

Heathcote Cricket Club



**Annual Report: 2022 - 2023
Season**

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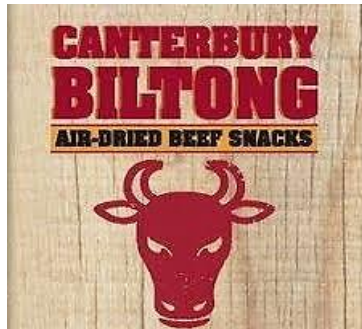
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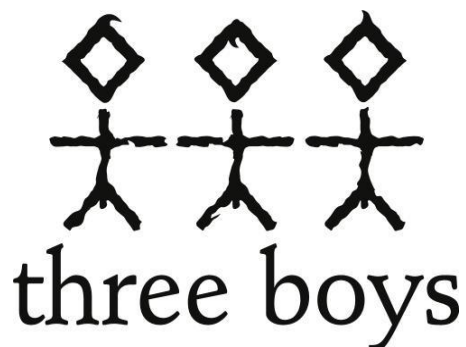
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Annual General Meeting

**WEDNESDAY 9th AUGUST 2023 at 7.30PM
at the Clubrooms, Heathcote Cricket Club**

**Notice is hereby given of the Annual General Meeting to
be held on Wednesday the 9th of August 2023 at 7.30pm at
the Heathcote Cricket Clubrooms, Bridle Path Road.**

Agenda:

- 1. Roll call**
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting**
- 4. Reading/Adoption - Annual Report 2022-2023**
- 5. Reading/Adoption - Financial Statement for Year Ending
31 May 2023**
- 6. Election of Officers for 2023-2024 season**
- 7. Setting of subscriptions for 2023-2024 season**
- 8. General Business**

Re. Agenda item 7:

**The committee has discussed and recommends to the AGM that
this season there be no increase in adult (full and T20)
subscriptions, and no change in junior and social rates.**

**[Bank Account number for Subs payment -
03-1355-0597736-00]**

Officers of the Heathcote Cricket Club (Inc) for the 2022-2023 season were:

Patron: Dave Collier

President: Ralph Bungard

Club Captain – Dan Nielsen/Shاون Berryman

[Josh Bamber – associate]

Secretary: Kalina Panfilow

Treasurer: Nigel Georgieff

Junior Club Captain: Matt House

Bar/Clubrooms: Natalie Wiki-Arapeta

Committee Members:

Charles Grey, Anthony Hunter, Johnno Lambert

Nouman Maqsood, James Rennie, Ken Lomax & David Stack

Auditor: Phil Harris

Vice Presidents:

Rob Armstrong, Grant Eastlake, Graeme Inglis,

Darren Te Koeti, John Garry, David Stanley

Club Photographer & Annual Report Editor:

Paul Corliss





Metro awards – individuals & on behalf of HCC

HCC Trophy/Cup Winners' List 2022-23

Metro Grade Awards:

Heathcote Cricket Club: CMCA Chairman's Cup winners
 Heathcote 2nd XI: Division 1 T20 Trophy Winners
 Heathcote 2nd XI: Division 1 Two Day Trophy Winners
 Heathcote 2nd XI: Division 1 Overall Grade Winners
 Heathcote Red Wolves: Division 5 Overall Grade Winners

Heathcote Cricket Club Awards:

Doc Halliday Trophy (Most Improved Afternoon Grades) - **Muz Moeller (Tussocks)**
 Price Cup (Most Improved All Grades) - **Marsyle Scott (2nd XI)**
 Dean Calvert Cup (Best U21 player) - **Harry Sinclair (1st and 2nd XI)**
 Keith Petheram Cup (Best Fielder Afternoon Grades) - **Hari Sasidharan (Red Wolves)**
 Keith Petheram Cup (Best Fielder Morning Grades) - **Tyler Lortan (1st XI)**
 Wicket Keeping Trophy – most contribution to the team- **Tom Dunlop (1st XI)**
 Robert Hay Cup (Best Batting Performance – in context) - **Tom Knight (Div 5 Alley Cats)**
 Maurie Bailey Cup (All round sportsmanship) - **Jono Spicer (Presidents)**
 Keith Bate Trophy (Best Women's' Bowler) - **Ashley Whittaker (Super 8's Valley Vixens)**
 Wayne Ward Cup (Club person extraordinaire) - **Johnno Lambert (Committee)**
 Sarge Wilson Cup (Best Women's' Batter) - **Tracy Watts (Super 8's Valley Vixens)**
 Stack Cup (T20 MVP) - **Tracey Watts (Super 8s Valley Vixens)**
 Maurie Collier Cup (Best Women's' All-rounder) - **Tracey Watts (Super 8s Valley Vixens)**
 President's Cup (Best All-rounder – all grades) - **Tyler Lortan (1st XI)**
 Mick Deavoll Cup (Best Bowling Performance) - **Tyler Lortan (8 for 20 1st XI)**
 Lowe Cup (Highest batting score) - **Jimmy Hunt (116 1st XI)**
 Kit Chambers Trophy (Most Wickets 1st XI) - **Philippe Boissenvain (55 wickets 1st XI)**
 Jubilee Cup (Most wickets ALL Grades) - **Philippe Boissenvain (55 wickets 1st XI)**

Trevor Mintrom Trophy (Best Bowler) - **Hunter Rowe (1st and 2nd XI)**
 Thomson Cup (Most runs all grades) - **Tyler Lortan (908 runs 1st XI)**
 Corliss Cup (Highest position in grade) - **2nd XI and Div 5 Red Wolves**
 John Brooks Trophy (Outstanding contribution to the club) - **Joe Barret (2nd XI)**
 Chatter Box (good chat on or off the field) - **Fraser Bartholomew (1st XI)**
 Heathcote County Councillors Cup (Exceptional contribution to the club) - **Matthew House (2nd XI and Junior Club Captain)**



Skit Trophy - Premiers ("Prem's Got Talent" - 1st XI)

			
Mens's Club Team of 2022-23			
P. Boissevain	Heath	T. Lortan	Heath
S. Duggan	LP	J. Roberts	ES
M. Hay	BW	R. Sheahan	ES
BJ. Jacobs	SYD	I. Souness	STA
D. Khalid	LP	D. Stanley	Heath
J. Latham	BW	A. Tait	BW

Christchurch Metro Club Team of 2022-23





President's Report

After last season's COVID-related disruption, it really felt like the club was back in full swing in 2022-23 - it's our 95th season!

In terms of club results on the field, Shaun Berryman will have the details of that covered in his report below. However, just to say that there were some fantastic achievements ranging from the promotion of Division 1 to Championship grade and their stunning win of the T20 trophy, to the excellent work also by the Division 5 Red Wolves in finishing top of their grade.



The Premiers continued their year-on-year improvement in the CMCA's top men's grade. For the top squads, the step up in training and commitment under player/coach Tyler Lortan really did get reflected on the field. To have three of our top players selected in the CMCA 'Team of the Year' was also a genuine tribute.

An immense honour for the club was seeing Kalina Panfilow awarded the Ana Rouse Trophy for Services to Women's Cricket. So very well-deserved and an honour to have Kalina as such an integral part of our women's team, and the club in general.

Our junior club was again vibrant. Thanks largely to our Junior Club Captain Matthew House, with help from Nigel Georgieff and Vanessa Cashel, amongst many other contributors from the Junior Academy and the wider club. You will probably be aware that Matt is standing down



from the Junior Club Captain's role and we will have to work hard to replace him. It's a big job and probably bigger than one or even two people can handle. A massive thanks to Matt for all his hard work over so many years.

A big shout-out of appreciation to both our immediate-past President Ken Lomax and our immediate-past Club Captain David Stack. They have stepped down from their key roles but remained on the Club Committee. Their

commitment to ensuring that we don't lose institutional knowledge as different club roles evolve is an excellent example of how succession should occur. A special thanks to Ken Lomax who has been incredibly supportive of me, personally. His knowledge and well-documented procedures have made my first year in the role much easier than it could have been.

It's the work of a raft of volunteers that keep our club functional, successful and vibrant. The committee did an excellent job despite committee numbers being depleted by three with movement to other locations or other commitments. Daniel Nielson in his role as Club



Captain was busy in the pre-season period negotiating a ground-sharing arrangement with the Southern Districts Club and making sure our teams were registered correctly with CMCA and ready to step onto the field for the first game of the season. From Christmas, the role of Club Captain was taken on by Shaun Berryman with Josh Bamber as his assistant. Both Shaun and Josh did a great job taking over the team administration in the latter part of the season. Excellent understanding from all our captains really helped with wrangling full teams in the wake of injuries and the usual casualties as the season progressed.

Listing the committee's tasks would fill these pages and many more, but mostly everything that you can think of that occurs over a season from simply paying the power bill and changing a light bulb to making sure that both



our Junior and Adult clubs are kitted out, fit and ready to enjoy cricket on our beautiful grounds all comes back to the committee. Without those committee members there would be no Heathcote Cricket Club.

Change and perpetual improvement are the hallmarks of this great club and this year was no different. A few highlights were the renovation of the home changing-rooms driven by Matthew House, Johnno Lambert, Brigid Casey and me, bringing together a new look, combined with some historical reminders of the club's history and characters.

This season we saw the introduction of the online scoring and team admin app - Play HQ. To say it was a smooth transition to a great system would be a lie. Its imposition on club cricket by higher authorities in NZ Cricket was premature to say the least. The concept of a standard system was solid, but the system itself was not. Let's hope for a much-improved system next season.

Getting back to more positive themes, this year saw the introduction of a "baggies" ceremony where players selected to play for the top team were presented with a 'blue baggie' playing cap. Thanks to Charlie Grey for organising the production of the caps and the match-playing records that allowed us to back-date some presentations. [see article following. Ed]



The club management was proactive in making sure our opinions on the management and structure of Metro Cricket were heard. High on the agenda for CMCA/Metro this year was the promotion/relegation structure of the competition. With the 'shifting sands' of the city it was always clear that the promotion/relegation format was going to create both issues and incentives for clubs.



Until this season, Heathcote was the first and only club that has managed to secure promotion to the Premier grade of Christchurch Metropolitan Cricket. This year's competition outcome has meant that previous Suburban club Merivale Papanui will join the Premier grade at the expense of Riccarton. Heathcote has been vocal in its support of

the system. One of the main premises behind our support is that we believe that every club and

every player should have a pathway to play the top level of cricket in Christchurch. In counter to that, a Premier grade team should never be a prerequisite for a strong and vibrant club.

Clubs need to look after all players and at every level. The universal love of our great game and the eclectic characters that play it at every level are the foundation on which we need to build.

More specifically, at our club the introduction of 'Host Nights' was also a very successful initiative; each Saturday a

'host' team was assigned to supply a few Saturday evening snacks and banter during the round-up and team speeches. The initiative really brought a new vibrancy to the evening speeches and thanks should go to Natalie Wiki-Arapeta for scheduling and reminding teams of their Host Night duties. The Host Night initiative is a nice addition to our reputation for having an excellent club social atmosphere and hospitality. They help foster inclusiveness and build connections and friendships across the grades, which is so important to our club's culture.

It is initiatives like Host Nights and our continued commitment to supplying hospitality in the form of afternoon teas at our home games that make our club attractive to members old and new – and the opposition.

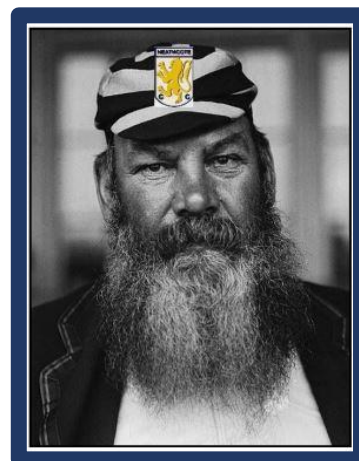


We also worked hard on our social media over the season, looking at new ways to engage with and inform our club members and those in the greater social media world. Updates on draws and results were revamped and we got some good social traction with the work from Fraser Bartholomew on Instagram. It was a

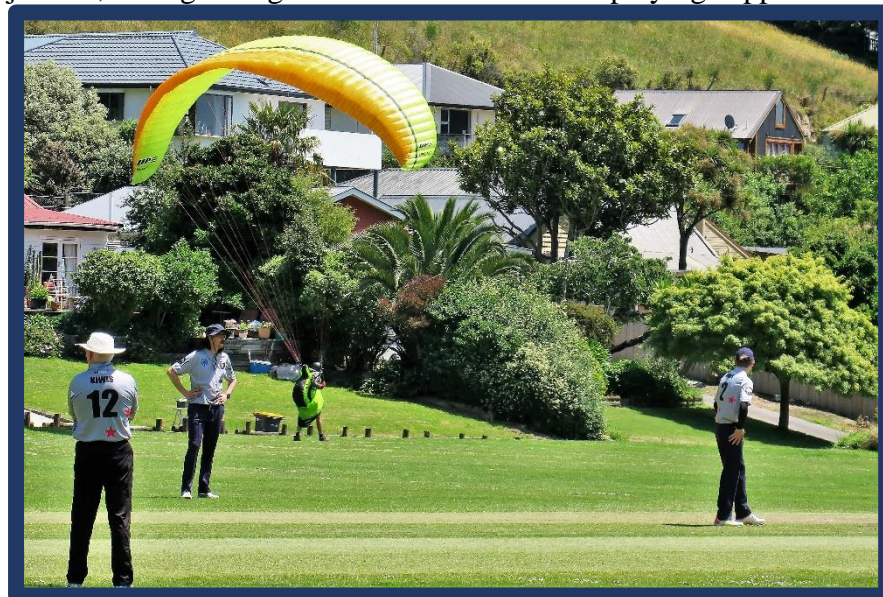
good way to show support to our loyal sponsors and a great way to profile top performances and individuals at the club.

We have started to upgrade our website too, introducing a more user-friendly platform and some more up-to-date content. This will get a greater focus next season. Thanks to those like Fraser Bartholomew who in particular created some popular content.

A special thanks must go to our ground staff Roger Georgieff, Ken Lomax, Kit Chambers, Marsyle Scott and Marek Bungard. Preparing pitches to a high standard is not an easy or quick task. Many players will know the stark difference between the pitches prepared by our own ground staff and the variable quality of pitches that are not under such good club care. We can only wholeheartedly thank these guys for all the time and effort they put into the beautiful works of art that is a freshly mowed, rolled and marked pitch, only to see their beautiful work scratched and dented and sent back for renovation – every week!



In our modern world, where social interaction is increasingly virtual, clubs are playing a progressively important role in bringing together people from diverse social and ethnic backgrounds. That social interaction of people from all ages and backgrounds is a key part of the beauty of our club. Next season I hope to see our club build on our social interaction, especially across the grades, right from juniors, through the grades and across our non-playing supporters.



It might have been the great Ken Lomax who once said that if we build a strong club culture, then the results on the field will take care of themselves. For Heathcote, our reputation as a strong club with good club culture comes down to our competitiveness on the field for sure, but probably more importantly to our members' loyalty, our

innovation and our club's hospitality. I'd like to grow that armoury to include our playing etiquette. The erosion of cricket player etiquette is something that is rightly high on the agenda of CMCA. Poor on-field behaviour is off-putting for players and particularly young players - who are the future of our sport.

In the tradition of Heathcote being at the forefront of Christchurch club cricket, this coming season we will be looking to cement our club's reputation as not only highly competitive on the field, but outstandingly fair and hospitable both on and off the field.

Almost finally, a big thanks to our Life Member Paul Corliss who produces this annual report.

And finally, thanks to everyone in this club that plays, or plays a part, and cares for this gem of an institution.

See you all next season.

Ralph Bungard
President
Heathcote Cricket Club

Club Captain's Report

The 2022/2023 season has been my first in the club captain's role, taking over from December 2022. It has been a ride. I would like to begin by thanking all the volunteers at the club, the committee, the recruitment sub-committee and the grounds staff. This transition would not have been possible without everyone's help. I would also like to thank Josh Bamber and Joe Barratt. Josh has been the deputy club captain this past season. I really appreciate his help over the last season. Joe has also been very helpful this season, he has taken care of the game-day admin for the second XI for much of the season, which has allowed me to not only focus on playing but also help me carry out the club captain duties. We are lucky to have such a selection of helpful people at our club.

*Groundsmen's Union
Stopwork Meeting -
Roger Georgieff & Kit
Chambers preparing the
way...*

What a pleasure it is to report on the season that has just been. This being a very successful season for the club, with another Chairman's Cup title, both the second XI being promoted to the championship grade and Red Wolves being promoted to division 4 and lastly the Premiers finishing third overall.



The work for the season that began in May 2022 through the Recruitment Committee. The Recruitment Committee had a big role this last season in strengthening the top two sides. We acquired six players distributed between our two top sides. This built great depth between the Premier and Second XI, which was reflected in the results.

This season saw a change in coach, with Player-Coach Tyler Lortan coming across from Saint Albans. Tyler's influence on the players was immense, another key factor contributing to the success of the club in the 2022/2023 season. Tyler also had a more-than okay season personally, over 800 runs with a best of 102* and an eight-wicket haul with the ball.



Life Member and long-time Treasurer Nigel Georgieff. Yes, we trust our money to this delightful and supportive chap.

We had a successful pre-season as a club, I thought. Using the new indoor facility in town rather than the Lincoln nets contributed to the increase in numbers that we saw at these sessions. We also had the annual pre-season game against Sefton, which HCC won convincingly. There was an internal game between the morning grade sides in pre-season too. This consisted of 2 x T20 games the week before the season began.

A special mention to those players who floated between squads and were willing to play for teams other than their own. Especially Marek Bungard and Shaun Stagg who played Premiers, Second, Third and Fourth XI this season

– unselfishly putting the club first and playing where they were required. It was very nice to see.



Div 1 & Div 2 Melhuish Shield Winners

This season also saw the introduction of team nights at the club, which was an initiative by the Committee and run smoothly by Nat Wiki-Arapeta, with the idea of there being a host team

at the speeches each weekend providing the food, with intention to bring more people back to the clubrooms on a weekly basis.

To the Teams ...

Premiers

What a season for our Premier side! Only our fourth season in the grade and now we are playing finals cricket. Finishing third in the Two-Day competition and fourth in the One-Day and T20 competitions. Resulting in an overall finish of third place. The team thrived off Tyler's influence and experience. The team was led very well by Jamal Sukhon with his second season

in charge of the team. Jamal is always learning and has developed greatly as a captain over the last couple of seasons!

This season saw overseas players Philippe Boissevain (Netherlands) and Andre Bradford (UK) join the club. They were both perfect fits for culture, and conveniently great cricketers.

We had three players chosen in the CMCA 'Team Selection' of the season:

Philippe Boissevain	55 wickets
Tyler Lortan	886 runs & 19 wickets
Daniel Stanley	628 Runs

We also had Tom Dunlop collect the most dismissals for the Premier grade (33). Tom won the Metro 'Chattel Hayes Memorial Trophy' being named the CMCA Wicket-keeper of the Year.

We have a very promising Premier side for the future!

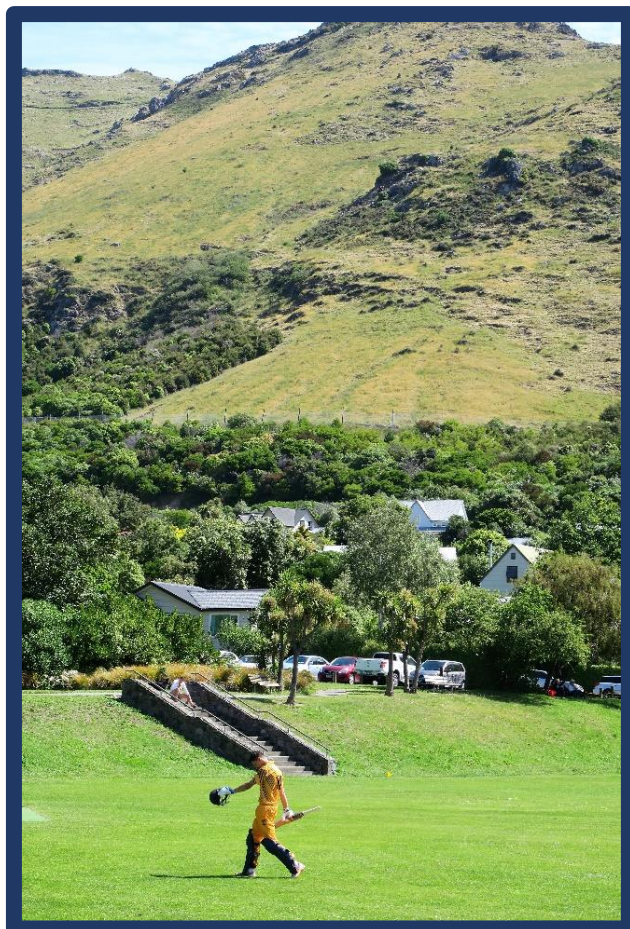


Second XI

This was a dominant season for the second XI, winning the 2-Day and T20 competition. Also winning the grade by a creditable 45 points, and earning promotion to the Championship competition. with the promotion. This places us amongst the top clubs in Christchurch. The team only went down in four games all season.

This side had a great balance of experienced players such as Matthew House, John Garry and Grant Stewart with a presence of youth with the likes of Hunter Rowe, Harry Sinclair and Quinn Bungard. It made for a unique side, who played great cricket throughout the year.

The Heathcote second and third XI were the recipients of the Melhuish Shield which has been a part of Christchurch cricket for 100 years. The shield is awarded to the club whose two named teams gained the best combined result. In the Shield's 100th year, it



went to the Heathcote second and third XI. [See further Shield details below. Ed]

Third XI



The Third XI had a bit of an up-and-down year.

At the beginning of the season there was too many players for the squad, resulting in some players playing in other teams. As the season progressed a couple of players left, injuries occurred, people moved away and by the end of the season we were scraping to get a team together.

The third XI has had mixed results with some very good winning performances and great individual performances with both bat and ball.

It was another good season for Anthony “Bazz” Hunter with the ball. Harry Khan also had a good season, at one point knocking up a few half centuries in a row. Rhys Watson-Webb also had a great year, floating between the second and third XI for the most part, Finishing off the

season with two 6-wicket hauls.

In the Two-Day competition they finished 6th, T20- 4th, One Day- 7th. Resulting in a 6th placed finish overall.

As mentioned previously, the third XI won the Melhuish Shield with the second XI.



*Their legs ablaze with the dull white of reflected putty, their hair the silver
of second place, Heathcote old cricketers don't fade away.
They crouch tighter onto their spectator bench with
their bum-cheeks like puckered pauas,
tell more outrageous lies of their personal on-field exploits,
and promise they'll "watch just 5 more overs".*

*'Doc' Halliday, Tony Collins and Rob Armstrong
admire the winning form of our Premiers
as they advance to victory over Burnside West...*

The Division 5 Teams

This season we had a unique battle in Division 5, having two Heathcote sides in the grade. Not only that, but they were going head-to-head for the title the entire way throughout the season, the outcome only being decided in the last game of the season.

The teams were our 4th XI which is skippered by Carlos, and the Red Wolves who Anoop looks after. Going into the last game of the season both Heathcote teams and New Brighton were tied. The Red Wolves won whilst unfortunately the 4th XI lost. This confirmed a promotion for the Red Wolves into Division 4 - which we are all very excited about!

The Afternoon Grade Sides

We had another great year fielding numerous afternoon grade sides, we had five in total. These guys and girls are the backbone of the club, especially socially. Playing cricket as it should be enjoyed - with friends. These sides will be covered in increasing detail in the captains' reports below.

This season we had the Valley Vixens, our ladies' side, which featured another standout year for skilled Tracey Watts, cleaning up the awards at prizegiving once again. This team is of interest for the club's point of view, with the intention of expanding women's cricket in the community.

We had one President's side this year, the Tunnel Rats. Despite the undoubted if slightly aged quality in this side, there was a mixed bag regarding results. This side is always interesting to follow due to the quality of characters within it. Despite the result, these guys love their cricket

and it's even better when it is topped off with a speech at the club from Richie Howard.



In the 2022/2023 season we fielded two T20 sides again. Both the Hustlers and the Blazers returned for another season. The highlight was the annual game between them at Heathcote Domain, always a special occasion, particularly for the afternoon grade sides who rarely get a game at home. The Blazers were victorious in this

fixture.

Finally, we have the Tussocks side. The Tussocks were in a new grade this season, this being a combined North Canterbury and Christchurch grade. The Tussocks had a tough year, with a few standout performances throughout the season. These guys battled with numbers, especially later in the season.

‘Special Shout Out’ to Kalina Panfilow from the Valley Vixens who received the Ana Rouse women’s service to cricket award at the recent CMCA prizegiving [see related report below, Ed]. This is a testament to all Kalina does, not only for her own team, but for the club and women’s cricket as a whole!

Kalina plays an essential role to the club, and it is great seeing her get recognized for her hard work.

Thanks everyone for a superb season. I can’t wait for next season, to meet more people at the club and get more involved, especially having the opportunity to get more interaction with the afternoon sides.

Shaun Berryman

Heathcote Premiers – Report

The 2022/23 season for the Premiership side was a well improved year for the boys, with plenty of great results and individual achievements. With our main goal being to keep developing players, we recruited new player-coach Tyler Lortan. Tyler brought a very professional approach right from Day 1. Some more solid off-season recruiting was done



picking up Fraser Bartholomew, Andre Bradford and Philippe Boissevann.

After a decent Pre-Season, this one was looking a step up from previous years. Leading into Week 1, selections were difficult to start with, with lots of competition for places. Starting with the Two days we managed to go the first 8 weeks

unbeaten, with 2 outright wins going our way. Going into our last Two-dayer we had a mathematical chance of winning the 2-day comp but the result didn't go our way which saw us finish 3rd.

Onto the T20s. Another improved campaign which saw us finishing 4th. With mixed results and multiple Thursday night games it was tough to see Metro take semi-finals out of the T20s format this year. It left a dead-rubber for the last game. We finished with 3 wins and 4 losses. Which saw our best-ever finish in T20s.

After a few months together, we were in great spirits leading into the One-day competition. Five weeks into the comp we saw ourselves in a good position, with the genuine potential of making the semi-finals for the first time. After our seventh match, we had made history - we qualified for the semi-finals for the first time! Unfortunately, we lost in the last over of our semi, by one wicket. However, we could still hold our heads high as this was a great achievement.

Throughout these formats we saw some special individual performances that are worth recording.

2 Dayers

Ben Cochrane, 5-37 vs Sydenham, 5-38 vs Riccarton
Philippe Bossievaan, 5-54 vs East Shirley, 7-18 vs St Albans
Daniel Stanley, 106 vs East Shirley
Tyler Lortan, 8-20 vs Riccarton

“The Ana Rouse Cup is awarded by Metro Cricket to a person who has provided outstanding service to Women’s Cricket. This year the winner joined her club in 2012/13 and soon after took over as captain of her team. She also took over as Women’s Club Captain and recently took on the role as Heathcote Cricket Club Secretary.

For the last five seasons she has also been a member of the Women's Advisory Group for the CMCA.

The winner was Kalina Panfilow...”



One day

James Rennie, 100* vs Riccarton

Jimmy Hunt, 111* vs Riccarton, 5-26 vs East Shirley

Tyler Lortan, 100* vs St Albans, 108 vs Burnside semi final

Overall season

500 + runs

Tyler Lortan, 886 @ 40.27

Daniel Stanley, 628 @ 26.16

50 Wickets

Philippe Bossievaan, 56 wickets @ 19

This season we grew as a prem squad and have moved in the right direction towards the main goal of Heathcote winning the Premiers' grade. Shout out to Division 1 who have earned promotion to the championship grade, which sees us with two teams in the two top grades. Also, a big thanks to Ralph, Josh, Joe, Shaun and Tyler for your extra work over the season. Bring on next year!!

Cheers

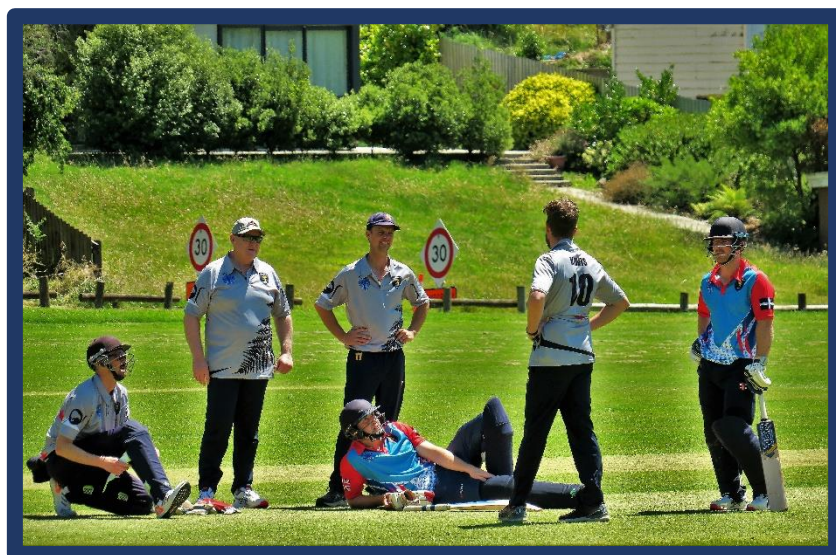
Jamal Sukhon



Team Name	BATTING				
Grade					
NAME:	INNS	NO	RUNS	AVE	HS
Tyler Lortan	27	4	908	39.48	108
Daniel Stanley	26	1	650	26.00	106
Andre Bradford	15	3	419	34.92	79
Tom Dunlop	22	-	353	16.05	59
Jimmy Hunt	19	5	330	23.57	*111
Harry Sinclair	15	-	255	17.00	91
Jamal Sukhon	18	3	215	14.33	33
Charles Grey	17	4	211	16.23	*52
Philippe Bossivann	17	3	201	14.36	*36
Inderjeet Wraich	11	1	197	19.70	54
James Rennie	6	1	168	33.60	*100
Ben Cochrane	18	4	157	11.21	*25
Shaun Berryman	3	-	72	24.00	51
Fraser Bartholomew	13	11	49	24.50	*14
Hunter Rowe	2	1	8	8.00	*5
Alan Benny	3	1	4	2.00	4
Quinn Bungard	1	-	1	1.00	1
Shaun Stagg	4	3	1	1.00	1
Marek Bungard	1	-	1	1.00	1

Team Name	BOWLING							FIELD
Grade								
NAME:	Balls Bowled	MAIDENS	RUNS	WICKETS	AVE	RPO	BB	CT/ST
Tyler Lortan	334	6	260	19	13.68	3.67	8/20	24
Daniel Stanley	204	2	125	2	62.50	3.68	1/28	12
Andre Bradford								6
Tom Dunlop								29/8
Jimmy Hunt	981	16	694	35	19.83	4.24	5/26	10
Harry Sinclair								2
Jamal Sukhon	741	12	588	24	24.50	4.76	4/66	10
Charles Grey								5
Philippe Bossivann	1549	32	1105	56	19.73	4.28	7/18	5
Inderjeet Wraich	12	-	4	-	1.00	2.00	0/4	4
James Rennie								3
Ben Cochrane	1185	22	822	43	19.12	4.16	5/38	7
Fraser Bartholomew								-
Hunter Rowe	1074	28	700	41	17.07	3.91	4/75	5
Alan Benny	18	-	35	-	-	11.67	0/11	1
Quinn Bungard	43	-	46	2	23.00	6.30	2/9	1
Shaun Stagg								-
Marek Bungard	126	1	130	3	43.33	6.19	2/42	-

Matt House's Wedding Match - Heathcote vs Goran



A Brief Gorran (England) v Heathcote (New Zealand) Rhyming Stanza

The pitch was rank, the choice was stark
 To bat or bowl the query
 He'd won the toss did old 'Poldark'
 But either option still looked 'scary'

The Gorran lads were few and frail
The Heathcote lads seemed sharp and certain
Succoured by their 3-Boys' ale
They looked to pull down the winning curtain

Well, wedding bells can clang real loud
And home teams can lose their purpose
The Gorran lads they pleased the crowd
And Heathcote lads performed like clowns down at the circus... because it's very difficult to find a useful rhyming word for 'purpose' and even changing it to something less complex creates difficulties with the quatrain effect, I'm a couplet man myself...

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Heathcote Valley Vixens – Report



The Heathcote Valley Vixens have wrapped up another successful season of cricket, finishing in second place in the league table. It was a great achievement for the team and a testament to the hard work and dedication of all the players and coaching staff.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank our loyal supporters & Coach who have been with us every step of the way. Your unwavering support and encouragement have been a huge source of motivation for the team and we couldn't have done it without you. Hunter thanks so much for coaching us this year. Hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! Thanks to Victoria for doing our score every week, Bushy & Chris for

coming down to watch most games & Richie for umpiring. We would also like to thank everyone who filled in this year, you know you'll get the call up again!

The Vixens had some standout performances this season, with Tracey and Ashley being two of the most consistent performers. Tracey's batting was a joy to watch as she consistently scored runs and played with a level of skill and composure that belied her years. Ashley, on the other hand, was a force to be reckoned with in the bowling department, taking wickets at crucial times and always keeping the opposition on their toes.



The Vixen's Tracey Watts & Kalina Panfilow clutch their deserved season's silverware



We would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new player, Ava. Her talent and enthusiasm have already made a positive impact on the team, and we look forward to seeing her develop and grow with us in the seasons to come.

Overall, it was a fantastic season for the Vixens, and we can't wait to get back on the pitch and do it all again next year. Thank you once again to all our supporters & Coach, and we hope to see you all back again soon! **Kalina Panfilow - Captain**

Bowling									
Name	Innings	Balls	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	BB	Average	Economy	
Amber Law									
Ashley Whittaker	17	418	6	300	18	2/31	16.67	4.3	
Ava*		270	1	246	4		67.5	5.4	
Carolyn Mayo	2	6	0	9	0		0	9	
Karina Stewart	12	241	1	203	7	.1/9	29	5.04	
Kalina Panfilow	12	270	2	237	11	3/23	21.55	5.27	
Natalie Wiki Arepta	11	203	2	171	9	3/8	19	5.04	
Sara Hobbs	4	18	0	22	1	1/4	4	4	
Tracey Watts	19	476	8	251	24	4/5	10.46	3.16	

* Ava's stats are not 10% correct due to PlayHQ issues- a lot are missing

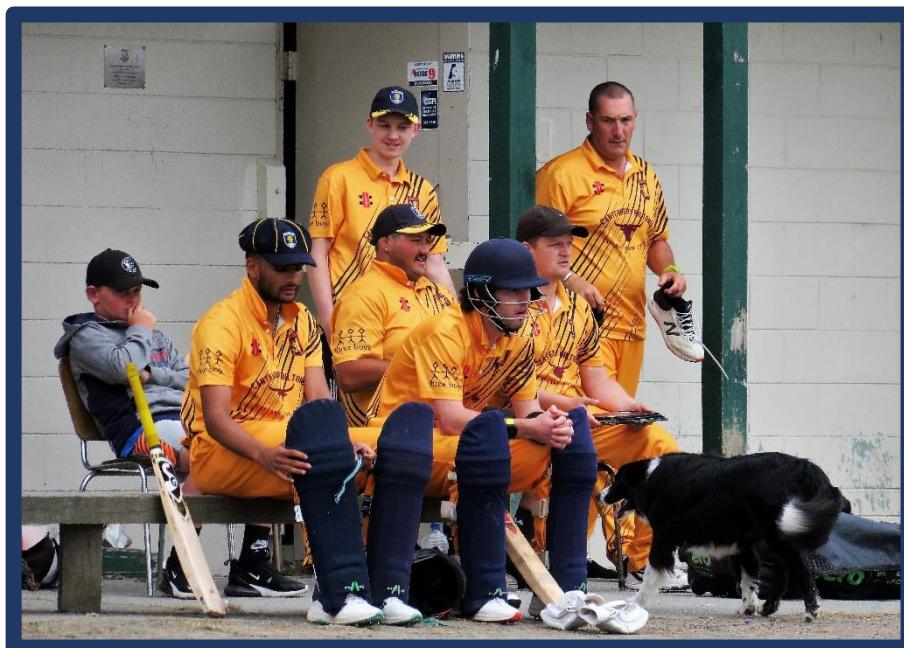
Batting									
Name	Innings	NO	Runs	HS	Average	SR	50's	4's	6's
Amber Law	5	4	14	6*	14	24.14	0	0	0
Ashley Whittaker	16	9	324	51*	46.29	118.25	2	41	1
Ava*	5	1	26	11*	2.5				
Carolyn Mayo	10	4	73	25*	12.17	43.45	0	3	
Karina Stewart	8	2	84	31*	14	55.26	0	2	0
Kalina Panfilow	3	1	1	1	0.5	25	0		
Natalie Wiki Arepta	14	2	188	40*	15.67	54.18	0	6	0
Sara Hobbs	10	6	50	13*	12.25	31.41	0	0	0
Tracey Watts	19	9	571	53*	57.1	83.48	4	53	1

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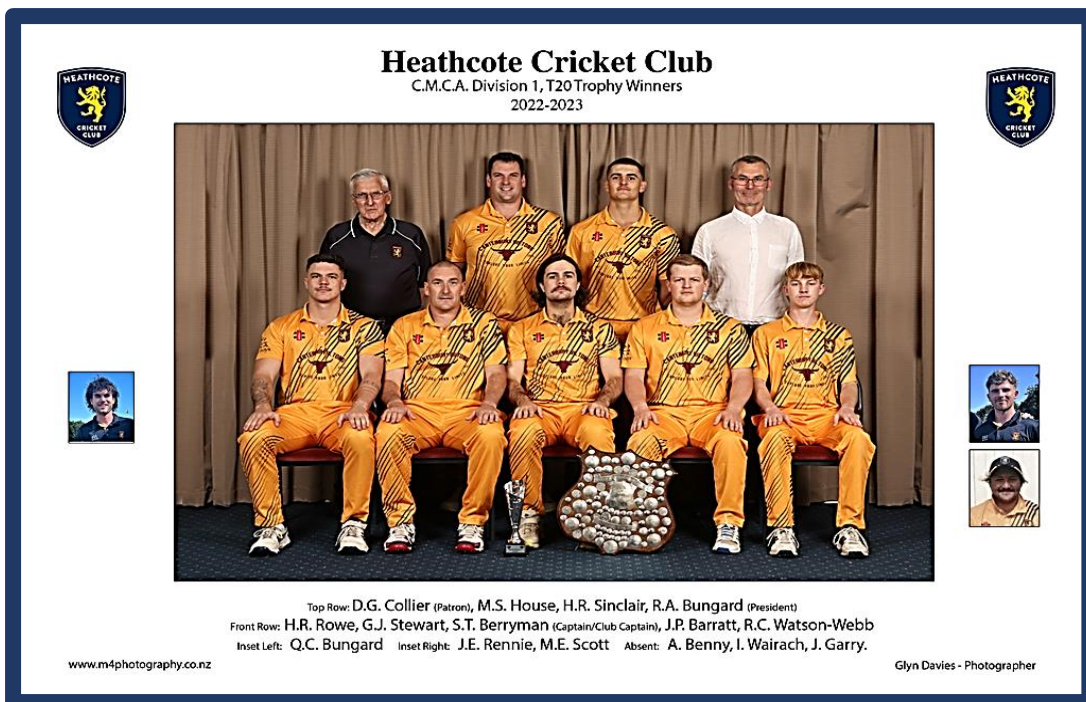
Division One (Heathcote 2nd XI) – Report

What a season for our second XI.

The 2022-2023 season was a great success for the Division 1 side. We took out the titles in the T20 and 2-Day competitions respectively. We also finished top of the table in the One-day competition but were defeated in the semi-final. This has earned us a spot in the championship grade next season. A goal we have been chasing for the last three seasons.



This season has been vastly different from the previous two seasons in the division one competition. We have had a switch in mindset which has funnelled down from the premier side. A win at all cost mindset was developed across both squads. The Division One side had a different make up from the previous seasons, with the premiers recruiting well over the off-season. Last season we had a handful of quality premier players mixing in with the experienced players. It was the perfect balance for a title winning side.



This year saw the Division one side incorporate such players as Quinn Bungard, James Rennie, Hunter Rowe, Inderjeet Wraiach and Harry Sinclair. These lads have played a fair bit of Premier cricket between them all. The quality of players was reflected in our results, only going down in four games all season. The most impressive in my eyes was the shared success that we had. Every week we had someone different stand up with either the bat or ball and provide a match-winning performance - a testimony to the available depth at the club.

It was a dominant season for us. Going unbeaten in the two-day competition, winning each game outright and taking the 2-Day comp by 31 points. We also took the grade by 45 points, finishing the season on 206 points. This is the most points for any side in the top four morning grades, with the next highest team on 190 points.

Special Mentions

Joe has been awesome this season being VC. He has had to captain numerous games and has also been unreal both behind the scenes and with game-day management - very much appreciated.



His hard work has genuinely contributed towards the success of the team this season. Hunter has had an unreal season - cracking over 50 wickets, with an average of 15 and a strike rate of 25. After a good year in Prems last season, Hunter did not get a crack in the Premier side this year. Instead of dwelling on this, Hunter embraced Division one cricket, showing a great attitude and cementing a reputation as a great club man.

Top Performers

John Garry 600 plus runs
Hunter Rowe 52 wickets.

Season Highlights

Rhys Watson Webb, first six ever.

Quinn's match-winning 72* vs the Canta Lions

JG's 100 vs Easts

Shaun's 105* vs Marist.

Hunter's last game of the season 6 for 21 and 6 for 51. Match figures of 12 for 72.

Marsysle's bowling throughout the white-ball competitions. Best of 4 for 6 vs Easts.



Sean Berryman - Captain

Heathcote 2nd XI Div 1 2022/23 season										
	Bowling									
Player	MAT	INN	Balls	Overs	M	R	W	AV	ECN	SR
Joe Barratt	19	20	451	75.1	5	366	27	13.56	4.87	16.71
Hunter Rowe	18	23	1044	174	33	660	44	15	3.79	23.73
Marsyle Scott	18	20	764	127.2	20	386	31	12.45	3.03	24.66
Alan Benny	15	17	506	84.2	9	359	24	14.96	4.25	21.1
Quinn Bungard	15	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
John Garry	13	1	6	1	0	4	0	0	4	0
Matthew House	13	5	36	6	2	13	0	0	2.17	0
Inderjeet Waraich	13	13	339	56.3	2	278	16	17.38	4.92	21.19
Shaun Berryman	12	6	6	1	0	15	0	0	15	0
Nick Turner	12	15	660	110	14	399	26	15.35	3.63	25.38
Grant Stewart	10	13	333	55.4	8	255	17	15	4.59	19.59
Harry Sinclair	8	5	72	12	0	58	5	11.6	4.83	14.4
James Rennie	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rhys Watson-webb	6	6	96	16	2	79	7	11.29	4.91	13.8
Josh Bamber	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Charles Grey	5	1	18	3	0	12	1	12	4	18
Connor McLaughlin	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Louis Anderson	4	6	276	46	17	91	12	7.58	1.98	23
Marek Bungard	2	2	36	6	0	43	0	0	7.17	0
Harry Khan	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0.6
Shaun Stagg	2	2	48	8	2	30	1	30	3.75	48

Heathcote 2nd XI Division Two

Player	Batting									
	INN	NO	R	AV	HS	SR	50s	100s	Catches/stumpings	
Joe Barratt	16	10	102	17	27*	67.55	0	0	6	
Hunter Rowe	19	1	184	10.22	38	94.85	0	0	6	
Marsyle Scott	9	5	51	12.75	22*	58.62	0	0	10	
Alan Benny	13	2	153	13.91	48	101.32	0	0	7	
Quinn Bungard	17	6	401	36.45	71*	59.67	3	0	5	
John Garry	16	1	572	38.13	100	76.78	4	1	7	
Matthew House	17	0	398	23.41	69	93.21	3	0	5	
Inderjeet Waraich	13	0	263	20.23	81	99.62	2	0	1	
Shaun Berryman	12	5	402	57.43	105*	90.74	2	1	15	
Nick Turner	9	2	42	6	15*	102.44	0	0	1	
Grant Stewart	7	1	59	9.83	32	75.64	0	0	2	
Harry Sinclair	8	0	171	21.38	43	93.44	0	0	4	
James Rennie	8	2	236	39.33	77	68.8	2	0	3	
Rhys Watson-webb	1	1	10	0	10*	142.86	0	0	2	
Josh Bamber	5	0	81	16.2	41	74.31	0	0	4	
Charles Grey	5	1	86	21.5	29	60.14	0	0	2	
Connor McLaughlin	5	1	40	10	24	46.51	0	0	3	
Louis Anderson	5	1	104	26	45	55.91	0	0	3	
Marek Bungard	1	1	8	0	8*	88.89	0	0	1	
Harry Khan	2	0	38	19	25	102.7	0	0	0	
Shaun Stagg	1	0	7	7	7	87.5	0	0	2	

Division Two – Report

It was a season of ‘what-ifs’ on the field for Division 2. We came together strongly as a fielding and bowling unit but struggled to bat in partnerships and build our innings.

Our best format was T20 where we won more games than we lost but we couldn't put consistent performances on when it came to the longer formats. However as always, the boys' spirits were never too dampened by the scoreboard and the banter was always there. Fellow teammates were on the receiving end of one-liners more so than the opposition which is always the Div 2 way. And what a throwback it was to have Phil Harris and son David Lovelady in the team

when Phil wasn't on national duties.



Performance highlights were the ever-reliable Anthony Hunter falling just short of 50 wickets for the season. Harry Khan made a few scores including an uncharacteristic 50 odd off 3 times as many balls trying to save a 2 dayer in vain. There were plenty of times where the lads showed grit and determination while perhaps lacking in the talent

department to play that ever elusive drive through the covers.

Alex Trowbridge discovered he's a better bowler than batter and throwing down non-spinning half trackers is a great way to pick up wickets in this grade.

I think our season was best summed up when we had a premier attack of Shaun Stagg and Maz Bungard opening the bowling for the first 10 overs of a one-dayer and neither one of them could pick up a single wicket - despite beating the outside edge by a coat of varnish at least 30 times.

Moving forward to next season, hopefully most of the boys come back, we choose a better captain [Awww! Ed] and we can compete for some trophies.

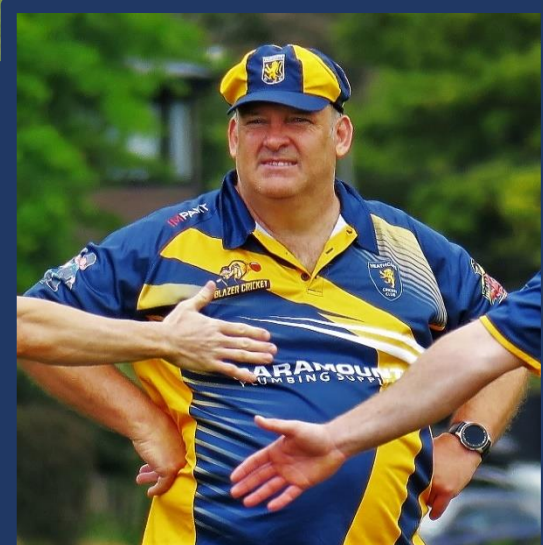
Thanks to the players that filled in when we were short and everyone behind the scenes at the club that make it possible to play cricket at the best club in Christchurch!

Billy Georgieff

Captain (for most of the season)



	Div 2 Heathcote 3rd XI 2022/23 season									
	Batting									
	Matches	Innings	NO	Runs	Av	HS	SR	50's	100's	Catches/stumpings
Sannon Stone	18	22	3	365	19.21	61	73.29	1	0	11
Anthony Hunter	17	14	8	48	8.25*		51.61	0	0	7
Alex Trowbridge	17	18	1	239	14.06	60	60.35	1	0	6
Anton Wylaars	16	16	1	177	11.848*		51.6	0	0	2
Harry Khan	15	16	2	299	21.36	77	63.08	3	0	4
David Lovelady	14	14	4	139	13.9	29	46.33	0	0	12
Murphy McMillan	14	13	5	64	8	24	48.85	0	0	0
Billy Georgieff	13	14	2	310	25.83	77	73.11	2	0	14
Guatam Khanna	12	6	2	5	1.25	4	12.2	0	0	4
Josh Bamber	10	10	2	160	20	40	62.26	0	0	8
Rhys Watson-webb	9	8	1	62	8.86	25	43.97	0	0	3
Philip Harris	8	9	3	176	29.33	50*	41.61	1	0	4
Connor McLaughlin	6	7	0	151	21.57	51	90.96	1	0	0
Shaun Stagg	4	2	0	7	3.5	4	140	0	0	0
Marek Bungard	3	4	0	47	11.75	29	45.19	0	0	6
Jeremy Odering	3	3	1	1	0.5	1	8.33	0	0	1
David Watts	3	3	0	43	14.33	25	153.57	0	0	1
Daniel Nielsen	2	4	0	55	13.75	38	85.94	0	0	2
Marsyle Scott	2	4	3	23	23.9*		22.12	0	0	1
Jono Spicer	2	3	1	32	16.14*		39.02	0	0	2



	Bowling										
	Balls	Overs	M	R	W	BBI	BB	AV	ECN	SR	5W
Sannon Stone	840	140	19	535	42	18019	18019	12.74	3.82	20	2
Anthony Hunter	224	37.2	3	187	14	15827	15827	13.36	5	16.03	1
Alex Trowbridge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anton Wylaars	66	11	0	41	1	42736	42736	41	3.73	66	0
Harry Khan	520	86.5	4	479	26	13210	13210	18.42	5.52	20.01	0
David Lovelady	429	71.5	2	375	8	44593	44593	46.88	5.24	53.63	0
Murphy McMillan	24	4	0	12	0	0/12	0/12	0	3	0	0
Billy Georgieff	549	91.5	21	337	24	13271	13271	14.04	3.68	22.88	1
Guatam Khanna	0	0	0	0	0	0/0	0/0	0	0	0	0
Josh Bamber	466	77.4	15	298	20	22068	22068	14.9	3.84	23.31	1
Rhys Watson-webb	30	5	1	12	0	0/12	0/12	0	2.4	0	0
Philip Harris	162	27	4	109	6	45171	45171	18.17	4.04	27	0
Connor McLaughlin	102	17	3	54	7	44986	44986	7.71	3.18	14.57	0
Shaun Stagg	66	11	0	54	1	43466	43466	54	4.91	66	0
Marek Bungard	66	11	4	34	2	46419	46419	17	3.09	33	0
Jeremy Odering	181	30.1	9	103	9	46508	46508	11.44	3.4	20.2	1
David Watts	240	40	7	163	7	15401	15401	23.29	4.08	34.29	0
Daniel Nielsen	291	48.5	3	186	9	24532	24532	20.67	3.84	32.33	0
Marsyle Scott											
Jono Spicer											

Melhuish Shield Awarded



The Melhuish Shield is awarded to two teams within a club who are nominated at the start of the season and results from during the year contribute to the overall placings.

The Melhuish Shield is a historic trophy awarded to a club who combine two teams at the start of the season, with results from both teams contributing towards final placings. Each team can only be in one combination.

The Melhuish Shield has been part of Christchurch cricket for 100 years starting with the Christchurch Suburban Association. It is awarded to the club whose two named teams gain

the best combined result. It's open to combinations of any adult teams in any grade. In this 100th year of the Shield's history Heathcote Cricket Club has taken the honours by combining our Division 1 and Division 2 teams.

Division 4 – Alley Cats - Reports

Some cricket seasons are cold, grim, packed with despair and are easily forgotten. Other seasons are more memorable. Fortunately, the season of 2022/2023 fell into the latter category. After a humiliating relegation from Division 4 last season, the Heathcote Alley Cats burst into the Christchurch Division 5 cricket scene full of vengeance.

There are a number of definitions for an Alley Cat. According to one leading online dictionary: an alley cat may be defined as “a homeless, usually mongrel, cat that scavenges for food in alleys, streets, etc.” In a similar manner to this homeless, usually mongrel cat, the Heathcote Alley Cats had lost their home. Nevertheless, we were hungry, and having not eaten all winter we



were determined to feast on our opposition.

What followed was a terrific season with both fine individual and team performances. The Alley Cats finished a close 3rd place in the competition with 11 wins and 6 losses. We also managed to both beat and lose to every other team. In classic Alley Cats’ style, we were the top -ranked team in the grade until the last round, when we

crumbled under pressure and lost to the bottom -ranked team.

Collectively, the Alley Cats hit 38 sixes over the season with three batsmen breaking the 300 runs mark. There were also four 5-wicket bags, seven 50’s and one century. These performances highlight a return to form for the previously woeful Alley Cats.

On a social front, the Alley Cats had another fantastic year with BBQs and plenty of friendly banter. I’m also proud of the way we played our cricket, in good spirits and without swearing or negativity. I’m already looking forward to the next season.

Captain
Carlos Christopher Smith-Diaz

Vice-Captain's Report

After a rough season in Div 4 last time 'round, the Alley Cats rallied 'round to sink their teeth into some easier opposition. A nice win over last year's Div 5 runners up got our tails up, and it was good to see the boys confident about the season ahead. This attitude carried us to the top of the table, and to a crucial 1 run victory over New Brighton at Woolston Park, the highlight of the year. Unfortunately, some end of season nerves caught up with us, and the third round-robin was memorable for the wrong reasons. This included the worst loss I've ever been involved with in any sport, 37 all out on a pitch that had less bounce than a two-month-old Christmas cake.



But it was good fun, and we laughed our way through the dropped catches and my dubious umpiring all the way to stumps.

Vice-Captain Kerry Manson

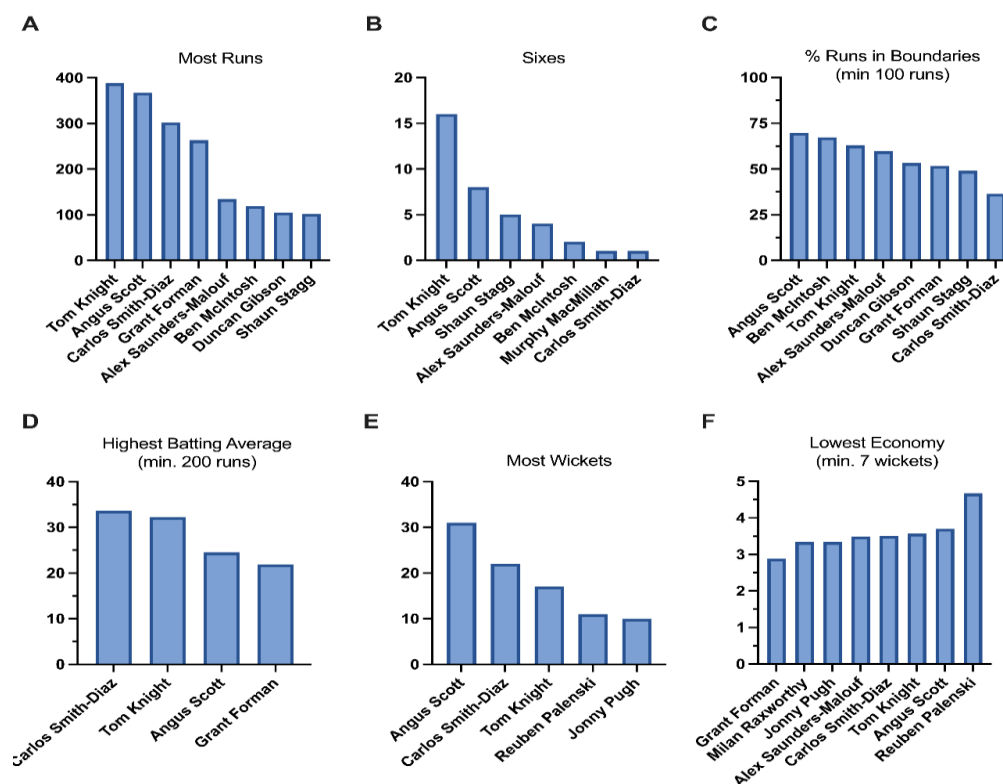
Batting statistics

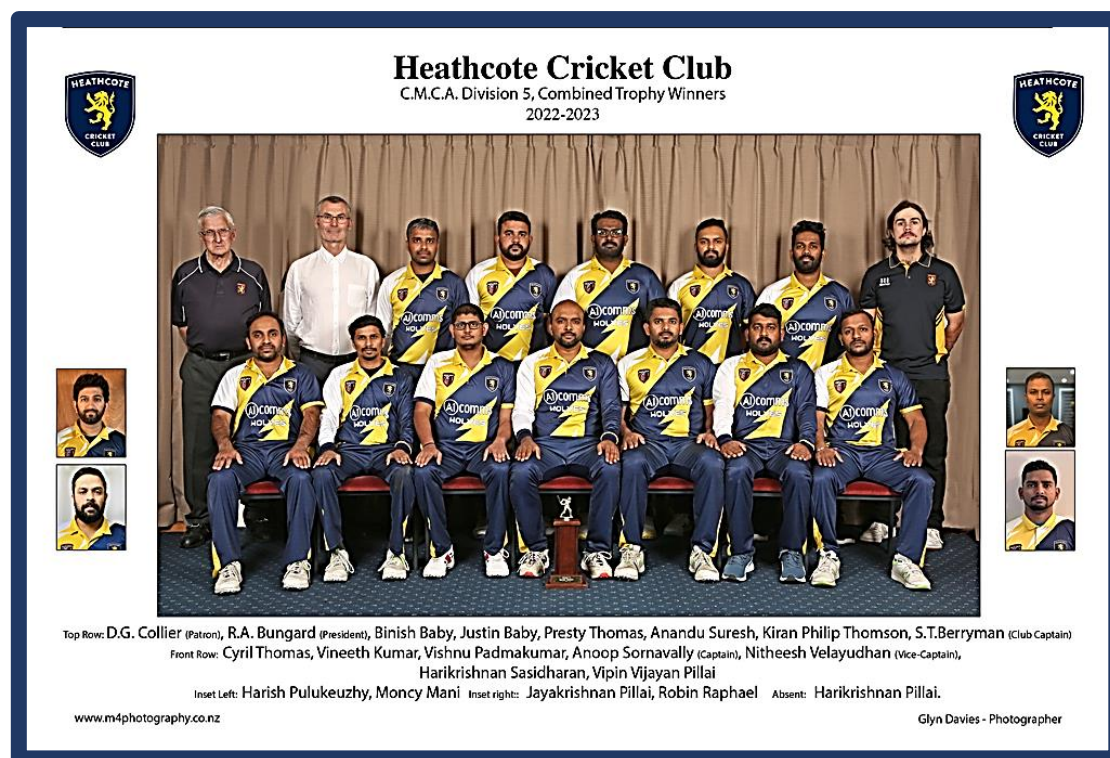
Player	Runs	4's	6's	Average	High Score	50
Tom Knight	388	37	16	32.3	75	3
Angus Scott	367	52	8	24.5	62	2
Carlos Smith-Diaz	302	26	1	33.6	46*	
Grant Forman	263	34		21.9	60	1
Alex Saunders-Malouf	134	14	4	19.1	36	
Ben McIntosh	119	17	2	13.2	46*	
Duncan Gibson	105	14		9.5	27	
Shaun Stagg	102	5	5	102.0	102	
Murphy MacMillan	95	12	1	19.0	33	
Jonny Pugh	85	8		21.3	54	1
Simran Singh	63	7		12.6	23*	
Taylor McLellan	60	4		10.0	12	
Milan Raxworthy	57	7		6.3	15	
Gerry Toft	45	4		4.5	23	
Alex Geenty	29	2		9.7	15	
Anton Wylaars	17	2		17.0	17	
Marek Bungard	17	1		17.0	17	
Reuben	17	1	1	3.4	9*	
John Gallivan	12	2		12.0	12	

Bowling statistics

Player	Wickets	Average	Economy	BBI	5 for
Angus Scott	31	10.26	3.70	5/9	2
Carlos Smith-Diaz	22	18.82	3.51	4/42	
Tom Knight	17	12.00	3.57	3/30	
Reuben Palenski	11	18.91	4.67	5/17	1
Jonny Pugh	10	12.70	3.34	6/14	1
Alex Saunders-Malouf	7	23.43	3.49	1/24	
Milan Raxworthy	7	16.86	3.34	2/15	
Grant Forman	7	14.00	2.88	1/19	
Taylor McLellan	4	20.25	4.86	3/12	
Gautam Khanna	3	9.00	4.50	3/27	
Marek Bungard	3	8.00	3.00	3/24	
John Gallivan	2	11.50	2.88	2/23	
Alex Geenty	1	13.00	2.17	1/13	
Ben McIntosh	1	10.00	10.00	1/10	
Gerry Toft	1	21	5.25	1/9	

Statistics (Graphical Overview)





Division 5 - Red Wolves – Report

As promised last year, ‘The Red Wolves’ have howled their way to the top this season, emerging as Division champions! We have displayed a fierce spirit of determination and teamwork, much like the wolves we are named after. We fought tooth and nail to overcome our opponents, and the impressive teamwork gained us the well-deserved league title. We’ve proudly shared that feat with our worthy rivals, the New Brighton Pegasus team.



The battle to achieve our hard-fought victory became even more intense as the mighty Heathcote Alley Cats from Division 4 joined the party, raising the level of competition to new heights. Despite the challenge, the season was an absolute thrill, filled with nail-biting encounters against formidable opponents like NBCC Pegasus, Alley Cats and the Sydenham All-Stars, leaving us on the edge of our seats. But the ultimate test came in our final match - with the stakes higher than ever - as we shared the top spot with both the Alley Cats and NBCC Pegasus.

Our grit and determination shone through as we clinched a breath-taking 2-run victory over the powerful Sydenham All-Stars, sealing our place at the top of the division.

The Red Wolves' bowling attack was nothing short of a fierce wolf pack, led by the unstoppable Nitheesh Velayudhan, whose razor-sharp skills claimed a staggering 31 wickets this season, including the impressive three five-wicket hauls that left their opponents trembling. Anoop Sornavally also played a significant role with his 21 wickets. Meanwhile, Justin Baby's spin magic saw him take 16 wickets, including an inspiring five-wicket haul, while Cyril Thomas proved to be a masterful strategist, securing 13 wickets.



In the batting department, Anandhu Suresh lead the charge as the top scorer with a spectacular 280 runs, leaving their opponents stunned and speechless. Nitheesh Velayudhan was not far behind, with his unbelievable strokes earning him

an impressive 235 runs, while the left-hand duo of Vipin Vijayan Pillai and Binish Baby made their mark with 229 and 180 runs respectively, sending shockwaves through the opposing teams.

Our rock-solid wicketkeeper Harikrishnan Sasidharan, whose lightning-quick reflexes and eagle-eyed focus behind the stumps ensured that not even the slightest opportunity for easy runs slipped past him.

The fearless Robin Raphael roared back into action after injury with strong batting performances. Vineeth Vijayakumar and Jay Pillai also proved their worth with their commitment and crucial contributions to the team's success. They proved themselves to be valuable assets to the pack.

The team's success would not have been possible without the efforts of Harish Pulkuzhy, Vishnu



Padmakumar, Deepu Antony, Presty Thomas, Jose Jacob, Kiran Philip Thomson, Harikrishan Pillai and Moncy Mani. They provided crucial support whenever we required an additional player and helped our team to overcome many challenging situations.

With a heavy heart, the Red Wolves bid farewell to their beloved all-rounder, Asish Antony, who left the team and the country with the desire to join the Australian cricket squad. His departure left a void that will be difficult to fill.

Overall, the Red Wolves' exceptional performance this season is a result of our hard work, and team spirit.

Congratulations to the team on a well-deserved victory!

Anoop Sornavally
Captain

RED WOLVES DIV 5				BOWLING				FIELD
NAME:	OVERS	MAIDENS	RUNS	WICKETS	AVE	RPO	BB	CT/ST
Nitheesh Velayudhan	67	15	143	31	4.61	2.15	6/10	3
Anoop Sornavally Baby	61	8	177	21	8.43	2.9	4/13	2
Justin Baby	41	5	118	16	7.38	2.9	5/7	1
Cyril Thomas	65	13	235	12	19.58	3.62	2/38	2
Anandu Suresh	46	7	155	7	22.14	3.37	2/25	3
Binish Baby	21	6	92	6	15.33	4.38	2/26	3
Harish Pulukuzhi	17	2	51	5	14	3	3/15	1
Jose Jacob	8	1	29	3	9.67	3.63	2/18	1
Jai Pillai	9	1	39	3	15	4.33	2/7	2
Vishnu Padmakumar	8	0	28	1	28	3.5	1/23	1
Robin Raphael	4	1	15	1	15	3.75	1/15	1
Vipin Vijayan Pillai	6	0	27	1	27	4.5	1/10	1

RED WOLVES DIV 5	BATTING				
NAME:	INNS	NO	RUNS	AVE	HS
Anandu Suresh	14	2	280	23.33	52
Nitheesh Velayudhan	13	1	235	19.58	46
Vipin Vijayan Pillai	12	1	229	20.82	64*
Binish Baby	14	0	180	12.86	48
Cyril Thomas	14	0	155	11.07	30
Robin Raphael	8	0	125	15.63	57
Anoop Sornavally Baby	12	1	106	9.64	41
Justin Baby	7	1	60	10	20
Harish Pulukuzhy	4	1	47	15.67	24*
Vineethkumar Vijayakumar	4	0	43	10.75	36
Jai Pillai	10	2	31	3.88	17
Harikrishan Sasidharan	11	6	18	3.6	7
Kiran Philip Thomas	2	0	14	3.5	14
Harikrishan Pillai	2	1	12	12	12*
Presty Thomas	3	1	6	2	6
Jose Jacob	2	1	4	4	3*

Division 7 - The Tussocks – Report

Played 19 won 3 – 2nd in 16

This season saw some very good individual performances and some average team performances, especially in the fielding department. However, we will start off with our three wins because they were all exceptional.

The first one we chased down 151 with 2 overs to spare mainly due to a great 56-run partnership between Mark and his 52* and Tom's (filling in) 23* which included finishing with a six into the trees. Next week we only made 85 total at a damp Hillsborough pitch and then rattled the opposition out for 34 in 14 overs with only Bert and myself bowling, surely a club record for the season? Finally, we were set 240 to win at Polo, again same pitch and pulled off the impossible with Muz's 105 and Chris's 54 putting on 164 for the first wicket partnership. This set the rest of us up for a mad dash to 241 with five of us getting scores in the teens to win with four balls to spare.

We also lost 16 other games - 'boohoo'.

Andrew M and Muz had a great battle for the Player of the Year. Andrew's 32 wickets and over 200 runs just pipped Muz who scored two tons and two 60's in his 465 runs. Muz was a shade unlucky missing out on 3 games due to injury which probably stopped him getting to 500 (maybe next season). Bert, myself, and Chris had good seasons without being spectacular, although Bert was a little bit disappointed with his bowling this season, he was (with Andrew T) one of our best fielders. Chris had two fifties, so although disappointed he did have a good year for a pensioner.

George bowled with a lot of passion and pace with little reward from a series of uncaught snicks - through and over the slip's region in most games. Mark, who shared the keeping with Bert (and both of them kept well), had one 50 and generally played well but not often enough. Lance and Mavan both joined us this year and Lance proved to be an unpredictable bowler/batsman who pulled out some great backs-to-the-wall defensive batting and surprise bowling. Mavan can hit the ball hard but just needs more patience to hold onto his wicket, he bowls pretty good when he's not throwing but a bit more practice should cure that.

Steve broke down early thus depriving us of a bowler capable of bowling 50-60 overs. Darryl only played 7 games, so next season we look forward to his battle with Muz for top runs. Andy T fielded well and batted better than I've ever seen before so everybody has at least one skill to work on over the winter.

Biggest disappointment? Not having the usual team every week, having only two games with the regular team available.

See you next season.

Peter East
Captain

Tussocks	Bowling						
Players	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Ave	RPO	BB
Andrew McGrouther	115.2	9	590	32	18.43	5.11	5-31
Peter East	108	20	380	26	14.61	3.51	6-12
Chris East	97.4	11	417	17	24.52	4.26	3-26
Rob McLauchlan	78	1	489	16	30.56	6.26	4-19
George Tebbutt	68	6	374	10	37.40	5.50	3-39
Mark Pederson	26.5	3	137	4	34.25	5.10	1-7
Steve Britt	16	2	86	3	28.66	5.37	2-24
Lance Aydon	13	0	101	3	33.66	7.76	1-4
Mavan Reddy	4.5	0	27	0	—	5.55	—
Andrew Tebbutt	7	0	55	0	—	7.85	—
Muz Moëller	4	0	34	0	—	8.50	—

Tussocks	Batting					Fielding	
Players	Innings	Not out	Runs	Ave	HS	Stump catches	Player of the year
Muz Moëller	15	0	465	31.00	105	4c	47.00
Rob McLauchlan	19	0	259	13.63	62	11c 3s	38.02
Chris East	17	2	222	14.80	55	5c	36.26
Andrew McGrouther	18	0	206	11.44	38	6c	50.96
Mark Peterson	11	1	130	13.00	52*	2c 7s	32.70
Peter East	15	3	129	10.75	29	6c	36.96
Darryl Veale	7	1	124	20.66	47*	2c	
Andrew Tebbutt	14	2	108	9.00	26	7c	23.63
Lance Aydon	14	5	61	6.77	22*	1c	20.22
Mavan Reddy	9	0	57	6.33	17	1c	
George Tebbutt	10	0	35	3.50	19	2c	22.18
Nigel Georgieff	4	1	14	4.66	12*	1c	
Steve Britt	3	2	4	4.00	3	1c	



T20 Teams

Hustlers' Report

The Hustlers endured a tough season during 2022/23 defending their previous seasons title winning just 4 or 17 although 3 of those coming post-Christmas.

The loss of some key members proved too much to overcome although in their absence some players stepped up with impressive seasons.

The side struggled during the first half of the season; however the second half of the season saw some fine performances. The highlight of which was a win by 2 wickets against Hornby thanks to a superb batting display by Mark "Box" Owen and Yash Patel, when our team were supposedly dead and buried.

Owen led all players with the willow scoring 261 runs with a high score of 48 not out, Yash Patel (182) and Glenn Matthews (167) the only other two to go past 150 for the season.

With the ball, wickets were shared around with Scott Matthews claiming 16 scalps and Matthew Robinson 15 – proving that there is something to this slow bowling thing in T20. Glenn bowled 15 overs during the second half of the season to claim 9 wickets for 83 runs to have the best average.





In the field there were some fine catches taken while plenty of chances were dropped also. Glenn again led the way with 8 catches, some of which would have been “catch of the season” contenders.

Glenn and Aaron Mayne both passed 50 matches for the Hustlers during the season to join Lucky Singh, Scott and Matt.

The team now look forward to next season after already securing some very good players to add to the squad and the return of a couple should see a much-improved effort next round.

Glenn Matthews
Captain

<u>Player</u>	<u>Matches</u>	<u>Innings</u>	<u>Nos</u>	<u>Runs</u>	<u>30+</u>	<u>50+</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>HS</u>
Glenn Matthews (1)	17	17	1	167	1	0	10.43	43
Nathan Wooding (46)	5	5	1	108	2	0	23.2	35
Scott Matthews (6)	16	14	3	60	0	0	5.45	21
Matthew Robinson (8)	17	14	4	26	0	0	2.7	6*
Richard Jell (13)	1	1	0	18	0	0	18	18
Lucky Bhangu (12)	15	15	4	99	1	0	9	35
Hammad Hassan (65)	2	2	0	25	0	0	12.5	22
Yash Patel (17)	11	10	1	182	4	0	20.22	47
Aaron Meyne (41)	17	17	3	79	0	0	5.64	19*
Craig Minifie (44)	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dipal Patel (49)	3	3	0	22	0	0	19	19
Liam McGeorge (78)	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Biren Patel (71)	6	6	0	34	0	0	5.6	15
Mark Owen (68)	16	16	6	261	2	0	26.1	48*
David Stack (16)	7	7	1	70	0	0	14	28*
Dhariya Goswami (70)	11	11	1	130	2	0	13	41*
Steve Matthews (72)	3	3	0	11	0	0	3.66	9

<u>0</u>	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wkts	3+	Average	Economy	Best	Catches	Stumpings
Glenn Matthews (1)	15	0	83	9	1	9.22	5.53	3/19	8	
Nathan Wooding (46)	10	0	75	4	1	14.2	7.1	3/15		
Scott Matthews (6)	43.3	3	281	16	2	17.56	6.45	3/12	2	
Matthew Robinson (8)	48.5	0	357	15	0	23.8	7.3	2/7	1	
Richard Jell (13)									1	
Lucky Bhangu (12)	51	2	278	11	0	25.2	5.45	2/27	1	
Hammad Hassan (65)									1	
Yash Patel (17)	24.4	2	165	10	1	16.5	6.69	3/12	3	
Aaron Meyne (41)	6	0	54	2	0	27	9	1/8	1	
Craig Minifie (44)	2	0	26	0	0	n/a	13	0/26	1	
Dipal Patel (49)	11	0	48	5	0	9.6	4.36	2/9	2	
Liam McGeorge (78)	4	0	39	1	0	39	9.25	1/18		
Biren Patel (71)	10.3	0	66	3	0	22	6.28	2/30	2	
Mark Owen (68)	45	1	226	12	0	18.83	5.02	2/17	4	1
David Stack (16)	26	0	149	6	1	22.5	6.1	3/20	1	
Dhariya Goswami (70)									3	
Steve Matthews (72)	7.2	0	70	2	0	35	9.54	2/29	1	

The Blazers' Report



The move up to Division 1 of the Cavaliers T20 grade was a big step up this season. It was tough in the early part, and we struggled with bat and ball against some very talented sides in this highly competitive grade. It was great to see the guys stick at it though, and we got some good rewards in the tail of the season where we picked up a few wins.

There were some extra special performances along the way and top mentions go to Cam Rattray pushing 419 runs which including a 67 not out where he punished his final over before retirement with 6,4,6,4,4,6 (30 runs!). His great batting and picking up 13 wickets saw him awarded our MVP for the season. Big mention also to Justin Paulson picking up our Best Batter Award with his 390 runs at an average of 30.

As has become a tradition, we had a great day celebrating cricket with our “Shield” match against the Hustlers on the last Sunday of the season. It was a treat to get use of the main ground at Heathcote Domain with Jordan Paulson picking up a 5 for 7 to top off his good season with the ball. A big thanks also to the Heathcote ground staff who allowed us to finish the season on the home turf.



	Bowling			Batting	
	wickets	Av.	RPO	Runs	Av
Keiran Wright	10	24	6.7	134	16.8
Cameron Rattray	13	26.5	5.6	419	28
Dave Taylor	13	17	8	45	7.5
Matt Blackmore	15	11	5.4	111	13.9
Blake Thompson	8	21	4.9	38	6
Jordan Paulson	13	21	4.9		
Tim Smit				174	13.3
Bryan Klobbie				160	17.8
Justin Lynch				390	30
Kelvin Giles				85	14.1
Paul Jarman				60	10
Ryan Kite				20	5

President's Grade – Tunnel Rats Report



Several sensible characters at the Tunnel Rats end-of-season health retreat

Played 17 games, won 7 and lost 10

The runs and wickets didn't flow quite as well as we like for the Tunnel Rats this season, but as usual the entertainment value of playing in an "over-35s" competition was evident every time we took the field. Pulled hamstrings, dodgy knees, and sore backs were some of the excuses thrown about after dropping countless catches in every game. Someone was overheard suggesting that the team's general fitness "could benefit from some off-season conditioning". I'm not sure what that means, but here's hoping we're all back again next season, requiring less physio rehab.

The cricket was interspersed with an 'error of comedies' – hardly surprising when Shay Horay, Dayle Hunt, Jonny Brugh, Cohen Hollaway and David "Murder Suicide" Ladderman took the field. The timeless "Yes / no / sorry" strategy resulted in several runouts that would leave any school-boy coach scratching something with bewilderment!

New players Chris Stewart and Mark Gordon had fun with the bat, and a highlight was definitely our last-over victory to chase down Burnside West Foxes.

Notable individual batting performances were Jonny Brugh's 74 against East Shirley Strikers, and a marvellous 84* from captain Jono Spicer, to lead the team home in a very satisfying win against East Shirley Black. With the ball, Dave Poole reached a praiseworthy 600 wickets for Heathcote, and Graeme Inglis found himself in a less familiar spot as leading wicket taker for the season (15).

The Tunnel Rats were twice awarded Christchurch Metro Cricket's 'Fair Play Award' – once for recalling a Sumner batsman who had been given out LBW but we had heard a 'nick', and the other for responding to an extraordinary off-field event - by administering first aid on a

patient at a gas explosion next to Hillsborough Domain. The guy survived, but I bet he thinks twice about cutting open a gas cylinder with an angle grinder in the future!

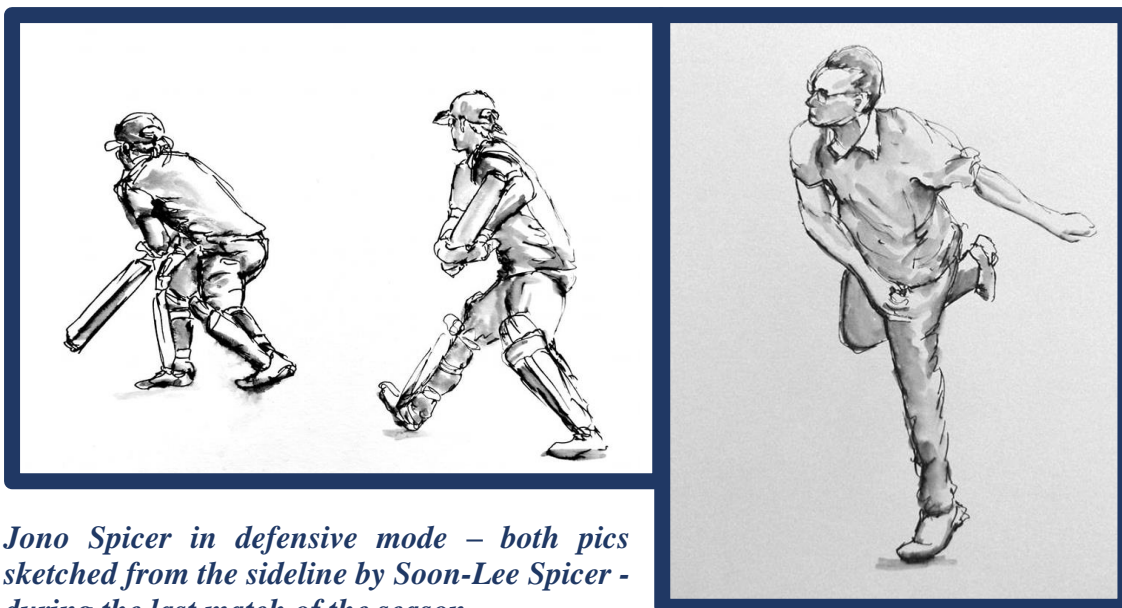


‘The Tunnel Rats’ chase down 154 off 39.4 overs to beat ‘The Foxes’

Thanks to all the players and supporters who have helped this season – especially Luke and Jacob Spicer who come to watch Dad most weeks, and both had their own little moments of glory! Also, thanks to the guys who keep coming along to support the team even when they’re injured.

We must be OK to be around!
See you next season

Richie Howard



Jono Spicer in defensive mode – both pics sketched from the sideline by Soon-Lee Spicer - during the last match of the season.

The inimitable ‘chucker’, Ralph Bungard floats another one of his “autumn leaves” to fool another unsuspecting Lancaster Park batsman

Batting Summary							
			Innings	NO	Runs	Ave	HS
1	Jono	Spicer	17	3	440	31.43	84*
2	Scott	McEwan	14	0	309	22.07	46
3	David	Ladderman	11	1	220	22.00	62*
4	Graeme	Inglis	13	0	185	14.23	53
5	Richie	Howard	12	1	136	12.36	43
6	Chris	Stewart	9	1	118	14.75	31
7	Jason	Law	7	0	98	14.00	33
8	Greig	Pullar	2	0	97	48.50	57
9	Campbell	McClimont	9	2	96	13.71	26*
10	Jonny	Brugh	1	0	74	74.00	74
11	Sean	Coster	5	1	61	15.25	24*
12	Shay	Horay	12	2	50	5.00	11
13	Cohen	Holloway	4	0	47	11.75	19
14	Jason	Smith	6	1	46	9.20	14
15	Mark	Gordon	5	1	44	11.00	17
16	Ralph	Bungard	7	4	42	14.00	12*
17	Dan	Neilson	2	0	24	12.00	19
18	Mike	Rowe	1	0	24	24.00	24
19	Luke	Spicer	2	0	19	9.50	2
20	Dayle	Hunt	5	0	17	3.40	10
21	Dave	Poole	4	3	12	12.00	7*
22	Jeff	Gunn	1	0	6	6.00	6
23	Garry	Diack	1	0	5	5.00	5
24	Darren	TeKoeti	4	2	5	2.50	3
25	Jeremy	Odering	1	0	4	4.00	4
26	Phil	Harris	3	0	3	1.00	2
27	Kevin	Patterson	1	1	2	NA	2*

Bowling / Fielding									
			Overs Bowled	Wickets	Runs	Average RPW	RPO	Best	Fielding ct+st
1	Graeme	Inglis	81	15	305	20.33	3.77	3-15	6
2	Campbell	McClimont	69.3	14	237	16.93	3.42	3-20	1
3	Jono	Spicer	46	14	219	15.64	4.76	4-21	5
4	Ralph	Bungard	70	13	281	21.62	4.01	2-20	3
5	Dave	Poole	63	12	274	22.83	4.35	2-17	0
6	Scott	McEwan	102	11	373	33.91	3.66	3-17	2
7	Chris	Stewart	34	10	123	12.30	3.62	4-22	2
8	Cohen	Holloway	16.4	5	64	12.80	3.90	2-31	0
9	Richie	Howard	33	4	167	41.75	5.06	1-11	6
10	Jeff	Gunn	4	3	14	4.67	3.50	3-1	0
11	Greig	Pullar	11	3	36	12.00	3.27	2-18	1
12	Darren	TeKoeti	12	3	53	17.67	4.42	1-10	2
13	Jason	Smith	10	2	44	22.00	4.40	1-16	7
14	Kit	Chambers	9	1	49	49.00	5.44	1-19	0
15	Sean	Coster	4	1	12	12.00	3.00	1-12	1
16	David	Ladderman	10	1	50	50.00	5.00	1-30	3
17	Dan	Neilson	5	1	25	25.00	5.00	1-25	0
18	Mark	Gordon	3	0	34	-	11.33	0-34	0
19	Phil	Harris	0	0	0	-	-	-	2
20	Shay	Horay	0	0	0	-	-	-	10
23	Jason	Law	2	0	17	-	8.50	0-17	2
24	Milan	Raxworthy	3	0	7	-	2.33	0-7	0
25	Jacob	Spicer	0	0	0	-	-	-	1
26	Luke	Spicer	0.1	0	2	-	20.00	0-2	1
27	Jeremy	Odering	2	0	15	-	7.50	0-15	1

‘Baggy Blue’ Presentation

HCC investiture of
‘The Baggy Blue’



“...A gathering of the great and good for the inaugural ceremony where Premier players are inducted by the presentation of the Heathcote 8-panel ‘baggy blue cap’. The ritual of receiving a baggy cap is something players continue to view with genuine significance. The great cricketing icon W. G. Grace, whose image of his Heathcote days has graced our clubroom wall for some decades, was often depicted and photographed wearing his baggy styled ‘Boston Cap’...”



We set the scene for future recipients, courtesy of ‘Gingles’.

“When you wear the baggy you are not just wearing a hat.
It is the club’s gift to you in recognition of your ability and commitment.
But it is also the club’s gift to you to represent everything our Heathcote Cricket Club stands for.

Wear it with pride - because you have earnt it.

Wear it with pride - as it acknowledges your skill.

Wear it with pride - when you win, and pride - when you lose.

Even more importantly - wear it with modesty.

Wear it with modesty as it represents every member of the Heathcote Cricket Club at every age and ability.

It represents those that have come before you and built this strong squad and this strong club

It represents those that will follow you and continue to do the same.”

Let it also be recorded that the very first competitive ball faced in Heathcote’s inaugural venture into the realms of Premier cricket saw it straight-driven for an effortless boundary 4 – Heathcote Premier ‘Baggy Number 1’ and then-opener Matt House putting an exclamation mark on Heathcote’s arrival among the ‘big boys’.



Junior Club Captain's Report



Marking 10 years of extraordinary contribution and achievement by our Junior Academy - past and present academy lads and coaches at the club

The 2022/23 junior season started off with the fantastic news that we would have a new junior girls' side, 'The Heathcote Honey Bees'. This is something the club hasn't had for a number of years. This group of girls proved themselves to be very handy young cricketers putting a number of wins on the board during the season. Along with our seven junior boys' team this meant we started another strong season of junior cricket fielding 8 teams.

All the teams had enjoyable seasons and it was a real pleasure to hear about them at the junior prize-giving in late March. We waved goodbye to our Year 8 side at Christmas and, as sadly, at the same time Julliette Capaldi who has been a stalwart of Heathcote junior cricket for as long as I can remember. Jules has coached and managed sides and has a real passion for the game and helping our young cricket stars. Jules' son Nick has been the deserved winner of the overall bowling trophy for the club on two occasions and we wish him all the best with his cricket at High School and the Heathcote Academy.

A special mention must also go to Tim Kearns who has been the coach of the Hot Shots for the past season and



is now off to China to teach and, of course, he'll take the great game to China with him.

There were many stand out performances but the two that stole the show were Connor Primmer from the Heathcote Dragons who won the John Garry Trophy for most runs with 342. Connor has worked so hard over the years to get this success and on behalf of Heathcote "Well done Connor!"

Our best bowler who was awarded the Valley Inn Trophy was Justin Day from the Heathcote Hyenas with 23 wickets. Justin had a brilliant season with the ball - his dad Jamie can be proud of the work he has put in as coach of that side.



Four of our Heathcote Academy lads playing for Division 2

Our Friday night cricket was again a real success. It has become a real community hub for parents and our very youngest junior 'smash play' cricketers to come and get their first

taste of the game. We didn't have much luck with the weather post-Christmas but the sessions we did get through were a wonderful success.

A big thank you to Nigel Georgieff who puts in so much work coaching our young cricketers on a Friday night along with being Treasurer of the club. A big 'thank-you' must also go to Vanessa who runs the bar on Friday night. Vanessa has been helping out with junior cricket for over 13 years, her contribution to junior cricket at Heathcote is outstanding.



Our Monday night Academy had another strong year with 15 to 20 young high-school players joining us for coaching on a Monday. This has become an important tool to help us hang onto our junior talent through High School and I'm sure we will see some very talented young cricketers bursting onto the senior stage soon. It was great to see a new group of Year 8s starting post-Christmas. The future is looking very bright



indeed. The 2022/23 season was my last season as junior club captain. After 11 years involved with

junior cricket at Heathcote, I have decided it is time to take a step back from cricket for a while. I have loved every moment of my time as Junior Club Captain and am very pleased with the growth we have seen over the years. Ralph and Brigid Bungard had set up a wonderful community hub and it was an easy job helping their good work to flourish. I'm sure whoever fills my place will ensure this continues long into the future.

Wishing you all a happy off-season. I look forward to seeing you all back at the club next season.

Matthew House
Junior Club Captain

HSNB Seagulls Team Report

The Year 8 Seagulls was a put-together team made up of players from Heathcote, Sumner and New Brighton cricket clubs. We



really appreciate Matt making this happen so the boys could play cricket!

The boys came together really well, you would never have known by that last game that they hadn't been playing together for years, and the parents seemed to enjoy making new connections, we had some really nice BBQs!

The season was short, as it was just October to mid-December, when all bar one of the team went off to high school.

The last game of the season was the most exciting. We hadn't lost a game, and were playing Medbury at Medbury. The teams were very evenly matched, though only our team had a BBQ going!

After batting first, it came down to the last ball. The Seagulls needed two to win, we had an injury at one end, and were using a runner. Facing the bowling was Lachie, who managed to hit a beautiful ball that went to the boundary. So, the HSNB Seagulls finished the season and their primary school days at Heathcote undefeated, and, as importantly, having made some good new friends.

(Left at Christmas 2022)

Juliette (Manager), Boyd (Coach)

Juliette Capaldi



Heathcote Honey Bees – Girls' Team – Report

The 2022-2023 Heathcote Honey Bees girls' team had a fantastic season. All the girls in the team were new to cricket, with none of them having played before. The team regularly turned up to Friday afternoon training sessions and very quickly learned some basic skills and rules.

Within their first 4 games they had had a win and confidence levels were building all the time. By the end of the season the team had a number of wins under their belt. Some highlights included playing on the beautiful (and fast) Hagley Oval wicket where many many runs were scored; one player hitting a six on Lancaster Park; and lots of smiles, laughs and skills development throughout the season.

This fantastic group of girls were a pleasure to coach and really represented Heathcote well by being respectful of their opposition and displaying great sportswomen-ship throughout the whole season.

At the end-of-season prizegiving, Hannah Barker took out the Best Batter Trophy with 204 runs. Milly Leech won the Best Bowler Trophy with 12 wickets and Ruby Stokes won Most Improved Player.

Congratulations to these players and a huge thank you to Matt and the Club for supporting this team.
Genevieve Leech



Heathcote Hyenas Report

The Heathcote Hyenas season was another successful one both on and off the pitch. The way the team came together and enjoyed themselves whilst competing at a high level and focusing when required has been very commendable.

The bunch of 10 were very respectful and courteous to their opposition, and encouraging to everyone who shared the field with them.

It was our first season going to dismissals after a 6-ball grace and the boys adjusted really well with already cherishing their wickets and playing their shots. There was some great bowling throughout the season and great improvements made by everyone.

With the ball, they found how they were able to turn a game with one good spell of bowling so both of these aspects were very pleasing to see as a coach.

Our MVP for the season was Liam Lynskey, highest run scorer was Matt Welch and our highest wicket-taker was Justin Day.

We look forward to returning back to the Heathcote Club for the 2023/24 season.

Jamie Day



Heathcote Titans Report

The Heathcote Titans Year 7 Cricket Team had an exceptional 2022/23 season, winning 9 out of their 13 matches and showcasing their talent and determination on the field. The team's achievements can be attributed to the outstanding performances of their batsmen and bowlers.

The batting highlights of the season included remarkable displays by Leo Falloon, who emerged as the highest run-scorer for the Titans with a total of 247 runs. Leo's consistent contributions with the bat, along with his highest score of an unbeaten 34, exemplified his ability to anchor the innings and play crucial roles in the team's victories.

Isaac Russell also made significant contributions to the team's batting success, accumulating a total of 231 runs. His highest score of 40 demonstrated his skill in scoring quick runs and providing momentum to the team's innings.

Hugo Peers proved to be another valuable asset to the Titans' batting line-up, scoring a total of 215 runs. His highest score of 41 not out showcased his ability to finish innings strongly and contribute vital runs.

In the bowling department, the Titans had several standout performers. Isaac Gee led the way with 14 wickets, with his best bowling figures of 4/17 being particularly impressive. Isaac Russell and Angus Wiseman both claimed 13 wickets each, demonstrating their consistency in taking wickets and creating pressure on the opposition. Isaac Russell's exceptional performance of 5/10 as his best bowling figures stood out as a remarkable achievement.

At the end-of-year awards, Leo Falloon was rightly recognised as the Best Batter for his exceptional contributions with the bat, while Isaac Russell received the honour of Best Bowler for his consistent wicket-taking abilities. Special mention must also be made of Lachie Collins, who joined the Titans halfway through the season and made significant contributions to the team's success. The Most Improved Player award went to Cooper Grieve.

The Titans' season was filled with excitement as they experienced the thrill of winning and losing games in the last over. These closely-contested matches provided valuable experience in dealing with pressure and created thrilling moments for both the players and the sideline fans.

Overall, the Heathcote Titans' Year 7 cricket team had an outstanding 2022/23 season.

The exceptional performances of Leo Falloon, Isaac Russell, Hugo Peers, Isaac Gee, Angus Wiseman, and the contributions of Lachie Collins, along with the team's ability to handle pressure situations, were instrumental in their victories. The season's successes and challenges have helped the team grow and gain valuable experience, setting them up for future achievements in cricket.

George Langridge





Heathcote Junior Lions Report

Our Year 4 Lions had a fantastic season with securing 5 wins and a few narrow losses across the season. They are a very eager bunch of boys who improved immensely during their games. We had our big hitters Jack and Lennox, who were both known to hit sixes during our time at bat. Jack finished the season as our top run scorer with 195 runs.

Our top bowlers, Cam a solid lefty taking 14 wickets across the season, followed closely by our most improved player Ollie, with 12 wickets, kept our oppositions on their toes. Each of the 10 boys in this team played with great sportsman-ship and demonstrated dedication to improve their contribution week to week.

They are looking forward to returning again next summer.

Angela Shearer

Heathcote Dragons Report

In the sixth season of leading the Dragons, this one started very promisingly. We dominated our first game, with most boys breathing fire and with their chest puffed! Sadly, we didn't carry on this form throughout the season.

We played 13 games, winning 4 and all but a couple of blowouts, very close losses.



cricket an enjoyable experience - and a pleasure to coach.

Cricket is a great leveller and learning curve for the lads, as they discovered this season. Although it's very daunting turning up to see bigger boys facing you, and fancy facilities, the lads did find out that when you compete and succeed the rewards are very satisfying.

This team is a pleasure to work with and I can't fault their work ethic and the commitment of the players and parents for making

We had some outstanding results within the team this season. Connor Primmer had the most junior runs and he was closely followed by Jesse Saunders. These boys and others will be outstanding all-rounders in years to come if they stick at it. Liam continues to be a solid opening batsman and our most improved player Mason Bates will no doubt look to bigger things next season.

As we look forward to the new season ahead, sadly a few foundation players of the Dragons' will be hitting high school at Xmas, so we are looking forward to sending them off in style and having a successful 2023/24 season.

We wish to thank Heathcote Cricket and Matt House for the great opportunities the club provides for our Junior members.

Cheers
Craig Primmer

Heathcote Magic Report

The 2022-23 cricket season for the Heathcote Magic was an exciting and memorable one. It was the first season of hardball for the Year 5 team, who had a lot of fun while making great progress throughout the season.



The team was coached by Aaron and Sam, who were also coaching cricket for the first time. One of the highlights was seeing the players improve their skills with both bat and ball as the season progressed. Despite some challenges with getting a consistent 8 players each week due to illness and unavailability, the team showed great resilience and determination throughout the season.

One of the challenges the team faced was the inconsistent grading of the Year 5 Hardball sections, which sometimes saw them playing against teams either well beyond or below their skill level. Nevertheless, the team remained positive and focused, and had an enjoyable season with almost all the kids eager to return again to play next season.

Overall, it was a fantastic season for the Heathcote Magic Year 5 Hardball team. The players had a lot of fun while making great individual progress and as a team, and both Aaron and Sam enjoyed guiding and supporting them throughout the season.

Regards

Sam Stokes



Heathcote Hotshots Report

The 2022/23 season found the Hotshots boldly going into pastures unknown; that being the reality of hardball cricket! While that came with its challenges, kudos must go to the 'powers that be' in Aotearoa cricket circles.

The incremental changes through the grades are nicely paced and designed for tamariki to achieve success. So, while it took time to get used to pads, boxes, helmets and gloves, the

Hotshots were akin to a Formula One pit crew with readying themselves, and each other, by the end of the season.

There is no doubt this is a community team, and that whanau feeling certainly emanates from the top. We appreciate Matt House and all members of the Heathcote Cricket Club for providing such a warm, welcoming cricketing environment. The Club made us welcome at a Junior Club night - we were looked after to the extent that none of the parents wanted to leave!

We also appreciate the volunteers' evening and Ralph's hospitality behind the bar.

Our parent community has been nothing short of outstanding over the last three years. I have appreciated the way that everyone has stepped in, in some shape or form, to support the boys. It is always 'dangerous' to single people out, for fear of missing someone, but I would like to particularly acknowledge the efforts of Andrew Thomson, Brett Heine, Jamon Chee and Kath Conlan. They have been instrumental in keeping the team ticking, and have always shown initiative with grace, style and positive vibes.

Most importantly, of course, is our team - the mighty Hotshots. We had five wins, a tie and seven losses, but the results did not really matter. I just enjoyed watching the boys grow in their cricket game sense, and working together as a team. Yes, there were a number of amazing batting, bowling and fielding performances, but it was the backing up in the field, the calling between the wickets, or the unbridled joy (and occasional dodgy dance celebration!) when a wicket was taken that made for the biggest personal highlights.

Thank you - Callum, Cooper, Dash, Fergus, Isaiah, Jack, Jonty, Leo, Liam and Nico, for not only giving it heaps on the field, but also being all-round great guys!

Jonty and I are moving to China in August, so we will really treasure these three years with the Hotshots. I have loved coaching over the last two years and have learnt a lot. Keep a couple of bar stools warm for us at the Clubrooms, for I'm sure we will be back in some shape or form, whether to play, coach or rack up a mean bar tab!

Heathcote Cricket Club....we salute you!

Hotshots Awards 2022/2023 Season:

Bowler of the Year: Nico Chee
Batsman of the Year: Jack Thomson
Most Improved Player: Isaiah Heine

Tim Kearns



We acknowledge the consistent support we receive each season with the team portraits from Glyn Davies & his M4PHOTOGRAPHY

Financial Report & Balance Sheet for 2022-2023



[27th April 2023] The club would like to acknowledge the recent death of Neville ('Nev') Duncan Clark, aged 86 years. Nev was a stalwart of the club during the 1970's and 1980's. He was an opening bat who scored many runs in the Senior A grade. He was an excellent fielder, with a very safe pair of hands. In recent times, up to and including last season, Nev regularly called into the club on a Saturday afternoon to support our current teams. Son John also played some great cricket for Heathcote. The club wishes to express our sympathy to Nev's wife Dawn and the rest of his family.

'NEV' CLARK



Our Australian friends 'The Trundlers' on their 16th tour of NZ, met 'The Heathcote Travelers' at the Heathcote Domain.

Putting the covers on another successful season, that's a wrap ...

