EMU PLAINS CRICKET CLUB INC.



SEASON REPORT 2016 / 2017

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SPONSORS

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OFFICE BEARERS

PATRONS

Alma Ristau (appointed 1996) Eddie Ristau (1996) Betty Coleman (1996)

Lionel Gyler (1996) Phil & Phyllis Huthnance (2006)

LIFE MEMBERS

Leslie Mitchell (appointed 1990) Paul Ryan (1990) Tim Pedlar (1992)

Garry Ross (1992) Peter Watts (1992) Peter Mitchell (1992)

Tony Hoy (1992) Lionel Gyler (1996) George Stanowski (2000)

Darran Harvey (2004) Martin Romer (2004) Greg Bottrill (2005)
Miles Anderson (2007) Trevor Wilson (2008) Jamie Large (2010)

Andrew Williams (2012) Martin Bowerman (2013)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President: Sam Barbaro Vice-President: Martin Bowerman Treasurer: Ange Barbaro

Secretary: Ange Barbaro Juniors Secretary: Richard Field Asst. Juniors Secretary: Chris

Longhurst

Committee members: Jim Micsko, Ryan Graham, Andrew Luzzi, Kim Longhurst, Martin Romer, Brett

Savage.

SENIOR PREMIERSHIPS

1st Grade: Evans Memorial Shield

1923/24, 1925/26, 1931/32, 1932/33, 1935/36, 1937/38, 1946/47, 1947/48, 1948/49, 1949/50, 1950/51, 1951/52, 1952/53, 1955/56, 1957/58, 1993/94, 1995/96, 1997/98, 1990/00*, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15

2nd Grade: Donald Reay Memorial Trophy

1990/91, 1996/97, 1999/00, 2007/08, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2012/13

3rd Grade: W & E Cammack Trophy

1993/94, 1995/96, 2015/16

4th Grade: Trevor Wholohan Trophy

1990/91

5th Grade: Darcy Smith Shield

1979/80, 1992/93, 1999/00, 2007/08

6th Grade: Howell Cup

1996/97

7th Grade: T.J. Rance Trophy

1980/81

8th Grade: Nepean Cup

2012/13

9th Grade: J.L. Mason Trophy

1996/97

"A" Grade Twenty20 Cup

2011/12

"B" Grade Twenty20 Cup

2008/09, 2009/10

^{* 1999/00 1}st Grade Premiership declared vacant by NDCA after Club was deemed to have breached a player eligibility rule.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Welcome to all life members, patrons, sponsors and of course, all of our players.

Firstly, I would like to thank all of the committee for all of the hard work that goes into running this club. Your effort is appreciated.

2016-17 was a great year for the club, with 6 out of 7 senior teams making the semi-finals, with the 8th grade unfortunately losing in the grand final. It was great to see so many Emu Plains players at the ground supporting the team. In juniors, we had 8 junior teams, and one Milo Thunder team join the Thunder Girls League. Well done to the Under 16's Pontings, the Under 14/15 Div.1, and the Under 11's who made the semi-finals. Congratulations to the under 10's who won their competition, the only Emu team to win a competition this year. A big thank you to all of the coaches, managers, assistants, scorers, helpers and parents that help every week to give the juniors an opportunity to play.

It was in a lot of ways a year of firsts. The first time we have had a major sponsor, and for that I would like to thank Andrew Reeves and the team at One Agency. I look forward to many more years working collaboratively to offer access to players of all ages and ability the opportunity to spend some time outside in a friendly environment.

It was also the first year that the senior competition was run as a complete limited overs format, with 20 games throughout the season. While the format posed challenges for most teams and captains in organising a side every week, the NDCA should be applauded for trying to address the decline in player numbers. The jury is still out on how effective the change was, though without change there would be no progress.

It was also the first year in several seasons that we were allowed to use a ball other than the Kookaburra. I acknowledge that the ball was not to everyone's liking, though as with the decision to change the match format, I agree that the decision to allow other manufacturers to supply balls was a good one.

It was also the first time a junior girls team played in their own competition, with the girls Thunder League being played on a Friday night at Jamison Park. I am encouraged by the increase in focus for the junior girls and women's teams, and look forward to seeing an girls or women's team in Emu Plains colours in the future, hopefully playing in a women's league.

I would also like to thank Andrew Gardner and the team from Emu Sports for the ongoing support in the use of the club facilities for our meetings, the AGM and the presentation night. I encourage everyone to support the Emu Sports club in return for their support.

Enjoy the night, and thank you all for a great year, and I look forward to another great season.

Sam Barbaro, President

TREASURER'S REPORT

EMU PLAINS CRICKET CLUB INCORPORATED

Statement of Income and Expenditure as at 31 March 2017

Income		Expenditure	
Stubby holders/Clothing/Misc Sales	\$2,840.00	Clothing and playing equipment	\$15,354.18
Junior Registration	\$7,424.73	P&E Purchase	\$5,181.82
Senior Registration	\$8,590.60	Junior Team Registration Fees	\$2,400.00
In2Cricket Registration	\$375.00	Senior Team Registration Fees	\$3,559.00
Thunder Girls Coordinator	\$750.00	In2Cricket	\$1,755.00
Fund Raising/Raffles/Grants	\$6,300.00	Trophies	\$3,893.27
Sponsorship	\$5,500.00	Misc (Includes Back to Emu day,	\$2,351.62
		Jnr Thunder Tickets & postage)	
		Presentation Night	\$2,100.00
Total Income	\$31,780.33	Total Expenditure	\$36,594.89

Opening Balance 1/4/2016 \$15,605.08 Closing Balance 31/3/2017 \$10,403.10 Current Balance 1/4/2017 \$10,403.10

This year many senior players remained unpaid up until Presentation Night. This affects the club cash flow and increases the effort required by volunteers to collect fees that are delinquently overdue. It is an unpleasant experience to hold people up at the door for funds that should and can be paid throughout the season. It remains a concern that players who have not paid are now missing on awards and devaluing the effort by others and becoming long term defaulters.

Those who are repeatedly overdue should consider making a special effort in this off season to pay before the registrations begin next season.

Positively and for the first time in many years have the honour of having a reputable and valuable front of shirt and sleeve sponsorships. This sponsorship income from both Reeves Properties and Metwest Engineering is welcome and we look forward to a partnership lasting many more years.

Note that the figures are not audited. A full list of accounts is available for viewing and audit at every general club meeting and at the AGM.

Ange Barbaro, Treasurer

SENIOR REPORT

Season 2016/2017 was very successful again for the Club, building on recent success over a number of years.

Seven senior teams took to the field each week representing this great Club. While no senior premierships were won, the teams were all successful with 6 of the 7 senior teams making the finals, with Scott Cornwell in his first year in the club and as captain, taking the 8th grade team to the grand final. They were beaten on the day by a team that did not lose a match all year. The game was played in great competitive spirit and congratulations to 8th grade for your strong result.

With six out of seven sides making the finals we finished 4th in the NDCA Club Championship.

On the field

The season once again kicked off in September with the popular 7 a side gala day held at Dukes Oval. Thanks to David Betts for volunteering his time to prepare a pitch for our use, and to all of the committee members and volunteers who make this a great day for all. It is a terrific way to start the season and we hope to get even more teams and players involved next year.

Marty Romer in first grade had a very difficult year with a team in transition, with many senior players stepping down for this and the last season. Encouragingly, there are also many very talented juniors and others stepping in to first grade and it will not be long before first grade again begins adding to the most 1st grade premierships by any club in NDCA history.

Alex Mullen's 2nd Grade side made it to semi-final but ran into some pretty ordinary weather and some dodgy covers. Despite placing Glenmore Park in a precarious position, Alex's boys could not come up with the win. This team has been consistently improving every year and it will become a premiership side. Glenmore Park would go on to win the competition and deserve congratulations.

Our team in 3rd grade could not go on and defend our premiership but did again show great camaraderie, fantastic catering and club spirit to make the semi-final, only to the beaten by the best team in the 3rd grade competition who went on to win the premiership. Congratulations to Penrith RSL on their success in 3rd grade.

Peter Gibson's 5th Grade boys also had an outstanding season and were at the top of the table all season long but unfortunately bowed out of the finals race in a rain affected match. This team is one to watch in the future and has the talent and balance to go on and win a string of premierships in the future

Scott Cornwell had a tough job filling 11 into the 8th grade side each week, as the new competition resulted in the club grades being too far apart to be able to place teams from the higher grades into the middle grades. Even with the week to week challenges this team made the grand final and were beaten by the better team on the day. Congratulations to Glenmore Park for winning the 8th grade premiership undefeated.

Jordan Olsen once again well captained our youngest senior team in 9th grade and again took this team to the semi-final, where some missed opportunities saw them bow out to the eventual premiers Colyton St Clair. This team continues to get better and better and is adapting well to the challenges of playing senior cricket on a weekly basis.

Andy Price's 10th grade team came back from a string of losses and finally began to fill their team consistently, with gratefully accepted help from juniors, find winning form, and finish strongly in second place. This team is made up of a lot of young guys either playing their first season of senior cricket, or juniors who are playing both morning and afternoon. To blend this team into a strong competitive side is a great effort and one that will see this team going all the way very soon.

Off the field

We welcomed both front of shirt and sleeve sponsors this year with One Agency Reeves Properties and Metwest Engineering taking out whole of club shirt sponsorships. We hope to build a long and successful partnership with both companies and thank you both for your generous support. We strongly encourage all playing and non-playing members to support our sponsors at every opportunity.

Facebook posts were great to read throughout the season. Some excellent video and camera work led to a few amusing posts as well. It would be great if all sides fully embraced the social media channels to report on their games. Everyone in the Club is keen to see how other teams are performing and as these updates don't need to be long, anything received on a weekly basis would be welcomed by all.

This was the first year of playing to new conditions in an all one day format, and it did take several weeks for many teams to settle in and fill the teams for a new game each and every week. Anecdotally it appears that the one day format is encouraging more players to miss ad hoc games throughout the season, rather than committing to playing every week. It would please everyone if the players who do register considered playing on a more regular basis every week.

We also did have an additional barrier in filling teams, as the NDCA player grades reflect the previous season grade played, and as such, the gap between our 5th and 8th teams could not be covered with players who had a previous higher personal grading. This will correct itself in following years, as the NDCA player grades will reflect the grade last played.

Due to work commitments, Kimberly Longhurst resigned from the committee this year, meaning we currently have no female representation in the committee. This diversity is something that all committee members would like to see maintained. For anyone considering joining the committee please accept our most generous invitation. Thank you to Kimberly for your work throughout this and many other previous years. You are missed already.

Finally, a big thank you to my other fellow Committee members for all of the hard work completed throughout the year. Running a club of this size and quality is not an easy task and your efforts are outstanding.

Congratulations to everyone involved in the Club for a successful and enjoyable season. I sincerely hope to see you all, players and committee back in the red cap in 2017/18.

Ange Barbaro, Secretary

JUNIOR REPORT

2016-2017 was a successful year for the Emu Plains cricket club, we fielded 9 junior teams made up of 107 boys and girls in the PJCA competition.

Emu Plains had 13 boys and 2 girls selected for representative honours and two young men Matthew Sullivan and Adrian Agius selected and played grade cricket for Penrith.

Although none of our players scored hundreds in junior games, we did have 15 different players score 50's and one of our under 15 players, Jacob Bullous, score 110 in a senior game. Emu Plains' future bowling stocks are looking good too. Oliver Jenkins in our under 12s took our sole hat trick with great figures 4/6 against Glenbrook Blaxland. We did not have any bowlers take 5 wickets in a junior game, but we did have two of our under 16's taking 5 wickets in an innings in senior games. Both men, Justin McColl and Harrison Field, ended the season with 35 wickets for both junior and seniors combined a fantastic effort, both young men collecting their senior teams respective bowling awards in 3rd Grade (Justin) and 10th Grade (Harrison).

The Tony Hoy award is awarded to the Senior Player who has accumulated the most points obtained from each round. Players from each Senior team shall vote at the end of each round on best performed player. Points shall be awarded as 3 for the player who contributed the most to the match followed by 2 and 1 for the next best performed players. For the first time, this award has been presented to a Junior playing Senior cricket and that award was given to Jack Trezise.

Our under 10's team is made up of very enthusiastic boys and girls, who have the honour of being Emu Plains' only Premiers this year. The under 10's competition is the first age group where the players and parents can track the results online via the MyCricket web site. David Williams and his team finished the competition with 15 wins, two more wins than second place.

With great excitement on Friday 3rd February 2017, PJCA and Cricket NSW launched the Summer Season of Thunder Girls Cricket League, a T20 competition for young ladies under the age of 13 years. This is the second time the competition has been run, but the first time Emu Plains has entered a team. I want to say a very big thank you to Chris Longhurst who has done a great job putting together our team; both the girls and their parents are very enthusiastic and their enthusiasm is very contagious. Unfortunately, inclement weather impeded the season and reduced the opportunities the girls were able to play.

We have two teams in our under 9's and although they do not play for competition points, both coaches Jason Jones and Luke Murphy advised Emu Plains future is in good hands. Both teams would have won a lot more games than not. The under 8's and 9's competition is an 8 a side competition, where everyone is encouraged to participate and have fun. It is a great experience for the players and their parents.

Three of the five teams eligible to participate in the semi-finals took part in semi-finals. Unfortunately none progressed to the Grand Final. Our Under 15 division 1 team finished minor Premiers, but unfortunately ran into a red hot Springwood team in the semi-final and were unable to chase down 193 on a wet pitch. With great stats and contributions for all team members (eight 50's and 3 players taking 10 or more wickets and all players taking more than 4 wickets), it was a real team effort. Terry Jacobs has coached this side since under 10s and has taken them to the finals every year, a really good effort from Terry and the boys.

Our under 11's finished the season in 3rd place with 11 wins and one draw. They were beaten by Glenbrook Blaxland Starc, the eventual under 11 Premiers. Emu batted first setting 3/104 off their 40 overs and where chased down in 38 overs, 6 wickets downs. The Grand Final was not as close.

The under 12's won 7 games, drew 3 and were unlucky to not make the finals, ending the season in 5th place. Andrew Kennedy and the team did a great job this year, with Oliver Jenkins taking our only hat trick.

This year will see the end of an era. In 2008/09 Emu Plains fielded two Under 8 teams, the Gilchrist and the Pontings or Pointings as we have sometimes been called. In that age group we have had two teams competing every year since. As these boys finish their junior carriers we still have 5 of the originals boys still playing for Emu Plains. We have been very lucky in having the service of Geoff Sullivan to coach and mentor the Gilchrist boys, the Pontings were lucky to have the guidance of Lee McColl and Sam Barbaro helping myself. Over the years both teams have participated in finals with the Gilchrists participating in the under 13 Grand Final in 2013/14. There has been some real competition between the teams throughout the years, but the games have always been close and the sportsmanship between players and parents has been fantastic. The Gilchrists struggled for numbers this year with Matthew Sullivan and Adrian Agius leaving to play grade each week, but the remaining boys never gave up and were competitive. The Pontings made the finals; history repeated itself and the team was beaten for the second year in a row by the eventual winners Glenmore Park.

This is my first year as Junior Secretary; I would like to thank Andrew Kennedy for his training and support, I would like to thank Jim Micsko for his help with MyCricket and Sam Barbaro for his help and never ending support with the mighty Pontings.

Richard Field, Juniors Secretary

MILO IN2CRICKET REPORT

A fantastic season of In2Cricket this year which showed us some wonderful talent coming through and loads of enjoyment for everyone.

We had some wonderful help from the parents and thank you all for your assistance and support throughout the 9-week program.

A huge thank you to the usual suspects that coach with me every year. Kim Longhurst, Nathan Christensen and Brian Longhurst. I can't run the program smoothly without your help and support and I thank you. We also had some help from a former In2Cricketer turned Emu Plains Under 13's Thunder Girls Cricketer Kahlan Mouwen. Thank you very much for your help!

Martin Romer was the new incumbent of coaches this season, taking the potential Emu Plains Cricketers of next year for more advanced training to prepare them for the real game. Thank you very much Marty, I know the participants appreciated your help and I wish you all the best next season.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the BBQ and helping me with administration the first few weeks. For these days to run smoothly we need as much help as we can and I am truly grateful you can take the time to help us out at our busiest times.

I look forward to seeing everyone next season and I hope we can make it our biggest season ever. Bring your friends along to share in the excitement and fun.

Christopher Longhurst, In2Cricket Coordinator

PERPETUAL TROPHY WINNERS

KEITH COLEMAN MEMORIAL SHIELD (SENIOR ALL ROUNDER)

Awarded to the Senior Player who has accumulated the most points during the season. Points are allocated for the 1st innings of each game, semi-finals and finals excluded. Allocation of points is outlined in the constitution.

Joel Camilleri

761 points

Tony Hoy Shield (Senior Cricketer of the Year)

Awarded to the senior player who has accumulated the most points, obtained from each round. Players doubling up with a second team in the same round shall also be included. Players from each senior team shall vote at the end of each round on best performed player. Points shall be awarded as 3 for the player who contributed the most to the match followed by 2 and 1 for the next best performed players. At the completion of round 14 player's points are to be tallied.

Jack Trezise

21 points

DAVE RISTAU MEMORIAL TROPHY (SENIOR WICKET KEEPER)

Awarded to the senior cricketer with the most dismissals as a Wicket Keeper during the Season.

Peter Gibson

32 dismissals

CRAIG HUTHNANCE MEMORIAL TROPHY (1ST GRADE CRICKETER OF THE YEAR)

Awarded to the most outstanding player in the first grade team for the season, final games included. Allocation of points is outlined in the constitution.

Martin Romer

384 points

A & E RISTAU AWARD (U/21 BATTING AGGREGATE)

Awarded to the player (Junior Competition only or Senior Competition only) who is under the age of 21 years at 30 September of that season, who has scored the most runs for the Club. Competition matches only – semi & final games not included.

Jacob Bulluss

476 runs

THE HALLY AWARD (U/21 BOWLING AGGREGATE)

Awarded to the player (Junior Competition only or Senior Competition only) who is under the age of 21 years at 30 September of that season, who has taken the most wickets for the Club. Competition matches only – semi & final games not included.

Justin McColl

23 wickets

SENIOR CATCHING AWARD

Awarded to the senior player that has taken the most catches as a fielder (non-wicketkeeper) in competition rounds only. Finals games are not included.

Scott Waterhouse

12 catches

CLUBMAN OF THE YEAR

Awarded to the person deemed to have contributed the most to upholding the spirit of the Club during the past season. The winner, chosen by the Executive Committee, may be a player (junior or senior), a committee member, a coach/manager, a parent, a supporter or any combination of these. It is not compulsory that the award be given if an appropriate candidate is not nominated that season.

Matthew Kobryn

SHIELD OF SHAME (MOST SENIOR DUCKS)

Awarded to the senior cricketer who has achieved the most ducks during the season.

Patrick Kamlade, Jarrod Proctor, Keith V Parker

5 ducks

SENIOR ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Awarded to the senior cricketer playing his first full season in seniors after having played the previous season for Emu Plains juniors. The award recognises performance as well as what the recipient has contributed to upholding the spirit of the Club.

Jayden Stewart

LONG SERVICE AWARDS

OFFICIALS (EIGHT YEARS SERVICE)

At the completion of eight years' service as a coach, manager or executive committee member (or a combination of these) the Executive Committee may approve by majority vote the award of a Long Service Award to such person. Service need not be continuous.

Geoff Sullivan Richard Field

SPECIAL SERVICE AWARD - UNDER 16 YEARS

Players who play continuously with the Club from Under 9 to Under 16 shall receive an award at the annual presentation in recognition of their contribution to the Club. Team Coaches and Managers who meet the criteria shall also be eligible to receive the award.

Matthew Sullivan Max Buckley Harrison Field Nathan Roots

Luke Gale Justin McColl Liam Swist

SPECIAL SERVICE AWARD - SENIORS

Senior players who have played with the Club for a period of ten years shall receive an award. Years of service need not be consecutive. Records commence with season 1989/90. Service prior to those years has not been accurately recorded by the Club.

Matthew Kobryn Ben McGovern Matthew Davey Nathan Christensen

Jason Shandler David Withers

100 GAME CAPS

Awarded to players who play 100 games for the club, without breaking that service to play for another club within the Nepean/Penrith District.

Scott Waterhouse Matthew Kobryn Nathan Roots

Alex Mullen Lachlan Jacobs Patrick Kamlade

James Wood Jacob Bulluss

Andrew Kennedy Jack Trezise

SENIORS

DISTRICT AWARDS - NEPEAN DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION

NDCA Club Championship

RANK	CLUB	POINTS
1	Panthers	87.94
2	Glenbrook Blaxland	79.74
3	Glenmore Park	78.82
4	Emu Plains	74.38
5	Cranebrook	70.99
6	St Clair Hawks	63.65
7	Colyton St Clair	62.95
8	Springwood	62.73
9	St Marys Leagues	62.02

NDCA District Player of the Year Awards

5th Grade Wicket Keeper of the Year - Peter Gibson

8th Grade Player of the Year - Ben McGovern

9th Grade Player of the Year - Joel Camilleri

9th Grade Batting Aggregate - Joel Camilleri

10th Grade Batting Average - Jack Trezise

Win / Loss Record

GRADE	MAT	Win	Draw	Loss	%WIN
1 st	20	3	7	10	15%
2 nd	21	7	5	9	33%
3 rd	21	9	2	10	43%
5 th	21	14	2	5	67%
8 th	22	10	4	8	45%
9 th	21	9	3	9	43%
10 th	21	10	2	9	48%
Total	147	62	25	60	42%

Bowling Statistics

GRADE	WKTS	Runs	Runs/Wkt	OVERS	RUNRATE	5W
1 st	86	2132	24.79	426	5.00	0
2 nd	126	2107	16.72	526	4.00	1
3 rd	149	3006	20.17	697	4.31	2
5 th	178	1978	11.11	566	3.49	6
8 th	126	2909	23.09	677	4.30	2
9 th	131	2921	22.30	672	4.34	1
10 th	155	2880	18.58	704	4.09	3
Total	951	17,933	18.86	4,268	4.20	15

Batting Statistics

GRADE	Runs	WKTS	Runs/Wkts	OVERS	RUNRATE	100s	50 s	Ducks
1 st	1599	120	13.33	393	4.06	0	3	22
2 nd	2078	135	15.39	564	3.68	0	2	24
3 rd	2927	137	21.37	675	4.33	0	9	14
5 th	2562	125	20.50	589	4.35	0	8	21
8 th	3461	135	25.64	690	5.02	4	17	22
9 th	2714	135	20.10	634	4.28	1	11	21
10 th	2791	120	23.26	674	4.14	1	11	26
Total	18,132	907	19.99	4.219	4.30	6	61	150

BATTING & BOWLING - AGGREGATE AND AVERAGE AWARDS - ALL GRADES

Batting & bowling aggregate and average awards are calculated on non-finals games only.

Batting

1st Grade	Agg & Avge – Martin Romer	219 @ 24.33
2nd Grade	Agg – Bradley Dodd	209 runs
	Avge - Andrew Bugg	191 @ 31.83
3rd Grade	Agg - Anthony Tonks	382 runs
	Avge - Lee McColl	289 @ 36.13
5th Grade	Agg & Avge - Patrick Anderson	398 @ 33.17
8th Grade	Agg & Avge - Ben McGovern	448 @ 64.00
9th Grade	Agg - Joel Camilleri	496 runs
	Avge - Jake Couchman	449 @ 40.82
10th Grade	Agg & Avge - Jack Trezise	442 @ 44.20

Bowling

1st Grade	Agg - Ben Musgrave	14 wickets
2nd Grade	Agg - Cameron Clough	22 wickets
	Avge - Luke Wilson	21 @ 8.05
3rd Grade	Agg & Avge - Justin McColl	23 @ 13.09
5th Grade	Agg - David Withers	24 wickets
	Avge - James Wood	22 @ 6.00
8th Grade	Agg - Keith V Parker	21 wickets
	Avge - Ben McGovern	18 @ 18.67
9th Grade	Agg - Joel Camilleri	22 wickets
	Avge - Ryan Morley	20 @ 14.05
10th Grade	Agg - Harrison Field/Michael Mullen	19 wickets
	Avge - Harrison Field	19 @ 14.16

CENTURIES — ALL GRADES

Jef Miles – 140 NO, 8th Grade, Round 18 vs. St Clair Hawks @ Monfarville No 2 Beau Dingemans - 121 NO, 8th Grade, Round 8 vs. St Clair Hawks @ Kingsway No 3 Greg Bottrill - 113 NO, 8th Grade, Round 3 vs. St Clair Hawks @ Parker St No 2 Jacob Bulluss - 110 NO, 9th Grade, Round 18 vs. Panthers @ Chapman Gardens Brett Trezise - 105, 10th Grade, Round 2 vs. Minchinbury Warriors @ Ridge Park Ben McGovern - 103 NO, 8th Grade, Round 12 vs. Colyton St Clair @ Parker St No 1

BOWLING - 6W IN INNINGS - ALL GRADES

Stuart Ericson - 6/21, 5th Grade, Round 17 vs. Cranebrook @ Andromeda Drive Michael Mullen - 6/25, 10th Grade, Round 2 vs. Minchinbury Warriors @ Ridge Park

BOWLING - HAT-TRICKS - ALL GRADES

Keith V Parker - 8th Grade, Round 11 vs. St Marys Leagues @ Kingsway No 1

BATTING PARTNERSHIPS - ALL GRADES

WKT	PARTNERSHIP	BATTERS	GRADE	RND	OPPONENT
1 st	165	Frank Sidrak – Greg Bottrill *	8 th	3	St Clair Hawks
2 nd	120	Andy Price * – Jack Trezise	10 th	20	Glenbrook Blaxland
3 rd	120	Joel Camilleri * - Andrew Gilchrist *	9 th	7	Glenmore Park
4 th	122	Anthony Tonks – Ange Barbaro *	3 rd	8	Penrith RSL
5 th	141	Beau Dingemans * – Greg Bottrill *	8 th	8	St Clair Hawks
6 th	87	Ben McGovern * – Greg Bottrill	8 th	12	Colyton St Clair
7 th	103	Patrick Anderson – Shane McPherson *	5 th	13	St Marys Leagues
8 th	79	Beau Dingemans * – Andrew Kennedy	8 th	2	Colyton St Clair
9 th	55	Shane McPherson * - Chris Longhurst *	5 th	13	St Marys Leagues
10 th	31	Cameron Clough – Jayden Stewart *	2 nd	8	Glenbrook Blaxland

MILESTONES

200 Senior Games Andrew Luzzi Luke Stanowski

100 Senior Games
Jon Ferguson

Matt Jones
Andrew Kennedy
Matthew Kobryn
Alex Mullen
James Wood

8000 Senior Runs Greg Bottrill

3000 Senior Runs Patrick Anderson

Peter Gibson

2000 Senior Runs

Luke Stanowski Bradley Dodd 1000 Senior Runs

Craig Sheens Ricky Ciampi Tim Boyce Joel Camilleri Jake Couchman

Additional Milestones Per Grade

- Joel Camilleri (496) and Jake Couchman (487) broke the 9th Grade record for most runs in a season
- Luke Stanowski passed 100 1st Grade games and 1000 1st Grade runs
- Patrick Anderson passed 1000 runs in 5th Grade
- Jim Micsko passed 100 wickets in 3rd Grade
- Greg Bottrill (1429) broke the overall most runs in 8th Grade

1ST GRADE CAPTAINS REPORT

Unfortunately, this season was one of our most unsuccessful for some time. We had lost a few players from our previous seasons so again we relied heavily on the contributions and efforts of players from our lower grades.

With a squad of 17 players we still struggled to fill a team every week, with some games only fielding 9 players. Injuries and work commitments hit us hard. When we did manage to field a full side we would have players from our under 16's playing for us. We were also lucky enough to grab players from our lower grade sides to help us out. I really appreciate the guys who fill in for us, it's easy for us to pull up players whenever we need them, and I know it creates a nightmare for the grades below us trying to find players to fill their spots.

Our season results wise was tough, it took us until almost Christmas to win our first game. Around this time, we started to field a more competitive side with our regular players becoming available. This showed in our results and we started beating the top 4 sides.

Unfortunately, wet weather then played its part and started washing out games when we were able to field a more competitive team.

While the season was poor, results wise, we did have some positives in finding some new young players who can hopefully develop over the next couple of seasons and turn our results around.

A special mention must go to two young players from our under 16's, Ryan Gibson and Luke Gale. Both these boys still have a year to play in juniors. The way they played and conducted themselves while playing 1st grade was fantastic. These boys were a defining factor in us turning our results around. Their batting and fielding really put some of us older buggers to shame. I'm hoping these boys are around again next year. They are two very talented young cricketers.

I am looking forward to rebuilding our side again next season and get our shield off Panthers! Being the only side in our club not to make the semis was embarrassing for us. We hope to fix that up next season.

Congratulations to the all the other grades on your results. The club is in a good position.

A big thank you to the committee for all your time, without your efforts we wouldn't have a strong club like we have now.

Martin Romer Captain 1st Grade 2016/17

2ND GRADE CAPTAINS REPORT

This year was a great year on and off the field. We tried our best throughout the season and finished as semi-finalists. Thank you to all those that helped throughout the year, in particular 3rd grade who were always willing to play the extra game when we were short.

This year we welcomed Bailey, Jayden and Harrison who played their first season as full time senior players. All three put in a big effort to make the jump to 2nd grade and all worked hard throughout the year. Bailey and Harrison batted up the order and Jayden opened the bowling which shows the level of commitment they all have.

Throughout the season we had the challenge of getting our strongest team on the park every week but we managed to make it to the semi-final. Day one of our semi- final was our best day of cricket for the season. We worked hard for each other and everyone put in their best effort which left us in an excellent position going into day 2. Unfortunately despite the covers being on over night the pitch was wet on day 2. We all worked hard with the help of Ange and the curator to get the pitch ready to play however we were unable to pull off a win.

Thanks to all the boys for a great season and hopefully we can become stronger again next season.

Alex Mullen Captain 2nd Grade 2016/17

3RD GRADE CAPTAINS REPORT

Congratulations to all of the teams that made the finals, it was great to see 6 of our 7 senior teams in the semis. It was a great effort from Scott Cornwell and his players to make the grand final after overcoming many difficult weeks even filling the side.

Us old blokes in 3rd grade were unable to defend our title this year, but we would have won the comp if the results contained team harmony and spirit points. This is a special team that has grown older together while remaining very competitive. This year also saw some rising stars beginning to make their marks in senior cricket with special mention to Justin McColl, who at only 16 was our leading wicket taker for the year.

Anthony Tonks had a great year with the bat, scoring 383 runs and winning our 3,2,1 tally, and with Chris back in town, made the 3rd father and son combination in our team. Chris, in only 3 games, scored and averaged 73, and bowled very well. Luke Downie, whilst forever entertaining us with the GoPro, had his best year with the bat for us with 272 runs, still managed to somehow improve on the catering. It is a great effort to bring that spread every week and it is well appreciated by all. Mark Roser, as ever, had another solid year taking 22 wickets and scoring 90 runs. Ricky and Shawn Parsonage had a mixed bag result with not many opportunities with some injuries too. We will see the best of Ricky in the future for sure. John Lennon played 10 games for us and again was selfless in giving his opportunities to bat to others, especially to the juniors who were filling in. Thanks John.

Tim Boyce was, as he was last year, outstanding again when it mattered. Standing solo with the bat in the semi-final with 40 and taking 4 wickets to follow up with his 5/45 through the year. Tim scored 230 runs and took 21 wickets for another outstanding season.

Martin Bowerman also, as per previous years, kept his cranky off spinning demeanour up, and again bowled some very good spells without luck. He picked up 16 wickets and managed to entertain all with the worst attempted run out assist ever seen at Jamison Park. When the umpire holds a game up because he can't stop laughing enough to put the stumps back in, you know you just saw something funny. Jim Micsko, who had an unusually slow start to the season, had his momentum taken away by a fractured rib or four as a result of a full length, horizontal, diving catch at point which somehow, off Martin's bowling, hit the turf. The stories on Facebook recall this story well. Even with the setback of 7 weeks out with the injury, Jim still took 19 wickets and scored 90 valuable runs for us.

Lee McColl continues to show his batting class by scoring 310 runs for us at 34.4, but then when filling in for 2nds, scored 128 at 42.7. Great effort Lee. Sam again as keeper was solid, in both girth and practice, with 5 great stumpings in his 17 wickets as keeper and even provided some entertainment in the field to join everybody in missing a sky ball catch. Matt Davey came out of retirement for the free shirt with full rego and made an immediate impact, in only 6 games Matt scored 192 runs for us, and filled in twice for both 1st and 2nd grade.

<u>Editor's note:</u> While too humble to mention his own efforts, the skipper had a solid year with the bat, scoring 217 runs but more importantly, leading this motley crew very well throughout the season. He also helped out 2nd Grade in 5 matches as well. His energy in organising and managing the side - on top of his dual Secretary and Treasurer roles - for another successful year, was very much appreciated by all.

Still, applause for Justin McColl who while still playing juniors and rep cricket managed to take our best wicket tally of 23 wickets and scored 141 runs. As Justin's time in juniors is now over, we look forward to him playing with us every week and setting many senior club records in the future.

To our club mates who filled in, all 15 of you, and to the juniors who filled in on short notice we thank you all. We all appreciate your efforts in filling our teams when you had your own matches to play. Special mention to Chris Longhurst who in his second game for us top scored with 57no including 5 boundaries and 3 sixes, to equal honours for most sixes in the season.

While we didn't defend our premiership this year, we were far from disgraced and beaten by the best team in the comp in the semi-final who went on to win the comp. A good effort all year by all.

Go the bird.

Ange Barbaro Captain 3rd Grade 2016/17

5TH GRADE CAPTAINS REPORT

We played some great cricket this year with everyone contributing with the bat or ball. We finished the year in 1st place and were confident we could beat any side in the semi-final. With the pending weather playing with some of our minds, we were outclassed in periods of the match which eventually saw us defeated.

We have an excellent group of players who are there not just to play cricket, but to have a laugh and a beer with mates. We do have a few good characters that make each week more enjoyable, and some that bring out some cringe worthy moments. But all the same we all look forward to the cricket season and having a hit. We are one of very few sides that stick around after the match and have a beer and a chat.

With the emergence of the one day cricket format it meant not everyone got a good go every week. At some times our guys would go 3-4 weeks without a bat. It was hard juggling the big squad that we do have with the amount of game time the new format created. However a few notable mentions throughout the year are as follows, including the semi-final.

Batting

- Patrick Anderson 399 runs @ Ave 30.69
- Peter Gibson 395 runs @ 30.38
- Chris Longhurst 375 runs @ 23.44

Bowling

- James Wood 25 wickets @ 6.64
- David Withers 24 wickets @ 8.96
- Michael Lambert 24 wickets @ 11.54
- Scott Waterhouse 24 wickets @15.38
- Andrew Luzzi 21 wickets @ 17.43

Fielding

- Scott Waterhouse 18 catches 1 runout
- Shane McPherson 10 catches
- Ricky Ciampi 10 catches 2 runouts

As you can see above, the runs and wickets were shared equally between a few players. I'm sure next season we can give it another push for a premiership and hopefully go all the way. It has been a pleasure to captain this side for the past 2 years. Nothing brings me more joy than to be heckled and criticized constantly but several players. It's what brings me back year after year, so bring on next season.

A huge thanks to everyone who played and filled in this year for us. Also a big thanks to our dwindling support fanbase.

Peter Gibson Captain 5th Grade 2016/17

8TH GRADE CAPTAINS REPORT

Congratulations to all the teams that made the finals. Thanks to the Club for their great support throughout the year, particularly Ange and Sam Barbaro. Thank you to all the cheer squad that provided fantastic support during the grand final.

It was a good but challenging year for the 8th Grade team that tried hard, came close but ultimately fell just shy of premiership victory. Our first completed match of the season was an amazing comeback that showed the spirit of the team. Chasing 155 against the Colts, we were gone at 7/62 until Beau Dingemans struck an amazing 98no to guide us home 9 down. This start to the season indicated that we had a good team that could do well in this competition. Pretty soon, we had four individuals (Greg Bottrill, Beau Dingemans, Ben McGovern and Jef Miles) recording centuries (three for the first time), a large number for any grade let alone 8th graders playing one-dayers.

Our challenge each week was to get 11 on the field. 8th Grade had seven players that reliably played throughout the year (over 15 games each). Securing the other 4 players each was exhausting but thanks to the 20 plus cricketers that played some games for 8s during the year, particularly to Sam Roberts, Beno Vandershoot and Jeremy Bentvelzen. Special mention to 9th Grade's Jordan Olsen and Joel Camilleri that regularly doubled up to fill our vacancies. The greatest achievement of the captain and vice-captain this year was putting 11 players on the field every week (no small feat).

The 8th Grade Competition was unusual for its fixed hierarchy. The old adage that any team can win on the day did not appear to apply to 8th Grade as the minor premiers Glenmore Park were undefeated, the second place team St Mary's Leagues only lost to the team in first and the last place Hawks did not win a match. Emu Plains quickly settled into 3rd place and that's where we stayed throughout the season. We seemed to coast into the Christmas break, comfortably beating the teams below us on the table and losing to the top two sides. The break didn't help our form as we lost 4 games in a row after Christmas and we only won a single round in 2017 (and that was against the wooden spooners who only fielded 8 players).

Coming into the semi-finals down on form with batting and catching, we had low expectations playing second place St Mary's Leagues on a wet weekend. We batted like a team out-of-form to score just 108, rescued again by Beau Dingemans' lucky 68. When we went out to field, it was likely that our season was over as the opposition had consistently chased much larger totals throughout the year. But the spirit of the team kicked in and we had them 6/36 on an overcast Saturday afternoon, with heroic 12 over straight spells from Beau Dingemans and Ben McGovern. The Sunday sunshine didn't help us as St Mary's cruised to 6/102 before Greg Bottrill took a fine c&b. St Mary's only needed one run to tie the match and eliminate the Emu 8s when we jagged two wickets in two balls to complete a stunning victory, break the 8th Grade hierarchy and progress to the GF.

The grand final weekend was also wet and when we arrived at Jamo Park we thought we wouldn't get on. Thanks to Jim Micsko on the super-sopper and Greg Bottrill on the blower, we convinced the Glenmore Park Captain and umpire to play on a quagmire. The great bowling continued and we came back from 2/70 to bowl the undefeated team all out for 102. Turning up on Sunday to more rain, we knew their one hundred was more like two but we had a batting plan of holding them out for as long as we could to wet the ball and tire their bowlers that had ripped through teams all season. The plan was on track at 3/40 at tea but fell away within 12 overs after the break, all out 76. We came close but victory was not meant to be as no batsman was able to get on top of a tight opposition on an up & down track in overcast conditions on a long, wet, slow outfield.

A few words on the Men that made our Team:

Greg Bottrill - scored a century, over 400 runs and took valuable wickets when needed, a good season by any measure. Be positive and don't look back Brother.

Beau Dingemans – champion player on his day, we just needed more days on the field. Over 400 runs @86 and opens the bowling manfully. A match winner - every game he played, we won except the GF (it was someone else's turn).

Simon Gordon – tireless bowler that charged in with great effort. Best at first change, Simon regularly had to step up to open the bowling when others were absent, generally against aggressive batters in hot weather - never complained or shirked the task.

Chris Hinkley – batted, bowled and fielded well when available. A smart cricketer that was good to have in the team. Played part-time and had to sit out finals but showed his class by supporting GF.

Andrew Kennedy – seasoned warrior played his testimonial season with some good bowling and some stoic lower order batting. We hoped he was going to have GF fairy-tale but run out finished a stellar career.

Matt Kobryn – team player of the year that sacrificed golf for cricket and was our finals super-sub, always supporting his mates, first player willing to square leg umpire or collect cones, a pleasure to have in any side.

Ben McGovern – carried the team for much of the season scoring most runs, taking most wickets (even though he was regularly unlucky and didn't get wickets he deserved) and then keeping or fielding great. Nothing more to say other than great bowling in finals gave us a premiership chance.

Jef Miles – late starter in 8s when struggling to get game in higher grades and took opportunity to score over 300 runs. When he reached double figures, he scored big, including season high 140no. Also topped bowling averages with 2 wickets @ 5.5 from 2 overs (even though captained was abused each time Smiles got ball).

Lachlan Olive – reluctantly joined team when we were desperate for players and turned out to be find of the season. Excellent bowler that taught us about line and length and staying on it for the entire spell. Stepped up with wet ball in finals. Hopefully he'll be back next season.

Keith S Parker Jnr – top bloke that had some great innings (2 X 50s) and bowled well when given a chance. Excellent team supporter that transported kit, put stumps and cones out and would help out whenever he could.

Keith V Parker Jnr Jnr – the best VC a captain could hope for, completing my cricket scores and stepping up every time needed. This team wouldn't have functioned without Parkers. Highest wicket taker during regular season, had some great bowling spells, including first hat trick and taking key wicket in GF of batsman that scored over 800 runs for season.

Frank Sidrak – stepped up to take keeper's gloves for season when needed and did a great job, often in the heat with sometime wayward bowling to reign in and a captain that was always running between overs. Very valuable batting contributions scoring over 300 runs, including our highest score against the undefeated premiers, unfortunately couldn't repeat in GF. A funny and generous man that would be welcome in any team.

Thank you Team, well done for a good season. Let's put in some extra effort at training and every week on the field next year and have a great season.

Scott Cornwell Captain 8th Grade 2016/17

9TH GRADE CAPTAINS REPORT

Firstly, congratulations to 8th grade on making it to the grand final. Also, congratulations to all the other teams that made semis.

Ninth grade were involved in a season full of highs and lows and especially reaching the semis for the second year in a row. We put together a better team performance in the semi this year and were unlucky to finish second in that game.

A rough start to our season pushed us and helped us climb our way into the semis. The struggle to fill a full team each week was our major downfall in the first half of our season. All of the boys stepped up in one game or another and allowed us to finish in 4th place.

As a team we managed to knock up one ton and 11 fifties and 3 four wicket hauls and a five wicket haul which is a great achievement for a young team. Also, thank you to those who filled in for us especially Flynn Caston and Jacob Bulluss who always seemed to be available if we needed a player. It was great to see all the boys develop throughout the season and improve on last years performances.

Thank you to Barry Olsen for scoring and dealing with all the MyCricket stuff. A big thank you to all the families that came down and supported us regularly.

Lastly, I would like to congratulate Joel on being the highest run scorer for our grade (496) and Jake Couchman finishing second (487). Joel also finished 8th on the bowling aggregate with 23 wickets and Ryan Morley finished 10th with 22. Joel was the overall point score winner for the grade and Jake finished with 4th.

Well done boys, can't wait for next season. GTB!

Jordan Olsen Captain 9th Grade 2016/17

10TH GRADE CAPTAINS REPORT

A great effort by 10's to come second after the rounds. With only a small squad to begin with we struggled nearly every week to field a team .To those who stepped in for us I would like to thank you all very much. We used a total of 28 players during the season and I hope you all enjoyed yourselves.

There were some great individual performances with bat, ball and in the field. It was particularly encouraging to see some of our younger players stepping up and taking it to some of the oldies.

Things didn't really seem to go as planned in the semi-final and unfortunately we never really got going in our run chase, but that's cricket!!

Lastly, a big thank you to Michael Mullen who stepped in as captain for a number of games to give me a break.

I look forward to seeing some of our talented younger players competing in higher grades next season.

Andy Price Captain 10th Grade 2016/17

JUNIORS

BATTING & BOWLING - AGGREGATE AND AVERAGE AWARDS - ALL AGE GROUPS

Batting & bowling Aggregate and average awards are calculated on non-finals games only.

Award	Presented to	
Under 9 Red Batting	Xander Murphy	
Under 9 Red Bowling	Jack Newman	
Under 9 Red Coaches Award	Taj Savage	
Under 9 Blue Batting	Cooper Hegarty	
Under 9 Blue Bowling	Isaiah Whale	
Under 9 Blue Coaches Award	Oliver Williams	
Under 10 Batting Aggregate & Average	Isaiah Ghobrial	146 runs @ 20.86
Under 10 Bowling Aggregate & Average	Elsa Hunter	13 wickets @ 5.85
Under 10 Coaches Award	Elsa Hunter	
Under 11 Batting Aggregate & Average	Cooper Connelly	215 runs @ 43.00
Under 11 Bowling Aggregate & Average	Cooper Connelly	16 wickets @ 7.38
Under 11 Coaches Award	Matthew Huber	
Under 12 Batting Aggregate	Judah Whale	142 runs
Under 12 Batting Average	Benjamin Jeff	20.17
Under 12 Bowling Aggregate	Oliver Jenkins	13 wickets
Under 12 Coaches Award	Alex Wright	
Under 14/15 Div 1 Batting Aggregate & Average	Jacob Bulluss	476 runs @ 95.20
Under 14/15 Div 1 Bowling Aggregate	Luke Riik	12 wickets
Under 14/15 Div 1 Coaches Award	Robert Brown	
Under 16 Gilchrist Batting Aggregate & Average	Matthew Sullivan	289 runs @ 28.90
Under 16 Gilchrist Bowling Aggregate & Average	Luke Cook	20 wickets @ 14.75
Under 16 Gilchrist Coaches Award	Luke Gale	
Under 16 Ponting Batting Aggregate & Average	Justin McColl	435 runs @ 39.55
Under 16 Ponting Bowling Aggregate	Nathan Roots	13 wickets
Under 16 Ponting Coaches Award	Harrison Field	
Under 13 Thunder Girls Batting Award	Elsa Hunter	31 runs @ 31.00
Under 13 Thunder Girls Bowling Award	Elsa Hunter	3 wickets @ 6.00
Under 13 Thunder Girls Coaches Award	Kahlan Mouwen	

BOWLING - HAT-TRICKS

Oliver Jenkins - Under 12s, Round 9, 4/6 vs. Glenbrook Blaxland Cummins @ Claremont Meadows

UNDER 9 RED REPORT

Firstly, congratulations to the Under 10 Emu Plains team which won the Premiership. What a fantastic effort. Celebrate this awesome accomplishment as premierships are difficult to win. Well Done!!!

Another season of cricket has flown by with ten young men and one older gentleman having an enjoyable and rewarding season. The team continued to improve their cricket skills throughout the season, with some fantastic individual performances from all the players. More importantly the players have developed some strong friendships which is an added benefit of a team based sport.

Once gain I would like to thank all the parents for their commitment and support of the players and myself throughout the season. Arranging for your children to attend training or the games at times can be a challenge and myself and the players appreciate your support. Also the assistance during training or on game day is tremendous. Particularly on game day when I am umpiring/coaching, the assistance in getting the next batting pair ready or throwing warmup balls is greatly appreciated. A couple of young men can be quite demanding in this area.

Secondly to our team sponsors. Once again our players were supplied with an individualised training shirt which they loved. I have heard at least one player wore their 'Hulk' themed shirt to bed. A huge thankyou to Brett from **Heights Constructions**, Andrew from **One Agency – Reeves Properties** and Aaron from **The Coffee Club – Nepean River** for your support.

Also thank you to my family for their love, support and understanding. Although I am concerned that my 4 year old daughter will only attend the cricket if there is a playground at the venue. What about the cricket Zahlia?

Now a brief summary of each player's season:

Ethan Jack (14 Games, 69 runs, 4 wickets) – Ethan has further developed his batting and bowling this season. He has a very solid technique which enables him to hit the ball thru both the off and on sides. His defensive technique is excellent. Ethan's bowling has continued to develop, and when Ethan gets his timing correct he generates significant inswing. Ethan also possess a quick wit and sense of humour, often in tandem with Dane, something more than useful in the mental game of cricket.

Ryan Jack (15 games, 79 runs, 4 wickets) – Ryan really enjoyed his first year of cricket. His cricket skills developed significantly from the first few games. Ryan's bowling became consistent and accurate as the season progressed. His batting also developed rapidly, with Ryan producing many clean hits in the second part of the season. Ryan is also a natural in the field, producing some great diving saves. He also has some ability as a keeper, demonstrating good footwork and gloveman ship. Ryan's sense of humour, often making his team mates laugh, was a positive of the season.

Dane Micsko (16 Games, 116 runs, 3 wickets) Dane loves his cricket and it is no surprise that both his batting and bowling continued to develop. Dane's pull shot continues to be a strength, however he has added to his game by now regularly hitting the ball through the off side. His left arm bowling has also improved. When Dane found his rhythm he produced a couple of spells that were difficult for the opposing batsmen. Dane also attacked the ball in the field and contributed to a number of run outs throughout the year. Dane's sense of humour and the respect he displays towards his fellow team mates is appreciated by the team.

Xander Murphy (16 games, 138 runs, 10 wickets) – The improvement in Xander's bowling was probably the highlight of his season. He developed some rhythm and accuracy as the season progressed, at one point being on a hat trick. Xander's batting continued to be a strength with the cover drive a signature shot. His enthusiasm in the field is admirable, however he must remember the aim is to stop the ball, not see how dirty you can get your whites !!! Xander also really enjoys the interactions with his team mates.

Jack Newman (16 Games, 110 runs, 11 wickets) – The development of Jack's bowling was a highlight of his season. After Christmas he bowled with pace and accuracy, and would have doubled his wicket tally if the LBW law was in play. He often bowled too well. Jacks batting also improved with him able to strike balls through the off and leg side with a sound technique. Jack also excelled in the field, being athletic with a strong throwing arm, he contributed to several run outs throughout the season. Jack seemed to really enjoy his cricket this season.

Benjamin Reeves (11 Games, 94 runs, 7 wickets) – Ben has continued to develop his all round game this season. His ability to hit the ball through the off side has continued to improve, while maintaining the clean ball striking he possesses. Ben's bowling has also developed, with Ben consistently bowling with good pace, line and length. At times he also bowled too well. Ben's fielding is exceptional, with some of his efforts being Sydney 1st Grade level. Ben is a quiet yet confident boy who also loves his cricket.

Ashton Russell (14 Games, 95 runs, 9 wickets) – Ashton is a talented young cricketer who has continued to develop his all round game. His possess an excellent batting technique that enables him to hit the ball to all areas of the field. His square drives are a highlight of his batting. Ashton's bowling has also developed throughout the season, and when in rhythm he generates significant inswing. Ashton is also a talented fielder with a strong and accurate throwing arm.

Taj Savage (16 Games, 135 runs, 11 wickets) – Taj continued to develop his all round game with his batting probably being the highlight of his season. He possesses a great eye and often dispatched deliveries to the boundary. Taj also began to play straighter which will assist him in the future. His bowling continued to be accurate and consistent which troubled opposing batsmen. Taj is also an asset in the field with his athleticism and strong throw. Another young man with a great sense of humour.

Marcus Skinner (15 Games, 124 runs, 7 wickets) – Marcus batting continued to develop, with him being a powerful striker of the ball. He also played the ball straighter this season which will only benefit him in the future. His bowling was best when he had his rhythm, producing out swinging deliveries. When on song Marcus bowled with good pace and troubled many batsmen. Marcus is another talented and athletic fielder, contributing to many run outs throughout the season. He is also a tough competitor, playing on after having a twig embed itself in his shin when diving in the field, requiring hospitalisation to be removed.

Koby Wrightson (16 Games, 107 runs, 6 wickets) - Koby's development throughout his first season of cricket has been pleasing to watch. He quickly became more comfortable within the team, enjoying the interactions with his team mates. Koby's batting would be the highlight of his season, with Koby quick to dispatch any delivery that is short of a length. And to his credit he has improved his off side play which takes time and practice. Koby's bowling also developed, with his accuracy and line improving. Koby has also displayed some talent when keeping, displaying good footwork and gloveman ship.

Also a big thankyou to Sonny Savage and Fletcher Russell who batted, bowled and fielded when we or the opposition were short of players and helped out at training. Two talented young cricketers who hopefully have already filled out EPCC paperwork.

Finally thankyou to the Emu Plains Cricket Club Committee for all that you do. Clubs don't run themselves and it requires people to volunteer their time for organisations to function. The players, parents and I appreciate it.

Enjoy the off season and hopefully see everyone for an exciting 2017/2018 season.

Luke Murphy, Coach

UNDER 9 BLUE REPORT

Firstly Brittney and I would like to thank the Emu Plains committee for giving us the opportunity to coach our fantastic under 9s team. Also thanks to our brilliant and supportive parents you are all awesome, to Cass and Jeremy for scoring all season. To our fantastic team we loved watching you guys grow into marvellous little cricketers, you guys had a brilliant season only losing 1 game, if it was a competition you would be premiers well done guys we are very proud of you!

Bella had a superb 1st year bowling with great accuracy and taking loads of wickets and scoring more runs towards the end of the season well done Bella.

Isaiah played with passion and love for the game excelling in all areas from batting, bowling and fielding, awesome first season Isaiah.

Josh has had a brilliant first season, batting with intent to score runs and improving his bowling accuracy and fielding everything that came his way, great first season josh.

Timur played awesome for his first season being the youngest in the team and competition he held his own with a good batting technique and improving in bowling and fielding each week keep up the good work Timmy.

Charlie had an outstanding first season taking wickets each week and hitting any cricket ball for four but also throwing down the stumps week in and week out with great power super season Charlie.

Oliver had an amazing first season fielding magnificently stopping any ball coming his way and working hard with his accuracy in bowling and scoring runs with the bat keep up the good work Oliver.

Cooper is a remarkable batsmen scoring loads of runs each week and bowling with great speed and accuracy also a superb keeper, well done Cooper great first season.

Noah is an excellent fielder, batsmen and bowler bringing his skills and techniques every week making him a massive asset to our team great first season Noah.

Patrick has a great attitude towards the team improving each week with bowling and batting gaining technique and scoring runs and taking more wickets and having some of the best catching hands in the team, catching anything that came his way great first season pat.

Issac played fantastic, bowling with lightning speed improving with his technique and scoring runs, playing with a smile on his face each week outstanding first season Issac.

Jason Jones, Coach

UNDER 10 REPORT

Another great season of junior cricket has come & gone.

We faced some great opposition teams this year, congratulations to all of those teams and coaches. Our local cricket future certainly looks promising.

Our team, we started and finished the season strong and are very grateful & lucky enough to walk away with a premiership win. A great group of boys and girls that worked as unit together and also brought their individual flair & skills to make an amazing team. This made coaching and managing these kids a pleasure.

There were a few outstanding individual performances throughout the season but overall a great team effort.

Player Summary below:

Samuel Bulluss – Samuel is a team player who gives 100% every week, he tried his hand at wicket keeping this season with success. Played U10's reps.

Sarah Cager – Sarah is a much improved all-rounder, she loves her cricket & works hard on her game each week. Played Reps.

William Capes – Will is a quite achiever who had a good season with bat & ball, sometimes is too hard on himself, his passion will take him a long way. Played U10's reps.

Liam Docherty – Liam is an all-rounder who plays well each week, unfortunately Liam had to leave our team with a handful of games remaining in the season. His contribution during the season certainly help play a major role to the team's success. Thank you.

Logan Foreshew – Logan playing his first ever season of cricket, had a great year, with his cricket skills improving each training session & game. Well played mate.

Isaiah Ghobrial – Isaiah is a much focused young cricketer who has a lot of natural ability & who loves his cricket. A great team player who contributes every game he plays. All-rounder who Played U10's reps.

Luke Hale – Luke playing his 1st season of cricket, batted & bowled very well, loves his cricket & is continually improving.

Attila Hassan – Attila has a lot of passion & has had a great season of batting & bowling, he continues to improve & also played U10's reps.

Elsa Hunter – Elsa is naturally gifted young cricketer, who works very hard on her game. Her all round game is improving all the time & she listens & takes all on board. Played reps & has been selected for NSW emerging Girls team.

Noah Kozminski – Noah is naturally gifted who works very hard on his cricket game. He is very hard on himself at times, but does not lose focus. He has improved again this season & in looking forward to the next.

Zach Williams – Zach has had a great year, he contributes with bat, ball & gloves. He is a team player whose game improved all round.

I would like to thank all the Parents, grandparents, Partners & friends of all the players who supported & helped throughout the season, I could not have done it without you.

Special mention goes to Peter Bulluss and Ray Hudswell, for there help with team & knowledge they passed on.

Looking forward to another great season.

David Williams, Coach

UNDER 11 REPORT

Our boys faced another challenging season in the very competitive under 11 age group. An age group with a high contingent of representative players in the under 10's and 11's district competition.

Although we shared the captaincy role each week the team was led by Cooper, Liam and Harry. These boys and their parents should be very proud. They showed patience, a good knowledge of the game and rarely relied on the coaches/parent's assistance.

We were unfortunate to lose Calum mid-way through the season and missed him in the later stages and semi-final. We wish him the best overseas and hope he continues his cricket endeavours.

We welcomed Zack into our side at the start of the season who contributed in all areas. Well done on a great 1st season.

A consistent season placed us in 3rd position at the end of the round games. A strong win over Glenmore Park in round 14 (a team who has only lost 1 other game in 3 seasons) secured our top 4 finish.

Our semi against Glenbrook Blaxland was always going to be a tough game. The week of rain, long grass and their strong team made for an exciting semi. The boys rose to the challenge. A patient batting display by the boys, great bowling with a wet sponge of a ball and amazing never say die fielding Got us wishing 2 overs of pinching victory. The team who went on to win the comp.

Thank you to everyone who assisting myself in leading these boys. Parents, grandparents, scorers and coaches made the season flow with ease.

We look forward to seeing everyone next year.

Dave Gardner, Coach

UNDER 12 REPORT

2015/16's Emu Plains CC Under 11's loved cricket so much, they all (13 of them) decided to come back again this year as one unit. They got taller and smarter in the off-season, and for most of the season the results were showing in improved attitude and awareness of the game.

Our season was going great right up to early December, when we were in a strong 4th position out of 11 teams. However, the lopsided draw – we were the only team to play the other 5 teams in the top 6 twice and have only one bye – made our charge to the semis more difficult than teams above and below us on the ladder. We still did very well to hold onto 5th place on the ladder at the season's end. We were the only team to take 8 wickets and keep the completed score to 100 against minor premiers, St Clair Hawks, and were the only team to take 8 wickets against premiers Glenmore Park. We got belted in only one game (178 by St Clair Hawks), and we were renowned throughout the competition for our fielding. Our batting however, seemed to let us down when we had matches there for the taking. Maybe if the coach could bat...

Joshua Alfred – Joshua's pace bowling developed through the year, but probably didn't get as many chances to bat as he would have liked. Showed some dogged defence, and once he grows a bit will be a solid left hand lower order batsman as well as a good left arm pace bowler.

Lachlan Brown – Lachlan didn't quite get on top with his batting this year. However, his bowling developed such that, once he got his line and length right, made batting difficult for quite a lot of his opponents. An opening bowler in the making. Taking up from last year, he was quite a good fielder, with great anticipation for where the ball was going.

William Foote – William used his height to his advantage with the ball, realising that he didn't need to pitch it short for the ball to whistle through at shoulder or head height. His fielding was also exceptional, pulling off catches that few others would get near. William also fielded for EPCC's 8th and 10th grade teams, and in doing so saved a lot of old men a lot of running around.

Lachlan Foreshew – Lachlan's batting got better this year – he was never easy to get out. Started playing some strong on side strokes, and in two matches steadily batted through the innings to make sure we got the runs. Lachlan is a future opening batsman. Started well with his bowling, and tired very hard with not a lot of luck.

Ben Jeff – Last year's bowling surprise packet became this year's batting surprise packet. Ben crafted some good innings during the season, waiting patiently for the bad ball which when received was given a resounding thwack through mid-wicket or up past long on or long off. Picked up a few wickets with his bowling. Ben will be the opening partner of his schoolmate Lachlan Foreshew.

Oliver Jenkins – Oliver started the season full of confidence, being selected in the PJCA Under 12's Presidents Cup team. Took the confidence into the competition rounds, and even on the occasions when he didn't get wickets, he never dropped his head. Took one hat-trick (all bowled), was on a hat-trick on two more occasions, and cracked his highest score (26) during the season. Will one day be a bowling all-rounder for sure.

Max Lee – Max "The Axe" didn't quite hit the big scores that we all believe that he is capable of. Nonetheless, on a few occasions he came in with runs to get and not many wickets left, and put the game beyond doubt. His wicketkeeping improved with some spectacular catching as well as stopping byes and wides that most other team's keepers couldn't get near. Bowled some good overs and picked up a few wickets when I decided to let others keep. Fielded for 10th grade in one match.

Sam Lucas – Sam often bowled his overs with a minimum of fuss and in doing so didn't give away a lot of runs. Has potential as a spin bowler, with a short, economical run up and ability to consistently bowl a good length. Tried hard with his batting, and on one occasion threw caution to the wind by smacking his first boundaries to finish with 18 runs. Got some good direct-hit runouts also.

Jackson Moore – Jackson's solid medium pace and late swing caused problems for good batsmen (just ask minor premiers St Clair Hawks), and once he gets a little taller, will be a very good pace bowler. Couldn't quite get going with his batting – very patient, but seemed to run out of overs or partners just as he was getting his eye in.

Ben Robinson – Ben kept up his reputation as a hard-hitting late order bat, even though his best innings was 31 not out opening the batting. Was a bit unlucky to get out when he had some runs on the board. A very solid and confident pace bowler – bowled some unplayable "round-the-wicket" deliveries during the season.

Blake Skinner – Blake loves nothing more than hitting the ball hard. His batting followed the same course as the previous season – a very high average after a few matches (when the grounds were hard), but didn't find the slower grounds to his liking. His bowling got even better this year, taking more wickets with his left arm pace. A good all-round cricketer.

Judah Whale – Judah put together his usual run of steady innings up until he marched out all fired up against Glenbrook-Blaxland – and clubbed 46 not out, with his first 9 scoring shots being boundaries. Our highest run scorer, Judah also took wickets with his leg-spin and his shock ball – the faster yorker off the same short run. Like William, he ran around the field on a hot day in an 8th grade match, which helped the coach a lot.

Alex Wright – One of the most dedicated cricketers you could ever meet – Alex absolutely loves the game. Bowled some good overs early in the season, and picked up quite a few wickets, with a 3 for 4 in one match. His keeping was steady, and his general fielding was excellent – we often had Alex close in to cover the quick single or take the sharp catch. Once he got his eye in with his batting he was hard to dismiss.

Thank you to all the parents and grandparents for helping with scoring, umpiring, setting up the field, packing away the equipment, and fielding at training on the occasions when we didn't have 11. I thoroughly enjoy coaching these boys, and I'm looking forward to seeing them in early August 2017, demanding that their favourite number and their name be placed on their playing shirts. They have a great attitude, and they are well liked by most opposition players, coaches, and parents.

Andrew Kennedy, Coach

UNDER 13 THUNDER GIRLS REPORT

Our season was short but filled with excitement! I would never have thought an Under 13's girls 8 a side T20 game would be on the edge of your seat entertainment. Honestly, I though I would have had to say this to keep everyone motivated but the games were so enthralling I never needed to. Due to extreme heat and thunder storms, of the eight round comp only three were played. But so much happened in those games I will have to go through them.

Game 1 gave us plenty of eyebrow raising moments. With only 5 players in an 8 player format, we needed a super sub, and 6 year old **Violet Mouwen** fielded for us the entire inning which allowed us to play. Batting first, we saw **Kaaren Healy** and **Sarah Cager** both walk off retired not out after a 30 run opening partnership, some amazing opening bowling by **Lila Sullivan** on debut &, needing 12 to win off the last over, a fantastic captain's knock by **Elsa Hunter** to almost get us home. We lost by 3 runs.

But the biggest surprise from this game was **Kahlan Mouwen**, who before this game never picked up keepers gear in her life, stopping every ball that flew past the bat (and if you have ever seen Elsa bowl you would know that is difficult even for an experienced keeper), she made two direct hit run outs and took a screamer of a catch that was flying over her right shoulder of the bowling of **Sarah**. Amazing player of the match effort!!

Now for the exciting part. After the previous game, I decided we needed to use a white ball since the red ball was hard to pick up off our red uniform, and it was getting darker towards 7:30pm, so the girls were given a new experience.

Elsa wins the toss and decides to bowl first. We all asked her theory behind this and she said she had a plan. So she gave me a bowling list which opened with our two spinners. Interesting approach seeing as though our debutant **Charlee Stafford** has only ever trained with her dad and brother. But it worked a treat since **Kahlan** got her first wicket bowled and **Charlee** got less than 4 runs an over hit off her. Due to Penrith RSL's regular form of being 25 minutes late, Sarah was forced to keep for the entire inning and I couldn't be more proud of her. **Elsa** also got a wicket with express pace and **Kaaren**'s bowling improved with her bowling more dot balls than she ever had. **Lila** once again bowled straight and more often than not unplayable. Another amazing super sub effort from **Violet** helped us keep the runs down.

Now the entertaining bit. **Charlee** opened the batting with **Lila** and the two had a great partnership. **Elsa** came in and hit some great runs including a boundary but retired not out after facing the required balls. **Sarah** made runs too and some amazing partnerships..... Now it gets good...

Needing four runs off the last over, and having the speedster **Kaaren** facing one end and **Sarah** at the non-strikers, it was on. After 2 runs off the first two balls, **Kaaren** gets bowled. Brings in **Kahlan**, the atmosphere is really dark, a great bowler charging in and lands a bouncer (not hard when the batsman is four foot tall in heals), but **Kahlan** plays an amazing pull shot past square leg and **Sarah** sprints in for a single. Scores level with two balls left. **Sarah** gets an unplayable ball that shatters the stumps behind her. Which brings back **Elsa** for the last ball, pitch black atmosphere and scores level. She too gets a bouncer and pulls it but this ball went straight to square leg.... Now, at this point I'd like to mention that running between the wickets is not our strongest propensity. Coaches fault entirely since I hadn't trained it yet.... As square leg picks it up, **Kahlan** is just giving it her all sprinting towards the keepers end. **Elsa**, hesitant for a split second, takes off towards the non-strikers end. Square leg throws the ball to the non-striker after the slight hesitation and an outstretched **Elsa** slides in her bat just after the ball flies past the stumps narrowly missing them. We win off the last ball.

Third game we got smashed.

I would like to thank everyone for helping me this short but sweet season. Especially scoring and umpiring for me, which any lone ranger coach will tell you is invaluable to have. Also to the parents, thank you for the patience and time out of your busy schedules to come down and watch these stars in the making. Plus it was only a three game season which is very frustrating.

I seriously recommend any female cricketers or even players in the making to play with us next season. It is loads of fun and the girls are an amazing team.

Chris Longhurst, Coach

UNDER 14/15 DIV 1 REPORT

Semifinalist and another enjoyable season with this group of young men, who are an absolute pleasure to coach.

Unfortunately, we got knocked out in the Semi again this season. Although we didn't play anywhere near our best on the day and we had the worst of the conditions we were beaten by a better team on the day. With half of our boys still playing up a year, we done extremely well. We hope they all return bigger and better next season.

One of the main highlights again this season was our training, with excellent numbers each week. I believe this transfers to game day, with the work we put in at training we put into action on game day. We thank you all for that commitment, hopefully this commitment will pay dividends later in life.

Thank you to a fantastic group of parents who supported our training sessions and for those who helped with scoring throughout the season. Thanks to our fill in coaches Pete Bulluss, David Calear & Dave Skinner.

A word on all the players:

Robert Brown – we gave him a shot at keeping this year and he handled it very well. Good hands and agility throwing himself around when required, job well done. Your batting is still a work in progress. He regularly took wickets with his bowling which is becoming more consistent. Great team player and a pleasure to coach.

Jacob Bulluss – simply fantastic, developed into our rock at the top of the order getting 476 runs, in the regular season, @95.2, with a high score of 92. Without Jacob's patience and consistency we would have been in trouble more times than not. Hardly looked in trouble all season. Big year coming up, keep working hard and the results will take care of themselves. Bowled without luck a lot of the time, bowling a consistent line, keep working hard.

Jarred Calear-King – a steady season with the bat from Jarred, a little inconsistent at times causing frustration which invariably led to him losing his wicket. He is very coachable and is aware what needs to be done to be more consistent and get those big scores. A change in bowling style going from spin to quick resulted in some very good spells, at times causing batsmen a heap of trouble. Keep having fun.

James Coleman – new to our team this season, coming from the Katoomba comp. He always gave 100% with the bat & the ball. Whilst he struggled with the bat, his slow medium bowling is difficult to face and got many vital wickets throughout the season. His fielding got better & better as the season went on, a very good team player.

Jerry Crumpton – we often used him as our opening bowler, taking advantage of the early swing. Didn't take as many wicket as he would like, but bowled consistent lines. Batting still needs a lot of work, this should be a major focus next season.

Jake Grosse – definitely the best season he has had scoring a very good 80no and chiming to take wickets when required. He has finally gained the belief in his ability with the bat and using his power to reach the fence on a regular basis. With his bowling he lacks a little confidence and loses focus a lot of the time. He's spinners can be useful if he applied himself a little more, good season.

Lachlan Jacobs – his lack of confidence at times holds him back on playing the big shots and gets himself in trouble nudging the bowl instead of hitting it. He has shown he has the ability now he needs to transfer that into scores. He's bowling was quite consistent through the season, taking 9 wickets. Let's work on some variations next season.

Trent Lethorn – a pleasure to have in the team, who keeps developing year after year. He needs to concentrate on bowling stump to stump on a more consistent basis, to be able to take more wickets. Trent loves a cut shot, our opposition haven't learnt as yet not to bowl there. Excellent trainer who always works hard.

Kenny Mangan – it just didn't happen for Kenny this season, for one reason or another. Coming into bat at difficult stages and his bowling was a little inconsistent at times. This caused him to lose confidence in himself and it showed on the field. He has the ability which hopefully next season he can put into action. Keep working hard at training.

Luke Riik – in past seasons Luke has always bowled without luck, this season that changed. He's consistency was rewarded being our highest wicket taker with 12 @8.75, in the regular season. He's speed had a lot of batters in trouble due to is consistent lines. Your batting improved this season, we still need to work on that forward defense.

Jeremy Skinner – after missing a few games at the start of the season, due to footy commitments he performed well when required. Consistency and patience, knowing when to play the big shot and when not to, is something he needs to work on. No doubt he has the ability to get big scores. He did a great job as one of our wicket keepers and his pace bowling is developing quiet well.

Jim Weir – new to our team this season dropping down from a higher aged group last year. He has the ability but seems to lack confidence in that ability, with both bat & ball. He's bowling can be dangerous if he gets his line and length right. He's batting needs to be more selective with his shot selection and the runs will come.

On behalf of my fellow Coach John Grosse, thanks for making our Saturday's fun. We look forward to another successful season next year and hope that all players return. Thanks to all the parents for their support throughout the season and for those who helped out scoring.

Terry Jacobs, Coach John Grosse, Coach

UNDER 16 GILCHRIST REPORT

Season 2016/17 was the ninth in a row that the 'Gillies' had contested the PJCA competition, having started way back in Season 08/09 in the U8 right through to our final U16 season just completed. Whilst there have been a number of players come and go over the years, I would like to acknowledge the three originals, Luke Gale, Max Buckley and Matthew Sullivan for their achievement of playing with the Gillies from Day 1!! Last season, each of them were presented with a 'baggy red' for reaching 100 games for this wonderful club.

I must also acknowledge Richard Field and his U16 'Ponting' team who have also played right through from U8-U16. For many years, both Richard and I were convinced at some stage we would merge teams, however each season we managed to secure a team which ensured the 'Gillies' and 'Pontings' rolled on ...

Each season, the Gillies were a competitive outfit that had the ability to beat all teams. Since the U10 (when finals commenced), we played semi finals in 5 of 7 seasons and in our U13 season (2013/14) we played Penrith RSL in the grand final and came within a whisker of winning the Premiership!

This year's team, like all before them, were a great bunch of young cricketers who each week gave their best both on and off the field. I have been extremely proud of each player and the team and hope that I have been able to have some small positive influence on both their cricketing skills but also their sportsmanship and life as young men.

Well done to both Ryan Cladingboel and Luke Cook for their leadership of the team this season. You guys did a tremendous job, often in trying circumstances. Congratulations to Adrian Agius, Luke Gale, Ryan Gibson, Matthew Sullivan and Luke Cook who played PJCA representative cricket this season and also Adrian, Ryan and Matthew who also played AW Green Shield for Penrith. Following are some stats from U10-U16:

Adrian Agius – 'Age' played 75 matches for EPCC, 4 with the Gillies this season. Scored 1902 runs @ 40.47, HS 132*. Took 51 wickets @ 12.8, BB 3/3. He took 28 catches. Adrian also played Penrith grade cricket this season.

Max Buckley – One of 3 original Gillies, 'Bobby' played 112 matches for the Gillies across 9 seasons. Took 33 wickets @ 28.12, BB 3/10. He also scored valuable runs, sharing in many important partnerships with his team mates.

Ryan Cladingboel – 'Cladders' was co-captain this season and played 52 matches across 5 seasons with the Gillies. He scored 591 runs @ 15, including 2 x 50's, HS 76*. He took 25 wickets @ 24.8, BB 3/4. He also took 19 catches. Ryan also played seniors with EPCC this season.

Luke Cook – 'Cookie' was co-captain this season and played 87 games with the Gillies across 7 seasons. He scored 720 runs @ 13, HS 58. He took 82 wickets @ 11.3, BB 5/6. He also took 31 catches.

Jeremy Duval – 'Jem' played 30 matches for the Gillies across 3 seasons. Scored 62 runs, HS 18. He took 16 wickets @ 21, BB 3/7. He also took 3 catches. A great trainer and big improver each season!

Luke Gale – One of 3 original Gillies, 'Galey' played 122 matches across 9 seasons. He scored 780 runs @ 14, including 3 x 50's, HS 72*. He took 33 wickets @ 21. He also took 23 catches and 2 stumpings. Luke also played seniors with EPCC this season.

Ryan Gibson – 'Gibbo' played 30 matches for the Gillies across 3 seasons. Scored 574 runs @ 32, including 6 x 50's, HS 87*. He took 18 wickets @ 16, BB 2/3. He also took 21 catches and 3 stumpings. Ryan also played seniors with EPCC this season.

Matthew Hogarth – 'Hoggy' played 43 matches for the Gillies across 4 seasons. Scored 102 runs, HS 12*. He took 13 wickets with BB 2/3. He also took 7 catches. Matt also played seniors with EPCC this season.

Liam Hall – 'Hally' played 23 matches for the Gillies across 2 seasons. Scored 85 runs with a HS 14*. He took 10 wickets with BB 2/15. He also took 2 catches. Liam also played seniors with EPCC this season.

Matthew Sullivan – One of 3 original Gillies, 'Sully' played 123 matches across 9 seasons. He scored 1982 runs @ 40, including 2 x 100's and 9 x 50's, HS 146. He took 55 wickets @ 17, BB 4/7. He also took 47 catches and 1 stumping. Sully also played Penrith grade cricket this season.

Liam Swist – 'Swisty' played 82 matches for the Gillies across 7 seasons. He scored 518 runs @ 11 with HS 38. He took 45 wickets @ 19 with BB 6/11. He also took 22 catches and 1 stumping. Liam also played seniors with EPCC this season.

A most pleasing and promising aspect of this season was the boys' keen attitude to play seniors afternoon cricket with EPCC. Fingers crossed many take this onboard next season. Thank you to the EPCC committee for their support of our cricket endeavours over the last 9 seasons.

Finally, I must sincerely thank Roy Cladingboel for his work and support as manager. You have always been a step ahead and always looking out for the team. Thanks buddy!

I must also thank every parent and grandparent (Bob & Bobby) for their unwavering support of myself and our team throughout this season and in previous seasons ... it has been an absolute pleasure to have the opportunity to coach the Emu Plains 'Gillies' for the last 9 seasons and even more of a privilege to get to know your son and his love of the game of cricket.

Good luck boys in the future and always remember why we play this great game!!

Geoff Sullivan, Coach

UNDER 16 PONTING REPORT

The Mighty Pontings had a good year; we made the semis for the second year in a row and were beaten by the eventual Premiers also for the second year in a row. I have been involved with the Pontings since the team's inception in 2008, so I have experienced 9 years of laughter, tears and frustrations, I have seen young boys turn into fine young men that their parents should be very proud of. I have had the honour of coaching and managing the Pontings, it has been a thrill to be involved in the development of so many fine young men.

The team has be ably lead by Justin McColl, who has lead with the bat and ball, scoring 474 runs @ 39.5, he backed that up with 12 wickets @ 14.83. Being the great clubman that he is Justin backed up most weekends to play senior cricket for Emu ending the season with 35 wickets and scored 615 runs. With great stats like this it is not surprising that Justin has claimed the Ponting Batting award, the 3rd grade bowling award and the Hally Award for the player who is under the age of 21 years at 30 September of that Season, who has taken the most wickets for the Club.

Our Bowling award this year went to Nathan Roots, who ended his junior career with 14 wickets @ 20.79. All Nathans hard work over the years saw him being selected for representative cricket for the first time this year and backed that up with senior games for Emu, ending the season with 33 wickets @ 17.6. Nathan volunteered opened the batting most week, not something many others were interested in doing, he is also always first with a word of support and encouragement no matter the situation. Nathan achieved his 100 games cap this year.

The coach's award this year has been given to the player whom improved the most and that award goes to Harrison Field, still improving after 155 games. Harrison achieved his first 50 this year scoring 59 not out against the Gilchrist's, on a very wet sluggish Parker Street. Whether opening the bowling or being brought on as a late change, Harrison dried up the runs and kept the pressure on, he ended the season with 13 wickets with our best economy rate of 2.79. Harrison also backed up most weeks for seniors and he also ended the season with 35 wickets and 306 runs, be receiving the 10th grade bowling award.

Mitchell Price returned to juniors this year and was a great new addition to our team, scoring 212 runs @ 26.50 and making good contributions with the ball. Like Nathan, Mitchell is another constant positive support to the rest of the team. He is also another of the Emu Iron men that backed up for senior cricket most weeks ending the season scoring 554 runs @ 26.4 and 18 wickets. On top of that he keeps and is quick in the field, a real asset.

The final of our Emu Iron is was Jack Trezise, for the Pontings, Jack scored 222 runs at 20.18 he also took 9 wickets at an economy rate of 3.47. Jack is the leading run scorer for Emu Plains this year scoring 670 runs @ 29.13. Jack also achieved his 100 games cap this year.

Our wicket keeper throughout the season was Ryan Barbaro. Ryan took 4 catches and 2 stumping's. In our game against Springwood, Ryan stepped up with the bat, scoring his highest score of 21 and helped us set a more competitive total.

The batting inning that stands out for me this year was Justin Geri batting in our second innings against the Hawks to save us from being beaten out right. His 75 not out demonstrated to me why he is a representative player and how well he behaves under pressure. This was one of the high lights of the season. He scored 188 @ 17.09.

When we talk about players that have stepped up in time of need, Luke Harkin in the semi-final comes to mind. On the Saturday Luke stood resolute going in at number 7, he ensured the tail wagged, scoring 12 and made sure we batted past noon so Glenmore Park did not get any extra overs. Then on Sunday late in the day when Glenmore Park started to get on top he had bowled an inspiring spell of 2/6 off six, claiming 2 grade batsmen to get us back into the game.

Akash Burring started the season with a bang, taking 2/8 against the Gilchrists. Akash is a real team man, showing up to training every week and putting in effort, a real asset in the field, quick on his feet and to the ball.

Levi Baker will remember 4th of February 2017, it was the day he scored his 1st run in cricket, scoring 6 and sharing a partnership of 14 against the Gilchrists at Parker Street, a very memorable day. Starting cricket in under 16's against grade bowlers and bowlers who have been practicing for 8 years is a big ask of any body and takes bravery, Lachlan McIntosh's mother wanted him off his computer and outdoors being active, objective achieved.

I would like to thank Lee McColl for scoring every week since under 10's, I would also like to thank him for his technical coaching help and his humour. I would like to thank Sam Barbaro for his help in the past 2 years with coaching the Pontings. I would like to thank all the parent who are and who have been a part of the Ponting, thank you for your support and your trust in leaving your boys in my care. I believe you all have produced some very extraordinary young men and I look forward to seeing what they make of their lives.

As for the young men, thank you, I remember most of your cricketing achievement, your first runs, your first wickets, Justin and Jacks hundreds against Springwood, Justin Geri's first 50 at Smith Park against St Pauls, Harrison's at Park Street this year, Jesse Astills 49 not out Monfaville. Luke's first wickets at Patterson Oval, the game were Ayush t off and scored 150 against us. I remember Nathan opening and batting right through the inning to finish the day on 2 not out. I remember playing against Mitch at Andromeda, it must have been under 10's and the twins in your team started a fight...with your team. I remember Akashs heroic in last year's semi-final, taking 2 quick wickets whilst I went to the bath room. Talking of last year's semi-final heroics, I can still see Ryan telling me, he needs to hold the tail together because he was the last of the recognised batsmen. I remember Paaras catch at mid on at Jamison oval to dismiss Damon, I still do not know who was the most shocked. I think I nearly cried when Levi score the single against the Gillies, that he went on with it made me very happy. I thought Ben's heart was going to beat out of his chest one day when I put my hand on his chest to show him where to stand when taking centre. I remember having to stop the game at Glenbrook Park as a little old lady was walking across the field in the middle of the game. I remember Jack Cornwell asking if we had finished and could he go home as I called an end to the first over. I remember Liam's first game against us, when he had gone to play for the Gillies, I was very proud of how he handled himself. My ramblings could go for hours I have fond memories of you all and I look forward to seeing you as a part of this club for many years to come.

Richard Field, Coach

SENIOR CLUB RECORDS - ALL GRADES (1989/90 TO 2016/17) (NDCA SENIOR COMPETITION ONLY – NOT INCLUDING T20 MATCHES)

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Most Matches Playe	ed	Most Runs Scored		Most Wickets Taker	า	
Greg Bottrill	398	Greg Bottrill	8023	Martin Romer	529	
Martin Romer	341	Andrew Williams	6599	Greg Bottrill	424	
Andrew Williams	276	Martin Romer	5933	Andrew Luzzi	336	
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Highest Score		Best Bowling				
Brett Savage	189	Shane Richards	9/28			
	178	Jim Micsko	9/20 8/9			
Travis Dingemans						
Antony Tonks	174	Peter Bucik	8/10			
George Bucik	162	Dean Franshaw	8/15			
Andrew Bugg	155	Alan Tran	8/17			
Most Runs In A Sea	con	Most Wicket	c In A S	Soason		
Jason Flanagan	719 (1993-94)		3 III A 3	48 (1989-90)		
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Bradley Dodd	633 (2015-16)			47 (1991-92) 45 (2014-15)		
Greg Bottrill	615 (1993-94)) Jim Micsko		45 (2014-15)		
100 Games						
100 Games	398	John Lennon	155	lomio Lorgo	116	
Greg Bottrill				Jamie Large		
Martin Romer	341	Andrew Pesle	153	Mitchell Perry	115	
Andrew Williams	276	Matthew Callaghan	152	Matthew Stanowski	114	
Chris Longhurst	271	Shane McPherson	150	John Anderson	113	
Patrick Anderson	237	Martin Bowerman	147	Jon Ferguson	111	
John Bawden	224	Mark Roser	147	Alex Mullen	109	
Luke Stanowski	202	Matthew Elliott	142	William Coughlan	106	
Andrew Luzzi	201	Chris Tonks	142	Peter Russell	105	
Darran Harvey	200	Neil Gentile	141	James Wood	105	
Michael Haynes	200	Stuart Ericson	139	Andrew Kennedy	104	
Malcolm Sheens	199	Craig Alderson	135	Kyle Siczak	104	
Ange Barbaro	187	Shaun Wood	132	Shane Richards	104	
Peter Gibson	179	Trevor Wilson	127	John Ryan	102	
Jim Micsko	177	Matthew Kobryn	127	Ben Treharne	102	
Sam Barbaro	174	Jef Miles	124	Matt Jones	101	
Anthony Tonks	174	Chris Black	122	Matthew Kobryn	100	
Regan Rist	161	Craig Sheens	122	Timothy Pedlar	100	
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100 Wickets						
Martin Romer	529	Peter Bucik	175	Jason Green	130	
Greg Bottrill	424	Tom Romer	163	Stuart Ericson	126	
Andrew Luzzi	336	Craig Sheens	161	William Coughlan	125	
Chris Longhurst	284	James Wood	160	David Bransdon	124	
John Bawden	259	Jamie Large	159	Matthew Marshall	122	
Jim Micsko	253	Malcolm Sheens	157	Robert Sands	120	
Chris Tonks	252	Andrew Kennedy	157	Luke Fitzpatrick	120	
Mark Roser	237	Patrick Anderson	156	Ben Sheens	118	
Matthew Elliott	231	Craig Alderson	154	Anthony Tonks	113	
Neil Gentile	219	Martin Bowerman	154	Adrian Lighezzolo	109	
		Ben Treharne	153	Adnan Lighezzolo Alan Tran	109	
Alex Mullen	196					
Geoffrey Abbott	192 176	Matthew Stanowski	136	Greg Sheens	105	
John Lennon	176	Shane Richards	135	Peter Hooper	104	

1000 Runs

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Greg Bottrill	8023	Craig Huthnance	1903	Robert Carter	1306
Andrew Williams	6599	Shanaka Desilva	1836	Matthew Elliott	1295
Martin Romer	5933	Jim Micsko	1791	Jake Couchman	1267
Chris Longhurst	4774	Matthew Stanowski	1787	Brett Savage	1264
Anthony Tonks	3998	Timothy Jackson	1753	Curtis Shuttleworth	1261
Chris Tonks	3441	Paul Callaghan	1736	Geoff Sullivan	1257
Patrick Anderson	3427	Martin Bowerman	1713	George Bucik	1236
Peter Gibson	3121	Matthew Davey	1683	John Lennon	1220
Andrew Pesle	3074	Andrew Luzzi	1673	Joel Camilleri	1217
Darran Harvey	2581	Kyle Siczak	1629	Timothy Pedlar	1201
Michael Haynes	2569	Jamie Large	1606	Craig Alderson	1174
Matthew Callaghan	2497	Matthew Kobryn	1577	lain Lumsden	1169
Stephen Burns	2494	David Cooke	1559	Joshua Wood	1163
Matthew Parker	2493	Mitchell Perry	1550	Shane Richards	1155
Matthew Jones	2445	Gerrad Hennessy	1540	Geoffrey Abbott	1137
Trevor Wilson	2402	Francois Sidrak	1532	Andrew Lucas	1137
Shane McPherson	2380	Ben McGovern	1519	Brett Chandler	1130
Sam Barbaro	2330	Shaun Wood	1506	John Bawden	1110
Ange Barbaro	2330	Jason Green	1469	Greg Sheens	1067
Chris Black	2283	David Sharpe	1469	Gregory Watts	1059
Bradley Dodd	2138	Dean Yarnton	1451	Trevor Williams	1057
Luke Stanowski	2118	Michael Kapitanow	1416	Bryan Cavanagh	1053
Malcolm Sheens	2096	Neil Gentile	1402	Travis Dingemans	1043
Glenn Coughlan	2064	Mark Roser	1389	Tim Boyce	1041
Stuart Ericson	1971	Anthony Wright	1369	John Anderson	1031
James Wood	1969	Regan Rist	1344	Ricky Ciampi	1027
Jef Miles	1935	Stephen Steptoe	1342	Craig Sheens	1022
Tom Romer	1929	Nathan Christensen	1334	Peter Hennessy	1017
Todd Marshall	1912	John Ryan	1315	Scott McNally	1008

4000 Runs / 400 Wickets Double Martin Romer 5933 / 529 Greg Bottrill 8023 / 424

2000 Runs / 200 Wickets Double Chris Longhurst 4774 / 284 Chris Tonks 3441 / 252

1000 Runs / 100 Wickets Double

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Andrew Luzzi	1673 / 336	Jamie Large	1606 / 159
Patrick Anderson	3427 / 156	Matthew Stanowski	1787 / 136
John Bawden	1110 / 259	Geoffrey Abbott	1137 / 192
Malcolm Sheens	2096 / 157	John Lennon	1220 / 176
Matthew Elliott	1295 / 231	Stuart Ericson	1971 / 126
Neil Gentile	1402 / 219	Jason Green	1469 / 130
Jim Micsko	1791 / 253	Craig Alderson	1174 / 154
Mark Roser	1389 / 237	Shane Richards	1155 / 135
James Wood	1969 / 160	Greg Sheens	1067 / 105
Tom Romer	1929 / 163	Craig Sheens	1022 / 161
Martin Bowerman	1713 / 154	Anthony Tonks	3998 / 113

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2014/15	Martin Bowerman	Sam Barbaro	Ange Barbaro	Jim Micsko	Andrew Kennedy	Jim Micsko	Chris Longhurst
2013/14	Martin Bowerman	Sam Barbaro	Ange Barbaro	Jim Micsko	Andrew Kennedy	Jim Micsko	Chris Longhurst
2012/13	Martin Bowerman	Sam Barbaro	Ange Barbaro	Jim Micsko	Liz Dowd	Jim Micsko	Chris Longhurst
2011/12	Martin Bowerman	Sam Barbaro	Ange Barbaro	Jim Micsko	Liz Dowd	Jim Micsko	Chris Longhurst
2010/11	Martin Bowerman	Trevor Wilson	Jamie Large	Jim Micsko	Liz Dowd	Jamie Large	Chris Longhurst
2009/10	Martin Bowerman	Trevor Wilson	Jamie Large	Jim Micsko	Liz Dowd	Jamie Large	Chris Longhurst
2008/09	Martin Bowerman	Trevor Wilson	Jamie Large	Jim Micsko	Liz Dowd	Jamie Large	Ange Barbaro
2007/08	Martin Bowerman	Trevor Wilson	Jamie Large	Jim Micsko	Liz Dowd	Jamie Large	Ange Barbaro
2006/07	Martin Bowerman	Trevor Wilson	Jamie Large	Ange Barbaro	Paul Fitzpatrick	Jamie Large	Geoff Sullivan
2005/06	Martin Bowerman	Trevor Wilson	Jamie Large	Ange Barbaro	Paul Fitzpatrick	Jamie Large	Matthew Elliott
2004/05	Martin Bowerman	Trevor Wilson	Jamie Large	Ange Barbaro	Paul Fitzpatrick	Jamie Large	Matthew Elliott
2003/04	Darran Harvey	Brendan Gorman	Jamie Large	Paul Ryan	Paul Fitzpatrick	Paul Ryan	Matthew Stanowski
2002/03	Darran Harvey	Brendan Gorman	Jamie Large	John Bawden	Paul Fitzpatrick	John Bawden	Matthew Stanowski
2001/02	George Stanowski	Miles Anderson	Peter Russell	John Bawden	Paul Fitzpatrick	John Bawden	Matthew Stanowski
2000/01	George Stanowski	Miles Anderson	Peter Russell	Darran Harvey	Martin Burke	Darran Harvey	Matthew Stanowski
1999/00 George	Caarga Stanguaki	wski Miles Anderson	Peter Russell	Darran Harvey	Brian Golby	Darran Harvey	Craig Huthnance
	George Stanowski						Martin Romer
1000/00	Nell Condito	Miles Anderson	David Foster	Down Harris	Caarna Ctan awalii	Darran Harvey	Craig Huthnance
1998/99	Neil Gentile	Willes Anderson	David Foster	Darran Harvey	George Stanowski		Martin Romer
1997/98	Neil Gentile	Miles Anderson	David Foster	Darran Harvey	George Stanowski	Darran Harvey	Darran Harvey
1996/97	Lionel Gyler	Tim Pedlar	Andrew Williams	David Cooke	George Stanowski	David Cooke	Craig Huthnance
1995/96	Lionel Gyler	Tim Pedlar	Andrew Williams	David Cooke	George Stanowski	David Cooke	Tim Pedlar
1994/95	Lionel Gyler	Tim Pedlar	Paul Ryan	Peter Mitchell	George Stanowski	Peter Mitchell	N/A
1993/94	Lionel Gyler	Tim Pedlar	Paul Ryan	Peter Mitchell	George Stanowski	Peter Mitchell	N/A
1992/93	Lionel Gyler	Tim Pedlar	Paul Ryan	Peter Mitchell	George Stanowski	Peter Mitchell	N/A
1991/92	Lionel Gyler	Tim Pedlar	Paul Ryan		George Stanowski	N/A	N/A
1990/91	Lionel Gyler	Tim Pedlar	Paul Ryan		Peter Savage	N/A	N/A

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