



**ELSTERNWICK**  
CRICKET CLUB  
Established 1901

# *Navy Blue Newsletter*

November 2022



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**SENIORS**

It's been a historically frustrating start to the season. After two campaigns delayed by Covid-19, hopes were high for things to return to usual this year. Alas, La Nina has had other ideas. We had been due to resume on Saturday, October 1, but weekend after weekend the weather intervened, despite the best efforts of the club's resident forecaster Angelo Portelli.

By the end of October we didn't have a single senior men's match on which to report. That hasn't stopped strong turnouts at training when it has gone ahead, with several new players helping generate excitement for when the new ball is eventually taken.

Already a very familiar face at the club, new senior coach **John Watkin** has conducted a stimulating and testing pre-season program. An extra long pre-season it has proved! He has been ably assisted by bowling guru **Mark Quinn**.

It has not all been for nil though. Our senior women's team has managed to get out there, and posted an opening round win over Parkdale United on the back of 2-16 from **Shannon Elphick** and 32 not out from **Jocelyn Hurley**. The following weekend our women played at Holmes-Todd Oval against Mackie but couldn't quite defend a total of 5-104 from their 20 overs.

Hopefully there will be plenty more cricket on which to report next month. Last weekend's results for the Men's 1sts, 2nds and Women's teams are captured below. Two terrific chases by the men's teams and a thrilling 1 run win by the women's team! Congratulations to Jack Denborough (#629) and Connor Ridge (#630) on their men's 1st XI Debuts!

Early in September the club conducted a well-attended tryout day for female players (see photos above).

## MEN'S 1ST XI

<b>ELSTERNWICK</b>	<b>7/221</b>
J. Menzies	65 (88)
D. Opanyaka	35 (53)
Z. Grundmann-Perera	32 (20)
LJ. Edwards	30 (45)

### DEFEATED

<b>BRUNSWICK</b>	<b>9/217</b>
K. Sineth	4/22 (9)
D. Opanyaka	2/29 (9)

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## MEN'S 2ND XI

<b>ELSTERNWICK</b>	<b>6/214</b>
C. Christiansen	65 (82)
C. Rzechorzek	52 (104)

### DEFEATED

<b>BRUNSWICK</b>	<b>7/213</b>
HW. Bennett	2/38 (9)
T. Foley	2/47 (9)
J. Kerr	2/47 (9)

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## 1ST XI DEBUT

#629



Jack  
Denborough



## 1ST XI DEBUT

#630



Connor  
Ridge



# WOMEN'S

## ELSTERNWICK

**3/103**

S. Elphick

26 (35)

C. Larcher

11 (20)

J. Hurley

11 (20)

## DEFEATED

## PARKFIELD 2

**5/102**

L. Tobin

1/21 (4)



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## JUNIORS

It has been a similarly frustrating start to the season for our junior teams with significant disruptions due to the weather and flexibility being required as matches get shifted to venues with good drainage.

In addition to our U17 Girls, SECA rookies, under 12, 14 and 16 teams, we have entered two new teams in the under 15 and under 17 Sunday ISEC (Inner South East Cricket) turf competition in 2022/23. Our under 15 team contains many of our 22/23 J.G. Craig shield squad and playing together in the lead up to the carnival will give them every chance to be successful. The under 17 is a combined team with Maccabi and they have gelled extremely well as a group. Zach Peddersen has done a power of work getting these two new teams off the ground with terrific support from a number of



parents to continue providing young players the best possible pathway into senior cricket.

Congratulations to Noah Portelli who has been selected in the Kingston Hawthorn Dowling Shield (Under 17) team.

It's not too late to sign up, send us an email via the button below.

[Enquire here](#)

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## PAST PLAYERS

### WICKAS DINNER 2022/23

Despite a delayed start to the playing season, our Club's WICKAS Members gathered together at Holmes Todd Pavilion, where 35 members enjoyed a meal, refreshments and reports from Club executive.

We received quite a number of absentee messages and hopefully next year's dinner, the 27th annual get together, will see more ex-players, administrators and friends of the Club, return. In saying that a number of "missing" Members contributed to the night and in turn, to the well-fare of the Club. Thank you to those WICKAS Members.

In addition to the recent dinner, WICKAS members will be alerted to the details of the next, and included in the package, "BBQ on the Hill". The date is still to be determined and it relies heavily on the playing schedule, which you will all understand has been affected by the wet weather in September and October in particular. This is continuing to have a profound effect on grounds and fixtures.

Back to the dinner....Thank you to all involved in executing the night's agenda which, as is traditional, MC provided WICKAS with a welcome and a general Club, on and off field, update from our President. An unrehearsed in-depth interview with a newer member of the 1st XI team took us on his journey to ECC from Queensland senior cricket. Why to ECC? He had done his homework, with considerations to be based on training and playing facility, general Club structure, culture, social appeal and location. ECC came out shining, it is important to us, to know that the ongoing work that has gone into building an attractive cricket environment at ECC, for men, women

and junior players, is meaningful and effective.

Our next dinner for 2023. Tradition has it that we have selected visited various venues for our annual dinners and the plans for the next dinner will take us further afield..... not too far from ECC but to a venue that will be attractive to as many of us as possible.

### WICKAS recruiting

For all concerned WICKAS membership is open to "all" people who wish to maintain past and current direct association with the Club. WICKAS coterie is built on a platform to offer an ongoing social and supportive association with the Club. We are an inclusive Club not certainly not restricted to male only membership.

In addition to the Club's general social agenda for the 2022/23 season, there will be an important event taking place during February of 2023. WICKAS will receive more details, in due course, of an event to recognise celebrate the extensive list of 1st X1 players who have represented the Club since its entry to the VSDCA in 1908.... there have been approximately 640 players and a numbered pin has been struck to hand to players or families of those players who have honoured the Club.

This event has been in the planning stages for the last 2 to 3 years with most of the time being applied to researching, far and wide, to establish the list in a chronological order, of entry to the Club's senior X1.

### Ray Street





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## SOCIAL

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\$5 Champagnes



Saturday, November 26th  
7:30PM  
8:00PM first draw

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## Fundraising

### **Tax deductible donations to the ECC via the Australian Sports Foundation**

Players and supporters interested in making a tax-deductible donation to the Elsternwick Cricket Club can do so through the Australian Sports Foundation (ASF).

The Club continues to raise funds for the expansions of our practice facilities. Payments into this fund will free up revenue generated by the club for other ongoing activities.

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## Player Profile

Haydn Thompson



Name: Haydn Thompson

Playing type: Keeper / Batsman

Cricket background: Played in Glen Waverley for decades, currently a humble Member of Ange's Almighty Fifts

Cricket idol: Chapple, Lillee, Marsh, Thommo

Greatest sporting achievement: I took 3 hatricks as a junior. I was handy bowler till one day I was handed the keeping gloves.

Favorite food: My homemade goat curry with lots of green beans & capsicum in a butter chicken sauce.

Hobbies outside of cricket: The Bombers, the races, world news & current affairs

Greatest influence: My Parents and some magnificent life mentors

Quote to live by: By their fruit you will recognise them.

Job: Travel Agency Owner/manager specialising in Japan

Dream job: Philanthropy after a massive Powerball win

Watching on TV: Cricket, AFL, NRL, world news.

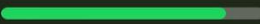
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**The Swamp Podcast is back in 2022/23!**

# S2 E2 - Chat with the Cat



The Swamp - The ECC Eels Podcast

Today • 3 min. left 



After a few weeks of rain, the boys are back and are joined by club coach John 'Cat' Watkin to discuss the upcoming fixtures, pre season, and Cat's history at the Eels.

4 Nov • 25 min.

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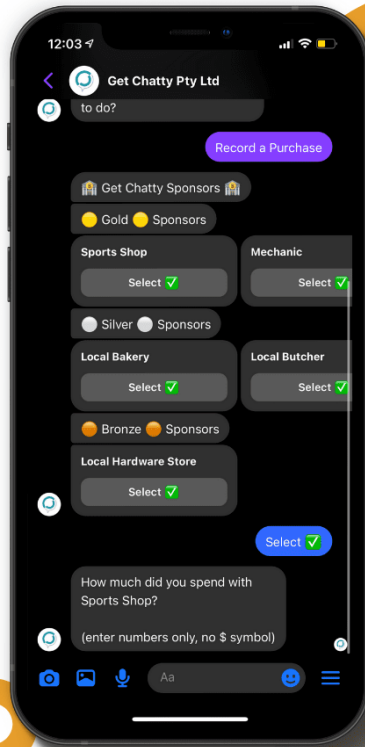
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