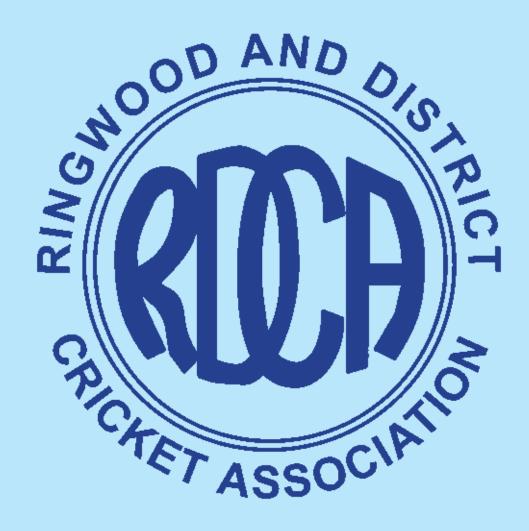
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another busy season has been completed and we reflect on the successes of teams and individuals and on the contributions that every participant has made in making the season just gone another success.

On behalf of the Board of Management, my sincere thanks to all of those who have worked so hard to ensure that our Association can maintain the level of participation and professionalism that we aim for.

Every club has a loyal band of volunteers that work diligently to get their teams on the field every week. Thank you to you all and I trust that the members of each club understand the tasks that are undertaken by these volunteers.

Clubs are the life blood of any sporting association. I have had the opportunity this season to attend milestone celebrations at Lilydale (150 years), St. Andrews (50 years) and Eastfield (40 years) and thoroughly enjoyed each function. It was evident that everyone attending these functions shared the pride of belonging to a community based sporting entity. I am sure that this feeling of pride and loyalty sits in each of our clubs.

At Association level there are so many people to recognise and if I were to individualise I would surely miss someone. Suffice to say every member of every Association committee has worked diligently and consistently in order to administer each of our three competitions. Thank you to you all.

Thanks also to our sponsors, in particular Paul Attfield from Saxon Sports, to Kookaburra Sports, the East Ringwood/Heathmont, Mooroolbark and Warrandyte Community banks and David Hodgett. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

I must take the opportunity to specifically mention the considerable work undertaken by the Umpires Association in an environment of reducing umpire numbers. The efforts of Steve Pascoe and Graeme Lloyd, and the rest of our umpiring fraternity, in leading the way with an excellent training and accreditation program needs to be acknowledged. I know that all in the Umpires Association will continue to strive to lift the already high performance standard. Congratulations to Paul Denton on being awarded Life Membership of the Umpires Association.

The members of our "GARP" group (Growth and Retention Project) have developed and recommended a number of initiatives that have helped to make our competitions more attractive to more people. Some of these ideas have been adopted by other Associations, surely a sign of the success of the "GARP" group activity.

Looking to the future, our Association will continue to face some important matters that will need constructive and dedicated inputs from us all if we are to grow our competitions and expand our club and participation numbers. The external consultant's report we commissioned during the year has been provided to all clubs, to Cricket Victoria, and it is also available on the Association's website for anyone to read. This report is the first of its type to be produced in Victoria, and probably Australia. The research was considerable and I would like to thank all of our member clubs for their co-operation and input. It is important to understand that the report belongs to all members of the Association and not just to the Board of Management or other executive committees.

Now that we have a considerable amount of base information, it is essential that we do something with it. To this end the Board of Management has decided that a fresh Association Strategic Plan is required and work has commenced in this regard.

Of course any strategic plan should not solely be based on the information contained in the report but should also take into account any other suggestions, feedback or submissions put forward by clubs or individuals.

I encourage club committees and members to understand that it will be necessary, in some ways, to put aside club self interests in order to contribute to the betterment of the Association as a whole. In areas such as game development and promotion, and participant retention, clubs will need to be prepared to work together.

Actions will be necessary to ensure our Association continues to be a vibrant and successful one. If we sit back and do nothing, if we ignore the information that we now have, or if we do not work together with a positive outlook then we will be failing ourselves and those before us who have developed this proud association over the last 90 + years.

In closing, it has been an honour to serve as President of the Association for the last 9 years. It is time for me to vacate this role so that fresh ideas and thoughts can be accessed and actioned. In some ways the nine years seem to have gone by quickly but this does not serve to take into account the significant work that I have seen contributed by so many people in the operation of our Association and member clubs.

Thank you to everyone who has assisted so much during this period and in particular to the members of the Board of Management who have provided great support and direction to me since I took up this role. It has been a humbling and enjoyable experience.

Ian Dench

In the lead up to the 2005/06 season, Ian, after a little arm twisting, agreed to take on the role, albeit with some apprehension as he was stepping into waters unknown to him. After 5 years in the position, Ian thought it time to move on but a little more gentle persuasion has seen him serve four more seasons, making him the 4th longest serving President in the history of the association.

It has been my pleasure to work closely with Ian during those 9 years and appreciate his efforts and the direction in which he has taken the RDCA, which will leave a lasting legacy. Some of the initiatives that Ian has overseen, and driven in a lot of instances, during his tenure as leader of the Association are:

- Grading restructures (05/06, 06/07, 09/10, 12/13)
- Introduction of a new logo and registering it as the RDCA Trademark
- Link up with VCR (Victorian Cricket Registration) which was compulsory for insurance purposes and this was forerunner to RDCA take up of Cricket Australia's MyCricket system
- Revision of Strategic Plan in 07/08 and kick starting further revision currently in progress
- Introduction of mid- year Information briefing to clubs
- Improved relationship with Ringwood Cricket Club
- Introduction of 20/20 competition
- Revamp of Executive structure in 09/10
- Acquisition of tenancy and set up of RDCA headquarters at Jubilee Park complex
- Improved liason and relationship with Cricket Victoria, culminating in receipt of a grant towards cost of "Review" last season
- Naming of grades after Life Members and compilation of Life Member histories on website
- Implementation of a Business Continuity plan
- Formation of and heading up the GARP (Growth and Retention of Participants) sub-committee group which proposed various initiatives that have been implemented by Senior and Junior sections and been taken up by other associations.
- Implementation of an extensive "Cricket Review" by an external consultant.
- Introduction of Club President's meetings.

In addition to his RDCA service, Ian has had a long and continuing involvement at South Croydon, commencing back in the 80's, where he has served in numerous roles, for which he was rewarded with Life Membership in 96/97 season.

Whilst moving on from the Executive, Ian will not be lost to the Association, having indicated a desire to assist, where possible, on projects that may arise in the future.

Ian has been an outstanding administrator and on behalf of the Board and members of the RDCA fraternity I thank him for a job extremely well done.

Ian Spencer

SENIOR COMMITTEE SECRETARY'S REPORT

"Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can". - Arthur Ashe

My third season as Senior Secretary was approached with a desire to reduce the number of circulars without diminishing the dissemination of information to clubs, a prayer for no interruptions to play due to adverse weather and the hope that players would abide by the rules and thus I would have no need to impose penalties under Rule 79 (f) or convene any tribunal hearings.

The season circulars were less and more information was posted on the RDCA website, there were no rounds abandoned due to adverse weather, although the heat on 8 February caused a number of games to be stopped early and the RDCA heat policy to come under considerable scrutiny, resulting in the need for a review of this policy before next season. Thirteen (13) players were penalised due to breaches of our playing rules and there was one tribunal hearing.

The success of any organisation is dependent on good communication and my thanks to all the club Secretaries and Presidents whom I have dealt with during the season for without your assistance and support our Association would struggle to be effective.

Congratulations to Eastfield CC who won the Bob Bissett 'Best Administered Club' award.

The Senior Committee for season 2013/14 met 11 times and comprised the following members; Pat Meehan (Chair), Gregor Mason (Secretary), Stuart Minetti, Steve Pascoe, Roger Copeland, Brett McKane, Matt Thomas, Michael Finn & Tony Gawne.

The modified rules, played in the lowest 4 grades, continue to gain support, and this has helped clubs retain players and make it easier to cater for those who cannot commit to playing every Saturday. Now that this format is generally accepted it is the intent of the Senior Committee to incorporate these guidelines into the rules of the association for next season.

The fickleness of Melbourne weather had most grounds receiving enough water to maintain a good grass cover and whilst we had a heat wave in January and February most grounds were still in good condition for the finals.

During the season we had to adjust the fixture to allow for the Lilydale Show, a Rugby competition and Maroondah's carols by candlelight.

Mooroolbark's main oval was unplayable until after Christmas, Barngeong main oval was redeveloped, so not used, Templeton Reserve had a new synthetic pitch and surrounds laid, which was subsequently rejected by council and removed, then replaced with instant turf, thus making it unplayable all season. Vandalism at Fairhills Secondary College late in the season required the utilisation of a Ferntree Gully district ground and my thanks to Craig Wilkinson (FTGCA) for offering an alternative as the RDCA had no suitable spare grounds.

My thanks also to Ian Spencer and Ian Dench for liaising and meeting with council officers as required during the season.

Initial team numbers were 130 which was again a positive start, Templeton withdrew their 'G' grade side which created a BYE, Olinda withdrew their 'I' grade side but South Croydon managed to field an extra side to fill this vacancy, so 129 teams completed the season.

Saturday ground availability was an issue this season and in 'K' grade Scoresby Ferndale had several Sunday home games.

My Cricket continues to improve its functionality and, as club personnel better understand its features, record keeping for clubs becomes easier to manage. Provided clubs are diligent with the data input then the end of season statistics and awards are ascertained by simply printing a report. Thanks to the efforts of a number of people, Roger Copeland in particular, this system continues to be very beneficial and I am pleased to report that most clubs have realised these benefits.

The Saxon Sports 20/20 competition was again a successful event, thanks to Michael Finn's organisation and to Paul Attfield for his sponsorship. Congratulations to Norwood and Warranwood for making it through to the 20/20 grand final, which was played at Mullum reserve, with Norwood winning the Saxon Sports 20/20 premiership for 2013/14.

This season, the Charity T20 against Ringwood Cricket Club was hosted by the RDCA and played at Kimberley Reserve on 12 February 2014. "Louis Looking Forward" was the nominated charity to be supported. Thanks to Matt Thomas for his tireless effort to co-ordinate this event, to Marcus Adams who captained our team and to Chirnside Park CC who provided their facilities. Ringwood CC 7/134 defeated RDCA 7/128.

The T20 Challenge event (RDCA v ECA v BHRDCA) was hosted by the BHRDCA at Blackburn Park on 1 December 2013. Thanks again to Matt Thomas for co-ordinating this event with the other Associations. The RDCA Trollope and Wilkins/Newey teams had limited success this year and BHRDCA won the day. The continuation of this event is under review as the support from players and spectators has declined.

To be selected to play in an RDCA representative side is not only an honour but also an opportunity to be in a team with players who you would normally play against. This can lead to stronger friendships and a chance to play in a team of the best RDCA players so embrace the opportunity if or when it comes.

As mentioned earlier most main grounds were in pretty good condition come season end but the Senior Committee determined the Trollope Grand Final be played at East Ringwood Reserve, Wilkins Cup at Walker Reserve, Newey Plate at Cheong Park and Pascoe Shield at Mullum Reserve.

On behalf of the Senior Committee, thank you to all the clubs who hosted finals at their venue and in some instances the away team for assisting the designated home team with facilities and equipment.

Congratulations to all grade winners, 11 different clubs, out of 15 grades, were premiership winners, with Warranwood, North Ringwood, Ainslie Park, Lilydale and Kilsyth leading the way with two (2) each.

For the first time in the known history of the RDCA we had a tied Grand Final in 'B' grade with North Ringwood and Lilydale being the joint premiers.

To all the individual trophy winners, well done and whilst they are individual awards, clubs should be proud of their members achievement.

The Bill Dean Medal - Davie Johnson (Warranwood)
The Bill Wilkins Medal - John Moulder (Lilydale)
The Stuart Newey Medal - Richard Ellisdon (Mooroolbark)
The Steve Pascoe Medal - Bryce Edwards (Montrose)

Our Presentation night was again held at Dorset Gardens Hotel on Friday 11 April and attendance was again very good with the night's formalities completed by 10.30pm.

Thanks to Justin Nelson who was again our MC and ensured a smooth flow to the program. This was the last year of our 3 year deal with The Dorset Gardens Hotel and thanks to Tony and Maree Gawne for all their effort with the preparations for the night and Roger Copeland for the computer graphics.

Added to this year's Presentation night program was the presentation of premiership medals to the Veterans premiership teams. Going forward, medals for the premiership team members is to be introduced to the Veterans competition from next season, with the medal presentations to be done at the conclusion of the Grand Final as is the practice in the senior and junior competitions.

Thank you again to all who have helped me this season and I hope that all our clubs can increase their membership and thus participation in the game of cricket, in our communities.

Gregor Mason

REGISTRATION SECRETARY and MYCRICKET ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

Congratulations to all clubs for their efforts in season 2013/14.

The level of effort by many clubs in regards to their MyCricket responsibilities was substantially increased and their level of fines was significantly reduced.

Season 2013/14 saw 174 clearances (Senior and Junior) into the RDCA or around RDCA clubs and 277 transfers were processed into the RDCA from other Associations (includes T20 Transfers and all Junior transfers).

No major issues were encountered with these clearances and clubs are to be commended for their efforts in this area.

Some changes to Cricket Australia's, MyCricket system improved end of season reporting for those clubs diligent enough to fully enter their results.

For those dedicated scorers who want to venture down the path to electronic scoring, MyCricket has released their MyCricket scorer app, which will no doubt improve over time. The major benefit being that the scored match is uploaded to MyCricket saving a lot of time by not having to input their team's results.

As always, clubs can continue to reap the benefits of the MyCricket system by fully completing their result input, including details of catches, run-outs etc. Full completion of results means that clubs can use MyCricket reporting features to provide end of season award winners etc.

Full use of the system would mean considerably less effort is required to finalise your end of season awards.

In the coming season, I encourage you to identify your MyCricket helpers early and spread the workload. Enter team lists early and use MyCricket to advise your players of the selected teams via the MyCricket email/SMS system or your own clubs website or social media.

Congratulations to those clubs who were successful in 2013/14 and best wishes to all for season 2014/15.

Roger Copeland

UMPIRES ASSOCIATION REPORT

The 2013/14 season was another exciting & challenging year for the Executive and members of the Umpires' Association.

Once again, one of the main challenges was to increase participation rates but regretfully they fell for the first time in a number of years. Whilst we had 37 active members, of which 5 were new, it was rare that the Selection Committee could field more than 30 umpires in any playing week. In fact some premier grade games were regularly allocated only one umpire and in some instances it was not possible to do so because of the shortage.

A concerted recruitment campaign is planned for next season but we need a renewed commitment from member clubs to support it because past records indicate most new members come from the playing ranks and only get interested once their playing days are finished. The reality is that unless there's an injection of new umpires the risk of sustaining current numbers is in serious doubt.

On a positive note, Graeme Lloyd continued his good work by further developing on-line training programs which make it much easier for members to keep up to date with the rules of cricket.

This season a training program for Club Umpires was introduced for the first time, which saw 8 club representatives complete all the training modules and receive a formal recognition of 'RDCA Club Umpire'. Hopefully this will go a long way to reduce some of the problems that exist in the lower grades because of the lack of knowledge of the rules of the game.

One of our objectives this season was to get the Umpires' Website up and running and this was achieved with the assistance of Roger Dunkley and Timothy Court. Both Roger and Steve Pascoe contributed a lot of time and effort in building a relevant information source, which will further improve our communication links to all stakeholders. The introduction late in the season of an SMS messaging service is another new initiative to keep members informed of RDCA matters in a timely and efficient manner.

There was a significant improvement in the quality of the captain's report on umpires this season and it was only rarely there was a need to seek out further clarifications on the ratings issued to some umpires. Slowly but surely the captains have recognised the importance of these reports in the evaluation of performance. It's a useful tool for the Executive to identify training requirements and to specifically deal with members who may need further training assistance to minimise errors and/or to improve their overall performance.

A number of umpires were officially recognised for the first time and received milestone certificates for their long involvement as an umpire in the RDCA. These included Rod Leung and John Waters (400+ games), Paul Denton, Lothar Pilz and Don Smith (300+ games), Russell Bennett, Marty Clohesy and Ian McCallum (200+) plus 5 umpires with 100+ games under their belt.

Congratulations to Barry Johnson on receiving the 'Ken Dunham Award' for Umpire of the year. Barry is a late starter to the RDCA but in his past four years with us he has performed at a high and consistent level of performance. It is a level of performance all members should aspire to.

At the AGM held on 19 March, Paul Denton was awarded life membership of the RDCAUA. His outstanding work on and off the field over many years was acknowledged and warmly accepted by all concerned.

The Executive is already in the planning mode for next year with plans to further develop and engage clubs to increase their commitment to the Club Umpire program and to introduce an additional training program into the junior section of the Association. This hopefully will provide those involved with an increased knowledge of the rules of the game so they can umpire games with a broader knowledge of the rules that apply.

Steve Pascoe's role in the continued development of the RDCAUA cannot be understated. He continues to provide a progressive style of leadership and ensures the Executive workload and responsibilities are shared by many.

This season the role of Assistant Secretary was introduced for the first time and John Hall stepped up to take responsibility as Minute taker for all RDCAUA meetings.

I look forward to next season with renewed enthusiasm and with club support towards a concerted effort to lift our membership rates to a level never seen before in the RDCA. Umpires are critical to our game and the more independent numbers we can get into the field will help us to remove those elements of the game we don't like to see.

Tony Gawne Secretary

VMCU (Victorian Metropolitan Cricket Union) REPORT

The VMCU consists of a Board made up of the 8 Directors of each Metropolitan Regional Cricket Council, together with delegates from every Metropolitan Cricket Association. Brett McKane (Montrose CC) was nominated to continue as both the RDCA representative on the Outer East Regional Cricket Council, and a Director on the VMCU Board. Brett is to be thanked for his contributions on behalf of the RDCA.

At the August 2013 VMCU Annual General Meeting, Kevin Noy, Eastern Cricket Association, retired from the role as President after being appointed in 2001. The new President is Mark Keating, also President of the Williamstown District Cricket Association. The RDCA congratulates Mark on his appointment.

Over the past season, the main cricket activities have related to the management and implementation of the State-wide RVLE T20 competition (RDCA Outer East representative in this competition was Wantirna South CC), U21 Neil Wright Shield, and the Junior Shield & Cup Competitions for U16, U14 and U12 in January.

This latter competition comprised of a record number of 72 teams from 17 Associations. The RDCA was well represented in the management of these Competitions. The U/16 Beitzel Shield side was undefeated and made the semi-final against BHRDCA, where, unfortunately no play was possible due to the extremely hot weather. BHRDCA progressed to, and ultimately won, the grand final.

The most significant matters dealt with during the season were:

- Successful transfer of VMCU website to the My Cricket platform.
- Inputs into the Metropolitan Turf Task Force activities in reviewing all turf competitions and the Local Governments views on turf cricket facilities. The development of options for the future of turf cricket is current.
- Supporting increasing participation in both girls and women's cricket at both the regional and local club levels.
- Amendments to the Incorporations Act and the need for Associations to review their rules to conform to the new model rules under the Act.
- 2015 World Cup Cricket events and local community cricket involvement.
- An Associations Presidents meeting was held in early May 2014 with the key issues arising to be investigated by VMCU Board and Cricket Victoria. The RDCA raised some of the matters contained in the "Growth and Retention Project Final Report "and the actions undertaken.
- A matter currently under consideration (in conjunction with Cricket Victoria) is the development of a standard clearance/transfer policy for all senior cricket in Victoria.

In addition, the VMCU is also the body which deals with club or player appeals against penalties imposed by an Association and after consideration by its independent Tribunal.

Pat Meehan

OUTER EAST METRO REGION (EAGLES) REPORT

The following members formed the committee for the Outer East Metro Region for 2013/2014:
David Beatty – Regional Committee Chairman
Jarrod Leggett – Regional Cricket Manager (Cricket Victoria)
Brett McKane – VMCU Director (RDCA)
Tim Carter – FTGDCA
Brent Watts – YVCA
Tamara Mason – VWCA
Ian Roberts – Ringwood C.C.
David Chambers – VSDCA

General

The RDCA Growth and Retention Project (GARP) continues to evolve and this season with the support of Cricket Victoria via the Strategic Grants Fund the RDCA appointed an organisation (Event Dynamics) to gather an extensive base of information from its member clubs and many of the schools located in its geographic area of influence. The main objective of this exercise was to collect and understand the many opinions about the causes and reasons for the deterioration in participation numbers. The final report was presented to RDCA Board of Management in early 2014 and a working party has been established to provide a fresh strategic plan for the association. The report has also been presented to Cricket Victoria for its consideration.

The inaugural Outer East Cricket Expo was held at Bayswater Cricket Club during the September school holidays. Designed to showcase the fun and excitement of cricket and to give boys and girls the opportunity to participate in a mega cricket clinic the Expo was well supported and great numbers enjoyed a fantastic day.

VMCU Carnival Review

15 teams from the RDCA, FTGDCA and YVCA represented the region in the VMCU carnivals but unfortunately, with all quarter finals and semi finals being cancelled due to extreme heat, none of the teams made it through to Grand final day. On a positive note, the YVCA were successful in the Fatone Shield (Girls) Under 12 Competition.

Pathways Review

Unfortunately, the Outer East Eagles silverware drought continued for the teams across various age groups but there were some outstanding individual and team performances throughout the carnivals. The girls also had some amazing performances, highlighted by the East Metro (Combined Outer East / Inner East Team) tasting grand final success in the Under16 championships.

GO EAGLES

Brett McKane Director Region 14

JUNIOR COMPETITION REPORT

The Friday night under 12 competition again was a huge success and we can only improve in this venture as time goes on. It was pleasing to observe, first hand, the respect that all the boys had for each other on and off the field especially at so young an age. It was also pleasing to see so many parents there watching the boys and enjoying the company of others. We tried this season to start the finals earlier to get the advantage of the light as it gets dark later towards the end of the season

Whilst a minor problem had to be dealt with after the event, overall, the rest of the competition was again a great success and we would like to congratulate all the junior boys who participated in season 2013/2014 and especially all the trophy winners and grand finalists, however, they would not have been able to achieve this without the input of all the boys who played this season.

This year we were fortunate to have Mandy Dolman join the Committee to assist with the Secretary's role. John cannot overstate how much better it is having one so competent in this position. How Mandy finds time to assist in the way she does, considering her involvement at Lilydale CC, this is a task that most would not be able to complete. We would both like to thank her for the great job she did especially when John had to spend time in hospital and Josh was overseas, she performed well, assisted by David Brush during this time. Having Mandy as the Assistant Secretary made the Secretary's task so much easier.

Mandy is but one of the members of the Committee who all do a great job throughout the season and do it with the satisfaction one gets when the season is run so smoothly. Much of the success comes from the help of your club volunteers who do a lot of work that sometimes others take for granted. If we didn't have them we could not run cricket in the RDCA junior competition as it is and we would also thank all of the other committee members for their assistance.

Running a competition of this size takes a lot of input from different personnel and we were so lucky to have them on board. As with past years the committee of the RDCA juniors is always looking for new hands and it would be appreciated if you know of anybody who would like to assist to let John or Josh know or put their names forward at the Junior Annual General Meeting.

(From John Springett)

Having completed 12 years as Junior Secretary in this association it has been my privilege to see the many improvements made to have the season run as smoothly as it is at the moment, putting up ideas that all help, there is a saying "many hands make light work" and this can be done only if we have the numbers on the committee to achieve this.

However, I believe my time has come to a finish in this role, due to failing health, and believing that it is time for somebody younger to stand up and take the role. I have enjoyed the task and have been assisted by so many people during these years and I believe that it is because of this that I was awarded Life membership and I will remember my involvement for a long time.

I have known Josh Browne since we first coached/managed against each other some 33 years ago and at that time I had no idea what this meeting was going to lead to. I have been around to see what he is able to achieve and I am glad that he will not be lost completely to the juniors as he has said that he will still be able to assist if he is needed for a number of tasks that he is able to do from home.

(From Josh Browne)

Having served the RDCA Juniors and/or the Inter Association Carnival & VMCU since 1983, I also think it is time to step aside.

For the past 30 years, I have had the privilege of watching, coaching and administering junior cricket and I would not have traded one minute of it. The making of many new friends, young and old and the pleasure of seeing so many young players grow in the game is something I will treasure forever.

In all of those 30 years, one guy has been looking over my shoulder and making sure I was doing the right thing (maybe I did most of the time). That guy is John Springett whom I first met when we were opposing coaches in the Under12s. Since that first day we have worked together coaching/managing representative teams, been colleagues on the Junior Committee and argued about everything from umpiring to how to play the game. John's contribution to our junior competition has been outstanding and those who follow him will have some work to do.

Thank you to all the club co-ordinators who act on behalf of your clubs and for the support we get from them to convey messages from junior committee meetings back to you.

Many thanks to the parents, who assist in scoring, umpiring and transporting the juniors to and from games on Fridays and Saturdays. Special thanks to the Team Managers and Coaches, who as we know do these tasks, some because their own children play in the team but the rewards are the same for those that do not have youngsters playing.

Thanks must also go to Saxon Sports and Kookaburra for the support that they give to the RDCA Juniors. Paul Attfield from Saxon Sports has contributed much more than we could reasonably expect from a major sponsor.

This season we did not run an audit for new players neither did we do audits on Saturday mornings to check that match day reports etc were done, these checks are used for investigation purpose if needed so we will, once again, resume doing them in the coming season.

One disappointing aspect of the past season was the number of reports/complaints about adults behaving badly at junior matches. A number of investigations had to be undertaken and none of this is good for the image of the game or our association. More importantly, bad conduct by adults, on or off the ground, has a significant adverse affect on young players and we need to be focused on ensuring that the player's enjoyment is our number one priority.

Finally, thank you all for Season 2013/2014. Please continue with the excellent job that was done last season and once again the boys will continue to enjoy the game

Junior Premiers T20 Premiers

U.16 (1)	Mooroolbark	U.16	Mooroolbark
U.16 (2)	South Warrandyte	U.14	Mooroolbark
U.16 (3)	Wonga Park	U.12	Mooroolbark
U.14 (1)	Wonga Park		
U.14 (2)	Ainslie Park		
U.14 (3)	Lilydale		
U.12 (1)	North Ringwood		
U.12 (2)	Mooroolbark		
U.12 (3)	North Ringwood		
U.12 (4)	Heathmont Baptist		

Individual trophy winners

	Batting average		Bowling average	
U.16 (1)	Rohan Saric-Skewes (RWD)	52.33	Joshua Hudson (MOO)	9.00
U.16 (2)	Dillon Bettess (APK)	78.00	Braeden Gordon (BOR)	4.10
U.16 (3)	Niall Hargreaves (KIL)	58.50	William. Harvey (WOP)	8.79
U.14 (1)	Rohan Peter-Budge (NRI)	164.00	Damon Delaney (CRR)	7.29
U.14(2)	Jeremy Burton (APK)	207.50	Harper Oehlmann (WDT)	6.46
U.14 (3)	Michael Augustine (CSP)	99.33	Nicholas Walker (SWT)	3.67
U.12 (1)	Addison Forbes (WOP)	99.50	Nicholas Bell (CRR)	4.80
U.12 (2)	Thomas Naughtin (SCR)	127.00	Will Monteau (HMB)	4.27
U.12 (3)	Anthony Ivanovic (KIL)	99.50	Mitch Skinner (NRI)	3.29
U.12 (4)	Nathaniel Turner (HMB)	56.00	Bailey O'Riley (NOW)	3.18

Encouragement Awards

U12-1	Ashton Foulis – Ainslie Park
U12-2	Dillon Fernando – Templeton
U12-3	Daniel Ivanovic – Kilsyth
U12-4	Harvir Singh – Templeton
U14-3	Matthew Evans - Croyodn North
U14-2	Hayden Reidy - Templeton
U14-1	Brett Smart – Lilydale
U16-3	Jesse Bashford – Olinda
U16-2	Kyle Skewes – Lilydale
U16-1	Nathan Lester – Norwood

Other awards

Special Achievement Award - Josh Baker (St Andrews)
Under 10 Round Robin competition winner - St Andrews CC
Jeff Luscombe Volunteer of the Year - Katrina Hartley
Bill Dean Trophy for Most Promising Player leaving Under 16's - Josh Hudson (Mooroolbark)
Clive Fairbairn Club Champions - Mooroolbark

John Springett Secretary Josh Browne President

FINANCE REPORT

I am pleased to report that the financial result for the 2013/2014 season is a profit of \$3,246. This figure is lower than the 2012/13 profit of \$9,551 and is the result of a number of factors as explained below.

In the off season, the Board took a decision to spend \$25k on an extensive Cricket review, to be undertaken by an external consultant (Event Dynamix). The Association was fortunate to receive a \$10k grant from Cricket Victoria to partially offset the cost of this review.

At the last AGM, clubs agreed to an across the board increase in Affiliation fees of \$20 per team to further offset the above, this resulted in an increase in Affiliation fees total for season of \$7530.

Clubs also contributed \$1,600, above that of previous season by way of additional fines. This remains a matter of major concern and should be addressed by the management of clubs who have contributed significantly in the fines department.

In 2012/13, the Board implemented a new income stream making it compulsory for clubs to purchase match balls directly from the RDCA, at a discounted price to that charged by retailers, with a further discount if paid for within a certain time period. That practice again worked well in 2013/14 with the net profit of \$3,689 being much the same as for previous season. Our thanks to Ian Spencer for running our cricket ball purchase process during the season and to Paul Attfield and staff at Saxon Sports for acting as the collection and, in some instances, payment point.

On the expenditure side of things, obviously the \$25k inflated the figure but, aside from that, the total expenditure was some \$2k less than in previous season.

You will note in the Balance Sheet that \$3k was written off against "Depreciation", the majority of which relates to Office Furniture and Fittings in the Board room, for which only a small amount had been allocated previously.

Based on the Balance Sheet figures, you will also note that the RDCA is in a sound financial position as we move into the 2014/15 season.

At the time of writing, the Board of Management does not propose any change to affiliation fee levels in the coming season and it has yet to be determined as to what, if any, programs will be implemented as a result of Cricket Review recommendations. Any such programs will have to be funded by current resources.

On behalf of the Board, I thank our small band of loyal sponsors, they being Saxon Sports, Kookaburra Sports, David Hodgett and the Mooroolbark, Ringwood East/Heathmont and Warrandyte Community banks, for their on-going generous support. One of the Community banks did not renew sponsorship but aside from that the total came in at the same figure to that of previous season.

Finally, on a different matter, after consideration of my current and likely ongoing health position, I am not prepared to accept nomination for the position of Finance Manager in 2014 / 2015. I take the opportunity to thank the many people who have supported me over the many years I have held executive positions with the RDCA and wish the RDCA all the best for the future.

Stuart Newey

RINGWOOD & DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

BALANCE SHEET As at 31 May 2014

Assets	
Ourself Accepts	
Current Assets	
Cheque Account \$21,286	
Veterans Bank Account \$4,581 Cricket Ball Account \$478	
Term Deposit \$22,892	
Total Cash On Hand \$49,237	
Debtors - Clubs \$1,994	
Total Current Assets	\$51,231
	40.,20.
Non Current Assets	
Best & Fairest Medals \$1,760	
Cricket Balls in stock \$2,712	
Caps & Clothing in stock \$2,849	
Premiership medals\$5,100_	
Total of Non Current Assets	\$12,421
Fixed Assets	
Computer and Printer \$1,900	
Office Furniture & Equipment \$14,000	
Less Accumulated Dep'nc \$4,950	
Total Fixed Assets	\$10,950
Total Assets	\$74,602
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities Nil	
Non Current Liabilities	
Bonds Held \$250	
Guarantee Monies \$3,400	
Total Non Current Liabilities	\$3,650
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Total Liabilities	\$3,650
Net Assets	\$70,952
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Equity	
Members funds \$67,706	
Current Year Earnings \$3,246	
Total Equity	\$70,952

RINGWOOD & DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED

Profit & Loss Year Ended 31May 2014

		Teal Ellucu Silviay 2014			
Income					
		Affiliation Fees	\$45,930		
		Umpires Subscriptions	\$1,110		
		Fines	\$6,812		
		Interest	\$889		
		Junior Raffle	•		
			\$2,600		
		Donations/Sponsorship	\$34,800		
		Sale of junior clothing	\$140		
		Sale of balls from stock	\$1,838		
		Sale of Scorebooks	\$412		
		Sale of Balls to clubs	\$3,689		
Total Income					\$98,220
Expenses					
- хропосо	Administration Evacuos				
	Administration Expenses	Honorarium	\$20,250		
		Administration Manager	\$302		
		Senior Secretary	\$1,428		
		Match Result Secretaries	\$3,900		
		Treasurer	\$700		
		Senior Executive	\$1,445		
		Junior Secretary	\$726		
		Junior Executive	\$1,189		
		Junior Carnival Expenses	\$2,401		
		Advertising	\$600		
		Tribunal Expenses	\$300		
		Donations	\$500		
		Total Admin. Expenses		\$33,741	
	Operating Expenses				
		Trophies & Shields	\$3,437		
		Junior Carnival	\$1,500		
		Postage & Stationery	\$129		
		Telephone & Paging	\$3,067		
		Printing & Typing	\$1,110		
		Computer Maint/Programming	\$614		
		Bank / Gov't Charges	\$58		
		Affil. & Registration Fees	\$225		
		Pavilion Expenses	\$397		
		Cricket Review	\$25,000		
		Umpires Fees & Expenses	\$940		
		20/20 Competition rebates	\$1,700		
		Depreciation of equipment	\$3,000		
		Pennant & Plaques	\$2,178		
		Total Operating Expenses		\$43,355	
	Social Expenses	0 1 5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	^		
		Senior Presentation Night	\$3,167		
		Junior Presentation Night	\$2,085		
		Catering	\$1,000		
		Vets Expenses	\$2,110		
		Total Social Expenses		\$8,362	
	Equipment				
	Equipment	Caniar Traphica & Madala	Φ4 770		
		Senior Trophies & Medals	\$1,770 \$4,020		
		Junior Trophies & Medals	\$4,020 \$1,780		
		Caps & Clothing purchased	\$1,780 \$1,046		
		Umpires clothing purchased	\$1,946	00.540	
Takal F		Total Equipment		\$9,516	004074
Total Expenses					\$94,874
Net Profit					\$3,246



VETERANS COMPETITION REPORT

The Committee in season 2013/14 comprised:
President
Secretary
Treasurer and Representative on RDCA Board
Registration, Results and MyCricket Manager

VOSCA (O'60's) Representative

Newsletter Committee Members Daryl Stephens
Liz McLelland
Chris Allan
Ian Leach
Chris Hartrup
Paul Williams
John Rees
Nick Papadopoulos

In the past season there were some significant changes and improvements to our competition.

Due to a reduced number of teams in the RDCA Legends Competition (5), it was agreed with relative clubs that they enter those teams in the Box Hill Reporter Veterans (O. 50's) competition. This proved a successful initiative on all fronts with the Box Hill teams benefitting in having two divisions of eight and the added interest of playing against some new opponents. Our players similarly enjoyed the new challenge and at the end of season, three of these teams made the finals with Ainslie Park and Warrandyte going on to win the premiership in their respective divisions. Congratulations to both these teams and you may be assured that next season the Box Hill teams will be keen to knock you off.

Without the Legends, the RDCA Veterans reverted to its original over forties competition. There were 30 teams entered, with Divisions 1, 2 and 4 comprising eight teams and Division 3 having six teams.

These teams represented 18 RDCA clubs and Yarra Junction, Croydon and Mt Evelyn entered teams. Both Mooroolbark and Mt Evelyn entered second teams, Norwood returned to the competition and Heathmont Baptists entered for their first season.

Unfortunately North Ringwood (Div.1) and Templeton (Div.3) withdrew teams during the season, due to lack of numbers, causing a bye in both divisions. Despite this setback, each division was keenly contested and success was well shared when fourteen clubs qualified to fill the 16 finalist places.

In Division 1, there were changes at the top of the ladder with perennial grand finalists and premiers Wonga Park and Croydon not making it this time around. Most other teams had new younger players and it was a competitive finals series. Warranwood and Ainslie Park, who had been near the top of the ladder all season, played a quality final with Warranwood running out the winners.

Division 2 saw Mt Evelyn and Mooroolbark, which had both recently been promoted, join East Ringwood and a revitalised South Croydon in a closely contested finals series, with South winning the premiership and returning to the top division.

In Division 3, Olinda and Warrandyte joined previous finalists, Bayswater Park and Montrose, who after two very close semi wins went on to play the Grand Final, where Bayswater Park ran out winners in another close game.

New team Heathmont Baptists played in the Division 4 grand final in their first season. They defeated Wonga Park in their semi final and Croydon Ranges had beaten South Warrandyte to be their opponents. Both teams boasted quality opening attacks evidenced by them bowling out their opponents in the semis for 60 and 61. After good early partnerships, Heathmont struggled for runs late in the innings and, in reply, Ranges were able to comfortably run down the target to win the premiership.

During the season, RDCA played host to Box Hill in the inter association competition games for over 40's, 50's and 60's. Our 60's again won their game but this time Box Hill won the other two games and in doing so won "The Colonel's Cup" (The Ken Johnston Trophy).

On Australia Day RDCA Over 40's and 50's teams played against the Ferntree Gully Veterans, at Ferntree Gully, wherein both our teams had a win.

The Veterans committee appreciates the efforts of the players who represented our association in all of these matches, just as I know the players enjoy the honour of playing at this representative level.

Since there is no longer an annual presentation night, which used to provide the forum to acknowledge the various contributions made, I wish to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Committee who have successfully completed their duties to enable the smooth functioning of our competition. Most of their work goes unnoticed and their conscientious contributions are appreciated.

Likewise each club and team has people who make sure that everything is prepared for each game and their contribution to the success of "Vet's Cricket" is greatly appreciated.

In completing this report, I wish to acknowledge the Senior Executive of the RDCA, whose officers provide advice, assistance and support whenever it is sought

I know that RDCA Veterans Cricket is in an excellent position, as it approaches its 27th season, to continue to offer the opportunity for those over forty years of age to play and enjoy the game they love.

Daryl Stephens RDCA Veterans Motto:
President Strive to do our best, never give up,
veterans@rdca.com and treat people with respect

STATISTICAL INFORMATION FOR SEASON 2013/14

LINDSAY TROLLOPE SHIELD

TEAM	Pts Rd 6	Pts Rd 11	%
WARRANWOOD	40	64	
NORTH RINGWOOD	32	56	1.2963
MOOROOLBARK	24	56	1.1834
WANTIRNA SOUTH	24	56	1.1602
SOUTH CROYDON	32	56	1.1597
AINSLIE PARK	32	48	
NORWOOD	24	32	0.7835
ST ANDREWS	8	32	0.7277
BAYSWATER PARK	24	28	
CROYDON NORTH	0	16	

Warranwood, despite losing a couple late in the season, led for most of the way, North Ringwood had their flat spot either side of Xmas and Mooroolbark won their first three and then last four games. Ainslie Park was thereabouts for most of the season, Norwood, after a slow start, were back in the mix by Rd.7 but didn't win another game and St Andrews had a purple patch each side of Xmas. Bayswater Park won Rds 2, 3 and 4 and then it was a drought until Rd.11, whilst Croydon North struggled for most of the season.

Entering the last round, Warranwood and South Croydon were 8 points clear of North Ringwood, Mooroolbark and Wantirna South, with all needing to win to shore up a finals spot. Ainslie Park was a further 8 points back, needing some divine intervention.

History has given us some unbelievable outcomes in the last round and this season added further to the tale. Warranwood won comfortably, with North Ringwood and Ainslie Park crushing their opponents. Wantirna South dismissed Bayswater Park for 77 (49 overs) but was the bowled out for 53 (in 26). BYP reached 7/188 before a baffling declaration gave WSO 30 overs to score 213, a target reached with two overs to spare. Mooroolbark posted just over 200 and South Croydon could only muster 75 in response. After being asked to follow on for 30 overs, SCR lost 4/58, the last wicket of which was a stumping, on the last ball of the day. That wicket impacted percentage in such a manner that SCR slid from second to fifth.

The Elimination final saw Wantirna South (187) overcome Mooroolbark (154). In the Qualifying final, Warranwood (7/193) comfortably chased down North Ringwood's 192, to proceed direct to Grand Final but North Ringwood (5/148) then bounced back to account for Wantirna South (147) in the Preliminary final.

In the Grand final, played at East Ringwood, North Ringwood elected to bat and the openers got to thirty before four wickets fell for 2 runs. Thereafter, runs were eked out but wickets fell consistently to see a final tally of 92 in 58 overs. Warranwood progressed steadily in the chase to reach 2/59 at the close of play. Upon resumption, the target was reached in ten overs (2/95), giving Warranwood their second Trollope Shield in the past three seasons.

Premiership team members:

Evan Johnson (C), Todd Cordwell (VC), David Johnson, Brett Van Duppen, Luke Scott, Mick Mahy, Samuel Fowless, Andrew Spittle, DanTurner, Cameron Moore, Matt Nelson, Scott Turner (12th), TroyAnderton (13th).

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Michael King (SCR) 474, Davie Johnson (WWD) 467, Nalaka De Silva (WSO) 444, Michael McDonald (WSO) 373, Andrew Jorgensen (WSO) 370, Josh Stewart (SCR) 338, Lincoln Grigg (MOO) 338.

Leading wicket takers (excluding finals):

Daniel Dimitriou (MOO) 39, David Johnson (WWD) 32, Mark Arnot (APK) 31, Drew McKay (WSO) 29, Scott Panozza (APK) 28, Wayne Ross (MOO) 27, Cameron Sharpe (STA) 25.

BILL WILKINS CUP

TEAM	Pts Rd 6	Pts Rd 11	%
TEMPLETON	40	80	
LILYDALE	32	68	
WARRANDYTE	40	56	1.3753
KILSYTH	24	56	1.2911
MONTROSE	32	52	
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	32	40	0.9589
CROYDON RANGES	24	40	0.9274
EAST RINGWOOD	16	32	0.7732
WONGA PARK	8	32	0.7574
CHIRNSIDE PARK	4	4	

Templeton was the benchmark for the whole season, with Rd.6 the only blemish. Warrandyte got out of the blocks smartly, with two early outright wins, Lilydale performed consistently, while Kilsyth and Montrose were thereabouts. South Warrandyte were right in contention after Rd.7 but did not win another game. Wonga Park, after losing first five, put together some good wins, whilst Chirnside Park struggled all season.

Entering the last round, Warrandyte, Kilsyth and Lilydale were equal on points. Montrose were 8 points back, seemingly needing to win outright and have one of the above lose.

Templeton easily accounted for Kilsyth, Warrandyte lost by 10 runs to Wonga Park and Lilydale won outright against Chirnside Park. Montrose, after leading East Ringwood on first innings, attempted the near impossible in trying to bowl a side out for just over 100, in 18 overs, only to lose outright.

The Elimination final saw Kilsyth (7/230cc) post too many for Warrandyte (181). Templeton (299) had a big win over Lilydale (119) in the Qualifying final. In the Preliminary final, Kilsyth (5/218) chased down Lilydale's 216, with about 5 overs to spare.

The Grand Final, played at Walker Reserve, saw Templeton elect to bat and an even contribution (top score 40) all down the order saw the score to 8/249 at the compulsory closure.

In reply, Kilsyth had an opening stand of 61 but the loss of three wickets for no runs (4/67) seemed to tilt the game in Templeton's favour. A stand of about 130 changed the complexion but it swung again with the loss of four wickets for about 20 runs (8/213). The ninth wicket took the score to 242, with nine balls remaining, but the next ball saw a run-out and the last batsman was bowled first ball to give Templeton an exciting win and a return to Trollope Shield next season.

Premiership team members:

Paul Payne (C/Coach), Steven Dewar, Adam Parker, Matthew DeJager, Luke Robertson, Andrew Teakel, Lincoln Wong, Ryan Dennis, Simon Hall, Scott Anderson, Ian Garvey, Ryan Baker (12th).

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Stephan Marillier (WOP) 555, Luke Robertson (TMP) 541, Michael Edwards (MTR) 479, Simon Crow (CRR) 432, Josh Barrett (SWT) 422, Daniel Carratelli (MTR) 402, Taylor Gibson (EAR) 387.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

John Moulder (LYD) 43, Campbell Holland (WDT) 36, Marc Steiner (KIL) 34, Scott Anderson (TMP) 28, Paul Payne (TMP) 28, Simon Hall (TMP) 26, Steven Lindsay (SWT) 26.

STUART NEWEY PLATE

TEAM		Pts Rd 6	Pts Rd 11	%
NORTH RINGWOOD	2NDS	48	80	
BAYSWATER PARK	2NDS	32	56	
WONGA PARK	2NDS	36	52	
WANTIRNA SOUTH	2NDS	24	48	1.3949
TEMPLETON	2NDS	16	48	1.0580
OLINDA	1STS	28	44	
EASTFIELD	1STS	12	36	
MOOROOLBARK	2NDS	8	32	0.8459
HEATHMONT BAPTIST	1STS	24	32	0.8031
NORWOOD	2NDS	16	16	

North Ringwood, like Templeton in the grade above, were the benchmark for the season, with Rd.7 being their only hiccup. Bayswater Park was consistent until staggering in the last two rounds, while Wonga had 36 points after Rd.4 but struggled to win thereafter. Wantirna South won five in a row mid season and Templeton played well after the break but just fell short of a finals spot.

Entering the last round, the top two spots were settled but Wonga Park and Olinda, who were to play each other, were only 4 points clear of Wantirna South and Templeton.

Templeton had a big win over Norwood but came up short of an outright, Wantirna South won easily against Bayswater Park, while Wonga Park edged out Olinda, by 13 runs, the latter losing five for none mid innings.

The Elimination final saw Wantirna South (9/320cc) overwhelm Wonga Park (59). It was much the same in Qualifying final as North Ringwood (8/220cc) beat Bayswater Park (56). In the Preliminary final, Bayswater Park (144) exited when they just fell short in chasing Wantirna South's tally (155).

The Grand final, played at Cheong Park, saw Wantirna South bat first and they were all out in the last over for 157. North Ringwood progressed steadily and ran down the target (4/159) with two overs to spare.

Members of the premiership team:

Daniel Tucker (C), Jordan Buckingham, Sebastian Xantidis, Mark Razdan, Stuart Moore, Glenn lbbott, Michael Wright, Hagen Shaw, Brendan Leis, Matthew Reyment, Liam Sweeney, Andrew Shorthouse (12th).

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Brad Bates (OLI) 375, Steven Gosden (WSO) 323, Justin Uilderks (MOO) 317, Rod Huma (ESF) 310, Daniel Thurgood (WSO) 301, Richard Ellisdon (MOO) 291.

Leading bowlers (excluding finals);

Richard Ellisdon (MOO) 28, Mikel Greenough (OLI) 26, Rob Cranmer (HMB) 26, Joel Harris (ESF) 23, Stuart Gruchy (ESF) 23, Liam Sweeney (NRI) 22.

STEVE PASCOE SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 6	Pts Rd 11	%
EAST RINGWOOD	2NDS	44	76	
MONTROSE	2NDS	32	72	1.6225
AINSLIE PARK	2NDS	40	72	1.5668
CROYDON NORTH	2NDS	24	52	
SCORESBY FERNDALE	1STS	16	40	1.0733
CROYDON RANGES	2NDS	32	40	0.9031
KILSYTH	2NDS	16	32	0.7727
WARRANWOOD	2NDS	24	32	0.7538
WANTIRNA	1STS	8	20	
ST ANDREWS	2NDS	8	16	

East Ringwood and Ainslie Park, both having only lost one game prior to last round, headed the ladder all along, with Montrose nipping at their heels. From Rd.8, the top three were settled and it was a battle for 4th. Croydon Ranges dropped away and Croydon North had an outright and two more wins in last three games to seal that spot.

Ainslie lost the last game, to Croydon North, to miss out on the double chance. Wantirna and St Andrews played the relegation match, with Wantirna winning outright but only just, they were 8/55, chasing 81, and got there without the loss of another wicket.

In a high scoring Elimination final, Croydon North (268) repeated last round result by just holding out Ainslie Park (248).

The Qualifying final was a tight low scoring affair, which ended with the same margin, as Montrose (138) held East Ringwood (118) at bay.

In the Preliminary final, East Ringwood (4/171) comfortably chased down Croydon North's tally (168).

The Grand final, played at Mullum Reserve, saw Montrose bat first and see out their overs to finish with a total of 9/171cc. In reply, East Ringwood progressed cautiously to the tea break but pushed on thereafter to reach the target (5/173) with six overs to spare.

Members of the premiership team:

Matt Kershaw (C), Matthew Crowle, Nicholas Wright, Daniel Gray, Edward Thwaites, Matthew Stevenson, Callum Richardson, Joshua Allison, Jake Tucker, Joshua Gray, Jordan Ellis, Chris Shaw (12th).

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Bryce Edwards (MTR) 549, Josh Bettess (APK) 339, Ben Gerloff (SBF) 292, Andrew Walker (MTR) 262, Lloyd Williams (CNT) 261.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Lou Cavallo (WAN) 26, Sean Milton (STA) 24, Kevin Girola (WAN) 24, Evan Brookes (SBF) 23, Mark Whitney (WAN) 23, Devang Patel (WAN) 22.

A GRADE – PAT MEEHAN SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
CROYDON RANGES	3RDS	52	84	
WARRANDYTE	2NDS	44	76	
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	2NDS	48	64	
CHIRNSIDE PARK	2NDS	24	56	1.1323
WANTIRNA SOUTH	3RDS	40	56	1.0668
WONGA PARK	3RDS	48	56	0.8616
BAYSWATER PARK	3RDS	24	44	
SCORESBY FERNDALE	2NDS	8	16	

Croydon Ranges headed the ladder for most of the season, cementing that spot with a last round win over Warrandyte who, after a flat spot pre Xmas, had returned to good form thereafter. South Warrandyte struggled after the break, as did Wonga Park who were 4th entering the last round. Chirnside Park came with a wet sail after Xmas and won the last game outright, against Scoresby Ferndale, to leapfrog into 4th spot.

The Elimination final was eventful, as Chirnside Park (9/158cc), who lost 5/9 at one stage, managed to stave off South Warrandyte (121), who lost their last 6 wickets for 5 runs.

In the Qualifying final, Warrandyte (9/234cc) easily accounted for Croydon Ranges (136). The Preliminary final saw Chirnside Park (7/234cc) post too many for Croydon Ranges (145).

An enthralling Grand Final, played at Benson oval, saw Chirnside Park bat first and be all out in last over for 142, the last wicket adding what was nearly a match winning 22. In reply, Warrandyte was almost down and out at 9/108 before a last wicket stand got them home (9/144), with 4 balls to spare.

Members of the premiership team:

Cameron Day (C), Dale Lander, Luke Warren, Ben McMellan, Justin Cleaves, Blake Morgan, Matt Gamble, Brenton Styles, Ryan Pascoe, Hayden Miles, Luke Killey, Mitchell Gaffney (12th),

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Dale Lander (WDT) 504, Ashley Webb (WSO) 451, James Thomas (WOP) 340, Nicholas Burke (WOP) 333, Shaun Ison (CRR) 269.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Ashley Webb (WSO) 27, Brenton Styles (WDT) 26, Troy Harris (CSP) 22, Luke Killey (WDT) 20, Anthony Crowe (WOP) 20.

B GRADE – IAN SPENCER SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
NORTH RINGWOOD	3RDS	48	80	
SOUTH CROYDON	2NDS	40	72	
LILYDALE	2NDS	56	64	1.1580
MONTROSE	3RDS	40	64	1.0641
TEMPLETON	3RDS	40	56	
WARRANWOOD	3RDS	24	48	0.8809
MOOROOLBARK	3RDS	32	48	0.8257
EAST RINGWOOD	3RDS	8	16	

This was a very competitive grade, with most teams having a lean spell during the season. North Ringwood had theirs around Xmas, South Croydon lost their first four and Lilydale the last four.

"B" Grade Cont'd

Entering the last round, three teams were competing for 4th spot but Montrose preserved their 8 point advantage by chasing down 260 plus against South Croydon.

In the Elimination final, Lilydale (5/149) got back on track with a comfortable win over Montrose (148). The Qualifying final saw North Ringwood (9/212cc) post too many for South Croydon (154). A tight Preliminary Final saw South Croydon (157) exit in straight sets, when Lilydale (6/158) reached the target with two overs to spare.

The Grand final was an absolute cracker and history, to the best of our knowledge, was created when the game ended in a tie, at 182 each. North Ringwood batted first and occupied the crease for all bar an over or so of their allocation. Lilydale seemingly had the game in hand at 5/150 but it all came down to the last over, with the score showing 8/180. Two singles off the first two balls tied the scores but a wicket (LBW) saw the pressure on the last man to score a run off remaining three balls. The first two were let pass without a shot and a swing and miss at the last saw the keeper hit the stumps, at his end, as the batsmen tried to run a bye. A bit of confusion reigned as to who were Premiers but the rules say that in the event of a tie it is a shared premiership.

Members of the premiership teams:

Lilydale – Craig Staggard (C), Ronan Erulkar, Mark Spencer, Darren Gilbert, Marcus Bree, Luke Hands, Andrew McCallum, Nick Hunter, Braydon Dobinson, Anthony Cliff, , Jarrod Triantafillou, Blake Hughes (12th)

North Ringwood - Matthew Hepburn (C), Ben Lannen, Nathaniel l'Anson, Bryan Carrucan, Luke Ervine, Jason Fraser, Alex Simmons, Matthew Nuthall, Leigh Rigby, Joel Rigby, Henri Brook, Nathan Browne.

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Scott O'Neil (MTR) 469, Shane Archer (MOO) 370, Brendan Jarman (MTR) 366, Mark Farrell (WWD) 362, Leigh Boyle (TMP) 346, Mark Razdan (NRI) 342, Adam Dejager (TMP) 339.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Glenn Ellis (EAR) 20, Leigh Boyle (TMP) 20, Andrew McCallum (LYD) 19, Tim Aumann (TMP) 19, Gary Peters (SCR) 18.

C GRADE – DAVID BEATTY SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
AINSLIE PARK	3RDS	68	100	
CROYDON RANGES	4THS	48	88	
ST ANDREWS	3RDS	40	72	1.2436
KILSYTH	3RDS	48	72	1.2024
CROYDON NORTH	3RDS	40	72	1.1928
WONGA PARK	4THS	24	24	
OLINDA	2NDS	20	20	
NORWOOD	3RDS	8	8	

This grade became a five horse race from early on. After Xmas, the top two set themselves in those positions and it left the other three fighting for a finals spot. Entering the last round, Croydon North was third, 8 points clear of the other two, but they came up short, by 6 runs, against APK and, with the other two winning, got pushed down to fifth.

"C" Grade Cont'd

The Elimination final saw St Andrews (5/133) comfortably account for Kilsyth (131) and Ainslie Park (5/193) did likewise in defeating Croydon Ranges (192) in the Qualifying final. In the Preliminary final, Croydon Ranges (9/198) held out St Andrews (150) in a game that was tighter than the scores indicate.

The Grand Final, played at Ainslie Park, saw Ainslie bat first and be under the pump before some good late order contributions saw the score to 9/204 at the compulsory close. In reply Ranges lost early wickets and could not recover, being all out for 127.

Members of premiership team:

Daniel Allan (C), Sean Arbuckle, Dillon Bettess, Josh Hammen, Cameron Hunter, David Killen, Justin Lawlor, David McKibbin, Andrew Peters, Bradley Wadsworth, Nicholas Westgarth,

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Rohan Smith (STA) 413, Mark Thomas (CRR) 393, Adam Tuppenney (NOW) 355, Kieren Kemm (OLI) 338, Samuel Downie (KIL) 322, Robert Milton (CNT) 309, Luke Meeve (STA) 308.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Justin Smith (KIL) 26, Luke Barber (NOW) 25, Ryan Parry (CNT) 24, Mark Thomas (CRR) 20, Nathan Lester (NOW) 19.

D GRADE – DON SMITH SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
WARRANDYTE	3RDS	60	84	
KILSYTH	4THS	48	80	
MONTROSE	4THS	44	60	1.3808
NORTH RINGWOOD	4THS	40	60	1.1298
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	3RDS	32	56	0.9283
WARRANWOOD	4THS	40	56	0.8772
EASTFIELD	2NDS	8	40	
BAYSWATER PARK	4THS	16	16	

Whilst Eastfield came with a wet sail to win last four, this was a battle of six teams, with Warrandyte always at the top and Kilsyth hot on their heels. Montrose lost their last three and Warranwood, who were 8 points clear in 4th, lost the last game to slide out of the finals. North Ringwood won their last game outright to grab the last finals spot.

In the Elimination final, North Ringwood (261) posted too many for Montrose (169). Warrandyte (339) had a big win over Kilsyth (133) in the Qualifying final while the Preliminary final saw Kilsyth (8/272cc) bounce back to oust North Ringwood (154).

The Grand final was played at Warrandyte and Kilsyth, after electing to bat, were all out in the last over for 175. In reply, Warrandyte was on the back foot at 6/91 but some good late order work got the score to within ten runs (8 down) and six overs or so to go, only for the last two wickets to fall without further addition.

Members of premiership team;

Frank Formston (C), Mark Rollings (VC), Robert Beggs, Jim Dodge, Taylor Evans, Nigel Foden, Robert Hutchings, Jason Lennox, Paul Pleming, Mitchell Skinner, Ben Wal, Noah Hargreaves (12th), Joel Gibb (13th).

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Jon Charles (WWD) 586, Ashley Storm (MTR) 535, Stewart Smead (WDT) 356, Brian I'Anson (NRI) 344, Stuart Haworth (WDT) 328, Jason Lennox (KIL) 291.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Stewart Smead (WDT) 23, Mark Rollings (KIL) 22, Michael Stokes (WWD) 21, Frank Formston (KIL) 18, Andrew Shorthouse (NRI) 18, Scott Baker (NRI) 18.

E GRADE – JOHN SPRINGETT SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
LILYDALE	3RDS	72	104	
ST ANDREWS	4THS	64	84	
CHIRNSIDE PARK	3RDS	40	72	
AINSLIE PARK	4THS	40	64	
CROYDON NORTH	4THS	32	56	
WONGA PARK	5THS	24	44	
WANTIRNA SOUTH	4THS	24	24	
HEATHMONT BAPTIST	2NDS	8	8	

The finalists in this grade were set with a couple of rounds to go. Lilydale, courtesy of two outrights pre Xmas, led the way for the most part and appeared the team to beat. St Andrews had been pretty consistent and Chirnside, after losing four in a row mid season, got back on track. Ainslie lost their first four but form was good thereafter.

Ainslie Park (151) did a job on Chirnside Park (43 & 8/72) in the Elimination final. St Andrews (159) could not hold out Lilydale (6/164) in the Qualifying final and they were ousted when routed (76) by Ainslie Park (2/81) in the Preliminary final.

The Grand Final, played at Lilydale No.1, saw Ainslie Park (5/234cc) complete a fantastic finals series with a very comfortable win over Lilydale (163).

Members of premiership team:

Luke Murray (C), Jeremy Burton, Jordan Hochkins, Andrew Johnstone, Scott McKibbin, Ashley Miller, Zachary Moulton, Brandon Panza, Connor Phelan, Connor Scott, Mark Sealey.

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Brenton Crow (WSO) 365, Steve Chettle (STA) 270, James Meyer (CNT) 264, Darren Cameron (CSP) 257, Brett Gromadovski (CSP) 251.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Robert Crawford (CNT) 23, Ryan Gromadovski (CSP) 21, Don Kuruwita (HMB) 20, Thomas Green (HMB) 20, Jesse Lehmann (CSP) 19, Jordan Hochkins (APK) 19, Luke O'Brien (CNT) 19.

F GRADE - NEIL TULL SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
MOOROOLBARK	4THS	56	100	
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	4THS	72	96	
BORONIA	4THS	56	92	
NORTH RINGWOOD	5THS	52	68	
OLINDA	3RDS	32	40	
NORWOOD	4THS	8	32	0.8648
CROYDON RANGES	5THS	16	32	0.8549
TEMPLETON	4THS	8	8	

This grade split into two halves early in the piece and by halfway it was just a matter of how the order would play out in the top four. Mooroolbark claimed top spot with an outright in the last round, Boronia also won outright but couldn't overtake South Warrandyte who bounced back from a little lapse.

"F" Grade Cont'd

The Elimination final saw Boronia (3/159) easily account for North Ringwood (157). In the Qualifying final, South Warrandyte (9/204cc) posted too many for Mooroolbark (176). Mooroolbark (243) then did likewise to Boronia (149) in the Preliminary final.

The Grand Final, played at Colman Reserve, saw Mooroolbark elect to bat and be in a bit of bother before some late order contributions pushed the total to 166. In reply, South Warrandyte lost early wickets and was not able to recover, being dismissed for 89.

Members of the premiership team:

Ken Trollope (C), Jordan Trollope, Andrew McDonald, Troy McCarten, Joffa Matthews, Joel Nathan, Brent Smith, Dylan Williamson, Matt Boyd, Dan Mahar, Aaron Williamson, Tim Nathan (12th).

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Chris Noonan (CRR) 504, Troy McCarten (MOO) 374, Adam Partington (NRI) 356, Steve Oluc (BOR) 352, Cameron Head (SWT) 351, Ken Trollope (MOO) 327, Neil Eastman (NOW) 300.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Tom Chrisfield (SWT) 28, Andrew Arthurs (BOR) 24, Gavin Webb (BOR) 21, Peter Nettlebeck (SWT) 20, Tyson McCamley (TMP) 19, David Smeed (NRI) 18.

G GRADE – ANN PASCOE SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
WONGA PARK	6THS	56	96	
WARRANWOOD	5THS	56	92	
WANTIRNA SOUTH	5THS	56	80	
SOUTH CROYDON	3RDS	48	72	
NORTH RINGWOOD	6THS	32	48	
SCORESBY FERNDALE	3RDS	32	40	
WARRANDYTE	4THS	8	24	

This grade was reduced to seven teams when Templeton, who had forfeited first four rounds, withdrew the team. The top four separated from the remainder pre Xmas and with an unbeaten period thereafter Wonga Park went into the finals as the team to beat.

South Croydon (268) had a big win over Wantirna South (139) in the Elimination final and Warranwood (306), with a very even contribution (top score 45), did likewise over Wonga Park (129) in Qualifying final.

The Preliminary final saw South Croydon (243) sneak past Wonga Park (9/242cc), the last two wickets falling after victory was achieved.

The Grand final, played at Quambee Reserve, saw Warranwood, after electing to bat, post a competitive 196. In reply, South Croydon was unable to repeat its previous finals efforts and crumbled for a total of 116.

Members of premiership team:

Paul Young (C), James Wigginton, Stephen Hassell, Dale Gilson, Trent Greenwood, Gareth Richardson, Stephen Holland, Jim Page, Tate Jacob, Dion Paull, Hayden Brown, Dhanika Rajapaksa, Christopher Furzer.

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Craig Osborne (SBF) 351, Dan Whitty (NRI) 330, Nicholas Kenealy (SCR) 327, Greg Buxton (WSO) 325, Stephan Hassell (WWD) 301, Nigel Murray (WOP) 279.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Dhanika Rajapaksa (WWD) 21, Peter Wigney (WOP) 21, Dan Whitty (NRI) 21, Dion Paull (WWD) 20, Michael Carusi (WOP) 19.

H GRADE – KEN JOHNSTON SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
AINSLIE PARK	5THS	78	122	
LILYDALE	4THS	68	94	
ST ANDREWS	5THS	44	80	
MONTROSE	5THS	20	56	
EAST RINGWOOD	4THS	36	50	
WANTIRNA	2NDS	34	44	
NORWOOD	5THS	32	40	
CROYDON RANGES	6THS	0	8	

This is the highest of the grades playing modified format, with various batting and bowling thresholds. Two day games are played on a split innings basis with the team leading at end of first day earning two bonus points.

Ainslie Park was the dominant team throughout the season, winning every home and away game.

Lilydale was always nearest chaser, while St Andrews finished the season in good style. With two rounds to go,

Montrose and East Ringwood were equal on points, with Norwood six back and Wantirna a further six adrift.

Montrose mustered a win, East Ringwood, despite leading both games on first day, could not do so and Norwood, who had a dismal post Xmas period, did not earn a point.

In the Elimination final, Montrose (253) was too good for St Andrews (174).

Ainslie Park (208) relied on one big contribution but could not hold out Lilydale (6/212) in Qualifying final.

Despite another big score by the same person, Ainslie Park (242) just failed to chase down Montrose (9/246cc) and the hot favourite was eliminated.

The Grand final was played at Kimberley Reserve No.1, where Lilydale was asked to bat first. After setting a good foundation, they kept Montrose to 160 (69 overs) and then chased down that tally (5/161) with a lot of overs to spare.

Members of premiership team:

Rob Foltyn (C), Steve Oxley, Raju Narayan, Matt Browell, Peter Skewes, Andrew Walton, Steve Potts, Simon France, Andrew Buruma, Kyle Skewes, Craig Davison, Matthew Wilton, Jeff Peeler.

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Tom Rosevear (STA) 538, Sean Arbuckle (APK) 471, Tim Hutchison (WAN) 463, Brent Dower (STA) 402, Steve Potts (LYD) 392, Steven Kent (NOW) 346, Stephen Oxley (LYD) 315.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Colin Peacock (APK) 29, Matthew Wilton (LYD) 28, Tom Rosevear (STA) 21, Darren Halton (WAN) 21, Robert Tubb (EAR) 20.

I GRADE - JOHN MACMILLAN SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
AINSLIE PARK	6THS	64	108	
BAYSWATER PARK	5THS	70	104	
SOUTH CROYDON	4THS	48	86	
CHIRNSIDE PARK	4THS	30	60	
ST ANDREWS	6THS	40	40	
BORONIA	5THS	34	34	
CROYDON NORTH	5THS	14	32	
SOUTH WARRANDYTE	5THS	12	28	

"I" Grade Cont'd

Ainslie Park and Bayswater Park rotated at the top of the ladder throughout the season.

Olinda withdrew its team after Rd.2. South Croydon entered a team as of Rd.4 and thereafter lost only the last game. Chirnside Park picked up over last four rounds to secure the final spot.

In the Elimination final, South Croydon's Clayton Henderson, a 15 year old, took a hat trick with his first three balls and finished with 7/1 (7 overs) to dismantle Chirnside Park (24). The mercy rule was invoked after South Croydon reached 3/185.

Bayswater Park (4/139) easily eclipsed Ainslie Park (136) in the Qualifying final.

The Preliminary final saw South Croydon (186) ousted when they came up well short of Ainslie's tally (251).

In the Grand Final, played at Guy Turner Reserve, both teams lost two wickets each on the first day but Ainslie Park had a 40 run advantage. Resuming, Ainslie was able to nearly double its overnight score (267), however, it was dismissed in 68.5 overs, which proved to be crucial in the long run. On resuming their innings, the Bayswater Park batsmen put together some solid partnerships but the overs were running out and it looked like they might come up just short. Having bowled Ainslie out, Bayswater Park was entitled to bat for balance of overs, that being 71 (in 140 over game). After 70 overs, the score was 7/260, a wicket was lost at 262 and another at 267 before winning runs were scored off the last ball (9/269).

Members of premiership team:

Frank Costantino (C), Peter Colosimo (VC), Timothy Court, Robin Court, Michael Robbins, Chris Robbins, Sam Abbott, Dylan Brisbane, Llewellyn Michael, Cam Ray, Martin Nellen, Gareth Hodgkiss, Tom Mills, Daniel Southward.

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

John Masters (CNT) 579, David Werner (APK) 425, Beau Wilson (CSP) 421, Tim Livingstone (SWT) 409, Peter Godwin (BOR) 341, Robin Court (BYP) 325, Stephen Bridger (SCR) 310, Daniel Galbraith (CSP) 307.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Garry Walles (APK) 17, Brendan Taylor (STA) 17, Scott Jones (CSP) 16, Nathan Shaw (CSP) 16, Tim Livingstone (SWT) 14, Michael Eccles (BOR) 14.

J GRADE – TIMOTHY COURT SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
KILSYTH	5THS	66	108	
SOUTH CROYDON	5THS	74	100	
LILYDALE	5THS	52	90	
WARRANWOOD	6THS	60	80	
MONTROSE	6THS	32	70	
HEATHMONT BAPTIST	3RDS	26	48	
NORTH RINGWOOD	7THS	24	32	
CROYDON RANGES	7THS	2	2	

Another grade where the top two teams rotated in those positions, while Lilydale, courtesy of an unbeaten run after Xmas, was not far back. With two rounds to go, Montrose had crept within six points of Warranwood but couldn't continue the good run.

Lilydale (9/386) had a huge win over Warranwood (158) in the Elimination final whilst Kilsyth (2/82) swamped South Croydon (78) in the Qualifying final. In the Preliminary final, South Croydon (7/225) got back on track when they ran down Lilydale's 8/222cc in the last over.

"J" Grade Cont'd

The Grand final, played at Alan Smith oval, saw the game fairly evenly poised after the first day. A big late order partnership saw Kilsyth through to a total of 225. South Croydon's batsmen could not do likewise and the innings ended with a total of 146.

Members of premiership team:

Ben Fisher (C), Colin Clavan (VC), Lecia Baldry, Ryan Beale, Matt Bruton, Craig Downie, Liam Downie, Glen Ferguson, Stewart Gibb, Brad Milbourne, Pat Moilanen, Luke Smith, Joss Sturgeon.

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

Steve Payne (SCR) 851, Andrew Heaton (CRR) 433, Sean Middlemast (LYD) 381, Travis Cauchi (LYD) 357, Ecclees McDonnell (MTR) 333, Dale Gilson (WWD) 285, Ajay Mabian (HMB) 280.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Colin Clavan (KIL) 21, Ben Fisher (KIL) 21, Garry Mangnall (MTR) 20, Stewart Gibb (KIL) 19, Christopher Copeland (SCR) 19, Nikolas Alste (MTR) 19.

K GRADE – TONY GAWNE SHIELD

TEAM		Pts Rd 9	Pts Rd 14	%
WONGA PARK	7THS	84	128	
KILSYTH	6THS	54	90	
EASTFIELD	3RDS	50	82	
SCORESBY FERNDALE	4THS	44	74	
AINSLIE PARK	7THS	28	60	
LILYDALE	6THS	40	54	
CROYDON RANGES	8THS	32	42	
CROYDON NORTH	6THS	28	36	
ST ANDREWS	7THS	30	30	
MOOROOLBARK	5THS	8	28	

From early in the piece, the final outcome seemed inevitable, as Wonga Park swept all before them in an unbeaten season. Interest was in the minors and Ainslie Park made a charge but came up short.

Scoresby Ferndale (3/152) had a relatively easy win over Eastfield (148) in the Elimination final. The hot pots, Wonga Park (6/180), were made to work by Kilsyth (176) in the Qualifying final. Scoresby Ferndale (3/145) carried on from their semi-final to beat Kilsyth (136) in the Preliminary final.

In the Grand final, played at Wonga Park, the end of the first day saw both teams four down with little difference in the scores. On the second day, Wonga Park set a target of 229 and Scoresby Ferndale (219) was within sight of a huge upset, when needing about 15 with two wickets in hand, but couldn't get the job done.

Members of premiership team:

Warrick Dickson (C), Sam Henkes, Lester Elliott, Jacob Elliott, Tony Harvey, Will Harvey, Craig Meadows, Sam Meadows, Michael Pitts, Reilly Pitts, Ben Thomas, Rick Thomas.

Leading run-getters (excluding finals):

David Sykes (APK) 417, Tony Harvey (WOP) 395, Sean Dooley (CRR) 394, Brad Wood (CRR) 383, Tim Murray (APK) 337, Bret Smith (MOO) 325, Chris Sfiligoj (KIL) 313.

Leading wicket-takers (excluding finals):

Daynah Hopkins (CRR) 25, Brad Wood (CRR) 24, Sam Meadows (WOP) 22, Craig Meadows (WOP) 20, Reilly Pitts (WOP) 20, Sam Henkes (WOP) 19.

AWARD WINNERS

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP - Phil McCallum award

Top 4 in reverse order	Points
Warranwood	22.90
Montrose	22.95
Ainslie Park	25.27
North Ringwood (Winner)	31.59

SPIRIT OF CRICKET TROPHY - Ron Ellis award

(Professional Umpires rate teams that compete in the top four grades, in 5 categories, at end of each match)

Winner East Ringwood (2nds) – Steve Pascoe Shield Grade

BEST ADMINISTERED CLUB – Bob Bissett award

(Senior Committee introduced this award in season 2010/11 and it selects the winner)

Winner Eastfield

Scott Panozza (Ainslie Park)

UMPIRE OF THE YEAR TROPHY - Ken Dunham award

(based on the ratings given by team captains after each round)

Winner Barry Johnson

FRED HODGKINS ALL STAR TEAM OF THE YEAR

(Player statistics do not include finals games). In batting order:

467 runs @ 42.45 & 32 wickets @ 8.91 David Johnson (Warranwood) - Capt **Andrew Jorgensen (Wantirna South)** 370 runs @ 30.83 Nalaka De Silva (Wantirna South) 444 runs @ 37.00 Michael King (South Croydon) 474 runs @ 43.09 & 22 wickets @ 19.27 Lincoln Grigg 338 runs @ 37.56 Michael McDonald (Wantirna South) 373 runs @ 31.08, 19 catches,2 stumpings,1 run out. **Cameron Sharpe (St Andrews)** 242 runs @ 24.20 & 25 wickets @ 24.36 Mark Arnot (Ainslie Park) 169 runs @ 21.13 & 31 wickets @ 13.84 Wayne Ross (Mooroolbark) 109 runs @ 15.57 & 27 wickets @ 12.48 Daniel Dimitriou (Mooroolbark) 39 wickets @ 9.54

28 wickets @ 13.50

BEST and FAIREST AWARDS (Decided on umpires votes)

Bill Dean Medal - Lindsay Trollope Shield David Johnson Warranwood

Bill Wilkins Medal – Bill Wilkins Cup John Moulder Lilydale

Stuart Newey Medal - Stuart Newey Plate Richard Ellisdon Mooroolbark

Steve Pascoe Medal – Steve Pascoe Shield Bryce Edwards Montrose

ALLROUNDER TROPHIES

Pascoe Shield: Bryce Edwards (Montrose) 654 points

(549 runs, 14 catches, 2 stumpings, 1 un-assisted run-out and 1 assisted run-out)

Newey: Richard Ellisdon (Mooroolbark) 646 points

(291 runs, 15 assisted and 13 un-assisted wickets and 2 catches)

Wilkins: John Moulder (Lilydale) 844 points

(264 runs, 26 assisted and 17 un-assisted wickets and 7 catches)

Trollope: David Johnson (Warranwood) 927 points

(467runs, 9 assisted and 23 un-assisted wickets, 3 catches and 2 assisted run-outs)

Under 21 player of the season Darcy Price South Warrandyte

BATTING and BOWLING AVERAGES

(Qualifying criteria is as follows: A batsman must bat in at least half the matches played by the team in the particular grade for the season and score more than 250 runs in that grade. A bowler must bowl in at least half the matches played in the particular grade. In Trollope, Wilkins, Newey and Pascoe, a bowler must deliver not less than 480 balls and take not less than 20 wickets. In other grades, a bowler must deliver not less than 360 balls and take no less than 20 wickets. Where no one has met the full criteria, Senior Committee determines the winner.

Trollope Shield	Bowling	David Johnson (Warranwood) (best 5/18, 5/25, 4/17)	32 wkts @ 8.91
	Batting	Michael King (South Croydon) (4/50's, best 86)	474 runs @ 43.09
Wilkins Cup	Bowling	Simon Hall (Templeton) (best 6/21, 4/20, 4/31)	26 wkts @ 10.35
	Batting	Luke Robertson (Templeton) (2/100's, 2 /50's, best 118no)	541 runs @ 54.10
Newey Plate	Bowling	Liam Sweeney (North Ringwood) (best 7/8, 3/18, 3/26)	22 wkts @ 8.95
	Batting	Steven Gosden (Wantirna South) (1/100, 2/50's, best 115no)	323 runs @ 53.83
Pascoe Shield	Bowling	Ivan Chepa (Croydon Ranges) (best 5/5, 3/20)	20 wkts @ 10.00
	Batting	Bryce Edwards (Montrose) (1/100, 4/50's, best 113)	549 runs @ 78.43
A Grade	Bowling	Troy Harris (Chirnside Park) (best 7/14, 3/28)	22 wkts @ 12.36
	Batting	Shaun Ison (Croydon Ranges) (2/50's, best 81no)	269 runs @ 44.83

B Grade	Bowling	Glenn Ellis (East Ringwood) (best 4/30, 4/69)	20 wkts @ 20.50
	Batting	Scott O'Neil (Montrose) (1/100, 3/50's, best 107no)	469 runs @ 52.11
C Grade	Bowling	Ryan Parry (Croydon North) (best 5/34, 4/46)	24 wkts @ 11.96
	Batting	Mark Thomas (Croydon Ranges) (4/50's, best 84no)	393 runs @ 43.67
D Grade	Bowling	Stewart Smead (Warrandyte) (best 5/12, 4/19)	23 wkts @ 11.30
	Batting	Ashley Storm (Montrose) (2/100's, 2/50's, best 157)	535 runs @ 89.17
E Grade	Bowling	Robert Crawford (Croydon North) (best 5/54, 4/26, 4/29)	23 wkts @ 11.26
	Batting	Brenton Crow (Wantirna South) (1/100, 3/50's, best 102no)	365 runs @ 52.14
F Grade	Bowling	Gavin Webb (Boronia) (best 4/10, 4/14)	21 wkts @ 10.33
	Batting	Chris Noonan (Croydon Ranges) (1/100, 5/50's, best 101no)	504 runs @ 84.00
G Grade	Bowling	Dhanika Rajapaksa (Warranwood) (best 5/14, 4/9)	21 wkts @ 9.48
	Batting	Greg Buxton (Wantirna South) (1/100, 2/50's, best 129no)	325 runs @ 65.00
H Grade	Bowling	Matthew Wilton (Lilydale) (best 6/11, 4/8, 4/21)	28 wkts @ 9.57
	Batting	Sean Arbuckle (Ainslie Park) (5/50's, best 98no)	471 runs @ 94.20
I Grade	Bowling	Garry Walles (Ainslie Park) (best 5/19, 3/35)	17 wkts @ 15.06
	Batting	David Werner (Ainslie Park) (1/100, 4/50's, best 100no)	425 runs @ 141.67
J Grade	Bowling	Garry Mangnall (Montrose) (best 4/17, 3/17)	20 wkts @ 10.40
	Batting	Steve Payne (South Croydon) (2/100's, 7/50's, best 107)	851 runs @ 94.56
K Grade	Bowling	Craig Meadows (Wonga Park) (best 3/0, 3/30)	20wkts @ 8.00
	Batting	Tony Harvey (Wonga Park) (1/100, 5/50's, best 100no)	395 runs @ 395.00

PREMIERSHIPS WON (ALL GRADES) from 1966/67 – 2013/14

35	(4)	Lilydale	16	(2)
31	(6)	Chirnside Park	14	(5)
31	(4)	South Warrandyte	13	(5)
29	(10)	Boronia	10	(0)
28	(4)	Eastfield	9	(3)
25	(5)	South Croydon	8	(4)
25	(4)	Scoresby Ferndale	7*	(1)
24	(6)	Olinda	6	(3)
24*	(5)	Heathmont Baptist	1	(0)
23	(9)			
21	(1)			
20	(4)			
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Figures in brackets are premierships won by first eleven teams.

- Croydon Ranges totals include premierships won by Croydon United and Croydon Hockeyers.
- Warranwood totals include premierships won by South Ringwood and Parkwood.
- Scoresby Ferndale totals include premierships won by Scoresby.

MAJOR GRADE PREMIERS 1981/82 – 2013/14

YEAR	CHANDLER (name changed in 2010/11 – see		KINS	NEWEY
81/82	Warrandyte	South Croydon		Bayswater Park
82/83	Croydon United	South Ringwood		Scoresby
83/84	Warrandyte	Ainslie Park		Sth Warrandyte
84/85	East Ringwood	Mt E	velyn	Johnson Park
85/86	Mooroolbark	Score	•	Academy
86/87	Mooroolbark	Mont	•	Templeton
87/88	Croydon North	Park	wood	Eastfield
88/89	St Andrews	South	n Croydon	Knox Gardens
89/90	Croydon North		don Ünited	Westwood
90/91	Croydon North	•	ga Park	Knox City
91/92	Croydon North		tirna South	Glen Park
92/93	Mooroolbark	Mont	trose	Chirnside Park
93/94	Ainslie Park	Kilsy	th (A East)	Ferntree Gully(A West)
94/95	Croydon North	•	ndrews	Aquinas
95/96	Ferntree Gully	Nortl	n Ringwood	Knox City
96/97	Croydon North		n Ringwood	N/A
97/98	Croydon North		oleton	East Ringwood
98/99	Ferntree Gully	Lilyd		East Ringwood
99/00	Ainslie Park	Mont	trose	Olinda
00/01	Ferntree Gully	East	Ringwood	Eastfield
01/02	Mooroolbark	South Croydon		Sth Warrandyte Hawks
02/03	Lilydale	Sth V	Varrandyte Hawks	Chirnside Park
03/04	Templeton	Croy	don North	Croydon Ranges
04/05	Mooroolbark	Nortl	h Ringwood	Chirnside Park
05/06	Wantirna South	South Croydon		Olinda
06/07	South Warrandyte	Norwood		North Ringwood (2nds)
07/08	North Ringwood	Croydon Ranges		Mooroolbark (2nds)
08/09	Wantirna South	Bayswater Park		Chirnside Park
09/10	Mooroolbark	East	Ringwood	Olinda
10/11 (name change in top				
Grade with 12 teams in each)	TROLLOPE	WIL	KINS	NEWEY
10/11	Mooroolbark	Warranwood		Wantirna South (2nds)
11/12	Warranwood	Ainsl	ie Park	Eastfield
12/13 (an additional major grade created with	TROLLOPE	WILKINS	NEWEY	PASCOE
10 teams in each grade)) 13/14	Wantirna South Warranwood	St Andrews Templeton	Wantirna South (2nd North Ringwood (2nd	

SAXON SPORTS CHALLENGE – RDCA 20/20 COMPETITION

2013/14 was the sixth season of this competition. As in previous years, clubs did not incur any cost as the generous sponsorship of Paul Attfield (Saxon Sports) extended to the donation of ALL of the white balls used, including finals matches, and a cash contribution that enabled clubs to be reimbursed for umpire fees incurred during the course of the competition.

Twenty four clubs entered a team, which resulted in 8 groups of 3 teams, with each playing the other teams in their group in the preliminary rounds. The top placed team in the group progressed to the qualifying finals, where ranking determines who plays whom (e.g.1 v 8 and so on), results were:

- (1) Bayswater Park 124 (18.2 overs S Turner 5/32) lost to Warranwood 5/147 (20 overs L Scott 52)
- (2) Wantirna South 5/151 (20 overs Matt King 66) lost to Norwood 3/155 (20 overs B Hastie 90no)
- (3) Kilsyth 5/120 (16.2 overs M Steiner 47) defeated Templeton 8/116 (20 overs)
- (4) Montrose 5/203 (20 overs M Edwards 83) lost to Mooroolbark 6/209 (20 overs J O'Donnell 138)

The Semi-finals were deferred a week due to a spate of extremely hot weather and eventually they played out as follows:

Warranwood 149 (19.2 overs – D Johnson 49, E Johnson 47, Steiner 3/25) defeated Kilsyth 7/132 (20 overs) Norwood 8/134 (20 overs – W Ross 3/19) defeated Mooroolbark 8/127 (20 overs – J Aumann 56)

The Senior Committee determined that the highest ranked grand finalist (Norwood) should host the game at Mullum Reserve.

Warranwood won the toss and elected to bat first, with the Johnson brothers opening the innings. Davie (15) was first to go before Todd Cordwell (12) combined with Evan for a partnership of 30 odd. The only support thereafter came from Sam Fowless (18) as Evan Johnson batted through the innings to finish with 51no, in a team score of 7/127. Josh Holden (3/19) and Kieran Petrik-Bruce 2/29 were the leading wicket takers for Norwood.

It appeared that it was going to be a difficult task to defend 127 and so it proved as the Norwood batsmen, Steve Lester Jnr (30), David Hester (53no) and Ben Hastie (34no) seemingly picked off runs with ease and comfortably ran down the target to finish with 1/131 in 17.1 overs. Dan Turner (1/25) was the only wicket taker.

Our congratulations to Norwood and members of the team who were:

Ben Hastie, Steve Lester Jnr, Michael Dimanno, Jarrod Hochkins, Josh Holden, Michael Topp, Luke Raggett, Ben Sansom, David Hester, Kieran Petrik-Bruce, Michael Helman.

I extend my appreciation to all who volunteered their time to ensure the competition ran smoothly. Without the volunteers from all clubs we would not have the 20/20 competition we do

Michael Finn - T20 Co-ordinator

Details of Representative Matches

In the 2013/14 T20 Challenge event between RDCA/BHRDCA/ECA, each Association again fielded two teams with RDCA selecting one comprising Trollope players and another from Wilkins/Newey group.

The Trollope group comprised: Marcus Adams (BYP)), Davie Johnson (WWD), Leigh Jones (NRI), Luke Ridgewell (NRI), Nasir Shafiq (CNT), Andrew Keane (MOO), Ben Hastie (NOW), David Mitchell (BYP), Daniel Ferguson (BYP), Scott Panozza (APK) and Matt Stoikos (NRI).

RDCA 7/100 (Stoikos 23, Hastie 23) lost to BHRCA 5/103 (Johnson 2/13) RDCA 9/127 (Mitchell 41, Keane 21no) lost to ECA 3/128 (16 overs)

The Wilkins group comprised: Marc Steiner (KIL), Matt Cousins (CSP), Lincoln Wong (TMP), Andrew Teakel (TMP) Ryan Dennis (TMP), Stephan Marillier (WOP), Darcy Price (SWT), Simon Hall (TMP) Rob Clarke (CSP), Justin Perkins (KIL), Ben Matthews (WOP).

RDCA 83 in 15.5 overs (Cousins 23) lost to BHRCA 4/153 (20 overs)
RDCA 3/150 in 15.4 overs (Marillier 66, Wong 33, Dennis 21no) def ECA 146 in 19.4 overs (Perkins 3/8, Cousins 2/14)

NEIL WRIGHT SHIELD (UNDER 21'S)

The following players represented the RDCA in the Vic Metro Cricket Union's Under21 competition played in November/December.

Jake Cairns (C)	St. Andrews	Darcy Price	South Warrandyte	
Ryan Murray	Scoresby Ferndale	Zac Staggard	Lilydale	
Cheyne Van Koll	Montrose	Lachlan Dinger	Chirnside Park	
Jackson Ford	Wonga Park	Jayden Bishop	Croydon North	
Joshua Bromiley	Montrose	Josh Kazar	Bayswater Park	
Brad Wadsworth	Ainslie Park	Jake Tucker	East Ringwood	
Lincoln Wong	Templeton	Joshua White	Wonga Park	
Ronen Erulkar	Lilydale	Zac Richmond-Dix	Zac Richmond-Dixon St Andrews	

Results

Rd.1	RDCA 131 (Ford 30) defeated Southern District & Churches 107 (Staggard 4/10, Kazar (4/27)
Rd.2	RDCA 109 (Price 38, Erulkar 21, White 17) defeated ECA 97 (Van Koll 3/30, Bishop 3/30)
Rd.3	RDCA 7/167 (Murray 34, Erulkar 28, Bromiley 27, Ford 22, Bishop 21no) were defeated by Diamond Valley 7/181 (Cairns 3/25, Murray 2/17)

Unfortunately the team missed a finals place on percentage but it was a great performance by a group of players who settled into a very good team. The RDCA can, on this occasion, be very proud of this group of young men, particularly in the manner in which they represented our association.

Josh Browne Team Manager

Annual RDCA "All Stars" v Ringwood Rams

The RDCA team comprised: Marcus Adams (c), David Johnson, Marc Steiner, Josh Barrett, Ben Hastie, Michael Kitson, David Mitchell, Lincoln Wong, Mark Arnot, Daniel Dimitriou, Jake Sherriff and Luke Ridgwell.

Ringwood innings

N Walsh	c Wong b Arnot	10
J Freeman	run out (Arnot)	11
J Loorham	c Wong b Kitson	15
T Baker	b Ridgwell	6
T Stray	not out	57
C Dineen	c Johnson b Kitson	2
J Blain	c Wong b Sherriff	14
P Jefimenko	b Johnson	0
B Walsh	not out	10
Extras		9
Total		7/134

Bowling: Ridgwell 3-1/16, Johnson 4-1/37, Dimitriou 3-0/14, Sherriff 4-1/23, Barrett 1-0/15, Kitson 2-2/13, Arnot 3-1/15

RDCA innings

Johnson	c T Freeman b J Freeman	3
Steiner	b J Freeman	13
Barrett	c B Walsh b Baker	19
Kitson	b B Walsh	8
Hastie	b Baker	1
Mitchell	c? b P Ashton	6
Adams	run out	11
Wong	not out	17
Arnot	not out	38
Extras		12
Total		7/128

Bowling: Ashton 4-1/38, Baker 4-2/11, J Freeman 3-2/13, Stray 1-0/15, B Walsh 1-1/10, T Freeman 2-0/8, J Blain 1-0/7, P Jefimenko 1-0/5, J Toohey 3-0/18.

Acknowledgements

Thank you, Stuart Newey.

There is a saying that all good things must come to an end and Stuart has decided that it is time for him to stand down from any official role within the Association.

Stuart is a Life Member of the RDCA, the Umpire's Association and North Ringwood Cricket Club. He is a Chandler Shield premiership player, past Captain, President and Secretary of North Ringwood and for many years also served the club as a delegate to the Association.

Stuart's service to the Association includes filling the role of Records Secretary for 27 years and the role of Treasurer/Finance Manager for 22 years. He served on the Umpires Association executive for many years as well as umpiring at the highest level within our competition. The Newey Plate senior competition was named after Stuart in 2001/2002.

Stuart has always been heavily involved in club and Association cricket matters. His dedication and willingness to put back something into the game he loves and to build friendships with so many people over such a long period is a credit to himself and to his family who have been such a solid support to him. Stuart's official contribution to our Association can be documented on paper and in our records but his contribution goes well beyond official records. The advice and mentoring he has provided to so many people over such a long period is immeasurable and our Association has been fortunate to the beneficiary of Stuart's contribution and involvement.

We wish Stuart a long and healthy 'retirement'.

Ian Dench

Cricket Australia/Cricket Victoria - Service to Cricket Awards

Congratulations to David Beatty (Montrose and RDCA), Don Smith (St Andrews and RDCA), Ray Noon (Wantirna South), Lindsay Trollope (Mooroolbark and RDCA), Brian Power (Wantirna South) and John Macmillan (St Andrews and RDCA) on receiving 50 year service awards for their contribution to Cricket.

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