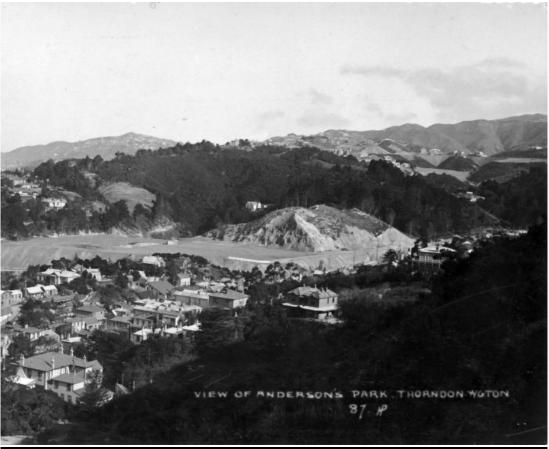


Wellington Collegians Cricket Club Inc

Annual Report & Financial Statements



The Home of Cricket, Anderson Park Thorndon 1909

2018-2019 Season

WELLINGTON COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB INC

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

The 49th Annual General Meeting of the Wellington Collegians Cricket Club Inc will be held in the Clubrooms, Anderson Park Pavilion, on Monday, 19 August, 2019 commencing at 7:00 PM

BUSINESS

- 1. Members present
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Minutes of the 48th Annual General Meeting
- 4. Adoption of the Annual Report
 - President's Report
 - Chairman's Report

5. Financial Statements

6. Election of Officers

- Patron
- Life Members
- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Club Captain
- Management Committee
- Delegates to Cricket Wellington AGM
- Financial Reviewer

7. Club Subscriptions

8. General Business

Patron: (Rt Hon Sir Anand Satyanand GNZM QSO)

Life Members:

G E Coppersmith, D R Davis, D Deva, Miss B Fuller, Mrs A Garrett, B S P Marra, A D McBeth, K R MacDonald, T G McMahon, B Patel, J S Perkins, R Swan, I N Taylor

President:

R D Kinsella

Immediate Past President:

C Monigatti

Past Presidents:

S McHardy, M Coppersmith, A D McBeth, G E Coppersmith, G.R Carruthers, D R Davis, Mrs A Garrett, J G Revell, C J Taylor, I N Taylor, B Waddle, B E Windley,

Senior Vice President:

Vacant

Vice Presidents:

D B Alabaster, W A Arcus, R T Barber, J Brown, M E Garrett, D T Grainger, G Hopping, D L Hunt, D Macer, R Moses, B O'Brien, A Orpin, G R Phillips, G Richardson, G M Russell, B D Steele, P W Steele, B R Taylor, J B Tucker, R H Vance, P R Wilson, A D Wilkinson, A C Yule, D Boldt, J Brown, G Richardson, A Orpin

Financial Reviewer

Honorary Treasurer G Sugden

Honorary Secretary S Grayling

Club Captain D Deva

Management Board:

S Ryland (Chairman), R Kinsella (President), A Orpin, D Deva (Club Captain), David Dick (Junior Club Convenor), G Sugden, S Grayling, W Charteris, T Ronaldson, M Garrett, M Stephen, A Coppersmith.

> **Delegates to Cricket Wellington Inc:** D Deva, A Orpin, S Ryland, R Kinsella, S Grayling

Junior Club Liaison: D. Deva Selectors: A Lamb, M Stephen, T Ronaldson, S Grayling

Bar Manager: D Deva Gear Custodian: D Deva

MINUTES OF THE 48TH WELLINGTON COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB INC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Monday 27 August 2018 Anderson Park, 7.00 pm BUSINESS

1. Members present

Brian Steele, Andrew Lamb, Julian Brown, David Boltd, Roger Kinsella, Grant Coppersmith, Don Mclvride, Grant Richardson, Jordan McDermott, Keiran Vane, N Pilalis (Chairman), C Mongetti (President), A Orpin, D Deva (Club Captain), David Dick (Junior Club Convenor), G Sugden, S Grayling, W Charteris, S Ryland, T Ronaldson, M Garrett.

2. Apologies

Sally Morrison, Alasdair McBeth, Damien Grant, Andrew Coppersmith, Alex Sugden, Scott McHardy

3. Minutes of the 47th Annual General Meeting

Chris welcomed everyone, and recognised life members (Dil and Don). Minutes moved as true and correct by Don. Seconded Dil,

4. Adoption of the Annual Report

• President's Report

Recognised contributions from Michael Papps, and Francis Weavers. Noted planned decorating before start of season, progressing digitisation of honours boards.

- Chairman's Report
- Club captain's Report
- Junior Club Report

Acknowledged those supporting, especially Dil, Alan, Nathan.

Chris moved we adopt the annual report, seconded by Alan.

4. Financial Statements

Small surplus. Juniors contributed well to the funds of the club.

Close to \$170,000 in bank, much of this is held for the junior club. Much of the rest from bequest of AD Grey and Larry Macer.

Larry Macer fund was not set aside for a specific purpose.

AD Grey was not formally designated for specific purpose – previously the management board decided to use this for scholarships.

Graeme noted intention to move annual accounts to 30 April, which was agreed. Graeme moved annual accounts to be accepted, Stretch seconded.

6. Election of Officers

- Patron
 - o Re-election of Sir Anand Satyanand
- Life Members
- Action to check which remain live members
- President
 - Chris's tenure has reached a conclusion after leading the club well for three seasons.
 - o Dil nominated Roger Kinsella to become the new board president
 - Roger is a former senior cricketer with long and illustrious ties to the club. He comes from a strong cricketing family, with a first class and test match umpiring father, and sister Penny who represented NZ and is the club's all-time highest run scorer in a single season.
 - Roger is in a strong position to carry on Chris' fine work.
 - Seconded by Chris the two played a number of wanderer's games together including both making hundreds at Anderson park against Collegians.
- Vice President
 - Dil nominated Julian Brown, who has represented the club with distinction in years gone by.
 - Seconded by Treacle
 - Stretch nominated Alan, who was last year nominated for sports Wellington volunteer of the year, has worked tirelessly and often thanklessly for the club in almost every role including many as Chairman, and continues to represent the club with pride on many Saturday's, including recently saving Sparkle from following on with an ice cool performance taking the 10th wicket stand through the dreaded follow on and into a position to push for the win.
 - Seconded by Treacle
 - Proj nominated Grant Richardson
 - Grant took on junior convener in 2009, from Andy Fulbrick, and was succeeded by John Chandler. He has worked to rekindle the club's link to Wellington College, and has been on the board of Cricket Wellington for the last 6 years, this year he will be moving into the role of chair.
 - Seconded by Dil
- Secretary
 - Scott nominated Sam
 - o Graeme seconded
- Treasurer
 - o Dil nominated Graeme
 - Proj seconded
- Club Captain
 - Chris nominated Dil
 - Roger seconded
- Management Committee
 - Andrew Coppersmith nominated
 - o Seconded by Scott

- Treacle nominated whoever is chosen as this season's Premier men's captain

 Seconded by Alan
- Delegates to Cricket Wellington AGM
 - o Dil, Proj, Scott, Roger, Sam,
- Financial Reviewer
 - o Chris nominates David Lowe
 - o Seconded by Scott

7. Club Subscriptions

• Deferred to management board to determine – it is likely these will remain the same as the previous season.

8. General Business

Brian:

- A sub-committee of Chris, Tom, Proj, and Stretch, have organised a Collegian's hall of fame, with nominees to be inducted in a celebratory event near the start of the season.
- The initial 4 Nominations will be:
 - Bert Cordling
 - Played for Collegians around WWI before moving back to Australia to become Don Bradman's batting coach
 - His family have expressed interest in coming over and sharing stories on the evening.
 - o Bert Vance
 - Long and distinguished club career
 - Roger played under Bert for 8-9 years
 - Played test cricket run out at Basin Reserve for 47
 - One of the most capped players for Wellington
 - o Penny Kinsella
 - Fantastic record for the club, including most runs in a season
 - o Trevor McMann
 - Played for NZ in the 1950s
 - 3rd highest run-scorer for Collegians
- Likely to be Saturday 13th October at St Johns
- Tom will send email on Friday confirming all details

Graeme:

Sign on door noting we are at 3 yearly requirement to renew license. The result will be determined at the relevant Wellington committee's next sitting.

No other Business

Dil put the Kettle on.

Meeting closed: 7:46pm

PRESIDENT'S REPORT Roger Kinsella

I would firstly like to thank the club for the honour of becoming the president of Wellington Collegians. Having received the summons from Dilip after my retirement from all cricket in 2007, I felt somewhat like a spectator on the boundary fence, watching from the outside and trying to learn what I could about my former club which has changed so much in the intervening years.

The club's performances on the field were highlighted by title successes for the Women and for the Falconhawks. Many congratulations to both those teams. The Senior team remained competitive but struggled to get across the line on a number of occasions, while the Reserves started strongly but faded due to lack of depth and numbers. Our other 2-day teams were all highly competitive and there were also some fine efforts from our various T20 teams. The season ended with a highly enjoyable and hard fought 3rd grade derby at Anderson Park resulting in a close win for the Chinamen.



A fine set of specimen doing the job for Collegians Reserves

The junior club remains the largest and strongest in Wellington. Thanks to all the parents who contributed, but especially to David Dick who is stepping down after several years of organising all the club's teams and did a great job last season of getting all the junior team coaches officially qualified.

The area of the club I became most acquainted with was the work of the club committee. I can honestly tell you that the club is represented by a group of dedicated and hard working members who you can rest assured all firmly have the club's best interests at heart. I must however highlight the fantastic job done by chairman Scott Ryland. The amount of work he does in representing the club and taking responsibility for a variety of issues is simply staggering, and you can all be confident that Collegians is in good hands with Scott at the helm.

The major event of the season was the Collegians Hall of Fame initiative. Sincere thanks to Alan Orpin and his cohorts for all their efforts behind the scenes which resulted in a memorable evening at St John's Bar whereby a multitude of present and past players congregated to celebrate the inductions of past Collegians players Bert Kortlang, Trevor McMahon, Robert Vance and Penny Kinsella. It was an enjoyable night of speeches, drinks, reminiscences and more drinks, and it emphasised to me that there are still a lot of past members out there who retain a keen interest in the club.

Going forward, there are a number of issues that will keep the club and the committee hard at work over the coming season:

- Trying to increase playing numbers, especially in our selected teams
- Consideration of a possible club merger
- Selecting a new senior captain to replace Matthew Stephen who is stepping down after doing a fine job of leading the team last season
- Getting more members (and past members) back to the clubrooms and running various social events, a challenge for social organiser Andrew Coppersmith for the coming season

Hopefully we can make some significant progress in addressing these issues for the betterment of Wellington Collegians.



Should I roll the arm over... Yes Matty, yes you should

In conclusion, all the best to the club and all its members for an enjoyable and successful 2019-20 season.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT Scott Ryland

Reflecting on the 2018/19 season, which after a World Cup and *that* result in the final, all seems like a long time ago. 2018/19 was a great season for many Collegians teams, with our Senior Women's side winning the T20 competition, FalconHawk(e) winning the third grade and Sparkle Motion coming a very close second the second grade.

2018/19 was my first a Chairman, with outgoing chair Nathan Pilalis deciding he was one and done. Nathan is a great



Dots on dots on dots

collegians man, and I'd like to thank him for his work, and it is a shame he's another player we've lost to golf. Golf is becoming a real threat to cricket. We were also very lucky this year to have Roger Kinsella join us as president – Roger brings a wealth of knowledge to the board, particularly regarding the glory days of our premier team.

For me, I thought my first season as Chair was an opportunity to pick and choose what games I played, and ideally play for as many teams in the club as possible. This was cruelly cut short by injury. I did get to experience the best and worse cricket in Wellington has to offer. A glorious summers day at the home of lower grade cricket, Macalister park, in a Sparkle game where 3 runs separated the teams on first innings and victory was only a couple of wickets away in the final overs. This was followed by turning out for the Reserves for a day of drizzle and a stiff northerly in the Hutt again a team not particularly looking for a result.

While I didn't have the season I would have liked, many Collegians had great 2018/19 seasons. In the premier side Sushant Balajee had a huge all-round season with 450 runs and 20 wickets – and recognising his contribution to the senior squad on and off the field Sushant also took home the prestigious James Trophy for senior cricketer of the year. Tom McDougall too had a season to remember being one of the top bowlers in the competition with 39 wickets, and deservedly taking home the RC Pop Mug for best senior player AND the Phenix Cup for best and fairest senior player.

Our premier and reserve sides have seen a heap of change in players in the last few years and continue to rebuild. While this has meant some inconsistency in results – there has been some great results and real reason to be hopeful for the future. We are, and continue to be, well served by long serving players like Subhash Choudhary, and Sri Rajasekar, who provide guidance to our promising young players like Shivang Choudhary, Charming Patel, Louis Worthington and Ben Bridgman.

Our Reserves suffered from a shortage of players in the second half of the season – but they got off to a storming start to the season. Martin Luckie Trophy winner Tom Ronaldson took on the what I think is the hardest role in the club – captain of the ressies – an did an excellent job. While the significant changes in personnel made it hard to maintain momentum – he did achieve every Collegian captain's dream of beating Easts at the home of cricket (Anderson Park).

Our Senior Women's side have, as we are every year, well served by our Blaze representatives: Wheturangi Campbell, Allex Evans, Beth Molony and Caitlin King. With Whetu and Beth receiving the Ina Lamason Cup for most runs and wickets respectively. Long serving player Elizabeth O'Connor-Scurr took home the Penny Kinsella Cup for best women's contribution.

Other noteworthy performances from the lower grades (in no particular order) include the Great Bird (FalconHawk(e)) winning the second grade. A heap of honours board performances from the Chinamen like: Sean Leonard's massive match haul of 13-27 (including an honours board performance of 8-16); Nick Appleby's 153 and Sean Clarke's 105. For Sparkle, Ravi Thakur took a rarely seen triple hattrick and Sam Grayling snuck onto the honours board with 105* in the last game of the season.

The 2019/20 season will see some significant changes coming from Cricket Wellington. Particularly, with the Cricket Wellington One Club programme coming to an end, how its replacement Cricket Delivery Network works out for Collegians remains to be seen, but initial conversations with Cricket Wellington have been promising. The biggest change for premier cricket is the return to 2 divisions of premier cricket with the Pearce Cup and Hazlett Trophy returning. Collegians will be contesting the Hazlett Trophy (again) and our reserves in the top reserve grade. This provides a good chance for us to rebuild senior teams, and we've already got our name on the Hazlett Trophy so I can see us doing it again in the very near future.

For me, the off-field highlight was our inaugural Hall of Fame induction ceremony on 2 February 2019. It was a very special night, smoothly organised by Brian 'Stretch' Steele, Tom Ronaldson and many others. It was a great chance to bring past and present players together to recognise 4 great Collegians: Burt Kortlang, Penny Kinsella, Bert Vance and Trevor McMahon.

Finally, I'd like to thank everyone who's taken the field for any Collegians team or volunteered this year – you are what makes being Chairman worthwhile. In particular, I'd like to thank our captains – I know it's a massive effort convincing 10 other people to turn up to a field every Saturday.

To close, some very special thanks, with a number of noteworthy Collegians deciding to, like Brendan McCullum to 'retire' at the end of 2018/19 season. Thank you: Dave Petersen, Tom Ronaldson and Whetu Campbell – you've all made a lasting impact on the club and leave it a better club for your contribution. Collegians must be losing at least 500 caps worth of experience – I hope to see you all at some point on the balcony at Anderson Park. We are also very well served with our board – particularly Sam keeping me on task, Alan for your learned counsel and Graeme for your work on the books.

One final thanks in what's a very long list of thank you's – our Club Captain Dilip Deva. Dil – you have been the biggest help in my time as Chairman and your contribution to the club cannot be overstated nor can we thank you enough for all you do.

Despite many ongoing challenges facing Collegians and cricket in general – and no doubt more to come – we have a lot to celebrate as a club. And I encourage all members, especially past members, to come to Anderson Park in the summer and get behind the boys and celebrate being a collegian and playing cricket at the best place to play cricket in wellington.



6s aren't even exciting to signal anymore.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT DILIP DEVA

Club Captain's Report Dilip Deva

This season the Club entered 8 teams. In the Men's Two Day Grade, the club entered a Men's Premier Grade (Pearce Cup Competition), which is the top tier of senior grade in the competition. It also entered a Premier Reserve, Second Grade (Sparkle Legends), Third Grade(Falconhawke) and Chinamen, and fourth Grade (Axemen).

In the Men's other grades we also entered One Tonne Dream and the Fireraiders in the T20 Grades.

In the Women's Grades the Club entered one Premier Women's and a Youth Girl's team.

Men premier team was lead by Captain Matt Stephen. Premier side didn't qualify for the top six placing in the first round and played in the Hazlett Trophy finishing in 6th place.

Andrew Lamb was employed as a Club Development officer and Senior and Reserve Men's grades coach. He did an admirably good job.

Cricket Wellington, after some six years will no longer continue with the One Club programme and therefore no funding will be available to the clubs for Club Development offices funding. The Club Development officer will be replaced by CW Community Manager for a period of two months.

The competition will be changed for the upcoming season 2019-20.

There will be division one with the top six Premier teams, which will be the Pearce Cup and Division Two will have six teams now

There will be Hazlett Trophy with automatic Promotion/Relation decided at the end of the season. This competition will be up for review after two seasons.

Acknowledgements:

A special thanks to Roger Kinsella (President) Scott Ryland (Chairman).

Sam Grayling (Club Secretary)Your work has not gone unnoticed, you always step in to help.

Graeme Sugden (Treasurer) thank you Graeme for doing the books and Statistician for Senior Reserve.

David Dick Junior Club Convenor Many Thanks David

To all Board members many thanks for all your help.

Thank you to Premier Men's statistician Andrea Mill who did an admirably good job up to end off the season before moving to Whanganui.

I look forward to upcoming season.

JUNIOR CLUB CONVENER'S REPORT David Dick

Wellington Collegians Junior Cricket Club registered 29 teams with Cricket Wellington for junior Saturday play during the 2018-19 season. The juniors also fielded girls teams in Sunday leagues, Year 7 and Year 8 'representative' teams, and continued the hugely popular nursery grade for those new to cricket. Registration numbers remained consistent with the previous few seasons, which is encouraging as the 2015 World Cup cricket effect has now diminished.



2018-19 WCJCC Year 7 Representative team, Hawke's Bay Labour weekend tournament

Big changes have been introduced to junior cricket for the 2018/19 season by New Zealand Cricket with the introduction of the Ages & Stages format. To quote NZ Cricket "Ages & Stages spells out NZ Cricket's Junior Cricket objectives and, significantly, the necessity to make the game more accessible for Kiwi kids by making it their size. This means; shorter pitch lengths, fewer player numbers and shortened boundaries. Think faster, more running, more balls in play; fewer wides. Think more fun." In Wellington we have been well placed with Cricket Wellington drip feeding the changes in over the past couple of seasons, creating a virtually seamless introduction. NZ Cricket also introduced coaching requirements for all junior coaches this season. Foundation course for soft ball coaches and Advanced foundation for hard ball. These require coaches to do online learning modules, as well as a practical session with the club CDO, Andrew Lamb. Thanks to Andrew for all his work in this space. It also required coaches to be police vetted and complete a vulnerable person module online.

After a couple of wet spring Saturday's at the start of the season, junior cricket got underway on 17 November and had only one game cancelled during the rest of the season. For most that's 14 games this season. It's really interesting to see from a coaching perspective how much further kids have progressed this season as a result of having played continuously.

WCJCC likes to prepare young cricketers for the coming season, especially for Grade 5 players who are new to hard ball cricket. The spring, pre-season training for hard ball junior cricketers was again taken by Liam (Casper) Jensen with the help of club CDO, Andrew Lamb at the Basin Reserve nets. With 80 junior players signing up, the programme continues to be a success.

The junior club sent 6 teams to the Hawke's Bay January cricket camps. They are a great experience for young hard ball cricketers to play up to 6 consecutive games over 3 days. As well as the excitement and team camaraderie at the Riverbend camp.

During the season the junior club hosted a scorers and umpires workshop, a coach's shout, team photos and prize giving. A special thank you to the WCJCC committee, who work tirelessly in the back ground to make these and many other things possible. Another big thank you to all the coaches, managers, scorers and umpires, family and friends who all help out with practices and during games.

Here's hoping we can have another summer like the most recent, with plenty of Collegians cricket being played.

David Dick

Convener - WCJCC



2018-19 Nursery Grade, with their cricket kit from the sponsors

WELLINGTON COLLEGIANS CRICKET CLUB SPONSORS

The Wellington Collegians Cricket Club would like to acknowledge several sponsors, contributors and suppliers over the 2018-19 season. Each has made a meaningful impression on the Club with their help, service, support and advice.

THANK YOU!

Brian Steele and Shoreline Partners Cricket Wellington Infinity Foundation James Franklin Kilbirnie Sports Kiwi Trophies Matthew Roche and Zooter New Zealand Community Trust New Zealand Cricket Lion Foundation NZ Cricket Foundation

CHAMPIONSHIP PLACINGS

Senior Men Senior Women	6th (Hazlett Trophy) 4th (Joy Lamason Trophy) 1st (Maureen Peters T20 Plate)
Premier Reserve Men	4th (Alan Isaac Trophy) 3rd (One Day)
Sparkle Legends (second grade)	1st (One Day) 2nd (Two Day)
Falconhawk(e) (third grade)	Grade Champions! 4th (One Day) 1st (Two Day)
Chinamen (third grade)	2nd & beat the Grade Champs (One Day) 4th (Two Day)
Axemen (fourth grade)	5th (One Day) 3rd (Two Day)
Twenty-20 One Tonne Dream (first grade) Fireraiders (third grade)	6th 13th

Youth Women

6th (30 overs) 4th (T20)

TEAM REPORTS

COLLEGIANS PREMIER MEN

Matthew Stephen

The 2018-2019 season signalled the completion of a changing of the guard for the Premier Mens team and brought the struggles that often come with that process. Regular turnover in senior players culminated this season with a team that is completely new compared to three years ago.

While this created difficulties producing consistent results it gave us the opportunity to provide younger talent a chance to express themselves and lead the team. We had a number of young players demonstrate glimpses of potential that are encouraging for seasons to come, but had four stand out performers:

- Sushant Balajee: Scored 450 runs at an average of 25.0 and took 20 wickets at an average of 30.4. The stand out all-rounder at the club Sushant continued to build on previous seasons, developing into the Team's key attacking spinner and lynchpin middle order batsmen. He produced the innings of the season with an 80* that single handily won the game despite the team collapsing around him. On top of that he led the team in work ethic and commitment an all-round class act on and off the field.
- Tom McDougall: Took 39 wickets at an average of 17.2. The leading fast bowler at the club and, for most of the season, lead wicket taker in senior club cricket. As much as he hates the idioms Tom is the perfect embodiment of bowling "line and length" and "hitting the deck hard" with his McGrath like action. This consistency and ability to find holes in a batsmen's defence saw him lead the wicket charts for senior club cricket until the last game of the season where an ex-international bowler took a big bag in the three day final.
- Shivang Choudhary: Scored 250 runs at an average of 25 and took 13 wickets at an average 22.4. At 18 years young Shivang is an exciting talent that grew each game he played. By the end of the season he was consistently scoring important middle order runs and making experienced opposition bowlers look mediocre with classy drives, pulls and excellent technique against spin. Not afraid to give the ball a tweak with his offspinners and also bowls Afridi-esque arms balls that nearly took out the opposition batsmen, and our keeper Jordy, on a number of occasions.
- Charming Patel: Took 14 wickets at an average of 22.1. Every team needs a fast bowler and on his day with his fast left arm in-swingers Charming is up there with the best in Wellington. Produced the spell of the season ripping out Onslow's top order (taking the wickets of rep batsmen and a first class cricketer) with a couple of unplayable deliveries, setting the stage for our only win of the season. With a bit of polish there is no doubt Charming has the potential to continue the clubs legacy of producing high quality left arm fast bowlers.

And we can't talk about young talent without giving tribute to the senior players that help hold the team together:

- Sri Rajasekar: Scored 302 runs at an average of 30.2 and took 8 wickets at an average of 40.3. The rock of the batting order Sri only missed out on reaching 500 runs due to other commitments meaning he missed a number of games. A genuine leader and role model Sri contributed greatly to the success of the younger players by sharing his experience and setting the standard for work ethic.
- Subhash Choudhary: Took 13 wickets at an average of 16.9. Is there anything better than a man in his fourties bowling maiden after maiden bamboozling Wellington's best and brightest batsmen? What if he does it while playing with his son and still having one of the best arms in the team? Subhash is every cricket tragics dream player and contributed immensely with his wealth of experience and ability to hold up an end for 10 plus overs.

Finally I would like to thank our coach **Andrew Lamb** for his patience and commitment during a tough season, including rolling the arm over when required (and taking 9 wickets at 19.1).

All teams felt the impact of the Wellington wide player drain with a number of reserves teams across Wellington struggling to fill a team each week. **Tom Ronaldson** was an absolute saint as Reserves captain, always providing players upwards without complaint.

Signing off it was a great honour having the chance to work with some of Collegians best this season, including Chairman **Scott Ryland** and Secretary **Sam Grayling**. I have high hopes that with young talent like the above forming the core of our team it is only a matter of time before we turn around results and get back into the top grades of Wellington cricket.



Another wicket at the home of Cricket, on ya lads.

COLLEGIANS SENIOR WOMEN

Whetu Charteris

Coming off the back of winning the T/20 competition last season our goal always was to take out all three (Friday Night, One Day & T/20) competitions this season however, it was not to be. We narrowly missed out on the One day competition and were unfortunate in the Friday night competition as well. This season saw the introduction of a Friday Night competition be played because of the Blaze players being away on the weekends significantly weakening the Saturday rounds.



Playing Friday nights allowed for all teams to bring up their youth players (who play a Saturday comp) to fill in for their senior teams. Lucky for us, Collegians have a considerably strong pool of youth players who were keen to step up and play senior women's on occasion. A youth player who stood out for us was Maia Williams, on her debut taking an extremely handy 2/24 which is no small feat as a 15yo playing adults.

As per last year, there was a reshuffle of the Wellington Blaze Players to make sure that all 4 club teams in the competition had a competitive side. Not only did this shuffle make sure that these club sides were competitive but it also aimed to increase the Wellington Blazes visibility among the Clubs. This shuffle meant that we lost a game changing player in Rachel Priest but we were fortunate to keep all other remaining players. It was based off two fulltime Blaze players (Allex Evans & Wheturangi Campbell nee Charteris) and 2 wider squad members (Beth Molony & Caitlin King). As the season progressed both our "Wider Training Squad" players actually became fulltime squad members which was testament to their hard work and skill. We also introduced to the roster 4 fulltime players who were from the Youth competition last season. These 4 players made huge contributions throughout the season and were vital in our success. Overall we had 21 players play for us throughout the season for a competition that requires a minimum of 8 to play. To say it was a team effort is an understatement, we had many a player who weren't in the team take the field for us which was amazing, so thank you to all those people.

The season started off with a beautiful day at the Basin Reserve for the start of our T/20 campaign. Playing at the Basin Reserve is always a treat and gave the girls, who had come up from the youth competition, a taste of what it's like. We were lucky to come away with a win which was a great start to our season and which set the tone for the remainder of the campaign. Winning the T/20 competition was not with out some magical performances from our side.

With the bat we had some great individual performances throughout the season. Anna Martin in her first season for senior women's showing true class with a best of 40*. Some of the other highlights were Whetu Campbell scoring 65*, Elizabeth O'connor-Scurr 38, Elizabeth Perry 34* and Caitlin King also scoring a high of 34*. Allex Evans as per, showed her class and experience this season and came away with some fantastic innings. We also had Amelia Harland come up through the junior ranks to be a great natural talent that I hope we see more of in years to come. Some of the great contributions made this year were Allex Evans with 3/12, Amelia Harland with 2/7, Elizabeth O'Connor-Scurr with a spectacular 2/3, Isla Shanks with 3/20 and Whetu Campbell with 3/22.

Achievements

Beth Molony - Captain of the Wellington U21 & U18 Team
Anna Martin – Cricket Wellington U18 Team
Florence Marshall – Cricket Wellington U21 Team
Awards
Club award for the most female runs - Wheturangi Campbell (Av of 67.5 and S/R of 162.65)
Club Award for the most female wickets - Beth (wicket a game) Molony (econ of 4.43, 2/16)
Penny Kinsella Cup for Contribution to Women's Cricket – Elizabeth O'connor-Scurr
Team award Batter- Anna Martin
Bowler- Elizabeth O'Connor-Scurr

Best & Fairest - Isla Shanks

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PREMIER GIRLS

To come

COLLEGIANS SENIOR RESERVES

Tom Ronaldson

The 2018/19 season was a season of two halves for the Reserves side. Paying homage to teams before them, the reserves hit the ground running, starting the season with four wins on the trot, beating Johnsonville, Easts, Karori and Onslow. This was in part due to a longer pre-season that saw the boys get a few good hits under their belt before the first game.

These four games produced some incredibly memorable moments; the fondest for me was a hard fought victory against Easts at the field of dreams, Anderson Park. On a what looked like a fantastic batting wicket we elected to bat. However after a middle order collapse we found ourselves all out for 127. As fate would have it though, during the lunch break a glimmer of hope emerged as the rain began to set in. With Easts on top we pushed for the draw as the rain drenched Anderson Park, but after two hours the rain clouds cleared and although we felt the deck needed more time to dry, the Easts captain was persistent and eventually they began their innings. With only a small target to defend, the boys knew early breakthroughs were going to be the key to winning the game. Our opening partnership of Subash Choudry and Carne Ashworth then began to tear the Easts top order apart reducing them to 20/7 in the first 10 overs.

Subash showed his class during this bowling spell with figures of 9 overs, 7 maidens, 3 for 3. Subash's ability to bowl dot ball after dot ball enabled Carne to attack. Carne finished with figures of 9 overs, 4 for 24.

With our foot firmly on the throat, we moved to our first change bowlers. The boys toiled hard for the last 3 wickets, but the Easts tail began to wag. It came down to the man, the myth, the legend that is Beaver (Brent Stephens) to make a break through and that he did. At his tender age, beaver produced an absolutely stunning caught and bowled, diving to his left to break the Easts partnership and ultimately break their spirit. The game ended with Beaver taking the last wicket to have Easts all out for 96 - A fantastic result for Collegians.

After four wins on the trot, the Reserves were in a good position to make the one day final. However, a poor performance against Hutt Districts saw us drop to third on the table behind University.

Following the loss to Hutt the boys bounced back, remaining unbeaten for the remainder of the one day season, beating the likes of Petone, Taita and Upper Hutt to just miss out on the one day final by two bonus points. Some notable performances were Tom Ronaldson (93*) and Toby Stephens (23) game winning partnership against Taita.

After a promising one day season, the Reserves looked to be one of the top teams going to into the two day season. However, this was not to be. With batting collapses becoming a regular occurrence. The boys struggled to gain any kind of momentum. Although this was a disappointing way to end the season, we did see some future stars of Collegians emerge from reserves. Most Notably Louis Worthington, who after two seasons with us, cemented his spot in the Premiers.

On a personal note, the 2018/19 season was my 5th and final season with the club, due to my partner and me relocating to Auckland. It is with a very heavy heart that I bid farewell to Collegians, a place where I have made so many friends and memories. Finally, I just want to say thank you to the Premier Squad, the Board and all of the Collegians family, your support and friendship over the years is something I will cherish forever. I hope to see you all on the balcony for a few beers when I am next in Wellington.

Go Collegians!



2nd GRADE SPARKLE LEGENDS (AFASF)

Sam Grayling

The 2018-19 season will surely go down as one of Sparkle's best, both on and off the field. On the field we were unbeaten, including 5 outright 2-day wins, and four 1-day wins, all of that was enough for 2^{nd} overall – a quirk of the draw meant we never played the winning side. Off the field, Ravi, Raj, and Arun all contributed to the Sparkle futures development initiative (all strong performers too, perhaps fatherhood is the new training), and numerous post-match hours were enjoyed at the clubrooms.



The season highlight again comes from Anderson Park, this time a 2-

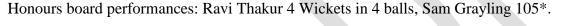
dayer against Johnsonville. After conceding an 80 run first innings deficit on day 1, we came back with a serious point to prove on day 2. The bowling display was both patient and clinical, and included 3-25 from Nathan King to remove the Johnsonville middle order which included the top two scorers from each innings.

As other matches finished, and word spread around the fields of Wellington, the Anderson Park balcony began to fill with re-hydrating Collegians. The atmosphere was electric and Sparkle were chasing 200 off 43 overs. Ani Chitre's terrific knock of 66, with support from the top and middle order saw us home with 2 overs and 5 wickets in hand.

Other season highlights include:

- General bowling dominance, including Ravi Thakur, Raj Kumar, Damien Grant, and KeiranVane all averaging under 12.
- Ravi Thakur taking a double hattrick in Stokes Valley, averaging 7.5 with the ball, and 27 with the bat. A top season from a top bloke.
- Key performances with the bat from Paulie Edwards against Easts at Macalister, and Lee Bailey against North City at Ngatitoa, to save us from certain embarrassment and possible defeat.

Finally, a massive thank you to everyone who took the field for or supported Sparkle, and indeed Collegians, throughout 2018-19. Bring on 2019-20!!!





Left: A day 1 lead, Sam's keen to start day 2. Unseen in background, Stokes Valley desperate to go home and enjoy a Saturday off. Right: A sprightly bunch of Sparklers turn up – the opposition decided attendance was optional.

3RD GRADE FALCONHAWK(E)

Dan Cumming

The 2018/19 Falconhawk(e) season will linger long in the memory for followers of the great bird. After last season's 2nd place we set out in late October with a settled and experienced (old) squad with aspirations of achieving mid table mediocrity. Unfortunately, we did not achieve our goals. Instead, in a very un-Falconhawk(e) display of sustained cricketing competence we strung 2 day outright win after 2 day outright win together claiming the grade title with a game to spare.

Much of this season was played on fairly helpful grass wickets, in such conditions runs are at a premium and dropped catches costly. The quality, depth and variety of our bowling attack meant that there were few free runs on offer to the opposition and no matter who had the ball we were always in with a sniff. However – even a decent attack that creates chances still often need said chance to be actually caught to complete the dismissal and we had an excellent season in the field, taking a good % of our catches including a fair few truly memorable grabs. On 6 occasions we dismissed an opposition team for fewer than 100, and it took until the final game of the season for anyone to pass the 200 mark.

With the bat, 50's were few and far between and no one batsman found their groove for a sustained period of time. As a result of this and a fairly fluid batting order we found ourselves in pretty big trouble fairly regularly, in keeping with the long tradition of Falconhawk(e). We always seemed to find a handy partnership right when we needed it most though, digging deep and grinding out competitive scores. It was not always sexy cricket when Falconhawk(e) were at the crease, but the runs we scored and the time we batted (notably in the 3rd innings of the final 2 2-dayers) was every bit as important as the efforts to dismiss the opposition in the 4th.

There were many excellent individual efforts, consistent contributions and highlights this year, too many to name them all but below are a few that pop into my mind when remembering the season.

- · (Young) Nic Bell 33 wickets @ 11.2 deservedly winning back to back man of the year awards
- · Alan Wightman's maiden century both for Falconhawk(e) and in all cricket a scintillating 120 at Mac park and an exhausted, exuberant yet humble celebration
- · (Old) Nick Clark contributing 61 in a 151 run opening stand with Alan before selflessly giving his wicket away to allow others an opportunity
- • Ben Stephenson's freakish catching in the slips that would not look out of place in an actual proper cricket team
- (Old) Nick Clark's peerless ability to effect run outs both in the field, and with the bat
- • Mark Sleeman's regularly mocked but often absolutely correct predictions of what a competitive total would be
- • Richard Chapman dismissing the 2 of the best batsmen in the grade with 2 of the worst deliveries of the season
- • Regi Varghese juggling a catch on the boundary in a key moment 3 times before snaring it with one large hand and ripping his shirt off in celebration

Special shout outs for Ben (outstanding administration), Drew (hosting the cocktail party), and Mark (sorting sleek new caps). A massive thank you to all the grass widows, friends and family that have supported us this year. We had a hugely enjoyable season made all the more so by your presence.

Looking forward to the next season already.

3rd Grade CHINAMEN ALMANAC

Canned – Muddy – Rainy – Wet – 7v11 – Pantsed – Double-Pantsed – Disappointing – Ecstasy – Double-Ecstasy – Dry – Brave – Close – Ludicrous – Foreign – Saturated – Darryl Tuffey circa 2005 – Trying – Bragging Rights

That is how I sum the season up game by game for the 2018-19 season.

Oh yeh, g'day Kiwis – didn't see you there! Although the season was not the best on field, The Chinamen held a competitive nature in 3rd Grade once again. Final results were: 1-day results went 2 wins, 1 loss and 2 abandonments, 2-day results 2 wins, 2 losses, 2 draws and 1 abandonment.

Results were sporadic due to the struggle to maintain a consistent squad of players – somewhat traditional to Chinamen values however, along with the belief catches do not win matches.

Three majors on field highlights for me:

- Our third two-day game against Wainuiomata which brought the greatest Chinamen bowling performance in history. Now, whilst the Chinamen history may not be extensive, let's not ignore the feat that was taking greatest figures by a Chinamen bowler from the skippers 7-34 2016-17. Coincidentally, at the same ground Sean 'Dilbs' Leonard opened the bowling and bowled a flat 16 over spell of 5-11...yes yes I know this isn't honors board material but wait! After setting a 1st innings lead of about 70, Wainui were back at it. Day 2, bright sunny day, light northerly, facing 'Dilbs' fresh off a 5fa, hungry for more. The next 14 overs from the Graeme Burton end of Brian Heath were a thing of beauty. Dilbs was simply unplayable in securing the Chinamen a innings victory by sealing 8-16 from 14 overs. One of the finest one-man team performances in Collegians history I'm sure.
 - Sean Leonard 30 overs, 15 maidens, 13 wickets, 27 runs. BRAVO!
- 2 dayer against Taita at Fraser Park. A bit part Chinamen side assembled at Fraser Park. When I say bit part, we had 1.5 of an opening batting partnership and a couple of ol' mates who were keen to help the team out. When we only have 1.5 of an opening partnership, it's excellent when the 1 snicks out fourth ball of the innings. Never fear, 0.5 Nick 'Big Dog' Appleby hobbled out with one leg and belted Taita around the ground securing 153 runs in the process. Taita Replied with 213, Chinamen spat a shady 68 all out back at them setting 109 off 32 overs to secure the win. Now, Taita were cruising at about 83-4 with 18 overs in play. Joel 'Joely' Walden strode to the bowling crease, shades on..ready to rock. Within the next 10 overs, Taita were in a spin collapsing to 106/9. Chinamen could smell blood as a schoolboy rode to the crease and promptly blocked a full toss to short mid-wicket. Game. Chinamen win by three runs.
 - Nick Appleby 153

 Final Day of the season. One day game. Anderson Park. Collegians derby. Chinamen vs Falconhawk(e). How bloody good can this get?! Well, bloody good if you ask me. Chinamen put on a competitive 244/6 for the first innings thanks to some handy runs from the batsmen in the top order mainly Sean 'Sclarkey' Clarke. Falconhawk(e) went about their business in attempt to chase the total down, but due to some tight bowling, Chinamen held grip on the game and took the win by 105 runs. Bragging rights!

I should also mention the team's valiant effort to chase down 286 from 19 overs against Karori. Largely guided by a Sclarkey quick fire century. Unfortunately fell 8 runs short at 278/6. Draw.

Off field highlights:

- Off season premier recruit Luke Vincent showing everyone how not to retire from cricket by playing every second game of the season
- Chinamen fielding with 7 players against Easts Aces in the third innings.
- Standing in the pools at Petone Rec with a determined Petone team waiting for them to agree to cancel the game.
- Hamish Vance
- Friday night recruitment..don't ya love it.
- Small bags.

Finally, a huge credit to the boys, it was a real game of two halves and cricket was the winner at the end of the day. Oh, and thanks to the ladies in the kitchen! That's enough from me, Kiwi's. Enjoy the winter and see you all again for 2019-20! Cops

Honors board:

- Sean Leonard: 30-15-13-27 (5-11 and **8-16**) vs Wainuiomata
- Nick Appleby: 111 vs Wainuiomata & 153 vs Taita
- Sean Clarke: 105 vs Karori

4th GRADE AXEMEN

Dave Peterson

The axemen were still on a high after being crowned 1-day champs from the previous season and could not wait to get onto the park for the new season. We were all prepared to kick off on day 1 but after a late entry from Vic Uni, we were given the first week off. While it was nice to get the bye out of the way, it meant we didn't have our first game till mid Nov. Well, that was not entirely true. 2nd game was against East Bulldogs but after a few injuries, they defaulted at the 11th hour. This meant the first time we took the field was the end of Nov. The game did not go our way however and we lost. The following week was the start of the 2-day comp and as you guessed it, we had a bye. It was now 8th Dec and we had only played 1 Saturday of cricket.

Our first 2-day match before the Christmas break ended well, with a 10-wicket victory. We went into the break with confidence and came out swinging but did not fear well with a 1-day loss first up. From there we got into the remaining 2-day matches with mixed success. In the end we finished with two wins (including a victory by an innings and 100 run on day 1), two draws (best one being set 410 off 52 overs on day 2 and being on 127 for 4 off 45 when their skipper conceded the draw) and two competitive losses. This was the best finish in the 2-day comp for the Axemen, 3rd on the 2-day table. While our batting wasn't the greatest, three 50's – one to DP, one to welsh and one to Beck, our bowling was on point which saved us games. John Lawrence taking 27 wickets @ 14.33 ave and 3.58 SR. Next was Ben with 20 wickets @ 14 ave and 3.20 SR. Ben and Jared also took 5 wickets in an innings. Overall the team bowled really well, had some fantastic fielding highlights but were a bit shy with the bat but in the end, it was a successful season.

Leading scorers: Batting DP 217 runs @ 119% SR, top score 50 Symbols 175 runs @ 46% SR, top sore 46 Welsh 148 runs @ 98.67% SR, top score 51 Bowling John 27 wickets, 418 runs, 3.70 ERA, 15.48 ave, 25.011 SR Ben 20 wickets, 280 runs, 3.2 ERA, 14 ave, 26.75 SR DP 15 wickets, 294 runs, 5.5 ERA, 19.60 ave, 21.2 SR

Awards – Best batter Nick 'Symbols' Robertson, best bowler John 'Zombie' Lawrence and best and fairest Rhys Muir. The ultimate Axemen of the year award, and the coveted axe, went to DP.

After 13 seasons, 161 matches (26 2-dayers so 183 Saturdays) for the Axemen, 185 for Collegians, this will be my last 'end of year' round up. It has been a pleasure playing for a great club and a fantastic bunch of lads. I am sure the Axemen will continue their long history of competing in the Wellington cricket competition next season and continue to give teams a headache on the park.

TWENTY-20 ONE TONNE DREAM

Chris Bolton

The OTD spent last season being boringly dominant in victory and exciting in defeat, realising that this unhealthy pattern has to change the OTD underwent a transformation of Pakistan like proportions...and became exciting in victory and boringly dominant in defeat. The end result of this was that the OTD maintained their position as the 5th best men's T20 side in Wellington after a Phoenix (the bird, not the team) like resurrection in the second half of the season.

It all seemed so normal during the preseason, all players had returned and everything was building up nicely. Of course that wouldn't last, what were we thinking?

The Original Tonner, Bolts "Chris" Bolton, went down with an abdominal strain which delayed him taking up the captaincy from cricket machine Dave Murphy. Batting whirlwind Brendan White stopped finding the middle of bat, which is weird for a guy who spent 2017/18 feeding lions cricket balls from 100m (Melrose, special cricket ground). Tim Koelman, best knuckleball outside of MLB, started getting hit around. Joe Atkinson, he of barbed wit and flypaper hands, started saving boundaries but not taking catches.

Despite these bad omens, the OTD started off at full speed. A demolition of former T20 juggernauts, the Northern Boom, was lit up by a superb 84no from Sam Valentine. He was denied his century in true OTD fashion by Eugene Rees who smacked the remaining 19 runs rather than give Sam the strike, solid.

In the second game the struggles began. Having knocked The Simpson's quoting Karori Stonecutters for under 100, the OTD nearly squandered the superb new ball bowling by Brendan and the genius that is Amit Kumar. 3 wickets fell for next to nothing and after a marathon partnership (in T20 terms) by Dave and Amit, there was a 5 wicket collapse involving holing out, run outs and daft paddles to short fielders. Thankfully Tim's lost bowling mojo had emerged as an ice cool batting machine and he successfully picked the right fielder to lob a shot through to get the winning runs...in the 20th over.

The delirium from winning that encounter turned into a playing hangover of epic proportions. I could go into details of our 4 straight losses, which included a game in which our target was chased down in 7 overs, but those games were over so fast I don't think I remember any of them accurately. All I will say is that Si Casey's 3-for at the zoo was canny bowling of the highest order, Craig Hadfield Sam and Amit made us look like a cricket team and Brendan had zero runs from his first 5 games.

At the midway stage of the season the OTD were 7th with a net run rate of -2.7, cricket nerds will understand how bad that is. All seemed lost.

The thing about Dave, and why he was such an astute leader for the OTD, is he knows how to revitalise a team. He returned from playing in underground T20 leagues over Dec and Jan to the OTD as we took on runaway competition leaders and reigning champs the Karori Wildcats. In one hand he had his cricket bag and in the other a case of brown juice, this is what the team needed. Tee-totalling Brendan struck a ferocious 54 ball 100, to literally break his scoring duck. Si Petre, newly promoted to 3, became the glue that held the gears of the team together. Justin Murphy, finally cured of his brief spell with Norths, bowled like a demon. Joe found his catching hands and his muse. Bolts found inspiration from the thinking juice and confounded the Wildcats with astute bowling changes and field placements. The Wildcats had no answer as they lost in a last over thriller.

The OTD were back! Another demolition of The Boom followed and another last over defensive win, this time against The Stonecutters.

Of course there were other games but I won't talk about them as that would kill the narrative. Michael Vincent's late swing against the T20 Masters was pretty cool though.

The OTD eventually finished 5th with the worst net run rate in the grade, a reminder of how close the side had come to imploding and a tribute to everyone in the side for getting us out of that hole.

- Brendan White miraculously was the highest scorer, scoring nearly 300 runs after Xmas and 0 before. This included that magnificent 100.
- Justin Murphy was dominant when available, averaging 25 with the bat and was the highest wicket taker (15).
- Sam Valentine picked up the team batting award for his consistency through the season.
- Amit Kumar was something else while the team has lost its way. If his move to Auckland hadn't cut short his season, he would've run away with the batting cup.
- Special mentions to Si Casey and Si Petre. Si Casey kept picking up match turning wickets through the season and continues to improve. Si Petre had a nightmare with the bat last season but has established himself as our go to number three, better char from behind the stumps too.

The OTD say goodbye to:

Amit Kumar, easily the most talented bat we've ever had and an ever useful bowler. Kept the team afloat this year. Been sold to an Auckland franchise, we assume payment is forthcoming.

Sam Valentine, pretty sure some of the 6'a he's hit haven't landed yet. Added to his powerful batting is a bullet arm and his ever developing legspin. He'll be taking a break from the game.

On a sadder note, the OTD said a permanent goodbye to stalwart Rodney "Hot Rod" Haddon who passed away suddenly this year. Rod was just a great guy who just was what the OTD is about. The second win against The Stonecutters was for him, he would've been proud. We miss ya Rod.

TWENTY-20 Fireraiders

The Fireraiders team lost every single game this season, except for the one I wasn't there for. Almost every one of our standout performances came from ring-ins, except for one time I got a hattrick and Russell Forbes opened the batting with 64. I wish I could say more but that's basically it - stellar effort from the boys who turned up every week, especially the incredibly dedicated Jimmy Lawler, who was a rock for the entire season.

INDIVIDUAL HONOURS

DOMESTIC REPRESENTATIVES

Allex Evans, Rachel Priest, Wheturangi Charteris, Elizabeth Perry, Caitlin King, Beth Molony - *Wellington Blaze*

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CLUB AWARDS

Club Awards 2016-17 season The Grey Cup for the most limited-over runs: Brendan White (238) The Grey Cup for the most LIMITED-OVER wickets: Justin Murphy (15) Grey Cup for the most Two Day runs: Sam Grayling (533) The Grey Cup for the most Two Day wickets: Nic Bell (40) Phoenix Cup for Best and Fairest Senior Player: Tom McDougall Don Churchill Cup for Best Senior Reserve Player: Alex Sugden Ina Lamason Cup for Most Women's Wickets: Beth Molony (7) Ina Lamason Cup for Most Women's Runs: Wheturangi Campbell (135) Penny Kinsella Cup for Best Women's Contribution: Elizabeth OConnor-Scurr RC Pope Mug for Best Senior Player: Tom McDougall Norm Bibby Memorial Cup for the Most Promising Player: Beth Molony Committee Cup for the Best Board Member: Andrew Coppersmith John Rose Memorial Cup for the Hardest Working Player in the Club: Nathan King James Trophy for Senior Cricketer of the Year: Sushant Balajee Larry Macer Memorial Cup: Ravi Thakur Martin Luckie Trophy for Best Club Member: Tom Ronaldson

TREASURER'S REPORT & FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Graeme Sugden TREASURER

Overview

The 2018-19 season resulted in a deficit of \$2,477, a turnaround from the small surplus last year of \$1,826. The operating cash surplus was \$712, (LY \$4,973). There was one capital item purchased, a trolley for the covers. Grants were up on last year, which was encouraging but they are still hard to get. Thanks again to Alan who has been able to maintain this source of revenue.

Senior subscriptions were down on last year with one less T20 team, whilst junior subs were in line with last year. Pavilion trading was the down, but the costs were up, due to the mix of product being more expensive.

Sponsorship income is regrettably non existent with sponsors wanting to see a return on their investment, although this is always an area that the Board is trying to get some traction.

Expenses were in line with 2018. The CDO costs much of the administration and management cost. Cricket Wellington funding changed from the previous season with an extension of the duration of the CDO role, but without a commensurate increase in funding. For the 2019-20 season Cricket Wellington have again changed the model and effectively the CDO role within the Club has disappeared leaving us to fund a coach although the outcome in terms of net cost should be similar.

For the season ahead we will be looking at a breakeven position, assuming a level of grant funding similar to previous, excluding funds to cover coaching which NZCT did cover in part. I have noted in previous reports that whilst we are in a financially healthy position in the short to medium term, we need to continually explore opportunities that will enable us to prosper long term.

Outcomes from the independent financial review

In accordance with the guidelines from the Institute of Chartered Accountants and our constitution, this year's independent financial review was undertaken by Davmor Business Services.

Change Of Balance Date

The Board has agreed to my recommendation that the annual balance of the Cricket Club be changed to 30 April each year. I have outlined the details in the resolution that is being put forward to the AGM.