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Onslow Cricket Club - Pearce Cup
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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GROWING



Last season saw the Board working hard on our new Five-Year Strategic Plan. We spent a lot of time consulting and identifying our challenges to determine our strategic goals and line those up with New Zealand Cricket's strategic pillars. This was an important and necessary exercise. It will drive the Board's

priorities and decision-making process over the next five years. It is easy to forget that we are geographically the smallest Major Association with a smaller player base and cricket community than others. We are also challenged climatically and are normally the last centre to get underway each season and to play on grass pitches. These are some of our challenges.

Cricket Wellington's vision 6 . 8 . 12 Winning Cricket, Playing Cricket, Growing Cricket relates to national titles, players, coaches and fans. Strategic Goal One is about community cricket – to have a strong, integrated and stable community cricket environment. The One Club Programme is a key enabling strategy for this strategic goal. A review of the programme has taken place in light of our new Strategic Plan. It is essential that all Clubs embrace the objectives and principles behind the One Club Programme if we are to achieve this goal.

An example is junior cricket. We were anticipating a marked increase in junior numbers after the Cricket World Cup last year. We were right, with a 20% increase in junior enrolments last season. This is fantastic but we need to keep them in the game. We need to ensure they are enjoying their cricket, having fun and being well coached. These elements are essential and Clubs have a prime role in delivering them. It is concerning that although our junior numbers were up we had a reduction in the number of secondary school teams last season. Again, Clubs have a key role to play in working with the colleges in their area and helping to bridge the key life transition stages of our young cricketers.

It has been identified that having qualified coaches is a critical step to keeping junior and secondary school cricketers in the game. This is a key strategy and Cricket Wellington is working hard on it. We need to increase our coaching numbers and provide interested parents with easy access to coaching training, qualifications and resources.

One of the highlights for me last season was the increased profile of Women's Cricket. While the Blaze will be disappointed that their season did not result in winning a trophy, they played some outstanding cricket and our three White Ferns, Sophie Devine, Rachel Priest and Liz Perry, led the way. I congratulate Liz on playing her 100th game for the Blaze and Rachel for being nominated for the Halberg Awards.

The increased profile of women's cricket through the Women's Big Bash League in Australia, and the Kia Women's Super League in the UK has been great for the game and to see Sophie and Rachel performing well in both competitions makes us all proud. One of the highlights of the season was the reappearance of international women's cricket on the Basin Reserve. The T20 Internationals against Australia saw two wonderful days of cricket and two victories for New Zealand. Seeing our former cricket greats coming together to play in a fundraising curtain raiser to the second T20 International, to raise money for the New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation was special. This came about as a result of Margaret Presland's unfortunate diagnosis of breast cancer. We wish her well.

Talking about women's cricket would not be complete without congratulating Tawa College on retaining the NZCT National Secondary School Girls' Championship. Hutt International Boys' School also won the NZCT National Secondary School Boys' Championship for the first time. I congratulate both schools on their wonderful achievements.

We again featured highly in nominations for the Wellington Sports Person of the Year awards with finalists in seven categories. I congratulate all the nominees, especially HIBS' Rachin Ravindra for winning the Wellington Emerging-Sportsman-of-the-Year Award. I also congratulate another of the nominees, Kathy Cross, who had been appointed to umpire at the women's T20 World Cup in India, for winning the overall Hutt Valley Sportsperson-of-the-Year Award.

I would also like to congratulate Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club for winning the National One Day Club Championship in Auckland in April. They join previous Wellington title winners Victoria University, Stokes Valley and Karori.

I note with pleasure John R Reid becoming a Life Member of Cricket Wellington. His appointment was recognised at a special function during the Test Match against Australia at the Basin Reserve in March in front of the members of the 1985/86 New Zealand cricket team who were attending a reunion.

Finally, I thank the Board under Bruce Pepperell's astute chairmanship and to Peter Clinton and his team for serving us well during the season.



CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

It has been another busy and eventful year for Cricket Wellington and cricket in our region. Strong growth in junior numbers following the popularity of the Cricket World Cup 2015, a new Strategic Plan to direct our sport through to 2019 and beyond, and the ongoing management of the Basin Reserve "Master Plan" redevelopment project, are just three of many highlights that we reflect upon during the winter months and as we plan for bigger and better in the coming season.

Locally we witnessed the rise of the Onslow Cricket Club to the pinnacle of club success, winning the Pearce Cup for the first time in their history. With a young team that has developed over recent seasons, Onslow's success was a tribute to planning, commitment, and execution. For the second season in a row, the three titles were shared among three different clubs. Congratulations to Petone-Riverside and Eastern Suburbs, for their T20 and One-Day titles respectively. In the women's competition, congratulations to Wellington Collegians for their trophy success.

Further congratulations are due to Easts for winning the NZCT National Club Championships title at Auckland, in April. While Easts have set the benchmark for all clubs in the Wellington competition for many years, this particular trophy had eluded them and to succeed against the other top sides from around New Zealand was a special achievement. Congratulations to captain Lance Dry, his players, their committed management team and their supporters.

Wellington enjoyed celebrating further success on the national stage, with Hutt International Boys' School (HIBS) winning its first ever Secondary Schoolboys First XI Cup (formerly the Gillette Cup), and Tawa College defending its title in the NZCT Secondary School Girls' competition finals held at Palmerston North.

While we acknowledge and celebrate the on-field successes of teams, clubs and players, one of the most

significant achievements this past year would have to be the continued excellence and recognition of umpire Kathy Cross. Kathy has for some time been a pioneer and champion for cricket, and for women in sport more generally. Kathy's success in being named Supreme Winner at the Hutt Valley Sports Awards this year was indeed richly deserved.

With plenty of positive news to celebrate it cannot be overlooked that after a couple of strong seasons, title success eluded our men's and women's teams. The Wellington Firebirds, under new coach Bruce Edgar, fought hard through the Plunket Shield competition, while the Wellington Blaze missed the T20 Final by a decimal point, and were beaten on the day in the One-Day Final by a fine Auckland side. We have reviewed the campaigns carefully and there remains much to be positive about with regards to player development and the coaching mix of both teams. I here record my thanks to outgoing Blaze coaches Mark Borthwick and Ivan Tissera for a job well done, and welcome incoming coach Matt Bell and manager Anna Minot with best wishes for the summer ahead.

As with most sporting organisations, while performances and success on the field are both visible and memorable, there is significant governance, direction and leadership required behind the scenes to support the objectives for cricket in our region, and nationally. Once again our sport has been very fortunate to have a Board and staff that provide the skills, experience and passion to meet the many challenges facing cricket in contemporary New Zealand. Last summer we settled our next Strategic Plan for the period 2015-19, focussing on core objectives that support the health of the game locally, while positioning ourselves to identify and maximise opportunities for growth, be they profile, player numbers, commercially or through strategic partnerships.

Within a busy cricket programme there has also been an increased focus and resource applied to the



management of the Basin Reserve by CW. We are fortunate to enjoy a very strong relationship with the Basin Reserve Trust, which continues to steer a course through at times tricky political waters. One of the major features of the Basin this past year was the hosting of the Robbie Williams concert, a significant event in the recent history of the ground. That the venue coped so well and provided a unique atmosphere was very well received by the organisers and fans. Consistent with the Trust and CW's intent to grow the use of the Basin Reserve beyond just cricket and sports, the exercise was successful in teaching us all about the potential for such events in the future.

A fuller report on the upgrade of the Basin Reserve features in this Annual Report, however I wish to reiterate that both the Trust and CW remain resolute in their commitment to protecting the uniqueness of the venue, and that any development must improve the facility consistent with that objective. Notwithstanding some uncertainty and a range of challenges for the Basin Reserve, there are also a number of positive opportunities well worthy of investigation.

We continue to work closely with New Zealand Cricket on all matters associated with the management and delivery of cricket, at international, domestic, and community levels. We are engaged and aligned with NZC's strategic objectives, believing them to be of significant value for the future of the game. CW enjoys a very healthy relationship with the NZC Board, executive and staff, and my thanks here are recorded to CEO David White and his team for their support and guidance over the past year. I have every expectation that such a strong partnership will continue well into the future.

Looking ahead the 2016/17 season brings optimism and excitement once again, as we come out of the winter planning months and start to witness the onset of the spring pre-season activities. With two Test matches and an ODI this summer, Wellington fans will again get to witness world-class players and cricket within their

city. The domestic T20 competition, rebranded as The McDonalds Super Smash, has found its way further back into the December and January period, positioning itself nicely for those summer holiday crowds. A full programme of Plunket Shield, Ford Trophy, and Wellington Blaze matches completes a very full elite cricket calendar.

Elsewhere we will be focussed upon our Community Cricket programme, in particular looking to capitalise on an 18% increase in junior numbers reported by clubs last season. This increase provides a huge opportunity to cement cricket further as the region's number one summer sport. Our dedicated Community Cricket team, assisted by Development Officers and volunteers throughout the club network, have an exciting opportunity on their hands.

There are, as always, thanks and acknowledgements due to a large number of people who help to make the game tick in Wellington. I am particularly indebted to the volunteer club administrators, junior club personnel and coaches, and match officials. We are also fortunate to have a solid stable of commercial partners backing cricket, and I thank you all for your continued support and enthusiasm for the game. Similarly our relationship with local councils is valued and of significant benefit to the game in our region. Finally I wish to thank the Directors of CW for their guidance and support, and all the staff at CW for their commitment and professionalism in an increasingly fast-moving and challenging sector. The extra hours given by staff and volunteers often go unnoticed, but are evidence of the fantastic spirit that sustains cricket in Wellington.

Best wishes to all cricket players, clubs, volunteers, officials, and supporters for a successful summer.





CHARITY MATCH A RESOUNDING SUCCESS

Friends, teammates and families gathered at the Basin Reserve on the first Tuesday in March for a Charity Match in support of the New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation.

When former Blaze and New Zealand A all-rounder Margaret Presland was diagnosed with breast cancer last year, shortly after giving birth to daughter Phoebe, her friend and former Blaze teammate Sarah Loughnane-Hill hatched the idea of a cricket match to raise funds and support the New Zealand Breast Cancer Foundation. Cricket Wellington and New Zealand Cricket were fully supportive and the game was played immediately prior to the second T20 International between Australia and the WhiteFerns.

Before the start, Margaret walked onto the Basin Reserve playing surface through a guard of honour and was presented with a framed 2004/05 Wellington Blaze shirt signed by all the players. She also received a pink top to mark the day, her Wellington player number 185 on the back.

In the game itself, Wellington Black captained by former international Anna Minot (nee Corbin) posted 160-6, with Loughnane-Hill, Debbie Hockley and Lucy Doolan all retiring on 25. Wellington Gold, led by Maia Lewis, started the chase positively but fell 30 runs short. Nicole Thessman and Emily Drumm both retired, while Melissa Taylor finished unbeaten on 24*.

The old saying of "form is temporary, class is permanent" rang true as the players, many of whom had been out of the game for years wowed the sizeable crowd with diving catches, clean strikes over the top and accuracy with the ball.

With contributions from Cricket Wellington, from sponsors MG2 Cricket, Tommy's Real Estate, Kilbirnie Sports and Future Thinking, and from the proceeds of various auctioned items, a total of \$16,000 was raised for the NZBCF in an event which brought together a community of friends from near and far.



The teams

Wellington Gold: Maia Lewis (Captain),Emma Campbell, Amanda Cooper, Emily Drumm, Linden Eagles, Mandie Godliman, Amanda Green, Julie Harris, Zara McWilliams, Hayden Pohio, Elizabeth Scurr, Melissa Taylor, Nicole Thessman

Coach: Robbie Kerr Manager: Wainui Bedford

Wellington Black: Anna Minot (née Corbin) (Captain), Teresa Bayly, Abby Burrows, Fou Charteris, Lucy Doolan, Megan Graham, Debbie Hockley, Penny Kinsella, Sarah Loughnane Hill, Faele O'Connor, Megan Tuapawa, Anna Smith (née O'Leary), Megan Wakefield

Coach: Mark Borthwick Manager: Sally Morrison

Umpires: Dave Quested & Kathy Cross.



STEPHEN MURDOCH GOES BIG

With grass wickets still not able to be prepared, Karori batsman Stephen Murdoch took full advantage of the artificial pitch at tiny Ben Burn Park in November. He clobbered 257* off 167 balls against Naenae Old Boys, in a game that featured 50 sixes altogether.

Opening the batting in the Ewen Chatfield Trophy match, Murdoch hit 18 fours and 21 sixes as his team reached 429-6 in their 50 overs. He took 36 balls to get to 15, before exploding into life and scored 52 off his final 12 deliveries. It was the third-highest score ever in Wellington club cricket, and the highest score in a premier 50-over game.

The dashing right-hander put on 145 in 25 overs with Ben Rainger for the first wicket, before his Firebirds team-mates Craig Cachopa and Tom Blundell helped the home side blast 239 from the last 20 overs. Naenae hit back through their South African connections with Black Caps' all-rounder Grant Elliott and club professional Luke Schlemmer both scoring centuries. Elliott's came from just 40 balls and the two of them added 140 in 12 overs for the third wicket. They helped Naenae reach a creditable 345 at 7.5 runs per over, but could not prevent Karori winning by a good margin.

SHORT SCOREBOARD

Karori 429-6 off 50 overs (Murdoch 257*, Rainger 45, Blundell 43, Cachopa 32; Craig James 2-69, Steve Williams 2-97) beat **Naenae** 345 off 46.1 overs (Elliott 134, Schlemmer 121; Andy McKay 4-42, Misty Jones-Middleton 2-43, Anurag Verma 2-76) by 84 runs.

RICKY JOSEPH TAKES ALL TEN

In March Ricky Joseph became the first bowler since Onslow's Mayu Pasupati in 2003 to take all 10 wickets in an innings in Wellington premier club cricket. The Eastern Suburbs opening bowler took 10-35 from 12.3 overs against Johnsonville at Alex Moore Park in the first innings of their Pearce Cup match.

Prior to Pasupati England ODI opening bowler Alex Wharf had taken 10-72 for Johnsonville against Hutt District in November 1996, also at Alex Moore Park.

Joseph began by having mate Chris Leach caught by the 'keeper off a bouncer, and all his wickets were caught behind the wicket or LBW. Johnsonville were skittled for 70 with only three batsmen making double figures.



Wharf's haul had included a hat-trick, which Joseph could not quite match, despite twice taking two wickets in two balls. After Easts scored 241 in their first innings Joseph bowled four more overs without success as Johnsonville were reduced to 44-4 in their second innings. On the second day he came back with six more wickets to take 16 for the match and lead Easts to a comfortable outright win.

SHORT SCOREBOARD

Johnsonville 70 (Rakitha Weerasundara 19; Joseph 10-35) and 88 (Leach 20; Joseph 6-45, Peter Connell 2-21) lost to **Eastern Suburbs** 241 (Jimad Khan 52, Jamie Gibson 35, Sean Neal 34, Lauchie Johns 31; Zac Ringrose 4-74, Dave Hudson 3-74) by an innings and 83 runs



EASTS WIN NATION TOURNAMENT

There was jubilation at the Eastern Suburbs Cricket Club in April when their Premier team won the NZCT National Club Championships at Cornwall Park, Auckland, and after seven attempts they could finally claim to be the nation's champion club.

Victory over Christchurch's St Albans in the last round-robin match proved to be vital, with both teams then having four wins from five games. With the Final eventually washed out Easts were declared winners of the tournament thanks to their superior run rate during the round-robin games. They join previous Wellington region winners Victoria University (1995/96, 1996/97, 1997/98), Stokes Valley (2000/01) and Karori (2009/10).

Jamie Gibson was named overall Player of the Tournament for his feats with both bat and ball, but every Easts player contributed at vital times to end the season on a very high note for the Kilbirnie-based club.

Match summaries:

Easts got to 197-8 in the first match against Napier Tech Old Boys with 90* from Jamie Gibson and no-one else reaching 20. Christian Leopard made an unbeaten century for Napier but it was not enough as Ricky Joseph snared four wickets and captain Lance Dry the vital last two.

Fraser Colson then took Dunedin's Kaikorai attack apart for 144 from 118 balls and with good support from Lauchie Johns, Easts reached 322-8. The southerners were dismissed in the 37th over still well behind, with Gibson taking three wickets. Alecz Day and Ili Tugaga also bowling well.

Former Ireland quickie Peter Connell took six Manukau City wickets in the next game as the Northern Districts side collapsed from 141-3 to be all out for 167. All six Easts' batsmen got starts and they reeled in their target in the 24th over, with Colson making a 40-ball half-century.

A rain interruption during their innings reduced the game against Suburbs-New Lynn to 40 overs per side, with Easts only getting to 161-7. Young seamer Jack Anderson took two early wickets but Suburbs' middle order steadied the chase and the Aucklanders got home with five wickets and three overs to spare.

On the main ground next day Easts managed 219-8 against the previously undefeated St Albans side. There were good contributions from Colson and Day early and from Dry and Connell towards the end. In reply St Albans were 15-3 before a partnership of 92 rescued them somewhat. At that point Gibson took over with five wickets and a run-out to see the southerners dismissed 41 runs short.

The teams met again in the Final, which began under heavy skies. St Albans were 74-4 after 24 overs when the rain set in and no further play was possible.

The Easts team:

Lance Dry (c), Jeremy Dean, Alecz Day, Jamie Gibson, Fraser Colman, Andrew Fullerton-Smith, Jimad Khan, Lauchie Johns (wk), Peter Connell, Ricky Joseph, Ili Tugaga, Chamika Gajanayaka, Jack Anderson.

Team manager: Sean Joseph **Scorer:** Catharine Shields **Club manager:** Gordon Dry

Brief scoreboards:

5 April 2016 – Cornwall Park No 2 Eastern Suburbs 197-8 (Gibson 90*)

Napier Tech Old Boys 180 in 33.5 overs (Joseph 4-23)

Win to Easts by 17 runs

6 April 2016 - Cornwall Park No 2

Eastern Suburbs 322-8 (Colson 144, Johns 63) **Kaikorai** 159 in 36.5 overs (Gibson 3-13)

Win to Easts by 163 runs

7 April 2016 – Cornwall Park No 3

Manukau City 167 in 25.1 overs (Peter Connell 6-36) Eastern Suburbs 173-4 in 23.1 overs (Colson 53, Dean 39) Win to Easts by six wickets

8 April 2016 — Cornwall Park No 1 (40 over game) **Eastern Suburbs** 161-7 (Fullerton-Smith 39, Khan 37) **Suburbs-New Lynn** 168-5 in 36.5 overs (Anderson 3-36) Win to Suburbs-New Lynn by five wickets

9 April 2016 - Cornwall Park No 1

Eastern Suburbs 219-8 (Colson 63, Day 34, Dry 26, Connell 25) **St Albans** 178 in 46.2 overs (Gibson 6-40)

Win to Easts by 41 runs

10 April 2016 – FINAL – Cornwall Park No 1 **St Albans** 74-4 off 24 overs

Match Abandoned - No result



On 16 March 2016 in Chennai, India, Hutt Valley umpire Kathy Cross became the first woman to officiate in an ICC women's T20 World Cup tournament when she joined Anil Chaudhary to take charge of the game between Pakistan and the West Indies. Two days later Australian umpire Claire Polosak became the second woman to do so. Kathy went on to stand in four games during the Fifth T20 World Cup, which she describes as the highlight of her umpiring career so far.

Kathy took up umpiring in 1998/99 after being a wicket-keeper/batsman for the Naenae Old Boys Cricket Club, where her sons Stephen and Cameron also played. She was the only female umpire at the Women's World Cup in New Zealand in 2000, when she stood with Steve Dunne and Australian Daryl Harper. She also took part in the 50-over Women's World Cup tournaments in Australia in 2009 and India in 2013.

In 2002 she became the first woman to be selected as part of a men's Test match umpiring team when she was named as fourth umpire for the second Test between England and New Zealand at the Basin Reserve.

Last season she stood in women's domestic cricket and in the home women's One Day Internationals against Sri Lanka and Australia. In December she umpired the Final of the T20 World Cup Qualifying tournament between Ireland and Bangladesh in Bangkok with Claire Polosak.

Kathy took out the Official-of-the-Year Award at the Hutt Valley Sports Awards in May and was then presented with the overall Award ahead of Sportsman-of-the-Year Sloan Frost, Sportswoman-of-the-Year Julianne Alvarez, Coach-of-the-Year Mark Sorensen and Disabled Athlete-of-the-Year Mary Fisher. Kathy was also nominated in the Sports Official category at the Wellington Sports awards in June.

Kathy sees herself as a cricketing pioneer and having umpired at the highest level she hopes that her success will open doors for other women. "It has taken quite a few years for people to recognise females can be good umpires" she notes and has set her sights on winning selection for the 50-over women's World Cup in the UK next year.

Kathy umpired in a Georgie Pie Super Smash game in Nelson last season and is keen to umpire in more men's representative games. She is a member of the New Zealand Cricket Reserve Panel for 2016/17 along with fellow Wellingtonians Cory Black and Garth Stirrat. She is the only New Zealander and one of only four women on the 35-member ICC Associates and Affiliates Umpires Panel for 2016/17

Kathy's deep understanding of the laws and spirit of cricket and no-nonsense approach have already taken her far in the sport she loves. It looks as if her outstanding career will continue for some time yet and cricket will be the richer for it.

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL OVER-60's CHAMPIONSHIP



The inaugural Over 60's Provincial Championship was played at Petone Recreation Ground in February. The four teams from Auckland, Wellington, Northern and Central Districts all played each other in hot sunny conditions that seriously tested the stamina of many. Auckland, Wellington and Northern Districts each won two games and Auckland was declared the winner based on the runs per wicket formula with Wellington a close second.

The tournament team selected at the conclusion of the games included Wellingtonians Channa Jayasinha, Paul Gini, and Ewen Chatfield, as well as Ewen's brother Gavin who played for Northern Districts.

Overall the tournament was a great success and there are plans to make it a regular event.

BLAZE INVOLVED IN AUSSIE WBBL

The spread of T20 cricket continued apace last season with the inaugural Australian Women's Big Bash League being held over seven weekends in December and January. Teams were aligned to those in the men's Big Bash League and several games were played as double headers with the men's fixtures. This made for some big crowds with over 12,000 people at the MCG for the Melbourne derby in January as fans prepared for the men's match that followed.

Wellington's involvement was through Sophie Devine and Rachel Priest who joined a host of overseas players in the League including fellow White Ferns Suzie Bates, Sara McGlashan, Amy Satterthwaite and Morna Nielsen.

Sophie played 13 games for the Adelaide Strikers, scoring 224 runs at an average of 18.66, which was the third highest for her team behind England's Sarah Taylor and Australian Sarah Coyte. She also took eight wickets

Rachel played 12 games for the Melbourne Renegades, making 249 runs at an average of 20.75, which was the highest in her side. She also took four catches and

made a remarkable 10 stumpings. Four of these were in one game against the Adelaide Strikers, Sophie being one of them.

Neither team featured near the top of the competition which was won by minor premiers Sydney Thunder who defeated cross-town rivals the Sydney Sixers in the Final played at the Melbourne Cricket Ground,

Both Rachel and Sophie greatly enjoyed the experience, which involved several trips across the Tasman to fit in WBBL fixtures along with games for the Blaze in New Zealand's domestic competition. For example Sophie played on New Year's Eve – a Thursday – in Adelaide, returned to Wellington for three games against the Auckland Hearts on the Saturday, Sunday and Monday, then headed back to Adelaide for the Strikers' match against the Melbourne Stars on Friday. As Sophie said at the time: "It's a pretty hectic schedule and something I know a few of us girls aren't really used to, but we're just loving our time over there. It really is a dream come true and I just can't speak more highly of it."



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INTERNATIONAL CRICKET IN WELLINGTON

First ANZ Test Match v Australia

Basin Reserve: 11 - 14 February 2016

The home team lost the toss and then five wickets in the first session with Josh Hazlewood striking three times and Peter Siddle twice. Kane Williamson played a few pleasing drives, before being caught behind by a diving Peter Nevill. Brendon McCullum was dismissed for a duck in his 100th Test and Henry Nicholls's debut innings produced just 8 runs. The Black Caps continued to lose wickets regularly after lunch and were 97-7 before late resistance and a last wicket partnership of 46 between Mark Craig and Trent Boult brought them up to 183 on the stroke of tea.

Australia lost both their openers to Tim Southee with the score just 5 in the final session. Steve Smith and Usman Khawaja then added 126 runs for the third wicket, before Craig snared Smith caught and bowled for 71. In the last over of the day Adam Voges, on 7, was bowled by Doug Bracewell shouldering arms, but umpire Richard Illingworth had called no-ball. Replays showed part of Bracewell's heel was behind the line, but the call could not be reversed and Voges survived, with the Australians trailing by just 36.

The left-handed Khawaja completed his century on the second morning, and he and a solid looking Voges went on to add 168 for the fourth wicket on what had become a very true batting surface. Mitchell Marsh went quickly to an outstanding catch by Boult, but Voges and Nevill added 96 for the sixth wicket and Voges and Siddle 99 for the seventh. Voges was the last man out after nearly eight and a half hours for an outstanding 239 and Australia's lead was 379. The 36-year-old West Australian had scored 614 runs since last being dismissed in a Test and brought his average to 97.46 in his 14th match.

New Zealand could not make use of benign conditions in the second innings and were 178-4 at stumps on day three. Martin Guptill opened positively, putting on 81 with Tom Latham before lofting a ball from Nathan Lyon to deep cover, as did his fellow-opener later after a patient half-century.

Williamson nicked one behind on 22, and then McCullum fell LBW to Marsh in the last over of the day for an edgy 10 to leave the home side at 176-4. On the Monday Nicholls claimed the highest score by a New Zealand number 4 on debut with 59 before falling to Jackson Bird. Southee hit lustily at the end for 48 from 23 balls, with his last four being 6-4-6-out. Boult's one big six was his 17th in Tests, taking him past Courtney Walsh for most sixes batting at number 11. Craig was unbeaten for a second time but Australia wrapped up the Test in time for lunch, ending New Zealand's unbeaten streak at home going back to March 2012.

Match details

Umpires: Richard Illingworth & Richard Kettleborough (England)
Toss: Australia Player of the Match Adam Voges
New Zealand 183 (Craig 41, Anderson 38, Boult 24; J
Hazlewood 4-42, N Lyon 3-32, P Siddle 3-37) and 327 (Latham 63, Nicholls 59, Southee 48, Guptill 45, Craig 33*; N Lyon 4-91, M Marsh 3-73) lost to Australia 562 (A Voges 239, U Khawaja 140, S Smith 71, P Siddle 49, P Nevill 32; Anderson 2-79, Southee 2-87, Boult 2-101, Bracewell 2-127, Craig 2-153) by an innings and 52 runs

First ANZ One-Day International v Pakistan

Basin Reserve 25 January 2016

One-Day International cricket returned to the Basin Reserve after nearly eleven years, with the match against Pakistan being enjoyed by a crowd of over 6,000. New Zealand batted first and were 99-6 in the 23rd over with Nicholls alone looking at ease. Santner made 48 in an hour at number 8, before tail-enders Henry and McClenaghan put on 73 runs in the last seven overs with six sixes and seven fours between them. McClenaghan's innings ended when he was felled by a bouncer from Anwar Ali in the last over and he could not bowl. Pakistan's batsmen began steadily, although two wickets to Elliott and one to Williamson slowed them somewhat. Babar Azam batted well for his maiden ODI half-century but Boult returned to wrap up the tail and the Black Caps had a comfortable victory with four overs to spare.

Match details

Umpires: Nigel Llong (England) & Derek Walker (NZ)
Toss: Pakistan Player of the Match: Henry Nicholls
New Zealand 280-8 in 50 overs (Nicholls 82, Henry 48*, Santner
48, McClenaghan 31; Mohammad Aamer 3-28, Anwar Ali 3-66)
beat Pakistan 210 in 46 overs (Babar Azam 62, Mohammad
Hafeez 42, Sarfraz Ahmed 30; Boult 4-40, Elliott 3-43) by 70
runs.

Third T20 International v Pakistan

Westpac Stadium 22 January 2016

The series was level prior to this Friday night game after New Zealand had lost the first T20 at Eden Park when their middle-order collapsed, then won the second by ten wickets in Hamilton. Guptill made 42 from just 19 balls and Anderson clubbed four sixes and six fours in his 42-ball innings. A bright cameo from Elliott at the end saw the home team to a very strong total.

It proved to be beyond Pakistan whose batsmen tried to play their shots too early and they were soon 15-3. Sarfraz Ahmed batted patiently but no other batsman reached 15 as the pace of Milne, the energy of Anderson and the guile of Elliott were too much on the night. The Black Caps' fielding and catching were outstanding with Santner and Boult taking beauties, while Firebird Peter Younghusband caught Umar Akmal at deep midwicket.

Match details

Umpires: Brent Bowden and Derek Walker (New Zealand)
Toss: Pakistan Player of the Match Corey Anderson
New Zealand 196-5 in 20 overs (Anderson 82, Guptill 42,
Williamson 33; Wahab Riaz 2-43) beat Pakistan 101 in 16.1 overs
(Sarfraz Ahmed 41; Elliott 3-7, Milne 3-8, Anderson 2-17)by 95 runs





Match details

Umpires: Brent Bowden (NZ) Sundaram Ravi (India) Toss: New Zealand Player of the Match: Mitchell Marsh New Zealand 281-9 in 50 overs (Williamson 60, Santner 45, Milne 36, Elliott 32, Guptill 31; J Hazlewood 3-61, M Marsh 2-30) lost to Australia 283-6 in 46.3 overs (D Warner 98, M Marsh 69*, U Khawaja 50, J Hastings 48*; by four wickets.

Warner and Khawaja put on 122 runs in 16 overs for the first wicket, but the dismissal of the latter heralded a collapse. Smith, Bailey and Maxwell went cheaply, then Warner was dismissed just short of his century. Matthew Wade was superbly caught by Milne but Mitchell Marsh and John Hastings then added 86 runs for the seventh wicket to seal victory with more than three overs to spare.

from Elliott and later from Ronchi. Australia fought back

hard, and at one stage the home side was 205-7 before Santner and Milne added 61 runs in seven overs for the

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONALS

First T20 International v Australia

Basin Reserve: 28 February 2016

Australia were kept well in check by tight bowling with only their captain the dangerous Meg Lanning able to get past 17. Off-spinner Leigh Kasperek took four wickets, while slow left-arm bowler Morna Nielsen and White Ferns' skipper Suzie Bates were also economical. Bates led New Zealand's response with a run-a-ball 33 and received good support from Amy Satterthwaite and Sara McGlashan, so victory was achieved with more than an over to spare.

Match details

eighth wicket.

Umpires: John Bromley and Kathy Cross (NZ)
Toss: New Zealand Player of the Match: Leigh Kasperek
Australia 113-7 in 20 overs (M Lanning 30; Kasperek 4-7) lost
to New Zealand 114-6 in 18.3 overs (Bates 33, Satterthwaite 22,
McGlashan 22; M Schutt 2-11) by four wickets.

Second T20 International v Australia

Basin Reserve: 1 March 2016

New Zealand repeated the dose two days later, restricting the Southern Stars to 116, then reaching their target in the final over. Kasperek and Nielsen were again among the wickets, while opening bowler Lea Tahuhu was also very effective. Ellyse Perry batted very well to bring up her half-century, but Australia could not push on to a big score. Rachel Priest and Bates opened brightly for the White Ferns then Satterthwaite gave good support to Bates and was dismissed when the scores were level and victory was assured.

Match details

Umpires: Chris Brown (Cook Islands) and Kathy Cross (NZ) Toss: New Zealand Player of the Match: Suzie Bates Australia 116-6 in 20 overs (E Perry 55*, A Healy 23, J Jonassen 22; Kasperek 3-26, Nielsen 2-12) lost to New Zealand 117-5 in 19.3 overs (Bates 54, Satterthwaite 34, Priest 17; M Lanning 2-17, R Farrell 2-23) by five wickets.



WELLINGTON FIREBIRDS



Plunket Shield

Overview

The Firebird's Plunket Shield campaign started promisingly, picked up steam through the middle stages, then faded at the business end of the season as they slipped to third

place after leading at one stage. They were well clear of fourth and it is their highest placing since finishing third in 2008/09.

While the batting generally held its own, several alarming collapses caused concern, with the lower order having to come to the rescue. Ronchi (64.84), Borthwick (48.36), Blundell (44.76), Murdoch (43.36) and Woodcock (38.89) were all in the top 20 averages of those who played more than one match. Murdoch's 824 runs put him fifth on the overall aggregate list, while Blundell with 761 runs was eighth and Woodcock with 739 runs was ninth.

The bowling was a different story with only 25 bowling bonus points gained and the side frequently being faced with large totals. Only Patel and Arnel, both with 32, appeared in the top 25 wicket takers while, apart from Alecz Day, in 19th place with three wickets at a cost of 27.00 Patel, finished 40th in the averages with 34.31.

New players:

- Matt Bacon (22) (Upper Hutt) a right-handed batsman and right-arm bowler originally from Auckland then Horowhenua, who had played for Central Districts A in 2012/13.
- Anurag Verma (25) (Karori) a right-handed batsman and right-arm medium fast bowler from Hamilton who had played for Northern Districts 2011-14.
- Scott Borthwick (25) (Johnsonville) a left-handed batsman and leg-break bowler from Durham who had played one Test for England against Australia in in 2013/14.
- Jamie Gibson (22) (Eastern Suburbs) a right-handed batsman and medium pace bowler who had played one Ford Trophy game in 2014/15
- Iain McPeake (24) (Hutt District) a tall right-arm opening bowler and right-hand batsman who had played senior representative hockey.

Match summaries

Bruce Edgar's first game in charge of the Firebirds did not start well against **Northern Districts** in Hamilton but

ended in a hard fought draw. From 47-5 the Firebirds got to 267, largely due to Ronchi's seventh century for Wellington. Northern passed this score with only four wickets down but the lead was restricted to 162 with Hutchinson taking his first five-wicket bag, including a hat-trick. Wellington reached 328-9, only 166 ahead with 50 overs still to be bowled, before Hutchinson and Arnel added a record 81 for the tenth wicket and Northern did not get to bat.

A monumental double century to George Worker dominated **Central Districts'** first innings in the next match at Saxton Oval, but Murdoch's highest first-class score enabled the Firebirds to get within 32. Ben Smith scored a century in Central's second innings before they declared setting Wellington 307 to win in 65 overs. Tom Blundell anchored the chase with a fine 77* and got plenty of support as the Firebirds won with more than two overs to spare.

Almost seven weeks later the Firebirds beat **Otago** at the Basin Reserve after Ronchi's second century and Otago's declaration gave Wellington a 49-run lead. Woodcock and Papps consolidated that with an opening partnership of 235 runs in 57 overs. Woodcock scored his sixth first-class century and Papps his 28th. Wellington set Otago a target of 355 to win in 90 overs, but they were 127-4 before recovering somewhat, then collapsed at the end as Patel wreaked havoc with six wickets

The Firebirds comfortably beat **Otago** again another seven weeks later in Queenstown to go top of the Plunket Shield table. Borthwick's century on debut and Papps' 85 in the first innings steered Wellington to 348, despite Neil Wagner's five wickets. Hamish Rutherford top-scored for Otago but Arnel's five wickets restricted them to a deficit of 108. Colson's fine 97 and Papps' 60, helped Wellington set Otaqo 391 to win in more than a day. Hutchinson and Bacon cut through their top order while Borthwick helped clean up the tail.

The winning streak ended against **Auckland**, with a loss by an innings and 119 runs at Colin Maiden Park. The Firebirds' combined scores could not nearly match Auckland's mammoth 512-9 declared. Wellington were 116-8 at one stage in their first innings, with only Ronchi reaching 30. Michael Guptill-Bunce and Robbie O'Donnell added 172 runs for Auckland's second wicket and there were three more half-century partnerships. In Wellington's second innings Borthwick and Papps both batted well for a time but the last six wickets fell for 56.

Wellington went down to **Central Districts** by 87 runs at Napier after there had been three declarations. Central amassed 424-6 declared, following a 230-run partnership for the sixth wicket between Dane

Cleaver and George Worker. Murdoch and Blundell led Wellington's response and they declared 54 behind. Greg Hay scored a patient century for the home side which set Wellington a target of 369. After fifties from Woodcock and Murdoch the chase fell away and the last five wickets fell for 26. Ronchi alone stood tall as left arm spinners Ajaz Patel and Worker did most of the damage,

There was another game of three declarations back at the Basin as **Northern Districts** made over 400 after they were asked to bat first. Wellington declared 86 behind, built on Luke Woodcock's 111 and good knocks from Borthwick and Pollard. Northern then racked up 291-3 off just 43 overs and Wellington were set 378 to win from 76 overs. Century stands between Murdoch and Borthwick for the third wicket and between Blundell and Colson for the sixth helped Wellington chase down the target with one over and three wickets to spare.

The match against defending champions **Canterbury** at Hagley Oval was a low-scoring encounter affected by rain. Wellington made 206 in their first innings after being 78-8 with centurion Borthwick adding 125 for the ninth wicket with McPeake. After the second day was washed out the home side declared 47 runs behind. Wellington collapsed again from 51-1 to be rolled for

136 with Papps doing best with 51 and Hamish Bennett taking five wickets. Set 182 to win from 45 overs Canterbury reached 94-4 but then fell for just 129 with Patel and McPeake taking three wickets apiece.

The penultimate round saw **Auckland** wrap up the Plunket Shield after their draw with Wellington gave them an unassailable lead. Swing-friendly conditions helped Arnel, McPeake and Verma bowl Auckland out for 152 and they then gained a lead of 84, with Pollard making 68. Michael Guptill-Bunce and Jeet Raval put on 215 for Auckland's first wicket and Donovan Grobbelaar later reached three figures in their massive 598. After getting to 193-1, Wellington collapsed to be 237-7 before Verma and Blundell added 60 for the eighth wicket to secure the draw.

Canterbury avenged their earlier loss in the final match at the Basin Reserve. The visitors batted into the second day making 430-8 with Ken McClure scoring a patient century and Patel taking four wickets. Wellington only just reached 200, despite a fine century from Murdoch. Following-on the Firebirds did better to reach 333, with Blundell making a career-high 153, but no other player got to 40. Canterbury reached their target early on the final day for the loss of three wickets – all taken by McPeake.





Overview

Wellington's defence of the GPSS Trophy started promisingly with two wins in the first four games, but a run of five losses in a row, four of them at home, derailed the campaign. They won seven tosses but whether batting first or second, they found themselves regularly facing an uphill battle.

Stephen Murdoch's 274 runs at an average of 34.25 and a strike rate of 125.68 were among the best in the competition, but the other batsmen were very inconsistent. Matt Taylor with 165 runs at a strike rate of 146.01, and Michael Papps with 163 runs at 125.38 scored quickly enough but did not really make enough runs.

Jeetan Patel with an economy rate of 6.46 was the only bowler to go for less than seven runs an over, although Jade Dernbach's average of 7.20 and Luke Woodcock's of 7.68 with nine wickets were useful. Anurag Verma had most wickets with 10.

New players:

- Jade Dernbach (29) a right-arm opening bowler who was born in South Africa. A professional player from Surrey he has played ODIs and T20 games for England.
- Ollie Newton (27) (Upper Hutt) a left-handed batsman and right-arm medium-pace bowler who hailed from Dunedin
- Scott Borthwick (25) (Johnsonville) a left-handed batsman and leg-spin bowler from Durham who had played one Test for England against Australia in 2014.
- Anurag Verma (25) (Karori) a right-hand batsman and right-arm medium fast bowler, originally from Northern Districts. He had played Plunket Shield games for Wellington in 2015/16
- Alecz Day (25) (Eastern Suburbs), a right-handed batsman and off-spin bowler, he had played both other forms for Wellington in 2014/15.

Match summaries

Rain reduced the first match against **Canterbury** in Christchurch to 15 overs-per side and the Firebirds restricted the home side to 134. Murdoch, Papps and Cachopa were able to run this down with a couple of balls to spare. At Hamilton the **Northern Knights** were a different proposition in a televised game, scoring heavily and winning with plenty of time to spare. In Dunedin three days later the Firebirds did not bat or bowl well enough and the **Otago Volts** won with a full over unbowled. Murdoch set the platform for a good score against the **Central Stags** at Nelson where Jade



Dernbach also made his presence felt as the Firebirds won comfortably.

The first home game resulted in a second loss to the **Northern Knights** despite another wonderful innings from Stephen Murdoch who reached 92 this time. The **Otago Volts** then claimed the Firebirds' scalp for a second time with a narrow 19 run win as Wellington's batting fell away. Batting was again the problem against the **Auckland Aces** at home with the Firebirds' 136 not enough to test the competition front runners.

Ronnie Hira and Australian left-hander Aiden Blizzard helped **Canterbury** to 145 in the next game. Despite a forthright 60 from Blundell at the top of the order, a steady procession at the other end saw Canterbury win again by 18 runs.

The **Central Stags** gained their revenge in the televised day/night match at McLean Park. Despite four wickets to Verma and a late collapse the Stags made a competitive score and only Ronchi and Pollard even reached double figures in the heavy defeat.

The losing streak was finally broken in the last game with a seven wicket win over the **Auckland Aces**, who were already assured of a play-off spot. Hutchinson, Woodcock and Day all bowled tidily to restrict the Aces before Blundell and Papps made the chase look easy.

The first preliminary final between the **Auckland Aces** and the **Otago Volts** in New Plymouth was washed out, with Otago progressing to the Final as top qualifiers. The next day the **Aces** beat third qualifiers **Canterbury** on the Duckworth-Lewis method after their preliminary final was also rain affected.

The Final was played in fine weather with the **Auckland Aces** getting to 166-6 in their 20 overs then taking **Otago Volts** wickets regularly to leave the southerners 20 short.

Ford Trophy

Overview

Wellington's frustrating Ford Trophy season again finished in disappointment with just one win and a first-ever tie against Otago. This was at the Basin Reserve, when they found themselves on the tying score of 74-1 under the Duckworth/Lewis method when rain prevented any further play. While rain was a factor in several other games as well, the Firebirds often batted second and frequently found themselves chasing large totals.

Luke Woodcock topped the batting averages with 219 runs at 54.75, almost half his runs coming in his maiden one-day century against Central Districts. He was the only Firebird whose average was in the top 25 overall. Stephen Murdoch (169 runs at 33.80), Craig Cachopa (189 at 31.50) and Michael Pollard (188 at 23.50) all played well at times but none with the consistency required at this level.

Woodcock also topped the bowling averages with 11 wickets at 28.09, although there was little between he, Brent Arnel, Anurag Verma and Jeetan Patel. Arnel and Patel were easily the most economical and the tendency to concede runs by some of the others cost the side dearly.

The only player new to the Ford Trophy was Anurag Verma (25) who had previously played for Northern Districts and had played for the Firebirds in the Georgie Pie Super Smash.

Match summaries

The season started well with a convincing win over **the Northern Knights** at the Basin when they chased down 267 in 46 overs after Arnel had taken four wickets. Murdoch and Cachopa added 150 for the third wicket in 24 overs. A century by George Worker and 58 to Jesse Ryder in the following game at the Basin Reserve helped **Central Stags** reach 241 despite Woodcock's 3-25. Seth Rance and Bevan Small knocked the top off the Firebirds' batting and Woodcock's fighting century could not prevent defeat by 32 runs.

Rain washed out the scheduled third game against Canterbury at Hagley Oval then it was up to Eden Park Outer Oval where despite fine innings by Blundell, Papps and Cachopa, the Firebirds came up 12 runs short of the Auckland Aces' daunting 288-9. The Central Stags hit an even more impressive 324-7 in the rematch at Palmerston North with Jesse Ryder leading the way. The Firebirds were well behind the asking rate when rain stopped play in the 30th over and the Stags picked up a bonus point.

Back in Wellington **the Otago Volts** scored 249 in overcast conditions and it was apparent the Duckworth/Lewis method would be called on at some point. Papps and Murdoch focused on preserving their wickets and when the rain did come after 23 overs, Wellington were 74-1, which was the exact score needed for a tie – the first in the competition's history. **The Auckland Aces** made no race of their rematch at the Basin Reserve, taking just 39 overs to overhaul Wellington's 199 and claim a bonus point. Things had looked even more ominous at 117-8 but Hutchinson and Woodcock at least made sure Auckland had something to chase.

The rematch against **Otago Volts** at pocket-sized Queen's Park, Invercargill was again one-sided as the home side hit 362-8 with their captain Hamish Rutherford smashing 126 from 90 balls. Wellington needed to score the runs within 40 overs to earn a bonus point and possibly make the playoffs, but their extravagant approach inevitably led to their downfall and they were bowled out for 141 in the 24th over.

In the preliminary finals **Central Stags** recovered from 105-6 to overhaul top-qualifier **Canterbury's** 274-8 with two wickets and three balls to spare, while **Otago** comfortably eliminated **Auckland**. **Canterbury's** game against **Otago** was then washed out with **Canterbury** advancing to the Final against **the Central Stags** as the higher placed finisher.

In the Final played at Pukekura Park, New Plymouth the home side ran up 405-6, with George Worker hitting 159. **Canterbury** were dismissed in the 38th over for 249 with almost half of those runs coming during a fourth wicket partnership between Andy Ellis (101) and Todd Astle (65).





The goals for the Blaze season were simple, to defend the T20 title won last year and to win the domestic one-day title. The start of the winter pre-season campaign saw the return of all the previous season's team as well as the emergence of a couple new to this level. Jess McFadyen and Jess Kerr proving to be the two standouts.

Major milestones during the season included Liz Perry's 100th domestic one-day match against the Central Hinds after making her debut for that team 13 years earlier. Liz became the 18th player to achieve this milestone. Liz, Sophie Devine and Rachel Priest were deserved White Ferns selections, with Sophie named as vice-captain. Rachel Priest was nominated for a Halberg Award after her stellar international performances against India and Sri Lanka.

Rachel and Sophie were selected for the paper World XI T20 team and also starred in the inaugural Australian Women's Big Bash League. Suzie McDonald and Amelia Kerr made the New Zealand A team and further advanced their claims for higher honours. New Blaze players were Jess McFadyen and Emma Fulbrook.

The season was largely successful, finishing second in the one-day competition and third in the T20s, but it was so nearly even better. Rain at Karori with the Blaze poised to beat the Northern Spirit in their first T20 game proved costly as they eventually missed the Final with their run rate just 0.01 less than that of the Central Hinds'.

Rachel Priest was the leading run scorer with 602 runs (472 one-day and 128 T20), which included two centuries in the one-day competition. Her highest score of 132* against the Northern Spirit came from only 128 balls. Sophie Devine followed closely with 579 runs (413 one-day and 166 T20), which included a one-day and a T20 century. Sophie's 162* against the Spirit was scored off an incredible 105 balls while her T20 106 against Auckland was achieved at a strike rate of 225 (47 balls). Liz Perry added to her reputation as a finisher, with several vital cameo innings.

The bowling attack had a strong reliance on spin and Dee Doughty was the top wicket-taker across the country in the T20 competition. She and fellow leg spinner, Amelia Kerr were ninth highest wicket-takers in the one day competition.

At the end of the season coaches Mark Borthwick and Ivan Tissera announced they would be standing down. The work of Mark over the last two seasons and Ivan over the last three has been outstanding and greatly valued by the players.

Match summaries

The Northern Spirit batted first in the opening T20 game at Karori Park on a very, blustery cold day. In difficult bowling conditions Dee Doughty was the chief destroyer securing 3-11 and the Spirit were restricted to 66 in 19 overs. Regrettably the rain came in and destroyed the opportunity to get a win and this outcome was to have considerable consequences further down the track.

The Blaze won both one-dayers with classy performances. In the first Rachel Priest scored 136, ably supported by fifties from Eimear Richardson and Sophie Devine, and the Blaze made 283-2. Whetu Charteris took three wickets and helped the Blaze dismiss the Spirit for 155.

The second one-dayer again saw Wellington bat first on a wonderful summer's day. The highlight was Devine's 162* off 105 deliveries and Rachel Priest scored 53 from 35. Liz Perry and Allex Evans assisted in setting a mammoth total of 339-9. The Spirit could only manage 165-8 in reply with Devine and Amelia Kerr taking three wickets apiece.

Unbeaten and with a couple of bonus points banked, the Blaze programme took a four week break as the Australian Women's Big Bash League kicked off. This lack of competitive cricket took its toll on their performances in the following round.

The T20 fixture against the **Canterbury Magicians** played at Bert Sutcliffe Oval in December saw the Blaze reach just 102-8. Sophie Devine (47), Rachel Priest (15) and Jess McFadyen (15) were the only players to reach double figures. Australian import Erin Burns and Amelia Kerr each took two wickets, and the Magicians won by five wickets in the 18th over.

Wellington fielded first in the one-day game on Lincoln Number 2 and took only four Canterbury wickets as they were set 238 for victory on a twopaced wicket. They fell short by 56 runs with Suzie McDonald, Rachel Priest and Gemma Krebs doing best with the bat. The Blaze batted first in the final game, on the small Lincoln Green ground. Liz Perry and Eimear Richardson assisted them reach 217-7. On a difficult surface the bowlers showed great discipline and it took Canterbury nearly 48 overs to get the runs for the loss of six wickets.

The T20 fixture against the **Auckland Hearts** at the Basin Reserve a week later was an absolute showpiece for the women's game. Auckland put Wellington's bowlers to the sword despite Dee Doughty's three wickets, and posted 177-5, which looked unassailable. Nobody told Sophie Devine! A great start from Rachel Priest with 33 from 17 balls set the tone for one of the best T20 centuries you would see. Sophie smashed 106* from 47 balls to pave the way for an eight wicket win in 19 overs. It was the performance of the season and one highlight was Sophie launching a huge six over the sight screen at the northern end of the ground.

Rain meant that the first one-dayer against the Hearts had to be abandoned and the points were shared. The Blaze then batted first in their last game at the Basin. Rebecca Burns continued her Under-21 batting form scoring 56. Rachel Priest's 44 and a wonderful 96* from Sophie Devine contributed to a total of 259-8. Auckland could only manage 153 and were bundled out in the 38th over. Devine and Allex Evans took three wickets apiece and Amelia Kerr two.

In late January the Blaze met the **Central Hinds** at Fitzherbert Park in Palmerston North. Captain Sophie Devine had suffered a debilitating back injury and the side was led by Rachel Priest. The T20 game was low scoring with the Blaze restricting the Hinds to just 102-7. Rosemary Cockle took three wickets, then Eimear Richardson and Priest led the Blaze to an eight wicket win.

The first of the one day games was also low scoring, with the Hinds being dismissed for a moderate 164 in the 48th over. The Blaze lost early wickets and although Liz Perry showed considerable fight, four ducks cost the side dearly and they lost the game by 44 runs.

In the second one-dayer astute captaincy from Rachel Priest and a determined Blaze bowling and fielding unit avenged the earlier loss. Liz Perry, in her 100th Blaze game, again showed the way with 33, with Suzie McDonald and Eimear Richardson contributing to a total of 167. Richardson, Rosemary Cockle and Dee Doughty all secured two wickets as the Blaze won by 32 runs.

The final round was in Dunedin in early February where the Blaze needed to win one of the one-dayers against the **Otago Sparks** to secure a Finals berth. A win to the Blaze in the T20 game would give them a good chance of playing in that Final as well. They never really got going in the T20 game, and the only highlights with the bat were a quick fifty by Rachel Priest, and a cameo from Eimear Richardson who faced 9 balls for 25 runs. The Sparks passed that total in the 19th over with only two wickets down. The team then learned they had missed the T20 Final by

a run rate margin of 0.01 and the effect of the rained out game against Northern Spirit at Karori became apparent.

The first one-day game now became the focus and Allex Evans bowled superbly to take three wickets and Dee Doughty took two as Otago were bowled out for 176. The batting effort proved slow but steady going and the Blaze came out winners by six wickets in the 33rd over. Erin Burns and Liz Perry were the main contributors.

The Blaze went into the second one-day game against Otago excited about the prospect of playing in a Final the following week but not certain who their opposition would be. However only Sophie Devine showing any stickability with the bat scoring 43 from 60 balls although Erin Burns, Jess McFadyen, Rachel Priest and Amelia Kerr all got starts. A lacklustre bowling and fielding effort cost the Blaze and the Sparks won the game by three wickets, with Burns taking three wickets.

Women's One-Day Final

The one-day Final against the **Auckland Hearts** was played at Melville Park, Epsom in perfect cricket conditions. Batting first the Blaze registered five ducks in their innings and a hard-fought gritty century by Rachel Priest (107) saw them finish on 146 in the 46th over. They tried hard to turn disaster into victory with the ball, but this was not to be as the home side eased to their target in the 43rd over for the loss of only two wickets.

The team:

Sophie Devine (c), Rachel Priest (wk), Liz Perry, Allex Evans, Jess McFadyen, Erin Burns, Rebecca Burns, Eimear Richardson, Amelia Kerr, Suzie McDonald, Gemma Krebs, Whetu Charteris, Emma Fulbrook, Dee Doughty, Rosemary Cockle.

Coach: Mark Borthwick
Assistant Coach: Ivan Tissera
Manager: Kevin Pulley



JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following teams and players who were recognised at the Junior Development Awards held at the Basin Reserve Longroom in April. The Awards celebrate both teams and individuals throughout the regional, school, zone and representative under-age programmes.

Rachin Ravindra was a guest speaker during the night and he talked about his experiences representing New Zealand at the recent Under-19 World Cup in Bangladesh.

Junior Premier Winners: Johnsonville CC

Active Post Shield (Girls): Raroa Intermediate School

Active Post Shield MVP: Ollie Preston

Active Post Cup (Boys): Raroa Intermediate School

Active Post Cup MVP: Sam French

Zone Tournament Winners and MVPs

Year 6 Hutt District CC

Year 6 MVP: Jack Keenan (Eastern Suburbs)

Year 7 Wellington North

Year 7 MVP: Kaleb Clark (Wellington North)

Year 8 Wellington South

Year 8 MVP: Jesse Randall (Wellington South)

Year 9 Hutt Valley

Year 9 MVP: Hugh Morrison (Wellington Gold)

Year 10 Wellington Gold

Year 10 MVP Devan Vishvaka (Wellington Gold)

Players of the Year

Year 8 Player of the Year: Caleb Montague Year 9 Player of the Year: **Hugh Morrison** Year 10 Player of the Year: Tim Campbell U13 Girls Player of the Year: Anna Martin U15 Girls Player of the Year: Bhagya Herath U17 Boys Player of the Year: Luke Georgeson U18 Girls Player of the Year: Amelia Kerr Rachin Ravindra U19 Boys Player of the Year:

NZCT Girls Regional & National Champions:

Tawa College

NZSSC Regional & National Champions:

Hutt International Boys' School

Age Group Coach of the Year: Justine Dunce

(Wellington Under 13 Girls)

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Back row: Michael Billmore (coach), Ben Baker, Josh Crawford, Jakob Vandenberg, Bevan Cox, Flynn McCaul, Dillan Thiagarajah, Tim Cockle (manager) Front row: Matthew McCallum, Brayden Lomax, Max Sargentina, Joshua Dean, Sammy French, Caleb Montague

A NIGHT OF MILESTONES AT NORWOOD AWARDS



Men's Player of the Year Luke Woodcock



Wellington Blaze



Wellington Centurion Jeetan Patel



Sir Walter Nash Winner Rachin Ravindra

The Norwood Awards held at CQ Hotel on Cuba Street were a celebration of milestones for Wellington's elite cricketers. While competition silverware proved elusive this season, there was still plenty to celebrate and congratulations go to all award winners:

Under-21 Women's Tournament Player of the Year – Rebecca Burns

Sir Walter Nash Under-23 Men – Rachin Ravindra Eddie Cameron Under-20 Men – Rachin Ravindra

Provincial A MVP – Malcolm Nofal

Best Women's Fielder - Rachel Priest

Best Men's Fielder - Michael Pollard

Best Women's All-rounder - Sophie Devine

Best Men's All-rounder – Luke Woodcock

Best Women's Bowler - Deanna Doughty

Best Men's Bowler – Jeetan Patel

Best Women's Batsman - Sophie Devine

Best Men's Batsman – Stephen Murdoch

Ford Trophy Players' Choice – Luke Woodcock

Overall Players' Choice – Jeetan Patel

Women's Cricketer-of-Year - Sophie Devine

Men's Cricketer-of-the-Year – Luke Woodcock

First Class Milestones

- Luke Woodcock became fourth player to reach 6000 runs for Wellington
- Stephen Murdoch passed 4000 first class runs
- Michael Pollard passed 2000 first class runs
- Tom Blundell passed 1000 first class runs
- Jeetan Patel became fifth player to take 250 wickets for Wellington

One Day Milestones

- Michael Papps became first player to reach 5000 runs in one-day domestic cricket
- Michael Papps became first player to reach 10,000 runs in domestic first class cricket
- Grant Elliott passed 2000 domestic one-day runs Brent Arnel reached 100 one-day wickets

General Milestones

- Brent Arnel took his 500th wicket over all types (338 1st class 101 one-day 63 T20)
- Dane Hutchinson claimed a hat trick for Wellington for the first time since Stephen Hotter in 1996/97
- Liz Perry reached 100 One Day first class appearances

Wellington Centurions

Towards the end of the night, we also took the opportunity to recognise the achievement of our Wellington centurions, those players who have played 100 First Class (Men) or 100 One Day (Women) games for Wellington. Our centurions are:

Evan Gray Erv McSweeney Robert Vance Chris Nevin Jeetan Patel Luke Woodcock Amanda Cooper



MEN'S CRICKETER OF THE YEAR

Luke Woodcock

Durable all-rounder Luke Woodcock was named men's Cricketer-of-the-Year for the second time after a successful season for Wellington in all three formats.

Luke played every game for the Firebirds in 2015/16, opening the batting in the Plunket Shield matches, which he had not done since 2007/08. In 20 innings the left-hander scored 739 runs, the ninth highest in the competition, at an average of almost 40. He made two centuries, both at the Basin Reserve with 111 in five hours against ND in March and a highly impressive 131 in the second innings against Otago in December, when he and Michael Papps (132) put on 235 for the first wicket to set up a marvelous victory.

Previously Cricketer-of-the-Year in 2009/10, Luke had been shuffled around the middle order over the last three or four seasons, batting anywhere from five to eight, and he clearly appreciated having a more secure role at the top of the order.

In the eight Ford Trophy games Luke batted six times, making 219 runs at a touch under 55, including a run-a-ball 102 against the Central Stags at the Basin Reserve in December. It was his first one-day ton for the Firebirds and followed his return of 3-25 with the ball in that game. Altogether he took 11 wickets at an average of 28 with his crafty left-armers.

He was less successful with the bat in the ten T/20 games with just 50 runs but bowled tightly to concede less than eight runs an over and picked up nine wickets.

Having made his first-class debut in 2001/02, Luke has now played 117 first-class games for Wellington, putting him third on the list behind Evan Gray (120) and Robert Vance (119). His run tally of 6130 sees him closing in on the big three of Matt Bell (6565), Bruce Edgar (6494) and Vance (6440). He also has 123 wickets for Wellington. He has made 1559 runs in 108 one-day games for the Firebirds, putting him ninth on the overall list; and taken 91 wickets, behind only Mark Gillespie (137) and

Gavin Larsen (98).

These make the 34-year-old Johnsonville man among the most successful ever to don the black and gold cap and there is no sign he is planning to pull the plug on his wonderful career anytime soon.



HIGH PERFORMANCE

The Firebirds and the Blaze are Cricket Wellington's flagship teams, chasing wins and trophies. However unlike last season's T20 success enjoyed by both, this time they came up short in the five top level domestic competitions. Reviews have been conducted as to where improvements can be made and a new High Performance Plan has been put in place.

The Firebirds

Former Wellington great Bruce Edgar returned to the Capital to take up the Firebirds' Head Coaching role. Bruce brought considerable knowledge of the domestic game, having been a Black Caps selector for the previous two years during a period of enormous success for New Zealand Cricket.

The Firebirds failed to compete in either of the two white ball competitions and have much to do to turn their fortunes around. Bruce is a superb planner and analyser and has been able to identify the key errors where improvement will be needed. The Plunket Shield provided many highlights and the team was right in contention to win the title going into round nine. An inconsistent finish saw the side drop back to finish in third place.

A number of senior players from previous seasons didn't play any part this time, meaning that a new look squad is slowly starting to take shape. It was a disappointing season results-wise but Bruce Edgar and Assistant Coach

Glenn Pocknall are laying some very solid foundations for the team moving forward.

Michael Papps captained the team in all three formats. During the season Michael became the first New Zealand player to go past the 10,000 run mark. This is an incredible feat and will ensure he is regarded as one of the great domestic batsmen New Zealand has produced. He also brought up 5000 domestic one-day runs, which is another incredibly significant feat, especially as he was also the first New Zealand player to achieve this.

Luke Woodcock is a true professional. The passion he has for the Johnsonville Cricket Club and also Cricket Wellington is an example to all. Bruce Edgar, a fan of tenacious left handed opening batsmen, found a new role for Luke at the top of the order. His marvellous fighting efforts against Northern's Trent Boult and Tim Southee in the first game gave a clear indication that this was likely to be a big season for him. Six months later he had brought up 6000 runs for Wellington and was named Cricketer of the Year.

Stephen Murdoch was yet again prolific throughout the season and deservedly won the Batsman of the Year award. The improvement in his T20 game and ball striking ability was a real feature.

Jeetan Patel and Brent Arnel carried the bulk of the bowling attack and showed superb commitment and skill throughout the season. Both are ageing but show no

signs of slowing down, Brent taking his 500th wicket across all formats during the season. With injuries and retirements it was pleasing to see a number of players gain valuable playing experience as the bowling attack looks to build depth for the future.

Tom Blundell and Michael Pollard both earned selection for New Zealand A playing a series of games where they performed very well. Luke Ronchi and Grant Elliott again featured for the Black Caps at One-Day and T20 level.

The Blaze

The Wellington Blaze had a strong squad and were very optimistic going into the season. They qualified for the one-day Final in a closely fought competition. The T20 race was even closer and with just five rounds in which to determine the top two there is little margin for error. A frustrating draw against the Northern Spirit when rain came just as Wellington were starting to chase a mere 60 runs for victory proved costly, as they missed the T20 Final on net run rate by the narrowest of margins.

Unfortunately the one-day Final against





the Auckland Hearts fizzled out when a very poor batting performance saw the Blaze bowled out for 146. Remarkably Rachel Priest made a stunning century, scoring 106 in a lone effort. A disciplined effort with the ball showed what could have been had more runs been scored.

Rachel and Sophie Devine continued to achieve highly at International level. Both are now effectively full-time cricketers with a busy White Ferns programme and also contracts to play in the Australian and English T20 leagues.

Suzie McDonald and Amelia Kerr caught the eye of the national selectors and appeared for New Zealand A. Their experience at this level was a positive one with wins over the White Ferns and the touring Sri Lanka side.

Dee Doughty's form throughout the season was very pleasing. The hard working and now experienced cricketer took on the difficult roles of opening the bowling and bowling at the death regularly. She performed both superbly and deservedly won the Bowler of the Year award.

Mark Borthwick and Ivan Tissera shared the coaching duties and put in many hours developing players' games with great success. The Blaze players now have access to a very good High Performance programme and are fitter and stronger than ever. Andrew Smith drives this area and is making a big difference at Blaze level along with our Firebirds, fringe Firebirds and Under -19s.

Provincial A / Dempster Shield

Increased focus is being put on this area as we strive to produce more high-quality training and playing opportunities for our aspiring future Firebirds. Depth is building and greater competition for playing spots is seen as a good thing. The season ahead will see up to 22 days of cricket at these two levels, which will provide players with the opportunity to improve their game and push for higher honours.

The work ethic and commitment of these players has been admired by coaching staff and selectors. It was pleasing to see Iain McPeake and Fraser Colson promoted from the Wider Training Squad to the Firebirds

Plunket Shield side. Their performances earned them contracts for the 2016/17 season.

Club and College Cricket

Onslow winning the Pearce Cup was a superb effort. They have a young squad, many of whom have played age-level cricket and are still working hard at their game. Ewen Chatfield Cup one-day champions Eastern Suburbs showed their class in bouncing back from Pearce Cup disappointment to take out the National One-Day title in Auckland.

Hutt International Boys' School and Tawa College both tasted national success as well, winning the National Secondary School Boys' and NZCT Secondary School Girls' titles respectively. HIBS are achieving highly at all levels of the game and setting the standard for others to aspire to. It was great news for Cricket Wellington and HIBS when Rachin Ravindra and Ben Sears were selected in the New Zealand Under-19 team that competed at the World Cup in January. Rachin captained the side in their last game.

Acknowledgements

I would like to acknowledge the wonderful work done throughout the year by our coaches, managers, selectors, umpires, scorers and all volunteers. These are often thankless roles but crucial for the game to be run as it should be. Cricket has so many high quality people involved and I thank you all very much for the contribution you make.

Robbie Kerr Director of Cricket



PROVINCIAL A MEN

This season the tournament was played over five 50-over games at Lincoln in January. One round was rained off but the games were replayed the following day. Wellington ended up in third position which was very positive. If not for two very close losses to Canterbury and Central Districts the team would have taken out the number one position, however it was not to be. The team was a good mix of players who had competed at this level before, while some new players were introduced who had yet to experience Provincial A cricket.

On top of the National Tournament the team played two one-day games against Central Districts in Palmerston North with Wellington winning one and losing one.

At the tournament both Malcolm Nofal and Fraser Colson stood out with the bat, with Malcolm being the third highest run-scorer overall and Fraser the fourth. Malcolm was also Wellington's leading wicket-taker with seven, however it was Alecz Day who impressed picking up six wickets in the two games he played, as well as scoring 96 runs, before receiving a call up to the Firebirds.

Perhaps the biggest positive following the tournament was seeing a number of players being selected for the Wellington Firebirds and holding their own at that level. It really highlighted the importance of Provincial A cricket for players on the fringe to help bridge the gap between the two levels.

The Team

Peter Younghusband (c), Matt Bacon, Fraser Colson, Alecz Day, Andrew Fletcher, Jamie Gibson, Lauchie Johns (wk), Iain McPeake, Ollie Newton, Malcolm Nofal, Sean O'Connor, Alex Ridley, Matt Taylor, Phil Tunnicliffe, Rakitha Weerasundara.

Coach: Glenn Pocknall **Assistant coach:** Lance Dry

Final Points

Canterbury A 17, Central Districts A 14, **Wellington A 12**, Northern Districts A 10, Otago A 8, Auckland A 5

RESULTS

v Canterbury A

at Lincoln No 3, Lincoln on 2 January 2016

Wellington A won the toss and chose to bowl first. Canterbury A 285-7 in 49 overs (Day 3-50, Newton 2-41) beat Wellington A 280 all out in 48.5 overs (Nofal 61, Day 56, McEwan 37, Weerasundara 32) by 8 runs (Duckworth/Lewis method)

v Otago A

at Bert Sutcliffe Oval, Lincoln on 4 January 2016

Otago A won the toss and chose to bowl first. **Wellington A** 259-8 in 47 overs (Colson 87, Gibson 79*, Day 40) beat **Otago A** 210 in 42.5 overs (Day 3-32, McPeake 3-49, Taylor 3-51) by 49 runs

v Northern Districts A

at Bert Sutcliffe Oval, Lincoln on 5 January 2016

Wellington A won the toss and chose to bat first. **Wellington A** 247-8 in 50 overs (Nofal 104, Fletcher 40) beat **Northern Districts A** 243-8 in 50 overs (Weerasundara 3-37, Younghusband 2-41) by four runs.

v Central Districts A

at Lincoln Green on 7 January 2016

Central Districts A won the toss and chose to bowl first **Wellington A** 237 in 48.1 overs (Colson 54, Taylor 51, Fletcher 46) lost to **Central Districts A** 238-8 in 48.2 overs (Nofal 4-50, Weerasundara 2-36) by two wickets.

v Auckland A

at Lincoln Green on 8 January 2016

Wellington A won the toss and chose to bowl first. Auckland A 281 in 49.3 overs (Ridley 3-42, Nofal 2-47) lost to Wellington A 284-7 in 48.3 overs (Taylor 76, Colson 66*, Fletcher 54, Nofal 29) by three wickets).

DEMPSTER SHIELD

Wellington City v Hutt Valley

Following a winter review the Wellington City - Hutt Valley programme was extended during the 2015/16 season. The sides met five times - in three one-day matches and two three-dayers. The intention was to give the next level of cricketer the best preparation to break into the Provincial A's and the Firebirds.

The one-dayers were closely fought with Hutt Valley drawing first blood at Kelburn Park. City were able to bounce back at the Hutt Rec and send the series to a decider at Karori Park in late December. They proved too strong and convincingly won the match and the series.

The three-day games produced some good cricket and some different conditions to what the club players were used too. A dry wicket at Karori Park for the first game meant the spinners had the chance to bowl plenty of overs and hence took a lot of wickets (28 out of 36). Peter Younghusband and Sean O'Connor took 18 wickets between them for Wellington City, who managed to grab a win, with Hutt Valley very nearly holding out for the draw.

Petone Rec produced a flat, hard wicket where batsmen had time to score runs and build big totals. Unfortunately most failed to take advantage of this. The game was evenly posed until an inspired bowling performance by Alex Ridley just before lunch on the second day reduced Hutt to tatters. City managed to wrap up the game shortly before tea and retained the Dempster Shield for another year.

One Day Series

Game 1 at Kelburn Park. **Wellington City** 201 (F Colson 38; I McPeake 5-29) lost to **Hutt Valley** 205-3 (R Karaitiana 53, L Schlemmer 46*) by seven wickets

Game 2 at Hutt Recreation Ground. **Hutt Valley** 165 (B Johnson 38; A Ridley 4-20) lost to **Wellington City** 171-7 (M Nofal 54) by three wickets

Game 3 at Karori Park. **Wellington City** 190 (L Johns 44, A Fletcher 42; C Ravi 5-34) beat **Hutt Valley** 93 (A Day 3-22, A Ridley 3-21) by 97 runs

Wellington City won the one-day series 2-1

Dempster Shield

Game 1 at Karori Park. **Wellington City** 355 (D Joon 69, R Weerasundara 57, S O'Connor 57; M Kelly 3-42) & 165-6 dec (D Joon 62, M Nofal 62; B Patel 3-37) beat **Hutt Valley** 112 (D Brown 56; P Younghusband 6-19) & 239 (D Cudby 78; P Younghusband 6-58) by 169 runs

Game 2 at Petone Recreation Ground. **Hutt Valley** 188 (C Ravi 51*, A Ridley 4-33) & 89 (A Ridley 6-45) lost to **Wellington City** 226 (D Joon 58, M Salisbury 6-68) & 52-1 (M Nofal 24, D Joon 14*) by nine wickets

Wellington City retained the Dempster Shield winning the two-day series 2-0

Wellington City Team - Winners of the Dempster Shield



Left to right: Andrew Fletcher, Michael Pollard, Malcolm Nofal, Alecz Day, Alex Ridley, Jack Sargentina Deepak Joon, Rakitha Weerasundara, Jamie Gibson, Sean O'Connor (c), Lauchie Johns

Once again the National Under-19 Tournament was held at Lincoln University from 15 - 23 December 2015. Despite Wellington only finishing fifth, there were many positives to come out of the campaign. Aside from the Tournament, the team again played in the Premier oneday club competition and finished a creditable fifth. This was a very good effort as top players were regularly unavailable and close to 30 appeared during the season. For the first time the Under-19s played in the Hazlett Trophy and finished fourth after leading early on. The team was a young one with seven players available for next season and Rachin Ravindra and Nick Pile selected from the Under-17 ranks. Rachin and Ben Sears were deservedly selected in the NZ Under-19 team which participated at the World Cup in Bangladesh, while Troy Johnston must also have been close to selection.

This year the National Tournament comprised only 50-over games. The early stages were dominated by the powerful Auckland side, although they were well beaten by Canterbury in the Final. Wellington beat Otago twice and tied with Northern Districts. Rachin Ravindra scored most runs with 330 at an average of 66.00, while captain Troy Johnson made 171 at 28.50 and Zac Donaldson made 117 at 23.40. Ravindra also took most wickets with 9 at an average of 19.33 each. Ben Sears took 7 at 22.00, Jack Sargentina 8 at 23.87 and Tyler Simpson 6 at 24.16.

MATCH SUMMARIES

In the first game on Lincoln No 3 **Canterbury** rattled up 246-6 in 50 overs with Ben Sears taking 2-43 and Jack Sargentina 2-50. Wellington were 195-5 with 12 overs to go, but collapsed to be all out for 229. There was a fine century to Rachin Ravindra (102) and support from Zac Donaldson (34) and Mitchell Scott (33).

Next day at the same venue Wellington were dismissed for 93 by **Central Districts** as only Ravindra with 33 could make much impression. Central lost five wickets before knocking off the runs in the 24th over with Tyler Simpson taking 3-18.

After a rest day Wellington met **Northern Districts** on Bert Sutcliffe Oval in a high scoring match. Northern made 249-9 in their 50 overs with Ravindra taking 5-36 and Sears 2-43. Ravindra (70) and Troy Johnson (50) set up the chase and Donaldson (61) carried on the good work so 42 were needed from the last 6 overs. Amid much tension they almost made it but Donaldson was bowled from the last ball of the innings when the scores were level and the game was tied.

Back on Bert Sutcliffe Oval the next day **Otago** recovered from 90-7 to make 164 in 44 overs. Simpson took 2-25 and Sargentina 2-39. Wellington raced to their target in 24 overs for the loss of four wickets with Ravindra making 61 and Joseph Bowden 51*.

UNDER-19 BOYS

Auckland beat Wellington by a whopping 197 runs in the next game on Lincoln No 3, Spearheaded by 142 from NZ Under-19 batsman Finn Allen Auckland reached 297-9 in their 50 overs. Johnson took 2-49 and Sargentina 2-54. Auckland's quick bowlers were too good on the day, helping dismiss Wellington for an even 100, with 16 extras being the biggest contributor.

The semi-finals were both washed out so **Auckland** and **Canterbury** advanced to the Final as top qualifiers. A match between **Wellington** and **Otago** was also abandoned because of rain with Wellington 72-5 (Scott 39).

Auckland were dismissed for just 172 in the Final which **Canterbury** chased down in 41 overs for the loss of two wickets

In the play-off for fifth and sixth **Otago** were dismissed for 141 inside 40 overs with Ravindra (3-40), Daniel Pile (2-16) and Johnson (2-21) doing best. The HIBS pair of Ravindra (54*) and Johnson (76*) then rescued **Wellington** from 0-2, to achieve victory in the 23rd over without further loss.

Final Points

Auckland 23, Canterbury 13, Central Districts 13, Northern Districts 7, **Wellington 7**, Otago 4.

The Team

Troy Johnson (c) (HIBS) (rhb, rob), Daniel Pile (vc) (Onslow College) (rhb, sla), Jack Anderson (St Pats Town) (rhb, rmf), Joseph Bowden (Scots College) (rhb, rmf), Zac Donaldson (St Pats Town) (rhb, rob), Gus Henderson (Onslow CC) (rhb, wk), Nick Pile (Onslow College) (rhb, rmf), Rachin Ravindra (HIBS) (lhb, sla), Ben Sears (HIBS) (rfm,), Tyler Simpson (HIBS) (rhb, rm), Franscois Swartz (University CC) (lhb, rm), Jack Sargentina (University CC) (rhb, rm), Mitchell Scott (Upper Hutt College) (rhb, rob).

Coach: Matt Bell

Assistant coach: Sri Krishnamurthy

Manager: Kevin Pulley

A very young Wellington team was selected to participate in the National Tournament which made a return to NZC headquarters at Lincoln University in January. Prior to this Wellington had hosted the tournament at Karori Park for the past two seasons.

In the first round of two-day fixtures **Otago** scored a massive 351 batting first. The Wellington bowlers struggled for wickets but contained well as Otago batted into the second day taking 116 overs to score their runs. Luke Georgeson was the pick of the bowlers taking 4-74.

Original captain Rachin Ravindra had to withdraw from the tournament after being selected in the New Zealand Under 19 side. A great achievement by Rachin. Luke Georgeson took on the captaincy and it clearly sat well with him as he followed up his bowling performance with a brilliant 163. A draw was recorded as Wellington lost early wickets chasing the unlikely first innings target and then had to hold on for a first innings draw.

The second two day fixture was against **Auckland**, who won the toss and batted, scoring an imposing 355 off 75 overs. Georgeson, Nick Greenwood and Niko Brooky each took two wickets. Wellington responded with 194 against a fiery attack who bowled in helpful conditions on the second day. Greenwood impressed with a wellmade 58. Asked to follow on Wellington comfortably negotiated 40 overs before both teams agreed to the draw.

Following a rest day Wellington were scheduled to play **Northern Districts** however this match was rained off with no play possible.

Wellington's next match was against **Central Districts**, with the boys very keen for a good day's cricket after having two days without any play. Central batted first and were rocked by a devastating spell of swing bowling by Niko Brooky who took 5-21 Niko was well supported by Matt McComb with 2-23 and then Haydon Smith dealt to the tail taking 2-1. On a tricky pitch that had been covered for two days Gareth Severin took an aggressive approach to the chase blasting 50 off 42 balls to set up an easy nine wicket win.

The final game was against **Canterbury** and as other results turned out a win would have given Wellington the title. They batted first and after a good start got undone by some very good swing bowling to be dismissed for 113. Nick Greenwood made a patient and composed 50 but lacked support.

Teams coached by Matt Tilley always have a great team spirit and will to fight. The Wellington side knew that conditions favoured the bowling side and had Canterbury in real trouble at 87-6 at the lunch break. Unfortunately only one more wicket was taken as some

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lusty blows got Canterbury home. Brooky was again the pick of the bowlers taking 3-28.

There had been an opportunity to sneak a tournament win but what was more disappointing was the lack of cricket played. The one day games that were played were over early in the afternoon.

The Team:

Luke Georgeson (c) (St Pats Town)

Nick Greenwood (Wellington College)
Jakob Bhula (Wellington College)
Nick Pile (Onslow College)
Tim Campbell (Wellington College)
Chris Leitch (Onslow College)
Callum McLachlan (wk) (St Pats Silverstream)
Gareth Severin (Wellington College)
Haydon Smith (Newlands College)
Niko Brooky (Wellington College)
Matt McComb (HIBS)
Zac Aldridge (St Pats Town)
Hamish Johns (St Pats Town)
Rachin Ravindra (HIBS) – withdrew after being selected for the NZ Under- 20 team

Coach: Matt Tilley, Manager: Sean O'Connor

Final Points

Canterbury 19, Auckland 16, Central Districts 15, Northern Districts 15, Otago 12, **Wellington 12**





COMMUNITY CRICKET

by Chris Nevin, Community Cricket Manager

Premier Club Cricket

This year saw a reduction in the Premier Men's Competition from 12 to 11 teams after North City lost a number of players in the off-season. This saw them given a dispensation to have a team compete in the Premier Reserve grade only in 2015/16. The decision was then made to invite the Wellington Under-19 team to play in the Premier two-day competition, after previously having only been involved in the one-dayers. This invitation was accepted and it proved to be a very valuable learning opportunity for the players involved.

As in 2014/15 we had different winners for the two Premier competitions, with Eastern Suburbs edging Onslow to take out the Ewen Chatfield One-Day Trophy. Onslow were then crowned Pearce Cup champions after the top-qualifiers held out Easts for a draw after a tense and tightly-fought finale in the three-day decider at Nairnville Park.

This season also saw the introduction of a revamped T/20 competition. CricHQ were secured as the sponsor and the CricHQ T/20 Knockout Cup was born. Entries were open to all clubs and College 1st XI's, not just Premier teams as had been the case previously. In

an exciting addition, prize money was offered for the first time in a club competition in Wellington. Petone-Eastbourne were crowned the inaugural winners after beating Taita in an enthralling contest that required a one-over eliminator after the scores were tied at the end of forty overs.

One-Club Programme

The fourth year of the One-Club programme saw a continuation of the ten clubs from 2014/15 partnering with Cricket Wellington. The clubs involved were: Hutt Districts, Johnsonville, Karori, North City, Onslow, Petone-Eastbourne, Taita, Upper Hutt, Victoria University and Wellington Collegians. We are grateful for the generous support we receive for this programme from the Infinity Foundation and the Pelorus Trust.

The One-Club programme is about increasing the capability of clubs to deliver cricket to existing members and aid in the recruitment of new players through school and community programmes. Clubs are making big strides with increases being made in senior, junior and female playing numbers since the inception of the programme back in 2011/12. The biggest increase though has been in the involvement

of clubs in the community with number of multi-week programmes in primary schools having almost doubled over the past four years.

Work is ongoing to ensure that the programme is meeting the needs of the clubs, Cricket Wellington and the wider cricket community.

Junior Cricket

On the back of the 2015 ICC Cricket World Cup, and coupled with the increased visibility of cricket in schools last year through various programmes, we were expecting a spike in junior playing numbers and we weren't disappointed. Overall junior numbers were up by 18%, with an increase of 40% in our softball grades from years 2 to 4. At the youngest age groups, cricket is now a much more enticing prospect with the advent of Dual-Pitch cricket, meaning games can be finished inside an hour with more involvement for everyone. The utilisation of some of the artificial turfs around Wellington has led to a better experience for all concerned.

Despite the growth seen overall at junior level, we are continuing to see a steady decline at the older age groups amongst our junior clubs, and over the winter we are looking at ways to minimise the drop-off rates, particularly from year 7 to year 8.





Schools Cricket

In what is a first for cricket in the Capital, Wellington now holds both the boys' and girls' Secondary Schools national titles. Hutt International Boys School took out the honours at the boys' New Zealand Secondary Schools Cup (formerly Gillette Cup) and Tawa College claimed the title at the NZCT School Girls' National Competition. It is worth acknowledging the starring roles played by Rachin Ravindra (HIBS) and Amelia Kerr (Tawa) which saw them named as tournament MVPs for their respective teams. Congratulations to both players and to their schools.

At the primary school level, Raroa Intermediate School can now lay claim to being the best cricket primary school in Wellington.
Both the boys' and the girls' teams won their respective regional competitions at Year 7/8. This saw them represent Wellington at the New Zealand Post Cup and Shield National finals in Palmerston North in November. While not winning national titles, both teams represented their school, and Wellington with distinction.

The Future

With a new Strategic Plan comes a renewed focus on what is important, not just to Cricket Wellington, but to cricket in our region.

The One-Club programme has undergone a review and will now place more emphasis on the performance of clubs in relation to aspects of the Strategic Plan, particularly around female cricket and college cricket.

One-Club will enter its fifth year in 2016/17 and an off-season review of the programme has been completed, which highlighted a number of areas where we can improve performance. Our thanks go to Auckland Cricket who gave us an insight into their "Club is the Hub" programme, which is very similar to our One-Club, and has been going for the best part of fifteen years.

There will a renewed focus on female cricket, ensuring we have a complete pathway for our girls. With no girls-only competition to play in we are losing talented players and a push will go on to our clubs, through the One-Club programme, to re-establish a girls-only grade to

be played on a number of Sundays through the season.

While links have improved overall between our local clubs and Colleges, more work is needed in this area to ensure players retain a connection with their clubs while at College. An emphasis will go on the clubs working more closely with the schools to establish meaningful programmes that serve the interests of both club and College.

Finally, I would like to thank the hundreds of dedicated volunteers who tirelessly support the game in Wellington. Without you, our great game would not be the same.

BOYS' COLLEGE CRICKET

The boys' secondary school cricket season runs over a calendar year with the season beginning in January and ending in December. As has been the case for the past three seasons, 2015/16 was dominated by Hutt International Boys School. The Trentham-based college recorded wins in the NZ Secondary Schools Cup (formerly the Gillette Cup), the Premier Youth Grade and the NZCT Junior Boys Competition within Wellington. Undoubtedly the highlight of their season was winning the National Secondary Schools title in December. They were the first Wellington school to take this title since Wellington College did so in 2001.

HIBS' win in the Wellington Premier Youth Grade final came over St Pats Town, who were in the Premier 2 grade in 2014 and in 2015 they led the Premier Youth competition from start to finish, only tripping up in the Final against a HIBS team with plenty of finals experience. HIBS' seven-wicket win was based around the performances of their two leading players, Troy Johnson and Rachin Ravindra. A six-wicket bag to left-arm-spinner Rachin restricted St Pats to just 159, then 86* from Troy meant HIBS had no problems knocking off the modest target.

That was just the appetiser for even greater success at the New Zealand Secondary Schools Cup finals at Lincoln a week later, where they were making their third successive appearance. In one of the closest tournaments anyone can remember, HIBS held their nerve to win a series of close matches, including beating Christchurch Boys' High School by way of a super over. On the final day an easy win over Palmerston North Boys' High School saw HIBS edge out Auckland's Westlake Boys High School on net run rate. Opening batsman Rachin Ravindra was named Player of the Tournament, and both he and quick bowler Ben Sears were later to be included in the New Zealand team for the Under 19 World Cup in Bangladesh.

HIBS signalled their intentions not to give up their national crown easily by retaining their Wellington title in this competition at the end of the season. Their comfortable win over Wellington College at the Basin Reserve was built around a century from Rachin Ravindra and some tight spin bowling and excellent fielding, which has been a hallmark of their recent success under coach Mark Borthwick.

The NZCT Junior Boys Competition for years 9 and 10 was also taken out by HIBS. They overcame the more fancied Wellington College team in the Final played at Barton Oval in February. Unfortunately they were unable to replicate the success of their First XI on a national level, finishing third with a three-win and two-loss record at the National Finals.

During the season Cricket Wellington held Zone Tournaments at Year 9 and 10 level. Nominations were received from schools and the teams were then selected geographically for the four-day tournaments. In recent times, the unavailability of some players has led to a drop in playing standard, so for 2016/17 Cricket Wellington will look to combine the two tournaments and select six teams rather than eight.

Cricket etiquette is always a big focus at these tournaments and having umpires from the Cricket Wellington Umpires and Scorers Association is a huge help in this regard. This season Zone matches were officiated by CWUSI umpires, many of whom were of school age and were part of an umpire recruitment partnership between Cricket Wellington and the CWUSI. This initiative helps school-aged cricketers to become level 2 qualified umpires.

Over the past four seasons Cricket Wellington and College Sport have sought funding to assist schools with upgrading their number 1 wicket blocks. It is now pleasing to see the improvement in the quality of First XI pitches and the overall standard is now a real strength.

First XI cricket in Wellington is now very well provided for, with high-quality pitches and seven of the eight Premier Youth Grade teams possessing a Level 2 or 3 qualified coach. Whilst HIBS have dominated the titles for the past few seasons, there are a number of schools who are now in a position to challenge them. College Sport and Cricket Wellington look forward to seeing this improvement filter down into the age groups and grades below the very top.

College Sport Cricket Management Committee 2015/16

Brent Stephen (Chair) Paul Brennan, Tracey Devereux (College Sport), Andrew Hazelton, Ross McLachlan, Rhys Morgan (Cricket Wellington), Chris Nevin (Cricket Wellington), Chris Parkin, Richard Petersen, John Selby.

Hutt International Boys School 1st XI. Winners of the 2015/16 New Zealand Secondary Schools Cup Competition



Back Row Matthew McComb, Tyler Simpson, Jesse Tashkoff, Adam Webster, Rachin Ravindra, Joseph Foote, Caleb Hewson Front Row Craig Johnson (Manager) Sunny Kanuparthi, Bradley Johns, Troy Johnson (Captain) Ben Sears, Akshar Patel, Mark Borthwick (Coach)

CWUSI REPORT

It is with great pleasure that I present this annual report as Chairman of Cricket Wellington Umpires and Scorers Inc. (CWUSI) - my first as Chairman.

Farewell to Grant McAlister

Sadly we started the year with the departure from the Chair and our Board of Grant McAlister due to business and family reasons. Grant had served our organistation not only as Chairman but also as a training officer and as a Board member. He is also of course a much respected on-field umpire and we hope it will be possible for him to join us again at some stage in the future.

Junior Umpires Programme

Umpiring and scoring is all about what happens on match days. Our numbers are not as good as we would like them to be, but the past year has seen a gradual improvement. Four years ago we launched our Junior Umpires' Programme where secondary school-aged players could also umpire junior games for us on days that they were not playing. In the past season three of that original group who had decided to take on umpiring instead of playing made their umpiring debuts in premier grade cricket. As Chairman, I congratulate Josh Symonds, George Morris and Stuart Hope on their achievements and also thank the players for accepting them as they all did. I appreciate that the Programme is not unique either to Wellington or in New Zealand, but to have a group like this at the same time is something that has not happened before and we hope there will be more to come.

Representative Umpiring

On the representative umpiring front we had three members of the NZC Reserve panel in our ranks that all appeared to have great seasons. We were very proud to see Garth Stirrat make his debut at first class level

in a Ford Trophy one day fixture. Garth also had appointments at the Under-19 tournament, the women's domestic competition, and Hawke Cup challenges. Aaron Hardie stood at the Under-17 and Provincial A tournaments, the women's domestic competition, and Hawke Cup challenges.

Last but not least Kathy Cross. What a year it has been for Kathy. She stood in the women's domestic competition, the women's Under 21 tournament and Women's One Day Internationals at home. We were delighted to see Kathy have her work recognised with an appointment to a Georgie Pie Super Smash game. On top of that Kathy had trips overseas to ICC affiliates events. Then came the highlight of her umpiring year - a trip to India to stand in the Women's T/20 World Cup. Another fantastic achievement. We were proud and delighted to see Kathy take out the Official-of-the-Year Award at the recent Hutt Valley Sports Awards. If that was not enough, she was also presented with the overall Award on the same night. Kathy was also a nominee in the Sports Official category at the Wellington Sports awards. Well done Kathy.

Scorers

Scorers were also very active at representative level. Ian Smith, Cheryl Styles, Jeff Stuart, Matt Frost, Catharine Shields, Jane Silvester and Justin Williams were all appointed to NZC controlled matches. We are very fortunate in the level of expertise that is given to the game by our scorers at both club and representative level.

Acknowledgements

I would like to thank our Board members for all their work. Graeme Watson as Secretary and Yoel Samson as Treasurer control our records with their usual professionalism. Phil McMahon does a great job looking after our appointments, while Cath Shields looked after our retention plans. Chris Parkyn was new to our Board and became our liaison with College Sport. Also new this year were Matt Frost and Tyron Davies. Matt ably coordinated the records around captains' reports. I looked after training as the Regional Training Officer and was ably assisted by Garth Stirrat and Aaron Hardie. I am also grateful for the help that Graeme Watson and Yoel Samson gave in exam preparation classes. Ian Smith trains our scorers so well that we hardly notice. All of our members are great assets to cricket in Wellington.

I would also like to thank Cricket Wellington staff, especially Peter Clinton, Chris Nevin and Nick Hogan for all that you do for us. It is much appreciated.

Finally a big thank you to all the clubs, players and supporters for what you also do for us. After all if it was not for you guys playing cricket, we would not have anything to score or umpire.

If you are keen to umpire or score cricket games contact the CWUSI on 0800 UMPIRE or go to our website: www.wellingtonumpires.com

All the best for the next season

Jeremy Busby Chairman

WOMEN'S CRICKET



Premier 1 Women Cricket

In a refined format, the P1 league was structured with semi-finals in both competitions which meant a top-table placing was highly sought after in the round robin stages. The four traditional teams of Wellington Collegians, Onslow, Johnsonville and Hutt District competed in both competitions and it was one of the closest contests seen in recent years.

The Maureen Peters T20 Plate opened the season and only Round 4 was lost to rain. However, Onslow struggled to field a side and were eventually disqualified from the competition. This left Hutt District and Johnsonville competing for an opportunity to take on top of the table Wellington Collegians in the grand final on the Basin Reserve. Johnsonville put in the performance of their season, but narrowly lost by 10 runs.

In the Joy Lamason Trophy, Onslow and Collegians opened their campaigns with two victories each, Onslow taking the honours when the two sides played off against one another to go ahead on the table. However when Onslow dropped points to Hutt, Collegians were back in contention. In the round 6 top of the table clash Collegians posted 298-7 thanks to a century from Eimear Richardson and a half-century from Amanda Cooper. Onslow responded with 246-4, Suzie McDonald leading the chase with 78 and being supported by captain Renee Moffitt with 64*. Collegians thus secured first place on the table.

While Wellington Collegians eased past Johnsonville in the first semi-final, the other semi produced the game of the tournament. Onslow gave a magnificent performance to overcome Hutt District, with Emma Fulbrook scoring her maiden century. Hutt posted 240 thanks to Andrea Stockwell's half-century, and her side might have thought they had one foot in the final when they removed both Onslow openers for single digits. However Fulbrook was ably partnered by Renee Moffitt and Suzie McDonald to give Onslow the win with nine balls to spare.

In a first for the women's club competition, both Finals were played on the Basin Reserve. The One-Day Final was contested between Wellington Collegians and Onslow,

Collegians posted 195 all out, Richardson top scoring with 55 from 31 balls and Allex Evans making 39 from 34. Onslow's Phoenix Williams and Makaylah Mason Jones both took three wickets. In reply, Onslow's openers Jess McFadyen and Makaylah Mason-Jones put on 53 before former White Fern Anna Minot (nee Corbin) removed both in the 16th over. Emma Fulbrook propped up the total with 37* but Onslow were eventually dismissed for 121. It was the first time Wellington Collegians' had won the Joy Lamason One-Day title outright since the competition split in 2013/14.

The Maureen Peters T20 final was the game of the season with a high scoring match entertaining the Basin Reserve crowd on a hot summer's day. On a slow wicket, Hutt captain Lucie Gordon (47*) carried her bat to lead Hutt to a formidable total of 138 after she and Rebecca Burns had amassed 98 runs for the first wicket. Collegians openers Eimear Richardson and Sophie Davies set about the chase in entertaining style. Richardson struck 81 from 53 balls in a match-winning innings before the experienced duo of Elizabeth Scurr and Zara McWilliams finished the game with five balls to spare to give Collegians a hard-fought victory and a second title.

Premier 2

Eastern Suburbs and Stokes Valley shared the P2 title after finishing equal on points. Six teams competed in the league with Upper Hutt, Taita, Victoria University and Petone-Riverside making up the competition. A total of 18 matches were scheduled for each team and a glorious summer meant nearly every game was played. Kath McGuinness from Taita finished as the league's top batter with 313 runs from her 12 innings, and was closely followed by Victoria University's Laura Hogg with 301. Sammy Lewis-Elder was the top-wicket taker with 22, one ahead of Eastern Suburbs team mate Penny Lewis.

Premier Girls

With four established teams, two competitions were contested; a T20 league and the Cooper-Wakefield 30-over Cup. The T20 competition was closely contested, Wellington Collegians edging out a strong Johnsonville



side in the final. Hutt District and new entrants Upper Hutt made up four competing teams which each played 9 matches.

The Cooper-Wakefield 30-over Cup closed out the season and again Johnsonville showed their dominance to make the final against Hutt District who had a much improved campaign. Collegians had a strong victory over Upper Hutt in the 3rd/4th play-off, but Upper Hutt showed huge improvement in their initial year, with their first ever victory pointing to greater things to come.

With two new champions, it's clear to see the progress being made by both the league and individual players. Xara Jetly (Johnsonville), Bethany Molony (Wellington Collegians), Tanmeet Singh (Upper Hutt) and Dani Brearton (Hutt District) were the stand-out performers for each of their teams.

REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS Wellington Under 15

With three wins and two losses, the U15 girls completed a fantastic comeback in the National Tournament to finish second behind Central Districts.

Losing by 58 runs to Auckland and by ten wickets to Central Districts was a rough start to the side's campaign, however a victory against Christchurch-Metro lifted the spirits as Bhagya Herath claimed 3-22, then scored 50* and combined with Sam Mackinder and Kate Fenton to chase down 143.

Against Northern Districts Herath (43), Mackinder and Molony powered Wellington to 146-3, then the bowlers dismissed Northern for 82, Kahlyss Boyer and Beth Molony each claiming two wickets. In the final group match against Otago, Herath played a wonderful innings retiring on 51* while Xara Jetly scored a run-a-ball 30 to push Wellington to 150. It was a nervy defence as Otago kept up with the run rate, but Xara Jetly got the big wicket to ensure a 24-run victory and a guaranteed higher finish than the year before.

In the final Sam Mackinder (31) played an outstanding hand and shared a 25-run last-wicket stand with Laura Martin. Wellington were dismissed for 80 and took three Central wickets, but did not have enough runs.

Sam Mackinder was selected as Wellington's 'Most Improved Player' and Bhagya Herath was Wellington's sole representative in the 'Team of the Tournament' after her outstanding performances with bat and ball.

Wellington Development Girls

For many of the girls competing at the annual Central Districts Under-15 Inter-District Tournament was a chance to compete at a representative competition for the first time. Coached by Des Boyer the philosophy for the tournament was for players to gain exposure to the game by playing teams outside their region with the opportunity to build on player skills as individuals and as a team. Cocaptained by Lucy Edwards and Jess Findlay, the team

played well over the three-day tournament against some very strong opposition. In the $5^{th}/6th$ play-off, Wellington finished with an emphatic win over Manawatu who were bowled out for 33. Wellington making light work of the chase for the loss of only one wicket.

With 76 players in the tournament, several Wellington players featured with outstanding performances. Lucy Edwards finished fourth highest run-scorer with an average of 21.25. Isla Shanks finished in the top ten bowlers with seven wickets and best figures of 3-11.

Under 13

Now in its second year, the girls' U13 programme has expanded to both winter and summer training programmes, led by head coach and former White Fern Justine Dunce. The season opening in early November with 22 girls playing an inter-regional match.

The U13s competed against Wairarapa in mid-November, Wellington having a home fixture for a T20 double header. In game one, Wairarapa batted first making 56-6, Charlotte Mills taking 2-4 off 2 overs. In reply, Wellington made 62-6 with the winning runs coming in the last over, Charlotte Mills, Rosa Tse and Ruby Campbell-Stokes all made good contributions. In the second fixture, Wairarapa made 78, with Rosa Tse and Natasha Codyre the best of the Wellington bowlers. In reply Wellington batted well to tie the scores. A Super-Over followed in which Anna Martin proved destructive as Wellington made 13 runs. Rosa Tse then bowled a fantastic over restricting Wairarapa to a single run, securing victory for Wellington.

Wellington travelled to Masterton in January for a twoday tournament but heavy rain ruled out any chance of play, so Wellington finished their season with two wins from two matches.

COLLEGE CRICKET Premier 1 & 2 College Grade

Wellington had four colleges compete in the Premier 1 Competition with a further six teams in the Premier 2 eight-a-side league. Both leagues were run in Term 1 2016, Tawa College, Wellington Girls College, Sacred Heart and Hutt Valley High School competing in Premier 1. Tawa College won the Trish McKelvey Premier 1 Girls trophy after an emphatic victory over Sacred Heart by 84 runs. Samuel Marsden took out the Premier 2 title for the second year in a row with a convincing win over St. Mary's College. St. Mary's scored 75-5 from their allocated overs. however Samuel Marsden proved too strong in winning by 10 wickets. Kapiti, Paraparaumu, Chilton St. James and Wellington East Girls College completed the P2 line up.

NZCT Wellington Regional Secondary Schoolgirls' Tournament 2016

Tawa College, Wellington Girls College, Sacred Heart College, St. Mary's and Hutt Valley High School made up the five competing teams. Held at lan Galloway Park, the Qualifiers ran for three days with a total of eleven matches played across five rounds. The Final was played at the Basin Reserve.

Tawa College charged into the Final undefeated with dominant performances. Sacred Heart College (Second place) claimed three victories in the round robin stages, including a stunning performance to topple an evenly matched Wellington Girls College in arguably the game of the tournament.

Wellington Girls College (Third place) will be disappointed not to have made the Final with such a strong team enjoying some fantastic moments. All-rounder Rose Fenton proved a stand-out and was well supported by Beth Molony, Caitlin Laurie and Ollie Preston.

St. Mary's College (Fourth place) claimed a sole victory in their campaign. An exciting team boosted with three players from Chilton St. James, they played attacking and entertaining cricket. Dani Brearton and Xara Jetly led with the bat and ball and there was a sense of real team spirit.

Hutt Valley High School (Fifth place) finished the round robin without a victory but were led superbly by Sarah Codyre who scored her maiden half century. Assisted by Wellington East Girls College players Isla Shanks and Laura Martin along with Rosa Tse from Onslow College, the side put in some excellent displays with both bat and ball. Shanks finished top run-scorer for the side while Eva Bloomfield and Codyre made notable contributions.

In the Final, Amelia Kerr hit a superb 108* as Tawa College successfully defended their Regional NZCT title for a third year in a row in beating Sacred Heart by 44 runs. She and Olivia Macrae put on a rapid opening partnership before Anna Duthie-Jung claimed the sole wicket of the innings. Danielle Watson joined Amelia to finish the innings and lead Tawa to a formidable 154-1.

In reply, Kate Fenton struck in the first over to remove Scared Heart captain Olivia Boivin. Nicola Brennan and Bhagya Herath (42) enjoyed a 42 run partnership but in two decisive overs, star pace bowlers Phoenix Williams (3-14) and Watson claimed two wickets each before Jeneesha Maisuria cleaned up the lower order. The victory ensured Tawa the opportunity to defend their National title in Term 4 2016.

NZCT Nationals 2015

Tawa College retained NZCT National Secondary School Girls Championship with an impressive five-match unbeaten run. Amelia Kerr was named Player of the Tournament for the second year in a row, with Makaylah Mason Jones a valuable contributor, while Roshani Thuraisingham was joint top-wicket taker at the tournament

Tawa College were top of the table and had to beat Epsom Girls' Grammar to claim the title. In a game shortened to 12 overs a-side, Tawa were sharp in the field with four quick run-outs that restricted Epsom to 67. Tawa were positive in the chase, Amelia Kerr (21*) and Makayla Mason-Jones (29*) built a good partnership to anchor their team through to an impressive ten-wicket win.

PRIMARY SCHOOL CRICKET New Zealand Post Regionals

Johnsonville's Raroa Normal Intermediate School beat Tawa Intermediate to confirm their place in the New Zealand Post Shield National Finals. Winning by eight wickets, Raroa continue to show their strength within the primary school league. The Finals will be held in Christchurch in Term 4 2016, where Raroa will join schools from each Major Association in the hope of lifting the National title. It is the second year in a row that Raroa has qualified to represent Wellington at the Nationals.

Girls-Only League

Parumoana has started a girls-only primary competition which runs in each of the summer terms. Year 5-8 girls in Discovery, Papakowhai, Rangikura, Plimmerton and Paremata all competed. These leagues were played in a round robin format with up to ten fixtures on offer over the summer. Papakowhai won the Term 4 league while Rangikura won the Term 1 league.

Black & Gold Zonal Cricket

With the expansion of the regional summer programme, this season saw the return of an inter-regional fixture list with both a senior and junior zonal game in the form of Black v Gold. The Senior fixtures were scheduled for when the Wellington Blaze were playing which gave the remaining P1 players a chance to play at a bridging level between club and Blaze.

The junior game was played in March with a look to bridging the transition from junior cricket to that of college age cricket. Teams were a mixture of age group players, the older players taking senior leading positions with the younger players gaining experience in the level that is ahead of them. The programme is a fantastic addition to the regional fixture list at both levels and is an exciting prospect for future growth. It will be a vital asset to strengthen our current and future representative players.



ROTHBURY WILKINSON AWARDS

Hard-work recognised at Rothbury Wilkinson Awards evening

In April the Rothbury Wilkinson Club Cricket Awards dinner was held at the Basin Reserve Longroom in an evening that featured a number of VIP guests. Hosted by Radio Sport presenter Daniel McHardy, all clubs were recognised and some proud captains came up to receive their winners' pennants. Daniel announced and collected himself the joint title for Wellington's Division One T20 championship.

After dinner Ronald Cardwell and Bruce Murray discussed the new biography on Barry Sinclair In Pursuit of Excellence, written by Bill Francis. The two shared how Barry contributed so much to club cricket and the Wellington Plunket Shield side of his day. Bruce remembered a number of stories from back when the two used to play against each other.

Onto the Premier Men's awards and Ricky Joseph found himself called up on stage to receive a number of trophies. The Eastern Suburbs opening bowler picked up Performance of the Year (his 10-35 against Johnsonville) to go with the leading wicket taker award (48 at an average of 11.48) and best overall figures in an innings. Malcolm Nofal was the leading scorer with a staggering 779 runs for Onslow at an average of 45. Karori's Stephen Murdoch picked up the May Cup for highest Premier score for his 257* against Naenae in the Ewen Chatfield Trophy at Ben Burn Park. The Women's awards were dominated by Wellington Collegians as Eimear Richardson and Allex Evans took home the most runs (412 at 58.86) and most wickets (14 at 8.71) respectively.

The medals for Best and Fairest players based on points awarded by captains throughout the season, were two very popular presentations, with Jack Sargentina (University) being awarded the Men's medal and Allex Evans (Wellington Collegians) the Women's.

Ash Baker was the recipient of the Lower Grade Performance of the Year after scoring 210* off 124 balls for Petone-Riverside WBC against Stokes Valley in the Intercity 1A grade. As well as the trophy Ash received a bat from Kilbrinie Sports for his fine effort.

Subs Narasy was awarded the Mike Curtis Cup for his volunteer services to club cricket. Subs started coaching at Hutt Districts Cricket Club in 1997 with the Juniors, and began coaching the Senior women's side, which he is still doing. Subs also coached the Sacred Heart College Girls First XI for four seasons. He was the driving force behind the concept of Hutt

District developing a girls' youth programme involving Sacred Heart, Chilton St James School and St Oran's College. Subs coached these girls at the club and fostered their development to progress through to the Senior teams in many cases.

Nairnville Park groundsman John McKessar won for ground of the year, while Victoria University's Matt Frost was named scorer of the year. Garth Stirrat was voted the Umpire of the Year by players, while, in turn, the umpires voted Onslow skipper Sean O'Connor as the best and most enterprising captain.

The final awards were handed out for the Men's and Women's Club Cricketers of the Year. It was no surprise that Malcolm Nofal and Eimear Richardson took these awards home - Eimear for the second

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year in a row.









Pearce Cup (Premier 1 Two-Day competition)

Onslow

National Club One-Day Champions

Eastern Suburbs

Hazlett Trophy

Karori

Ewen Chatfield Trophy (One-Day competition)

Eastern Suburbs

CricHQ T/20 Knockout Cup

Petone-Eastbourne

Maureen Peters Plate-Women's T20

Wellington Collegians

Joy Lamason Trophy Women's 40-Over

Wellington Collegians

Premier Reserve One-Day

University

Alan Isaac Trophy (Premier Reserve Grade)

Petone-Eastbourne

Premier Reserve Section 2

Karori

First Grade

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Second Grade

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Third Grade

WISC Desi Boys

Fourth Grade

Eastern Suburbs Tigers

Intercity one-day Div 1

Eastern Suburbs Taxes

Intercity one-day Div 2

University Tamils

Intercity one-day Div 3

Eastern Suburbs Masters

Wellington T20 Division 1

Karori Wildcats & North City

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Wellington T20 Division 2

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Wellington T20 Division 3

Victoria University Stubbies

Hutt Valley T20 Division 1

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Premier 2 Women's T/20

Eastern <mark>Suburbs Wildcats</mark> &

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Premier Girls 30 Over

Johnsonville

Premier Girls T20

Wellington Collegians

Royal Visit Cup (Total Points)

Eastern Suburbs

Norwood Cup

(Average points per team)

Wellington Indian Sports Club

Best Lower Grade Performance

Ash Baker (Petone) (210*)

Marjorie Sweetman Trophy (Most Premier wickets)

Allex Evans (Wgtn Collegians) (14)

Judith Sadler Trophy (Most Premier runs)

Eimear Richardson (Wellington Collegians) (412)

Ron Murray Cup (Most Premier wickets)

Ricky Joseph (Eastern Suburbs) (48)

Arthur Dick Trophy (Most Premier runs)

Malcolm Nofal (Onslow) (779)

J Atkin Cup (Best Premier bowling)

Ricky Joseph

(Eastern Suburbs)10-35 against Johnsonville in a Pearce Cup game

May Cup (Highest Premier score)

Stephen Murdoch (Karori) (257* against Naenae in a Ewen Chatfield Trophy game)

Sam Platt Cup

(Best Premier performance)

Ricky Joseph

(Eastern Suburbs) (see above)

Ground of Year

Nairnville Park – Groundsman John McKessar

Best & Fairest Premier Team

Taita

Tararua & Dempster Shield Player of the Year

Alex Ridley (Onslow)

Mike Curtis Cup

(Services to Club cricket)

Subs Narasy (Hutt District)

Trish McKelvey Medal

(Best &Fairest - women)

Allex Evans (Wellington Collegians)

Bruce Murray Medal

(Best & Fairest - men)

Jack Sargentina (University)

Best & Most Enterprising Captain

Sean O'Connor (Onslow)

Scorer of the Year

Matt Frost (University)

Umpire of the Year

Garth Stirrat

Premier Women's Cricketer of the Year

Eimear Richardson (Wellington Collegians)

Premier Men's Cricketer of the Year

Malcolm Nofal (Onslow)

Rothbury Wilkinson Premier Men's Team of the Year

Malcolm Nofal (Onslow) 779 run, 41 wickets, 14 catches

Sam Keegan (Onslow) 567 runs, 11 catches, 1 stumping

Mark Houghton (Taita) 607 runs, 10 wickets, 6 catches

Deepak Joon (Wellington Collegians) 699 runs, 9 catches

Lauchie Johns (Eastern Suburbs) 332 runs, 46 catches, 3 stumpings

Scott Borthwick (Johnsonville) 339 runs, 22 wickets, 12 catches

Matt Salisbury (Petone-Eastbourne) 320 runs, 36 wickets 3 catches

Jack Sargentina (University) 319 runs, 37 wickets, 5 catches

Craig James (Naenae) 359 runs, 46 wickets, 2 catches

lain McPeake (Hutt District) 31 runs, 37 wickets, 3 catches

Ricky Joseph (Eastern Suburbs) 131 runs, 48 wickets, 2 catches

Premier Women's Team of the Year

Rebecca Burns (Hutt District) 255 runs, 8 catches

Eimear Richardson (Wellington Collegians) 412 runs, 7 wickets, 4 catches

Jess McFadyen (Onslow) 216 runs, 1 catch

Suzie McDonald (Onslow) 206 runs, 1 wicket

Amanda Cooper (Wellington Collegians) 189 runs, 6 wickets, 4 catches

Sophie Davies (Wellington Collegians) 175 runs, 2 catches, 4 stumpings

Emma Fulbrook (Onslow) 187 runs, 9 wickets, 4 catches

Allex Evans (Wellington Collegians) 183 runs, 14 wickets, 3 catches

Makaylah Mason-Jones (Onslow) 86 runs, 11 wickets, 4 catches

Deanna Doughty (Hutt District) 49 runs, 10 wickets, 2 catches

Jess Kerr (Hutt District) 103 runs, 6 wickets, 1 catch



Last season saw the premier grade for men's cricket change format once more. With North City unable to compete in the Premier division this left 12 teams (including the Under-19's) to battle it out in the One-Day competition to see who would qualify for the top six. With the U19s unable to compete in the Pearce Cup the scrap for spots was.

Once again It came down to the last of the One-Day round robin games. Eventually Onslow, Eastern Suburbs, Hutt District, Wellington Collegians, Johnsonville and Petone-Eastbourne qualified. The top two sides that competed in the Final were Onslow and Eastern Suburbs. Onslow continued their One-Day form from their 2014/15 campaign and went through the round robin undefeated. Easts made harder work of the situation but scraped into the Final where they managed to pull off a remarkable victory from the jaws of defeat. They were able to defend 169, when it seemed Onslow were cruising towards victory.

The T/20 competition was relaunched and rebranded as the CricHQ T/20 Knockout Cup. With entries open to all clubs and College First XIs the new format proved something of a hit. The carrot of knocking over a big club on the way to the Final and a prize pool of \$2500 were huge incentives for all sides and made for some great cricket. The Final between Taita and Petone-Eastbourne at the Basin Reserve was a great spectacle. Who could have asked for a more thrilling finish than the match going to a Super-Over under a fading Wellington sky? Petone-Eastbourne took out the Super-Over and with it their first major title for a number of years.

The two-day section was played in some lovely weather during the late Wellington summer. Onslow and Eastern Suburbs again remained the front runners and ended up contesting the Final at the same venue as the One-Day Final (Nairnville Park). The game was tight throughout, but Onslow managed to grab some ascendancy early on day three and were able to bat out the day and grab the draw they needed to win their first ever Pearce Cup. Stand-outs for Onslow were Malcolm Nofal (61), Alex Ridley (67 off 126 balls) and Andrew Fletcher (54 off 212 balls). They managed to hold Onslow's innings together and see them through when they needed it most.

Karori put the disappointment of not qualifying for the Pearce Cup for the first time behind them and bounced back playing some good cricket to win the Hazlett Trophy. A crucial first innings victory first up against Taita being the difference in the end.

In the Alan Isaac Trophy Petone-Eastbourne ran out winners, beating North City in the Reserve grade format by eight points after a very good two-day round. The



One-Day championship went to University who managed to knock over previously unbeaten North City in the Final.

Pearce and Hazlett Trophy Final Placings

First - Onslow (Third last season) A standout season for the club from Nairnville Park. A young side that were looking to go one better this season after winning the Ewen Chatfield Trophy. They did not lose a game in the one-day round until the Final where they realistically should have beaten Eastern Suburbs but for a remarkable comeback. The side had a wee bit of a mid-season slump before rediscovering their one-day form to top the Pearce Cup standings after the round robin. The crucial home advantage and finishing top was what they needed to become the Pearce Cup champions for the first time. Amid the tension they managed to bat out the third day of the Final and secure a draw which was all they needed. Their stand-out player was 24-year-old all-rounder Malcolm Nofal. The Johannesburg-born left-handed batsman and slow left-arm bowler led both batting and bowling statistics with 779 runs and 41 wickets.

Second - Eastern Suburbs (First last season) (National One Day Club Champions) A good season for Eastern Suburbs. They would have been disappointed not to have claimed the Pearce Cup for another year but were able to regain the Ewen Chatfield Trophy after missing out on the final in 2014/15. The side made it yet again into the Pearce Cup Final but were unable to force a result over Onslow which meant they had to relinquish their hold on the trophy that very rarely leaves Kilbirnie Park. The side quickly got over that disappointment to head to Auckland for the National One-Day Club Champs. After a slight hiccup in the round robin the side made the Final as top qualifier and the rain did the rest as the wash-out meant they were crowned the winners. The season was also highlighted by a remarkable achievement by Ricky Joseph who managed to take all 10 wickets in an innings in their Pearce Cup match against Johnsonville. Joseph led the wicket taking for Eastern Suburbs with 48 wickets while Jeremy Dean rediscovered some form to top the run scoring with 542 runs.

Third – Hutt District (Seventh last season) Hutt District made a late run towards the Pearce Cup Final but their slow start to the one-day round cost them. They managed to scrap through to the Pearce Cup and then played very well in the two day rounds managing 3 outrights and 2 winning draws. It just wasn't enough to make up for the slow start unfortunately. Dominic Brown led the way in with the run scoring grabbing 507 runs while lain McPeake took 37 wickets to top their bowling standings. Hutt will be happy with the return to the Pearce Cup and will be looking to build on that next season.

Fourth – Wellington Collegians (Eighth last season) Wellington Collegians surprised everyone but themselves in 2015/16.. They started well in the one-day rounds but just couldn't continue it into the two-dayers. They fell off the pace a wee bit and suffered a couple of losses. They will have been happy with their one-day form and only missed out on the one-day final by a few points. Former Firebird Deepak Joon was in good form with the bat hitting 669 runs while captain Shreyas Debur took 25 wickets.

Fifth – Johnsonville (Fifth last season) Johnsonville had a good one-day campaign, winning six of their 11 games, with another three being abandoned. It wasn't quite the same as their 2014/15 season where they made the final. They finished fourth in the one-day standings and were helped greatly by their overseas professional Scott Borthwick with both bat and ball. Injuries and representative commitments hampered their two-day campaign and the side was unable to get any real traction. Rakitha Weerasundara led the way with 462 runs including 147* against Petone-Eastbourne. In the innings he shared a Johnsonville record seventh wicket partnership with Scott Edgecomb of 186. David Hudson with 29 wickets led the bowling stats for the second year running.

Sixth – Petone-Eastbourne (Tenth last season)(CricHQ T/20 Knockout Cup Champions) Petone-Eastbourne picked up their first trophy for a number of years after they won the inaugural CricHQ T/20 Knockout Cup in a Super-Over. The side will have also been very happy with qualifying for the Pearce Cup after a good one-day campaign. They couldn't continue their form into the Pearce Cup though and after losing a few players for different reasons the end of the season couldn't have come quickly enough. The side built a solid base that they will be keen to build on in 2016/17. They got very good change out of their Essex professional Matt Salisbury who took 36 wickets, while Kieran Butler scored 437 runs to lead the run-scorers.

Seventh – Karori (Sixth last season) Hazlett Trophy Champions Karori missed out on the Pearce Cup for the first time in their history after a capitulation against Upper Hutt in the final round. A win against the bottom placed one-day side was all that was needed to see Karori through to the Pearce Cup but they couldn't get the job done and were forced to play in the second tier. There they showed they could play good cricket with some big wins, and eventually ran away with the Trophy. A highlights of their season was Stephen Murdoch's 257* against Naenae in the one-day competition. Skipper Jarred Sewell had a good season with the bat scoring 501 runs while Jono Sole took 30 wickets.

Eighth – Taita (Second last season) Taita had a one-day season to forget in which they could only achieve three wins. This left them behind the eight-ball leading into the Hazlett Trophy and while they played better cricket after Christmas and had a couple of good wins, they were just unable to catch Karori. It was a fall from grace for the Pearce Cup finalists of 2014/15. They made the final of the T/20 knockout cup to only come unstuck right at the end and were forced into a Super-Over which they lost. Phil Tunnicliffe did pick up the tournament MVP after a good T/20 campaign and the Final will be remembered for his hat-trick. Skipper Mark Houghton led the way with the bat but all too often was unsupported. He scored 607 runs while Matt Kelly took 42 wickets.

Ninth – Victoria University (Fourth last season) University had another season of 'what ifs'. Several times they were in a good position to win games but managed to find a way to lose and could only manage three wins in the one-day round. The closeness of the competition meant they were only a win away from the Pearce Cup but it was not to be. They had a better two-day campaign but it was a hard slog for the side who constantly lost players to University commitments and injury. A highlight was Jimmy Thompson taking a hat-trick against the Under-19's. He led the way with the ball taking 40 wickets while their lack of runs was highlighted by leading batsman Todd Beehre scoring only 351 runs.

Tenth – Wellington Under-19s (Did not play two-day cricket in 2014/15) The U19s were included in the two-day competition for the first time after an uneven number of teams created a gap. They played well in the one-dayers, which led into their national tournament. Although finishing fourth in the one-day competition, the rules meant they weren't able to compete in the Pearce Cup. They managed to grab a two-day win over Upper Hutt but the rest of the Hazlett Trophy was hard work and they were well beaten in a number of games. It was a good learning curve for the players, many of whom had not played a lot of two-day cricket. The U19s will continue in the Wellington Premier competition in 2016/17 but only in the one-day rounds.

Eleventh - Naenae (Ninth last season) Naenae didn't have a great season. The one-day rounds were trying and the side could only manage two wins. They played some good cricket and had some good contributions from a number of players but often there was little support. The side managed to a good victory against the Under-19s in the Hazlett Trophy but suffered several losses as well. Things were made even harder when they lost their overseas pro and leading run-scorer Luke Schlemmer (398) early in the two-day rounds, as he had to head back to South Africa. Craig James again led the bowling with 46 wickets.

Twelfth – Upper Hutt (Twelfth last season) Upper Hutt started with a big win over Hutt District and it looked as though this might be the season they turned things around. Unfortunately it was not a sign of things to come and the side again struggled. They were unable to put consecutive wins together in the one-day campaign and in the two-dayers things went from bad to worse with the side ending up winless. Mitchell Scott was a shining light with the bat scoring 622 runs, while Dan Henderson took 35 wickets.



PREMIER GRADES - COMPETITION POINTS

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WELLINGTON WANDERERS

The past season was an extremely busy one on and off the field for the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club. In addition to our traditional matches against the colleges, Wanderers hosted The Willows CC and the Occidental CC from England; and we were hosted by Clifton CC at their fabulous Te Awanga ground.

Our Annual General Meeting was again held at the West Plaza Hotel, followed by an enjoyable dinner during which we were addressed by new Firebirds coach Bruce Edgar.

In a first for Wanderers, we were delighted to have the Prime Minister, the Right Honourable John Key, join us at our November cocktail party held in The Boatshed. He gave an extremely entertaining address, was available for numerous photo opportunities and rounded out the evening by enthusiastically auctioning (with Jude Dobson's help) an autographed shirt donated by Olympic Games rowers Hamish Bond and Eric Murray. It was a memorable night for the Wanderers Cricket Club, the Carillon Club and guests.

The international season was a busy one with tours by Pakistan, Sri Lanka and Australia.

In the lead-up to the Australian Test at the Basin Reserve, we hosted a cocktail function at The Atrium in Allen Street where our guest speaker was Jeremy Coney. It was a most enjoyable evening and many of those in attendance had either played cricket with Jerry, attended college with him or knew him growing up in Ngaio. The result was an evening amongst friends where Jerry was able to relate stories from his early days in Wellington.

We again hosted our traditional breakfast on the first morning of the Test, with our guest this year being former Australian off spinner-come-journalist Ashley Mallett. Ashley is a true friend of Wellington Cricket and is always welcome at the Basin. He was forthright and humorous in his views and his address was very much enjoyed. We were delighted that the President of New Zealand Cricket Stephen Boock could join us and take the chance to meet some of our Wanderers members.

Wanderers completed a full schedule of matches against local College 1st XIs and we were pleased to get the

T20 final and the Richard Allan Challenge Cup T20 final, also on the Basin. St Pats Silverstream and Wellington College were the respective winners.

We hosted the Primary Schools Final for the NZ Post Cup for the first time. This was played between Wellesley College from Eastbourne and Johnsonville's Raroa Normal Intermediate School, with Raroa coming out on top. They will represent the Wellington Region at the National Primary Schools Tournament at Lincoln later in the year. The Basin has a proud history and to see youngsters on the ground and the scoreboard working in full with their names proudly displayed, parents taking photos etc., tells me Wanderers and Cricket Wellington are on the right

In finishing it is appropriate that Wanderers gives thanks to the outgoing Governor-General. Sir Jerry Mateparae has carried on where his predecessor Sir Anand Satyanand left off. He has attended matches, spoken at lunches and had his Schools' XI players to Government House for dinner where he carved the ham himself. We thank Sir Jerry for his contribution to Wanderers and to youth cricket in the Wellington Region; and wish him and Lady Janine all the best for the future. We look forward to meeting and working with his successor Dame Patsy Reddy and hope that the traditions formed over many years can be kept alive.

Many thanks to all those who contributed to a noteworthy season. Peter Clinton, Robbie Kerr and their staff at Cricket Wellington, our President Alasdair McBeth, Todd Foster, Scott McHardy, Black and Gold Events, Bryan Hall and Duncan Priest all worked very hard behind the scenes to help our many events run smoothly.

We look forward to the coming season and the visit of Pakistan, Bangladesh and South Africa.

Evan Gray General Manager Wanderers Cricket Club















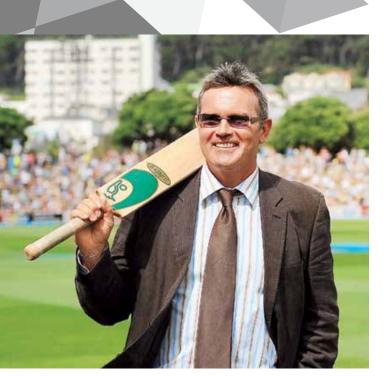
The past season has been another successful one for the New Zealand Cricket Museum with a 30% increase in visitor numbers and growing virtual visitation to our range of online offerings. Considering the previous season, which included the 2015 Cricket World Cup, these are particularly pleasing results. A busy season at the Basin Reserve saw us break our single day visitor records for the third (BLACKCAPS v Pakistan ODI) and fourth (BLACKCAPS v Australia Test, Day 2) internationals in succession. Online, we also broke new ground, recording three of the four biggest months in our website's history. Additionally, our Twitter and Facebook programmes are now among the highest followed, mostengaging museums in New Zealand. During the year we partnered with a number of stakeholders to present a broad range of programmes. This included a presentation alongside Te Papa staff at The Great War, which focused on cricketers in WWI, cofunding and developing panels on the history of the Basin with the Basin Reserve Trust, and working with the Wellington City Council to promote the city's international cricket matches. These opportunities are invaluable for our marketing,

audience growth, and for affirming

our position as a leading heritage organisation.

We have also benefited from a focus on our collection, adding more than 1300 object records to our database and receiving more than 60 donations to our collection (two donations each contained more than 300 cricket books). Thanks to the support of a number of current White Ferns, with particular mention to Sophie Devine and Rachel Priest, our collection of historic and contemporary items related to women's cricket has grown extensively. This was an area that was identified as a weakness two years ago and it is now a comprehensive strength. As always none of this would have been possible without the support of our enthusiastic volunteers and our invaluable network of partners, including New Zealand Cricket, Experience Wellington, the Wellington City Council, and Cricket Wellington. This year we have also benefited from the addition of Barry Pateman as Collections Assistant and two student volunteers, Danielle Lane and Harley Richards, whose work contributed to our increase in catalogued objects.

Jamie Bell | Director New Zealand Cricket Museum



Martin David Crowe MBE (1962 – 2016)

One of the most elegant batsmen to play the game, and a positive, imaginative captain, Martin Crowe became New Zealand's pre-eminent cricketer. His early death from a rare form of lymphoma in March was keenly felt wherever the sport is played.

Born in Auckland, which he first represented as a 17-year-old in January 1980, he was the younger brother of New Zealand captain Jeff. Their father David, a left-handed batsman, played once for Wellington and twice for Auckland in the 1950s.

Nicknamed "Hogan" after captaining a junior team known as "Hogan's Heroes", Crowe played for Auckland until 1983 before switching to Central Districts for the next seven seasons. He made his highest domestic score of 242 for Central against Otago at New Plymouth in January 1990. During that period he also played for and captained Somerset in the English County Championship with considerable success, and was named a Wisden Cricketer-of-the-Year following the 1985 New Zealand tour of England.

He moved to Wellington in mid-1990 and linked up with the Wellington Collegians Cricket Club. He played just nine first class matches for Wellington over the next five seasons, making 865 runs at the marvellous average of 66.53. He scored four centuries, the highest being a match-winning 193* against Canterbury in his final season.

In 15 one-day games he scored 713 runs at an average of 47.53 including two centuries. In 1990/91 he formed a formidable opening partnership with Richard Reid in the one-day Shell Cup competition, seeing Wellington to victory over Central Districts in the Final at the Basin Reserve.

In February 1991 Crowe made his monumental 299 in the First Test against Sri Lanka at the Basin Reserve,

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sharing in a then world record 467-run partnership for the third wicket with Andrew Jones.

His feats as the leading batsman and captain during the Cricket World Cup in 1992 brought the "Young Guns" to the brink of qualifying for the Final, despite having been given little chance at the start of the tournament.

Crowe had made his Test debut in December 1982 and was dogged by a chronic knee injury that forced his retirement at the age of 33, following the 1995 tour of India. In his 77 Tests he scored the most runs (5,444), the most centuries (17) and the then highest score for New Zealand. In 143 ODI games he had also scored the most runs (4,704) and the most centuries (4).

Crowe has more Test runs on the Basin Reserve than anyone else with 1123 in 17 innings at an average of 70.18. These include five centuries, with his 299 against Sri Lanka being the highest.

After his retirement Crowe worked for Sky Television, developing Cricket Max, which was a forerunner to the T/20 game and he was instrumental in the televising of College First XV rugby matches on a regular basis. Always intense, and sometimes emotional as a player, he became a perceptive commentator and writer on the game and was a trusted mentor of New Zealand batsmen Stephen Fleming, Martin Guptill, Ross Taylor and Kane Williamson.

He had been made a Member of the Order of the British Empire in the 1992 New Year's Honours list, and in a moving ceremony during the 2015 Cricket World Cup was inducted into the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame.



Ivan Clulee was born in Christchurch and lived his early years in the Woolston Post Office building where his father Charles was postmaster. After a spell faming in Canterbury, he came to Wellington and worked as a draughtsman at Post Office Headquarters where he stayed for 35 years until his retirement in 2000.

He moved to Wainui and became an active member of the Wainuiomata Cricket Club. For many years he was a conscientious Secretary/Treasurer of the Hutt Valley-based Nondescripts Cricket Club, which played Sunday fixtures and mid-week games against College teams in the area and beyond. He wrote a history of the Club when it celebrated its 40th anniversary in 2002, and updated it a decade later. He was also a keen lawn bowler, playing at the Woburn Bowling Club – now Massey Avenue.

Following his retirement Ivan wrote a series of books of notable post office buildings up and down the country, lovingly describing their character, history and current use.

A Life Member of the Hutt Valley Cricket Association, Ivan became a Vice-President of Cricket Wellington on the amalgamation with Hutt Valley in 1996.



Ivan Brandon Clulee (1934 – 2016)



David Stanley Velvin MB ChB. (1948 – 2015)

Originally from Hawkes Bay, where he played cricket for the Hastings Boys' High School First XI, Dave studied medicine in Dunedin before travelling overseas then settling in Wellington. Apart from running his busy Kelburn practice Dave would go along to Athletic Park on Saturdays, where he not only looked after injured players but attended those in the crowd who got into difficulties. He also carried out medical-related work for Police, Traffic and Customs.

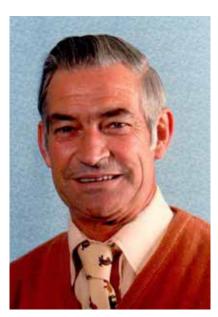
Widely known as "Dr Dave", he was heavily involved with the Wellington and Hurricanes rugby teams and succeeded Dr Bill Treadwell as the Cricket Wellington honorary medical officer in 1989, stepping down because of ill-health in 2011. He was the on-call medical officer for Test matches at the Basin Reserve over many years, and provided medical support to countless visiting domestic players and teams. He was made a Vice-President of Cricket Wellington in 2014 in recognition of his invaluable service over so many seasons.

Dave will be fondly remembered by his many friends and former patients for whom he always had sound advice and a cheery word.

Keith Smith was a technically correct right-handed top-order batsman and canny left-arm slow bowler. Born in Masterton he attended Wellington College as a boarder where he displayed talent for many sports. After a period working he spent a year at Hutt Valley High School, before training as a teacher in Wellington, where he joined the Institute Cricket Club. His Wellington debut was against Central Districts at the Basin Reserve on Christmas Day 1953, when he top scored with 27 in the first innings and 141* in the second of the drawn four-day match. He went on to play five matches for Wellington that season and the next, scoring 403 runs at 44.77 and taking a couple of wickets.

Keith then took up a teaching position at Te Harato in Hawkes Bay where he joined the Marist Old Boys club and played a further 33 matches for Central Districts, scoring 1316 runs, including one century, and taking 33 wickets at 23.09.

Returning to Wellington after a stint in Western Samoa, Keith became a stalwart of the Upper Hutt Cricket District Club and a mentor to many younger players. These included his son Shane with whom he played several seasons in the senior team, playing until well into his 40s. He was an astute Wellington selector from 1969 to 1975, a period in which Wellington twice won the Plunket Shield, and was made a Vice-President of the WCA in 1978.



Keith Frederick Henry Smith (1929 – 2016)



BASIN RESERVE TRUST

Masterplan

A year ago the Basin Reserve Trust was fortunate to secure significant funding for redevelopment of the ground, through the Wellington City Council's Long Term Plan. This was a positive step forward by the Council and the Trust, ensuring the ground's continued pre-eminence as New Zealand's home of cricket. So it was with great excitement and energy, that the project took its first tangible steps in the 2015/16 season.

The most obvious of these has been the complete refurbishment of the old groundsman's shed, now proudly renamed the Wes Armstrong Cottage, in honour of the long-serving head groundsman during the 1980's and 90's. While the dilapidated state of the old shed would have daunted many, the team of architects Tennent-Brown and builders Maycroft have achieved an incredible result. The Basin now proudly contains a beautifully restored 130-year-old 'house', sitting atop a modern and very functional groundsman's work area. This successful blend of old and new is a signal of the way that the ground can develop into the future.

The next stage of the project, currently underway, is a facelift for the 36-year-old RA Vance Stand. By project completion, the Stand will be restored to a near new exterior, with glazing, steelwork, paint and seats all being renewed. In terms of the interior, the Trust and partners are working hard to achieve a similar standard, with particular focus on the Norwood Room, the Long Room and the Kitchen. It is anticipated that this work will be complete by the time of the Test Match against South Africa in mid-March.

Sitting over the top of these specific projects is the continued development and refinement of the overall

Masterplan. Following Council approval for the project through the Long Term Plan, architects Tennent-Brown have been engaged to lead a design process that fleshes out the initial concepts outlined in the original Masterplan. This will address key issues such as ground capacity, passive community use and the future of the Museum Stand. The community response to this process has been outstanding, with the number of submissions well exceeding expectations. Pleasingly, the vast majority of these are in support of the process and reinforce just how important the Basin Reserve is to Wellingtonians. Once the updated plan is completed in the coming months, it will be submitted to the newly elected City Councillors in February for approval.

Cricket Programme

The 2015/16 season saw the return of limited overs international cricket to the Basin Reserve, hosting the BlackCaps and Pakistan in mid-January. The event was a great success, with the sold-out sign going up several weeks in advance. On the field, the BlackCaps romped to a commanding win, while the sun shone down on packed embankments and bleachers. A special thank-you needs to go to the Wellington City Council and Wellington Regional Stadium Trust for helping to make this event a reality. It clearly demonstrated that in Westpac Stadium and the Basin Reserve, Wellington is blessed with two fantastic and complementary cricket venues.

After this delicious entrée, the perfect main followed a month later with the BlackCaps hosting Australia in the First Test Match of the ANZ series. The match was also notable for being captain Brendon McCullum's 100^{th} consecutive Test Match, a world first. Again the

Wellington faithful turned up in droves, with the first three days all selling out. Unfortunately our high hopes for the BlackCaps were dashed by an Australian team that proved it's still a force to be reckoned with, despite the retirement of headline players. However, New Zealand fans are known for their faithful optimism, Wellingtonians more so, and there is always next summer.

Looking ahead, the Basin plays host to two Test Matches in 2016/17, with Bangladesh and South Africa both visiting. We can't wait to show off the new and improved facilities when they arrive in town.

Robbie Williams Concert

Before cricket got underway last season, the Basin Reserve played host to Robbie Williams in late October. A crowd of over 10,000 packed the Basin on a perfect evening for his show. Clear blue skies on a windless day made for ideal conditions and ensured the concert was heard crystal clear from as far away as Island Bay. Special congratulations and thanks go to the team at Positively Wellington Venues for putting on a real spectacle, and the Basin ground-staff for making sure the playing surface bounced back so quickly for the start of the cricket season. We look forward to working with the Council's events team in future, to bring more such acts to the Basin.

Acknowledgements

As always, we need to acknowledge the support of many groups and individuals who have a hand in making sure the Basin Reserve remains a special place. The senior leadership team at the Council, from chief executive Dr Kevin Lavery down, have been so supportive and understanding of the direction the Basin is heading. The Wellington Stadium Trust are our close partners and play an integral part in the ground's operations, particularly turf management. Ultimately a cricket ground is judged on its cricket block and outfield, so it is a credit to head groundsman Hagen Faith and his team that the Basin continues to rank as the premier venue in the country.

Finally a special mention to someone who has worked tirelessly behind the scenes, perhaps without the recognition he deserves. After four years overseeing the Basin Reserve, Richard Hardie from the Wellington City Council's CCO department is moving on. Richard's brief has been to steer the Basin Reserve Trust through the Council's regulatory requirements, but it has been so much more than that. It is perhaps fitting that his legacy will be the redevelopment of the ground, something that he can look back on with pride in the years to come.

Brian Dickinson Operations Manager





WELLINGTON **CRICKET TRUST**

Wellington Cricket Trust Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 30 June 2016

Income & Expenditure Account

	2015	2016
Income		
WCA - Playing Levies	12,500	13,185
Interest Received	2,267	2,791
	14,767	15,976
Expenditure		
WCA - Development Grant	22,000	-
WCA – Cricket Coordinator Grant	-	15,000
Victoria University – Grant for nets	-	5,000
WCA – Development Grant		18,000
Other Expenses	126	51
	. 22,126	38,051
Deficit for Year	(7,359)	(22,075)

Statement of Financial Position

Accumulated Funds Less Deficit for Year	119,876 (7,359)	112,517 (22,075)
	112,517	90,442
Represented by		
ANZ Bank Account	112,517	90,442

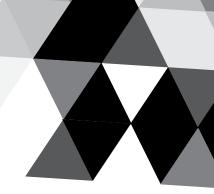
ANZ Bank Accounts

Term Deposits (due 1.11.16) 35,812 Current Account 54,630 90,442

Trustee:



Finance Committee



Cricket Wellington reported a total deficit of \$37,746 for the year ended 31 July 2016, compared to a total deficit of \$6,218 in 2015. This comprised an operating cash surplus of \$60,597 (2015: \$70,361) from which depreciation of \$135,113 was deducted, before capital grants of \$36,770 were added to derive the final overall result.

Total revenue was \$62,023 lower than the 2015-16 year, although this figure is somewhat artificial as it includes a reduction in 'contra' sponsorship. There was also a reduction in Professional Game costs from the previous year, something that is simply passed from NZ Cricket through CW for the delivery of domestic cricket, and to the players as recipients. On the other hand, Memberships, Cash Sponsorship, Hospitality, and Trust Funding all increased over the previous year, albeit in some instances, not attaining the budgeted levels of income sought.

The increase in memberships, both in number and income, was particularly welcome. The previous year, fans supported Cricket World Cup matches in preference to the domestic game. This past summer however, the excitement and immediate legacy of that tournament saw local fans supporting both domestic and international cricket through their purchase of memberships. Similarly, the sight of families enjoying domestic T20 matches at the Basin Reserve was welcome, again a likely result of the popularity of cricket after the CWC2015. Once again the T20 competition window was challenging, with the games played throughout November. However we look forward to increased crowds for this coming season's competition, with the tournament being played from early December to early January.

Expenses were managed to budget and ended \$38,574 lower than the 2014-15 season. It was pleasing within this context to continue to invest in community cricket to a similar level as the previous year, with the One Club programme now entrenched as the primary supporting initiative for our member clubs.

Last year we reported on two major pieces of ongoing work; the adoption of the "Participation Agreement" by all Major Associations and NZC, and the allocation of international matches by NZC for a two-year term. The opportunities presented by the Participation Agreement will be available for the remaining two years of the Master Agreement. The CW Board is positioning itself to maximize these opportunities, as well as working with NZC and the other MA's as regards initial thoughts on the future Master Agreement environment, due to take effect from 2018. We have also received confirmation of the international programme for the next two seasons, providing a degree of medium-term certainty for planning and budgeting that previously did not exist.

The CW Strategic Plan, published last summer, has a number of commercial and financial objectives. Key among these are the goals of delivering cash reserves of a minimum of \$400K by 2019, and doubling income from professional cricket within that same timeframe. While challenging, these are worthy ambitions if we are to continue to invest in the game throughout our region.

This year Cricket Wellington has adopted new accounting standards, which require the income and expenditure to be reported in a different format to recent years. We trust that the accompanying accounts continue to provide relevant information required by stakeholders.

Our thanks to the Association's accounting provider, Game Plan Financial Services, for their services and assistance this past year, as well as the finance advice and support provided by NZC. We also extend our thanks to CW's valued members, and commercial and trust funding partners, in particular Infinity Foundation and NZCT for their continued support of our community cricket programme.

Cricket Wellington Finance Committee



Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses

for the year ended 31 July 2016

N	Note	2016 \$	2015
Revenue	3	4,058,061	\$ 4,120,084
Less Contribution to Professional Revenue		(185,030)	(176,951)
Net Revenue		3,873,031	3,943,133
Expenses	4		
Remuneration and related costs		1,412,387	1,397,002
Administration		273,860	278,650
Commercial and marketing		219,569	236,214
Player payments		790,408	766,219
Match and team costs		831,357	875,231
Grants - community		247,287	254,225
Depreciation and amortisation		135,113	140,443
Loss on disposal of assets		796	1,367
Total Expenses	_	3,910,777	3,949,351
(Deficit) for the year	_	(37,746)	(6,218)
Other comprehensive revenue and expense for the year		-	-
Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year	=	(37,746)	(6,218)

Statement of Changes in Net Assets/Equity

for the year ended 31 July 2016

	Accumulated revenue and expense (Total equity)
Opening balance 1 August 2014	\$ 697,967
Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year	(6,218)
Transactions with owners of the entity in their capacity as owners	-
Closing Equity 31 July 2015	691,749
Opening balance 1 August 2015	691,749
Total comprehensive revenue and expense for the year	(37,746)
Transactions with owners of the entity in their capacity as owners	-
Closing Equity 31 July 2016	654,003

The Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

Statement of Financial Position

as at 31 July 2016

	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash in Bank Receivables - exchange transactions Prepayments GST Receivable Inventories	5 6 7	338,524 31,092 30,940 3,158 21,706	47,712 91,915 20,343 1,098 17,529
		425,420	178,597
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables - exchange transactions Deferred revenue Employee Entitlements Loans and borrowings	8 9 10 12	102,392 219,415 51,707 8,230	118,459 9,174 49,803 8,230
		381,744	185,666
Net Working Capital		43,676	(7,069)
NON-CURRENT ASSETS Property, plant and equipment	11	655,592	752,313
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES Loans and borrowings	12	45,265	53,495
NET ASSETS	_	654,003	691,749
EQUITY		654,003	691,749

For and on behalf of the Board of Cricket Wellington Incorporated which approved and authorised the issue of the financial report on 16 September 2016.

Bruce Pepperell

Chairman

Peter Clinton Chief Executive Officer

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Cash Flow Statement

for the year ended 31 July 2016

	Note	2016 \$	2015 \$
Cash flows from Operating Activities			
Cash was provided from:			
Receipts from Sponsorship, Grants and Other Activities		3,190,178	2,796,733
Interest Received		3,063	3,643
		3,193,241	2,800,376
Cash was applied to:			
Payments to Suppliers, Employees and Associations		(2,855,010)	(2,766,358)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	19	338,231	34,018
Cash flows from Investing Activities			
Cash was applied to:			
Purchase of Property, Plant and Equipment		(39,189)	(72,847)
Net cash (outflow) from investing activities		(39,189)	(72,847)
Cash flows from Financing Activities			
Cash was applied to: Payments of loan principal		(8,230)	(8,230)
Net cash (outflow) from financing activities		(8,230)	(8,230)
Net Increase / (Decrease) in cash held		290,812	(47,059)
Cash and Cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	5	47,712	94,771
Cash and Cash equivalents at the end of the year	5	338,524	47,712

The Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Accounts

for the year ended 31 July 2016

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

1.1 Reporting Entity

Cricket Wellington Incorporated ("Cricket Wellington") is incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

Cricket Wellington is a public benefit entity for the purposes of financial reporting in accordance with the Financial Reporting Act 2013.

1.2 Statement of Compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice ("NZ GAAP"). They comply with Public Benefit Entity Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime ("PBE Standards RDR") and Public Benefit Entity International Public Sector Accounting Standards ("PBE IPSAS") that have been authorised for use by the External Reporting Board for Not-for-Profit entities.

Cricket Wellington is a public benefit not for profit and is eligible to apply Tier 2 PBE standards on the basis that it does not have public accountability and is not defined as large.

1.3 Measurement Basis

Unless otherwise stated, the measurement base is that of historical cost. Reliance is placed on the fact that Cricket Wellington is a going concern.

1.4 Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in New Zealand dollars (\$) which is the entity's functional currency, rounded to the nearest dollar.

There has been no change in the functional currency.

1.5 Use of judgements and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires the Board and management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.

(a) Judgements

Judgements made in applying accounting policies that have had the most significant effects on the amounts recognised in the financial statements is revenue recognition – non-exchange revenue (conditions vs. restrictions).

(b) Assumptions and estimation uncertainties

Assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment in the year ending 31 July 2016 is the useful life, recoverable amount and depreciation method and rate of Property, plant and equipment.

(c) Changes in accounting estimates

The accounting policies set out below have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements and have been applied consistently by Cricket Wellington.

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1.6 Effect of First-Time Adoption of PBE Standards on Accounting Policies and Disclosures

This is the first set of financial statements of Cricket Wellington that is presented in accordance with PBE Standards. Cricket Wellington have previously reported in accordance with Old New Zealand Generally Accepted Accounting Practice ("old NZ GAAP") financial reporting standards under the framework for differential reporting.

Cricket Wellington applied the transitional provisions of PBE Financial Reporting Standard 47 – 'First-Time Adoption of PBE Standards by Entities other than those previously applying NZ IFRS'. There were no material financial adjustments required for the comparative figures presented for the year ended 30 June 2015 as a result of adopting Tier 2 PBE Standards. The accounting policies adopted in these financial statements are consistent with those of the previous financial year, except for instances when the accounting or reporting requirements of a PBE Standard are different to requirements under old NZ GAAP as outlined below. Some comparatives have also been reclassified in order to be consistent with disclosure for the current year.

1.6.1 PBE IPSAS 1 - Presentation of financial statements

There are minor differences arising from the transition to PBE IPSAS 1 from the equivalent old NZ GAAP standard. These differences have an effect on disclosure only. The main change in disclosure resulting from the application of PBE IPSAS 1 relates to trade and other receivables from exchange and non-exchange transactions. In the financial statements of the previous financial year, receivables were presented as a single total in the statement of financial position. However, PBE IPSAS 1 requires receivables from non-exchange transactions and receivables from exchange transactions to be presented separately in the statement of financial position.

1.6.2 PBE IPSAS 23 - Revenue from Non-Exchange Transactions

PBE IPSAS 23 prescribes the financial reporting requirements for revenue arising from non-exchange transactions. There is no equivalent financial reporting standard under old NZGAAP. The application of this standard affected the accounting for funding and grants revenue.

In the previous financial year, grants received in relation to the provision of a service were recognised as revenue on a percentage of completion basis. However, PBE IPSAS 23 requires revenue from non-exchange transactions, such as grants, to be recognised as revenue as they are received, unless the grant meets the definition of and recognition criteria for a liability.

Non-exchange revenue from grants can only be deferred and recognised as a liability if there is a condition attached to the grant that requires an entity to use the grant as specified or return of the grant if the entity does not perform as specified.

Other than presentation, there were no changes to the financial statements as a result of application of the standards discussed above.

2. Specific accounting policies

The following specific accounting policies have been used in preparing these financial statements.

2.1 Revenue

Revenue is recognised when the amount of revenue can be measured reliably and it is probable that economic benefits will flow to Cricket Wellington, and is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

The following specific recognition criteria in relation to Cricket Wellington's revenue streams must also be met before revenue is recognised.

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Revenue from non-exchange transactions

Non-exchange transactions are those where Cricket Wellington's receives an inflow of resources but provides no (or nominal) direct consideration in return.

With the exception of services-in-kind, inflows of resources from non-exchange transactions are only recognised as assets where both:

- It is probable that the associated future economic benefit or service potential will flow to the entity, and
- Fair value is reliably measurable.

Inflow of resources from non-exchange transactions that are recognised as assets are recognised as non-exchange revenue, to the extent that a liability is not recognised in respect to the same inflow.

Liabilities are recognised in relation to inflows of resources from non-exchange transactions when there is a resulting present obligation as a result of the non-exchange transactions, where both:

- It is probable that an outflow of resources embodying future economic benefit or service potential will be required to settle the obligation, and
- The amount of the obligation can be reliably estimated.

The following specific recognition criteria in relation to the Cricket Wellington's non-exchange transaction revenue streams must also be met before revenue is recognised.

Grants from New Zealand Cricket - General Funding and other non-exchange revenue

New Zealand Cricket (NZC) - General Funding and other non-exchange revenue is recognised when the conditions attached to the grant have been complied with. Where there are unfulfilled conditions attached to the grant, the amount relating to the unfulfilled condition is recognised as a liability and released to revenue as the conditions are fulfilled.

Stipulations that are 'conditions' specifically require Cricket Wellington to return the inflow of resources received if they are not utilised in the way stipulated, resulting in the recognition of a *non-exchange liability* that is subsequently recognised as *non-exchange revenue* as and when the 'conditions' are satisfied.

Stipulations that are 'restrictions' that do not specifically require Cricket Wellington to return the inflow of resources received if they are not utilised in the way stipulated, do not result in the recognition of a *non-exchange liability*, resulting in the immediate recognition of *non-exchange revenue*.

Revenue from exchange transactions

Gate Receipts

Entrance fees for functions and events are recorded as revenue when the function or event takes place and are measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Rights

Hosting and hospitality income is recorded as revenue when the function or event takes place and is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable

Season membership fees

Revenue is recognised over the period of the membership (usually the cricket season). Amounts received in advance for memberships or subscriptions relating to future periods are recognised as a liability until such time that period covering the membership occurs.

Coaching & facilities

Revenue is recognised immediately where members, groups or individuals purchase specific services relating to coaching and development courses. At year end any revenues for which the conditions of receipt have not been met are then transferred to deferred revenue. Once the conditions have been met, the revenue is recognised in that financial year.

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Sponsorship in Kind

Cricket Wellington receives non-cash sponsorship in the form of goods and services. The fair value of the goods and services received is recognised as Sponsorship revenue in the Statement of Comprehensive Revenue and Expenses.

Grant Revenue from NZ Cricket, Funding Organisation and Other Grants

Grant revenue, with the exception of NZC General Funding as discussed above, is recognised when the conditions attached to the grant have been complied with. Where there are unfulfilled conditions attaching to the grant, the amount relating to the unfulfilled condition is recognised as a liability and released to revenue as the conditions are fulfilled.

2.2 Employee benefits

Liabilities for wages and salaries, annual leave and accumulating sick leave are recognised in surplus or deficit during the period in which the employee provided the related services. Liabilities for the associated benefits are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

2.3 Financial instruments

Financial assets

Financial assets within the scope of NFP PBE IPSAS 29 Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement are classified as financial assets at fair value through surplus or deficit, loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments or available-for-sale financial assets. The classifications of the financial assets are determined at initial recognition.

The category determines subsequent measurement and whether any resulting income and expense is recognised in surplus or deficit or in other comprehensive revenue and expenses. Cricket Wellington's financial assets are classified as loans and receivables. The financial assets include: cash and cash equivalents and receivables from exchange transactions.

All financial assets are subject to review for impairment at least at each reporting date. Different criteria to determine impairment are applied for each category of financial assets, of which, Cricket Wellington has only loans and receivables and is described below.

Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. After initial recognition, these are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any allowance for impairment. Cricket Wellington's cash and cash equivalents and receivables from exchange transactions fall into this category of financial instruments.

Impairment of financial assets

Cricket Wellington assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired. A financial asset or a group of financial assets is impaired and impairment losses are incurred if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a 'loss event') and that loss event has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the financial asset or the group of financial assets that can be reliably

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, if there is objective evidence that an impairment loss on loans and receivables carried at amortised cost has been incurred, the amount of the loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the financial asset's original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset is reduced through the use of an allowance account. The amount of the loss is recognised in the surplus or deficit for the reporting period.

If in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognised, the previously recognised impairment loss is reversed by adjusting the allowance account. If the reversal results in the carrying amount exceeding its amortised cost, the amount of the reversal is recognised in surplus or deficit.

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Financial liabilities

Cricket Wellington's financial liabilities include payables – exchange transactions (excluding GST and PAYE), employee entitlements and loans and borrowings.

All financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value (plus transaction cost for financial liabilities not at fair value through surplus or deficit) and are measured subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.4 Property, plant and equipment

Items of property plant and equipment are initially measured at cost, except those acquired through non-exchange transactions which are instead measured at fair value as their deemed cost at initial recognition.

Items of property, plant and equipment are measured under the Cost Model which shows initial cost including any expenditure directly attributable to the acquisition, delivery or installation (or fair value for items acquired through non-exchange transactions) less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Cricket Wellington's items are subsequently measured in accordance with the Cost Model.

Any gain or loss on disposal of an item of property, plant and equipment (calculated as the difference between the net proceeds from disposal and the carrying amount of the item) is recognised in surplus or deficit.

Depreciation is recognised in surplus or deficit on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of each component of an item of property, plant and equipment. Assets under construction are not subject to depreciation.

The estimated useful lives/straight line depreciation rates are:

Land and Buildings
 Grounds Plant and Equipment
 Furniture and fittings
 Computer equipment
 Office equipment
 Land and Buildings
 SL 5 - 36% (2015: 5 - 36%)
 SL 5 - 36% (2015: 8.4 - 40%)
 SL 10.2 - 67% (2015: 10.2 - 67%)
 SL 5 - 36% (2015: 5 - 36%)

Depreciation methods, useful lives, and residual values are reviewed at reporting date and adjusted if appropriate.

2.5 Impairment of non-financial assets

The carrying amounts of Cricket Wellington's non-financial assets, other than inventories, are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated.

2.6 Leases

Leases in terms of which Cricket Wellington assumes substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are classified as finance leases

Finance leases

Upon initial recognition the leased asset is measured at an amount equal to the lower of its fair value and the present value of the minimum lease payments. Subsequent to initial recognition, the asset is accounted for in accordance with the accounting policy applicable to that asset.

Operating leases

Leases that are not finance leases are classified as operating leases. Operating leases are not recognised in Cricket Wellington's statement of financial position. Payments made under operating leases are recognised in surplus or deficit on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease. Lease incentives received are recognised as an integral part of the total lease expense, over the term of the lease

2.7 Income Tax

Cricket Wellington is exempt from Income Tax under section CW46 of the Income Tax Act 2007.

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2.8 Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST except for receivables and payables, which are stated with the amount of GST included.

The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the Inland Revenue Department is included as part of receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are included in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities, which is recoverable from, or payable to, the Inland Revenue Department is classified as part of operating cash flows

2.9 Equity

Equity is the community's interest in Cricket Wellington, measured as the difference between total assets and total liabilities. Equity is made up of the following components:

Accumulated comprehensive revenue and expense

Accumulated comprehensive revenue and expense is Cricket Wellington's accumulated surplus or deficit since its formation, adjusted for transfers to/from specific reserves.

2.10 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

2.11 Inventories

Inventories held for consumption in the provision of services that are not sold on a commercial basis are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

For inventory that was acquired through non-exchange transactions, the cost of the inventory is its fair value at the date of acquisition. For inventory held for the distribution or consumption in providing goods and services to be distributed at no charge or for nominal charge, these are measured at cost adjusted for any loss of service potential.

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2016

3. Revenue		
	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Revenue from non-exchange transactions:		
NZ Cricket - General Funding	963,254	963,254
Event distribution	-	37,891
Other operating revenue	75,100	78,245
	1,038,354	1,079,390
Revenue from exchange transactions:		
Grants from NZ Cricket	1,376,688	1,504,657
Funding organisations - operating	524,500	497,444
Funding organisations - capital development	36,770	63,864
Other grants	12,000	38,000
Gate receipts	26,975	35,766
Sponsorships	241,407	321,401
Levies	256,041	281,712
Commercial activities	304,512	111,878
Coaching and facilities	147,811	114,153
Interest on loans and receivables	3,063	3,643
Other operating revenue	89,940	68,176
	3,019,707	3,040,694
Total Revenue	4,058,061	4,120,084
4. Expenses	2016	2015
<u></u> po	\$	\$
	•	•
The following amounts are included in expenses for the year:		
Fees paid to auditors for the audit of the financial statements	12,750	10,000
Operating lease rentals	94,822	107,496
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There were no non-audit services provided by the auditors of the financial statements, Deloitte.		
5 Cook and Cook Emilyalanta	2042	2045
5. Cash and Cash Equivalents	2016 ¢	2015 ¢
Current accets	\$	\$
Current assets Cash on hand	400	400
Bank - operating	104,858	30,110
Bank - call deposits	233,266	17,202
Cash and cash equivalents in the statement of cash flows		47,712
Cash and Cash equivalents in the statement of Cash Hows	338,524	41,112
Per annum annual interest rate ranges applicable to components of cash and cash equivalents:		
Bank - call deposits		1-1.1%

There are no restrictions over any of the cash and cash equivalent balances held by Cricket Wellington.

Cricket Wellington has a \$100,000 unsecured overdraft facility, which remains undrawn (2015: \$100,000).

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2016

6. Receivables - Exchange Transactions	2016	2015
	\$	\$
To do an abrable form such and house them.	24.000	04.045
Trade receivables from exchange transactions	31,092	91,915
	31,092	91,915
There are no amounts overdue or impaired as at year end relating to Receivables from exchange transaction	ons (2015: nil).	
7. Inventories	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Finished Goods		
Cricket Balls	21,073	16,216
Clothing and Merchandise	633	1,313
	21,706	17,529
There were no reversale of proviously written down inventory items (2015; pil)		
There were no reversals of previously written down inventory items (2015: nil). There are no items of inventory pledged as security against any of the Cricket Wellington's liabilities (2015:	nil)	
There are no items of inventory pleaged as security against any of the Chicket Wellington's liabilities (2015.	1111 <i>)</i> .	
8. Payables – exchange transactions	2016	2015
•	\$	\$
Trade payables from exchange transactions	78,799	109,134
Sundry accruals	23,593	9,325
	102,392	118,459
	2012	2045
9. Deferred revenue	2016	2015
Membership food and subaggistions received in advance	\$	\$ 283
Membership fees and subscriptions received in advance	-	
Exchange revenue received in advance - lease	900	1,350
Exchange revenue received in advance - coaching and training programes	17,016	7,541
Grants from exchanges transactions in advance	201,499 219,415	9,174
	219,413	3,174
(i) Deferred revenue represents income which relates to expenditure which will be incurred in the following	vear and primarily	relates to
grants from funding organisations.	. ,	
10. Employee entitlements	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Current		
Short-term entitlements	51,707	49,803
Total employee entitlements	51,707	49,803

Employee entitlements include payments due for PAYE, Kiwisaver and Student Loan deductions and wage accruals.

for the year ended 31 July 2016

11. Property, plant and equipment

	Land and buildings	Grounds Plant and equipment	Furniture and fittings	Computer equipment	Office furniture	Total
Cost or valuation	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 Aug 2015	1,680,636	360,998	69,751	63,864	39,104	2,214,352
Additions (exchange)	-	39,189	-	-	-	39,189
Additions (non-exchange)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	(2,990)	(58,624)	_	-	(795)	(62,409)
Balance as at 31 Jul 2016	1,677,646	341,563	69,751	63,864	38,309	2,191,133
Accumulated depreciation and impairment						
Balance as at 1 Aug 2015	1,133,655	189,333	57,016	48,189	33,846	1,462,039
Depreciation	97,287	20,910	3,106	12,019	1,792	135,114
Impairment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reversal of impairment	-	-	-	-	-	-
Disposals	(2,194)	(58,624)	-	-	(794)	(61,612)
Balance as at 31 Jul 2016	1,228,748	151,619	60,122	60,208	34,844	1,535,541
Net book value						
As at 1 Aug 2014	635,753	144,778	15,451	18,072	7,223	821,276
As at 31 Jul 2015	546,981	171,665	12,735	15,675	5,258	752,313
As at 31 Jul 2016	448,898	189,944	9,629	3,656	3,465	655,592
	. 10,000	.55,611	3,020	3,000	5,100	330,002

⁽i) Impairment and impairment reversals (cash-generating assets)

There has been no impairment or impairment reversal of Property, plant and equipment during the year. (2015: nil)

There are no items of Property, plant and equipment that are pledged as security. (2015: nil)

12. Loans and Borrowings	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Current interest bearing loans and borrowings		
Porirua City Council	8,230	8,230
Non-current interest bearing loans and borrowings		
Porirua City Council	45,265	53,495
	53,495	61,725

The loan from Porirua City Council was made as part of the funding of the Mana Indoor Facility under a Shared Responsibility Scheme. This loan is interest free for a term of 15 years, repayable in bi-annual instalments through to July 2023.

⁽ii) Security held over items of property plant and equipment

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13. Financial Instruments	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Financial assets - Loans and receivables		
Cash and cash equivalent (assets)	338,524	47,712
Receivables	31,092	139,571
Financial liabilities - Amortised cost		
Payables - exchange transactions	(78,799)	(109,134)
Accruals	(23,593)	(9,325)
Employee Entitlements	(51,707)	(49,803)
Loans and borrowings	(53,495)	(61,725)
	162,022	(42,704)
14. Operating Leases	2016	2015
14. Operating Ecosos	\$	\$
The future non-cancellable minimum lease payments of operating leases as lessee at reporting date are detailed in the table below:	*	•
Not later than 1 year	103,018	100,860
1 – 2 years	89,085	87,637
2 – 5 years	155,018	226,045
Later than 5 years	424	424
	347,545	414,966

Terms of the Leases for the various Cricket Academies

Westpac Stadium Indoor Facility

14 year lease expires July 2020, with an option to renew for a further 15 years

Hutt Rec Indoor Facility

9 year lease expires December 2017

Mana Indoor Facility

15 year lease expires February 2023, with an option to renew for a further 15 years

Cricket Wellington Inc. entered in to a sub-lease with the Hutt Cricket Academy in respect of the Hutt Rec. Indoor facility. This was for the period 12 August, 2015 to 11 August, 2016 and for \$10,800 for the period.

15. Related Parties

Steven Fyfe is a Trustee of the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust. Cricket Wellington leases the School of Cricket facilities from the Wellington Regional Stadium Trust, and the Stadium facility for certain events (2015: same).

Richard Suhr is a shareholder in CricHQ Limited. Cricket Wellington uses CricHQ products, and in 2016 entered into a sponsorship agreement with CricHQ (2015: Cricket Wellington used CricHQ products, no sponsorship agreement existed).

Notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 July 2016

Key Management Personnel

The key management personnel, as defined by PBE IPSAS 20 Related Party Disclosures, are the members of the governing body which is comprised of the Board of Directors, Chief Executive Officer, Commercial Manager, Community Cricket Manager and the Director of Cricket. No remuneration is paid to members of the Board of Directors. The aggregate remuneration of key management personnel and the number of individuals, determined on a full-time equivalent basis, receiving remuneration is as follows:

	2016	2015
Key management personnel		
Total Remuneration (\$)	442,401	419,009
Number of People (full time equivalents)	4	4
Board of Directors		
Total Remuneration (\$)	-	-
Number of People (full time equivalents)	7	7

16. Capital commitments

There were no capital commitments at the reporting date. (2015: \$Nil).

17. Contingent assets and liabilities

There are no contingent assets or liabilities at the reporting date. (2015: \$Nil).

18. Events after the reporting date

The Board of Directors and management are not aware of any other matters or circumstances since the end of the reporting period, not otherwise dealt with in these financial statements, that have significantly or may significantly affect the operations of Cricket Wellington. (2015: \$Nil).

19. Reconciliation of net operating (deficit) with net cash inflow from operating activities	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Net (Deficit) for the year	(37,746)	(6,218)
Add non-cash items:		
Depreciation	135,113	140,443
Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	796	1,367
Movements in Working Capital:		
(Increase)/Decrease in Receivables and Recoverables	58,763	(28,548)
(Increase)/Decrease in Prepayments	(10,597)	(2,021)
(Increase)/Decrease in Inventories	(4,177)	(937)
Increase/(Decrease) in Payables - Exchange Transactions	(21,628)	8,798
Increase/(Decrease) in Deferred Revenue	215,803	(89,497)
Increase/(Decrease) in Employee Entitlements	1,904	10,631
	338,231	34,018

Some comparative figures both here and in the Cash Flow Statement have been reclassified for consistency with the current period disclosures.



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CRICKET WELLINGTON INCORPORATED

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Cricket Wellington Incorporated on pages 54 to 67, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 July 2016, and the statement of comprehensive revenue and expenses, statement of changes in net assets/equity and cash flow statement for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

This report is made solely to the Members, as a body, in accordance with Section 19.2 of the Constitution of Cricket Wellington Incorporated. Our audit has been undertaken so that we might state to the Members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Board of Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Statements

The Board of Directors are responsible on behalf of the entity for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements, in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime, and for such internal control as the Board of Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand). Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates, as well as the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Other than in our capacity as auditor, we have no relationship with or interests in Cricket Wellington Incorporated, except that partners and employees of our firm deal with Cricket Wellington Incorporated on normal terms within the ordinary course of trading activities of the business of Cricket Wellington Incorporated.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements on pages 54 to 67 present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Cricket Wellington Incorporated as at 31 July 2016, and its financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Standards Reduced Disclosure Regime.

Chartered Accountants 16 September 2016

Deloitte Limited

Wellington, New Zealand

STATISTICAL INFORMATION

Batting and bowling averages and abbreviated scorecards for the 2015/16 season follow.

If you require further information please visit the records archive online at:

http://www.blackcaps.co.nz/archive/seasons.aspx

A full record of historical Wellington statistics, career records, and awards (first class and club cricket) is available in a supplement format. Please contact Cricket Wellington to request a copy, or view online at www.cricketwellington.co.nz

PLUNKET SHIELD

2015/16

Batting and Fielding

Name	М	- 1	NO	R	HS	Ave	100	50	Ct	St
L Ronchi	4	8	1	454	116*	64.85	2	2	6	1
SG Borthwick	6	12	1	532	110*	48.36	2	3	4	
TA Blundell	10	19	2	761	153	44.76	1	5	19	1
SJ Murdoch	10	20	1	824	171	43.36	2	5	7	
LJ Woodcock	10	20	1	739	131	38.89	2	3	4	
MJ Taylor	1	2	1	38	33	38.00	0	0	1	
MA Pollard	7	14	1	386	68	29.69	0	5	9	
MHW Papps	10	20	0	580	132	29.00	1	3	12	
FJ Colson	7	14	2	330	97	27.50	0	2	5	
JD Gibson	1	2	0	51	38	25.50	0	0	1	
C Cachopa	3	6	0	138	76	23.00	0	1	0	
DS Hutchinson	7	11	4	145	48*	20.71	0	0	1	
IG McPeake	4	6	3	58	25	19.33	0	0	1	
A Verma	5	10	3	109	33*	15.57	0	0	4	
BJ Arnel	9	10	5	77	32*	15.40	0	0	2	
JS Patel	9	15	2	196	37*	15.07	0	0	5	
MB Bacon	3	4	1	36	23	12.00	0	0	2	
MB McEwan	3	3	0	36	22	12.00	0	0	1	
AD Day	1	2	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1	

Bowling

Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Ave	5WI
AD Day	27	6	81	3	3-48	27.00	0
JS Patel	364.1	89	1098	32	5-51	34.31	2
SG Borthwick	74	2	334	9	3-101	37.11	0
DS Hutchinson	223.5	45	834	22	5-116	37.90	1
IG McPeake	127.5	22	585	15	3-40	39.00	0
BJ Arnel	380.4	78	1264	32	5-51	39.50	1
MB Bacon	64.1	8	264	6	3-27	44.00	0
MB McEwan	118	33	362	8	2-42	45.25	0
A Verma	111	17	503	11	2-30	45.72	0
LJ Woodcock	42	9	131	1	1-27	131.00	0
JG Gibson	11	3	29	0	0		0
MJ Taylor	12	1	60	0	0		0

Also bowled: MHW Papps: 0.2-0-1-0

Points Table

Team	Р	W	L	D	Bat	Bowl	Pts	Net RR
Auckland	10	6	1	3	23	38	133	6.519
Canterbury	10	5	3	2	18	39	117	5.205
Wellington Firebirds	10	5	3	2	23	25	108	-6.427
Northern Districts	10	2	4	4	25	38	87	4.617
Central Districts	10	2	5	3	27	34	85	-4.821
Otago	10	1	5	4	15	34	61	-7.391

v Northern Districts

15-18 October 2015. Seddon Park, Hamilton

Points: Wellington 3 (2 batting, 1 bowling) Northern Districts 7 (3 batting, 4 bowling) Wellington 267 (Ronchi 115, Blundell 53, Patel 34; T Southee 5-56) and 409-9 (Murdoch 93, Pollard 53, Hutchinson 48*, Blundell 46, Woodcock 44, Arnel 32*; T Boult 5-97) Northern Districts 429 (D Flynn 102, B Popli 91, B Watling 89, K Williamson 65; Hutchinson

v Central Districts

23-26 October 2015. Saxton Oval, Nelson

Result: Wellington won by five wickets

Points: Wellington 3 (12 win, 4 batting, 4 bowling) Central Districts 6 (4 batting, 2 bowling).

Central Districts 385 (G Worker 210, C van Wyk 51, B Smith 41; Arnel 3-67, Hutchinson 3-71) and 273-5 dec (B Smith 117, C van Wyk 54; Patel 3-74, Arnel 3-90)

Wellington 353 (Murdoch 171, Cachopa 76, Blundell 45*, Woodcock 33; B Tickner 4-65) and 307-5 (Blundell 77*, Pollard 65, Papps 44, Cachopa 37, Taylor 33, Woodcock 31*).

v Otago

17 - 20 December 2015, Basin Reserve

Toss: Otago **Result:** Wellington won by 92 runs

Points: Wellington 18 (12 win, 3 batting, 3 bowling) Otago 3 (1 batting, 2 bowling) Wellington 328 (Ronchi 116, Pollard 50, Woodcock 39, Papps 32; B Scott 4-74) and 305-4 dec (Papps 132, Woodcock 131; B Scott 4-74)

Otago 279-dec (A Kitchen 72, B Wilson 60, N Broom 48; Patel 3-59) and 262 (N Broom 85, D de Boorder 58, B Wilson 57; Patel 6-77)

v Otago

5-8 February 2016, Queenstown Events Centre, Queenstown

Toss: Wellington

Result: Wellington won by 92 runs

Points: Wellington 19 (12 win, 3 bat, 4 bowl) Otago 4 (1 bat, 3 bowl) Wellington debuts: Scott Borthwick, Anurag Verma, Matt Bacon

Wellington 348 (Borthwick 102, Papps 85, Murdoch 36, Hutchinson 30; N Wagner 5-101) and 282-8 dec (Colson 97, Papps 60, Blundell 43, Verma 33*; M Craig 5-79) Otago 240 (H Rutherford 70, S Wells 51; Arnel 5-59, Day 3-48) and 288 (J Neesham 65, D de Boorder 50*, C Smith 41, H Rutherford 36; Bacon 3-27, Hutchinson 3-60).

v Auckland

13-16 February 2016. Colin Maiden Park, Auckland

Result: Auckland won by an innings and 92 runs
Points: Wellington 1 (1 bowling) Auckland 19 (12 win, 3 batting, 4 bowling) Wellington 174 (Ronchi 50, Verma 26; C de Grandhomme 4-31) and 219 (Borthwick 55, Papps 47, Ronchi 26; T Nathula 4-77, D Grobbelaar 3-27) Auckland 519-9 dec (O'Donnell 167, M Guptill-Bunce 89, B Cachopa 60, D Grobbelaar 44*, T Nathula 41; Hutchinson 4-89)

v Central Districts 20-23 February 2016

Toss: Wellington

Result: Central Districts won by 87 runs

Points: Wellington 6 (4 batting, 2 bowling) Central Districts 19 (12 win, 4 batting, 3

Central Districts 424-6 (D Cleaver 151*, G Worker 123, G Hay 48, B Smith 46; Hutchinson 3-121) and 314-6 (G Hay 127*, G Worker 49, B Smith 40, W Young 37; Patel 3-114)

Wellington 370-7 dec (Blundell 92, Murdoch 89, Woodcock 70, Colson 34; Richards 3-77) and 281 (Ronchi 88, Murdoch 82, Woodcock 63; A Patel 4-103)

v Northern Districts

8-11 March 2016. Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington

Result: Wellington won by three wickets

Points: Wellington 19 (12 win, 4 batting, 3 bowling) Northern Districts 7 (4 batting, 3

Wellington debut: Iain McPeake

Northern Districts 438-8 dec (B Watling 77, S Kuggeleijn 71*, T Seifert 60, D Brownlie 57, D Mitchell 51, D Flynn 43, A Devcich 31; Arnel 3-114, McPeake 2-123) and 291-3 dec (D Flynn 110, A Devcich 83*, B Watling 76; Patel 2-97)
Wellington 352-7 dec (Woodcock 111, Borthwick 71, Pollard 62, Patel 37*) and 378-

7 (Borthwick 94, Blundell 78, Murdoch 72, Colson 51*, Pollard 31; J Baker 3-84, A Devcich 3-139)

v Canterbury

15-18 March 2016 Hagley Park Christchurch

Result: Wellington won by 54 runs

Wellington 13 (12 win, 1 batting) Canterbury 4 (4 bowling)
Wellington 206 (Borthwick 110*, Patel 25, McPeake 25; A Ellis 4-33, K Jamieson 3-57)
and 136 (Papps 51, Colson 30*; H Bennett 5-54)

Canterbury 159-2 dec (M Davidson 73*, L Carter 53; Verma 2-45) and 129 (C Bowes 34; Patel 3-20, McPeake 3-43)

v Auckland

23 - 26 March 2016 Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington Result: Match drawn

Points: Wellington 5 (1 batting, 4 bowling) Auckland 4 (4 bowling)

Auckland 152 (D Grobbelaar 25; Arnel 5-51, McPeake 3-40) and 598 (Guptill-Bunce 189, D Grobbelaar 101, J Raval 90, M Chapman 73, M Bates 47*; McPeake 3-134, Arnel

Wellington 236 (Pollard 68, Borthwick 42; L Ferguson 5-37) and 308-8 (Murdoch 78, Woodcock 67, Blundell 57; T Nathula 4-121, M Quinn 3-44)

v Canterbury

30 March - 2 April 2016, Basin Reserve

Result: Canterbury won by seven wickets

Points: Canterbury 20 (12 win, 4 batting, bowling 4) Wellington 4 (1 batting, 3

Wellington debut: Jamie Gibson

Canterbury 430 (K McClure 115, C Bowes 81, T Astle 79*, P Fulton 76; Patel 4-80 and 108-3 (A Ellis 55*; McPeake 3-47)

Wellington 201 (Murdoch 105, Papps 28; A Ellis 4-32, H Bennett 3-56) and 333 (Blundell 153, Colson 39, Gibson 38; A Nuttall 3-56)

FORD TROPHY

2015/16

Batting and Fielding

Name	М	I	NO	R	HS	Ave	SR	100	50	Ct	St
LJ Woodcock	8	6	2	219	102	54.75	89.02	1	0	2	0
SJ Murdoch	8	8	3	169	83*	33.80	69.54	0	1	3	0
C Cachopa	8	7	1	189	95	31.50	94.50	0	1	5	0
TA Blundell	8	6	0	151	73	25.16	79.89	0	1	4	1
MA Pollard	8	8	0	188	51	23.50	74.01	0	1	8	0
MHW Papps	8	8	1	158	72	22.57	63.45	0	1	5	0
DS Hutchinson	4	2	0	43	35	21.50	86.00	0	0	1	0
A Verma	7	4	0	62	29	15.50	54.86	0	0	2	0
AD Day	5	3	0	34	23	11.33	117.24	0	0	2	0
JS Patel	8	4	0	28	17	7.00	65.11	0	0	6	0
GD Elliott	3	3	1	7	6	3.50	70.00	0	0	1	0
MB McEwan	4	1	0	3	3	3.00	60.00	0	0	0	0
JD Gibson	1	1	0	3	3	3.00	75.00	0	0	1	0
BJ Arnel	8	4	4	4	2*		28.57	0	0	3	0

Bowling

Name	Overs	Mdns	Runs	Wkts	Best	Ave	3WI	SR	Econ
LJ Woodcock	55.2	0	309	11	3-25	28.09	2	30.18	5,58
BJ Arnel	64.0	7	288	10	4-45	28.80	1	38.40	4.50
A Verma	49.0	1	327	11	3-48	29.72	1	26.72	6.67
JS Patel	69.0	4	308	10	3-61	30.80	1	41.40	4.46
MB McEwan	25.5	1	172	5	3-76	34.40	1	31.00	6.65
AD Day	20.0	0	134	2	1-7	67.00	0	60.00	6.70-
GD Elliott	12.0	0	70	1	1-38	70.00	0	72.00	5.83
DS Hutchinson	30.0	0	238	2	1-44	119.00	0	90.00	7.93

Points Table

Team	Р	W	Т	L	NR	Bonus	Pts	Net RR
Canterbury	8	5	0	1	2	3	27	1.041
Central Stags	8	4	0	2	2	2	22	0.473
Otago Volts	8	3	1	3	1	2	18	0.725
Auckland Aces	8	4	0	4	0	1	17	-0.579
Northern Knights	8	3	0	5	0	1	13	-0.253
Wellington Firebirds	8	1	1	5	1	0	8	-0.209

v Northern Districts

27 December 2015 Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington

Result: Wellington won by five wickets

Points: Wellington 4 Northern Districts 0 Northern Districts 267-9 (D Flynn 69, A Devcich 64; Arnel 4-45)

Wellington (268-5 in 45.4 overs (Cachopa 95, Murdoch 83*, Woodcock 31*; J

Baker 2-50)

v Central Districts

30 December 2015 Basin Reserve

Toss: Central Districts

Result: Central Districts won by 32 runs **Points:** Central Districts 4 Wellington 0

Central Districts 241 in 44,2 overs (G Worker 114, Ryder 58; Woodcock 3-25) Wellington 209 in 48 overs (Woodcock 102, Pollard 28, Verma 27; S Rance

4-32, B Small 3-33)

v Canterbury

3 January 2016 Hagley Oval, Christchurch

Toss: Canterbury

Result: No result
Points: Canterbury 2 Wellington 2

Wellington 32-3 (Papps 21, E Nuttall 2-15) Rain prevented any further play.

6 January 2016 Eden Park Outer Oval, Auckland

Toss: Auckland

Result: Auckland won by 12 runs Points: Auckland 4 Wellington 0

Auckland 288-9 (M Guptill-Bunce 73, M Chapman 62, D Grobbelaar 37, S Hicks

33; McEwan 3-76, Patel 2-48) **Wellington** 276 in 49.5 overs (Blundell 73, Papps 72, Cachopa 49, Verma 29; S

Hicks 2-28)

v Central Districts

10 January 2016 Fitzherbert Park, Palmerston North

Toss: Wellington

Result: Central Districts won by 55 runs Points: Central Districts 5 Wellington 0

Central Districts 324-7 (J Ryder 83, G Worker 64, B Smith 57, W Young 34; Patel

Wellington 141-4 in 29.2 overs (Pollard 43; B Tickner 2-45)

When rain prevented any further play Wellington needed to have scored 197 under the Duckworth/Lewis method.

v Otago

13 January 2016 Basin Reserve

Toss: Otago Result: Match tied

Points: Central Districts 2 Wellington 2

Otago 249 in 47.5 overs (N Broom 54, M Craig 46, M Bracewell 38, D de Boorder 34, H Rutherford 32; Arnel 2-23, Patel 2-31, McEwan 2-53, Verma 2-62)

Wellington 74-1 in 23 overs (Murdoch 35*, Papps 30*; J Duffy 1-8)

When rain prevented any further play Wellington's score was enough to tie the

v Auckland

17 January 2016 Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington

Result: Auckland won by seven wickets

Points: Auckland 5 Wellington 0

Wellington 199 in 49.1 overs (Pollard 51, Woodcock 47, Hutchinson 35; C de Grandhomme 4-37, L Ferguson 3-46)
Auckland 203-3 in 39 overs (B Cachopa 85, M Guptill-Bunce 66; Verma 3-48)

v Otago

20 January 2016 Queen's Drive, Invercargill

Toss: Otago

Result: Otago won by 221 runs

Points: Otago 5 Wellington 0 Otago 362-8 (H Rutherford 126, M Bracewell 91, J Neesham 39, D de Boorder 30*: Woodcock 3-56)

Wellington 141 in 23.3 overs (Pollard 35, Woodcock 30; N Wagner 4-43, J Duffy

GEORGIE PIE SUPER SMASH

2015/16

Batting and Fielding

Name	М	ı	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	SR	50	Ct	St
SJ Murdoch	10	10	2	274	92*	34.25	125.68	2	3	0
TA Blundell	7	6	1	136	60	27.20	111.47	1	3	1
MJ Taylor	10	9	2	165	65	23.57	146.01	1	4	0
L Ronchi	3	3	0	69	42	23.00	135.29	0	2	0
MA Pollard	7	7	1	112	44	18.67	104.67	0	4	0
MHW Papps	10	10	0	163	39	16.30	125.38	0	4	0
DS Hutchinson	10	6	3	46	28	15.33	100.00	0	1	0
AD Day	7	6	0	78	38	13.00	83.87	0	1	0
C Cachopa	7	7	0	88	37	12.57	94.62	0	2	0
BJ Arnel	9	5	4	12	6*	12.00	63.15	0	4	0
JW Dernbach	4	3	0	26	20	8.66	200.00	0	2	0
LJ Woodcock	10	8	2	50	18	8.33	84.74	0	6	0
JS Patel	8	6	1	32	15	6.40	152.38	0	2	0
SG Borthwick	1	1	0	2	2	2.00	40.00	0	0	0
A Verma	6	3	0	4	4	1.33	57.44	0	3	0
OR Newton	1	0						0	1	0

Bowling

Name	Overs	М	Runs	Wkts	Best	Ave	3WI	SRate	Econ
JS Patel	30	0	194	6	3-26	32.33	1	30.00	6.46
JW Dernbach	15	0	108	7	4-33	15.42	2	12.85	7.20
LJ Woodcock	32	1	246	9	3-20	27.33	1	21.33	7.68
AD Day	10	0	77	5	2-18	15.40	0	12.00	7.70
OR Newton	4	0	31	1	1-31	31.00	0	24.00	7.75
A Verma	20	0	156	10	4-27	15.60	1	12.00	7.80
DS Hutchinson	35.2	1	286	15	3-17	19.06	2	14.13	8.09
BY Arnel	32	0	263	7	2-16	37.57	0	27.42	8.21
MJ Taylor	9.3	0	83	1	1-21	83.00	0	57.00	8.73

Also bowled: SG Borthwick: 1-0-11-0

Points Table

Team	Р	W	L	NR	Pts	Net RR
Otago Volts	10	6	3	1	26	0.981
Auckland Aces	10	5	3	2	24	-0.085
Canterbury Kings	10	5	4	1	22	0.251
Central Stags	10	4	5	1	18	0.016
Norther Knights	10	4	5	1	18	-0.292
Wellington Firebirds	10	3	7	0	12	-0.820

v Canterbury

8 November 2015. Hagley Oval, Christchurch

Toss: Wellington **Result:** Wellington won by 7 wickets Points: Wellington 4, Canterbury 0 Wellington T20 debut: Anurag Verma

Canterbury 134-5 in 15 overs (rain reduced) (P Fulton 25; Woodcock 2-21) Wellington 135-3 in 14.4 overs (Murdoch 40*, Papps 39, Cachopa 37)

v Northern Districts

12 November 2015. Seddon Park, Hamilton (TV)

Result: Northern Districts won by 112 runs Points: Northern Districts 4, Wellington 0

Wellington T20 debut: Alecz Day
Northern Districts 184-4 (A Devcich 66, K O'Brien 42; Hutchinson 3-44)

Wellington 72 in 13.1 overs (Taylor 28; I Sodhi 3-12)

v Otago

15 November 2015. University Oval, Dunedin

Toss: Otago

Result: Otago won by 7 wickets **Points**: Otago 4 Wellington 0 Wellington 139-6 (Day 38; B Scott 3-25) Otago 140-3 in 19 overs (N Broom 70*, A Kitchen 44)

v Central Districts

19 November 2015. Saxton Oval, Nelson

Toss: Wellington

Result: Wellington won by 26 runs Points: Wellington 4, Central Districts 0 Wellington T20 debut: Jade Dernbach

Wellington 175-9 (Murdoch 70, Papps 36; S Rance 3-32)
Central Districts 149-9 in 20 overs (C van Wyk 38; Dernbach 3-25)

v Northern Districts

22 November 2015. Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington

Result: Northern Districts won by 7 wickets Points: Northern Districts won by / wicke Points: Northern Districts 4 Wellington 0 Wellington 152-5 (Murdoch 92)

Northern Districts 154-3 in 18 overs (A Devcich 67, K O'Brien 33*; Day 2-32)

v Otago

25 November 2015. Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington

Result: Otago won by 19 runs

Points: Otago 4 Wellington 0 Otago 181-8 (B Wilson 67, M Bracewell 53; Dernbach 4-33)

Wellington 162 in 20 overs (Taylor 65, Hutchinson 28; S Wells 4-24, J Duffy 3-23)

v Auckland

29 November 2015. Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington

Result: Auckland won by 7 wickets Points: Auckland 4 Wellington 0

Wellington 136-9 (Pollard 33; T Nathula 2-18)

Auckland 140-3 in 18.3 overs (C de Grandhomme 38*, C Munro 38*, J Raval 36; Patel 3-26)

v Canterbury

2 December 2015. Basin Reserve

Toss: Wellington

Result: Canterbury won by 18 runs Points: Canterbury 4, Wellington 0 Wellington T20 debut: Scott Borthwick

Canterbury 145 (R Hira 57, A Blizzard 41; Verma 3-34) Wellington 127-9 (Blundell 60, Taylor 34*; R Hira 2-20, M Henry 2-29)

v Central Districts

4 December 2015. McLean Park, Napier (D/N-TV)

Toss: Central Districts

Result: Central Districts won by 33 runs **Points:** Central Districts 4 Wellington 0

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Central Districts} 165-9 (T Bruce §4, G Worker 30; Verma 4-27) \\ \textbf{Wellington} 132 in 19 overs (Pollard 44, Ronchi 42; A Milne 2-18, M Kain 2-19) \\ \end{tabular}$

v Auckland

6 December 2015. Eden Park Outer Oval, Auckland

Toss: Auckland

Result: Wellington won by 7 wickets Points: Wellington 4 Auckland 0
Wellington T20 debut: Ollie Newton

Auckland 109 in 18.2 overs (C Munro 28; Hutchinson 3-17, Woodcock 3-20)

Wellington 110-3 in 15.1 overs (Blundell 45*, Papps 30)

WOMEN'S T20 COMPETITION

2015/16

Batting and Fielding

Name	М	I	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	SR	100	50	Ct	St
SFM Devine	4	3	1	166	106*	83.00	145.61	1	0	1	0
RH Priest	5	4	0	128	52	32.00	113.27	0	1	3	3
EC Perry	5	4	2	56	30*	28.00	77.77	0	0	2	0
SL McDonald	5	2	1	20	14*	20.00	66.66	0	0	0	0
JT McFadyen	4	1	0	10	10	10.00	45.45	0	0	0	0
EA Burns	2	2	0	8	6	4.00	61.53	0	0	1	0
GM Krebs	2	1	0	4	4	4.00	80.00	0	0	0	0
RM Burns	3	2	0	7	6	3.50	36.84	0	0	2	0
DM Doughty	5	1	0	0	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	0	0
AD Evans	4	1	1	8	8*		133.33	0	0	1	0
AC Kerr	5	1	1	2	2*		66.66	0	0	1	0
EAJ Richardson	3	2	2	79	54*		129.50	0	1	0	0
EM Fulbrook	5	0								0	0
WJ Charteris	2	0								0	0
RM Cockle	1	0								0	0

Bowling

Name	0	М	Runs	Wkts	Best	Ave	3wi	SR	Econ
DM Doughty	19	1	76	7	3-11	10.85	2	16.28	4.00
RM Cockle	4	0	16	3	3-16	5.33	1	8.00	4.00
EAJ Richardson	12	0	49	3	1-10	16.33	0	24.00	4.08
SFM Devine	10	1	60	4	2-5	15.00	0	15.00	6.00
AD Evans	14	0	92	1	1-24	92.00	0	84.00	6.57
EA Burns	6	0	40	2	2-22	20.00	0	18.00	6.66
AC Kerr	13.4	0	93	2	2-20	46.50	0	41.00	6.80
EM Fulbrook	14	0	115	3	2-17	25.00	0	28.00	8.21

Points Table

Team	Р	W	L	NR	Points	Net RR
Canterbury Magicians	5	4	0	0	18	1.051
Central Hinds	5	2	2	1	10	-0.061
Wellington Blaze	5	2	2	1	10	-0.071
Otago Sparks	5	2	3	0	8	-0.127
Northern Spirit	5	1	2	2	8	-1.273
Auckland Hearts	5	1	3	0	6	0.207

v Northern Spirit

at Karori Park on 27 November 2015

Northern Spirit 66 in 19 overs (K Anderson 27; Doughty 3-11, Devine 2-5, Fulbrook 2-17). Rain prevented Wellington starting their innings

v Canterbury Magicians

at Hagley Oval on 27 December 2015

Wellington Blaze 102-8 (Devine 47; E Bermingham 2-17) lost to Canterbury Magicians 104-5 in 17.4 overs (T Newton 50*; Kerr 2-20, Erin Burns 2-22) by five wickets

v Auckland Hearts

at the Basin Reserve on 2 January 2016

Auckland Hearts 177-5 in 20 overs (S McGlashan 89, K Perkins 45; Doughty 3-22) lost to **Wellington Blaze** 179-2 in 19 overs (Devine 106*, Priest 33, Perry 30*) by eight wickets.

v Central Hinds

at Fitzherbert Park on 29 January 2016

Central Hinds 102-7 (K Rangi 32*, M Mitchell 30; Cockle 3-16) lost to Wellington Blaze 103-2 in 17.3 overs (Richardson 54, Priest 28) by eight wickets.

v Otago Sparks

at University Oval, Dunedin on 6 February 2016

Wellington Blaze 133-4 (Priest 52, Richardson 25*; V Abbott 2-28) lost to Otago Sparks 136-2 in 18.2 overs (K Martin 63*, L Marsh 35) by eight wickets.

T20 Final

In the **Final** played at MainPower Oval, Rangiora **Central Districts** could only make 92-9 with Kate Broadmore making 42 and Amy Satterthwaite taking 3-11. Satterthwaite then scored 49 to spearhead **Canterbury's** victory by seven wickets with three overs to spare.

WOMEN'S 50 OVER COMPETITION

2015/16

Batting and Fielding

Name	М	- 1	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	SR	100	50	Ct	St
SFM Devine	8	8	3	413	162*	82.60	111.92	1	2	2	0
RH Priest	10	10	1	474	136*	52.66	86.33	2	1	2	3
EC Perry	10	9	0	241	53	26.77	57.65	0	2	6	0
JT McFadyen	4	3	1	51	27	25.50	43.96	0	0	1	0
EA Burns	5	5	1	93	51*	23.25	95.87	0	1	4	0
RM Burns	4	4	0	83	56	20.75	75.60	0	1	3	0
EAJ Richardson	9	9	0	152	52	16.88	62.29	0	1	3	0
AC Kerr	9	7	2	83	21	16.60	54.96	0	0	1	0
SL McDonald	10	9	1	130	48	16.25	51.58	0	0	3	0
GM Krebs	7	6	0	66	32	11.00	35.86	0	0	1	0
AD Evans	9	8	1	75	36	10.71	44.91	0	0	2	0
WJ Charteris	3	2	0	14	12	7.00	87.50	0	0	0	0
EM Fulbrook	10	7	3	17	10	4.25	31.48	0	0	0	0
DM Doughty	10	6	1	6	2*	1.20	23.07	0	0	4	0
RM Cockle	2	1	1	3	3*		20.00	0	0	1	0

Bowling

Name	0	Μ	Runs	Wkts	Best	Ave	3wi	SR	Econ
WJ Charteris	8	0	32	3	3-20	10.66	1	16.00	4.00
SFM Devine	48.5	4	198	10	3-4	19.80	2	29.6	4.05
RM Cockle	10	0	43	2	2-10	21.5	0	30.00	4.30
EA Burns	43	1	182	8	3-47	22.75	1	32.25	4.23
DM Doughty	89.5	14	287	12	3-19	23.91	1	44.75	3.20
AD Evans	59	5	222	9	3-11	24.66	2	39.33	3.76
AC Kerr	74	3	305	12	3-36	25.41	1	37.00	4.12
EAJ Richardson	62	3	223	6	2-19	37.16	0	62.00	3.59
EM Fulbrook	66.3	4	229	5	2-31	45.80	0	79.80	3.44

Points Table

Team	Р	W	Т	L	NR	ВР	Points	Net RR
Auckland Hearts	10	7	0	2	1	5	35	0.366
Wellington Blaze	10	5	0	4	1	4	26	0.881
Canterbury Magicians	10	5	1	3	1	2	26	0.521
Otago Sparks	10	4	0	6	0	1	17	-0.318
Central Hinds	10	3	1	5	1	1	17	-0.254
Northern Spirit	10	2	0	6	2	0	12	-1.425

v Northern Spirit

Karori Park on 28 and 29 November 2015

Game 1: Wellington Blaze 283-2 in 50 overs (Priest 136*, Devine 53*, Richardson 52) beat Northern Spirit 155 in 41.3 overs (Charteris 3-20, Devine 2-22, Fulbrook 2-31) by 128 runs.

Game 2: Wellington Blaze 339-9 in 50 overs (Devine 162*, Priest 53, Perry 44, Evans 36) beat **Northern Spirit** 165-8 in 50 overs (Devine 3-4, Kerr 3-36, Richardson 2-33) by 174 runs.

v Canterbury Magicians

Hagley Oval, Christchurch on 28 and 29 December 2015

Game 1: Canterbury Magicians 237-4 in 50 overs (Doughty 1-17) beat **Wellington Blaze** 181 in 44.5 overs (McDonald 48, Priest 37, Krebs 32) by 56 runs.

Game 2: Wellington Blaze 217-7 in 50 overs (Perry 50, Richardson 39, McDonald 33, Priest 28) lost to Canterbury Magicians 219-6 in 47.4 overs (Erin Burns 2-22, Doughty 2-49) by four wickets.

v Auckland Hearts

Basin Reserve on 3 and 4 January 2016

Game 1: Match abandoned due to rain. Toss not made.

Game 2: Wellington Blaze 259-8 in 50 overs (Devine 96*, Rebecca Burns 56, Priest 44) beat **Auckland Hearts** 153 in 37.5 overs (Evans 3-11, Devine 3-38, Kerr 2-36) by 106 runs.

v Central Hinds

Fitzherbert Park, Palmerston North on 30 and 31 January 2016

Game 1: Central Hinds 164 in 47.5 overs (Doughty 3-19, Kerr 2-31, Evans 2-40) beat Wellington Blaze 120 in 42.5 overs (Perry 53, Kerr 21) by 44 runs

Game 2: Wellington Blaze 167-9 in 50 overs (Perry 33, McDonald 26) beat Central Hinds 136 in 46 overs (Cockle 2-10, Richardson 2-19, Doughty 2-29) by 31 runs.

v Otago Sparks

University Oval, Dunedin on 7 and 8 February 2016

Game 1: Otago Sparks 176 in 49 overs (Evans 3-34,Doughty 2-25) lost to Wellington Blaze 177-4 in 33 overs (Erin Burns 51*, Perry 45, Richardson 28, Devine 25) by six wickets.

Game 2: Wellington Blaze 195 in 48.2 overs (Devine 43, Erin Burns 29, McFadyen 27) lost to **Otago Sparks** 198-7 in 48 overs (Erin Burns 3-47, Doughty 2-40) by three wickets.

NATIONAL 50-OVER FINAL

Melville Park, Auckland on 13 February 2016

Wellington Blaze 146 in 45.2 overs (Richardson 107, Krebs 13) lost to Auckland Hearts 148-2 in 43 overs (Kerr 1-32, Erin Burns 1-33) by eight wickets

FIREBIRDS' SCHEDULE

Plunket Shield

22 - 25 October 2016

29 October - 1 November 2016

5 – 8 November 2016

14 - 17 November 2016

22 - 25 November 2016

26 February – 1 March 2017

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22 December 2016

24 December 2016

26 December 2016

28 December 2016

30 December 2016

3 January 2017

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7 January 2017

* Televised

v Auckland Aces at Bay Oval, Mt Maunganui

v Northern Knights at Basin Reserve

v Auckland Aces at Eden Park Outer Oval, Auckland

v Central Stags at the Basin Reserve

v Otago Volts at University Oval, Dunedin

v Canterbury at the Basin Reserve

v Otago Volts at Westpac Stadium, Wellington

v Central Stags at McLean Park, Napier

v Northern Knights at Bay Oval, Mt Maunganui

v Canterbury at Hagley Oval, Christchurch

v Otago Volts at University Oval, Dunedin

v Central Stags at McLean Park, Napier

v Auckland Aces at Basin Reserve, Wellington

v Canterbury at the Basin Reserve

v Northern Knights at Cobham Oval, Whangarei

v Central Stags at the Basin Reserve,

v Otago Volts at the Basin Reserve

v Canterbury at Hagley Oval, Christchurch

Qualifier 1 v Qualifier 2 TBA

Qualifier 3 v Qualifier 4 (TBA)

TBA v TBA

Final (TBA v TBA)

v Northern Knights at Seddon Park, Hamilton

v Canterbury Kings at Hagley Oval, Christchurch*

v Canterbury Kings at the Basin Reserve

v Central Stags at Saxton Oval, Nelson

v Auckland Aces at the Basin Reserve

v Auckland Aces at Eden Park Outer Oval, Auckland*

v Central Stags at the Basin Reserve

v Otago Volts at Molyneux Park, Alexandra

v Northern Knights at Seddon Park, Hamilton*

v Otago Volts at the Basin Reserve

Semi-finals, TBA*

Final*

BLAZE SCHEDULE

One-day Games

26 November 2016

27 November 2016

3 December 2016

4 December 2016

28 December 2016

29 December 2016

2 January 2017

4 January 2017

4 February 2017

5 February 2017

11 February 2017

T20 games

25 November 2016

2 December 2016

27 December 2016

3 January 2017 3 February 2017 v Canterbury Magicians at the Basin Reserve

v Canterbury Magicians at the Basin Reserve

v Northern Spirit at Cobham Oval, Whangarei

v Northern Spirit at Cobham Oval, Whangarei

v Central Hinds at Bert Sutcliffe Oval, Lincoln

v Central Hinds at Lincoln Green, Lincoln

v Auckland Hearts at Melville Park, Auckland

v Auckland Hearts at Melville Park, Auckland

v Otago Sparks at Karori Park

v Otago Sparks at the Basin Reserve

Final (TBA v TBA)

v Canterbury Magicians at the Basin Reserve

v Northern Spirit at Cobham Oval, Whangarei

v Central Hinds at Lincoln No. 3, Lincoln

v Auckland Hearts at Eden Park Outer Oval, Auckland

v Otago Sparks at Karori Park

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