the pair took to the bowlers in a merciless attack. Debono fell for a well deserved 70 and Bankstown 2/95. In came Le Bas, who with Handunneththi, amassed a brilliant 129-run partnership and provided a substantive base for the Bulldogs. Indeed, after 50 overs, the red-hot Dogs had piled on 283 runs for the loss of just four wickets. Chasing a huge total, Wests were never able to get in the hunt. Wickets were shared by the bowlers, with Koby Layton almost unplayable (2/6 off 5 overs) and well supported by Handunneththi (2/11 off 5 overs). With only one Wests player

scoring greater than 10 runs, the game was over very early with Wests limping to be all out for 83 at the end of the 26th over - for a huge win to the high performing thirds who go into next week's finals with a home ground advantage, playing at Memorial Oval.

4th grade

At Blick Oval on Sunday, captain Johann Perera was hoping to set an imposing total by winning the toss and batting. Unfortunately, wickets fell with monotonous regularity, and the Dogs crumbled. With only one batsman - Rohin Patel - scoring over 15 runs, Bankstown limped to just 100 in the 35th over. Defending such a low total is always difficult. After a great start and having Wests 2 wickets for only 5 runs, the weather determined the match result as a draw.

5th grade - No play

3rd Grade

Hard-fought win sees Dogs into final

Qualifying Final v Eastern Suburbs

20th March 2022 - Bankstown Oval



The Bankstown Sports 3rd Grade team led by Alex Kouventaris played their qualifying final against Eastern Suburbs on Sunday. Memorial Oval was looking superb after last week's four-day Sheffield Shield match between NSW and WA and the rain stayed away so a full day's play was had with both sides having available 50 overs. Losing the toss, Bankstown were asked to bowl first. Brady Polkinghorne took the openers to task and Easts were floundering at 2 for 13. The Dolphins were able to settle the ship and put together a few partnerships before slow bowling by Ben Le Bas, Koby Layton and Brian Handunneththi put the lid on a potentially large Easts' total with six wickets between them. Le Bas with 3 for 34 was very well supported at the other end by Layton with 2 for 33. Coupled with some excellent fielding and catching, the Dogs were dictating the pace of the game and forcing the Dolphins batsmen to take risks and hit out. But, it was Polkinghorne who took the bowling honours with laser-like accuracy to earn four wickets for just 26 runs. Johann Perera was particularly good behind the stumps and took a very sharp stumping to finish off the Easts' innings for 153 in the 49th over.

Chasing a draw to go through the finals, the Bulldogs chase looked on shaky ground

with the openers Perera and Modacer Momandi in the sheds early and they were soon followed by Ryan Freeman and Alex Kouventaris. The Dogs were reeling at 4 for 38 and needed a few batsmen to simply occupy the crease and bat with common sense. Le Bas (19) was dismissed from a very sharp run out, but had provided some backbone for the Dogs. 'Keeper Rahid Alam was scoring rapidly after the drinks break and was caught on 22 when pushing the run rate. However, Anthony Melnyk and Handunneththi kept their focus and despite some very tight Dolphins bowling, were able to meet the challenge set them. Melnyk was superb in his shot placement and Handunneththi ran brilliantly between the wickets despite them both giving a few chances. Each remained deservedly not out as Bankstown fought their way into next week's semi final with a great win in the 49th over (Melnyk 36no, Handunneththi 19no).

3rd Grade

Bulldogs thirds fall short in grand final

Grand Final v Northern Districts 27th March, 2022 - Pratten Park



In the third grade Sydney Premier Cricket grand final held at Pratten Park last Saturday, the Bankstown Sports third grade side fell agonisingly short in a very close match against Northern Districts. Captain Alex Kouventaris lost the toss and was asked to bowl - a decision he also would have made. However, the Bulldogs bowlers struggled to maintain pressure and consistency throughout the final as the Northern Districts batsmen took control. Despite the Dogs holding sway early with two early wickets to the pace of

Jehan Bilimoria and Brady Polkinghorne for just 20 runs, the Bulldogs relaxed their grip and the opposition batsmen took advantage. Koby Layton took the bowling honours with three late wickets - for 76 runs - as Northern Districts reached 7 for 250 off their allotted 50 overs.

In reply, Bankstown's young guns started in similar vein losing both openers for 33 after some stylish drives by openers Modacer Momandi and Johann Perera. Then Ryan Freeman stepped up and showed genuine future potential as a quality number three batsman with higher grades beckoning. He played some beautiful drives along the smooth Pratten Park outfield as well as some lofty hits over the fence. Freeman showed patience and class as he worked his way past 50 and beyond. Along with captain Kouventaris (27), the pair started to swing the momentum in favour of the Bulldogs when Freeman was adjudged LBW when on 80 runs and a well-deserved century was missed. Nevertheless, at 5 for 159, Bankstown was still in with a real chance. Unfortunately - and as is often the case in grand finals - scoreboard pressure meant batsmen took risks and too many wickets fell cheaply as they searched for runs to keep the scoreboard ticking over. Indeed, the Bulldogs lost their last three wickets for only 3 runs and with those, the grand final. The Bankstown Sports Bulldogs fall short - all out in the 45th over for 198.







































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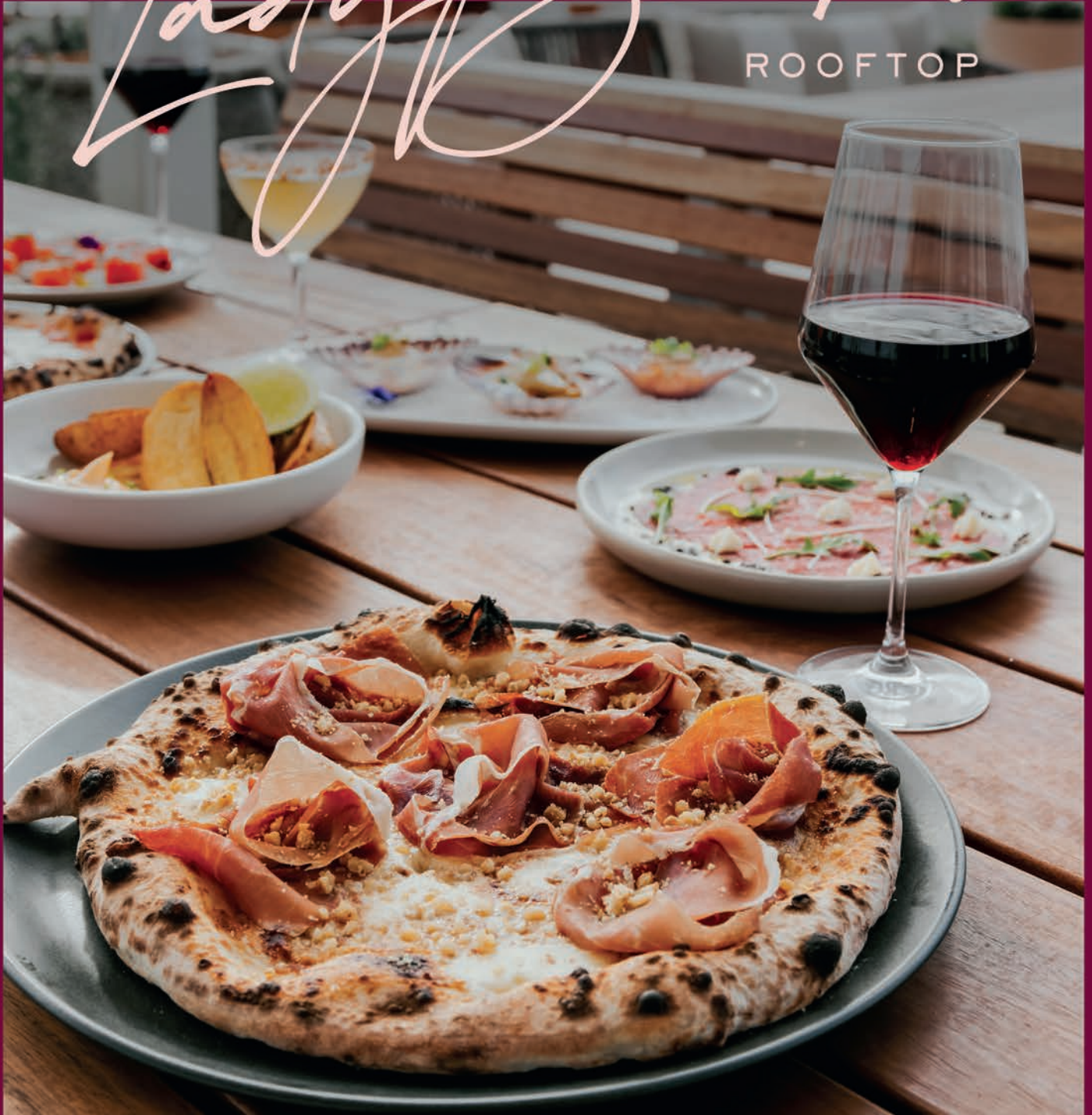


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