
Narara-Wyoming Cricket Club

2024 YEARBOOK



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Reports From
2023 - 2024
Season



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President's Report

On behalf of our players, members, and families we'd firstly like to acknowledge the significant financial support provided by our sponsors for the 2023/2024 season. With playing and maintenance costs continuing to increase, the contribution these sponsors make to the club helps us lessen the impact on our members.

Please support these businesses or refer them to your family and friends wherever you're able.

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We'd especially like to recognise the efforts of Grant Binns in developing our sponsorship program in 2022/2023 and continuing to drive it this season.

On the field

Joint Venture Teams

We'd like to thank both the Brisbane Water and Terrigal-Matcham Cricket Clubs for working with us to put together several joint venture teams this season:

- BWCC: Male Youth League, Boys U16, Girls Sixers
- TMCC: Womens 1 st Grade, Female Youth League, Girls Stage 2

As a relatively small club, we haven't had the numbers over recent seasons to field teams in every age group and have had to send some junior players elsewhere so it was great to work with these clubs to jointly resolve these issues.

Special thank you to Sharon Anderson (Director of Women's Cricket) and Kylie Wanner (Director of Girls' Cricket) for their extensive efforts in making this happen.

Results

We were able to achieve some great team results:

- Men: Masters made the final.
- Women: 1 st grade made the semis.
- Boys: U16s and U14s made the semis.
- Girls: Stage 2 won the premiership.

We had other teams that were competitive while some struggled in their respective competitions. We'd particularly like to recognise the perseverance and resilience shown by our Mens 4 th grade and Boys U12 teams and families that were graded by the CCCA above where we requested and endured some challenging results during the season.

We had some wonderful individual performances throughout the season with several players making representative teams. Congratulations to all our players who will be recognised at our club presentations.

Captains

Thank you to our regular captains for taking on this responsibility. It's a very important job as we strive to provide all our players with the opportunity to contribute.

Off the field

Coaches & Managers

To all our coaches and managers, we thank you for the care and guidance you showed to our players this season. It's a massive commitment and we hope you got as much enjoyment and satisfaction from your contribution as the players and families benefited from it.

Selectors

Thanks to Greg Sadler, Andy Ryan, David Stapleford and Sharon Anderson for their role in getting senior teams on the field each week. The number of unavailable players makes this task extremely difficult and time consuming, so we appreciate the lengths the selectors go to.

Carrington St Oval

This season marked the return of turf cricket in our own area with the opening of the new turf wicket at Carrington St Oval. We also saw improvements to the clubhouse area with a new awning as well as moving our storage container to the site and the opening of a two-lane practice net facility.

The club owes a significant debt of gratitude to past president Stuart Owen for his role in procuring grants and managing the project over the past several seasons. We were very lucky to have Stuart's expertise to lead the project. Thank you, Stuart!

We would also like to thank Brett Wilkinson who took on the curator's job this season. Brett devoted significant time and energy to learning what was required and then applying that to his preparation week to week.

Grange Raffles

As most would know, our major sponsor the Grange Hotel not only provides a direct financial contribution, they also enable us to run the meat tray raffles 2-3 times per month on a Friday afternoon throughout the season. Thank you to those that made the effort to help out when it was your team's turn on the roster. A massive thank you to Ron Kelly for leading the raffle crew every Friday and Ed Haverkamp for coordinating the roster and stepping in on many occasions when we were short.

Committee & Support Roles

Thank you to the following people for their contribution during the season:

- Soham Bhatt – for his diligence as Secretary.
- Garry Crowe & Hamish Millen – for their tireless efforts as registrars/recorders (seniors and juniors).
- Alicia White – for her efforts as Vice President, Christmas Party coordinator and clothing steward.
- Brad Binns – in his role as Director of Men's Cricket.
- John Moriarty – for his work on equipment maintenance and as player liaison officer.

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- Dan Copland – grants.

Next season

The workload in running a club is significant so the more people that assist helps spread the burden. We look forward to more people putting their hand up (even if in a small way) to take on some of these roles and responsibilities next season. This starts with the AGM in June and other appointments shortly thereafter. We'll be looking to fill these positions earlier than previous seasons so we're well prepared.

Enjoy your (short) offseason!

Paul Moriarty
President

1st Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Lachlan Shedden 282 runs @ 20.14

Bowling: Kyle Jordan 23 wickets @ 10.74

Fielding: Lachlan Shedden

Another year in the books, but this one a little more special as I got to lead this club with my little sister as the 1st grade women's captain for the first time in the clubs history.

With one of our youngest teams going around in the top grade in years left us feeling very optimistic and excited. Starting our two day campaign with what was a win after week one only turning into a reverse outright loss unfortunately set a massive dampener on the season to come. The lads did really well to rally back mid season and win three on the trot including an outright win which had us in possible semi final contention coming into the last round, unfortunately missing out in the end.

With glimpses of what this team was capable at stages this year was quite inspiring. We just couldn't put it all together at crucial times, this definitely goes back to the focus on training and getting all the basics right again.

I'd like to thank all of the committee who do plenty behind the scenes so the season can run smoothly, my father Paul for scoring each Saturday for us, my mother for the couple of teas she did put on for us and finally the men who turned up each week for me and put the effort in.

Thanks, Smithy.

Ladies 1st Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Rejoice Mudavose 90runs @22.50

Bowling: Ella Davidson 13 wickets @ 6.92

Fielding: Alex-Bobbi Smith

This year our women's first grade had an eventful season showing moments of brilliance along with areas needing improvement. The team displayed outstanding performances all throughout the competition securing important victories which led us all the way to the semi finals! Unfortunately due to bad weather this was called off and we couldn't progress onto the grand finals. Despite this, each and every player contributed significantly to the teams success and everyone in the team displayed a skill of passion and determination which made this cricket season of 2023/2024 unforgettable.

I would also like to thank the Narara Committee especially Sharon Anderson and Paul Moriarty for helping me in my first season as a captain.

Sharon Anderson 29 runs @ 4.83 Thanks Sharon for making sure covers are on/off, running the show week in week out and making sure we have enough ladies to take the field every Saturday.

Holly Bayss only played 3 matches but took 4 wickets at an average of 14.25 and 6 runs for the season.

Ella Davidson is our Top Bowler with 13 wickets and 20 runs and the 2nd best fielder with 4 catches.

Loren Davidson only played 5 matches for us with 11 runs, 1 wicket & a catch.

Sukhmandeep Dhaliwal only played 1 match for us but shined with the bowling in Round 13 against Kincumber Avoca with 3 overs, 3 wickets, 2 run outs and took the game away from Kincumber.

Jessica Dowling 59 Runs and 2 wickets. Jess only played 9 matches due to injury and I would also like to thank Jess for standing in as Captain whilst I was away.

Ava Drury 79 Runs and 5 wickets with 4 catches

Quinn Grainger only played 2 matches but still took a wicket. Thanks Quinn for helping with the wicket keeping as well.

Violet Hardie 26 Runs and 4 wickets.

Emily Humphreys, second top batsman with 110 runs and the second top bowler with 9 wickets.

Michelle McLoughlin only played 5 matches for Narara and got us 24 runs.

Eileen Millen - One of our most dedicated player, helping us out every week with 6 runs, taking the prize wicket of Sophie McCrae and 1 catch too.

Rejoice Mudavose, 3rd top batsman with 90 runs and average 22.5.

Dehann Richardson an all rounder top batsman with 157 runs and 3 wickets.

Phoebe Rutherford only played 2 matches with 6 runs and 1 wicket

Kimberley Taylor, Kim played 8 matches with 15 runs and 2 catches.

Keira White got 35 runs and our 4th Top Bowler with 7 wickets and 2 catches.

Thank you also to everyone who helped with the task of covers and ground prep!

Alex-Bobbi Smith - Captain

2nd Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Jake Duncan 239 runs @ 59.75
Bowling: Grant Binns 17 wickets @ 13.41
Fielding: Anthony Hanna

A difficult season following the success from last season, with a number of key injuries to key players early in the year. Our first game we had a relatively new team line up with only 3 players from the previous years grand final team. However, the team put up a great start with a solid chase of 258 falling 3 runs short of Terrigal. Following that we struggled to be competitive against the top teams. A wet weather draw to Kincumber, followed by an outright loss to the eventual premiers The Entrance were sign of the struggle ahead.

However, the team picked themselves up after a tough start and recorded an outright win against Brisbane Water, then a tight draw against Ourimbah before the Xmas break. Both these games had highlights, with Michael Anderson and Jake Duncan both recording centuries against Brisbane Water, and Mitch Coombes recording a big century against Ourimbah.

Following Xmas we started well with an outright win against Warnervale, and a tough fought 1 st innings win against Wyong. Giving ourselves a chance on making the finals with some good results in the last 2 weeks.

Unfortunately, it wasn't to be this year with losses in our final 2 matches we finished outside the 4. In summary it was a really tough year, consistent team changes throughout resulting from player availability issues made it difficult to get any consistency.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my squad you always gave it their best, filled in throughout the year in first grade and T20s whenever the inevitable availability issues occurred. Although tough, we continued to enjoy ourselves and have a laugh first and foremost.

Looking forward to next year at the new home of Narara Cricket, Carrington Oval.

Brad Binns - Captain

Ladies 2nd Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Loren Davidson 265 @ 88.33

Bowling: Olivia Wanner 8 wickets @ 30.75

Fielding: Alison Hardie

Firstly, congratulations to our Girls Stage 2 – Green Birds on making the finals and taking out the Grand Final against a strong Lisarow team. It was a great game & all the girls played hard the entire game. Women's 2nd grade had a fun season & played some strong cricket despite our results & ladder position this year.

I stepped into the captain position after the first few games as Loren was needed to fill in for 1st grade regularly. Despite not having consistency within our team each week, we still played some great cricket, improved and learned some new skills, and had lots of fun and laughs along the way. Thank you to all our stage 2 girls for helping us out so well throughout the season and enabling us to get a team on the field. It was great to witness the improvement of all our young girls.

When we did manage to pull it together and played great cricket we were lucky enough to come away with a few wins, we even managed to beat the undefeatable Lisarow team, this was our team highlight.

It was so lovely to be a part of this team, which essentially was the mother/daughter team with 3 sets of mother/daughter combinations, with Alison, Quinn & Sue W to round out the team.

Let's look forward to another season next year.

Kylie Wanner - Captain

3rd Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Paul Moriarty 331 runs @ 25.46

Bowling: Chris Rowan 15 wickets @ 21.27

Fielding: David Luders

It was a challenging season for our Third Grade squad competing in a six team competition against some very experienced and handy cricketers. We missed out on the semis but showed some promising glimpses throughout the year keeping the semi sides honest.

Congratulations to Andy Ryan and the Men's Masters team for making the final going down in a close one; AlexBobbi Smith and the Women's First XI for being the only Saturday senior team to make the semis and, finally, to the Girls Stage 2 joint venture side with Terrigal Matcham for winning the premierships! It was also great to see our Boys U16 and Boys U14 teams make the semis – many players for the first time in their years at Narara-Wyoming.

We started off the season in difficult fashion, suffering six consecutive losses – three of which we couldn't prevent our opponents getting the bonus point. We then played the first senior men's game on the new Carrington St turf wicket and had a strong win against Northern Power. We were washed out in Round 8 before a dominant win against Kincumber Avoca on turf at Erina Oval. Undefeated on turf in 2023-2024! Returning to synthetic, we lost to The Entrance before beating Lisarow Ourimbah at home in a close one. Resuming after the Christmas/New Year break we were soundly beaten by The Entrance and then Wyong. We won a tight one against Northern Power before losing a critical match against Kincumber Avoca, going down on the last ball against Lisarow Ourimbah, and suffering a bad loss to Northern Power. We finished off the season with a comprehensive win against Wyong ending up in fifth spot, although well back from fourth.

Across the season, we struggled to contain the scoring rate against quality and big hitting batters

and couldn't match that scoring rate with our own. We let ourselves down with our fielding standard this season although there were some great catches at times. We didn't have any standout performers but we had some steady contributors with bat and ball.

In the batting stakes, Paul Moriarty (331 @ 25) led the way. Hayden Juillerat (166 @ 15), Bailey Figallo (163 @ 18), Neil Dixon (146 @ 16) and Adam Walsh (138 @ 17) did well at times and each spent several matches in second grade. Mick Mara (119 in two not out innings) added some class for our final two home games. We also had a nice cameo contribution from Andrew Bull (Masters). Our bowling group worked hard but found it difficult to bowl consistently and build pressure. David Luders (16 @ 23) and Chris Rowan (15 @ 21) were the pick of the bowlers. David improving throughout the season and Chris as wily as ever. We had seven other bowlers take between 8-10 wickets and five more that took between 4-6 wickets. Some of our juniors received great opportunity with Mal Hawkins and Ashton Surwald opening the bowling at times and Cooper Farrell creating plenty of chances with his off-spin.

In the field there were some great catches – Adam Walsh at his regular mid-off position or off his own bowling, Paul Moriarty's running and full stretch diving outfield catches at Gavenlock and Kanwal and Rowey's juggling performances. David Luders developed a new knee slide technique that he used to great effect and was our most improved fielder. We had five players take between 7-10 catches. 38 - that was the number of players that took the field for this team during the season. From higher grade players coming down due to the 2-day matches, Masters and Juniors helping us out plus those promoted from lower grades - we appreciated everyone's contribution to the team as well as enabling the grades below us to maintain a more consistent line-up from week to week.

I'd like to extend a special thank you to our U16 Coach Andrew Sainsbury, Managers Dan Copland and Ed Haverkamp and U14 Coach Adam Walsh for their efforts in coordinating the 16 boys that filled for Men's seniors from week to week, five of which played matches in third grade. It was a massive effort as the players moved between 3rd Grade to 8th Grade and everywhere in between with changes sometimes being made as they were about to leave their ground on Saturday morning. We hope the experience demystified senior cricket for these juniors and will benefit them in the long run as they make the move up to seniors in the years ahead.

Finally, thanks to everyone involved in the running of the Club both in official positions on the committee and those that work behind the seasons to make it enjoyable and rewarding.

Captain - Paul Moriarty

Ladies 3rd Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Sue Donovan 174 runs @34.80

Bowling: Alicia White 6 wickets @ 25.83

Fielding: Alana Beck

Ladies 3rd Grade welcomed a few new faces this season. Fiona, Cindy, Alana and Sadie joined the originals of Sue, Sharon, Belinda, Rosie and myself and what a team we made. During the season our little team improved in leaps and bounds. Other teams in our competition were asking whether we were getting professional training. Our fielding as a team was the best I've ever seen. We went many games without letting a boundary pass. One game which comes to memory was down on the peninsula, we played Southern Spirit. We bat first, got 50 odd runs. All the ladies were having bets on how many overs until we finished. We held Southern Spirit to under the 50 runs for 10 overs, what an achievement. A couple of stand outs for the season - Alana - was fielder extraordinaire - she never went home without grass stains all over her whites. Sharon - her batting improved so much this season and we saw boundary after boundary coming from her time with the bat. Rosie , smashed the ball with the bat every chance she could get, but her bowling, compared to last season, was fabulous. Sadie was great with the ball, but her best talent was her strong arm and aim with those run outs, the other teams were never sure whether to run if it went Sadies way. Belinda also improved her bowling this

season but her batting and running between wickets was great. If there was a run there, Belinda would find it. Fiona had a marvellous first season, her fielding was great - she got a fair few bruises from stopping the ball with her hand or leg and her batting was amazing. Cindy, it was also her first season and while she wasn't a fan of bowling she gave it a crack whenever asked. Her batting was reliable. I am so proud of her run out in the last game of the season, the best direct hit we had seen in awhile. Cindy also stepped up to umpire most games and it was much appreciated. Sue - she smashed some good boundaries and did her thing with the bat, getting the most runs for the season. Sue also took quite a few catches from her position of wicket keeper which she loved. She is also reliable and strong in the field. I somehow managed to take the most wickets this season, my bowling has improved - still a long way to go. I am so proud and honoured to be the Captain of such a wonderful group of ladies who are not only my team mates but my friends - even though you have a separate chat where you bag me out ;-). Bring on 2024/2025 season, this little team is going to be making headlines and getting a couple more wins under our belt.

Alicia White - Captain

4th Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Lucas Sadler 213 runs @ 14.20

Bowling: Adam Montgomery 20 wickets @ 17.85

Fielding: Peter Patterson

With the return of some familiar faces and the addition of a few new who made the jump up from the grades below, the season ahead was always going to be a tough one for 4ths. Whilst we didn't have the best season, winning only one game, the positives far outweighed any of the negatives that we may have experienced this season. Everyone who had their first full season in 4ths improved with each game that they played, and those who filled in for

a number of games also showed that they have what it takes to play in the grade. Bowling was our strength this season, with the work horse of Adam Montgomery leading the way and finishing with 20 wickets for the season. He was well supported with young Nick Tsourgranis often opening the bowling at the other end. Nick's bowling improved with each over he bowled throughout the season, with his hard work at practice leading him to have some good pace and control towards the end of the season. Aston Wilkinson, Harrison Faber, Vince Kennedy, Johan, Fernandes and Bailey McDonald all supplemented the bowling throughout the season when required. Highlights of the season were Adam Montgomery's 5-8, Nick Tsourgranis' 4-10 and Himan Rao's 4-21.

Our fielding was at times great, at times not so great. It didn't help when there were a few catches that should've been taken which may have helped with our run chase. But there were also games when everything stuck which was great. Harrison Faber provided great energy in the field and was always keeping the batters on their toes with a possible sneaky run out. Peter Paterson toiled hard behind the stumps this season, taking 12 catches with 2 stumpings with Himan Rao taking 7 catches in the field.

Our batting was definitely not our strongest attribute this year. I feel that if we had a few extra runs on our totals in some of the innings, the dynamic of those games may have changed in our favour. None the less, we had different people rise to the occasion when required and provided a rock when our innings may have gone sour. Vince Kennedy, Soham Bhatt, Adam Montgomery and Jayden Wilde-Taylor all chipped in with some runs when needed throughout the season, with Atul Gaur piling on the runs in the games that he played.

Highlight of the season was Jayden Wilde-Taylor's swashbuckling 82 against Wyong. As always, it's an Honour and a privilege to spend Saturdays with everyone who played in 4th grade at one point or another throughout the season. I'd like to thank the boys for the season – it may have been tough one, but spending it with you boys made it easier. Those that helped set up week in and week out at the home games, to anyone who filled in during the season and to all those juniors who once again backed up from the morning to fill in and finally to anyone who may have come & watched at some stage... Thankyou!

Lucas Sadler - Captain

7th Grade



Team Awards

Batting: Joshua Mason 221 runs @ 36.83

Bowling: Joshua Mason 17 wickets @ 6.94

Fielding: Gary Crowe

7s Season Result: 5th (Top 4 finals)

Fair to say that this season was a little slow to get going for us – it really seemed as though we were about 1/3 of the way into the season before we started to have a more settled lineup and were able to building team chemistry, play good consistent cricket and play to our potential. As it with some mixed results early on would have significant ramifications for us despite being one of the form teams through the second half of the season.

In the early part of the season our cricket was certainly up and down – with high quality in patches – but Its fair to say ‘snatching defeat from the jaws of victory’ would ring true for us on more than one occasion!

Quick overview:

- Round 4 v Lisarow (chasing 141) – started 4-48, before incredible partnership led by Crowie (51) and Rob (35) got us to 5/130...before falling to be all out for 138.
- Round 6 v Warnervale (chasing 141) – on track at 4/85, then 5/116...before falling to be all out for 130.

Whilst these match results were immensely disappointing at the time – look no one loves losing – but they would prove to be tremendous opportunities to learn and grow together as a team – and really spurred us on to have each others back and play for each other and club proudly. Nothing is wasted.

Unfortunately the practical outcome of this was that it simply left us with too much work to do in the second half of the season (with only Top 4 playing finals). I genuinely believe we had talent, quality, nous and right balance of experience and youth to really challenge the top teams in 7s this season – as our 8 game unbeaten run through the middle off the season showed! We came up just short finishing a very strong 5th but knowing our team was capable of doing some serious damage in the finals.

Huge thanks to many who had their fingerprints on our team through the season – especially the juniors (u16s and u14s) who stepped up when the club was in needed and represented the club with pride. Also great support from Jake and his 8s team – always fun to play with you guys – thank you.

Its been a tremendous honour to co-captain along with Josh this season – to go into battle together every week alongside such incredible cricketers for sure - but incredible men even more so – representing the club and 7s team with such excellence.

Some wonderful cricket played by all - didn't quite finish the way we had planned, but as they say in the classics...there always next season!

Bring it on Lions!

Some highlights from the season included:

- Strong partnership with and contributions all season from our u16s team – thanks Sanga and Moz for facilitating and supporting this pathway for the boys
- Run of 8 games undefeated from round 8 to round 15 – broken only by two close losses to this seasons GF teams
- Co-captain Josh Mason topping out both batting (221 runs @ 36.83) and bowling (17 wickets @ 7.00) – despite only play half our games – well done Skip!
- Avenging previous season GF loss against Lisarow (team moved from 8s to 7s)
- Jayden Wilde-Taylor doing 'Wild Thing' things – including recovering from a serious injury while bowling, being resurrected from the dead and then opening the batting with a big-hitting 52 not out (off 40 balls) against the ladder leading Entrance in a must win game for us
- Pushing both GF teams all the way – Lisarow and The Entrance – despite them being dominant over the majority of the competition, we really made them fight for victory
- Atul and Soham playing every game with both flair and consistency – could happily watch you guys batting together, playing reverse switch-hits all afternoon – you both bring such class and skill to the field every time you play!
- Crowie and Rob winding back the clock to form mean bowling tandem – terrorising the Southern Spirit tail in our final game
- Being on the field with Soham playing his first senior game together with Ansh and Anuj – beautiful moment and beautiful cricket!

Cheers

Dan & Josh

8th Grade



Team Awards:

Batting: Phillip Davison 235 runs @ 32.50

Bowling: Rhys Seiler 23 wickets @ 12.43

Fielding: Adrian Seiler

The Great 8's had another fantastic year. We played so well as a team and I think we had a lot of fun.

First I'd like to congratulate our Girls Stage 2 – Green Birds on making the finals and taking out the Grand Final against a strong Lisarow team. They stayed strong as a team all year.

Our year started a bit all over the place, even playing as a 7th grade team for one game. We also had players out for long periods and a season-ending injury for Ed. Even with all this we came close and could've made the semis if we won the last game with the bonus point. Sadly, that didn't happen. Thanks to the large list of juniors who helped us out so well throughout the season, a special mention goes to Ethan Haverkamp who filled in most games and took over keeping duties for the rest of the season when (Dad) Ed went down.

We had a few newbies to our lineup this season, Dave Hildridge, Adrian Seiler & Bulkar Dhaliwal, all fitted in so well in our rather mature lineup. They performed very well. I really enjoyed playing with all of you guys and would love to do that every week of the season. The team spirit as always is an important thing to me.

Jakob Wanner - Captain

Masters Over 40



Team Awards:

Batting: Andrew Bull 199 runs @ 49.75

Bowling: Ben Surwald 10 wickets @ 7.80

Fielding: Andrew Bull

After 2 solid seasons, the reigning Masters Premiers were keen to solidify their standing as the Flagship Squad of the club. With the shock, early retirement of Captain G, and the gruesome injury to the already disfigured hand of elite keeper, Mose, the premierships defence was off to an uncertain start. Never fear, the Lions were lucky enough to call on a promising young cricketer, Andrew Ryan, to lead them into battle for the season.

The first game against Wyong proved to be a decent test, with the Lions able to spend some decent time in the middle, bludgeoning the Roos to all parts and setting a very respectable total. Strong contributions from Bull, Ryan and Walsh were dramatically upstaged by Ben 'Woody' Surwald looking like a Dirk Wellham/AB de Villiers hybrid, gloriously treating the bowling with disdain to reach his first ever retirement! Surly's bowling was unusually upstaged by that of debutante Linford Christy, who took a stunning 3 fa to wrap up the Roos' unsuccessful chase.

Rounds 2 and 3 were against the woeful squads of Terrigal and Brisbane Water - seriously lads, you can do better. Clinical efforts in the field (apart from Crossy dropping a shocker at Adcock) and with the ball, lead by bulk wickets to Cracker, Rowey, and a big bag to Adam Walsh, again all after Surly proved himself to be pretty slick for an old sheriff was a snake in his boots. Dismal targets were chased down with ease, allowing all of the family men to get home and now before the working week rolled around again.

Southern displayed their true colours once again with another cowardly display. After their sour grapes protest two years ago, they still haven't got the guts to take the field against us, and forfeited.

Kincumber proved to be very worthy opponents two weeks in a row. With a couple of first graders, including the Over 40s World Cup bowler of the tournament, and a whole bunch on unnecessary and undignified mouths running rampant, the Lions faced a very strong challenge. Early wickets in the final round game were steadied by valuable runs by J-Mac and Sadam. But once again, a legendary club bowler stepped up for his

first ever retirement innings. Well done Cracker on an innings of class and aggression. Regular wickets made things difficult for the Griffons, but when Shaun Robbo is still in, nothing can be taken for granted. Surly had the ball on a string, but it was Cracker's day, snaring 4 wickets and sending us to the finals undefeated. The semi final against the KAACs was a topsy turvy affair. The Lions were flying at 0-73, but were brought back to Earth with a less than imposing total of only 128. Mozza saved the day with a brilliant 51 to give us a chance. Extremely economical bowling and wickets at regular intervals from the usual suspects was backed up by a brace from Beck's, but with a small target, Kincumber looked like they would limp over the line. 3 run outs made things interesting, but 2 PC long hops almost ended the game, so he tried a third.....and the silly batter hit it straight down the throat of Andy bloody Ryan. Unlucky Kinny, Lions are off to another GF with a 1 run victory.

Facing a much stronger Seagulls squad than they defeated in last year's decider, our bowling innings was about patience and riding the highs and lows. Run scoring was relatively easy on the fast and flat Tuggerah surface, but consistent lines and brilliant fielding restricted the Gulls to an achievable target. Becs and Salts played a huge roll in restricting the run flow to give us a chance. A strong start with the bat, keeping level with the required run rate and having wickets in the bank kept our spirits high. However, the slow Seagulls' bowlers and smart field placings punished our run rate. Looking like a lost cause, Walshy and Mozza made one last courageous push for victory, but unfortunately we came up two runs short. A tremendous game of cricket against an excellent opponent: not bad for a bunch of old blokes. Thanks to the club for supporting our squad, and an even bigger thank you to our families for allowing us the opportunity to have few more magic moments on the pitch with our old mates. Our bodies don't appreciate, but we still love it.

Cheers, Andy Ryan - Captain

Male Youth League – Blue Lions



Team Awards

Batting: Ashton Surwald

Bowling: Malcolm Hawkins

Fielding: Cooper Farrell

Coaches: Toby Mielekamp

The Youth League team this season was a mix of Narara-Wyoming and Brisbane Water. For most, this was their first experience playing on grass and most of the players are still eligible to play youth league next season. While the results weren't great, this was always going to be a learning experience for the players, and I have no doubt all the players have learnt about the work required to make the transition to playing on grass. The youth league competition is a big step up from juniors, but I believe there's enough skill and ability within this group to be competitive next season.

Thanks to Paul Moriarty and Ken from Brisbane Water for working out the logistics in the pre-season to allow us to put a team in. Thanks also to Ben Surwald for assisting with coaching, umpiring and his advice during the season. Thanks to all the parents for getting players to training and especially the games on Friday afternoons.

Cooper Farrell – played some good innings for us at the top of the order. At times looked comfortable, scored freely and was never troubled by the step up in standard. His bowling was good but will improve with more experience playing at this level.

Kye Feltham – captained the side this year and improved each week. Showed at times that he has

the skill to play well at this level but just needs to find that consistency. Stikes the ball well when he gets in and can put the opposition on the back foot.

Malcolm Hawkins – bowled well with the new ball for us. Always bowled with great consistency. Unlucky not to take more wickets but that happens sometimes. Like most, struggled with the bat with the transition to grass but I have no doubt will succeed with more experience.

Toby Mielekamp – played well at times with bat and ball. Bowled his best when he kept the ball up and at times learnt that if you bowl a touch short or wide it can get punished. Always positive, always listening and looks forward to a challenge. A pleasure to coach and look forward to seeing him play again next season.

Nathan Sainsbury – struggled a bit to adjust to playing on grass and missed the consistent bounce playing on artificial grass provides. Unable to bowl this year due to injury but fielded well. Learned a lot about playing at this level and will improve next year. Has the application to bat for long periods and just needs to show a little more intent to score in the reduced over formats.

Ashton Surwald – played some good innings for us this year including a season high 48 against Southern Spirit. At times looked comfortable and will get better next year. Bowled his best when he bowled full and was unlucky not to take more wickets. Is his own greatest critic but always eager to learn.

Aston Wilkinson – great attitude and always give his all. Started the season well and looked like he was in for a big season but just lost his way a little in the middle. Always up for a challenge and never backs down.

Thanks to the Brisbane Water boys Lachie Bingham, Darragh McBride, Angus Gibbs, Titus Kumar, Will Fraser and James Brown for their efforts this season. It was great to see the pride that both the Narara-Wyoming and Brisbane Water boys had in their respective clubs.

Thanks also to Declan Walsh, Ethan Haverkamp and Brayden Tate for filling in when we were short. I'm sure all enjoyed and learnt from the experience and will be keen to play on a regular basis next season.

Special mention to Brett Wilkinson who worked so hard to get the new ground at Carrington Street ready for us to play on. The pitches he prepared for us were sensational, thanks Brett.

It was a pleasure to coach the team this season and look forward to seeing all the players next year.

Female Youth League



Team Awards

Batting: Violet Hardie
Bowling: Ella Davidson
Fielding: Olivia Wanner

This year saw our Narara Wyoming girls join forces with girls from Terrigal Matcham and Wyong to form a youth league team. The team was made up of 3 girls from NW, 5 from TM & 2 Wyong.

It is a credit to all the girls that they bonded straight away and supported each other from their very first game. It has also been lovely to see the girls all support each other and even cheer for their teammates' clubs in their Saturday morning and senior cricket games because of the friendships they have formed in this youth league team.

It has been so rewarding to see how much all the girls have improved over the season and we are excited to watch the girls continue to grow and improve over the coming years.

Special thanks to Rosie from Terrigal Matcham for managing the team. Thanks also to all the parents who scored throughout the season.

The 23/24 youth league team

Olivia (NW) -Olivia was the captain of the team and led by example. She was great at being fair and organised with the team, providing opportunities for all the girls to showcase what they had to offer. She has a powerful bowling arm and is great in the field with the direct throw runouts.

Holly (TM)-Holly was our vice-captain & somehow made batting look easy. She was the team's leading run-scorer and one of the team's wicketkeepers. Holly has a safe pair of hands in the field and is a great team player.

Ella (NW)-Ella is a great all-rounder. She can bowl both pace and spin and was the team & leading wicket-taker. Ella is powerful with the bat and great at running between the wickets squeezing out any extra runs where she could.

Violet (NW)-Violet is a great all-rounder. She is a fast bowler and was one of the highest wicket taker for the team. She is also very strong with the bat and seemed to hit 4's with ease.

Lucy (TM)-This was Lucy's first year of cricket and wow what a great first year it was. Lucy is fearless in the field and took the most catches this season. She also performed well with the bat & was one of the leading run scorers.

Eliza (TM)-Eliza was a valuable team member. She is a fast and accurate left-handed bowler and one of the leading wicket-takers for the team as well as having the best bowling strike rate.

Annabelle (TM)-Annabelle is a fearless player. She is one of the team's wicket keepers as well as being great at forming solid partnerships with the bat. She improved dramatically throughout the season.

Phoebe (TM)-Phoebe has been great with the bat this season. She is fast between the wickets and has the best batting average for the team. Phoebe is an accurate leg spin bowler and a great team player.

Grace (W)-Grace joined the team from Wyong and fitted in straight away. She is a supportive team player and with great hand-eye coordination. Grace is a powerhouse with the bat, cementing herself as a capable opening batting forming some great opening partnerships with Ella & Violet.

Hayley (W)-Hayley also joined the team from Wyong. Hayley was very quiet in the beginning however once comfortable with the team contributed brilliantly with the bat and in the field. She found her spot as the LMS queen.

It was always going to be a hard season for the girls, coming together as a new group with many of them this being their first year of cricket. Overall the confidence and growth shown by the girls from our first game to the last was great to witness.

I look forward to watching the girls in the coming years to see what they can bring.

Kylie Wanner - FYL Coach

Under 16



Team Awards

Batting: Ashton Surwald

Bowling: Cooper Farrell

Fielding: Kye Feltham

Coaches: Brayden Tate

A fantastic season from the 16's. This season was a real team effort and every member of the team contributed towards a win at some stage of the season. The effort and attitude of the team was exceptional, and the spirit and manner with how they play should be commended. They really believed in each other and enjoyed each other's success more than their own.

Some season highlights were compiling 3-330 (30 overs) round 2 against Kincumber, a fantastic win in extreme heat against Northern Power, wins in the local derby against the Blue Lions, the win against Southern Spirit in the elimination final showed great courage to fight back in the final 15 overs and we finished the season with a narrow loss in the semi-final to the eventual premiers. Most of the players have improved on their personal best in either batting or bowling, or both.

I must say a big thank you to the senior club for their efforts this season, in particular Paul Moriarty. I'd also like to thank each of the senior captains and the senior players for welcoming and ensuring each of the players were involved in the games, and for ensuring the kids were playing in a safe and

supportive environment. To see the enjoyment on the kids' faces when they did something well and how much their efforts meant to seniors was something special. They are a pleasure to coach and I really look forward to seeing them all transition to playing seniors full time next year.

Harrison Blandford – Continues to improve year after year. Missed the start of the season with injury but came back stronger. Made some really valuable contributions during the year, none better than a match winning innings against Northern Power in the extreme heat to keep our finals hopes alive. Looking forward to seeing him playing seniors next year.

Elijah Copland – Great team man. Bowled some great spells with his challenging leggies. Hard hitting batsman who seems to play his best when the ball is coming on to the bat. Fielding continues to improve every year and took some good catches for us this year. Will make the transition to seniors next year easily and suspect he'll be pushing to beat Dad's performances.

Cooper Farrell – Played some amazing innings this season including a season high 88 against Kincumber and backed up two weeks later with another 50. Our leading wicket taker, his bowling this season was outstanding. Bowls tidy offies that can be difficult to score from. Look forward to seeing him play seniors full time, and when he finds that consistency will no doubt move through the grades.

Kye Feltham – Captained the side this year and improved each week. Was outstanding in the finals series and nearly got us over the line in the semi final with a brilliant captains knock. When he gets in is a solid ball striker capable of scoring freely and quickly. Still plenty of work to do behind the stumps but showed improvement during the year. Is an outstanding fielder and can bowl some left arm medium pacers or wrist spinners.

Malcolm Hawkins – Gets better every year. One of the best and most consistent bowlers in the competition. Bowls full and straight and always asks questions of the batters both in Juniors and Seniors. Made some very handy contributions with the bat as well. Hard to believe Mal could still play another season in 16's but is ready to take on seniors full time.

Lachie Mason – When Lachie bowls full and straight he always takes wickets. Consistency is the key and if he continues to work hard at training he'll develop the control required to bowl long spells. Batted well on occasions this year and played his best innings against the premiers when we played them during the round games. Highlight of the season was that catch. Pouring rain, skied ball, fogged glasses, no problem for Lachie followed by the best team celebration.

Toby Mielekamp – Took great steps forward with his batting this season. Hit his highest ever score of 63 against Kincumber and backed it up with other valuable contributions. His bowling improved and was solid again this season. Will continue to get better and look forward to seeing him playing full time in seniors next year.

Bailey Rutherford – Showed again this season his left arm medium pacers can produce wickets. When he gets them full and at the stumps he can get enough movement to cause problems for the opposition. Has showed he has the application to bat for long periods. There's still work to do with his batting and showing positive intent to score but that will come with time at training.

Nathan Sainsbury – Batted well this season and combined with Cooper for some damaging partnerships at the top of the order. Scored a career high 50 against Kincumber and showed on many other occasions he is more than capable of scoring big runs. Unable to bowl for most of this year due to injury but produced the seasons best figures in the last round local derby.

Ashton Surwald – Was our leading run scorer and played some exceptional innings this season. New to the club this season and fit in straight away scoring his season high 68 in his very first game. Bowls with good pace and accuracy and can be very difficult to play. His second spell against Southern Spirit in the elimination final was fast and intimidating and helped set us up for the win. Outstanding fielder taking 14 catches this season. Has a big future and look forward to seeing him develop over the coming seasons.

Brayden Tate – His bowling continues to improve every year. Bowled some great spells of his medium pace outswingers and regularly took wickets. His fielding has developed and improved this year as well taking a great catch at fine leg in the semi final to dismiss one of the more dangerous opposition batters. Scored a brilliant personal best 32 against grand finalists Wyong showing how much his batting has improved as well.

Declan Walsh – Played some exceptional innings this year, none better than his 41 in the local derby to get us to a competitive total. His bowling when he gets it right is almost unplayable. If he can get the consistency with his line and length he'll take plenty of wickets.

Big thanks to our team manager Dan Copland who umpired every week for us the season. Dan also captained our 7th grade this year and did a tremendous job of nurturing and developing the skills of the 16's that filled in. Thanks also to Ben Surwald who assisted with coaching mid week and weekends. Lastly, a big thank you to the parents for making the effort to get the kids to and from training and games.

Sad and hard to believe this ends the journey in junior cricket. It's been a pleasure to coach these kids not just this season but the previous three and I look forward to seeing them continue on their cricketing journey next season.

Andrew Sainsbury - Coach

Under 16 Blue Lions



Team Awards

Batting: Ethan Haverkamp

Bowling: Shane Stevens

Fielding: Nathaniel Schuberth

Coaches: Noah Manaou & Chace

Martin

A definite development year for the NWCC boys stepping up from last years u14 stage 2 grand final, into the U16 comp, in conjunction with Brisbane Water, to create the u16 Blue Lions. I won't say it wasn't a very challenging year for the boys and we did take some casualties along the way, but as the team started to grow and get to know each other we were definitely competitive on our day, including beating semi finalists Northern Power and going down to the last few balls against grand finalists Wyong. Thank you so much to all the parents for sticking by our boys this year and for the support and to Brad 'Watto' Watson from BWCC for being their coach this year. Highlighting the NWCC boys here and their achievements this year.

Shane Stevens – Mr consistent. Shane from game 1 showed his versatility, opening the batting and doing very well, always a great runner between the wickets, great fielder and a handy little bowler who got some big scalps this year with his tidy overs and pace deception

Noah Manaou - Noah continues to work extra hard on his cricket, is a great talker in the field (you still crack me up Noah!) , worked really hard on his bowling this year, getting some great wickets and also improved in his confidence with the bat, never afraid to have a go, keep it up Noah

Nate Schuberth – Nate’s ability and bowling action proved effective this year and once he mastered control over his line and length, always looked like he would take wickets. Was unlucky not to get more batting opportunities this year. A lightning quick fielder and good hands, Nate is a pleasure to have in the team and hope he sticks at it!

Chace Martin – Chace’s smooth bowling action combined with some extra strength makes him a formidable bowler as his batting when on his day is wonderful to watch, especially people bowling at or around his legs are often dispatched to boundaries behind square. A safe pair of hands (mostly haha) and a pleasure to have in the team

Ethan Haverkamp – Ethan was a leader for the NWCC boys in the team this year and helped immensely in working on unifying the two teams, of that I think I am most proud of him. His ability with the bat although not as devastating as last year was still there to be seen, with any short balls very quickly dispatched to the boundaries. He also did the lion share of the teams wicketkeeping this year and continues to improve with this as well as taking some fantastic catches, including ‘that screamer’ late in the season.

All of the boys except Noah this year (your turn is coming!) also played possibly their first senior games this year and all performed really well and were welcomed into the 8th grade team and were a credit to themselves and showing that we have that depth and future to look forward to in our senior grades is exciting.

I’d like to thank Andrew Sainsbury and Ben Surwald for running their training sessions next year and some wise counsel for myself, and I really hope to see all the boys back again for season 2024/25 to see what they can achieve in their last year of junior cricket.

Narara marches on!

Ed Haverkamp – Manager

Under 14 Stage 2



Team Awards

Batting: Callum Walsh

Bowling: Buster Farrell

Fielding: Anuj Bhatt

Coaches: Harrison Post

Congratulations to the U14B's for a successful season. The kids who've been around for a while now set a goal at the start of the season of having more success than last year. It was a great effort by everyone throughout the year which resulted in them making the finals series.

They trained hard showing a desire to improve and compete in games, and were rewarded with some excellent wins, some good season stats, and numerous personal bests (at least half the team got their highest scores this season and several scored their first 50's and hit their first 6's).

Ansh Bhatt continued his development as a cricketer in all aspects of the game. He demonstrated leadership and cricket nous and was ever reliable with bat, ball, and in the field. A kid you want in your team.

Anuj Bhatt had a successful season with the ball and in the field. A few handy catches demonstrated his improvement in the field and he continued to deliver his awkward medium pace inswingers. Always gives 100%.

Joel Drennan showed improvement with his bowling this year finding his line and length on a much more consistent basis, resulting in a few wickets and tidier figures most weeks. He took a few nice catches too. Always does his best.

Buster Farrell seemed to gain a couple of yards of pace in the off-season and quickly became the kid no-one wants to face in the nets (there's nowhere to run!). His outswing bowling claimed plenty of scalps throughout the season, he took the catches that came his way, and was a contributor with the bat most weeks. A true all-rounder.

Reagan Gomez had an injured plagued start to the season and missed a few games. He bowled well most weeks on his return but probably would've liked a few more runs throughout the season. A useful cricketer who's best is still to come.

Michael Hawkins showed an ability to punish bowling on occasions throughout the season with his unconventional technique proving effective at times. He nagged away with his in-dippers and took a couple of tough catches as well. A cricketer with potential.

Alex Hogan reverted back to pace this year and did it well. Always accurate and tidy, he performed with the ball most weeks. His batting is useful and consistent, and his fielding is coming along nicely. A pleasure to have in the team.

Harrison Post was keen to work on his wicket-keeping offering to "keep" each week. He had his moments behind the stumps but I feel his batting was his season highlight, showing a lovely technique when playing through the offside. He bowled some handy off spinners and took a few catches too. Brings energy to a team.

Hayden Stewart joined us this year. He always tried hard with bat, ball, and in the field. Although he probably didn't get the results he would have liked with the bat and the ball, he persevered all season, listening to feedback and advice, and working hard to improve. A pleasant team mate.

Aibel Thomas returned to our team this year after a season with the other 14's. His gentle outswingers were the highlight of his season, always awkward to play and claiming a few scalps. He tried hard with the bat and in the field, and the rewards will come with further practice and persistence. Always has a positive can-do attitude.

Callum Walsh had a successful season with the bat this year, although the opposition helped him occasionally. Always keen to play shots worked both for and against him this season. He fielded well again, taking numerous catches, and bowled some useful spells at times when he found his line and length.

I'd like to thank Phil for managing the team, Soham for assisting me with coaching, Pete for "Away" scoring and all the other parents/carers who supported the boys and myself throughout the season, and especially to everyone who helped out with scoring. I know it can be challenging at times and you don't always get to focus on your child, so thanks very much.

I'd also like to thank everyone for helping out on game days, setting up the gazebo, ensuring kids were ready to bat, collecting boundary markers, and supporting the players and team when needed.

I hope the boys enjoyed their season, and wish them luck in their winter sports.

Yours in cricket,
Adam Walsh

Girls Stage 2 – The Green Birds



Team Awards

Batting: Ella Davidson

Bowling: Subamathi Sudhakar

Fielding: Sukhmandeep Dhaliwal

Coaches: Milla Johnstone

GRAND FINAL WINNERS!!!

What more can we say about these Stage 2 Girls other than they are a team full of champions. Having joined with Terrigal to create the Green Birds these girls didn't know each other at the beginning. Each and every single girl showed up each week and put in 100% and created a super team. They were unstoppable. Our bowling was perfect.

A team full of strong arms and accurate throws. Our batting was smart, getting the runs wherever required. And our fielding, that was the best part to watch as a coach. These girls worked together like they had been playing together for years and years. They always had the gaps filled, they stopped boundary after boundary and all girls had reliable hands to catch those sitters.

I have loved watching these girls grow both individually and as a team. Their confidence, friendship and sportsmanship is something they need to be proud of. That should be celebrated as much as the grand final they won. Go stage 2 girls

Under 12



Team Awards

Batting: Thomas Kurisinkal

Bowling: Leonard Hirons

Fielding: Daniel Kelly

Coaches: Zavier Martin

Our season in 12A was undoubtedly challenging, marked by a steep learning curve as the boys moved up to the A grade due to CCCA pushing us up from B grade after 2 games. Despite our best efforts, we faced tough competition and only managed to secure a limited amount of wins (we won all of our games in the B grade this season!) The transition to a higher grade proved to be a significant hurdle, with the team being outclassed.

However, amidst the struggles, there were valuable lessons learned and growth experienced by all. The adversity we faced will undoubtedly serve as a learning experience and a catalyst for improvement in the seasons to come. Each player gained invaluable experience that will undoubtedly contribute to their development as cricketers.

All players in the team grew over the course of the season, and everyone should be proud but I'd like to mention a couple of players. No surprises that Thomas K was our standout performer this year as his batting was the cornerstone of our games this season. In addition to his batting, Thomas's attitude, dedication, bowling and keeping were commendable! On the bowling front, we had many contributors and as a bowling unit, we held our own against strong opposition. Thomas, Dan, Max, Brendon, Tejas and Leonard all chipped with wickets throughout the season but special mention for Leonard for consistently taking key wickets, being our leading wicket taker and improving massively! Finally, in the fielding department, special mention to Dan who was our fielder of the season (great safe hands) and Brendon who took on the hard job of keeping and did amazingly.

Looking ahead, I'm optimistic about our chances next season. With the lessons learned and the experience gained, I'm confident we'll come back stronger and more competitive next year. The setbacks the boys faced during this season will serve as a catalyst to refine skills and strive for success in future competitions. Despite the tough season, I feel we'll rise to the challenge in 2024/2025!

Thanks

Daniel Donovan - Coach

Under 10



Team Awards

Batting: Spencer Grayson

Bowling: Austin McDonald

Fielding: Remy Nowlan

Coaches: Rhys Sprague

This season our U/10s boys team was made up of players with a mix of experience with some playing their 2nd year of U10s, some graduating from Blasters and a few new starters. Throughout the course of the season, everyone learned a lot and continuously improved as they developed their skills.

We won roughly half of our games & lost a couple of closely contested matches. Most importantly though, we played well as a team, in the right spirit of the game & had lots of fun along the way.

Thanks to all the parents for their commitment to getting the boys to training & the games, and for their positive support throughout the season. I would also like to thank our team manager Steve Fathers. His managerial skills and communication was exemplary all year. We couldn't have had such a great season without him.

I thoroughly enjoyed coaching a great bunch of kids and am grateful to have had the opportunity to get to know the team. Looking forward to the 2024/25 season!

Mark Smith – Coach

Girls Sixers – Blue Lions

Team Awards

Batting: Ashley Davidson

Bowling: Zarwa Kashif

Fielding: Kunashe Mudavose

Coaches: Kate McCann

This year we saw our stage 1 girls join forces with Brisbane Water to create a Blue Lions team. The girls played every week with a lot of fun and all improved as the season progressed. They were a pleasure to watch each week and there is some talent amongst them.

Ashley Davidson - Ashley had a great season with the bat and has a sensational knowledge of the game. Ashley was in the top 3 for total runs scored for the whole association which was a great achievement. Ashley was also a solid bowler and showed a strong arm in the field. Ashley has the foundation to be a great cricketer.

Kate McCann - Kate was a valuable player to the team as she brought a joy and excitement to the game every week. Kate consistently got better as the season went on and finished with the 2nd most runs in the team. It was a great effort considering this was Kate's first year playing.

Zarwa Kashif - Zarwa was another first year player for us this year and she was a great addition to the team. Zarwa took some great wickets with some tidy bowling. Her batting improved as the year progressed and she looks to be turning into a great allrounder. We hope Zarwa comes back next season and continues to grow as a cricketer.

Kunashe Mudavose - Kunashe was the quiet achiever of the year. She keeps going from strength to strength with her game. Dependable with the bat and chimed in with a few wickets as well Kunashe showed her worth in every game. A great teammate to the other girls.

Phil and Loren Davidson – Team Coach/Manager



Master Blasters



We had such a fantastic year with our Master Blasters this season!

It was great to see some new faces join us and a lot of familiar ones returning for another season. Our numbers have been gradually increasing each year and we were able to fill two mixed teams and some of the all girls team with Kincumber, which is really great to see for the club. Everybody worked really hard at training throughout the year and it started to show during our games every Saturday morning. The levels of enthusiasm, participation and willingness to learn throughout the year was really wonderful to see from all of the kids.

A huge thank you goes out to Dave Le Breton who put his hand up to coach our second team. Without all of his help the kids wouldn't have been able to play each week so thank you again! To all of our amazing parents, thank you for always being so encouraging, helping me out with training and most of all for always cheering on all of our kids every Saturday morning. Special mention to Gareth and Rani Walsh, Matt Friend, Ceal Hawkins, Ben Wilkinson, Sarah Fowler and Kris Ramanah. You all definitely made my job a whole lot easier and your support is very much appreciated.

Congratulations to Robbie Hawkins for being awarded the Most Promising Master Blaster this season.

I hope to see everyone again next season ready to go with a few new friends. Good luck to our players moving up into our junior teams, I'm positive you will all do great.

Cameron Mitchell
Master Blasters Coach/Coordinator

Master Blasters – Kimbas

It was a real pleasure to have the opportunity to coach the Kimbas for the 2023/24 season. They were a great group of kids that consistently turned up week after week, tried their best and most importantly had a lot of fun. It was great to see the improvement of all the players throughout the season with everyone on the team coming on in leaps and bounds with their abilities in all facets of the game.

These skill developments were greatly assisted by the excellent training programs put together by Cam on a weekly basis for all the Master Blaster teams, with new activities to do every week for the kids which kept it fun, interesting, and engaging for the kids. A big thanks to Cam for all the great work with running the training days and coordinating all 3 teams!

It was also great to see while coaching the Kimbas an excellent improvement in working together as a team as they got to know one another better and provided support and encouragement for their team mates. All the kids were friendly, respectful and considerate, and this reflects back on all the parents for the great work you are doing in teaching these values, so big thanks to all the parents as well! It's not always easy making the sacrifice for kid's sport on weekday afternoons and early Saturday mornings, but it's such a wonderful thing to be able to provide for them, so thanks for making the effort and for giving your kids the gift of a love for cricket!

And for any parents that may or not be considering coaching or helping out in any way, I'd strongly encourage you to give it a go. I was reluctant at first as I'd never done it before, but ended up thoroughly enjoying the role and had lots of fun along with the kids from being more involved.

Coach Ravi

Master Blasters – Snow Leopards

The Narara Girls in the Blasters format played in a hybrid U10's competition that included 6 a side with batters playing in pairs for 4 overs and bowling in turns as they circled the oval in various fielding positions.

The competition included 8 teams with the Narara girls playing in a combined girls team that also included Kincumber Avoca players; known as the "Snow Leopards". The team and the girls had a fantastic season and often outplayed more experienced boys teams. All three Narara girls, Isla Friend, Amyra Nepal and Frankie Wilkinson already had natural talent and have extended their ability during the season to be exceptional young cricketers.

Isla's natural leg spin bowling had players from all teams in trouble and maturity with the bat and in the field holds her in great stead for the future. Similarly Amyra bats beyond her age with excellent technique, with the ability to play shots on both sides of the pitch – a rare commodity at such a young age. Also an accurate bowler who always turned up with keen desire to do well and no doubt will do so in years to come. Last but not least is Frankie Wilkinson, a natural athlete that was exemplary with the bat and ball with a never say die attitude and the best girl player in the competition. Her aggressive fielding was a joy to watch with run outs from the boundary and in close in almost every game she played. It has been a pleasure to coach the Narara trio and I wish them all the best as they progress through to the Girls Sixers League.



Junior Blasters



Team Awards

Cross Family Trophy – Most Promising Junior Blaster – Noah Jeby

What a season for the Junior Blasters! They say time flies when you are having fun and that certainly was the case this year. We had great numbers every week – rain or shine, so a big thank you to all the blasters for turning up ready to play each week. Over the course of the season, I can honestly say that every player improved in their cricketing skill, something that was very pleasing to watch. I should also note the season of Noah Jeby who won the most promising junior blaster award, a very worthy winner. Well done Noah!

I'd like to extend a big thank you to all the parents for their active involvement in this years programme, I hope you all enjoyed it and I know the season would not have been as successful without this help. On top of this I would like to single out Grant Binns and Andrew Moseley for their support and assistance, thank you gents!

Hope to see you all next year and feel free to get more friends along and make an even bigger year next year!

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