

# Bayswater Park Cricket Club

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*Annual Report 2017-18*

## 2016-17 Committee

<b>President:</b>	Ben Beech
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## President's Report- Ben Beech

With the AGM upon us, Season 17/18 has officially drawn to a close.

This brings to an end my three-year term as president, a period of time where I have learnt a great deal, made some amazing friendships, and hopefully had a positive impact on a club I love so much.

Unfortunately, our financial performance this year was quite poor; after coming off two successful seasons. A decrease in revenue from our three main streams; sponsorship, social and cinema under the stars explain the financial downturn in the main, but we also wore some additional costs around our 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary gala event – costs we were happy to wear to ensure the event was celebrated the way it was.

This just highlights how important these three income streams are and how important it is that we get buy in from all club members in terms of attendance and assistance. The alternative is that fees go up, bar prices go up etc which isn't ideal.

On field we saw great success in our senior ranks; with our 1<sup>st</sup> XI winning their 1<sup>st</sup> top grade final before losing the preliminary final, and our 2<sup>nd</sup> XI and 4<sup>th</sup> XI achieving premiership success. Congratulations go to 1<sup>st</sup> XI captain James Court, 2<sup>nd</sup> XI captain Brendon Trump and 4<sup>th</sup> XI captains Andrew Eustace and Ray Kazar on these achievements. Other team captains Ryan Toye, Pete Colosimo and Tim Court also need to be thanked for their efforts to ensure we had 5 teams playing each week.

This season we added an additional junior side; an under 10 team which took our team count to 4. This is off the back of a great milo program, run brilliantly by Mel Causer, Robin Court, and Ian Barlow. Every club wants a strong junior program; and with Bayswater being a relatively young area we are in a strong position to make this happen with the right people involved. Thank you to all coaches, parents and team managers for assisting and for getting out of bed to get your kids to a game. We hope you are all as proud as I am to be involved in this club.

A special mention to Mel Causer who steps down from the junior coordinator role. Such an asset to our club who seems to find time for everyone and everything. Our club is in a much better position due to her involvement and I personally thank her.

Rounding out our on-field teams are the veterans and the ladies team. The veterans are a great social way to enjoy cricket and I implore others to get involved. The ladies team, with a couple of new additions this year, again had a successful season and importantly, gives a pathway for young woman to learn and enjoy this great sport.

Finally – Thankyou to the coaching group – Justin Laughlin, Mat Parker and especially Marcus Adams, who has stood down as head coach.

Off field we hosted our 50<sup>th</sup> year gala event, which was an outstanding night. On the night we selected a team of the 50 years, and also inducted the first 3 members of our BPCC legends club in Paul Dodd, Robin Court and Con Mcloughlin. It was amazing to see old faces and new members mingle; a fantastic reminder of what local sporting clubs are about.

Again, charity day was a success raising great amounts for fantastic charities, and our cinema under the stars program, whilst not as financially beneficial as years prior, is still an event we as a club are so proud of.

Thank you to all of our sponsors both financial and those that do work or supply goods in kind.

Thank you to all committee members, and general members alike for your support and help throughout my tenure. Everyone wants to leave the club in a better position than when you first took on a role, and I certainly hope I've done that. To all of our fantastic families, members, players, parents – I appreciate every conversation we have had and every idea shared.

Finally, I absolutely recommend getting involved on the committee next year, and supporting new president Brendon Trump. It is such a great feeling giving back to your club; and being involved in making decisions that benefit others.

Go Sharks!!!

## Secretary's Report- Melanie Causer

Somehow another season has come and gone and for a lot of we're already looking to season 18/19, but before we do, it's important to reflect on the successes of the season that was.

With a 2XI, 4XI and U16 Premiership there are signs of great promise on field across the club, but as I've said in previous years, flags are not all we base our success on.

As I believe we always do, we thrived off-field. We again collectively came together to celebrate one another's personal successes and continued to support those who are close to us and form part of the BPCC foundation.

This season, we hosted another successful intraclub Charity Day, which saw us raise over \$15,000, which again was split between MS Australia and the National Breast Cancer Foundation- two charities that are extremely important to our club. Initiatives like this show more than just our fundraising ability. It shows that as we all move forward with our lives, we will inevitably face different challenges, but being a part of this fantastic club means you will never have to face these challenges alone. You will always have an army walking along side you, supporting you every step of the way. These values were recognised more broadly this season when we were the recipient of a Knox Sport and Leisure award and came runners up in the Aston Community Awards.

The committee again worked tirelessly with the intention of keeping our club running at the high and well-respected standard it does. I think it would be fair to say we would have liked to see the social event element of our business be a bit more active, however we have to admit to ourselves that we can only stretch ourselves so far at times and this season it was social that missed out. This is likely to be reflected in our financial report come 1 July and something we will look to improve on in 2018/19.

As an executive we maintained consistency with Ben Beech, Brendon Trump, Ralph Wellington, Tim Court and Andrew Eustace going on again as President, Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Vice Treasurer respectively which allowed us for the most part to hit the ground running.

I cannot sing the praises of these four people highly enough. They all have careers, ambitions, families and friends that consume their lives like the rest of us do. Yet they put countless hours (often which go unnoticed) to ensure that Bayswater Park Cricket Club continues to be the best version of itself- a family friendly, well respected club. This season was Ben's last as club President as he gave his notice that he will be stepping down at the close of season. Beechy, hold your head high my friend as you have left the club in a great position and the impact you have made as a whole will be something that will remain for a very long time to come.

Beechy, Ralph, Trumpy, TC and Eusty, thank you for all you have done in your positions and thank you for the unwavering support in mine. I do however want to make a special mention to Brendon who won the club's prestigious "Best Club Person" award this season. A committee members eligibility to win an award like this has been debated for some time now as what they do is seen to be 'their job', however this is simply not true. Nothing that any volunteer does for our club is 'their job', it is something they do in their own time, unpaid, seeking no reward at all, and I can hand on heart say that all Trumpy did this season went far above what was expected of his multiple roles and

he was an extremely worthy winner. So to you Brendon, I take my hat off to you and send you my sincere congratulations. You are the epitome of what this club is all about.

The club and how it runs does not just rely on a couple of people though. Its success is a combined effort. To the rest of the current committee, captains, coaches- both junior and senior and all those who volunteer their time and/or services in one capacity or another, I sincerely thank you for all you do.

Last but definitely not least, to my partner Sam and little mate Madi, I again want to thank you for continuing to support me in all that I do. Without you guys and all you do, my involvement in the club would not be possible.

## **Senior Coaches Report- Marcus Adams**

Firstly I would like to thank Ben, Brendon and the committee for giving me the opportunity to coach the club again this season. I love this club and for you to put your faith in me is greatly appreciated.

Like every season there are bumps in the road, but overall I think that the club as a whole took some great steps forward this year.

There were some fantastic highlights culminating in the 2nd X1, 4th X1 and the Under 16s tasting the ultimate success.

These successes should only spur the rest of the group on to strive to achieve the same over the next few years.

To the captains, James, Brendon, Ryan, Andrew, Ray and Pete. Thank you for putting up with my nonsense. Through your leadership and guidance we have returned to our rightful position as one of the strongest clubs in the competition. I hope you can all continue to grow and develop your teams even more and we can play a lot more finals cricket.

My coaches, Mat, Justin and David, thank you for your commitment to allowing our players to have the best sessions possible and for your continued drive to develop our group.

I have chosen to step away from coaching next season, with the hopeful focus on becoming the best player that I can be, for as long as I can be.

For me these two seasons as coach has been an unbelievable ride and I have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to coach our club and I am excited to see the direction the club takes over the next few years and I can't wait to be a part of all of our successes that come from it.

## 1XI Report- James Court

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI created history this season with our first ever finals victory in the RDCA's highest grade. However, we missed a golden opportunity to go one step further which would have seen us playing off for our first top level premiership.

The 2017/2018 season commenced with a heart-breaking loss against a well organised South Croydon and a confidence boosting win against Wantirna South. Chasing South Croydon's competitive total of 3/223 we were well placed at 2/188 before losing our last 8 wickets for 33 falling 2 runs short. The following week against Wantirna South saw us chase down their total of 153 with 5 wickets to spare and 7 overs left to be bowled.

Our worst performances of the season followed in round three and four against South Croydon for the second time in three weeks and eventual premiers Lilydale. However, despite these performances round 3 also produced one of the seasons highlights with Kyle Colosimo spinning a web all over the South Croydon batsman on his way to a career best seven wickets.

We got things back on track in round five with a win over North Ringwood. A career best 85 not out from Dave Mitchell saw us chase down NRCC 185 with six wickets in left in the shed. Dave's start to the season produced 216 runs at an average of 72. Dave has the ability to lead our batting for a number of years and we all hope that the start to the 2017/18 season is just a taste of what is to come.

Another loss against Lilydale in round six was followed by a comprehensive win against Montrose in round seven, a nail biting loss to Ainslie Park in Round eight and a win against Warrandyte in Round 9. Four wins and five losses after round nine had us placed just outside the top four by Christmas.

After a round 10 wash out and a loss to NRCC in round 11 our season was on the line as we travelled to Ainslie Park for the second time this season. In a sign of what was to come we produced one of our best bowling performance of the season in round 12 managing to restrict APCC to 163. A mature innings of 59 from club coach Marcus Adams and a fighting 8<sup>th</sup> wicket partnership between Jordan Rutherford and Kyle Colosimo eventually got us over the line to record a two wicket victory.

A win against Warrandyte then had us well placed inside the top four leading into our last match of the home and away season. Despite an unsuccessful run chase against WSCC results went our way to leave us in the top four at the completion of the season.

An elimination final away against Ainslie Park awaited. Losing the toss and being asked to bowl Blake Swanson, Justin Laughlin and the rest of our bowlers combined to dismiss APCC for 116. Swanson reaping the rewards with a season best 5-32. An undefeated 5<sup>th</sup> wicket partnership of 42 between Josh Kazar and finals specialist Todd Cordwell saw us achieve a club history making six wicket victory.

The following week saw us travel away again to Lilydale for a shot at our first top level grand final. Bowling first Blake Swanson once again led the way with four wickets to dismiss Lilydale for 121. Lilydale did well to recover from being 7-46. Unfortunately, we failed to hold our nerve with the bat and were defeated by the eventual premiers falling 31 runs short.

At the completion of the 2017/2018 season the senior group contains a mixture of the new generation of talented BPCC cricketers combining with the experience of some club greats. This has resulted in a significant amount of depth which I hope drives us all to work harder and create more club history moving into next season. I believe that we have enough talent already in this group to have us challenging for finals successes. Most importantly we play as a team and do not rely on any individuals.

On behalf of the 1<sup>st</sup> X1 I would like to thank Michelle Lockie, Mick Rutherford and Doggie for giving up there Saturday afternoons to keep score for us throughout the season. I would also like to thank our loyal supporters who turn up week in week out.

A big thank you to Marcus Adams for all of his work over the past 2 seasons as coach. The results of the past season across the club were fantastic and you should be proud of your contribution to that. Also a massive congratulations to the 4<sup>th</sup> X1 and 2<sup>nd</sup> X1 on their grand final victories.

Finally I would like to thank my wife Melissa for her support and allowing me to play another season of cricket.

## 2XI Report- Brendon Trump

2018 was a year of belief.

We walked out of pre season knowing that we were a team that was hungry for some success, a group that if we all played to our potential could deliver great results.

We had our speed humps along the way, being bowled out for a few low scores that were well and truly unacceptable. We made sure that after these games we came out and redeemed ourselves, as good sides do.

Playing finals for the first time in a long time was on the horizon, and it was very exciting seeing the young and older players get up and about with the prospect of playing finals cricket.

I had total belief in this playing group from the first time we set foot on the ground in round one until the last time we all walked off together with our premierships medals!

Oh yeah, We won the flag!!!!

What an amazing achievement by this group of guys, a group that went in as underdogs and came away with ultimate success!

First premierships wins for some of the older boys in Butch and Spidz who between them have over 40 years of cricket experience. It was really special to be involved in that.

To say I was proud of these guys wouldn't do it any justice at all. These guys did everything I asked of them and I loved being a part of this team.

We now go into next season as the hunted, we have to defend our title. We'll approach it in our own way, a way that is proven and works. Backing each other in all the way.

Boys I can't thank you enough for all your support during the season. To all of you who offered me a helping hand and a word of advice I wouldn't have been able to do it without you.

I would also really like to thank the coaching group for your help and support during the year. Big thanks also go out to James Court & Ryan Toye for all your advice during the year.

Last but not least I need to thank my beautiful partner, Salli. Without your endless support and encouragement this wouldn't be possible.

2019 will be one hell of a year, we can't wait.

Premiership Captain – Brendon Trump

Go Sharks.



## 4XI Report- Ray Kazar

Well what more can I say? What a fantastic performance by the 4XI this season. With three Captains this season, Andrew Eustace, the original Captain who unfortunately succumbed to Injury, Tim Court and myself and 33 players throughout the season, we somehow managed to get the Team to the Finals.

We finished 2<sup>nd</sup> with nine wins, three losses, (two losses against Ainslie Park who we played in the Grand Final), and two draws. Playing in the semi final against Warranwood, who improved significantly, made us earn the right to make the big dance. Millsy 66, and Robbo 45NO contributed with the Bat, and Eoin four wickets and Ralph and Ghandi with two wickets each were our stand out wicket takers.

The Grand Final came and after winning the toss and electing to bowl first, (something we learnt from 1XI Captain James Court), we were not looking good at the end of day one, with the opposition 1/113 and us sitting on 3/76.

We batted first on the second day and we really needed quick runs. However, losing two quick wickets resulting in 5/92, it wasn't exactly the start we wanted. We weren't too dismayed though, as a few very good Partnerships saw us finish our innings at 9/244, with a lead of 130.

Ainslie Park, just like the first day, started off well and were cruising on to 1/136. Again this is not an ideal position we found ourselves in, but we continued on with our season philosophy of "never say never" and AP began taking some glory shots, which with some fantastic bowling by us, didn't work out the way they wanted. The end result saw us take away the silverware with a win of 28 runs.

Chris Robbo led the charge, and probably bowled the best he had all season with 3/32 off 14 and Eoin and Ralph both had two for a piece.

It was an absolutely fantastic effort by the whole team, not only in the finals, but the whole season in general.

Eusty, Eoin, Ralph and Tim, it was fantastic having you blokes around to liaise with and seek advice. It was an absolute pleasure captaining this Team to a Premiership. We have so many young up and coming Lads at the Club, which is an absolute privilege and our future is looking bright.

Congratulations to Mick Robbins, (who made his maiden century this season), Millsy who scored a whopping 420 runs, winning not only our Batting average, but the competition batting average as well as well as being our team's best finals player and Eoin Fay who won his second Con Mac.

To Trumpy and the 2XI, a fantastic achievement to you all on winning the premiership. Once again, a never say never attitude paid off.

To the 1XI, what a fantastic effort it was to make the finals.

Finally, to all the Junior teams, great work on all competitive teams making the finals and congratulations to the 16s who won their divisions premiership.

## **5XI Report- Pete Colosimo**

What a year for the 5XI- forfeits galore and helping other sides achieve their potential!

Many thanks to Doug Fisher, Daniel Southward, Sir Robin Court and a number of Under parents who kept the side running in my absence.

It was exciting to see so many of our Under 16's commence their senior playing careers this season. Jarrod, Lachlan, Liam, Shiv and Josh- you are a talented group of young players who have bright cricketing futures ahead of you.

To a new face, Alex Gamble, keep going Buddy, you're a great inclusion to our side and the broader club.

Thank you to the club for allowing me to be Captain of this developing side and also having the belief in me to help the 3XI and 4XI's when the opportunity arose.

## Junior Report- Melanie Causer

Despite the fact I am sure it was only yesterday that we were uncovering pitches, setting up the rooms and getting ready to kick off season 2017/18. Here we are, six plus months later, and we're saying good bye for another winter.

Our Junior Club has a lot to celebrate this season. For the first time in a long time we have fielded an U10 team this year. It was lovely to see the three and for year olds I met some years ago through Milo, now budding young cricketers which a whole lifetime of cricket ahead of them. In addition to this, all three of our competitive junior teams made finals which is an incredible feat in itself, topped off, with a flag by our merged under 16 team.

In taking the time to write this, it gave me the opportunity to stop, sit back and reflect on what the season was and what it meant to me personally from the perspective of a junior coordinator.

It was a season that saw our next generation of cricketers thrive, it was a season that saw us win more than we lost and it was a season that gave us great excitement of what the future will hold. But it was also a season that saw much more than skill development and team achievements.

It was beautiful to see new friendships forged and old friendships growing. Watching our players rallying around each other, supporting, encouraging and sharing each other's tears and triumphs is something that gives me great hope of where the future of our club is going.

Everything we witnessed both on and off field could not have been achieved if it was not for a group of dedicated guys, who of their own accord committed to assisting to develop the skills of our next generation of cricketers, and that is our coaches Robin Court, Hunter Bevis, Matt Sheridan, Bailey Cowman, Matt Whitty and Lachie Walker.

Each of these guys brought something unique and valuable to the table when they took on the role as coach and our players continual personal improvement was proof of this. The hours they put in at training and on games days were equally matched or exceeded with the work they put into our juniors behind the scenes.

Guys, I know your teams are thankful for each of you going above and beyond week in and week out, but for me personally I extend my sincere gratitude to each of you for not only accepting my continuing general lack of knowledge for the game, but for making my job as coordinator that bit easier.

To Robin Court, Ian Barlow and the rest of the crew who again supported our growing Milo Program. There are no words to show mine and the committee's gratitude for your time and dedication to the program. It is a tough gig at times, but one which this club so heavily relies on. This is where it all starts. We draw our littlies in at this level; we teach and nurture them over a few years before handing them on to our junior program, who continue the work.

This season will be my last season as Junior Coordinator. Life is changing for me and it's time I spent a bit more time with my family who have always graciously supported me.

The last four years have been a learning experience for me, but one that I have greatly enjoyed. I've loved watching the kids grow and develop, but most importantly I walk away with many new friends which is something I will continue to cherish.

Whilst I won't be Junior Coordinator any more, I look forward to watching on as the junior club continues to thrive.

Whilst we are currently working through the process of recruiting a new Junior Coordinator, I know whoever the successful person is, will be the right fit for the role and will continue to have best interests of our players and their families at the forefront.

In closing I just wanted to make a few special thank you's.

Firstly to all of the juniors players who played for Bayswater Park this season, we've loved having you and your families as a part of our club and we look forward to hopefully seeing each of you return next season.

To the Executive and extended committee as well as the senior playing group, thank you for supporting the junior club as a whole. For the senior playing group in particular, our juniors really do look up to you all as they continue to develop as players, so your presence and leadership is of great value.

And finally, again to my partner Sam I want to thank you for your continued support in all I do. It certainly does not go unnoticed and is appreciated more than you'll ever know.

## **Under 16 Report- Lachie Walker**

## **Under 14 Report- Bailey Cowman and Matt Whitty**

The Under 14 team was placed in Division Two named after Alan Reid. Many are unaware that Alan was instrumental in establishing the Under 14 competition we now play in back in 1966 after he urged the association that junior cricket was the way to develop cricketers!! What a smart man Allan was.

Bailey and I used this information to try and help develop the Sharks U/14 team. We started the season with 13-14 players but unfortunately, we lost Levi before a ball was bowled with a hand injury. We welcomed a few new players to Cricket and also welcomed Romesh back to the club after last year playing for Heathmont Baptist, Bayswater and Ringwood.

In the season opener we faced Warrandyte, who last season went through undefeated. We lost this game by a few runs but we saw that we had a lot to look forward too. Romesh and Tom Whitty both retired (something we got used to during the season) also Matt Forbes and Daniel Thambyrajah made some runs. Everyone had a bowl and a few of the boys looked promising.

After the Round one loss, we went on to win the next eight games. Romesh and Tom continued scoring runs while all the boys contributed with wickets. Our bowlers all had opportunities to take big scalps but our captains continued to make sure everyone got a bowl which help build team confidence.

In the end all 12 players bowled over 25 overs each, except for our regular keeper. They all took a few wickets and tried many different deliveries.

Unfortunately towards the end of the year the wheels fell off a bit and we lost the last three games including the round 11 reverse outright loss to Warrandyte where we allowed our opponents to chase down 105 in 12 overs. Our intent was externally questioned after this loss but I can hand on heart say we just played really poor cricket dropping 8-9 catches, letting all the hard work we had done unravel.

In the semi-final we were missing Romesh on day one and our opponents saw this as an opportunity to not have to bowl to the best batsmen in the comp and elected to bowl. We were bowled out for 76. Our lowest score of the year. Matt Forbes got 20 and Tom Whitty remained 16NO. So after finishing on top, our season ended a week before we planned.

It was great to see the improvement in players like Jamie Peters who was brand new to cricket. Jamie took some good catches and improved every week including a super innings at Templeton where he scored 16NO against a lot of his school mates who were trying to unsettle him. Ben Long had a consistent year with the bat and ball and looked to enjoy his cricket. VJ continued to work on his spin bowling and will be a good spinner for the club in years to come. Andrew, Riley and Jacob all improved and were vital to our winning streak.

Our top three batsmen were Matt Forbes 184 runs @ 18.4, Tom Whitty 300 @75 and our batting and club Junior Champion, Romesh Martinus 423 @ 211. Well done boys!

Our top Bowlers were Ravi, Matt Higgins and bowling award winner Tom Whitty.

Well done to all the boys.

Big thanks to Darren Martinus who was our Team Manager but more importantly our scorer. Thanks for your help. Also to the parent group of Barb, Helen, Nicky, Mandy and Janet who organised our morning tea for our home games.

Thanks to BPC for the opportunity to coach and help develop these kids and also special mention to Mel Causer for her dedication to making BPC a warm and welcoming place for everyone.



## U10 Report- Robin Court

This season was the first in a while for the Club to enter a U/10 team into the RDCA competition. As with everything new, it was a bit of an adventure with little knowledge of whom and how many would be playing.

We eventually began the year with 8 starters and by the end of the season 15 boys and girls had represented the club with 12 playing for most of the year.

The U/10 competition is structured for beginners with 9 players on the ground at one time and everyone batting, bowling and fielding every week. Wicketkeeping is also shared and most also had their turn behind the stumps. The batting order and bowling order varied every week so that everybody had a chance to bat high in the order and bowl early in the innings during the season.

We played 14 games including one week which was a round robin carnival. There were three games in a row where the weather interfered which was disappointing but generally the weather was cooperative and the games completed without any great problems. The last game had the rules changed to those used by the U12-4 competition to help those players moving up next year.

Generally the teams we played were of a similar standard to us, and their coaches and parents all had similar outlooks to ours and so the games were very even and played in excellent spirit.

This year we deliberately decided not to have a score book so nobody would worry about winning and losing, how many runs they scored or how many wickets they took. Now that the players understand the game a bit more I am sure that we will have to have to score next year but only in the background and not to focus on the result. There will be plenty of time for that in the future.

As far as our team was concerned there was a mixture of those who had been to Milo cricket and/or "played in the back garden" a bit before and those who had little or no experience. I think everyone will agree that there was great improvement in everybody during the season. This applies not only to individual skills and attitudes but also to how they came together as a team to support each other during matches.

Our main aims next year remain with wanting the players (and their families) to enjoy themselves, to keep learning to love the game and to feel part of a very good Club. However we also will look to work on improving and broadening everyone's skills. Everyone in the team has ability and we need to provide a technical foundation for the future so that ability can be expressed in a sustainable way

Hopefully next year we can look at fielding two teams and giving more families the opportunity to enjoy the experience of being involved in cricket and particularly with Bayswater Park.

I want to thank all the players for working so hard during the year to achieve the improvement they have made. Thanks to the parents for all the help they have provided during the year and trusting the Club to look after their children and to introduce them to a great and very addictive game.

Finally thanks to Mel Causer for all her work in getting the team off the ground and to Michelle Beaton for doing a wonderful job as Team Manager.

## Women's Report- Sarah Smith

Season 2017/18 didn't end the way we were hoping it would but in saying that some real positives did come of it.

We picked up some good recruits and had a season of firsts for many of the girls- whether it was wickets or high scores.

Special shout out to Michelle Jones for winning the wicket keeping award for the league. We've always known Michelle was the best, but now everybody else does too!

A huge thank you to Ashleigh, Kellie and Michelle for not only putting up with my (for a nice word) crap throughout t the season and also calling me out on it when required. Thank you also for stepping in to captain when I had to work. L

Linda Bailey what can't this lady do! She makes afternoon tea, baby sits and even scores when required. Thank you so much Linda, we honestly wouldn't be here without you.

And lastly Nags, thank you for all you Thursday night game day plans. You persisted even though you knew I probably wasn't going to use them.

## **Veteran's Report- Ray Kazar**

With our new Captain, Paul Kerr, we started the season with a bang. We won two out of our first three games and we were sitting in the top four. Unfortunately that was it on the winning front, but we remained competitive in all the other games which was a progressive step forward. We finished just out of the four at the end of the season which was a fantastic effort and a great overall improvement.

The great thing about this season is that we actually had 12 new players that played this season- this is great for the Vets. Mal Calladine, one of the new players, not only opened the bowling for us, and occasionally opened the batting, he also represented our club in the Veterans Representative Team which is a great achievement.

Congratulations to Col Van Dreumel and Mark De Paul for winning the Bowling and Batting averages respectively.

Let's get all of our new and old players together again next season and prove that we can be a finals contender.

## 2017-18 Awards

### Senior On Field Awards

Senior Team	Batting	Bowling	Captains	Player of the Finals
1XI	James Court	Kyle Colosimo	David Mitchell	Blake Swanson
2XI	Phil Leach	Peter Eagles	Bailey Cowman	TBA
3XI	John Harford	Ryan Toye	Hunter Bevis	N/A
4XI	Tom Mills	Eoin Fay	Romesh Martinus	Tom Mills
5XI	Daniel Southward	Jarrold Hillam	Ryan Gilmore	N/A

### Women's On Field Awards

Women's Team	Batting	Bowling	Captains	Player of the Finals
Chickets	Sarah Smith	Michelle La Brooy	Michelle La Brooy	N/A

### Veteran's On Field Awards

Veteran's Team	Batting	Bowling	Captains	Player of the Finals
Vets 1	Mark De Paul	Colin Van Dreumel	Mark De Paul	N/A

### Junior On Field Awards

Senior Team	Batting	Bowling	Coaches	Player of the Finals
U16	Luke Bithell	Shivam Patel	Liam Field	Lachlan Bright
U14	Romesh Martinus	Tom Whitty	Jamie Peters	Tom Whitty
U12	Lachlan Clarke	Noah Boehl	Hayden Boehl	Maha
U10	N/A	N/A	Josh Reid	N/A

### Senior Batting and Bowling Recognition

Award	Recipient
Batting	John Harford Mick Robbins
Bowling	Jesse Christensen Kyle Colosimo

### Women's Batting and Bowling Recognition

Award	Recipient
Batting	Sarah Smith
Bowling	Peta Durose Penny Harford

### Junior Batting and Bowling Recognition

Award	Recipient
Batting	N/A
Bowling	N/A

### Senior Club Awards

Award	Recipient
Con McLoughlin Best and Fairest	Eoin Fay
Veteran's Best and Fairest	Colin Van Dreumel
Robin Court Senior Club Champion	Marcus Adams
Robin Court Women's Club Champion	Penny Harford
Fulvio Contatore Memorial	Vajinder Taggar
Michael Finn Senior Memorial	Lachlan Walker
Best Club Person	Brendon Trump
President's Outstanding Club Person	Michael Finn
President's Outstanding Club Person	Melanie Causer
Club Coaches Award	Jordan Rutherford
Best Under 21 Player	Jordan Rutherford
Player of the T20 Series	Todd Cordwell

### Junior Club Award

Award	Recipient
U16 Club Champion- Hicks Family Shield	Shivam Patel
U14 Club Champion- Monk Family Shield	Romesh Martinus
U12 Club Champion- Court Family Shield	Binu W
Neil Clayton Junior Club Champion	Romesh Martinus
Keith Smith Best Junior Club Person	Michelle Beaton

### Team of the Year

Recipient
James Court
Tom Mills
Marcus Adams
John Harford
Todd Cordwell
Jesse Christensen
Peter Eagles
Blake Swanson
Michelle La Brooy
David Mitchell
Eoin Fay (VC)
Ray Kazar (C)