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**ANNUAL REPORT  
SEASON 2016 - 2017**

## **MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **Responsibilities of Membership of the Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club Inc**

In addition to the requirements to pay fees on time, membership of the Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club carries with it other responsibilities.

You are expected to exhibit behaviour of an exemplary standard at all times where you are identified as a member. The most obvious occasions are on the playing field where acceptance of umpires' decisions, without dissent, is essential and unseemly conduct is not allowed. There are other occasions, however, such as socials, gatherings at the Rugby Club, as a spectator at matches involving the Club and at meetings, where you will be identified as a member of the Club and behavioural and dress standards should be upheld. The Club has the right to enforce penalties where there are proven breaches of reasonable conduct in these matters.

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2016 – 2017

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Team Captains and Selectors  
2016 – 2017

TEAM CAPTAINS

FIRST GRADE: Joe Cooke

SECOND GRADE: Mathew McGann

THIRD GRADE: Harley Peachey

FOURTH GRADE: Matthew Broers

FIFTH GRADE: Joshua Rowland

WOMENS: Alisa Clark

SELECTORS

CLUB SELECTOR: Mat McGann/Matthew Veitch/Matt Condon



Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
President Report  
2016 – 2017

It is with great pleasure and some regret that I present my third report as President of WDCC.

Firstly I would like to make mention of the relationship with our Junior club. The Juniors are going from strength to strength under the guidance of the President Ryan Selmes and his hard working committee. The relationship between the Seniors and the Juniors is now back to where it should have always been and we look forward to seeing the benefits of all the work the team is doing flowing through the senior ranks in the years to come. It is important from an overall club perspective that this relationship continues to strengthen which will see the club maintain player numbers and stay as a force with the CACT competition.

Despite the tough year the club again performed well running a close second in the club championship, backing up from the four previous club championships. This effort after the loss of a couple of senior players through injury (and retirement) opened the door to others to fill the void. Again a great result all due to the commitment of all involved with the club and backed up by a fantastic club culture. These results are no doubt a catalyst for new players to join the club.

Again, to all our sponsors, we are most grateful for your support. To our primary sponsor Kaleen Sports Club we say a big thank you. To the management and your wonderful staff, your support throughout the year has been fantastic and we look forward to continuing our relationship in the coming years. To all our other sponsors we appreciate and value your support and we hope that our continued on field success has provided value for your sponsorship contribution. Our relationship with the University of Canberra is also important to the club. With the University continuing to attract sub-continent students we are in a great position to offer those students a pathway into premier cricket. This along with our continued links to country based clubs/associations continues to provide us with talented young players who have contributed to the success through the grades.

Green Options was again engaged for our wicket curating at Jamison and Kaleen Ovals this season. With the purchase of new covers at Jamison this season the issues of wet wickets from past seasons was no longer an issue. I am sure all the players would agree that generally the preparation of both wickets was of a high standard. To Jon Tait and his team thank you for your professional efforts throughout the season.

The club lost a great supporter in early 2017. Ross Jones our previous curator at Kaleen passed away following a battle with MND. Ross made a significant contribution to the club over 18 years curating wickets at Jamison & Kaleen and providing advice to those who took on the unenviable job at Aranda.

2016-17 was a much leaner year for premierships trophies. Our Women's team had a fantastic season winning the Lynne O'Meara shield and just falling short of back to back double premierships by going down in the semi-final of the Glenda Hall competition. Our fourth grade team had a fantastic year winning the two and one day competitions and making the final of the T20 competition whilst our third grade team took out the T20 competition.

To our club coaches Mathew McGann Mathew Condon, Clinton Lillepruun and Sam Whiteman we thank you for your hard work and commitment. Your efforts have been appreciated by the committee and players and it is a credit to you all for the success the club has had this and in past seasons.

Our thanks again to our first grade scorer Daryl Winchester. Your contribution allowed our first grade players to concentrate on their games. I know that all the players were appreciative of your efforts again this year and enjoyed your commentary throughout the year.

Again we had a number of players being selected in CACT representative teams. Blake Macdonald continued on his path to higher honours through the Comets program and also was selected in the National U/19 honours team. Tom Engelbrecht, Sam Skelly and Matthew Gilkes again gained selection in the CACT/SNSW U/19 representative teams.

If there was a disappointment this season, it was the number of player reports that club recorded. A goal for the club would be to win the spirit of cricket award in future years.

This season the club supported two carnivals National Primary schools and National U/15 girls, with preparation of wickets and providing lunches and ground support. Our thanks to all who assisted with the smooth running of these events.

Finally again would like to express my thanks to the Members of the Management Committee for their commitment and efforts this season. Of particular note, I would like to thank Bill McKell who has acted as club treasurer for the past six years. When Bill took on the role the club was in dire straits but through his efforts we have managed to keep the financial position of the club in a reasonable position. Bill has also been in the treasury position with the Junior club for the past two years. To Alisa Clark a big thank you for your administration efforts again this year.

This is my final report as club president as my wife and I are moving to Queensland in the coming months. I would like to encourage all members to consider putting their names forward for the committee in 2017-18 to continue to make this club the premier club in Canberra.

Allan McGann  
President

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Treasurers Financial Report  
2016 – 2017

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Trophy Winners  
2016 – 2017

**GRADE BATTING AND BOWLING AWARDS**

(Minimum 200 runs / 20 wickets)

FIRST GRADE:	Batting	Ethan Bartlett 504 @ 45.82
	Bowling	Samuel Skelly 27 @ 18.67
	Captains	Callum Taylor
SECOND GRADE:	Batting	David Roberts 272 @ 45.33
	Bowling	Mathew McGann 20 @ 14.95
	Captains	Lachie Skelly
THIRD GRADE:	Batting	Harley Peachey 289 @ 22.23
	Bowling	Junaid Ahmad 15 @ 21.60
	Captains	Junaid Ahmad
FOURTH GRADE:	Batting	Matthew Broers 428 @ 85.60
	Bowling	Tim Wilson 21 @ 11.81
	Captains	Ian Yorke
FIFTH GRADE:	Batting	Joshua Rowland 170 @ 42.50
	Bowling	James Harrison 13 @ 7
	Captains	Bradley McDowell
WOMENS:	Batting	Zoe Cooke 454 @ 64.85
	Bowling	Zoe Cooke 16 @ 8.75
	Captains	Emma Greenhalgh

**SPECIAL AWARDS**

KEN FRY TROPHY FOR CLUB CHAMPION	Ethan Bartlett
BEST FEMALE PLAYER	Zoe Cooke
BOB O'CALLAGHAN TROPHY FOR MOST RUNS	Ethan Bartlett
BOB MCMULLAN TROPHY FOR MOST WICKETS	Michael Minns
WDUCCC TROPHY FOR MOST IMPROVED	Robbie van Aalst
DEANS TROPHY CENTRE ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD	Marnie Szabo

ALLAN MCGANN COACHES AWARD – BEST TRAINER	Michael Minns
COACHES AWARD – BEST TRAINER WOMENS	Ali Dunn & Claire Russell
PETER RUDGE TROPHY FOR CLUB STICKER	Lauren McGann
DARRYLE MACDONALD AWARD (1st Grade Best Player)	Ethan Bartlett
GEOFF SLOANE Memorial Award (5th Grade Club Champion)	James Harrison

#### ACTCA TEAM AWARDS

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ONE DAY PREMIERSHIP

4<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TWO DAY PREMIERSHIP

3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE T20 PREMIERSHIP

WOMEN'S ONE DAY PREMIERSHIP

#### ACTCA INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

WOMEN'S MOST RUNS & BEST AVERAGE	Zoe Cooke
WOMEN'S BEST BOWLING AVERAGE	Zoe Cooke
LUKE BUSH RISING STAR AWARD	Blake MacDonald
PAUL EGAN VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR	Allan McGann
ACT TEAM OF THE YEAR	Ethan Bartlett
DENE MOORE MEDAL 4 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE PLAYER OF THE YEAR	Matthew Broers
LORNE LEES MEDAL 2 <sup>ND</sup> GRADE PLAYER OF THE YEAR	Mathew McGann
SJ MOORE MEDAL, WOMEN'S PLAYER OF THE YEAR	Zoe Cooke

#### HUNDREDS

First Grade

Ethan Bartlett 133 v Tuggeranong

## Second Grade

Theo Valeri 119 v Western Creek  
Joshua Boyd 102 v Queanbeyan

## Fifth Grade

Damian Whitelum 123 v Western Creek

## FIVE FORS or more in an innings

### First Grade

Joshua Corbett 5/26 v North Canberra Gungahlin  
Ethan Bartlett 5/80 v Tuggeranong

### Second Grade

Maaz Khan 5/23 v Eastlake

### Third Grade

Ian Yorke 6/60 v Tuggeranong

## SEVEN FORS or more in an innings

### First Grade

Ethan Bartlett 5/80 (inc. hattrick) v Tuggeranong

### Second Grade

Michael Minns 8/44 & 4/20 TOATL: 12/64 v Tuggeranong

John Cheadle 8/28 v Queanbeyan

## Women's FIFTYS

Zoe Cooke 51\* v Western Creek

Zoe Cooke 52\* v Tuggeranong

Amy Hart 51\* v North Canberra Gunghlain

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club

1<sup>st</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2016 – 2017

West's 1<sup>st</sup> grade can look back on a season of missed opportunities where we were knocked out in all competitions at the semi-final stage. Being defending 2 day premiers we had a huge desire to win more than just one competition this year. Having lost a couple of key players from last year this was always going to be a challenge but also gave some younger players an opportunity to step up and take on a more senior role in the team.

Unfortunately we came up short in the semi-final of the 20/20 and one day competition being defeated by Tuggeranong in both matches. These matches were tightly contested and the typical West's spirit was shown throughout but we were defeated by the better side on both occasions. This gave us more motivation to push to defend our two day premiership. We played Tuggeranong in our semi-final of the 2 day competition and this was another hard fought encounter. After a very close game over 3 days we were on the wrong side of the result again which ended our season in very disappointing fashion.

To see the progression of our young players again this season has been by far the most pleasing part. Matthew Gilkes, Sam Skelly, Blake Macdonald and Tom Engelbrecht developed further and all seen higher honours in the form of under 19's and comets. Both Matthew and Sam made their comets debut which was very pleasing after seeing so much effort again. We seen two of our sides seasoned campaigners in Ben Oakley and Darren Richards sit out the season which left huge holes to fill. To lose those two players with so much talent and experience was always going to be irreplaceable. Excellent individual performances during the season were had by Ethan Bartlett and Sam Skelly which was very pleasing. Our younger players in particular were able to take on more responsibility which in the long run will only see them improve greatly.

I would like to make special mention to Mathew McGann and Matt Condon for coaching Westies again this season, without these two driven and determined individuals the club would not have seen the success it has. The time and effort that they put into the club both on and off the field is one of the main reasons for this and previous seasons results as a club. I would also like to thank the Committee, yet again the time that you volunteer to make sure this great club runs smoothly is immensely appreciated! I would also like to thank the club for giving me the opportunity to Captain the 1<sup>st</sup> grade side, it has been an honour and a privilege to do so. Until next year, All For One!

Joe Cooke #250 1st Grade Captain

1<sup>st</sup> Grade Statistics for Season 2016 – 2017 can be found at;

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2016 – 2017

2016/17 was a challenging year for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Losses of some key personnel from the previous season, and from the first grade squad saw 2<sup>nd</sup> grade use 34 different players through the season, meaning the team never had the same personnel two matches in a row.

Pleasingly, two young guys, one new player, and one returning player, were big contributors through the summer. Lachlan Skelly returned after a long layoff from injury, and his short form cricket was excellent this summer. He ended the season as the clubs leading wicket taker, 36 at 14.92 across all formats.

Lachlan Murchie arrived to us, another product of Bowral. Lachlan was excellent pre-Christmas, and ended the season with 496 runs for the club, with three 50+ scores. His 54 off 32 balls in the second innings against Ginninderra, while we were trying to set the game up for an outright was something special to watch from the other end. I anticipate lots more runs from Lachlan over the years ahead!

The T20 competition saw the side into the final, playing against Weston Creek at Manuka, falling just short of the victory. A tremendous innings from Josh Boyd almost saw them home, unfortunately caught right on the deep forward square boundary. I would like to thank John Cheadle for leading the team after I was injured in the semi-final at Jamison v Queanbeyan.

John also led the team through the one day competition, with some excellent performances by the team again seeing them into the semis. The one day competition saw John Cheadle take an astonishing 8/28 in the round game against Queanbeyan at Jamison. After Queanbeyan's openers put on 144 for the first wicket, John's spell helped us dismiss them for 198. Unfortunately we could not repay his efforts with the win that day.

Theo Valeri made the first hundred for 2's this season, 119 (126) against Weston Creek at Stirling out of a total of 274.

Unfortunately, the semi-final was not our best effort, and we fell short of a final spot, defeated by Norths. Having beaten them convincingly in the round match, we were dismissed in less than 35 overs in the semi, and despite some brave efforts with the ball, Norths passed the total comfortably. Thanks again to John for leading the side through the one day competition.

The two day competition was very frustrating through the summer. There were some excellent performances, but sometimes we couldn't quite get the job done. We missed the finals after our last round game was washed out (having lost on first innings). Tuggeranong jumped us with draw points from their game, and they went on to beat the top two sides to secure the premiership.

It was a bit of a case of what could have been. A first innings win on the first day against ANU, an overnight lead of 64 had us in a good position for a possible outright result, unfortunately washed out week 2.



We narrowly missed an outright against Ginninderra, after a very sporting declaration, we managed to miss the 10 points by 1 wicket.

We had a first innings win against Tuggeranong, with Michael Minns taking 4/20 and backing it up with 8/44 in the second innings, for the astonishing match figures of 12/64. Unfortunately, chasing a modest total of 147, we fell 4 runs short.

Disappointingly, the last round against Weston Creek sealed our fate. Dismissed for 140, we conceded a first innings deficit half an hour before stumps on day one, and with the poor weather the following week, that was the end of our season.

Some other individual performances of note.

Maaz Khan - 5/23 against Eastlake. Maaz also made a crucial 36 not out to help secure the win that day.

David Roberts - 75\* v Norths on a very tricky batting wicket.

Josh Boyd – 102\* in the second innings against Queanbeyan at Freebody, his first hundred for the club.

I would like to thank several people who helped me with second grade this season. John Cheadle for captaining in my absence, Matt Veitch for the difficult job as Chairman of Selectors, and Clinton Lillepruun, Michael Minns and Jordan Smith for their on field leadership.

Thank you to Matt Condon for coming on board as a coach again this year. Massive commitment from a young man, he showed this year that he has huge potential to be a very successful coach. The future of the club is in good hands, I am excited to see where Condo takes you all over the next few years!

Congratulations to Lachlan Skelly, Lachlan Murchie and Ollie Anable for their continued development as promising juniors for the club.

Thanks also to some old boys who came back and helped us out through the season, Nathan Greatz, Andrew Appeldorff and especially Andrew Jones (who came out of an extended retirement for a run with us against ANU. I never thought I would have the chance to be back on the field with Jonesy, it was a really enjoyable day).

Thank you to all the players who played in the 2's this summer. Close in every competition, hopefully that lights a fire in the belly for success next summer!

Thank you also to the committee for another stellar job this season. Without their efforts, the rest of us would not get the same opportunity to play the game we love. Particularly to the tireless work of the President. The club is going to be different with Allan not around over the seasons ahead, I am sure he will be missed by all. The time we have had helping to run Wests together has been my favourite time in cricket since I began, I will forever be grateful for his support and commitment to our shared passion. I have no doubt he will miss his Westies mates,

Thanks again Westies, the best club, the best people. See you all again next summer.

Matt McGann

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2016 – 2017

3<sup>rd</sup> grade turned out to be an interesting year, with some pretty big highs, but unfortunately some disappointing lows, as most that turned up throughout the year would understand. Overall, I was quite impressed with the way everyone was willing to keep trying to win even when things went against us, and I think that is testament to the club, and the individuals that come together for each other throughout the season. There were a few standout individual performances throughout the year that made me proud as captain, especially coming at crucial moments of a close contest. And in that regard it was a privilege to be the captain of 3<sup>rd</sup> grade for the most part of the season. Syed Jaffry did an admirable job on my behalf when I wasn't playing, and I am thankful for that.

## T20

To start the season off, it was a few brilliant individual performances by players such as Duane Russel, Lachlan Murchie, and a few others saw the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade T20 side dominate in their sudden death tournament, managing to outplay Queanbeyan in the final at Manuka. Multiple players put their hand up in different situations to get them through a tricky draw and chase down a competitive total in the final. Jaffs lead the side well in my absence for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, and I think it was a great success by those involved in that team.

## ONE DAY

Starting the year with a loss to Ginninderra wasn't the ideal outcome, but the foundations were laid for competitive cricket to be played in the following rounds aiming for our place in the finals. The good start with the bat in the first game finally was matched by similar efforts with the ball as we progressed, managing to average close to 200 per innings at Kaleen throughout the whole one day tournament, giving ourselves the best chance of upsetting some more established teams such as Norths. Special mentions should be made to Junaid, Will Tabrett, and Ty Pascoe for the roles they played with the ball in hand on the charge to the finals, tying down an end or taking crucial breakthrough wickets became part and parcel of their games and it was nice to have bowlers ready to be relied upon when needed in crunch moments. It was also incredibly pleasing the way that each game someone different put their hand up with a 30, 40 or 50 to get us out of tight situations, or just continuing the moment of a previous partnership. Those contributions were the backbone of our successes in the one day comp.

Heading towards the business end of the comp, needing to win 1 of our last 2 to make sure of a finals berth, the boys pulled together on the back of a few great individual performances in the final 2 games to win them both and get ourselves into the top 2 and a home semi-final at Kaleen. Coming up against Ginninderra again, after losing to them earlier in the season, the efforts to set a respectively large score for them to chase were very pleasing. But the biggest praise should be saved for the efforts in the field, as we stood strong against some early dominant batting, taking our chances, and controlling the tempo of the game to eventually bowl Ginninderra out and book our place in the final against the undefeated Queanbeyan. Unfortunately we saved our most unlucky day of cricket for the final, and were comprehensively beaten by a strong Queanbeyan side.

## 2 DAY

Unfortunately our form from the one day comp didn't quite translate into form in the 2 day comp, as unavailability hurt the consistency of the team, and we were only able to win 1 game. We had our chances against a couple teams to win outright from a losing position but fell agonisingly short on each occasion. But it was a credit to everyone who played to manage to fight back from those positions against the likes of Queanbeyan and almost come away with the seemingly improbable win. Again, throughout the 2 days, there were more impressive individual performances from the likes of Lachie O'Sullivan, Ian Yorke, Timmy Maitland and more, with bat or ball, making their mark on each game that came by. Junaid and Timmy were 2 of the most unlucky bowlers throughout the 2 day campaign, but a credit to them for continuing to put the effort and overs in, maintaining the pressure on opposing batting line-ups. Unfortunately the batting didn't support the bowling in the 2 day comp, meaning it was unfortunately not our year for 2 day cricket, but I am pleased with the way we all went about our cricket even whilst playing mostly from a losing position.

### MEMORABLE MOMENTS/PERFORMANCES

Yorkie getting hit for 6 6's in 7 balls against Tuggeranong, but also taking 6 wickets in the same innings (good captaincy on my behalf haha)  
Lachie O'Sullivan hitting 60 odd to almost get us home against Queanbeyan chasing outright  
Laurence Redmond hitting 70 odd to chase down 200 against Tuggeranong  
Matt Hollingsworth hitting 50 against Weston Creek to salvage our top order collapse leading us to a close victory  
Junaid Reis for being the most unlucky bowler in the team.  
Syed Jaffry chiming in with well-timed half centuries in crucial games  
Matt Hollingsworth for also dropping catches (ask Jake Provan how many he dropped)  
Jake Provan for nagging me for a bowl against Ginninderra, only to then get hit for consecutive 6's  
Oliver Hill hitting a 6 against Queanbeyan  
The terrible umpiring against Tuggeranong at Chisholm 2, where people were given out LBW off the middle of the bat, and so on!!  
Ian Yorke bowling Matt Phelps out with the ball of the century according to him  
Timmy Maitland bowling Peter Solway leaving  
Rob Van Alst asking the batsman if he had hit one in the middle yet to then get smoked for 5 boundaries in the over following.  
Sudha running half the team out in the One Day grand final.

There were many more memorable moments and performances, but I think it is best to leave them to become old wives tales, and retold in the following seasons.

Overall, it was quite an enjoyable experience captaining this year despite not managing to come away with the one day or 2 day premiership. All the players respect for opposing teams and umpires, was well regarded, and those that did their part in helping out I was grateful for, whether it was helping setting up, scoring, little advices on field changes, and all the other little things that we forget matter sometime, I appreciated. It shows what a great club it is we're involved in. So thank you for the year 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. It was a pleasure.

Harley Peachey

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2016 – 2017

2016/2017 was a very productive year for Fourth Grade, three grand finals and winners of both the One Day and Two day trophies it ended up being a very productive year. First up we had the usual struggles fielding a team for the T20 competition but managed to string together 12 players, including a cameo appearance by the night captain Bushy. We proceeded to win the first game comfortable against North's to progress to the semi final which was played against ANU, this game was tight and in chasing 135 it came down to the very last over in which Ian "Steve Jobs" Yorke proceeded to hit the 16 runs required of the last over to get us into the final of the last ball of the game. If you are trying to kill some time you can tune into Yorkie's regular podcast titled "Travel, Being Rich and bowling left arm straight" there is a 30 minute slot dedicated to this over.

Unfortunately we meet our early season nemesis in Queanbeyan in the final and despite best efforts fell short by 4 runs.

The one day stuff then began and after a dismal loss to Ginninderra in round 1 the boys started to get a roll on from there, good early season batting from Baden "Kanye" West and Ian "Richard Branson" Yorke and bowling from Junaid Reis, Timmy "Mad Dog" Wilson and Simran Singh, the boys only lost one other round match to Queanbeyan in a close fought affair and ended up finishing top of the ladder. Despite the absence of the Captain the boys proceeded to roll through the semi final easily beating Ginninderra to set up a meeting with the boys from Norths.

In the final a sustained bowling effort from all of the boys ensured Norths only made 175, and in reply big Damo Whitelum with 57 not out, Suman "MS" Natarajan blasting 64 off 48 balls and Ian "Rupert Murdoch" Yorke with 35 not out ensured we won the game with almost 15 over's to spare.

The joy in pummelling the Norths boys was overwhelming and the celebrations were lead by Ed and Alan "Mogo" Xu were a sight to behold.

Then we proceeded onto the serious format of two day cricket and once again we managed to finish top of the ladder with a loss to Queanbeyan the only blemish on the calendar. The bowlers again lead the way with Eardley, H Whitelum, Wilson, Singh, Marshall, Yorke, Randev and Hathaway all shining at various times. Damo and MS were on fire at the top of the order and late form from Div "Player" Randev ensured the runs kept coming for the team. We faced Norths in the semi final whom were keen for revenge, and after bowling them out for 88, we proceeded to get ourselves out for 90. Taking a two run lead into day 2 the boys did the job again with the ball and chasing 129 for victory Div ended with a fine 63 not out to ensure we made it to the third Grand Final of the year.

The Grand Final played at Jamo Oval was up against Queanbeyan a team who thrashed us last time we meet. We won the toss and bowled first and once again all of the bowlers did there bit chiming in, the big wicket of S Frost went to the freight train, Ed Marshall whom ended up taking 4 for 9 of 8 overs ensuring that we bowled them out for a very gettable 118. The chase began nervously after the train wreck of the previous week but there was very little need to worry with MS, Damo and Div all playing exceptionally and we ended the day 2 for 139, the next day we fought it out with Ian "James Packer" Yorke and Aaron "Mickey

Edwards” Eardley batting for long periods to get us to 7 for 229 before the game was called and we could celebrate the second cup of the year.

So what a year for the boys, and I would like to thank Eddie for being acting captain and organising the boys in my absence at junior cricket in the mornings, this included warm ups, drinks team list tossing the coin etc.

The other two captains in Damo and Suman whom along with Ed were responsible for the majority of field changes for the year.

The new boys Simran, Harrison, Junaid, Aaron, Xu, Neil etc whom fitted in well and were a pleasure to play with.

The bowling of Timmy, Eards, Simma, Yorke whom all took a stack of wickets.

The batting of Damo, Suma, Yorkie whom scored big runs during the year.

The finals performance of Div whom excelled when under pressure and hopefully will go onto big things next year in his new opener roll.

Harry Whitelum whom bowled with some pace, particularly in the semi against Norths good signs here and along with Div and Simma will hopefully be able to work their way up the grades over the next couple of seasons.

### **Some special quotes from the year**

Maybe I should start bowling, because all the short fat people are getting wickets – Suman

There is no I in team – Broers - but there is three in individual brilliance – Yorke.

Broers you need to put my catches in my cricket – Xu every week.

Timmy have a spell from bowling – Broers “F\*\*\*”- Wilson

Broers sorry I am running late, I have been in the sober up shelter and just got out - Bushy

Bushy you are 23 hours early, game is on tomorrow – Broers.

Bushy dislocated his shoulder, swiped right too much – Unknown.

Broers I am right to bowl – everyone except Xu

Suman are you playing in the over 50’s comp? – Google (Norths)

Singleumpire.com – unknown

In addition I would like to thank all the captains and Vietchy for the Tuesday night selection meetings, good to get to know you all better, Condo and Ganny for running trainings each week and to the great man Al McGann we will all miss you and in particular the way you do everything for the club, good luck on your next journey and what it brings.

Matt Broers #205

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2016 – 2017

It was a tough interrupted season for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade squad this year. Throughout the season we managed to have 5 washed out games making it a very, tough to try and get any sort of momentum throughout the season.

It was a very new squad, me included as my first time as a club captain, which in round 1 saw 4 club debutants. We started off fairly well to the season going narrowly down in the first game before beating the 5<sup>th</sup> grade champions in a rain affected round 2.

Our batting highlight, which I unfortunately missed out on, was a highly expected figure with Damian Whitelum scoring 123 off about 90 balls, who unfortunately we couldn't keep hold of in 5's.

The highly experienced James Harrison shared the most wickets this year the Neil Hathaway in his first year both of which managed to continually put batsmen on skates and have no idea what they were actually doing with James' continued accuracy and consistency to Neil's sneaky offies and quicker balls which made it look like he was putting spiders on the balls.

It was a disappointing end to the season with 3 out of the last 4 games cancelled which is a shame considering the group of guys in the team had put in a lot of hard work throughout the year which showed a lot of promise towards the back end of the season.

On behalf of all the players that played 5<sup>th</sup> grade across the season, I would like to firstly thank Mathew McGann and Matt Condon for your efforts at training across the season. I know the guys took a lot out of each training session and it is greatly appreciated to have two extremely passionate guys coaching the club.

Secondly I would like to thank everyone behind the scenes that has helped me do my job (however poorly it may have been), from Lauren registering all our last minute players on a Friday night, to Jordan sorting out all our equipment for the year, as well as Bill McKell and of course the president Al McGann who was more than happy to fill for us on more than one occasion, as well as Alisa Clark who also filled in for us even after work one day. We thank you all and the club wouldn't be able to run the way it does without the help of everyone that goes above and beyond what is required of them.

I look forward to next year in which we will hopefully see the same faces back to build on where we left off from the end of this season.

All For One!  
Joshua Rowland  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Captain

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Women's Report  
2016 – 2017

2016/2017 was a tough one to back up from a double premiership last season; but we finished the season Premiers of the Lynne O'Meara (One day comp) and top of the ladder in the Glenda Hall (T20 comp) with sadly losing out in the semi-final to Eastlake.

This year brought with it its own challenges with at one point having 16 players in the squad – which is fantastic for Women's cricket but difficult sharing around the batting and bowling with majority of T20 games being played. Looking into the future Women's cricket is starting to become more popular and we need to keep the juniors coming up through the ranks in able to sustain a grade competition. WDUCCC had their first junior's side this year which was great and was coached by club legend Zoe Cooke. Zoe is not only an outstanding player with the bat and ball and helps lead the women's side on the weekend but also took up the position of the junior girls coach and looks forward to further developing their skills. The numbers game was short lived however with unfortunate injuries and uni holidays. Our team was thrown a curve ball early in the season with our all-time leading wicket taker Helena Kreis requiring an ACL reconstruction and being sideline for the season. This left the team looking for a replacement spinner and someone to step up into the limelight. This role was taken very early by Emma Greenhalgh who had an amazing season with the ball taking best figures of; 4/21 off 4 overs.

We managed to get through the season with only x1 one day and T20 loses both to Western Creek; I *'think'* we have learnt our lesson about drinking before a game but only future seasons will tell. There were many highlights this season with Zoe scoring 3 x 50\* and high score of 95\* bringing her season total to 454 @ 64.85 and also being handy with the ball also with best figures of 4/9 off 5 overs and not to mention 3 times Lynne O'Meara player of the year. Amy "Alice" Hart started her season well putting the pressure on Zoe with a 50\* but due unfortunately the pressure was all too much – Alice 'closing the gap one run at a time'. This season we had several new faces to the team; Lauren "Larlene" Woods, Claire "Caroline" Russell, April "Bowral/O.G." Wells and Stacy Robertson. These new players were all important assets to the team with not only on field performances but providing their own entertainment off the field. Bowral showed the team her true inner chicken spirit by announcing to the whole team that while she was at Westies local drinking haul and saw Adele sign! Unknown to Bowral who had consumed a few ginger ales at that point in time she was not seeing Adele but a transgender impersonator. It only took about 4 hours for the truth to sink in.

A huge thank-you must go to our 2 coaches Clinton Lillepruun and Sam Wightman for all their efforts this season whether it be organizing trainings, game day preparations or batting and bowling orders. Thank-you also to Graeme Lawson for scoring every game and his countless cricket commentary; whether current or 10 years old we are still happy you come to score/watch brilliant cricket (by Zoe of course!). And of course a huge thank-you to Allan McGann our president who would prepare the pitch every week and come along to training sessions and do some individual coaching. Jordan Smith Michael Minns and Damian Whitelum were also fantastic in coming down to trainings to help out with individual skill sessions.

I look forward to 2017/2018 season and hope to see our competition reach new heights and play for 40 over cricket.

Alisa Clark  
Women's Captain

Women's Grade Statistics for Season 2016 – 2017 can be found at;

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Perpetual Awards - All Years

	Ken Fry Trophy Club Champion	W.D.C.C Trophy Most Improved	Peter Rudge Trophy Club Sticker
1970-71	No Trophy	No Trophy	Reed, W
1971-72	No Trophy	Gelding, G	Patterson, W
1972-73	No Trophy	Bonnet, P	Evans, S
1973-74	No Trophy	Stonebridge, B	Smith, S
1974-75	No Trophy	Harding, A	Casey, A
1975-76	No Trophy	Balkin, K	Moore, D
1976-77	Rowe, C	Willett, B	Marshall, M
1977-78	Garrity, G	Meek, A	Rogers, R
1978-79	Winter, R	Croker, G	Gelding, G
1979-80	Peacock, B	Bryant, S	Murray, P
1980-81	Garrity, G	Michelle, S	Rogers, R
1981-82	Moore, D	Pyke, J	Matthews, D
1982-83	Garrity, G	Garrity, M	O'Sullivan, G
1983-84	Wall, G	Clark, J	Cook, P
1984-85	Pyke, D	Garrity, M	Brady, M
1985-86	Croker, G	Le Riche, M	Brady, M
1986-87	Metcalfe, D	Pyne, R	Davidson, N
1987-88	Norris, K	Broadbent, S	Norris, K
1988-89	Croker, G	Healy, B	Besomo, G
1989-90	Broadbent, S	Thomas, M	Hall, B
1990-91	Clark, J	White, S	Wheeler, E
1991-92	Garrity, I	Armstrong, T	Clark, J
1992-93	MacDonald, D	Hara, B	Burge, D
1993-94	Day, M	Boyle, J	MacDonald, D
1994-95	Robinson, M	Bushell, R	Fuller, J
1995-96	Garrity, I	Cook, G	Shepherd, J
1996-97	Clark, J	Broers, M	Heddle, A
1997-98	Hara, B	Richards, D	McKinnon, A
1998-99	White, S	Keens, B	Foenander, J
1999-00	Sloane, G	Widdup, P	Mehta, A
2000-01	Jones, A	Jones, A	Cosgrave, M
2001-02	Hatton, M	McDermott, A	Heddle, A
2002-03	Hatton, M	Death, N	Cecere, P
2003-04	Keens, B	Boyle, J	Gould, D
2004-05	Richards, D & Grocott, B	Mehta, S	Miller, A
2005-06	Rama, S	Hopkinson, T	King, D
2006-07	Hatton, M	Ronald, J	McGann, M
2007-08	Carters, R	McKell, P	McGann, A
2008-09	Oakley, B	Spare, D	Ronald, J
2009-10	Oakley, B	Brown, K	Taylor, B
2010-11	Oakley, B		Taylor, A
2011-12	Richards, D	Riley, D	Richards, D
2012-13	Bartlett, E	Condon, M	Wightman, S
2013-14	Peachey, H	West, B	McKell, P
2014-15	Hall, D	Lillepruun, C	Kidd, D
2015-16	Cooke, Z	Tim Wilson	Clinton Lillepruun
2016-17	Bartlett, E	Robbie van Aalst	Lauren McGann

	Bob McMullan Trophy Most Wickets	Bob O'Callaghan Trophy Most Runs
1970-71	No Trophy	No Trophy
1971-72	No Trophy	No Trophy
1972-73	No Trophy	No Trophy
1973-74	No Trophy	No Trophy
1974-75	No Trophy	No Trophy
1975-76	No Trophy	No Trophy
1976-77	No Trophy	No Trophy
1977-78	No Trophy	No Trophy
1978-79	No Trophy	No Trophy
1979-80	No Trophy	No Trophy
1980-81	No Trophy	No Trophy
1981-82	No Trophy	No Trophy
1982-83	No Trophy	No Trophy
1983-84	No Trophy	No Trophy
1984-85	No Trophy	No Trophy
1985-86	No Trophy	No Trophy
1986-87	No Trophy	No Trophy
1987-88	No Trophy	No Trophy
1988-89	No Trophy	No Trophy
1989-90	No Trophy	No Trophy
1990-91	No Trophy	No Trophy
1991-92	No Trophy	No Trophy
1992-93	No Trophy	No Trophy
1993-94	No Trophy	No Trophy
1994-95	Thornton, D	Bushell, R
1995-96	Ward, N	Garrity, I
1996-97	Voros, J	Clark, J
1997-98	Jess, D	Hara, B
1998-99	Keens, B	Hara, B
1999-00	Jensen, J	Garrity, I
2000-01	Keens, B	Jones, A
2001-02	Keens, B	Pang, S
2002-03	Jones, A	Richards, D
2003-04	Keens, B	Richards, D
2004-05	Grocott, B	Richards, D
2005-06	Jess, D	Rama, S
2006-07	Harrison, J	Richards, D
2007-08	Jones, A	Carters, R
2008-09	Oakley, B & Lyon, N	Carters, R
2009-10	Oakley, B	Cooke, J
2010-11	McGann, M	Hook, S
2011-12	Luby, S	Richards, D
2012-13	Oakley, B	Bartlett, E
2013-14	Harrison, J	Valeri, T
2014-15	Hall, D & Riley, D	Polhill, N
2015-16	Oakley, B	Cooke, Z
2016-17	Minns, M	Bartlett, E

## Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club Office Bearers - All Years

Season	Patron	President	Secretary	Treasurer
1969-70	-	Rudge, P	Wheeler, E	Stark, M
1970-71	-	Stark, M	Wheeler, E	Reed, W
1971-72	Stark, M	Buckley, L & Blundell, G	Canney, I G	Quinane, M
1972-73	-	Blundell, G	Gelding, G W	Pattinson, W
1973-74	Hon F Stewart MP	Blundell, G	Gelding, G W	Pattinson, W
1974-75	Hon F Stewart MP	Smith, S E	Casey, A J	Dockrill, B G
1975-76	K Fry MP	Gelding, G W	Casey, A J	Dockrill, B G
1976-77	K Fry MP	Gelding, G W	Casey, A J	Dockrill, B G
1977-78	K Fry MP	Gelding, G W	Munt, D P	Garrity, G P
1978-79	K Fry MP	Gelding, G W	Murray, P D	Garrity, G P
1979-80	K Fry MP	Gelding, G W	Murray, P D	Garrity, G P
1980-81	K Fry MP	Gelding, G W & Boardman, W	Murray, P D	Garrity, G P
1981-82	K Fry MP	Boardman, W	Matthews, D	Garrity, G P
1982-83	K Fry MP	Boardman, W	Matthews, D	Garrity, G P
1983-84	K Fry MP	Gelding, G W	Matthews, D	Garrity, G P
1984-85	Rudge, P F	Gelding, G W	O'Brien, P J Garrity, G P & Davidson, N A	Garrity, G P Scott, R C
1985-86	Rudge, P F	Gelding, G W		
1986-87	Rudge, P F	Boardman, W & Norris, K	Hunt, D M	Middleton, A & Besomo, G
1987-88	Rudge, P F	Norris, K	Hunt, D M	Besomo, G
1988-89	Rudge, P F	Rapley, A	Hunt, D M	Besomo, G
1989-90	Garrity, G P & Rudge, P F	Brady, M	Clark, J	Besomo, G
1990-91	Garrity, G P	Brady, M	Matthews, D	Bushell, G
1991-92	B Stefaniak MLA	Brady, M	Pauley, D	Burge, D
1992-93	-	Brady, M	Pauley, D	Burge, D
1993-94	Hon B McMullan MP & Clyde, B	Brady, M	Shepherd, J	Burge, D
1994-95	Hon B McMullan MP	Brady, M	Brady, S	Besomo, G
1995-96	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Brady, M	Brady, S	Besomo, G
1996-97	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Brady, M	McDonald, T	Besomo, G
1997-98	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Brady, M	McDonald, T	Besomo, G
1998-99	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Brady, M & McDermott, D	Robertson, B	Bellchambers, S
1999-00	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Brady, M	Beauchamp, G	Cook, G
2000-01	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Garrity, G P	Evans, C	Cosgrave, M
2001-02	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Garrity, G P	Pang, S & Cecere, R	Goddard, P
2002-03	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Garrity, G P	Cecere, R	Goddard, P
2003-04	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA & Professor Roger Dean	Gould, D ASM	Keens, B	Goddard, P
2004-05		Gould, D ASM	Miller, R	Colebatch, T
2005-06	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Gould, D ASM	Miller, R	Colebatch, T
2006-07	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Gould, D ASM	Fyfe, A	Colebatch, T
2007-08	Hon B McMullan MP & B Stefaniak MLA	Gould, D ASM	Copeland, A	Fyfe, A
2008-09	Hon B McMullan MP	Gould, D ASM	Turner, D	Fyfe, A
2009-10	Hon B McMullan MP	Gould, D ASM	Bowditch, T	Fyfe, A
2010-11	Hon B McMullan MP	Gould, D ASM	Bowditch, T	Fyfe, A
2011-12	Hon B McMullan MP	Gould, D ASM & Clark, J	Bowditch, T & Kidd, D	McKell, W
2012-13		Clark, J	Kidd, D	McKell, W
2013-14		Clark, J	Kidd, D	McKell, W
2014-15		McGann, A	Kidd, D	McKell, W
2015-16		McGann, A	Bartlett, E	McKell, W
2016-17		McGann, A	Clark, A	McKell, W

*Courtesy of Peter McKell*

## 1. HARRISON WHITELUM

1<sup>ST</sup> NOMINATION: For throwing a Frisbee in a nearby tree and trying to rectify the following situation by trying to throw a ball at the Frisbee – and getting the ball stuck in the tree. Harry then had a more brilliant idea of throwing a stump to get the Frisbee down but that just got stuck too. The next logical item (unknown to most) was an ‘eye in’ bat which as you could expect became stuck as well. Eventually with the help of Dad ‘Damo’ they managed to get the Frisbee down by some other means.

2<sup>ND</sup> NOMINATION: In the semifinal at Kaleen; Harrison was playing in the nets with the young fellas not paying any attention to the game. Ian Yorke had gone into bat at #3, got bowled shortly after leaving one and sat back down on the seats still wearing his pads. Harrison comes back over returning to the game at hand and ask Yorke ‘do you want any throw downs?’

## 2. Oliver Hill

While playing a game at Aranda he went to field a ball that got hit for 6 that landed in the nets. Deciding on how best to get the ball Oliver decides to climb over the fence; not an easy task – after he throws the ball back over the fence he then proceeded to walk out of the unlocked cricket net.

## 3. April Wells

Went and visited Westies watering hole ‘Mooseheads’ one night and began to brag the following night about how good the night was in the team group chat. ‘Guys I legit saw Adele sing last night at Mooseheads bloody awesome!’ unbeknownst to April it was a drag queen impersonator.

## 4. Div Randev

Leaving cricket during a rain delay to get some food at KFC.... While still fully padded up

## 5. Clinton Lillepruun

1<sup>st</sup> NOMINATION: Having a temper tantrum at training after batting in the nets and tossing his gear around only to have his glove land on the roof of the grandstand.

2<sup>nd</sup> NOMINATION: Backing over his kit bag that he left behind his car, going forward and back over.

#### 6. Ajay Metha

While at the 4<sup>th</sup> grade GF, Ajay decided to call in and bring his son Josh with him. Josh was out playing with the other little kids when Ajay announced he needed to go home said his good-byes to everyone... about 10 minutes later Josh runs up to the group and asks 'Where's AJAY? At this point the group click onto that he left Josh behind. 3 hours later Ajay came back to collect Josh.

#### 7. Ethan Bartlett

After a night out with the boys Ethan woke up still quite drunk decided that he felt like popcorn. So Ethan did the logically thing and rang an UBER to the belconnen cinema, alone and bought his popcorn, a large drink and movie ticket. He smashed down the popcorn and had a few sips of his drink during the previews and then proceeded to fall asleep waking up only when the credits began to run through with a full drink. Ethan then caught a UBER home and was asked what movie did you see? 'Mate I have no idea'.

#### 8. Jack Harper

After playing a game against Western Creek and watching RVA dominate with the ball, decided to scratch the letters RVA into the pitch as a reminder of who the best is. The worst part is when the captain addressed the team about the situation he openly admitted to it and wasn't sure what he did wrong.