Elsternwick Cricket Club



One Hundred and Twenty-First Annual Report and Financial Statement

Season 2021 - 2022

Elsternwick Cricket Club Inc.

Founded: 1901

Affiliated:

Victorian Sub-District Cricket Association South East Cricket Association Cricket Southern Bayside

Patron:

Cameron White

President:

John Dunnachie

Vice Presidents: David Long Ray Street

Secretary: Bryan Hammer

Treasurer:

Greg Sinclair

Assistant Secretary: David Halligan

Committee:

Lachlan Baker Andrew Chisholm Cameron Christiansen Kay Crowley Mark Dunstan Bradley Marks Paul Whitehead

Delegates To VSDCA:

John Dunnachie Bryan Hammer

Coach:

Ben Cavey

Club Captains

Men's 1st XI Lincoln Edwards Men's 2nd XI Timothy Bourke Men's 3rd XI Mark Quinn Men's 4th XI John Dunnachie Men's 5th XI Angelo Portelli Women's 1st XI Caroline Larcher / Jocelyn Hurley It is with pleasure that I present this year's Presidents Report for the Elsternwick Cricket Club.

Once again, we had a season impacted by COVID in a number of ways. The season didn't start until 5 December and the year's social functions were again impacted.

Club Rebranding

With so many new faces arriving at ECC for the 2021/22 season the committee thought it an appropriate time to consolidate a number of aspects of the ECC's branding and identity. Amongst other things, feedback from junior players and parents was that the club needed to have more coherence between junior and senior clubs, with a better-defined pathway from juniors into seniors. It was suggested the club should adopt a mascot.

A subcommittee of 5 was set up with the task of looking to build on the past and current branding to create a stronger brand that was both significant to the local area and unique within the cricket community. A huge range of options was considered relating to the physical location of Elsternwick Park, history and landmarks of the region, wildlife of the region and significant people in the local community. Eventually the subcommittee settled on the short-finned eel to be the mascot of the club, and this was ratified by committee. The short-finned eel was chosen as it is indigenous to the local area and has survived across the entire period ECC as a foundation member of the VSDCA has occupied its home at the reclaimed swamp of Elsternwick Park.

So, we are still Elsternwick Cricket Club, we are still the Wickas, and we now also have a mascot of a short-finned eel.

Playing

Preseason consisted of Zoom meetings and players doing their own training in small groups in addition to group physical sessions via Zoom. Ben Cavey as coach did an amazing job engaging with all the players and running preseason sessions working with the players on both planning for the season ahead and working on the club's KPIs.

For the first time in several years the club recruited strongly welcoming back LJ Edwards after a very successful career at Melbourne and Dandenong Premier clubs. Also returning from Dandenong was Zac Grundmann-Perera. Further to these two players we welcomed Das Opanayaka, Zach Pedderson, Mal Gamage, Kal Sineth, Max Tucker, Joel Menzies and Tom Grinyer, while past player Adam Fraine also returned to the club.

Ben did a great job as club coach; his planning and structuring of all sessions was fantastic and made for an enjoyable season for all players. He was ably assisted by John Watkin and Mark Quinn who gave up their time again this year to coach the players. Both are fantastic to have around the club educating our players. Their knowledge and communication skills make them two of the best coaches in the VSDCA. They were well supported as usual by Cam Christiansen.

Due to the season starting in December all grades played one day games for the season, including finals.

This season saw us field a 5th men's side again, which we did several years ago but only for the one season. We also had a women's team for the first time in the club history. It was great to have the women play under the ECC name. Thanks must go to Kay Crowley for her efforts in organising the team.

The 1^{st} and 2^{nd} XIs both finished the season in 8th position, while the 3^{rd} and 4^{th} XIs, in a revamped structure that saw both teams in Division 2, finished 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} respectively.

The 1st XI won 8 games out of 15 and were very competitive in several close losses. With the borders still being closed the competition saw the biggest influx of Premier players in several years and this made for a very strong grade.

The 3rd and 4th XIs both finished the season losing their semi-finals, which was disappointing as both were in winning positions and had teams capable of winning the premiership.

Juniors

The club now has a broad junior program with Junior and Master Blaster introductory programs, Rookies, U12, U14 and U16 teams in the SECA competition and the representative standard JG Craig U15 carnival team.

The junior section was very well run by Michael McPhee who ensured that the programs were well organised and that all participants enjoyed their cricket season. Michael was well supported by a Junior Committee comprising Angelo Portelli, Kay Crowley, Bryan Hammer, Naylor Dray, Zach Peddersen, Brad Marks and Cam Christensen. The Junior Committee and all the team coaches and managers must be thanked for helping nurture the future of our club.

Our JG Craig team was coached by Zach Peddersen who did a great job in his first year at the club. Zach's organisation and planning made the JG Craig selection trials and carnival a great experience for all players. They all benefitted from their involvement in the program and the chance to play on some of the best VSDCA grounds.

The club also ran successful Junior and Master Blasters programs. These programs were organised by Bryan Hammer who also coached the Master Blasters with the support of Alex McPhee. The Junior Blasters were coached by Tom Foley and Tom Ashman who did a great job. Thanks to the senior players who helped with the running of the Junior Blasters.

Volunteers

The club is very fortunate to have a core group of volunteers that commit each week to help make the club run successfully. These include: -

John Christiansen as Net Captain.

David Long as Club Umpire.

Robyn Christensen, Karen Long and Vanessa Smith, organisers of our Thursday night dinners.

Mark Dunstan and Ray Street who each Saturday assisted in rolling the Oval 1 and HTO wickets to finish them off for Saturday's games.

External Parties

Many external parties provide support in the operations of the Club, including: -

Cricket Victoria, the Victorian Sub District Cricket Association, Cricket Southern Bayside and the South East Cricket Association, that run the competitions in which we participate.

Bayside City Council, that provides our grounds and pavilions.

Citywide, contractors to Bayside Council that maintain our outfields.

Matthew Harrison, who as curator did a good job on both the main and back grounds, producing great wickets. Unfortunately, due to other commitments Matt couldn't do the full season on both ovals and the HTO wicket was prepared by the master groundsman David Halligan for the second half of the season.

The Victorian Amateur Football Association, the VAFA Umpires Association, Old Melburnians Football Club and the Elsternwick Amateur Football Club with whom we share our facilities. We would like to thank them for the support that they give us.

The partners and families of players who support the club throughout the year at social functions and games.

Past players for their continued support through the Wickas and attendance at social functions and games. The Wickas is very well run by Col Shimell who is supported by Ray Street and Mark Dunstan.

Sponsors

I would like to thank our sponsors, Money Quest, Goat House, National Make Good Solutions, HMH Advisory, Sound Insurance Services, Chisholm and Gammon, Reddrop Group and Subway for their support.

Committee

Thanks go to: -

Bryan Hammer for his role as Secretary who continues to run the club successfully. The club would not survive without the great contribution from Bryan, this year again made the role even more time consuming with COVID.

Greg Sinclair for his contribution over 9 years as Treasurer. Greg resigned from the role at Christmas but did a great job and was always across all financial areas of the club. Thanks to David Long for stepping in for the last half of the season when the planned succession did not come to fruition.

David Halligan for his work with our facilities and liaising with both Bayside Council and CityWide. Despite not playing for several seasons, David spent countless hours each week maintaining and organising the facilities and equipment, he should be thanked by all at the club for the time he has committed.

The rest of the committee for their work during the season in their various roles.

Social

Due to COVID the club was again restricted in our social calendar for the year. We had several successful events after Christmas, including Summer Vibes, our annual game against Bayley House and the reinstituted Wickas vote count held after the last round of the season.

We also held a T20 game against the EAFC which honoured Gary Roswarne, a great contributor to both clubs.

We were fortunate to be able to hold our annual Quiz Night after the season, thanks to both the VAFA and OMFC for permission to use the main social rooms to hold this event. It was a great night, very well run by Melbourne Trivia and organised by Cam Christensen. Thanks to Cam and the other players and volunteers that helped in the lead up to and on the night.

Our Senior Presentation Night was once again held at The Deck in Brighton. I would like to congratulate all award winners on the night.

Facilities

The club would like to acknowledge Bayside Council and CityWide for their job in maintaining both Oval 1 and the HTO. Thanks also to David Halligan for his continued work around the club and for liaising with the Council.

Finance

A full report on the club's finances is included in this report.

Congratulations

Congratulations to those clubs throughout the association that achieved success and to all award winners both within our club and from opposition teams.

Next Year and Beyond

It looks like finally the worst of COVID is behind us and we will be playing cricket from October this season which I am sure will be welcomed by all players.

The committee will continue to work to provide the best possible facilities for all at ECC to enjoy and to be a club that welcomes players of all abilities to the game of cricket.

Finally, I would also like thank Kerry and Zoe again for their support in allowing me the time to do my role as President.

John Dunnachie President



Covid continued to impact the financial position of the club. After successfully combatting the impact of Covid during the 2020/2021 season a surplus of \$5,542 was reported. This was substantially down on the previous season's surplus of \$24,554 but all things considered, 2020/2021 was successful.

On the back of this strong financial position, some positive thinking regarding sponsorships and donations, the probable growth in the men's player numbers, growth in the junior section and the inclusion of the women's teams, the club committed to a substantial increase in both revenue and expense lines.

However, Covid continued to cause issues, most notably another shortened season and restrictions on numbers for social / fundraising events which had a negative impact on the revenue earned but only a relatively minor impact on the expense side of the profit and loss. Other impacts were that sponsorships did not reach the amounts budgeted, a loss on merchandise, which was partly due to the change of logo, and an increase in payments for professional players and coaches.

The net result of these events is that the club is reporting a deficit of \$16,948 for the season.

It should be noted that this deficit includes a provision for the Bayside Council's ground and pavilion rental which is estimated to be around \$10,000 for which we have yet to receive an invoice. As this expense does relate to ECC using the facilities during the 2021/2022 season, it has been included in the expense line with a corresponding amount included as a creditor.

It should also be noted that the club has received the benefit of loans from some members which allowed us to pay all our external suppliers and professional players and coaches. Formal arrangements have been put in place to ensure that these kind members are only out of pocket for a short period of time.

I would like to thank our sponsors who were generous in their support in what was a difficult time for them.

On the positive side, Bradley Marks and Cam Christiansen made the Giving Day a success, and while the social side of the club's activities may not have been as lucrative as we would have liked, they were successful in bringing the club together. Andrew Chisholm continued his good work obtaining grants and the Wickas continued to provide support financially and from outside the boundary line.

Player numbers increased across the senior and junior club, resulting in a 5th men's team and a senior women's team, which is a wonderful thing for the club. This increase in player numbers will assist the club in the future.

Looking Forward

Unfortunately, the threat of another wave of Covid appears to be becoming more real which may create another difficult season.

Even so, the increase in the number of players across men, women and juniors makes it very possible that this last season will only be a glitch in our finances. It may need the club to be conservative in its outgoings for a couple of seasons, but I believe that we will recover from these tough years to continue being the strong club that we have been in the current era.

David Long

Statement by Members of the Committee.

We, John Don Dunnachie and Bryan Thomas Hammer, being members of the Committee of the Elsternwick Cricket Club Inc., certify that: -

The statements attached to this certificate give a true and fair view of the financial performance and position of the association during and at the end of the financial year of the association ending on 30 June 2022.

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John Dunnachie President

28/07/2022 Date

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Bryan Hammer Secretary

28/07/2021 Date



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	2021/22	2020/21
Income	+ a	± 0
Prizemoney	\$0	\$0
Country Week	\$0	\$0
Senior Subscriptions	\$19,029	\$14,885
Junior Subscriptions	\$24,922	\$15,384
JG Craig Subscriptions	\$2,000	\$2,700
Junior & Master Blaster Subscriptions	\$2,245	\$2,275
Sponsorships & Donations	\$69,483	\$12,831
Social & Fundraising Activities	\$26,170	\$15,774
Merchandise Sales	\$26,205	\$2,161
Bar / Food Sales	\$14,285	\$13,027
Other Income	\$8,043	\$250
Total Income	\$192,382	\$79,287
Expenses		
Affiliation Fees	\$1,615	\$1,780
Light & Power	\$1,902	\$1,635
Petty Cash & Postage	\$0	\$0
Bank Charges	\$741	\$592
Admin Expenses	\$0	\$0
Fines	\$170	\$90
Insurance	\$0	\$0
Ground & Pavilion Rental	\$10,000	\$7,267
Curation	\$9,750	\$8,250
Curation Equipment	\$4,826	\$9,577
Coaching	\$11,850	\$8,720
Professional Players	\$52,037	\$0
Indoor Practice	\$1,650	\$0
Country Week	\$0	\$0
Cricket Balls	\$10,864	\$7,544
Other Cricket Equipment	\$5,240	\$333
Juniors & Blasters	\$21,900	\$69
JG Craig	\$3,258	\$2,065
Social & Fundraising	\$17,871	\$8,116
Trophies	\$409	\$1,236
Merchandise	\$33,356	\$6,105
Bar/Food	\$7,246	\$7,582
Clubroom Expenses	\$2,433	\$0
Facilities Maintenance	\$4,615	\$0 \$0
Sundry	\$7,597	\$2,785
Total Expenses	\$209,330	\$73,745
Net	(\$16,948)	\$5,542

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John Dunnachie President

Regen Bryan Hammer Secretary

As at	30 June 2022	30 June 2021
Current Assets		
Cash	\$26,285	\$11,645
Apparel Inventory	\$4,964	\$2,300
Bar Inventory	\$1,200	\$1,200
Receivables	\$1,200	\$0
Total	\$33,649	\$15,145
Non-Current Assets		
Property, Plant & Equipment	\$26,000	\$26,000
Total	\$26,000	\$26,000
TOTAL ASSETS	\$59,649	\$41,145
Current Liabilities		
Creditors	\$10,000	\$0
Total	\$10,000	\$0
Non-Current Liabilities		
Borrowings	\$25,451	\$0
Total	\$25,451	\$0
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$35,451	\$0
NET ASSETS	\$24,198	\$41,145
MEMBERS FUNDS		
Retained Profits	\$24,198	\$41,145
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS	\$24,198	\$41,145

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John Dunnachie President

Segar Bryan Hammer Secretary



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Thomas Agosta JPM Thomas Amarasekara JPM Thomas Ashman SPM Flynn Bakes JPM Denis Banks LM Henry Bennett SPM Harry Boyd JPM Bowie Brown JPM Simpson Cadzow JPM Benjamin Cavey SPM Daniel Cherny SPM Cameron Christiansen LM Hamish Collopy JPM Nigel Couzens SPM Orla Crowley JPM Henry Darvall JPM Thomas Dawson JPM Alice de Villiers JPM Marshall Dray JPM Zac Duncan JPM Harry Dyer JPM Lincoln Edwards SPM Tom Fernie JPM Thomas Foley SPM Felix Fraser JPM Kalapu Gamage SPM Rafferty Gleeson JPM Kip Griffin JPM Benjamin Hall SPM Teddy Ham JPM Orlando Harrison JPM Henry Heaphy JPM Julia Hofmann ^{JPM} Logan Hollow JPM Jeanette Houliston SPM Jack Hunter JPM Oliver Jackson JPM Rishan Jain JPM Archie Jenkin JPM Joshua Jones JPM Rio Keane JPM Charlie Kett JPM Willem Koopmans JPM Victoria Lantseva JPM Harry Larner JPM Neil Liddell LM Andrew Love LM Bradley Marks SPM Portia Marks JPM Thomas McPherson JPM Archer Morris JPM Max Nethercott SPM Noah Ockwell JPM Dasun Opanayaka SPM Curtis Patten JPM Zachary Peddersen SPM Caiden Perla-Dowdell JPM

Aiyla Akram JPM William Amarasekara JPM Alex Ayres JPM Henry Bakes JPM Tommy Barrell JPM Hugh Bennett SPM Thomas Bradshaw SPM John Burgin ^{LM} Felix Carra JPM Raphael Chandler JPM Will Chilcott JPM Gabriel Cohalan JPM Amelia Cook JPM Thomas Craig JPM Tadhg Crowley SPM Cooper Davies SPM Will de Boer JPM Brody Derricks JPM Wesley Dray JPM John Dunnachie LM Owen Dyer JPM Joel Engelman JPM Dylan Flavell SPM Timothy Fonda SPM Boston Fuller JPM Charlie Giannopoulos JPM Emma Goudie JPM Thomas Grinyer SPM Jackson Hall SPM Bryan Hammer LM Darren Harvey LM Sam Henderson JPM Elliot Holdsworth JPM Patrick Homberg SPM Ted Houston JPM Jocelyn Hurley SPM Sophie Jackson JPM Henry James JPM Liyang Jiang JPM Harry Kau JPM John Keating JPM Jude Kett JPM Kaavya Kumaran ^{JPM} Caroline Larcher SPM Peter Lewinsky LM David Long LM Sam Luth JPM Brandon Marks JPM Charlie McLean JPM Joel Menzies SPM Amelia Nankervis JPM Sadie Newton JPM Zephyr O'Farrell JPM Oscar Palmer JPM Atticus Patterson JPM Jesse Pengelly JPM Sam Perry JPM

Current Members (cont)

Evie Pitard ^{JPM}	Sebastian Poole JPM	Angelo Portelli SPM
Noah Portelli JPM	Judd Power ^{JPM}	Levi Power JPM
Mark Quinn SPM	Archie Rainey JPM	Liam Rainey JPM
Julian Rajadurai ^{JPM}	Felix Ramsay JPM	Ian Ramsay ^{WM}
Felix Randall JPM	Huxley Reed JPM	Hubert Reynolds ^{JPM}
Lucas Riseley JPM	Riley Rosengarten JPM	Lotti Ruegg JPM
Conrad Rzechorzek SPM	Arthur Scott LM	Tim Shellcot ^{LM}
Hugo Sheppard ^{JPM}	Fletcher Sherren JPM	Colin Shimell ^{LM}
Henry Sims JPM	Mitchell Sims JPM	Callum Sinclair SPM
Greg Sinclair LM	Kalhan Sineth SPM	Daniel Smith ^{LM}
Neal Smith SPM	William Smith SPM	Avelyn Spiker JPM
Daniel Stephens JPM	Lucia Stephens JPM	Isabella Stooke ^{JPM}
Susan Strang SPM	Elroy Stranger JPM	Ray Street LM
Haydn Thompson SPM	Xavier Tingiri JPM	Mitchell Tiu ^{JPM}
Louise Tobin SPM	Hughie Toward ^{JPM}	Joshua Travers ^{JPM}
Matthew Travers JPM	Esme Tully ^{JPM}	Joe Tully JPM
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Michael Vawser LM	Ashwath Venkat ^{JPM}	Venkat Vijay SPM
Fergus Vile JPM	Emilia Villanti ^{JPM}	Sasha Volz ^{JPM}
Dash von Carate JPM	Sam Walker ^{JPM}	William Warren JPM
Willis Webb ^{JPM}	Cameron White PM	Paul Whitehead HM
Nicholas Winter WM	Lachie Yann JPM	

Deceased Life Members

S J Bannister, N C Blundell, C Brooks, L L Chapman, P W Coombs, A, Coppin, T P Dakin, C S Fraser, A E French, R Greenfield, R E Hunt, G A Jeffries, N S Johnston, W A Johnston, A S Lambert, C D Lloyd, W T Long, A A Lord, A J McDonald, H H Moulton, N J Newson, B Nugent, V Schneider, H C Soden, B N Todd.

Membership Summary

Category		<u>Number</u>
PM	Patron Member	1
LM	Life Member	24
SPM	Senior Playing Member	51
JPM	Junior Playing Member	156
WM	Wickas Member	3
SM	Social Member	0
HM	Honorary Member	1
(DL)	(Deceased Life Member)	(25)
Total		261

Notes: -

A person may hold more than one class of membership therefore the total number of members may not equal the sum of the number of members in each membership class.

Early season wicket renovation was conducted after the premature finish to the football season and in-between lockdowns. Special "COVID worker permits" were put in place to allow some attendance at the ground to monitor grass growing, growth covers, watering and mowing from late September through October, to have the two facilities ready for play when the lockdowns were lifted.

The later start to the season helped enormously in getting both tables into a condition that was acceptable for Round 1. Once the couch came out of dormancy, the club was also blessed with superb outfield conditions.

The grounds had increased usage this season outside of normal Saturday fixturing, with Bayside Veterans using the Main Oval on about 8 Sundays and the Holmes-Todd Oval hosting the newly formed Men's 5th XI and Women's XI on alternating Sundays. In addition, once the grass on the wicket was established and the weather improved, Holmes-Todd Oval was also used for junior ECC matches on Friday nights featuring the U16B and U14C teams.

The club also hosted the ECC vs EAFC Gary Rosewarne Cup match and the annual grudge match against the highly fancied Bayley House Bushrangers late in the season, "under lights".

Grounds

Both grounds were in top shape all summer for both training and playing. The santa-ana couch continues to be a tremendous surface for cricket and I'm sure most past players are very envious when they see the surface of the grounds.

We saw lots of wildlife on the grounds this season, some being the same old dogs, ducks and pigeons, but there was also a rare sighting of a wild brumby. Unfortunately, this poor fellow was cut down later in the day by some dogs (off-leash).





Ducks (these ones are actually geese) and wild brumbies running free on the Holmes-Todd Oval

Wickets

For the second year in a row, the football season was shortened, which is actually "good for cricket".

The conditions throughout the summer were still in an El Nino weather pattern. For those who don't watch the weather, this equates to a wetter, milder summer that can impact on wicket preparation schedules. Not exactly great conditions for preparing wickets when it seemed to rain Mon-Fri for a number of weeks!

Thank you to Mark Dunstan and Ray Street who gave the playing wickets a roll just about every Saturday morning as well as providing support for some curating throughout the season. The contribution of these ECC stalwarts played a big role in ensuring that games went ahead on many weeks where the wicket preparation during the week was compromised.

Council Interface

With the impacts of the pandemic still with us, the majority of contact with council staff was virtual. I am pleased to say that there weren't too many general building or ground maintenance issues to contend with, however we do have ongoing upgrade discussions in relation to the hard-wicket practice facility.

Thank you very much to our primary interfaces, Ebony, Michelle, Miles, Sara, the Bayside Customer Service and Maintenance Teams and the team from Citywide for supporting the club throughout the season.

Equipment

This season there was not a lot in the way of new equipment, other than replacement of a single cover and new sets of hessian. These items are used every week for wicket preparation and as such, don't have an overly long lifespan.

The off-season activity has involved sending the Main Oval roller off-site for a 3-year major service, servicing of the cylinder mower and a refurbishment of the Mentay walk behind roller. What started off as only needing a new engine on the Mentay roller grew a number of arms and legs when it was identified that every bolt was seized along with other general issues as a result of living out in the weather for the past several seasons. All equipment will be ready and firing for the upcoming season.





Mentay roller part way through refurbishment

Summary

Another season has slipped by. There has been little let up over the winter with coordinating some maintenance and refurbishment of the Mentay roller. The club is also searching for a new curator following Matt Harrison's resignation at the end of last season.

I would like to sign off by giving a big "thank you" to President John Dunnachie and the Committee for their incredible work in keeping the club running despite the impacts we have all faced over the past couple of years.

This will be my last report as Facilities Manager as I have decided it is time to hand over to the next generation. My hope is that the load of running the club can be shared more evenly and that the club can continue to grow, be successful and be a place to foster friendships through cricket. I will continue to support the club for another season as Equipment Manager.

David Halligan Facilities Portfolio Manager

Social

Season 2021/22 was once again disrupted by COVID, with no major social events able to be held before Christmas and many club activities interrupted. Despite these challenges, there were several successful social events held in the second half of the season and many achievements to celebrate across the club.

We were once again fortunate to have the amazing support of the Goat House who hosted our season launch prior to round one, where we welcomed many new players to the ECC.

Our first official club social function was to be our annual Christmas Party, but unfortunately due to a COVID outbreak amongst the playing group, this event had to be cancelled. We set to work on developing a social calendar for the post-Christmas period that could provide a safe environment for our players and members within the constraints of COVID and the associated restrictions.

The first of these was 'Summer Vibes' which included a 'super draw' raffle with \$2,000 in prizes for the winner. Originally slated to be held outdoors on Oval 1, a last-minute restrictions change allowed us to hold the event in our wonderful social rooms at Elsternwick Park. Max Nethercott was the owner of the lucky ticket that took out the draw and thanks to the hard work of event organiser Karen Young, we were able to raise significant funds through silent auction items and ticket sales. Thank you to everyone who contributed to organising this event, in particular Karen and Angela Marks who completed a power of work preparing and setting up for the night, and of course our amazing supporters and sponsors who donated items for the silent and live auctions.



Our next major social function was the annual trivia night, which was once again held out of season due to the COVID constraints. We thank the VAFA and OMFC for allowing us to use the function room during our off season. The Melbourne Trivia Company once again delivered a professional and fun atmosphere and for the third time in four years, the 'Trivia Newton John's' came away with victory and the prizes provided by Heron Beverages. Once again, we were able to fundraise and offer some great prizes because of the generous donations by many club members and local businesses including Celtic Tiger Barbers, Felice Place Butchers, UpVibes Paint and Sip Studios, Appy Movement, Go to Grocer and The Bennett Family and Haydn Thompson.

An important component of our social program was our Thursday Night Selection Dinners which would not have been possible without the outstanding catering of Karen Long, Robyn Christiansen and Vanessa Smith. We thank you all for your ongoing support of the club and playing group!



We hope that season 2022/23 will see a return to social program normality and we can continue to provide opportunities for our community to connect and have some fun off field. A special thank you to the social committee members, Brad and Angela Marks, Stick Mareebo, Lachy Baker and Kay Crowley, for their hard work and contribution to our social programme, to the businesses who provided prizes, gift and silent auction items, to the committee members, in particular Bryan Hammer, John Dunnachie and David Long for their support and to everyone who attended a social event this season to support the club!

Club Promotion

The club promotion team of Max Nethercott, Max Tucker, the 'Bat Whisperer' and myself set out to take the showcasing of our club, celebration of our people and recognition of our sponsors to a new level. Not only did we significantly increase our social media presence, but the introduction of 'The Swamp' podcast, led by Max and Max, was a great initiative. The 'Team of the Week', selected by the mysterious Bat Whisperer was hotly anticipated each week and provided an opportunity to recognise some outstanding individual performances throughout the season. Thanks to all members of the team for their creativity and efforts throughout the season.



Past Players



The 1st XI players recognition function was postponed twice this season due to COVID but we are committed to making this happen in the near future. As Ray Street would say, onward and upwards!

Ray organised the annual Wickas BBQ on 'The Hill' which was attended by Dean Edmunds, Peter Lewinsky, John Watkin, Denis Banks, Andrew 'Dessie' Love, Brett Cooper, Danny Smith, Wayne 'Noddy' Howard and John Burgin. The playing group greatly appreciate the support of the past players and we look forward to more Wickas and past players events in season 2022/23.

It was unfortunate that after 20 plus years, COVID put paid to our attempts to hold the annual Wickas Dinner. It is hoped the event will be back with a vengeance next season.

Community



On the 25th of January, the second Elsternwick Amateur Football Club vs Elsternwick Cricket Club T20 match was held. The game was played in great spirits, with ECC just getting over the line to square up the ledger at 1-1. A trophy has been struck and named after the great Gary Rosewarne who sadly passed away on the 21 July 2021. Gary was a legend of both clubs, and we are hopeful that this will now become an annual event to recognise Gary's incredible contributions at Elsternwick.

On the 19 February the annual Bayley House Bushrangers vs ECC match was held at the Holmes-Todd Oval. Unlike the Gary Rosewarne Cup, ECC were not successful in achieving victory, with Ed and his all-conquering Bayley House teammates winning what we believe is their 21st straight victory. For the first time, the Mulcahy-Howard perpetual trophy was presented to Ed and Bayley House. The trophy recognises the tremendous contributions of the Mulcahy family and Wayne 'Noddy' Howard to this cherished event and was donated by Mark Zetzer at 5-Star Trophies.



History

Ross McCulloch's work continues to track down annual reports and score sheets to allocate each player to have represented the ECC 1st XI with a sequential number. We have started to make some progress in uploading scoresheets in our possession to the online cricket database MyCricket. If you know of anyone who might have annual reports or scoresheets from previous seasons, please get in contact with the club.

Milestones

Congratulations to the players who achieved milestones during the 2021/22 season: -

Women's Debutants
Mary Bollen
Kay Crowley
Orla Crowley
Jeanette Houliston
Ellen Hurley
Jocelyn Hurley
Sophie Jackson
Caroline Larcher
Yumi Nishiyama
Lisa O'Shannessy
Rebecca Perkins
Isabella Stooke
Susan Strang
Louise Tobin
50 Senior games
50 Senior games
100 Senior games
100 Senor games
150 Senior games
100 Men's 1st XI games
200 Men's 1st XI games

Fantasy Competition

ECC partnered with My Club Tap to run a fantasy competition in 2021/22. Forty participants selected from players across the senior and older junior grades, looking for value and watching the form lines closely to fill out their squads. The overall winner was Callum Sinclair who led all comers with 9574 points. Callum also acted as the administrator to coordinate the competition from ECC's end (I assure everyone that his victory was legitimate!). A big thank you to Callum for running this competition!

We would like to thank Active Lens for their support taking many of the photos you see in this annual report. Be sure to give him a follow on Instagram.

Cameron Christiansen Club Portfolio Manager

C S Fraser Club Champion Award:	Dasun Opanayaka
Women's Club Champion	Jocelyn Hurley
B N Todd Volunteer Award:	David Halligan
Wickas Award:	Jocelyn Hurley
A L J Scott U21 Player of the Year Award:	Jackson Hall
Training Award	Joel Menzies
Outstanding Batting:	Lincoln Edwards
Outstanding Bowling:	Raj Kuver
Men's 1 st XI Batting:	Cameron Christiansen
Men's 1 st XI Bowling:	Kalapu Gamage
Women's 1 st XI Batting:	Caroline Larcher
Women's 1 st XI Bowling:	Jocelyn Hurley
Men's 2 nd XI Batting:	Timothy Bourke
Men's 2 nd XI Bowling:	Jackson Hall
Men's 3 rd XI Batting:	Andrew Chisholm
Men's 3rd XI Bowling:	Mark Quinn
Men's 4 th XI Batting:	John Dunnachie
Men's 4th XI Bowling:	Mark Dunstan
Men's 5 th XI Batting:	Noah Portelli
Men's 5 th XI Bowling:	James Collins



LJ Edwards

<u>C S Fraser Club Champion Award</u>

<u>Name</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Catch</u>	<u>Stump</u>	<u>R/O</u>	<u>Points</u>
Dasun Opanayaka	313	18	8		2	673
Zac Grundmann-Perera	360	16	7		2	670
Cameron Christiansen	418		9	2	2	548
Lincoln Edwards	483	0	4		0	523
Kalapu Gamage	122	14	6		0	382
Callum Sinclair	184	9	3		0	334
Kalhan Sineth	54	19	3		0	334
Ben Cooper	126	4	5		4	316
Lachlan Baker	82	1	2		0	122
Daniel Edwards	69		1		1	89
Maxwell Tucker	19	4	1		1	89
Joel Menzies	67		1		0	77
Hugh Bennett	3	4	2		0	73
Lachlan MacCorquodale	59		1		0	69
Adam Fraine	62	0	0		0	62
Cooper Davies	24		1		0	34
Timothy Bourke	10		1		1	30
William Long	29		0		0	29
Henry Bennett	4	2	0		0	24
Zachary Peddersen	4		2	0	0	24
Jack Dwyer	13	0	0		0	13

Women's Club Champion Award

<u>Name</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Catch</u>	<u>Stump</u>	<u>R/O</u>	<u>Points</u>
Jocelyn Hurley	72	12	3		1	302
Kay Crowley	59		2	0	1	89
Caroline Larcher	86	0	0		0	86
Louise Tobin	14	3	1		2	74
Orla Crowley	16	2	0		1	66
Jeanette Houliston	23	1	0		0	43
Susan Strang	15	1	0		0	35
Lisa O'Shannessy	16	0	0		1	26
Mary Bollen	0	1	1		0	20
Rebecca Perkins		1	0		0	20
Karen Hall	4	0	0		1	14
Isabella Stooke	12	0	0		0	12
Ellen Hurley	1	1	0		0	11
Sophie Jackson	10	0	0		0	10
Yumiko Nishiyama	8	0	0		0	8

Wickas Trophy (top five)

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Votes</u>
1	Jocelyn Hurley	2.00
2	Caroline Larcher	1.50
3	Noah Portelli	1.25
4	Zac Grundmann-Perera	1.21
=5	Mark Dunstan	1.18
=5	Dylan Flavell	1.18



Jocelyn Hurley, David Halligan and Jackson Hall

A L J Scott U21 Player of the Year (top five)

<u>Name</u>	Points
1 Jackson Hall	1017
2 Robert Larcher	928
3 Tiernan Crowley	853
4 Patrick Homberg	729
5 Noah Portelli	710



David Halligan

It was a busy off season for the playing sub-committee with several ambitious goals set in late 2020/21 including the introduction of a women's team, expansion of the senior men's program to a 5th XI, and an improvement in our Senior men's club championship position. With the introduction of the new Eel mascot, there was also much to do to update our apparel.

Coaching and Captaincy

After a terrific season in 2020/21 in very challenging circumstances, Ben Cavey was reappointed as men's head coach. Mark Quinn continued in his specialist coaching position and John Watkin undertook a newly created high-performance role. Cameron Christiansen re-joined the coaching panel as a specialist coach to make it four level two coaches leading our men's program.

To support and nurture the next generation, Zach Peddersen joined us as a junior pathways coach after acting as head coach at Ballam Park the previous season. Kalhan Sineth and former premier cricket player Dasun Opanayaka also acted as development coaches rounding out a very talented and experienced group to support the five senior men's teams.

Former ECC junior and Prahran CC player Ava Bennett joined us as inaugural head coach of the women's team. Ava brought a great presence and energy to the role as she set about preparing our players, many who had never played before, for their matches. It's a credit to Ava just how much the women's players improved and gelled during the season which resulted in our first win in the final game.

Five new captains were appointed to the men's teams $1^{st} XI - LJ$ Edwards, $2^{nd} XI - Tim$ Bourke, $3^{rd} XI - Mark$ Quinn, $4^{th} XI - John$ Dunnachie and $5^{th} XI - Angelo$ Portelli.

Although not appointed at the start of the season, Joss Hurley and Caroline Larcher emerged as leaders of the women's team and took on the role of Women's Captain.

All of our coaches and leaders displayed significant passion, patience and care undertaking their roles and I wish to thank each and every one of them for their contributions this season.



Our inaugural women's team



The 5th XI under new captain Angelo Portelli

New players

While it was disappointing that a number of high-quality players and people moved on from the ECC for various reasons including work, moving interstate and travel, we welcomed a number of new players to the ECC in 2021/22. It became evident early on that we had secured a lot of on field-talent and great people to boot. Many players returned to ECC in 2021/22 including Jack Denborough, LJ Edwards, Adam Fraine, Zach Grundmann-Perera, Will Long and Mark Quinn.

Forty players made their senior ECC debut in 2021/22 with those who made their Men's and Women's 1st XI debut mentioned elsewhere in the report. Other notable additions to the club include Daniel Cherny, James Devesey, Dylan Flavell, Tom Grinyer, Bradley Hay, Muhammad Hussanain, Kim Moses, Will Naughton and Haydn Thompson.

It's unlikely that we have ever had this kind of growth in our playing numbers previously. We welcome all the new players to our community, and we hope you enjoyed yourself and will be back next season.

Apparel

As a result of the club adopting a new mascot and logo, it was necessary to create a new range of apparel. Our clothing contract was put out to tender with Swivs Locker the successful supplier. Henry Bennett and Jackson Hall took on the role of apparel managers and were able to develop a playing and social clothing range at a level not seen previously at the ECC. This included the required branded coloured and cream clothing but added hoodies, beanies, puffer jackets, bags and even ECC face masks which was very pertinent. Henry and Jackson completed many hours developing a professional a stylish range for our club and are commended for their hard work in this space.



Henry Bennett with the new apparel order

Results

It was a successful but somewhat frustrating season in the senior grades in 2021/22. We finished 11^{th} of 32 teams in the VSDCA Club championship this season, a significant improvement from 22^{nd} of 28 (because of four new teams entering the VSDCA) teams the previous season. All four VSDCA teams (Men's 1^{st} to 4^{th} XI) finished in the top half of the ladder, but none could progress past the first week of finals.

Our Men's 1st XI won 8 games and lost 7 to finish 8th of 16 teams which was not enough to make the finals (top 6), a slow start costing us in an otherwise competitive and successful campaign. New skipper LJ Edwards grew into the role and had the team performing very well towards the end of the season which included wins again top 6 teams at the time, Oakleigh and Spotswood. The Men's 2nd XI also frustratingly finished 8th, in the top half of the ladder, with a winning record, where if any one loss had been a win, they would likely have been playing finals. The 3rd and 4th XI both finished in the top 4, securing finals places after strong campaigns. Unfortunately, we lost key moments in the finals and couldn't progress to a grand final, losing to the eventual premiers in both cases.

The primary focus on the Men's 5th XI and Women's teams was on participation and enjoyment but it was undeniable the improvement both teams made in the latter part of the season, with the Men's 5th XI winning 3 of their last 4 games and the women winning their final game. It was so pleasing to see the terrific attitude these teams displayed and the bond they formed over the course of the season which is a testament to the leadership of Angelo, Joss and Caroline and the character of the players in these grades.

Once again the club performed strongly in the spirit of cricket award, finishing third. This builds upon our recent top 3 finishes over the past 4 seasons and once again is a credit to the leadership and quality of the people who represent Elsternwick CC each weekend.

I would like to congratulate all award winners from season 2021/22 and in particular our major award winners, Joss Hurley, Jackson Hall, David Halligan and Dasun Opanayaka. Our club has made significant progress this season and we will need to continue to work hard, get involved and support one another if we are to build upon this.

Cameron Christiansen

Match Results

<u>Rd</u>	Home Team		<u>Away Team</u>	<u>Venue</u>
2	Brighton 3/204	def	Elsternwick 8/203(cc)	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
3	Elsternwick 8/214(cc)	def by	Malvern 7/218(cc)	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
4	Elsternwick 6/237(cc)	def	Melton 91	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
1	Elsternwick 3/274(cc)	def	Pt Melbourne 8/166(cc)	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
5	Caulfield 3/229(cc)	def	Elsternwick 132	Caulfield Park Oval 1
6	Elsternwick 72	def by	Werribee 3/73	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
7	Hoppers Crossing 6/132	def	Elsternwick 131	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
8	Moorabbin 9/164(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 5/166	Moorleigh Village
9	Yarraville 8/206(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 8/211(cc)	Yarraville Oval
10	Elsternwick 164	def by	Altona 4/168	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
11	Spotswood 9/182(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 8/190(cc)	Donald McLean Reserve 1
12	Elsternwick 8/151(cc)	def	Oakleigh 119	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
13	Elsternwick 197	def by	Ormond 5/200	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
14	Elsternwick 7/208(cc)	def	Williamstown 8/193(cc)	Elsternwick Park Oval 1
15	Taylors Lakes 8/100(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 9/156(cc)	Lionheart Reserve Oval 1

There was a sense of optimism about the 2021/22 cricket season at Elsternwick as an influx of new players joined the club. A covid stricken preseason meant a lot of these players couldn't meet face to face until outdoor training in large groups was allowed again. The club as a whole was eager to get to round 1 so all the new players could flaunt their respective skills.

There was quite a large number of players debut in the 1st XI, and it was rare to have the same XI play consecutive games with each other. This was a mixture of covid related omissions, as well as the selection committee and me trying to find the best balance for the team. Cap numbers were given to me, Max Tucker, Zac Grundman-Perera, Kalhan Sineth, Zac Pedderson and Dasun Opanayaka in round 1 alone. Mal Gamage, Joel Menzies, Lachy MacCorquodale and Jack Dwyer would make their debuts later in the season.

I hadn't captained a cricket team since my junior years however was excited to take on a leadership role. The first 4 rounds of the season reflected a team that had great talent but had not yet figured out a strategic game plan. We showed how dominant we could be with the bat, posting 3-274 against Port Melbourne, 6-237 against Melton and then defending these comfortably with the ball.



Mal Gamage

We were able to post 200+ scores against Brighton and Malvern (2 eventual finals contenders), losing to Malvern by a narrow 4 runs. These games showed a number of promising performances from old and new players - Zac GP emerged as a dangerous opener posting scores of 56, 42 and 41 all at a strike rate > 100. The ever-reliable Cam Christensen had scores of 27 and 61 to start the season. Lachy Baker posted a vital 62, Kal Sineth announced himself as one of the competitions dangerous off spinners, Callum Sinclair emerged as an explosive lower order hitter and personally I had my best patch of form to start the season with scores of 115, 76 and 68 within these first 4 rounds.

The next 3 rounds resulted in losses to a Caulfield, Werribee and Hoppers Crossing off the back of some unfavorable weather conditions and strong opponents. We were able to bounce back against Moorabbin however, with Dasun and Cam posting scores of 61 and 47 respectively to steer us home. We then put up probably our best team performance to resiliently defeat Yarraville to keep our finals hopes alive.

Our loss to Altona in round 10 would eventually prove costly in making a finals appearance, as we followed this up with very impressive wins against top teams in Spotswood and Oakleigh. A narrow loss by 5 wickets with 1 over to spare meant we were out of finals contention. Nevertheless, we were still able to finish the season strongly, defeating both Williamstown and Taylors Lakes to finish the season 1 win (and a few percentage points) out of the top 6.



Adam Fraine

We had a number of outstanding individual performances throughout the season and then many important individual cameos that helped influence some games. Congratulations go to Dasun Opanayaka who took out the Men's Club Champion award, making 313 runs at 22.4 and taking 18 wickets at 21.3 with the ball. Cam Christensen led our batting averages with 418 runs at 34.8. Mal Gamage won the bowling award with 14 wickets at 20.3. Even more impressive, Mal won the award playing only half the season in the 1st XI after earning a call up halfway through the season. Special mentions should go out to Zac GP (360 runs at 25.7 and 16 wickets at 24.9) and Kalhan Sineth (19 wickets at 21.2). Every other member of the playing group who featured in the 1st XI made a contribution that led to the team's success.

I'd like to thank everyone at Elsternwick who helped in mine and the new players' transitions into the club and its culture. The coaching staff, committee, players, parents and supporters all played a helping hand in making us feel welcome. Overall, I believe the season was a big step in the right direction for our senior teams as a whole and I'm very excited to see what our senior men's squad can achieve in the season to come.

Lincoln Jr Edwards 1st XI Captain

<u>Ladder</u>

							Wkts	Runs	Wkts	Runs		0 (
	<u>Club</u>	<u>W2</u>	<u>W1</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L1</u>	<u>L2</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>For</u>	<u>Tkn</u>	<u>Agst</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>%</u>
1	Caulfield	0	13	0	2	0	77	2561	127	1728	78	2.44
2	Werribee	0	12	1	2	0	91	2708	126	2224	75	1.69
3	Ormond	0	12	0	3	0	109	2752	132	2306	72	1.45
4	Brighton	0	11	0	4	0	99	2868	121	2393	66	1.46
5	Oakleigh	0	10	0	5	0	107	2705	129	2386	60	1.37
6	Malvern	0	9	0	6	0	102	2541	124	2309	54	1.34
7	Spotswood	0	8	1	6	0	86	2230	113	2148	51	1.36
8	Elsternwick	0	8	0	7	0	120	2706	101	2445	48	0.93
9	Moorabbin	0	6	1	8	0	120	2344	105	2462	39	0.83
10	Williamstown	0	5	2	8	0	96	2094	97	2323	36	0.91
11	Hoppers Crossing	0	6	0	9	0	122	2291	116	2812	36	0.77
12	Altona	0	4	2	9	0	112	2055	93	2263	30	0.75
13	Port Melbourne	0	5	0	10	0	127	2795	86	2835	30	0.67
14	Yarraville	0	3	2	10	0	118	2263	81	2597	24	0.60
15	Taylors Lakes	0	3	0	12	0	132	1972	108	2673	18	0.60
16	Melton	0	0	1	14	0	134	1793	83	2620	3	0.42

Partnerships

<u>Wkt</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Name		<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>
1 st	68	Daniel Edwards	&	Zac Grundmann-Perera	Melton
2^{nd}	105	Cameron Christiansen	&	Lincoln Edwards	Brighton
3 rd	110	Lincoln Edwards	&	Dasun Opanayaka	Port Melbourne
4 th	53*	Lincoln Edwards	&	Callum Sinclair	Port Melbourne
5 th	102	Dasun Opanayaka	&	Cameron Christiansen	Moorabbin
6 th	122	Cameron Christiansen	&	Lachlan Baker	Melton
7 th	29	Ben Cooper	&	Callum Sinclair	Brighton
8^{th}	43	Callum Sinclair	&	Lachlan Baker	Brighton
9 th	24*	Adam Fraine	&	Kalhan Sineth	Oakleigh
10^{th}	43	Kalapu Gamage	&	Maxwell Tucker	Altona

Batting Averages

<u>Name</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Inn</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>HS</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>50's</u>
Cameron Christiansen	14	13	1	418	34.8	72	0	3
Lincoln Edwards	15	15	1	483	34.5	115 no	1	3
Zac Grundmann-Perera	14	14	0	360	25.7	56	0	1
Dasun Opanayaka	14	14	0	313	22.4	67	0	2
Callum Sinclair	14	13	5	184	23.0	35 no	0	0
Ben Cooper	12	11	2	126	14.0	31	0	0
Kalapu Gamage	10	9	0	122	13.6	35	0	0
Lachlan Baker	6	5	1	82	20.5	62 no	0	1
Daniel Edwards	6	6	0	69	11.5	30	0	0
Joel Menzies	5	5	1	67	16.8	44	0	0
Adam Fraine	2	2	1	62	62.0	39 no	0	0
Lachlan MacCorquodale	8	8	0	59	7.4	35	0	0
Kalhan Sineth	15	12	5	54	7.7	12 no	0	0
William Long	3	3	0	29	9.7	14	0	0
Cooper Davies	1	1	0	24	24.0	24	0	0
Maxwell Tucker	10	6	4	19	9.5	16no	0	0
Jack Dwyer	1	1	1	13		13 no	0	0
Timothy Bourke	2	2	0	10	5.0	8	0	0
Henry Bennett	4	3	3	4		2 no	0	0
Zachary Peddersen	3	1	0	4	4.0	4	0	0
Hugh Bennett	6	1	0	3	3.0	3	0	0

Notable Batting Performances

<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>
Lincoln Edwards	Port Melbourne	115 no
Lincoln Edwards	Brighton	76
Cameron Christiansen	Williamstown	72
Lincoln Edwards	Malvern	68
Dasun Opanayaka	Moorabbin	67
Lincoln Edwards	Spotswood	64
Lachlan Baker	Melton	62 no
Cameron Christiansen	Melton	61
Dasun Opanayaka	Williamstown	60
Zac Grundmann-Perera	Port Melbourne	56
Cameron Christiansen	Yarraville	50

Bowling Averages

Name	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>Best</u>	<u>5WI 10</u>	WM
Kalapu Gamage	71.4	5	14	284	20.3	4/27	0	0
Kalhan Sineth	119.2	16	19	403	21.2	3/17	0	0
Dasun Opanayaka	104.0	14	18	384	21.3	3/21	0	0
Zac Grundmann-Perera	94.5	6	16	398	24.9	3/30	0	0
Callum Sinclair	57.3	3	9	264	29.3	3/17	0	0
Ben Cooper	12.4	0	4	82	20.5	2/23	0	0
Hugh Bennett	32.0	3	4	121	30.3	3/9	0	0
Maxwell Tucker	58.2	5	4	252	63.0	1/28	0	0
Henry Bennett	14.0	0	2	72	36.0	1/13	0	0
Lachlan Baker	15.0	1	1	90	90.0	1/27	0	0
Adam Fraine	5.0	0	0	19			0	0
Jack Dwyer	4.0	0	0	20			0	0
Lincoln Edwards	0.4	0	0	1			0	0

Notable Bowling Performances

<u>Name</u>	Opponent	Wkts
Kalapu Gamage	Hoppers Crossing	4/27
Hugh Bennett	Melton	3/9
Callum Sinclair	Moorabbin	3/17
Kalhan Sineth	Oakleigh	3/17
Dasun Opanayaka	Taylors Lakes	3/21
Kalapu Gamage	Oakleigh	3/26
Kalapu Gamage	Spotswood	3/28
Dasun Opanayaka	Williamstown	3/28
Zac Grundmann-Perera	Malvern	3/30
Zac Grundmann-Perera	Moorabbin	3/42

Fielding

<u>Name</u>	Catches	<u>Stumpings</u>
Cameron Christiansen	9	2
Dasun Opanayaka	8	
Zac Grundmann-Perera	7	
Kalapu Gamage	6	
Ben Cooper	5	
Lincoln Edwards	4	

Match Results

<u>Rd</u>	<u>Home Team</u>		<u>Away Team</u>	Venue
2	Elsternwick 129	def by	Brighton 8/186(cc)	Elsternwick Park No.1
3	Malvern 9/237(cc)	def	Elsternwick 9/229(cc)	Malvern Cricket Ground
4	Melton 114	def by	Elsternwick 176	MacPherson Park No.1
1	Port Melbourne 141	def by	Elsternwick 6/219(cc)	Port Melbourne Cricket Ground
5	Elsternwick 61	def by	Caulfield 9/198(cc)	Elsternwick Park No.1
6	Werribee CC 6/243(cc)	def	Elsternwick 8/168(cc)	Chirnside Park Oval
7	Elsternwick	drew	Hoppers Crossing	Hogans Road Reserve No.1
8	Elsternwick 9/192(cc)	def	Moorabbin 124	Elsternwick Park No.1
9	Elsternwick 114	def by	Yarraville 5/162(cc)	Elsternwick Park No.1
10	Altona 8/109(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 1/110	FJ Kirk Oval
11	Elsternwick 6/208(cc)	def	Spotswood 108	Elsternwick Park No.1
12	Oakleigh 142	def by	Elsternwick 7/143	Warrawee Park
13	Ormond 8/174(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 5/175	E.E Gunn Reserve
14	Williamstown 3/104	def	Elsternwick 102	Williamstown Cricket Ground
15	Elsternwick 6/154	def	Taylors Lakes 152	Elsternwick Park No.1

<u>Ladder</u>

	<u>Club</u>	<u>W2</u>	<u>W1</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L1</u>	<u>L2</u>	Wkts <u>Lost</u>	Runs <u>For</u>	Wkts <u>Tkn</u>	Runs <u>Agst</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>%</u>
1	Werribee	0	14	1	0	0	54	2254	122	1858	87	2.74
2	Oakleigh	0	10	2	3	0	76	2034	128	1750	66	1.96
3	Malvern	0	10	2	3	0	97	2562	127	2285	66	1.47
4	Caulfield	0	9	2	4	0	97	2459	106	1965	60	1.37
5	Williamstown	0	9	1	5	0	86	2254	119	2298	57	1.36
6	Altona	0	9	1	5	0	91	2365	94	2141	57	1.14
7	Brighton	0	8	1	6	0	113	2612	125	2638	51	1.10
8	Elsternwick	0	8	1	6	0	107	2180	116	2194	51	1.08
9	Taylors Lakes	0	8	0	1	0	116	2271	117	2544	48	0.90
10	Yarraville	0	7	1	7	0	112	2637	95	2490	45	0.90
11	Ormond	0	5	0	10	0	131	2635	106	2722	30	0.78
12	Hoppers Crossing	0	4	2	9	0	126	2283	90	2381	30	0.68
13	Melton	0	4	0	11	0	118	1889	107	2117	24	0.81
14	Spotswood	0	4	0	11	0	139	2256	89	2336	24	0.62
15	Port Melbourne	0	3	0	12	0	128	2351	104	2821	18	0.68
16	Moorabbin	0	1	0	14	0	143	2091	89	2593	6	0.50

Batting Averages

Name	<u>Games</u>	Inn	<u>NO</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>HS</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>50's</u>
Timothy Bourke	12	10	2	300	37.5	64	0	2
Joel Menzies	8	8	0	259	32.4	90	0	2
Cooper Davies	10	10	1	235	26.1	96	0	2
Max Nethercott	13	12	0	206	17.2	52	0	1
Conrad Rzechorzek	8	8	0	162	20.3	48	0	0
Luke Williams	5	5	0	145	29.0	69	0	1
Adam Fraine	9	7	1	117	19.5	39 no	0	0
Robert Larcher	9	8	2	101	16.8	36	0	0
Kalapu Gamage	5	5	0	89	17.8	45	0	0
William Long	1	1	0	61	61.0	61	0	1
Benjamin Hall	8	7	0	52	7.4	15	0	0
Henry Bennett	11	8	1	51	7.3	15	0	0
Tiernan Crowley	8	5	3	40	20.0	20 no	0	0
Zachary Peddersen	5	4	0	39	9.8	21	0	0
Lachlan Baker	1	1	0	30	30.0	30	0	0
Hugh Bennett	7	5	4	28	28.0	14 no	0	0
Bradley Marks	3	2	0	24	12.0	18	0	0
Jack Denborough	6	5	1	24	6.0	15	0	0
Thomas Foley	14	8	3	24	4.8	10 no	0	0
Jackson Hall	14	6	3	14	4.7	8 no	0	0
Daniel Turton	1	1	1	8		8 ret	0	0
Benjamin Cavey	1	1	0	5	5.0	5	0	0
Steven Jackson	3	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0
Venkat Vijay	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Thomas Bradshaw	1	0						

Notable Batting Performances

<u>Name</u>	Opponent	Score
Cooper Davies	Ormond	96
Joel Menzies	Port Melbourne	90
Luke Williams	Malvern	69
Timothy Bourke	Oakleigh	64
William Long	Port Melbourne	61
Joel Menzies	Brighton	61
Cooper Davies	Altona	57 no
Timothy Bourke	Moorabbin	53
Max Nethercott	Taylors Lakes	52



Zach Peddersen

Partnerships

Wkt	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Name</u>
1^{st}	97	Luke Williams
2^{nd}	92*	Cooper Davies
3 rd	100	Joel Menzies
4^{th}	79	Conrad Rzechorzek
5^{th}	71	Timothy Bourke
6 th	27	Robert Larcher
7 th	38*	Timothy Bourke
8 th	22	Henry Bennett
9^{th}	14	Joel Menzies
10^{th}	14*	Jackson Hall

<u>Name</u>

- & Joel Menzies
- & Adam Fraine
- & William Long
- & Timothy Bourke
- & Robert Larcher
- & Zachary Peddersen
- & Hugh Bennett
- & Thomas Foley
- & Hugh Bennett
- & Tiernan Crowley

Opponent

Malvern Altona Port Melbourne Moorabbin Oakleigh Werribee Spotswood Werribee Brighton Moorabbin



Joel Menzies

Bowling Averages

Name	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	Best	<u>5WI</u>	<u>10WM</u>
Jackson Hall	106.4	14	20	413	20.7	4/40	0	0
Thomas Foley	83.0	6	15	408	27.2	3/26	0	0
Henry Bennett	88.0	9	13	313	24.1	4/31	0	0
Kalapu Gamage	33.0	5	12	128	10.7	5/37	1	0
Adam Fraine	71.0	12	12	196	16.3	4/17	0	0
Tiernan Crowley	47.0	5	11	171	15.5	4/19	0	0
Hugh Bennett	56.3	12	11	189	17.2	3/26	0	0
Robert Larcher	52.4	7	10	180	18.0	2/2	0	0
Steven Jackson	7.0	1	1	30	30.0	1/16	0	0
Lachlan Baker	9.0	3	0	23			0	0
Timothy Bourke	8.0	0	0	32			0	0
Venkat Vijay	5.0	0	0	22			0	0
Thomas Bradshaw	5.0	0	0	35			0	0
Cooper Davies	1.0	0	0	9			0	0

Notable Bowling Performances

<u>Name</u>	Opponent	<u>Wkts</u>
Kalapu Gamage	Malvern	5/37
Adam Fraine	Altona	4/17
Tiernan Crowley	Oakleigh	4/19
Henry Bennett	Port Melbourne	4/31
Jackson Hall	Taylors Lakes	4/40
Thomas Foley	Spotswood	3/26
Hugh Bennett	Ormond	3/26
Jackson Hall	Oakleigh	3/36
Tiernan Crowley	Ormond	3/42

Fielding

Name	Catches	<u>Stumpings</u>
Timothy Bourke	8	
Max Nethercott	8	
Benjamin Hall	7	0
Zachary Peddersen	6	0
Henry Bennett	5	
Jack Denborough	3	2
Jackson Hall	5	
Robert Larcher	5	
Adam Fraine	4	

Match Results

<u>Rd</u>	Home Team		Away Team	Venue
1	Elsternwick	drew	Moorabbin	Holmes-Todd Oval
2	Elsternwick 9/197(cc)	def	Noble Park 6/133(cc)	Holmes-Todd Oval
3	Croydon 6/164(cc)	def	Elsternwick 134	Fred Geale Oval
4	Elsternwick 2/279(cc)	def	Donvale 151	Holmes-Todd Oval
5	Port Melbourne 139	def by	Elsternwick 2/143	Woodruff Oval
6	Balwyn 3/161	def	Elsternwick 8/159(cc)	Gordon Barnard Reserve No.2
7	Elsternwick 7/171	def	Box Hill 7/168(cc)	Holmes-Todd Oval
8	Moorabbin 139	def by	Elsternwick 3/142	E.E Gunn Reserve No.3
9	Noble Park	drew	Elsternwick	Warner Reserve
10	Elsternwick 6/177	def	Croydon 9/176(cc)	Holmes-Todd Oval
11	Box Hill 77	def by	Elsternwick 5/236(cc)	Springfield Park
12	Donvale 115	def by	Elsternwick 5/289(cc)	Donvale Reserve No.2
13	Elsternwick 7/175(cc)	def	Port Melbourne 130	Holmes-Todd Oval
14	Elsternwick 125	def by	Balwyn 155	Holmes-Todd Oval
SF	Elsternwick 6/186(cc)	def by	Croydon 8/190	Holmes-Todd Oval

It was an unexpected thrill and privilege to make my playing return with Elsternwick as 3rd XI captain. Despite facing challenges with player availability due to COVID-19 and general player turnover, the team put together a strong season, finishing second after the home and away rounds. Unfortunately, we fell to the eventual premiers, Croydon, in a hard-fought semi-final at the Holmes-Todd Oval.

Highlights were plentiful. Will Smith dominated at the top of the order with his controlled aggression and deservedly placed third in the VSDCA Division 2 Player of Year Award (Geoff Hart Medal). His sparkling 102 off 89 balls against Donvale laid the foundation for an imposing total with fantastic support from opening partner, Conrad Rzechorzek (103 no). The challenge for Will going forward is consistently turning starts into big totals and being able to work through tough spells when run scoring is more difficult.

In addition to his stellar knock against Donvale, Conrad made several handy contributions in the first half of the season, before being promoted to the 2^{nd} XI. He continues to work on his craft and more focus on turnover of strike and punishing bad balls will see him push for higher honours once again.

Andrew Chisholm's consistency with the bat shone through and provided a great example for his younger teammates. His 65 no in the semi-final against Croydon held our innings together and provided a platform to post a competitive total. My thanks to Chis for his support and leadership through the season.

It proved to be an up and down season for Brad Marks. His half century against minor premiers, Balwyn and an unbeaten 108 off 87 balls against Donvale were high points. Unfortunately, he couldn't compile the consistent runs he craved over the course of the season.

Wicketkeeper proved a position of significant flux. Through the first nine rounds we had four different players don the keeping gloves before Zach Peddersen played the last five home and away games. Zach's form with both bat and gloves proved impressive, taking at least one

catch in each game he played while posting a masterful century (112 off 101 balls) at Box Hill, followed by a dashing 60 against Donvale.

Eligibility rules meant Zach could not play in the semi-final and Kim Moses bravely stepped up to cover after several years away from keeping. Kim was one of our better players in the semi blasting a thrilling 42 off 34 balls in the final overs and proving reliable behind the stumps. He turned out to be one of the finds of the season after a late start, bringing great energy and a very team-oriented approach.

On the bowling front, we lacked the discipline and penetration to really threaten the two finalists (Croydon and Balwyn). Venkat Vijay led the way for the quicker bowlers with great support from Tom Ashman, Tiernan Crowley and Pat Homberg. Venkat's hauls of five wickets against Donvale (5 for 30) and four wickets against Croydon (4 for 37) set up good wins and showed the threat he poses to batters when he homes in on a consistent line and length.

Steve Jackson had a very consistent season with his off-spinners and proved to be one of our most economical bowlers. While he regularly chipped in with wickets in most games, he struck a rich vein of form in rounds 11 and 12. Bowling with great control and deception he took 3 for 3 at Donvale followed by 4 for 21 at Box Hill to close out two emphatic wins.

Looking longer term, while we would have loved to have competed in the Grand Final and won, it was extremely pleasing to have witnessed some of the young talent coming through the club. Charlie Wolf, Noah Portelli and Will Naughton all made their 3rd XI season debuts against Balwyn. After strong performances in the lower grades, Raj Kuver forced his way into the 3rd XI in Round 11 and bowled with great discipline to keep his spot for the remaining home and away rounds and the semi-final.

My thanks to all the players who represented the 3rd XI for your efforts and support. Hopefully this lights the fire for greater success. To Ben Cavey, John Watkin, Cam Christiansen and the club captains (LJ, Bourkey, Knackers and Ange), you guys are all stars and your guidance, support and frank and honest feedback was much appreciated. Thanks again to Chis and also Marksy, Jacko and Bryan Hammer for putting up with my ideas and helping with game day management. Thanks to club umpire, David Long and also to the tireless Dave Halligan and his band of merry groundsmen (Streety and Mocca) for their fantastic efforts in wicket preparation. Finally, a big thanks to all the friends and families who supported us and to all those Elsty faithful who cheered us on in the semi-final. Go Eels!

Mark Quinn 3rd XI Captain

	<u>Club</u>	<u>W2</u>	<u>W1</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L1</u>	<u>L2</u>	Wkts <u>Lost</u>	Runs <u>For</u>	Wkts <u>Tkn</u>	Runs <u>Agst</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>%</u>
1	Balwyn	0	11	1	2	0	62	1773	118	1719	69	1.96
2	Elsternwick	0	9	2	3	0	65	2030	95	1575	60	1.88
3	Croydon	0	9	2	3	0	63	1835	103	1686	57	1.78
4	Noble Park	0	6	2	6	0	96	2207	76	1712	42	1.02
5	Port Melbourne	0	6	2	6	0	85	1765	70	1761	42	0.83
6	Moorabbin	0	3	3	8	0	100	1717	64	2022	27	0.54
7	Box Hill	0	3	1	10	0	101	1986	86	2181	21	0.78
8	Donvale	0	2	1	11	0	116	1986	70	2510	18	0.48



Conrad Rzechorzek

Partnerships

<u>Wkt</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Name		<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>
1^{st}	143	Conrad Rzechorzek	&	William Smith	Donvale
2^{nd}	75	William Smith	&	Andrew Chisholm	Croydon
3 rd	105	Andrew Chisholm	&	Bradley Marks	Donvale
4 th	156	Zachary Peddersen	&	Noah Portelli	Box Hill
	113	Bradley Marks	&	Zachary Peddersen	Donvale
5 th	59	Andrew Chisholm	&	Kim Moses	Croydon (SF)
6 th	51	Benjamin Cavey	&	Zachary Peddersen	Croydon
7 th	47	Dylan Flavell	&	Mark Quinn	Port Melbourne
8^{th}	28	Mark Quinn	&	Steven Jackson	Balwyn
9 th	24	Benjamin Hall	&	Mark Quinn	Noble Park
10 th	26	Steven Jackson	&	Tiernan Crowley	Croydon



William Smith

<u>Name</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Inn</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>HS</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>50's</u>
William Smith	12	12	0	347	28.9	102	1	2
Andrew Chisholm	11	9	1	319	39.9	65 no	0	2
Bradley Marks	11	10	3	255	36.4	108 no	1	1
Zachary Peddersen	5	5	0	215	43.0	112	1	1
Conrad Rzechorzek	4	4	2	190	95.0	103 no	1	0
Kim Moses	5	5	0	117	23.4	42	0	0
Joseph Turmine	8	8	0	110	13.8	43	0	0
Benjamin Cavey	3	3	1	94	47.0	46	0	0
Noah Portelli	3	3	1	72	36.0	55 no	0	1
Mark Quinn	12	5	3	63	31.5	22 no	0	0
Daniel Turton	3	3	1	57	28.5	32	0	0
Benjamin Hall	3	2	0	48	24.0	44	0	0
Cooper Davies	1	1	0	42	42.0	42	0	0
Patrick Homberg	12	9	3	39	6.5	15 no	0	0
Steven Jackson	10	5	1	35	8.8	23	0	0
Dylan Flavell	1	1	1	34		34 no	0	0
Charlie Wolf	1	1	0	25	25.0	25	0	0
Tiernan Crowley	3	2	1	19	19.0	15	0	0
Thomas Ashman	12	6	5	14	14.0	4 no	0	0
William Naughton	1	1	0	8	8.0	8	0	0
Muhammad Hassanain	3	2	0	5	2.5	5	0	0
Haydn Thompson	1	1	0	5	5.0	5	0	0
Bryan Hammer	3	1	0	3	3.0	3	0	0
Raj Kuver	5	1	0	2	2.0	2	0	0
Fraser Brierly	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Robert Larcher	4	2	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Thomas Bradshaw	5	0						
Venkat Vijay	8	0						
Neal Smith	1	0						

<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>
Zach Peddersen	Box Hill (11)	112
Bradley Marks	Donvale (12)	108 no
Conrad Rzechorzek	Donvale (4)	103 no
William Smith	Donvale (4)	102
Andrew Chisholm	Croydon (SF)	65 no
William Smith	Noble Park (2)	63
Zach Peddersen	Donvale (12)	60
William Smith	Croydon (10)	60
Andrew Chisholm	Donvale (12)	57
Noah Portelli	Box Hill (11)	55 no
Bradley Marks	Balwyn (6)	51

<u>Name</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>Best</u>	<u>5WI</u>	<u>10WM</u>
Mark Quinn	91.5	24	17	224	13.2	4/17	0	0
Venkat Vijay	66.0	10	16	234	14.6	5/30	1	0
Thomas Ashman	82.5	17	18	289	16.1	3/24	0	0
Steven Jackson	80.1	7	14	242	17.3	4/21	0	0
Patrick Homberg	59.3	2	12	274	22.8	3/14	0	0
Thomas Bradshaw	30.5	3	6	146	24.3	3/41	0	0
Tiernan Crowley	23.0	3	5	94	18.8	3/46	0	0
Raj Kuver	23.0	4	4	67	16.8	3/9	0	0
Robert Larcher	23.0	3	3	92	30.7	1/19	0	0
Andrew Chisholm	6.0	4	2	11	5.5	2/11	0	0
Neal Smith	6.0	0	1	26	26.0	1/26	0	0
Muhammad Hassanain	22.0	3	1	99	99.0	1/45	0	0
Noah Portelli	7.0	1	0	39			0	0
Cooper Davies	3.0	0	0	10			0	0
Charlie Wolf	1.2	0	0	8			0	0

Notable Bowling Performances

<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Wkts
Venkat Vijay	Donvale (4)	5/30
Mark Quinn	Moorabbin (8)	4/17 Including Hat-Trick
Steven Jackson	Donvale (12)	4/21
Venkat Vijay	Croydon (10)	4/37
Steven Jackson	Box Hill (11)	3/3
Raj Kuver	Port Melbourne (13)	3/9
Patrick Homberg	Balwyn (14)	3/14
Thomas Ashman	Port Melbourne (5)	3/24
Thomas Ashman	Balwyn (14)	3/31
Thomas Bradshaw	Box Hill (7)	3/41
Patrick Homberg	Port Melbourne (13)	3/43
Tiernan Crowley	Croydon (10)	3/46

Fielding

<u>Name</u>	Catches	<u>Stumpings</u>
Steven Jackson	7	
Patrick Homberg	6	
Zachary Peddersen	6	0
Benjamin Hall	4	1
Bradley Marks	4	
William Smith	4	
Joseph Turmine	4	

<u>Rd</u>	<u>Home Team</u>		<u>Away Team</u>	<u>Venue</u>
1	Moorabbin	drew	Elsternwick	E.E Gunn Reserve No.3
2	Noble Park 7/77(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 3/78	Warner Reserve
3	Elsternwick 1/172	def	Croydon 6/169(cc)	Holmes-Todd Oval
4	Donvale 5/166(cc)	def by	Elsternwick 4/167	Donvale Reserve No.2
5	Elsternwick 9/178(cc)	def	Port Melbourne 62	Holmes-Todd Oval
6	Elsternwick 104	def by	Balwyn 9/175(cc)	Holmes-Todd Oval
7	Box Hill 127	def by	Elsternwick 5/201(cc)	Springfield Park
8	Elsternwick 1/78	def	Moorabbin 74	Holmes-Todd Oval
9	Elsternwick	drew	Noble Park	Holmes-Todd Oval
10	Croydon 154	def	Elsternwick 9/138	Fred Geale Oval
11	Elsternwick 5/192(cc)	def	Box Hill 140	Holmes-Todd Oval
12	Elsternwick 4/152(cc)	def by	Donvale 7/153	Holmes-Todd Oval
13	Port Melbourne 106	def by	Elsternwick 5/172(cc)	Woodruff Oval
14	Balwyn 9/152(cc)	def	Elsternwick 116	Gordon Barnard Reserve No.2
SF	Balwyn 9/131(cc)	def	Elsternwick 9/113	Gordon Barnard Reserve No.1

Once again, we had a shortened season, starting on the 5 December and comprising 14 rounds of one day games.

The 4th XI was split into two divisions, and we were placed in the second division which made for a very interesting year of cricket. The gap between the top 5 and bottom 3 teams was significant, with the bottom 3 teams winning a combined 4 games for the season.

Our team as always had a large number of players pass through during the season with a total of 26 players being used. We ended up finishing third on the ladder and were beaten in the semi-final by eventual premiers Balwyn.

It was a very enjoyable year for all players with the standard of the side being the best it had been in several years due to number of recruits into the higher elevens.

The highlight for me was seeing junior players Noah Portelli, Charlie Wolfe and Will Naughton mature and play some vital roles in helping us win games throughout the season. It was especially pleasing to have Will Naughton, Lachlan Caldwell and Utkarsh Vaishya (UV) from our JG Craig squad play a number of games.

The season saw us win 8 games, draw 2 and lose 4.

Notable performances with the bat during the year were Dan Turton's 75 no and Bryan Hammer's 62 no against Croydon where we chased down 169 in 28 overs one down. Charlie Wolf's 71 and Will Naughton's 51 no against Donvale where they steered us to an easy victory were also highlights.

Bowling wise, Tim Fonda's 4/20 against Port Melbourne to help us bowl them out for 62. James Collins 4/36 and Mark Dunstan's 3/13 were other notable performances during the season.

The batting award was won by John Dunnachie and the bowling by evergreen Mark Dunstan.

The combination of senior players and some great juniors helped us have a very balanced side in several games which made playing in the 4th XI very enjoyable. As always though, once

unavailability and injuries happened in the higher grades, we found ourselves suddenly again unbalanced and not as competitive.

I would like to thank several players for their help and support during the season. Bryan for his role as VC, Tom Grinyer who was the first to step in and help when and where needed, Mark Dunstan for his wisdom and support and Nigel Couzens and Ang Portelli for helping us out when short of numbers.

The season cannot run without the efforts of people both on and off the park. On behalf of the 4^{th} XI, I would like to thank Matt Harrison, David Halligan, Ray Street and Mark Dunstan who prepared excellent wickets and David Long our club umpire.

John Dunnachie 4th XI Captain

Ladder

	<u>Club</u>	<u>W2</u>	<u>W1</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L1</u>	<u>L2</u>	Wkts <u>Lost</u>	Runs <u>For</u>	Wkts <u>Tkn</u>	Runs <u>Agst</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>%</u>
1	Croydon	0	9	4	1	0	57	1861	85	1471	66	1.89
2	Balwyn	0	8	4	2	0	69	1910	82	1537	60	1.48
3	Elsternwick	0	8	2	4	0	66	1748	103	1555	54	1.75
4	Box Hill	0	7	2	5	0	83	1846	85	1923	48	0.98
5	Donvale	0	6	3	5	0	87	1961	77	1889	45	0.92
6	Noble Park	0	3	3	8	0	88	1624	68	1773	27	0.71
7	Port Melbourne	0	1	5	8	0	82	1255	53	1469	21	0.55
8	Moorabbin	0	0	5	9	0	62	1323	41	1911	15	0.46

Partnerships

<u>Wkt</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>Name</u>		<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>
1^{st}	67	Noah Portelli	&	James Collins	Moorabbin
2 nd	143*	Bryan Hammer	&	Daniel Turton	Croydon
3 rd	87	Haydn Thompson	&	William Naughton	Donvale
4 th	129	John Dunnachie	&	Mark Dunstan	Box Hill
5 th	83	Nigel Couzens	&	Mark Dunstan	Port Melbourne
6 th	31	Thomas Bradshaw	&	Timothy Fonda	Croydon
7 th	28	John Dunnachie	&	Haydn Thompson	Balwyn
8 th	23	Haydn Thompson	&	Timothy Fonda	Balwyn
9 th	34*	Timothy Fond	&	Thomas Bradshaw	Balwyn (SF)
10 th	26*	John Dunnachie	&	Daniel Smith	Port Melbourne

<u>Name</u>	<u>Games</u>	Inn	<u>NO</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>HS</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>50's</u>
John Dunnachie	12	8	2	191	31.8	49	0	0
Bryan Hammer	10	10	1	179	19.9	62 no	0	1
Mark Dunstan	12	8	2	137	22.8	57	0	1
William Naughton	9	7	2	116	23.2	51 no	0	1
Charlie Wolf	5	3	1	113	56.5	71	0	1
Haydn Thompson	5	4	2	109	54.5	51	0	1
Daniel Turton	2	2	1	93	93.0	75 no	0	1
Nigel Couzens	5	5	1	86	21.5	45	0	0
Noah Portelli	5	5	1	76	19.0	41 no	0	0
Patrick Homberg	1	1	0	75	75.0	75	0	0
Timothy Fonda	12	5	3	65	32.5	34 no	0	0
James Collins	8	7	2	56	11.2	29	0	0
Bradley Hay	6	6	1	36	7.2	19	0	0
Daniel Smith	2	2	2	35		18 no	0	0
Joseph Turmine	4	4	0	34	8.5	16	0	0
Thomas Bradshaw	5	3	1	33	16.5	17 no	0	0
Fraser Brierly	3	3	0	20	6.7	10	0	0
David Halligan	1	1	0	19	19.0	19	0	0
Neal Smith	7	2	0	15	7.5	15	0	0
Raj Kuver	2	2	0	13	6.5	13	0	0
Thomas Grinyer	11	3	1	8	4.0	8 no	0	0
Angelo Portelli	4	2	0	4	2.0	4	0	0
Raphael Johansen	3	2	0	2	1.0	2	0	0
Lachlan Caldwell	4	1	1	1		1 no	0	0
Tadhg Crowley	4	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Andrew Tosky	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Joshua Ashen	1	0						
Utkarsh Vaishya	3	0						
Harry Kau	3	0						

<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>
Daniel Turton	Croydon (3)	75 no
Patrick Homberg	Box Hill (7)	75
Charlie Wolf	Donvale (4)	71
Bryan Hammer	Croydon (3)	62 no
Mark Dunstan	Box Hill (11)	57
William Naughton	Donvale (4)	51 no
H Thompson	Donvale	51

Name	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>Best</u>	<u>5WI</u>	<u>10WM</u>
Mark Dunstan	64.10	22	14	149	10.6	3/13	0	0
Timothy Fonda	73.50	8	19	271	14.3	4/20	0	0
Thomas Grinyer	45.00	2	12	202	16.8	3/9	0	0
James Collins	45.40	6	9	137	15.2	4/34	0	0
Neal Smith	48.0	9	9	139	15.4	3/21	0	0
Noah Portelli	20.0	4	7	69	9.9	3/17	0	0
Tadhg Crowley	24.0	3	6	102	17.0	4/36	0	0
Raj Kuver	8.0	2	4	27	6.8	3/24	0	0
Angelo Portelli	18.0	1	4	78	19.5	2/13	0	0
Nigel Couzens	7.0	1	3	32	10.7	2/0	0	0
Utkarsh Vaishya	14.0	4	3	36	12.0	2/9	0	0
Raphael Johansen	10.0	0	3	62	20.7	2/18	0	0
Harry Kau	19.0	0	3	81	27.0	1/14	0	0
Lachlan Caldwell	20.0	2	3	82	27.3	2/14	0	0
Joshua Ashen	4.0	0	2	19	9.5	2/19	0	0
William Naughton	2.4	0	1	2	2.0	1/2	0	0
Charlie Wolf	4.0	2	1	11	11.0	1/11	0	0
Thomas Bradshaw	33.0	2	1	140	140.0	1/41	0	0

Notable Bowling Performances

<u>Name</u>	Opponent	Wkts
Timothy Fonda	Port Melbourne (5)	4/20
James Collins	Port Melbourne (13)	4/34
Tadhg Crowley	Box Hill (11)	4/36
Thomas Grinyer	Moorabbin (8)	3/9
Mark Dunstan	Balwyn (14)	3/13
Noah Portelli	Moorabbin (8)	3/17
Neil Smith	Balwyn (14)	3/21
Timothy Fonda	Balwyn (SF)	3/22
Raj Kuver	Balwyn (6)	3/24
Neil Smith	Balwyn (SF)	3/24
Thomas Grinyer	Balwyn (6)	3/26
Timothy Fonda	Box Hill (7)	3/33

Fielding

<u>Name</u>	Catches	Stumpings
James Collins	9	
John Dunnachie	6	
Haydn Thompson	4	2
Bradley Hay	4	
Noah Portelli	4	

Rd Home Team Away Team Venue 1 Elsternwick drew Glen Iris Holmes-Todd Oval 2 Elsternwick 89 def by South Caulfield 6/91 Holmes-Todd Oval def Elsternwick 6/147(cc) 3 Bentleigh 6/148(cc) **Bentleigh Rec Reserve** 4 Elsternwick 62 def by Bonbeach 5/203(cc) Holmes-Todd Oval Mentone 6/97 def Elsternwick 96 Hogben/Meckiff Oval 5 Elsternwick 1/127(cc) def by Mt Waverley 6/129 Holmes-Todd Oval 6 7 drew Elsternwick **Castlefield Reserve** Hampton 8 Elsternwick 8/155(cc) def by Glen Iris 8/193(cc) Holmes-Todd Oval 9 South Caulfield 115 def by Elsternwick 3/149(cc) Princes Park No.4 10 Elsternwick 2/161(cc) def Bentleigh 9/158(cc) Holmes-Todd Oval 11 Bonbeach 160 Elsternwick 8/112(cc) Bonbeach Oval No.1 def 12 Elsternwick 8/147(cc) Mentone 9/136(cc) Holmes-Todd Oval def

With a fair list of club first time players with unknown qualities combined with a first year in an untried competition sporting a new club brand and club gear, it was always going to be a few weeks before the hard working 5th XI understood that winning a game of cricket is just lots concentration and doing the simple things for a whole 35 overs. Our first few efforts at batting had some highlights at the top of the order but often followed by massive batting collapses which left us 30-50 runs short of competitive totals in most cases with one or two close losses where we asked too much of the bowlers defending small totals.

By the second half of the season and a little more training under our belts, the team went from a rag-tag bunch of misfits to a generally well-oiled machine. This culminated in our first victory and winning 3 of the last 4 games, including one against a top side, helped by an injection of youth keen to shine after recent experience in representative cricket. We learned a lot in those last 4 weeks - including how to enjoy our cricket and have a lot of fun!

Looking forward to next year and hopefully a pre-season unmarred by pandemic restrictions and a much better knowledge of areas to improve in.

Angelo Portelli 5th XI Captain

Ladder

	<u>Club</u>	<u>P</u>	W	<u>L</u>	<u>D</u>	Runs <u>For</u>	Overs <u>Faced</u>	Runs <u>Agst</u>	Overs <u>Bowled</u>	<u>Pts</u>	<u>NRR</u>
1	Bonbeach	12	8	1	3	1334	278	846	270	44	1.67
2	Mentone	12	5	5	2	1146	311	1168	324	28	0.09
3	Bentleigh	12	5	5	2	1274	321	1492	322	26	-0.65
4	Glen Iris	12	4	5	3	1307	299	1069	308	25	0.90
5	Hampton	12	4	4	4	1120	292	1111	253	24	-0.56
6	Mt Waverley	11	4	5	2	1047	293	1122	264	22	-0.69
7	Elsternwick	12	3	7	2	1245	342	1430	321	16	-0.81
8	South Caulfield	11	1	6	4	606	177	1207	228	13	-1.88

Name	<u>Games</u>	<u>Inn</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>HS</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>50's</u>
Dylan Flavell	10	10	3	247	35.3	52 ret	0	2
Noah Portelli	5	5	5	235		52 ret	0	3
James Collins	8	8	1	111	15.9	36	0	0
Patrick Homberg	2	2	2	101		51 ret	0	2
Haydn Thompson	10	8	1	91	13.0	45	0	0
Raj Kuver	8	8	0	80	10.0	22	0	0
Daniel Cherny	7	7	1	59	9.8	25	0	0
Timothy Fonda	5	5	2	32	10.7	26	0	0
Angelo Portelli	9	6	3	27	9.0	10	0	0
Tadhg Crowley	6	4	0	24	6.0	18	0	0
Fraser Brierly	2	2	1	22	22.0	12	0	0
James Devesey	7	5	0	22	4.4	9	0	0
Neal Smith	3	2	1	15	15.0	12 no	0	0
Ashwath Venkat	3	2	0	13	6.5	13	0	0
Thomas Paddington	1	1	0	6	6.0	6	0	0
Bryan Hammer	1	1	0	4	4.0	4	0	0
Tanish Prabhu	9	4	1	2	0.7	1	0	0
Nigel Couzens	2	2	1	1	1.0	1 no	0	0
Hugh Lynch	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Charlie Wolf	1	1	1	0		0 no	0	0
Steven Teloniatis	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Venkat Vijay	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
Fionn Wilson	1	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0
David Wolf	1	0						
James Bradshaw	1	0						
Harry Kau	1	0						

<u>Name</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>
Dylan Flavell	Bentleigh	52 ret
Noah Portelli	South Caulfield	52 ret
Patrick Homberg	Bentleigh	51 ret
Dylan Flavell	Mount Waverley	50 ret
Patrick Homberg	South Caulfield	50 ret
Noah Portelli	Bentleigh (3)	50 ret
Noah Portelli	Bentleigh (10)	50 ret

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James Collins	48.0	10	11	153	13.9	2/6	0	0
Raj Kuver	40.1	6	13	181	13.9	6/25	1	0
Noah Portelli	22.4	3	9	82	9.1	5/12	1	0
Neal Smith	20.0	2	7	88	12.6	5/24	1	0
Tanish Prabhu	20.0	1	7	104	14.9	2/10	0	0
Angelo Portelli	20.0	0	5	88	17.6	2/11	0	0
Timothy Fonda	31.0	2	5	148	29.6	2/34	0	0
Patrick Homberg	13.0	3	4	48	12.0	3/31	0	0
Venkat Vijay	14.0	0	3	59	19.7	2/41	0	0
James Devesey	19.0	0	3	108	36.0	2/19	0	0
Fionn Wilson	2.0	0	1	6	6.0	1/6	0	0
Thomas Paddington	5.0	0	1	21	21.0	1/21	0	0
Charlie Wolf	4.0	0	1	24	24.0	1/24	0	0
Tadhg Crowley	34.0	1	1	163	163.0	1/15	0	0
Nigel Couzens	6.0	0	0	37			0	0
Steven Teloniatis	4.0	0	0	14			0	0
Harry Kau	3.0	0	0	17			0	0
Ashwath Venkat	1.0	0	0	12			0	0

Notable Bowling Performances

<u>Name</u>	Opponent	<u>Wkts</u>
Raj Kuver	South Caulfield	6/25
Noah Portelli	Bonbeach	5/12
Neal Smith	Mentone	5/24
Patrick Homberg	Bentleigh	3/31

Fielding

<u>Name</u>	<u>Catches</u>	<u>Stumpings</u>
Haydn Thompson	6	1

<u>Rd</u>	<u>Home Team</u>		<u>Away Team</u>	<u>Venue</u>
1	CUCC Kings 5/100	def	Elsternwick 5/85	William Street Reserve
2	Elsternwick*	def by	Bonbeach 2	Holmes-Todd Oval
3	Mt Waverley 3/134(cc)	def	Elsternwick 3/60(cc)	Batesford Reserve
4	CUCC Kings 6/61	def	Elsternwick 60	Lord Reserve No.3
5	Elsternwick*	def by	Old Haileybury	Holmes-Todd Oval
6	Monash 4/93 (cc)	def	Elsternwick 5/54(cc)	Carlson Reserve
7	Elsternwick 6/63(cc)	def by	Bentleigh 2 1/132(cc)	Holmes-Todd Oval
8	East Sandringham 3/139(cc)	def	Elsternwick 4/108(cc)	R.G Chisholm Reserve
9	Elsternwick 5/74(cc)	def	Monash 53	Holmes-Todd Oval
				*Lost on forfeit

This was the inaugural year for the Elsternwick women's team, and it was a credit to a number of club members who were committed to getting a women's team up and running. Particular thanks to Bradley Marks for driving this effort.

At the start of the season there were enough women who had expressed interest, though most had never played cricket before. We were very grateful to Ava Bennett for putting up her hand to coach this novice team and doing so with such patience.

The grading games were a chance to get a feel for how matches are played and to start to understand the rules of the game.

During the season a core group of players formed, with a number of others joining in at various stages. Fielding a team proved difficult on occasion, which meant a couple of games unfortunately had to be forfeited.

All players showed great improvement across the season, both in skill level and game sense. This resulted in a first win in the last game of the year to end the season on a high.

Importantly the team camaraderie was strong, and we all had a lot of fun.

We look forward to the 2022/23 season, with a need to drive greater numbers of players, to be sure we can always field a full team.

Caroline Larcher 5th XI Co-Captain

Ladder

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5	Hampton	12	4	4	4	1120	292	1111	253	24	-0.56
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<u>Name</u>	Games	<u>Inn</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>HS</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>50's</u>
Caroline Larcher	6	6	3	86	28.7	26 no	0	0
Jocelyn Hurley	7	6	1	72	14.4	22	0	0
Kay Crowley	6	6	3	59	19.7	23 no	0	0
Jeanette Houliston	6	6	0	23	3.8	9	0	0
Orla Crowley	5	5	3	16	8.0	7	0	0
Lisa O'Shannessy	6	6	1	16	3.2	10	0	0
Susan Strang	5	4	2	15	7.5	6	0	0
Louise Tobin	7	7	1	14	2.3	7	0	0
Isabella Stooke	1	1	1	12		12 no	0	0
Sophie Jackson	2	2	2	10		5 no	0	0
Yumiko Nishiyama	4	4	2	8	4.0	6	0	0
Karen Hall	1	1	1	4		4 no	0	0
Ellen Hurley	1	1	0	1	1.0	1	0	0
Mary Bollen	1	1	1	0		0 no	0	0
Rebecca Perkins	1	0						

<u>Name</u>	Opponent	<u>Score</u>
Caroline Larcher	East Sandringham 2	26 no
Caroline Larcher	Monash	25
Kay Crowley	East Sandringham 2	23 no
Jocelyn Hurley	Bentleigh 2	22



Caroline Larcher

Name	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>Best</u>	<u>5WI</u>	<u>10WM</u>
Jocelyn Hurley	27.0	1	12	90	7.5	4/6	0	0
Louise Tobin	26.0	0	3	168	56.0	2/27	0	0
Orla Crowley	15.0	0	2	94	47.0	2/7	0	0
Mary Bollen	1.0	0	1	5	5.0	1/5	0	0
Rebecca Perkins	1.0	0	1	6	6.0	1/6	0	0
Ellen Hurley	3.5	0	1	27	27.0	1/27	0	0
Susan Strang	4.0	0	1	38	38.0	1/10	0	0
Jeanette Houliston	16.0	0	1	86	86.0	1/7	0	0
Yumiko Nishiyama	11.0	0	0	58			0	0
Sophie Jackson	6.0	0	0	32			0	0
Lisa O'Shannessy	4.3	0	0	33			0	0
Caroline Larcher	4.0	0	0	32			0	0
Isabella Stooke	2.0	0	0	10			0	0
Karen Hall	1.3	0	0	9			0	0

Notable Bowling Performances

<u>Name</u>	Opponent	<u>Wkts</u>
Jocelyn Hurley	CUCC Kings	4/6
Jocelyn Hurley	Monash	3/5
Orla Crowley	CUCC Kings	2/7
Jocelyn Hurley	CUCC Kings	2/11
Jocelyn Hurley	East Sandringham 2	2/21
Louise Tobin	Monash	2/27



Jocelyn Hurley

<u>Rd</u> Home Team

Away Team

1	Malvern 126	def by Elsternwick 144	Mal
2	Oakleigh 90	def by Elsternwick 9/157(cc)	War
3	Elsternwick 116	def by Ormond 4/281(cc)	Hol
4	Elsternwick 7/167(cc)	def by Moorabbin 7/208(cc)	Elst
5	Port Melbourne 9/105(cc)	def by Elsternwick 130	Port
6	Elsternwick 121	def by Brighton 162	Elst
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7 Caulfield 9/147

def Elsternwick 134

Venue

Malvern Cricket Ground Warrawee Park Holmes-Todd Oval Elsternwick Park No.1 Port Melbourne Ground Elsternwick Park No.1 Caulfield Park No.1



<u>Ladder</u>

					Wkts	Runs	Wkts	Runs		
	<u>Club</u>	<u>Won</u>	Drew	Lost	Lost	<u>For</u>	<u>Tkn</u>	Agst	<u>Pts</u>	<u>%</u>
1	Ormond	7	0	0	36	1758	60	870	42	3.36
2	Brighton	6	0	1	46	1305	55	940	36	1.66
3	Moorabbin	5	0	2	48	1284	54	952	30	1.52
4	Caulfield	4	0	3	62	946	55	1148	24	0.73
5	Elsternwick	3	0	4	66	969	59	1119	18	0.77
6	Malvern	2	0	5	64	978	56	1107	12	0.77
7	Oakleigh	1	0	6	63	751	62	1140	6	0.65
8	Pt Melbourne	0	0	7	66	626	50	1341	0	0.35

Batting Averages

<u>Name</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Inn</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>HS</u>	<u>100's</u>	<u>50's</u>
Antony Persi	7	7	0	198	28.3	44	0	0
Nate Edwards	7	7	1	168	28.0	47	0	0
Patrick Hibberd	7	7	3	104	26.0	38 no	0	0
Zach Hawkins	6	6	0	85	14.2	27	0	0
William Naughton	7	7	0	78	11.1	30	0	0
Ethan Olliver	6	6	0	70	11.7	32	0	0

Notable Batting Performances

<u>Player</u>	Opponent	<u>Score</u>
Nate Edwards	Moorabbin	47
Antony Persi	Oakleigh	44
Nate Edwards	Oakleigh	42 no
Antony Persi	Malvern	39
Patrick Hibberd	Malvern	38 no
Nate Edwards	Ormond	37
Antony Persi	Ormond	37
Ethan Olliver	Moorabbin	32
William Naughton	Port Melbourne	30
Nate Edwards Antony Persi Patrick Hibberd Nate Edwards Antony Persi Ethan Olliver	Oakleigh Malvern Malvern Ormond Ormond Moorabbin	42 no 39 38 no 37 37 32

Bowling Averages

<u>Name</u>	<u>Overs</u>	<u>Mdns</u>	<u>Wkts</u>	<u>Runs</u>	Ave	<u>Best</u>	<u>5WI</u>	<u>10WM</u>
Fletcher Teelow	52.2	9	12	171	14.3	3/9	0	0
Lachlan Caldwell	51.2	4	12	227	18.9	4/37	0	0
Patrick Hibberd	31.5	4	10	108	10.8	4/22	0	0
Utkarsh Vaishya	56	10	7	184	26.3	2/14	0	0
Thomas Paddington	40	8	6	105	17.5	2/20	0	0

Notable Bowling Performances

<u>Player</u>	Opponent	Wkts
Patrick Hibberd	Oakleigh	3/6
Fletcher Teelow	Oakleigh	3/16
Lachlan Caldwell	Moorabbin	4/37
Fletcher Teelow	Port Melbourne	3/9
Patrick Hibberd	Brighton	4/22
Oliver Donat	Brighton	3/25

Season 2021/22 saw Elsternwick Cricket Club continue to build momentum with its foundation cricket programs. Once again Covid caused some uncertainty when planning the programs, however the club was able to run the full 10 week Junior Blaster program to the usual schedule, with 6 sessions before Christmas and 4 sessions in February. The Master Blaster program was slightly reduced in length from previous years but still managed an extensive program.

The Junior Blasters entry program had 27 kids registered plus a few "guests" participating each week. This was a further reduction on previous year's enrolments, but this is understandable given the uncertainty created by Covid. Pleasingly, we had a strong female contingent this season and would hope to build on numbers of both boys and girls next year. The Junior Blasters program was coached by Tom Foley and Tom Ashman with occasional help from other senior players. Obviously with so many kids running around, the help of parents is essential, and one of the benefits of running a Saturday morning program is that there are usually more parents present and available to assist.

As usual, the program concluded with an oval full of parents vs kids matches and a sausage sizzle. It was gratifying to hear from the parents at the sausage sizzle how happy they and their children are with the Elsternwick program. Thanks to the Toms for running the program and the Halligans and Portellis for helping with the sausage sizzle.



The Master Blasters program also suffered a decrease in numbers down to two teams this season. The club ended up with 18 participants by the end of the program but due to kids missing games regularly could not confidently stretch to three teams.

This year Alexander McPhee helped with the coaching and did a wonderful job. The program was expanded by having an optional Thursday afternoon training session. The kids that attended these sessions certainly showed the benefit of the extra, focused sessions and will be better prepared for Rookies cricket when they move up to that level.

Players for the Junior Blaster and Master Blaster programs have been recruited solely through the PlayCricket website and word of mouth with little real promotion from the club. The club needs to keep the numbers rolling through these programs to feed our formal SECA junior cricket programs.



Bryan Hammer Blasters Manager

Overview

Participation numbers in season 2021/2022 were significantly higher than 2020/21 with overall participants up by 50% across 11 junior teams (up from 7), and welcoming 55 new players to the club.

We fielded two teams in the Under 16 age group, in B and C grades. Our bottom-age cohort found the going tough in B grade winning only 2 games for the season, despite an outstanding season from Will Chilcott with the bat. Our top-age cohort had an excellent season in C grade, finishing third after the home and away season, before bowing out in the first week of the finals.

We fielded a single team in the Under 14 age group in C grade. Our team of bottom-age players performed strongly winning 3 games, led by an outstanding all-round season by Joshua Travers who was the second leading run-scorer in Under 14C grade.

We fielded three teams in the Under 12 age group, with two teams in the North B grade league, and one team in the South B grade league. Our Under 12 Silver team had an outstanding season, winning 9 of their 13 home and away games to finish second on the ladder. After winning their first final, they were valiant in defeat in their Grand Final, falling 20 runs short of their victory target.

Our Under 12 White and Under 12 Blue teams were both competitive in the majority of their games winning 5 and 2 games respectively for the season.

We had many outstanding individual performers in the Under 12 age group, headed by Henry Sims (Junior Club Champion), Luca de Crespigny (leading wicket-taker in Under 12B grade), Max Flavell (second leading run-scorer in the Under 12B North grade) and Rio Keane (leading run-scorer in Under 12B North comp).

Our three Rookies teams enjoyed their first seasons of junior cricket, with the majority of players from these teams expected to progress to Under 12 level next season. Logan Hollow was the leading run-scorer while Brandon Marks was the leading wicket-taker.

Team Managers

ECC is a voluntary organisation, and we cannot operate without the support and involvement of parents of our players. Consequently, I would like to acknowledge the help of this year's team managers whose contribution has been pivotal to getting our teams on the ground each week. A big thank you to Bridget, Jo, Naylor, Kate, Annie, Nicole, Nathan, Leith, Sarah and George.

Junior Coaching

The coaching position for Juniors showed an excellent improvement this season with a full complement of Senior Players coaching all junior sides. Big thank you to Dasun Opanayaka (U16B), Oscar Fraser (U16C), Zac Grundmann-Perera & James Collins (U14C), Bradley Marks (U12 & Rookies Coaching Coordinator), Eoin O'Mahony (U12B Blue), Tiernan Crowley U12B White), Patrick Homberg (U12B Silver), Noah Portelli (Rookies Blue), Raj Kuver (Rookies White) and Charlie Wolf (Rookies Silver).

Junior Committee

The junior committee operated strongly in their fourth year in the seat. A big thank you goes to the Kay Crowley, Angelo Portelli, Bryan Hammer, Naylor Dray, Cameron Christensen, Zach Peddersen and Bradley Marks for their efforts during the season.

Presentation Night

Thank you also to all those that helped and attended our Junior Presentation Night.

Congratulations to Rafferty Gleeson for winning the President's Award, and for all of our topage Under 16 players for representing the club with distinction over their junior careers with the club.

Achievements

Congratulations to Noah Portelli for representing SECA in the VCMU Jim Beitzel Under 16 representative competition, and to all Elsternwick award winners: -

Club Awards Junior Club Champion: President's Award:	Henry Sims Rafferty Gleeson	
U16B Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	William Chilcott Fergus Vile Benji Miles	178 runs @ 29.7 8 wickets @ 20.0
U16C Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Sebastian Poole Dhruv Pawar Caiden Perla-Dowdell	323 runs @ 53.8 7 wickets @ 12.1
U14C Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Joshua Travers Joshua Travers Jesse Pengelly	213 runs @ 35.5 9 wickets @ 11.0
U12B Blue Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Alex Nolan Charlie Kerin Boston Fuller	89 runs @ 22.3 10 wickets @ 5.8
U12B White Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Henry Sims Luca de Crespigny Fletcher Sherren	232 runs @ 29.0 21 wickets @ 8.0
U12B Silver Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Rio Keane Max Flavell Sam Perry	252 runs @ 50.4 18 wickets @ 7.3
U12R Blue Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Logan Hollow Brandon Marks Mitchell Sims	128 runs @ 21.3 14 wickets @ 8.7
U12R White Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Felix Ramsay William Warren Charlie McLean	94 runs @ 47.0 11 wickets @ 2.7
U12R Silver Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:	Archie Jenkin Henry Bakes Dash von Carate	56 runs @ 18.7 9 wickets @ 14.9

Mike McPhee Junior Boys Manager Season 2021/22 saw ECC enter a team in the 13 & Under and 16 & Under All Girls Cricket Competition for the first time. The 13 & Under side was a combined team with Cluden CC where each club provided 4-5 players to form the team.

We were extremely proud of the growth and improvement the girls showed throughout the season. We trained once a week on Thursdays which were well attended sessions and focussed on fundamental skills and having lots of fun. The girls began to develop their game sense as the season progressed and were incredibly resilient despite often playing against more experienced teams.

The highlight of the season was no doubt the spirit that the girls played with, how supportive they were of each other and the bond they formed as a group. This was no more evident than through the 'Eels' celebration they developed when celebrating a wicket. Congratulations on your first season of cricket, we hoped you enjoyed it and will be back for next season!

Getting a junior girls program off the ground takes a lot of hard work behind the scenes. Kay Crowley and George Stooke did a power of work in the lead up to, and throughout the season and on behalf of the club, the girls and the game of cricket in general, I thank them for their time and energy. I would also like to thank the parents and siblings who helped out with scoring, umpiring and driving the girls to and from training and matches, it really was a huge team effort.

Our coaches Tagdh Crowley (16&U) and Henry Bennett (13&U) formed really positive relationships with their teams and guided them expertly through the process of learning how to play and enjoy the game. Thank you both for your efforts and the cricket expertise you have passed on to the players.

Congratulations as well to our award winners: -

16 & Under

Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award: Isabella Stooke Alice de Villiers Sadie Newton

93 runs @ 18.6 4 wickets @ 30.5

13 & Under Batting Award: Bowling Award: Coach's Award:

Liza Haynes Mia Davis Scarlett Janney

Cameron Christiansen Head Coach ECC Junior Girls program



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Name	Debut	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	W1	Total		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	W1	Total
Ashen Joshua	2021/22				1			1					1			1
Ashman Thomas	2013/14			12				12			12	17	32			61
Baker Lachlan	2006/07	6	1					7		89	57	25				171
Bennett Henry	2013/14	4	11					15		15	41	23	18			97
Bennett Hugh	2010/11	6	7					13		48	50	20	13			131
Bollen Mary	2021/22						1	1							1	1
Bourke Timothy	2017/18	2	12					14		16	31					47
Bradshaw James	2021/22					1		1						1		1
Bradshaw Thomas	2019/20		1	5	5			11			2	15	14			31
Brierly Fraser	2016/17			1	3	2		6			35	19	6	2		62
Caldwell Lachlan	2021/22				4			4					4			4
Cavey Benjamin	2019/20		1	3				4			11	14				25
Cherny Daniel	2021/22					7		7						7		7
Chisholm Andrew	1990/91			11				11		137	58	65	8			268
Christiansen Cameron	1998/99	14						14		213	7	13	7			240
Collins James	2018/19				8	8		16		-		1	16	8		25
Cooper Ben	2009/10	12						12		37	55	25	18	1		136
Couzens Nigel	1999/00				5	2		7		46	138	31	9	2		226
Crowley Kay	2021/22						6	6							6	6
Crowley Orla	2021/22						5	5							5	5
Crowley Tadhg	2021/22				4	6		10				1	26	6		33
Crowley Tiernan	2016/17		8	3	· ·			11			15	29	15			59
Davies Cooper	2010/17	1	10	1				12		1	15	10	15			27
Denborough Jack	2013/20	1	6	1				6		1	6	10	1			8
Devesey James	2014/13		0			7		7			0	1	1	7		7
Dunnachie John	1986/87				12	/		12		154	177	34	58	/		423
Dunstan Mark	1983/84				12			12		134	97	190	25	1		445
		1			12			12		132	97	190	23	1		
Dwyer Jack Edwards Daniel	2021/22 2011/12	6						6		28	1	7	22			1 58
Edwards Daniel Edwards Lincoln	_	15								28 15	7	8		1		
	2006/07	15		1		10		15		15	/		4	10		35
Flavell Dylan	2021/22			1		10		11			10	1		10		11
Foley Thomas	2015/16		14		10			14		1	40	22	7			70
Fonda Timothy	2015/16				12	5		17		101	4	13	54	5		76
Fraine Adam	1996/97	2	9					11		101	29	10	13			153
Gamage Kalapu	2021/22	10	5					15		10	5					15
Grinyer Thomas	2021/22				11			11					11			11
Grundmann-Perera Zac	2009/10	14						14		14	23	18	13			68
Hall Benjamin	2014/15		8	3				11		2	30	21	17			70
Hall Jackson	2015/16		14					14			50	11	16			77
Hall Karen	2021/22						1	1							1	1
Halligan David	1986/87				1			1		6	89	141	75			311
Hammer Bryan	1987/88			3	10	1		14		5	106	117	193	1		422
Hassanain Muhammad	2021/22			3				3				3				3
Hay Bradley	2021/22				6			6					6			6
Homberg Patrick	2016/17			12	1	2		15			10	34	3	2		49
Houliston Jeanette	2021/22						6	6							6	6
Hurley Ellen	2021/22						1	1							1	1
Hurley Jocelyn	2021/22						7	7							7	7
Jackson Sophie	2021/22						2	2							2	2
Jackson Steven	1998/99		3	10				13		2	76	95	59	2		234
Johansen Raphael	2021/22				3			3					3			3
Kau Harry	2021/22				3	1		4					3	1		4
Kuver Raj	2020/21			5	2	8		15				8	7	8		23

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Name	Debut	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	W1	Total	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	W1	Total
Larcher Caroline	2021/22						6	6						6	6
Larcher Robert	2020/21		9	4				13		14	10	1			25
Long William	2004/05	3	1					4	76	15	21	34	6		152
Lynch Hugh	2021/22					1		1					1		1
MacCorquodale Lachlan	2021/22	8						8	8						8
Marks Bradley	1998/99		3	11				14	26	119	35	6			186
Menzies Joel	2021/22	5	8					13	5	8					13
Moses Kim				5				5			5				5
Naughton William	2021/22			1	9			10			1	9			10
Nethercott Max	2014/15		13					13	3	41	9	10			63
Nishiyama Yumiko							4	4						4	4
Opanayaka Dasun	2021/22	14						14	14						14
O'Shannessy Lisa	2021/22						6	6						6	6
Paddington Thomas	2021/22					1		1					1		1
Peddersen Zachary	2021/22	3	5	5				13	3	5	5				13
Perkins Rebecca	2021/22						1	1						1	1
Portelli Angelo	2018/19				4	9		13				28	9		37
Portelli Noah	2018/19			3	5	5		13		1	10	28	5		44
Prabhu Tanish	2018/19					9		9				12	9		21
Quinn Mark	1996/97			12				12	52	14	12				78
Rzechorzek Conrad	2009/10		8	4				12	2	56	42	3	4		107
Sinclair Callum	2009/10	14						14	70	41	37	11	2		161
Sineth Kalhan	2021/22	15						15	15						15
Smith Daniel	1993/94				2			2	111	60	20	42			233
Smith Neal	2020/21			1	7	3		11			3	11	3		17
Smith William	2010/11			12				12	36	10	34	29			109
Stooke Isabella							1	1						1	1
Strang Susan	2021/22						5	5						5	5
Teloniatis Steven	2018/19					1		1			7	14	1		22
Thompson Haydn	2021/22			1	5	10		16			1	5	10		16
Tobin Louise	2021/22						7	7						7	7
Tosky Andrew	2018/19				2			2			2	16			18
Tucker Maxwell	2021/22	10						10	10						10
Turmine Joseph	2019/20			8	4			12		6	24	7			37
Turton Daniel	2020/21		1	3	2			6		5	8	2			15
Vaishya Utkarsh	2021/22				3			3				3			3
Venkat Ashwath	2021/22					3		3					3		3
Vijay Venkat	2020/21		1	8		2		11		6	10	1	2		19
Williams Luke	2019/20		5					5	11	15		-			26
Wilson Fionn	2021/22					1		1					1		1
Wolf Charlie	2020/21			1	5	1		7			1	11	1		13
Wolf David	2020/21			-		1		1					1		1

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Games milestones reached this season

1st XI DebutMary Bollen, Kay Crowley, Orla Crowley, Cooper Davies, Jack Dwyer, Lincoln
Edwards, Kalapu Gamage, Zac Grundmann-Perera, Karen Hall, Jeanette Houliston,
Ellen Hurley, Jocelyn Hurley, Sophie Jackson, Caroline Larcher, Lachlan
MacCorquodale, Joel Menzies, Yumi Nishiyama, Dasun Opanayaka, Lisa
O'Shannessy, Zachary Peddersen, Rebecca Perkins, Kalhan Sineth, Isabella
Stooke, Susan Strang, Louise Tobin, Maxwell Tucker50 GamesThomas Ashman, Rzechorzek100 GamesTiernan Crowley, William Smith