

Nunawading Cricket Club - Presentation Night



Season 2011 to 2012

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Season 2011-2012 came and went very quickly.

It seems like yesterday we were planning for the season to start and it's all over.

When we commenced the season I was quietly confident that if all teams got the best players on the park and firing, there would be 5 Nunawading Teams playing Finals.

Availability and Form fluctuations played a big part in changing that idea, however to have to teams play in a Semi Final was a great effort, particularly by the players of those teams. Unfortunately, both teams were defeated in the Semi Finals, but there were positives from this.

Players who were not playing Finals now have a hunger to be involved as "anything can happen" in a Final. This was exactly the case in a couple Grand Finals, where the favourite was beaten by the underdog.

From a Club perspective, I believe we are on the right path in recruiting the right players to take us forward. We want Nunawading back as a force in McIntosh Shield, and this can only be achieved with everyone getting on board.

I would like to thank the Committee for their support and hard work throughout the year. What a dedicated group of players "passionate" about Nunawading, "passionate" about the purple and gold.

Our Social Functions were also well organised and attended. The highlight for me was the Sportsman's Night, what a ripping night.

I managed to spend time with the Junior side of the Club this year. For those who have not experienced the Junior Club, you are missing something very special. It is vibrant, energetic, and most of very well organised and supported. Make no mistake the players currently playing juniors are hopefully the future shining lights of our club. I cannot wait to play in a side that includes Derek Clark, Cameron Clark, Dave Cowell Senior, Dave Cowell Junior. It could be start of a true father son dynasty.

Finally, I would like to thank the following people.

All Players Wives or Partners for their support throughout the season.

The Grumpy Old Men or past players, Peter Jenkin, Dean McBlane, Ray Phillips and David Longstaff. Constant supporters of our games, encouraging, barracking, supporting and putting money over the Bar.

Also a big thanks to ScottyO for producing The Log throughout this season. Another great effort.

Thank you everyone, hope to see everyone next season to challenge again.

Regards

Greg Clark

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When did it Happen?

- The Mona Lisa is stolen from the Louvre by Italian patriot Vincenzo Peruggia.
- The first issue of the New York Times is published.
- Albert Einstein graduates from the Swiss Federal Polytechnic with a diploma in physics and mathematics.
- Roger Bannister is first to run a mile in less than four minutes.
- The Nike sports shoe featuring the famous 'Swoosh' logo is released.



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SEASON STATS

Highest Scores		Score	Grade
Jellett	Dylan	122	1-day
Larkins	Nathan	116	W2
Rosemeyer	Kevin	115	C1
Larkins	Nathan	100	W2
Rosemeyer	Kevin	90	C1
Aravinda	Dishan	89	Wilson
Cowell	David	89	W2
Aravinda	Dishan	83	Wilson
Rosemeyer	Kevin	83	C1
Mitchell	Paddy	82	D

Runs		
Rosemeyer	Kevin	569
Larkins	Nathan	481
Jellett	Dylan	410
Harrison	Paul	373
Aravinda	Dishan	355
Mitchell	Pat	338
Cowell	David	275
Hamilton	Stuart	224
Millar	Scott	198
Fairweather	Michael	186

Best Bowling		Runs	Wkts	Grade
Meehan	Matt	17	7	Wilson
Clark	Derek	8	5	C1
Donlon	Tony	16	5	1D
Thompson	Craig	24	5	C1
McKay	Mick	27	5	W2
Chandra	Karan	40	5	W2
McNabb	Ken	44	5	D
Scales	Glen	45	5	Wilson
Mackie	Glen	46	5	C1
Keele	Simon	51	5	C1

Wickets		
Scales	Glen	32
Clark	Derek	25
Meehan	Matt	25
Clark	Mitchell	20
Dalton	Will	19
Sproule	Tim	16
Chandra	Karan	14
Lord	Andrew	14
Mackie	Glen	14
Morilly	Steven	14

DUCKS		
Millar	Scott	4
Mendis	Amila	3
O'Neill	Scott	3
Scales	Glen	3
Donlon	Tony	3

100 Run Partnerships				
2nd	121	Mitchell	Bradley	D
2nd	118	Harrison	Dishan	W1
2nd	115	Larkins	Hamilton	W2
4th	115	Mitchell	Bradley	D
2nd	111	Rosemeyer	Hamilton	C1
2nd	111	Jellett	Jenkin	1-day



SEASON AVERAGES

Best batting averages - all grades combined (including T20)

	Batsman	Matches	Inns	N. O.	H-score	Runs	Average
1	Rosemeyer, Kevin	13	10	2	115	569	71.1
2	Larkins, Nathan	15	13	3	116	492	49.2
3	Lawton, Liam	8	6	5	32*	46	46
4	O'Neill, John	9	7	3	56*	172	43
5	Lord, Phillip	13	7	5	27*	83	41.5
6	Dishan Aravinda	14	13	2	89	443	40.2
7	Mitchell, Pat	9	9	0	82	337	37.4
8	Jellett, Dylan	20	15	3	122*	431	35.9
9	Harrison, Paul	10	12	1	68	373	33.9
10	Hamilton, Stuart	11	12	5	58	224	32

Best bowling averages, all grades combined (minimum 10 wickets, including T20)

	Bowler	Matches	Overs	Runs	Wkts	Average
1	Clark, Derek	12	89.5	254	25	10.1
2	Meehan, Matt	10	97	269	25	10.7
3	Scales, Glen	11	149.3	448	32	14
4	Lord, Andrew	18	77.5	272	17	16
5	Thompson, Craig	9	55.2	166	10	16.6
6	Lord, Phillip	13	91	231	13	17.7
7	Parker, Neil	14	80	232	13	17.8
8	Keele, Simon	12	87.5	337	17	19.8
9	Johnston, David	6	51	262	13	20.1
10	Dalton, Will	15	129.3	405	20	20.2

Season Reports - First XI

After a positive result last season and a huge step forward finishing 5th just missing the finals from 10th the previous, this season was all about improving and playing finals.

I felt the committee assembled a stronger side this season and only a top 4 finish would be a respectable result.

This being said we as a group let the club down finishing the season towards the lower end of the ladder.

We were unable to post a score of 200+ all season which made our task extremely difficult Harro and Dishan had no friends at all in the middle and were made to shoulder the work load week in week out.

Working together in the field we really couldn't have expected more as the bowling and fielding worked most weeks. Rolling sides for 130 and then being bowled out for 100 chasing that low total was a common result.

I do want to mention Harro, Scales and Sproule who I felt had a consistent season and Dishan also averaging high 30s was a positive.

I do hope we can assist those next season who do attend training and wish to develop their game such as Monty, Scotty A, Gareth and Hubble who could have had better on field success with help as these guys were solid contributors at training.

A big thank you to all those this year who put their hand up to have a crack in the first eleven and who all bought in to the standards we attempted to set which was not taking a backward step and to be strong competitors as a group for the respect of the club.

I believe we stood for this as a group and it was well represented in the field unfortunately we just didn't have the talent to get the runs needed with the bat falling short too many times to push for that top 4 spot we set out to achieve at the beginning of the season.

Personally well done Harro on another good year with the bat and gloves you showed a huge amount of character to go around again with Nunawading after a pre season that didn't go your way.

The manner in which you approached your game in the middle is one I hope others learn from, I have as much respect for yourself as any cricketer I've played with its been an enjoyable ride my only regret being we were unable to win a flag together I hope your not lost to the club for good.

Cheers,

Matt Meehan.



Season Reports - Second XI

"Corrs, I need your Season report for the Presentation Night Log"

"Sorry Scotty, flat out at work, you played all Season you can do one"

"OK Mate, will do. It's going to be difficult to talk myself on the odd occasion though"

The 2's were carried from near bottom of the ladder in the previous year to the Finals this season, on the shoulders of Master Bowler Scotty O.

Scotty's outstanding awesomeness was sadly unable to get the boys past Semi's, cutting the 2's season short along with Scotty's brilliant display of dominance over all breeds of batsman.

Throughout the season, ScottyO was supported dutifully by all players in the team, with all players contributing their role, inspired by the inclusion by ScottyO's presence in the team.

Supporting contributions of the year include:

Nathans lengthy periods of allowing ScottyO to focus his thoughts in preparedness in attacking the opposition batsman by making a collection of runs on a number of occasions.

Dave Cowells, consistent performance opening the batting attack, dismantling on several occasions the inferior by comparison opposition opening bowlers to ScottyO.

This attitude was shared by several others as they took to the pitch with bat in hand, posting honourable performances on more than one occasion, such as Mick Fairweather, Stu Hamilton, Scott Millar, Rohan Graham and Steve Morilly. Each demonstrating superior confidence facing second rate bowling to that faced by ScottyO at training in the nets.

Inspired support was not limited by just the batsman. They say individual performances are linked by those surrounding them. This was certainly demonstrated by several bowlers producing comparable performances to ScottyO as they took ball in hand, perhaps with ScottyO's magical residue still present on the ball?

Performances of note include:

Will Daltons consistent wicket taking performances, as one Batsman after the other fell to Willy D each seeking to release the pressure endured at the other end having faced countless unhittable deliveries by ScottyO.

Not be outdone in their enthused support to ScottyO: Steve Morrilly, Mick McKay & Karan Chandra each got to share the experience of complete dominance over batsman, enjoying for that moment the ability to rub shoulders with ScottyO - an experience undoubtedly never to be forgotten and told to grand children.

ScottyO's motivation however was not limited to just other strike bowlers, with his magical residue on the ball allowing other bowlers to experience glimpses of his awesomeness, one such example being the rise and rise of Andrew Lord throughout the season.

Another example was Neil Parker, who in awe of ScottyO and through constant perseverance to emulate, graduated him to the Firsts late in the season.

The season however wasn't without its tragedies. ScottyO devastatingly injured his bowling hand, dropping an uncatchable ball and in his near immortal way, drove himself to the doctors surgery to get stitches with little anaesthetic to numb the pain.

Despite being sidelined, the 2s, inspired by ScottyO's presence on the boundary and despite the gaping hole left in the team, posted the first outright victory by the 2s in many previous years.

Upon his miraculous return to the game, several players then tried in desperate attempt to emulate ScottyO, by commencing to mimic his fielding effort by also dropping catches, hoping in vain to injure themselves like ScottyO and become as brilliant as he is.

This desire to continue supporting ScottyO and witness his dominance against batsman however continues, despite the earlier than anticipated shorter season, the 2's now have unfinished business, which they hope to rectify in next season.

"Corrs, if I do this season report, I am not going to be receiving any fines for my contribution"

"Don't worry Scotty, You will be free from fines"

**AVERAGES**

Wilson Batsman	Matches	Inns	Not Out	Hi Score	Runs	Average
Dishan, Aravinda	10	11	2	89	355	39.4
Harrison, Paul	10	12	1	68	373	33.9
Sproule, Tim	11	10	4	33	124	20.6
Hubble, Nick	5	7	0	40	140	20

Wilson Bowler	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Meehan, Matt	10	97	23	269	25	10.7
Scales, Glen	11	149.3	27	448	32	14
Sproule, Tim	11	121.3	31	328	16	20.5
Dishan Aravinda	10	69	17	212	9	23.5

Wilson 2 Batsman	Matches	Inns	Not Out	Hi Score	Runs	Average
Larkins, Nathan	10	11	3	116	481	60.1
Cowell, David	10	10	0	89	275	27.5
Dalton, Will	12	9	5	26	97	24.2
Graham, Rohan	9	8	0	44	188	23.5
Fairweather, Mick	10	9	1	61	186	23.2
Millar, Scott	7	7	0	53	146	20.8

Wilson 2 Bowler	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Dalton, Will	12	127.3	30	388	20	19.4
McKay, Michael	12	100.5	29	244	12	20.3
O'Neill, Scott	11	123	44	287	10	28.7

C1 Batsman	Matches	Inns	Not Out	Hi Score	Runs	Average
Rosemeyer, Kevin	13	10	2	115	569	71.1
Lord, Phillip	13	7	5	27	83	41.5
Clark, Derek	10	6	2	81	126	31.5
Hamilton, Stuart	6	6	3	58	93	31

C1 Bowler	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Clark, Derek	10	74.5	16	206	21	9.8
Lord, Phillip	13	91	23	231	13	17.7
Mackie, Glen	10	82	9	292	13	22.4

**AVERAGES**

D Batsman	Matches	Inns	Not Out	Hi Score	Runs	Average
Mitchell, Pat	7	7	0	82	319	45.5
Croft, Luke	7	7	1	70	173	28.8
Turner, Glen	7	7	1	75	155	25.8
Bradly, Paul	7	6	1	44	101	20.2

D Bowler	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Clark, Mitchell	10	107	11	419	20	20.9
Johnston, David	3	35	4	128	9	14.2
Croft, Luke	7	49.1	4	166	8	20.7

1-day Batsman	Matches	Inns	Not Out	Hi Score	Runs	Average
Jellett, Dylan	13	11	3	122	373	46.6
O'Neill, John	8	6	3	56	160	53.3
Dunlop, Zac	9	8	2	51	154	25.6
Willan, Aaron	8	6	1	50	106	21.2

1-day Bowler	Matches	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Average
Donlon, Anthony	11	71	6	338	14	24.1
Willan, Aaron	8	52.4	6	284	12	23.6
Hodgkins, Martin	10	46	1	324	12	27
Keele, Simon	10	68.5	10	253	10	25.3



Nunawading C.C. - Award Winners 2011/12

1st XI	
T. A. Reeves Trophy	
Paul Harrison	12
Glen Scales	12
Dishan	10
Tim Sproule	9
Matt Meehan	9

1st XI		
John O' Sullivan Trophy	Dishan	355 @ 39.44
Batting Average		

Keith Joyce Trophy	Matt Meehan	25 @ 10.76
Bowling Average		

2nd XI	
Best Player	
Nathan Larkins	11
Mick Fairweather	9
Will Dalton	7
Mick McKay	7

2nd XI		
Batting Average	Nathan Larkins	481 @ 60.13
Bowling Average	Will Dalton	20 @ 19.4

3rd XI	
Best Player	
Kevin Rosemeyer	19
Derek Clark	12
Glen Mackie	6

3rd XI		
Batting Average	Kev Rosemeyer	569 @ 71.13
Bowling Average	Derek Clark	21 @ 9.81



4th XI	
Best Player	
Paddy Mitchell	13
Mitchell Clark	8
Luke Croft	8

1-day XI	
Best Player	
Dylan Jellett	13
John O'Neill	10
Aaron Willan	10

Trevor Hutchins Trophy	
(Player of the Year)	
Kevin Rosemeyer	597
Nathan Larkins	531
Paul Harrison	508

4th XI		
Batting Average	Paddy Mitchell	319 @ 45.57
Bowling Average	Mitchell Clark	20 @ 20.95

1-day XI		
Batting Average	Dylan Jellett	373 @ 46.63
Bowling Average	Tony Donlon	14 @ 24.14

Graeme Harris Trophy	Darren Wharton
(Best Clubman)	& Luisa Mackie

Terry Harris Trophy	Mitchell Clark
(Best U21 senior player)	

Loggers Trophy	John O'Neill
(Best finals performance)	

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Season Report - Third XI

For the thirds it ended up being a disappointing end to what promised to be a rewarding year.

We could use the excuse that circumstances conspired against us to cost us a spot in the finals. We were on top against the top team for 79.4 overs but still lost the game. Yes we should have won if two clear stumpings had been given. We were on top against the second team having dismissed them for 129 and being 1 / 36 at stumps on the first day before rain completely washed out the second day. We would have won the last game if weather had not intervened. And we were one of two games that were washed out when two of the finals side got points for a one day game. If events had gone our way we could easily have finished in the top 2.

The bottom line for us was that we didn't. In a must game win against a team of juniors we let them recover from 7 / 85 to reach our 186 target. Win that and all the speculation about what could have been would have been irrelevant.

We just have to be better at closing out a game next season. As the stats indicate, we also need a more even spread of contributors for the batting.

I'd like to thank everyone who played in the thirds this season. It was disappointing that we didn't make the finals. It may have come down to a failure to execute skills, but it was never due to a lack of effort. The training efforts of everyone in the lower grades set an example for the club.

The club made the important decision to keep the fours when the attendance at the start of the year was very poor. This led to the threes playing with 10 players at least 3 times so that the fourths could field enough for a side too. That we still managed to get two wins when faced with opposition with a full complement, shows the level of exertion that was put in. Phil Lord, Jeff Woolley, Derek Clark, Glenn Mackie and Craig Thompson were the most frequently represented players in the threes and I'd like to thank them for their support all year. They always give of their best for the club. Stu Hamilton would have been another regular but as usual with Stu he played where ever he was picked to do the right thing by Nunawading.

One pleasing aspect for me was that players such as Ken McNabb and Chirag Joshi got a go at a level above the 4ths. They have been showing potential to play higher for some time and were given a chance this year.

In the past, juniors used to make their way up the grades with the thirds a place where senior players could show them how to be successful as they pass on their experience. I was pleased with the development of Mitch O'Shaughnessy who continues to develop both his batting and bowling. Late in the season Liam Lawton joined the threes in his first year of playing senior cricket.

For me that was a highlight as much as any of the victories we had. The return of players to the club such as Dylan Jellett and Zac Dunlop is a great filip. Fourth's players such as Daniel Smith and Mitch Clark show the ability to play higher and I look forward to them progressing through the threes as they make their way up the grades.

Kev

Season Reports - Fourth XI

At the beginning of the season I was of the belief that we could make the Finals and challenge for a Flag, as long as we had our strongest 11 players available each game.

Unfortunately unavailability and selection requirements in the higher grades meant that in some games, we were thread bare in terms of being competitive in a particular game.

This was demonstrated by a couple of quite heavy defeats.

As the season progressed, we seemed to get better as a team and with two games remaining were still a chance to make the finals (pending an outright victory). Unfortunately, this did not occur and with a wash out on the second day of the last game, our season came to an end.

Looking back at the season I reflect on 3 games that we possibly should have won, but didn't and they are the difference between playing a Semi Final and being part of an esky eleven.

From the season though there were many positives that can be taken forward to the next season and beyond.

The performances of our younger cricketers, Liam Lawton and Mitchell Clark. These two players are only 16 years of age, Mitchell anchored our bowling attack for much of the year, and his return of wickets is a testament to the way he bowled throughout the season. Until this year Liam Lawton had never played cricket, however quickly learned how to play to his strengths. In one game he walked to the batting crease after 20 overs with the score at 6-40, and batted the remaining 45 overs for a gutsy 32 not out. This demonstrated how to bat in a game situation and was a tremendous example to others.

The batting of Paddy Mitchell and Paul Bradley was exceptional. Paddy and Paul featured in two century plus partnerships, both players were integral to the 4th eleven batting line up. Playing with old mates Rod Jones and Rob Legg was a personal highlight. I shared premier-ships with Rob and Rod in the 80's and to be able to play in the same team again was wonderful. I hope Rod and Rob will agree to play at least one more year as I think we can challenge next season.

Cemacs inability to read a Melways or know which game the team were playing at, was of real concern. Anyone who can help him out with a Navman please contact the committee.

Over 28 players were selected in the 4th eleven over the past season and I would like to thank all for their contribution, participation and effort.



Season Report - Juniors

This season the Nunawading Junior Cricket Club (The Pirates) fielded three full teams and part of another as well as running our Milo In2Cricket program and had a total of 61 kids in the purple and gold.

There were 22 kids over the course of the season running in the Milo program which was again brilliantly run by Dave Cowell and Glenn "Maxie" Mackie. The fact that these two club stalwarts also had children representing the club in other age groups and sacrificed time with their own kids to run Milo is not only a great tribute to them but to their great club ethic. I thank and congratulate them both for this effort.

We also fielded two Ankybyters (Under 10s) teams this season in the Buccaneers and the Blackbeards. Ankybyters is a modified, non-competitive form of cricket which is an excellent segue from Milo in2cricket and competitive Under 12s crickets. In this form of cricket batsmen are not dismissed, face a designated number of balls dependant on how many players are playing that game and if the ball is delivered off the pitch they are allowed a free hit off a cone placed on either side of the pitch at the batting crease length. This encourages scoring and helps promote a proper batting technique. The bowlers can bowl from almost anywhere between the crease and half way to allow them to make the distance. Compulsory running or "tippity run" ensures action aplenty.

Both teams performed very well and players really developed and improved their cricket over the season. The two coaches Rob Nash (Buccaneers) a volunteer parent and Daniel Abrahams a young Cricket Victoria Sports development program trainee, who receives a small fee for coaching, were excellent in the way they worked with the kids. I was incredibly happy with the way all boys developed. Some kids were in their first year out of Milo and others were multiple year players of this format in fact two kids played their 50th games of Ankybyter cricket in Jayden "Westy" West and Tom "Suds" Wharton. This fantastic effort was recognised with a trophy for each lad to commemorate the event. We have some nine players from this age group moving into competitive Under 12s cricket next season.

The coordination of this age group could not have occurred without the dedication of the two parent Team Managers Claire Maharaj and Nicole Browell. A huge thanks to these ladies for the season long efforts. Claire also runs our infamous "boot camps" which helps break up training.

Our Under 12s started the season in C Grade as we were expecting to field two team however we fell a few players short. After two wins in C Grade the Association put us up to B Grade with no carry over points. This did not discourage the lads who were ably led by Junior Club Captain Jack Peters



Season Reports - Juniors

The lads started to find some form and strung four wins together either side of the Christmas break to make finals. A great win over Blackburn in the final round saw them replace Blackburn in the four and earn a spot in the semi finals against the undefeated Heatherdale.

The lads did a great job in the field early on in the semi final however Heatherdale got away a bit to post 200.

Our boys started the chase well and at the halfway mark were ahead of their opponents at the same stage but could not sustain the effort and gallantly went down to a worthy winner. We were all so proud of their efforts.

Jack Peters also made the Association Under 12s representative team and brought back a lot of useful tactics and team building techniques to the group who thrived under his leadership. The Under 12s awards were:

Bowling Average: Robbie Batianpillai

Batting Average: David Cowell Jnr.

Batting Aggregate: Cameron Clark

Most Improved: Ben Mason

Coach's Award Robbie Bastianpillai

The junior club award this season went to Under 12s player Josh Richardson for his hard work and dedication and a fantastic attitude.

The team was coached very well by Pennie Harrison (Harro's daughter) who's knowledge of cricket really flowed onto her charges. Pennie is also undertaking the Cricket Victoria Sports development program and has been a great asset to the club over the last two years.

Assisting off field were long time Team Manager Paul Aspin who has worked tirelessly for five years and is a guy the club really needs and appreciates. Also helping run the show was Derek Clark who is always there to help Paul or myself and another great clubman.

The Under 14s are combined with East Burwood/Bennettswood and play Saturday mornings unlike the rest of our junior cricket which is exclusively Friday night.

The boys have had a great season and Ash Bawa has played every game and developed into a very handy swing bowler. Jack Peters also opens the batting and bowling in this age group which is indicative of the talent he is.

Cam Clark came into the team late in the season as numbers were dwindling to stamp his authority on the team too.

The boys did so well that they actually won the Under 14 C Grade premiership defeating Forest Hill who, ironically, we shared this team with last season.



Season Report - Juniors

Over the season we have contributed 5 players to this team. Jack Peters, Corey Dezoysa, As Bawa, Ken Xie and Cameron Clark.

In the grand final Ash, Cam and Jack represented our club brilliantly contributing with both bat and ball.

Chasing 130 we started slowly with Jack Peters retiring on 11. Ash Bawa hit some lusty blows late in the run chase to get us so close and Cam Clark was doing well until dismissed by a blinder of a catch.

Jack returned to the crease to hit the winning runs in a three wicket win and a share in Nunawading's first premiership in a few years.

A huge thanks to coach "Muppet" and Rob Robinson at East Burwood/Bennettswood for running the team this year and we look forward to fielding our own Under 14s team next season.

We also celebrated four players who notched up five seasons of junior cricket with the club which is a fantastic effort. The five players were, Riley Jones, Cameron Clark, Patrick West and Michael Wharton. Congratulations to these four boys who's efforts were recognised with trophies at presentation day.

We have high expectations for next season where we hope to field our own Under 14s team, potentially two under 12s teams, two Ankylbyters teams and our Milo in2cricket program which is being handed over to Daniel Abrahams.

Our Friday night post game BBQs are a real highlight and a great revenue raiser for the clubs. We had four themed nights this season beginning with the very well supported Curry Night in November, the annual Christmas Party where Santa is a real hit, Our Grandparents and Special Guests when we had three home games at Mahoneys Reserve and our Asian Noodle Night. All were greatly supported by parents who provided curries, salads, desserts, noodle dishes and helped with serving.

Our in house catering was magnificently run by Luisa Mackie who was selfless and tireless in her volunteer work for the club. Simon Keele is an expert cook on the BBQ and club President Greg Clark and his son and senior player as well as the first new junior program graduate, Mitch cooked the BBQ on occasions.

I'd like to thank Greg Clark and the committee for their support and to Dave Cowell for re-establishing the junior program six years ago as well as for giving me the opportunity to do something I love and have a real passion for.

Cheers
Darren Wharton
Director of Junior Coaching





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