

**WESTERN DISTRICT CRICKET  
CLUB INCORPORATED**  
in affiliation with the  
**UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA  
CRICKET CLUB**

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ANNUAL REPORT  
SEASON 2008 - 2009**



## **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.

As a player, you should endeavour to be available for all matches as membership carries with it a commitment to the Club. Part of that commitment includes working cooperatively with the captain, team members and officials to ensure your side achieves its optimum performance.

While there is no requirement to undertake administrative duties, members should be aware that the workload in conducting all aspects of the Club's activities is considerable and should not be left to a select few. Your contribution to assist in making the Club work harmoniously and efficiently is encouraged.

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Sponsors for  
2008 – 2009

**Canberra Southern Cross Club Jamison - Ph: 6251 2255**



<http://www.csccl.com.au/>

**University of Canberra**



<http://ucu.canberra.edu.au>

**ISIS Projects – Ph: 6241 6166**



<http://www.isis.com.au/>

**5 Star Plus Cricket Equipment ACT – Ph: 6239 1054**



<http://5starplus.com.au>

**Belconnen Soccer Club – Ph: 62599900**



**<http://www.belconnensoccerclub.com.au/>**

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Office Bearers  
2008 – 2009

PATRONS	The Honourable Bob McMullan M.P
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PRESIDENT	Derek Gould ASM
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SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT	Jeff Clark
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UNIVERSITY OF CANBERRA DELEGATE	Ben Keens
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HONORARY SECRETARY	Dean Turner
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HONORARY TREASURER	Alex Fyfe
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DIRECTORS

CRICKET MANAGEMENT & DEVELOPMENT	Jamie Ronald
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SOCIAL	Alan Copeland
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GROUPS MANAGEMENT	Shawn Jones
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EQUIPMENT MANAGEMENT	Clinton Lillepruun
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WOMENS CRICKET	Graeme Lawson
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CITY & SUBURBAN	Andrew Miller
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OTHER

LIFE MEMBERS	Gregory Besomo Michael Brady Jeff Clark Gerald Garrity Geoff Gelding Brian Hall Darryle Macdonald David Matthews Ken Norris Russell Rogers Edward Wheeler Ashley Heddle Jon Fuller
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ACTCA Delegates	Derek Gould Jeff Clark
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AUDITOR	
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CLUB COACH

Allan McGann

CLUB CAPTAIN

Mathew McGann

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Bob Taylor

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Team Captains and Selectors  
2008 – 2009

TEAM CAPTAINS

FIRST GRADE	Nathan Lyon
SECOND GRADE	David Mann / David Roberts
THIRD GRADE	Lee Evans
FOURTH GRADE	Jeff Clark/Brett Grocott
FIFTH GRADE	Alan Copeland / David Kidd
CITY & SUBURBAN	Nigel Butler

SELECTORS

CLUB SELECTOR	Allan McGann
FIRST GRADE	Nathan Lyon Allan McGann
SECOND GRADE	David Mann David Roberts Allan McGann
THIRD GRADE	Lee Evans Allan McGann
FOURTH GRADE	Jeff Clark Brett Grocott Allan McGann
FIFTH GRADE	Alan Copeland David Kidd Allan McGann
CITY & SUBURBAN	Nigel Butler Allan McGann



Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Presidents Report  
2008 – 2009

Welcome to the 2008/09 annual report.

The club had 6 men's teams as well as a women's team in the field this season.

Although we did not win any of the Grand finals we did have a very good season

### **Awards**

It began with a new innovation. There was a pre season challenge match between North Canberra-Gungahlin Cricket Club and us. Geff Long, CEO of Belconnen Soccer Club McKellar, provided a cup.  
The inaugural match was won by North Canberra.

At the beginning of the season there was a 20/20 competition between all clubs and all grades. We won the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade trophies.

December saw the annual Barry Andrews challenge match against ANU, which we successfully defended by winning 3 matches to 2.

February saw a new challenge match between Queanbeyan and us in which we were successful winning 3 to 2.

As for the grade competitions we had 4 teams, 1st, 2nd, 4th, and 5<sup>th</sup> make the semi-finals of the two-day competition with 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade going on to the finals. Unfortunately neither team managed to take out a trophy.

### **Players**

A number of 1<sup>st</sup> Grade players either left the club or retired at the end of the 2007/08 season.

Andrew Jones 1st Grade Captain, retired, Darren Richards decided to try his luck in Perth, Ben Phillips decided to have a rest although he did make a comeback towards the end of the season.

Simon Cusden, who has played for Kent and Derbyshire in the English County championships, joined the club at the beginning of the season and stayed until the semi-final. Unfortunately due to circumstances outside of his control he had to return to UK before the finals.

Coming, as he did, from the English county scene his training methods were something of a shock for most of the players. The level of intensity expected by Simon were slightly above what most of our players had been used to.

## **Representative Players**

Nathan Lyons and Ryan Carters were in the Comets team

Zoe Cooke and Diane Wilson were in the ACT U15 women's team

## **Financial situation**

The major concern for the club is finance. At the time of writing it would appear that we are set to make a loss of approximately \$6,000 for the financial year 2008/09.

This makes it three years in a row that we have suffered a loss.

The main reasons for such a loss is: -

Two of our fundraising activities, the two BBQ's that had been estimated to make at least \$1,500 suffered through rain. The BBQ at Bunnings made less than \$300 whilst the one at Gungahlin made no profit at all.

The original budget proposed to award certificates instead of medallions. This was changed later in the year to medallions. Certificates would have cost around \$3 each. The medallions, including the engraving cost around \$20 each.

## **The executive**

Dean Turner took over from Alan Copeland as secretary. Apart from the normal secretarial duties Dean was faced with implementing Mycricket, a new computerised system, introduced by Queensland and then taken up by Cricket Australia for recoding such things as, registrations, results and transfers as well as other aspects of administration. There were many hiccups in this, the first year and it must have been very frustrating for Dean to find, after inputting large amounts of data, that it had to be done again because of a problem with the system

Bob Taylor also came onto the Executive. He came on in a newly developed role, that of Junior Development Officer. The role of this position is to develop a better liaison with the junior arm of the Club. Bob began the process by inviting some of the older juniors, to attend training sessions on Tuesday and Thursday.

It is a slow process and it is hoped that further Junior Development officers will be appointed in the future.

Alan Copeland took over as Social Director from Michael Hodge. Due to work commitments and the arrival of a child Alan's involvement was minimal but there is one more event to go, the Trivia night and he has been working hard to make it the success that it has been in the past.

Matthew McGann remained as Club Captain and on most training nights his voice could be heard urging all players to take part in the various functions put on by the committee as well as making the training sessions as diverse as possible.

Allan McGann, whilst saying that he was unable to give the commitment that he has given in the past due to work commitments, nevertheless could be seen doing the same, if not more, than he has in the past. He could be seen at training, at BBQs,

usually cooking the sausages, driving the bus for the away Konica matches as well as other numerous events.

Jeff Clark, the club stalwart, remained as Vice President. With his knowledge of the club history and his close association with the players he is a great asset to the club and can frequently be seen either reminding me of something I have forgotten or did not know about or giving me advice on some new idea that I might have

Shawn Jones maintained his role as Director of Grounds and together with his father Ross Jones carried out the duties of curating the Jamison and Kaleen ovals. This was not an easy task with the many challenges facing them especially at Jamison. With the Western District Rugby Union club going out of business the ground was handed back to the ACT Government. This saw a gradual improvement in the state of both the ground and the surrounds but it will probably be another year before we will see something substantial in the way of improvement.

Towards the end of the season a complaint was lodged by Ginninderra regarding the preparation of the Jamison pitch the club was found guilty of inadequate pitch preparation. An appeal was lodged and with supporting evidence from the former Manuka Oval Curator the guilty verdict was overturned. This should prove that our curating staff does know its business.

Clinton Lillipruune continued as Director of Equipment. With the various changes to a number of items such as shirts, the extra team that played in the City & Suburban Competition and therefore the extra demand for balls and the added problem of suppliers running out of balls Clinton did not have an easy season.

As an executive we need to give our Directors of Equipment, Grounds and Curating sufficient time in which to plan their various activities.

Jamie Ronald remained as Director of Cricket. Despite the fact that he has a young family and is in the process of building a new house Jamie still managed to find time to assist the club in many ways.

Towards the end of the season saw us having to face a report from Ginninderra concerning the state of the pitch at Jamison. The GCC found us guilty of not preparing the pitch to an adequate standard. The result of this decision meant that our 1st Grade would not take part in the Grand final

Jamie spent nearly two days preparing an appeal. This went before the independent tribunal and the GCC finding was overturned.

The club owes a debt of gratitude to Jamie for his work on that one issue alone.

Alex Fyfe continued as Treasurer. The main problem facing Alex concerned the payment of fees. This is a constant problem and has been for almost the entire time that I have been associated with the club. Despite numerous emails and talking to players there were still a number that had not paid all of their fees by the end of May, two months after the end of the playing season.

This is an area that needs to be improved upon next season.

## **ACT Cricket Matters**

During the later part of the previous year the club Presidents held some meetings to discuss the operations of the Board of the ACTCA and its relationship with the clubs. It was agreed that there were a number of problems that needed to be addressed. These discussions continued during the current financial year and have resulted in a number of decisions.

One of these is the setting up of a foundation called the John Gallop Foundation. The primary aim of the foundation is to raise money to assist the clubs in a number of ways, which include, curating, and equipment and any other areas in which a club or clubs are struggling.

The other major item concerns the make –up of the board. There is unanimous agreement that a review of the Board and the ACT Cricket Office is needed. There is also unanimous agreement that some members of the board need to be replaced. In the next few months, before the 2009 Annual General Meeting, the presidents will be looking at people, who they believe, will have the right knowledge and expertise for replacements.

## **Sponsors**

During the winter months the Western District Rugby Union Club at Jamison was taken over by the Southern Cross Club.

We were owed \$7,000 at the time of the demise of the WDRUC but despite several emails and conversations with the receivers we were unable to convince them that this money was owed to us.

A new sponsorship deal was negotiated with Southern Cross that resulted in us receiving \$10,000 for the senior club and \$2,000 for the juniors.

This was less than we had hoped for but it is a start and it is hoped that we can increase this amount in the coming years.

Our other major sponsor was Isis. This saw a sum of \$5,000 added to our account.

Geoff Long, CEO of Belconnen Soccer Club at McKellar gave us \$1,000 for which we are grateful.

Clubs also received a grant from ACTC. Because we have a women's team our grant was \$7,500. It was in two parts. The first part was received early in the year, with the second part conditional on us submitting a SWOT analysis at the end of the season. This we did, expecting to receive the remaining \$3,750 of the grant within a few weeks of the submission.

Mark Vergano, CEO of ACT Cricket, queried our submission, stating that it appeared that it had not received input from senior players or other members of the Executive. This is untrue, as members of the Executive had seen the analysis as well as some senior players.

Some slight adjustments were made to the analysis, which was re-submitted. The money was received a couple of days later.

## **In Conclusion**

The business of running any organization with part-time officials requires an enormous amount of commitment by those willing to serve.

Four members of our executive have young families as well as full-time jobs, others are just starting out on their careers whilst others have jobs that are very demanding. Given these factors I believe that the club has been well served during the last year. My thanks go to all who have given of their time to ensure the smooth running of the many administrative tasks that face all such organizations.

To the players I also say thank you for the commitment that they have given. You do not get 4 teams to the semi-finals without a lot of hard work in the nets and on the field.

Finally, I am grateful to all of our sponsors. Without their financial support it would be difficult for the Club to continue to operate.

To Mark Vergano and his staff. On behalf of the club I am grateful for the work and support that they have given.

Over the course of the year there have been occasions when we have not seen eye to eye on some issues and that is bound to happen in an organization comprised of both full-time and part-time officials. If you add to this the fact that ACT Cricket serves two masters, Cricket Australia and the Grade Cricket then it is not too difficult to understand that there will be problems.

Once again thanks to the Members of the Executive and the players for giving me another opportunity to share in your club.

I wish the incoming executive all the best for the coming season.

Derek Gould ASM  
President

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Secretary Report  
2008 – 2009

Well what in introduction to managing of a cricket club. The 2008-2009 season saw many ups and downs both on and off the field.

On the field we did a very good job, with four of five grade teams qualifying for the finals and two making it to the Grand Final, the girls winning games and a City-Suburban team winning and looking real contenders through the mid-point of the season.

I congratulate all teams for their performances overall as I believe as a club we achieved a continued improvement over past seasons.

### **My Role**

1. Executive Meetings - These meetings were conducted monthly with current issues being discussed and addressed. Action items were generated and pursued.
2. MyCricket – this club and competition management system was rolled out across the ACT clubs and competitions immediately prior to the commencement of the 2008-09 season. As with all new processes and system tools, it did not come trouble free, but WDUCCC undertook the stated requirements and by the mid-season break we were the only club fully compliant with CricketACT requirements.

Unfortunately, not all competitions are captured in this system (i.e. Twenty20, Konica, SCG Cup, etc...) and therefore the club has had to maintain separate systems for statistical purposes.

One of the many teething issues was a failure within the system initially which required me to submit team lists and match results multiple times. A time consuming task which within this first season has not provided a significant return on investment.

3. General duties – both Bob Taylor and I picked up the match day social duties including stocking the drinks at Jamison and turning our hands at cooking as required.
4. Collecting funds – An area that will require remediation in the next season, with which I have proposed and will implement a new system which should provide team captains and the Treasurer with better records with regard to Player registration and match fee payments.

This first year was a challenge and I can say that by the end of March 2009 I was ready for a break from Cricket. I will happily reapply for this position in 2009-10 but will work more towards implementing club structures which have fallen out of use.

Finally the thank you list:

1. Matt McGann – a true clubman, wears his heart on his sleeve and worked tirelessly, at time without proper recognition, to grow and develop a club culture. He gave his time freely and helped me to understand this role
2. Allan McGann – For someone who was going to be around less this year he was certainly a constant at training and matches. Another who provided clear guidance and support, without asking for some return.
3. Bob Taylor – we have survived junior cricket together and forged a strong cricketing relationship. We have worked closely this year and I thank him for his constant support and candour.
4. Alex Fyfe – working through MyCricket and player supps was a challenge for us both
5. Jeff Clarke – the one person I could turn to and ask any club question and he could provide the history and the direction.
6. The membership – you all accepted me in the role and allowed me to feel like a true member of the WCUCCC team, thanks everyone.

Dean Turner  
Secretary

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Treasurers Financial Report  
2008 – 2009

The overall financial result for the Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club was a loss of \$3,849 according to the draft financial statements.

As at 30 June 2009, cash in the bank and term deposit came to a total of \$40,617.

The draft income and expenses are as follows:

Income for 08/09 came to a total of \$63,883 compared to \$43,963 in 07/08.

Subscriptions \$20,481  
Grant Income \$23,700  
Fund Raising \$15,781  
Other Income \$2,502  
Interest Received \$1,329

The increase in income is mainly due to the full grant being paid by the Canberra Southern Cross Club and sponsorship income from Belconnen Soccer Club and ISIS. Subscriptions increased, as well as fund raising income. Expenses increased also thus causing the deficit for last financial year.

Expenses for 08/09 came to a total of \$67,732 compared to \$50,634 in 07/08.

Cost of Sales \$162  
Administration Expenses \$4059  
ACTCA \$12,370  
Minor Equipment \$9,764  
Repair and Maintenance Expenses \$15,635  
Training and Development \$2,805  
Functions and Fundraising Expenses \$11,807  
Sundry Expenses (majority of this Simon Cusden airfare and accommodation, also includes workers comp and insurance) \$11,130

The increase in expenses were to two main factors – the airfares and accommodation payable for Simon Cusden's playing stint and the increase in ground hire fees to around \$9,700 for 08/09. Expenses generally increased across the board – increases were also in repair and maintenance, and fundraising.

Retained profits as at 30 June 2009 is \$59,893 compared to \$63,742 as at 30 June 2008.

Alex Fyfe  
Treasurer



Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Income Statement  
2008 – 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>INCOME</b>			
Subscriptions		20,481.00	17,428.00
Grant Income		23,700.00	12,000.00
Fund Raising		15,871.00	9,275.00
Other Income		2,502.00	3,382.00
Interest Received		1,329.00	1,878.00
		<u>63,883.00</u>	<u>43,963.00</u>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Cost of Sales		162.00	455.00
Administration Expenses		5,795.00	3,095.00
ACTCA		18,124.00	17,678.00
Minor Equipment		9,764.00	10,594.00
Repair and Maintenance Expenses		15,635.00	8,124.00
Training and Development Expenses		6,445.00	2,807.00
Functions and Fundraising Expenses		11,807.00	7,881.00
		<u>67,732.00</u>	<u>50,634.00</u>
<b>Profit/ (Loss) from ordinary activities before income tax</b>		<b>(3,849.00)</b>	<b>(6,671.00)</b>
Income Tax Expense	1(c)	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Profit from ordinary activities after income tax</b>		<b><u>(3,849.00)</u></b>	<b><u>(6,671.00)</u></b>
RETAINED PROFITS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u>63,742.00</u>	<u>70,413.00</u>
RETAINED PROFITS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		<u><b>59,893.00</b></u>	<u><b>63,742.00</b></u>

To be read in conjunction with the attached Notes to the Accounts

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Balance Sheet  
2008 – 2009

	Note	2009 \$	2008 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Cash & Cash Equivalents	2	40,619.00	33,936.00
Trade and other Receivables		8,275.00	7,220.00
Other Current Assets		4,699.00	3,785.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u>53,593.00</u>	<u>44,941.00</u>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>			
Plant & Equipment	3	24,118.00	26,901.00
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<u>24,118.00</u>	<u>26,901.00</u>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<u>77,711.00</u>	<u>71,842.00</u>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Trade and Other Payables	4	10,818.00	1,100.00
Grants Received in Advance	5	7,000.00	7,000.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<u>17,818.00</u>	<u>8,100.00</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>59,893.00</u>	<u>63,742.00</u>
<b>Member's Funds</b>			
Retained Profits	6	59,893.00	63,742.00
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS</b>		<u>59,893.00</u>	<u>63,742.00</u>

To be read in conjunction with the attached Notes to the Accounts

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Notes To and Forming Part of the Accounts  
2008 – 2009

1. Statement of Accounting Policies

(a) Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are a special purpose financial report that have been prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 1991 (ACT). The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act 1991 (ACT), and the following Accounting standards:

AAS 5	Materiality
AAS 8	Events Occurring After Reporting Date

No other applicable Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues, Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

The Financial Report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on Historical Cost. Accordingly, changes in the purchasing power of money or except where stated, current valuation of non-current assets have not been taken into account.

The following material accounting policies have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report.

(b) Fixed Assets

Where relevant, any plant and equipment is carried at cost less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation.

(c) Income Tax

The Association is a non-profit organisation and is considered to be exempt from Income Tax under Section 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

(d) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

As the Association is a non-profit organisation whose turnover is below the required threshold, GST registration is not required. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of any assets, or included in the cost of expenses.

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Notes To and Forming Part of the Accounts (Cont)  
2008 – 2009

(e) Revenue

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration or contributions received or receivable. Where revenue is received in the form of cash the fair value of the consideration is the amount received.

(f) The financial statements have been prepared on the basis of Historical Cost and do not take into account changing money values or current valuations of non-current assets.

<b>2. <u>Cash Assets</u></b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2008</b>
Cash At Bank -- St George Bank	9,015	3,593
Term Deposits -- St George Bank	<u>31,604</u>	<u>30,343</u>
	\$40,617	\$33,936
<b>3. <u>Property Plant &amp; Equipment</u></b>		
Cricket Equipment	38,971	38,971
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(14,853)</u>	<u>(12,070)</u>
	\$24,118	\$26,901
<b>4. <u>Trade &amp; Other Payables</u></b>		
Accrued Audit Fees	1,100	1,100
Sundry Creditor	<u>9,718</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>10,818</u>	<u>1,100</u>
<b>5. <u>Grant Received in Advance</u></b>		
WDRUC Grant	7,000	7,000
<b>6. <u>Members' Funds</u></b>		
Carried forward balance	63,742	71,965
Current Year Net Profit	<u>(3,849)</u>	<u>(6,671)</u>
<b>Members' Funds at end of Financial Year</b>	<u>\$59,893</u>	<u>\$63,742</u>

**7. Contingent liabilities**

There are no known contingent liabilities or claims in existence against the Association.

**8. Events Occurring after Balance Date**

There are no post balance date events that affect the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2009.

**9. Association Details**

Western District Cricket Club Inc.  
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BELCONNEN ACT 2612

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Club Captains Report  
2008 – 2009

Season 08/09 saw the departure of two of the Clubs great players, both to separate avenues. Darren Richards departed west to try his hand at Grade Cricket in WA, and we also saw the retirement of premiership winning skipper, Andrew Jones. The challenge for the club was obvious, replacing such experience was never going to be easy, but nevertheless, a new challenge for a much younger list of players was to be the focus for the season.

West's, for the first time since my involvement with the club, sought an International Player to join the club as a player/coach. Simon Cusden arrived from England with experience at First Class level, England under age sides, and a season with Tasmanian side South Hobart/Sandy Bay. Simon's enthusiasm was attractive to the clubs committee, and whilst his role varied through the course of his stay, his involvement with the younger players was very much appreciated. A change in circumstances saw him unfortunately leave Australia just prior to the commencement of finals. We wish Simon all the best for his future endeavours.

On a playing front, West's again performed in 08/09, reaching a third consecutive First Grade 2 day Grand Final, this time against the old foe, 'Creek, dispatching Tuggeranong again in March, the third time in three years, this year in the Semi Final at Stirling. This win was a great achievement for the young group, winning by one wicket on the first innings, after a great display of patience by Adam Hewitt, with both bat and ball. Adam has a great future in the game, and look forward to his continuing rise.

The Grand Final itself was a taxing encounter, Creek are a great side, they show that each year, and with their experience, an unfortunate incident for our captain, Nathan Lyon, in which he split the webbing in his hand (meaning he was unable to bowl) and an ongoing elbow issue for strike bowler, Ben Oakley, we were a little thin in the bowling stocks on a belter at Manuka. Creek posted 470 odd, with Cade Brown scoring an unbeaten 220, essentially batting us out of the contest. The chase was brave, with Oaks and Hewitt again giving us a chance, before unfortunately, our season concluding with a brave skipper at the crease, in immense pain as each ball hit the bat. Nathan is about as tough as they come and the playing group should draw inspiration from him and his efforts.

Unusually, both Ones and Twos, made the Grand Final this year, second grade also contesting this with Creek, an heartbreakingly falling a few wickets short after amassing a substantial first innings lead, thanks mainly to Stu Hooks efforts with the bat. There was plenty of encouragement however to be taken from the fact we not only had Ones and Twos in the Grand Finals, but that we made finals in Fours and Fives also, and narrowly missed a birth in the finals in Third Grade.

So mixed results through the season saw moderate success again, and in spite of several issues, the club continues to press forward on the field. Many thanks can be directed at those responsible for the running of sessions enabling the success to continue. From a cricket perspective, Allan McGann, Nathan Lyon, Ben Oakley,

David Roberts, David Mann, Bob Taylor and Dean Turner are amongst those members whose off field efforts allowed for the rest of our club to experience the successful culture we have continued to develop over the past three years.

Season 08/09 also saw one of our favourite sons earn a rookie contract with a state squad. Ryan Carters has become the second Wests Cricketer to obtain such a contract in the last 3 seasons. Ryan has received a contract with Victoria and has now returned from a season in England to take on this opportunity. Congratulations to Ryan, his efforts with Wests will be remembered for many years, his first hundred to take Wests to the 07/08 title will be fondly remembered as an innings of maturity beyond his years. We wish Ryan all the best for the coming season in Victoria.

Wests also experienced sadness, with the loss of our first life member, Geoff Gelding in June. Geoff had a long involvement with both Wests and ACT Cricket and we would again like to pass on our condolences to his family and friends, on behalf of the club.

On a personal note, 08/09 was a very challenging season. From a playing perspective, it was great playing with a youthful and exuberant bunch of guys, and experiencing success with them at different stages was extremely satisfying.

The difficulties presented through the season however were the same or similar to past years, and it is something that we as a club must improve to remain successful and valid in the ACT Cricket framework. The Club cannot continue to run and develop without more involvement from other people. Six to ten volunteers each season is insufficient, we need more assistance from more people on a more regular basis to enable the club to become the force off the field that we are starting to become on it.

The importance of volunteers can never be understated, and quite often it is a thankless role, but for those members who are satisfied that their own contributions to the club only extend to playing, need to consider what happens to enable them to get a game each week. The club currently runs with major contributions from the minority of members, but a small turn around to alter this to be a minimal contribution from a majority (or all members). This is not too much to ask, that players return to the club after each days play, to scheduled club functions, (particularly disappointing has been a reductions to our social income of over \$4000 in the past two seasons) and to pay fees on time every time. The work of the committee is undone when players claim to be unaware of social events, even presentation night when these messages are delivered through a number of avenues on a consistent basis, at training, over the website, by SMS and email and through Facebook. Excuses do not cut it anymore in this technological age, so for our club to continue to function, we need to get better, get bigger and make this historically successful club a force well into the future.

Personally, the last 3-4 years have been particularly draining and as a result I will be taking a break from all involvement with Wests for the coming season. What does not change however, is my love and respect for the club and the people within it. I just hope that this season brings further success and that off the field, Wests become a dominant, successful organisation.

Yours in Cricket.

Matt McGann  
Club Captain

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
Trophy Winners  
2008 – 2009

GRADE BATTING AND BOWLING AWARDS

(Minimum 200 runs / 20 wickets)

FIRST GRADE:	Batting Bowling	Ryan Carters Ben Oakley
SECOND GRADE:	Batting Bowling	David Roberts Ben Willis
THIRD GRADE:	Batting Bowling	Lee Evans Steve Duhigg
FOURTH GRADE:	Batting Bowling	Ben Keens Jimmy Harrison
FIFTH GRADE:	Batting Bowling	Mick Hodge Andrew Gurney
CITY and SUBURBAN:	Batting Bowling	Nigel Butler Nigel Butler
WOMENS:	Batting Bowling	

SPECIAL AWARDS

KEN FRY TROPHY FOR CLUB CHAMPION	Ben Oakley
BEST FEMALE PLAYER	
BOB O'CALLAGHAN TROPHY FOR MOST RUNS	Ryan Carters
BOB MCMULLAN TROPHY FOR MOST WICKETS	Ben Oakley Nathan Lyon
WDUCCC TROPHY FOR MOST IMPROVED	David Spare
DEANS TROPHY CENTRE ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD	Alex Taylor
COACHES AWARD – BEST TRAINER	Dylan Mackie
COACHES AWARD – BEST TRAINER WOMENS	
PETER RUDGE TROPHY FOR CLUB STICKER	Jamie Ronald



CAPTAINS AWARD  
FIRST GRADE

Matt Sunderland

SECOND GRADE

Dale Riley

THIRD GRADE

Tim Mann

FOURTH GRADE

David Spare

FIFTH GRADE Geoff Sloane Memorial Award

Mick Hodge

CITY and SUBURBAN

WOMENS

ACTCA AWARDS

20/20 Winners – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

HUNDREDS

City and Suburban

Nicholas Harvey	120 n.o.	Queanbeyan Razorbacks	25 October 2008
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Fourth Grade

Ben Keens	111	Tuggeranong	15 November 2008
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Ben Keens	124	Queanbeyan	1 February 2009
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Sudha Rama	107	Queanbeyan	21 February 2009
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Third Grade

John Cheadle	121	Queanbeyan	28 February 2009
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Second Grade

David Roberts	115	Ginninderra	17 January 2009
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Stuart Hook	103	Weston Creek	30 March 2009
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First Grade

Joe Cooke	138	North Canberra Gungahlin	8 October 2008
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Ryan Carters	151	Weston Creek	24 January 2009
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HAT TRICKS

City and Suburban

Andrew Gurney	Tuggeranong	18 October 2009
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Fourth Grade

Tom Colebatch	Tuggeranong	22 November 2008
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Ben Willis	Queanbeyan	21 February 2009
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Third Grade

Matt McGann	ANU	20 December 2009
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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
1<sup>st</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2008 – 2009

1<sup>st</sup> Grade was fortunate to watch up and coming cricketers make their debut for the club. I would like to congratulate the following players on their contributions to the first grade team/squad this season:

- Matt Sunderland
- Dale Riley
- Peter McKell
- Brendan Duffy
- Stuart Hook
- Simon Cusden
- Rian Crowther
- Vinesh Bennett

In summary of the season, I was very proud of everybody's efforts and achievements in both forms of the game. Reaching the semi-final in the Konica cup (one day) and the final of the two day competition. Our performances in the round games in the Konica were dominant. Finishing top of our pool by defeating Goulburn, City and Suburban and ANU.

The Random computing Two day competition was also a successful year, only to see us fall at the last hurdle, losing the grand final to Weston Creek. It was our 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive appearance in the Grand final at Manuka Oval, which was a great achievement considering the great players we lost at the start of the season in Andrew Jones, Darren Richards, Brendan Lyon and Dwane Hall who were all part of the winning premiership team in 07-08 against Tuggeranong. This year was a great stepping stone with the introduction of a lot of new faces, which also meant we required the more experienced players to step up and lead by example which they did admirably. A big thank you to the following players;

- Ben Oakley, Joe Cooke, Andrew Taylor, Ryan Carters, Matt McGann, David Roberts and Adam Hewitt.

Stats:

50's Ben Oakley,  
Ryan Carters  
Simon Cusden  
Adam Hewitt  
Matt Sunderland  
Andrew Taylor  
Vinesh Bennett

100's Joe Cooke 138 v Norths  
Ryan Carters 151 v Weston Creek

5 wickets or more Ben Oakley  
Simon Cusden  
Matt McGann

Congratulations to all the representative players who were fortunate to play for the ACT Comets and under 19s

Comets- Ryan Carters and Nathan Lyon

19's – Adam Hewitt, Ryan Carters and Joe Cooke

Special congratulations to Ryan Carters for picking up a Rookie contract with the Victorian Bushrangers. We all wish him all the best.

Finally, Many thanks to Allan McGann, Matt McGann, Dean Turner, Bob Taylor and Ross Jones who's work behind the scenes for West is unbelievable and we are very appreciative of all your hard work. Thanks again to all involved and we are definitely looking forward to another successful season at Western Districts 09-10...

Captain- Nathan Lyon

Vice Captain- Ryan Carters

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club

1<sup>st</sup> Grade Statistics  
2008 – 2009

<b>Batting</b>									
<b>Name</b>	<b>Matches</b>	<b>Innings</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>50's</b>	<b>100's</b>	<b>Cts/Stmp</b>
Ryan Carters	14	16	605	2	43.21	151	2	1	11/1
Joe Cooke	15	17	540	2	36.00	138	3	1	7
Ben Oakley	13	13	380	0	29.23	89	2	0	6
Vinesh Bennett	12	12	297	0	24.75	63	2	0	3
Matthew Sunderland	16	17	276	0	16.24	63	1	0	5
Simon Cusden	14	14	274	2	22.83	59	1	0	11
Mark Hall	12	14	249	2	20.75	60	1	0	10
Adam Hewitt	12	12	234	5	33.43	64	2	0	4
Nathan Lyon	15	15	229	3	19.08	57	1	0	8
Andrew Taylor	10	11	181	1	18.10	97	1	0	6
David Roberts	8	7	54	1	9.00	34no	0	0	2
Brendan Duffy	6	5	24	1	6.00	19	0	0	2
Ben Phillips	2	2	21	0	10.50	17	0	0	
Rian Crowther	4	5	21	0	4.20	15	0	0	3
Matthew Wheatley	2	2	18	0	9.00	15	0	0	
Mathew McGann	5	5	13	2	4.33	8	0	0	
Andrew Appeldorff	3	3	7	1	3.50	6no	0	0	
Sehbang Mehta	2	2	3	1	3.00	2	0	0	
Dale Riley	5	2	1	2	N/A	1no	0	0	4
David Field	2	2	1	0	0.50	1	0	0	
Peter McKell	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	2
Matthew Treloar	1	0	N/A	0	N/A	N/A	0	0	

<b>Bowling</b>							
<b>Name</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>5 fors</b>
Nathan Lyon	244.1	55	30	814	27.13	4/43	
Ben Oakley	144.5	38	29	350	12.07	6/15	1
Simon Cusden	136	24	19	424	22.32	6/64	1
Adam Hewitt	113	17	14	477	34.07	4/36	
Mathew McGann	87.2	16	13	326	25.08	6/155	1
Vinesh Bennett	46	8	7	165	23.57	4/32	
Brendan Duffy	39	6	7	132	18.86	3/16	
Dale Riley	47	6	4	220	55.00	1/18	
David Roberts	35	4	4	139	34.75	3/39	
Peter McKell	22	1	2	113	56.50	2/15	
Joe Cooke	15	2	2	81	40.50	1/18	
Matthew Sunderland	18	3	2	71	35.50	1/7	
Andrew Appeldorff	15	3	1	75	75.00	1/23	
Sehbang Mehta	14	0	1	63	63.00	1/27	
Andrew Taylor	2	1	0	2	N/A	0/2	
Matthew Treloar	3	0	0	6	N/A	0/6	
Rian Crowther	2	0	0	13	N/A	0/13	
Mark Hall	0.5	0	0	4	N/A	0/4	

<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>	<b>By Wicket</b>				
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>1st</b>	Rian Crowther 15	Mark Hall 60	43	Queanbeyan	Freebody 1
<b>2nd</b>	Ryan Carters 62	Joe Cooke 138	111	Norths	KT Memorial
<b>3rd</b>	Matthew Sunderland 63	Joe Cooke 138	124	Norths	KT Memorial
<b>4th</b>	Vinesh Bennett 63	Joe Cooke 62	118	Tuggeranong	Sterling
<b>5th</b>	Ryan Carters 151	Ben Oakley 37	108	Weston Creek	Sterling
<b>6th</b>	Simon Cusden 44	Ben Oakley 44	69	Norths	KT Memorial
<b>7th</b>	Matthew Sunderland 39	Ben Oakley 19	32	Eastlake	Jamison
<b>8th</b>	Adam Hewitt 64	Ben Oakley 56	89	Weston Creek	Manuka
<b>9th</b>	Simon Cusden 59	Adam Hewitt 58no	118	Queanbeyan	Freebody 1
<b>10th</b>	Adam Hewitt 43no	Mathew McGann 8	41	Tuggeranong	Sterling

<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>	<b>By Runs</b>				
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
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<b>4th</b>	Vinesh Bennett 63	Joe Cooke 62	118	Tuggeranong	Sterling
<b>9th</b>	Simon Cusden 59	Adam Hewitt 58no	118	Queanbeyan	Freebody 1
<b>2nd</b>	Ryan Carters 62	Joe Cooke 138	111	Norths	KT Memorial
<b>9th</b>	Ben Oakley 56	Adam Hewitt 64	111	Weston Creek	Manuka
<b>5th</b>	Ryan Carters 151	Ben Oakley 37	108	Weston Creek	Sterling
<b>4th</b>	Vinesh Bennett 62	Andrew Taylor 97	91	ANU	Kaleen
<b>3rd</b>	Ryan Carters 151	Joe Cooke 48	90	Weston Creek	Sterling
<b>8th</b>	Adam Hewitt 64	Ben Oakley 56	89	Weston Creek	Manuka
<b>6th</b>	Simon Cusden 44	Ben Oakley 44	69	Norths	KT Memorial

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2008 – 2009

2<sup>nd</sup> grade had an interesting 2008/09 cricket season. The season started off great winning the 20/20 premiership. Then we had the disappointment of losing the semi-final in the one-day competition and then also losing in the grand final in the two-day competition.

20/20 at the start of the season I was not involved in and with no scores in the scorebook it makes it hard to report on, but I do know that Wests won the final defeating Ginninderra in the final. Congratulations to David Mann who was captain and all the players involved.

We had a tough start in the one-day competition only winning 2 games and losing 3 before Christmas. After Christmas we ended up winning both the final 2 games to just sneak into the semi finals after finishing on the same points as Norths but qualifying with a better run rate. The semi-final was played at Chisholm against Tuggeranong and after losing the toss and Tuggeranong deciding to bat first we were right on top having them at 6 for 58 at one stage. However Tuggeranong regrouped and end up with what prove to be a winning score of 9 for 239. Bangers was best of the bowlers with 3 for 25 of ten overs which included 7 wides. In reply only Doogs and Bangers made double figures. Doogs scoring 40 off 28 balls which was remarkable considering the semi final was played a day after Matt McGanns' wedding. Wests all out for 111 which was a disappointing end considering the start we had.

The two-day competition went much the same way as the one-day comp with us starting off very slow and then building up momentum towards the end of the season. Leading up to Christmas the only points we had were a wash out against Tuggeranong and a draw with ANU. With three more games to go for the season we had a heart breaking loss against Norths, which we then thought our season, was over. Chasing 268 on a road at Majura oval we were cruising losing our first wicket at 85 and second wicket on 155 before collapsing and being all out for 253.

With two games remaining we needed to win both games but also had the added pressure knowing we needed to win one of those games outright to have any chance of making the finals. We scraped through with a win against Queanbeyan on first innings but we were unable to chase down 155 from 26 overs to secure an outright victory. Losing too many early wickets in that chase destroyed any chance of that.

Down to the last game against Ginninderra we produced what was probably our best effort for the season. Batting first we declared at 7 for 287 at tea on the first day with the two old boys of the club JB and Cossie scoring both half centuries with a partnership of 127. Ginninderra were bowled out for 87 by the end of the day thanks mainly to Ben Willis with 6 for 14. We then enforced them to bat again and what was a hard slog in the field and with the terrible raining weather we dismissed them for 228. Therefore needed 29 runs in quick time to make the finals Doogs smashed the bowlers all over the park to end up scoring the runs before the end of the fourth over. There was a great feeling after this win considering all the stuff that had happen during the week with Ginninderra and knowing we had made the finals.

The semi final was played against Eastlake at Kingston with Eastlake many points above everyone else in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Batting first we ended up at the end of day one at 5 for 227 mainly thanks to Andrew Taylor with 81 (given out when not out ) and David Field with 73. We ended up being dismissed for 329 just before lunch on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day. Eastlake finished the 2<sup>nd</sup> day 6 for 180. We ended up cleaning up Eastlake before lunch on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day for 224 with Ben Willis getting 5 for 38 of 25 overs and Dale Riley 4 for 52 of 22.3 overs. The bowling effort by all was outstanding at Kingston, which was once again like bowling on a road. Unfortunately Eastlake decided to play on for a while to see what could happen. We decided to keep them hungry for a win and were all out for 124 for the second innings. Needed 230 of a minimum of 12 overs they decided to have a go. But it was all over when their number three batsman dislocated his kneecap whilst batting. Once again a great effort by all players involved making it to the grand final and a very sweet victory against Eastlake with all the sledging that was involved throughout the match.

Grand final was played against Weston Creek at Stirling. Winning the toss and batting first we had a good start to only have a big middle order collapse to see us sitting on 8 for 132 (losing 6 for 57). Then we had a great partnership of 105 for the ninth wicket between Stuart Hook and Ben Willis. Hooky ended up scoring a great ton with 103 of 123 balls to help set up a reasonable score of 261. We started off with the ball very well having Weston Creek at 5 for 33 before eventually bowling them out just after lunch on the second day for 164. Unfortunately for us that is when all things started crashing down. Having being in the box seat we once again crumble with the bat scoring 215 in our second innings with only Brendan Duffy (56) and hooky (59) making a score. Leaving Weston Creek 315 to make of 63 overs we were all still very confident however they got on a roll from the very first ball and we could never peg them back. They scored the runs with 4 overs left while being 6 wickets down.

It was a great achievement to reach the grand final but it was a very hard loss to come to terms with having held most of the upper hand throughout the match. Special mention to Hooky in the grand final because without his efforts with the bat in both innings we wouldn't have got ourselves in the situation to win in the first place. All bowlers tried hard but it just wasn't meant to be. Hopefully all players can learn from the loss and realize that 3 days of cricket is a long time and anything can happen.

One last point is to thank all people associated with the club that put in many hours throughout the year. Without these people the club would not operate.

Overall I enjoyed myself being captain of two's for most of the second half of the year. There are a lot of good young cricketers coming through and hopefully they can put some pressure on the boys playing ones. If we continue to have good team spirit and the will to win I am sure we can get a few more premierships in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade next year and hopefully throughout the club.

David Roberts

Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
<sup>nd</sup>  
 2 Grade Statistics  
 2008 – 2009

<b>Batting</b>									
<b>Name</b>	<b>Matches</b>	<b>Innings</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>Cts/Stmp</b>
Stuart Hook	12	13	370	0	28.46	103	1	1	26/2
Andrew McDermott	10	15	360	1	25.71	49			3
Jacob Boyle	11	15	296	1	21.14	81	1		7
David Field	12	15	289	1	20.64	73	2		4
David Roberts	7	10	250	1	27.78	115		1	7
Chris Turner	9	13	227	4	25.22	44no			6
Matthew Wheatley	12	11	194	0	17.64	47			6
Andrew Taylor	5	8	165	1	23.57	81	1		1
Brendan Duffy	10	11	158	2	17.56	56	1		2
Mark Hall	6	7	148	1	24.67	43			5
Sehbang Mehta	9	11	138	0	12.55	41			6
Matthew Treloar	6	7	122	2	24.40	32			2
Dale Riley	8	9	120	2	17.14	44			2
Marcus Cosgrove	2	3	118	0	39.33	76	1		
Ben Phillips	2	2	96	0	48.00	82	1		1
Shawn Jones	1	2	73	0	36.50	53	1		1
Ben Oakley	1	1	70	0	70.00	70	1		
Ben Willis	5	6	63	0	10.50	36			2
Rian Crowther	1	1	57	0	57.00	57	1		
Jordan Smith	7	8	57	1	8.14	24			3
Dylan Mackie	13	8	51	1	7.29	27			5
Vinesh Bennett	2	2	51	0	25.50	27			
David Mann	8	8	48	3	9.60	16			1
Jayson Bush	8	7	41	5	20.50	13no			2
Lee Evans	3	4	40	0	10.00	20			
Nic Harvey	2	2	38	0	19.00	38			
Peter McKell	6	7	34	3	8.50	22no			3
Alex Taylor	2	3	33	0	11.00	27			
Dwayne Hall	2	2	31	1	31.00	18no			
Matthew McGann	1	2	25	1	25.00	22			
Trent Hopkinson	2	2	6	1	6.00	5no			
Clinton Lillepruun	1	1	2	0	2.00	2			
Tim Mann	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A			



<b>Bowling</b>							
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Dale Riley	144.3	29	24	510	21.25	4/25	
Ben Willis	108.5	25	20	312	15.60	6/14	2
Dylan Mackie	126.4	16	19	529	27.84	3/27	
Sehbang Mehta	118	18	12	407	33.92	3/25	
Brendan Duffy	59.3	6	12	241	20.08	4/29	
David Roberts	70.2	10	12	226	18.83	3/2	
Peter McKell	97	22	11	341	31.00	3/54	
Jayson Bush	104.2	23	10	377	37.70	3/47	
David Field	52	8	9	178	19.78	2/16	
David Mann	38	2	6	222	37.00	2/28	
Matthew Treloar	39	6	4	155	38.75	2/33	
Matthew McGann	19	6	4	41	10.25	3/15	
Vinesh Bennett	15.2	1	3	68	22.67	2/24	
Chris Turner	26	7	3	98	32.67	1/15	
Dwayne Hall	3	0	2	11	5.50	2/11	
Matthew Wheatley	13	2	2	36	18.00	2/30	
Mark Hall	1	0	1	12	12.00	1/11	
Ben Oakley	7	2	1	27	27.00	1/27	
Tim Mann	7	1	1	24	24.00	1/24	
Jacob Boyle	10	1	0	65	N/A	0/17	
Rian Crowther	7	3	0	13	N/A	0/13	

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<b>2nd</b>	Dave Field 73	Andrew Taylor 81	134	Eastlake	Kingston
<b>3rd</b>	Jacob Boyle 31	Dave Roberts 40no	77	Weston Creek	Sterling
<b>4th</b>	Jacob Boyle 44	Dave Roberts 115	94	Ginninderra	Jamison
<b>5th</b>	Jacob Boyle 81	Marcus Cosgrove 76	127	Ginninderra	Kippax 2
<b>6th</b>	Chris Turner 37	Marcus Cosgrove 37	77	Eastlake	Kingston
<b>7th</b>	Chris Turner 44no	Marcus Cosgrove 76	58	Ginninderra	Kippax 2
<b>8th</b>	Matt McGann 22	Sehbang Mehta 41	53	Queanbeyan	Jamison
<b>9th</b>	Ben Willis 36	Stuart Hook 103	105	Weston Creek	Sterling
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3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2008 – 2009

Third Grade made a massive improvement on the 2 wins from season 07/08. We narrowly missed contesting semi finals in the 1 day competition and were agonisingly close to making the 2 day finals. Lee Evans was appointed as captain at the start of the season, taking over from Matt Veitch. There were a few times when Lee was absent by playing second grade. Other captains who stepped into Lee's shoes were Matt Hollis, Jimmy Harrison and I. Over 40 different players contributed to 3s this season.

Our season started slowly with a first round loss to Tuggeranong in the Twenty/20 knockout, a loss against Eastlake in the opening One dayer, as well as a loss against Norths in the second one dayer after being 2/87 chasing 120, to be all out for 105. The loss against Norths haunted us for the rest of the season.

A double header followed. We were able to bounce back on the Saturday against ANU. We posted 199 all out with only 10 players. Nick Harvey (promoted from 6<sup>th</sup> Grade after making 130) scored 53, and Sudha Rama blasted 75 including 5 sixes. Timmy Mann made his 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade debut, taking 4/24 in an impressive display of swing bowling. We ended up winning by 50 runs.

Sunday's game wasn't as successful. Unavailability on Sundays forced some changes to our side. We made a similar target (about 190) batting first against Tuggeranong. Nick Harvey showed some class again scoring 70 odd. CT scored about 40 too. Our bowling was too wayward though, conceding more than 50 wides killed us in a tight game, they passed us 4 wickets down in the penultimate over. Some consistent bowling would have put more pressure on the opposition.

A washout against Queanbeyan effectively ruled us out of competing in the One day finals, being 1 win from 5.

Our Two day campaign opened up with yet another game against Tuggeranong. Lee returned from his stint in Second Grade, winning the toss and batting first. We were only able to post 150. Doogs blasted 40 in quick time on return to Westies. CT was impressive again making 40 not out. There was still a fair bit of time left in the day to reduce Tuggeranong to 6/75 at stumps. The second day started late due to the overnight rain. We eventually got on the field to take 2 quick wickets before a short shower halted our progress. This shower also left a wet and muddy patch on the square. Later into the day it looked like we were going to be able to get back on the field to have another crack, before the heavens opened up again robbing us of a deserved win. Some impressive bowling figures, Steve Duhigg took 6/15 & Timmy Mann took 2/22.

The next Two day game was also rain affected, with the entire first day was washed out. Another 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade fixture got to play, so we still had to play Two day rules. Lee won the toss and batted we were able to set a daring declaration 6/214. Callaghs made 32 opening up, CT scored 59 and Duhigg made 49 not out. Eastlake paced their run chase well, chasing our target down with only 3 wickets in hand and about 10 minutes

left in the day. Sudha & Timmy both took 3 wickets. But we missed too many chances to increase the pressure.

Another day's cricket was washed out in the game before Christmas, this time the second day was played under One day rules. We bowled first restricting ANU to 187. Mat McGann taking 5/31, including a Hat Trick. We chased it down fairly easy, Leethal scoring 60 odd not out, as well as contributions from Shawn Jones and Cossie we got over the line with 3 or 4 overs to spare with heaps of wickets in hand.

Our first game back after Christmas was our first meeting with Weston Creek for the season. Because of the washout we were still an outside chance of making the One day finals. Batting first at Jamo we made 6/211, most of the top order making starts. Syed Jaffry made a composed 62, Irfan Yousuf displayed some power hitting at the end of our innings with 32 off only 18 balls. Our bowling was tight and never let Creek into the game. We bowled them out for 129 in 41 overs. Irfan backed up his batting with 3/27 & Andrew Day took 3/35.

It was a simple equation in the last One dayer, we win we make the finals. We bowled first keeping Ginninderra to 8/179, we let too many chances go in the field and probably let them get 50 or 60 runs more than they deserved. Our batting display matched our poor fielding and we bombed out to 144 all out. Only Cossie applied himself with the bat scoring 51. A poor finish to our One day campaign.

At this stage our season was still alive in the Two day competition, our next game against Creek was challenging. Due to availability of some players, I got a chance to skipper the side and Lee got an opportunity to play in 2s. A massive downpour the night before left Philip District pretty wet, but some play was eventually possible. I lost the toss and we got sent in on a wet deck. We were going well at 4/100, only to have yet another batting collapse to be 9/110. Some lusty hitting from Macey and composed support from Andrew Day got us to a slightly competitive 157 right on the close of play. We turned up on day 2 in 38 degree heat, the deck an absolute belter and with a Comets player (Jon Nicoll) in their lineup it was all against us. They were cruising at 4/130 at tea. First ball after tea we fought back with a wicket first ball, starting a collapse. Creek crumbled to be all out 152. We had the desire that was missing in the previous game against Ginninderra. All of the quicks bowled their guts in the searing heat. Duhigg 4/39, Macey 3/31, Timmy 2/16, Daysy 1/22. Bangers sub fielded the entire second day for us too. We showed some tremendous club spirit to win the game.

With our season well and truly alive, we played Norths at Kaleen. We bowled first, with our spinners doing a good job to keep Norths to 180 all out towards the end of the first day. Dave Mann 3/43 & John Cheadle 3/44. Unfortunately we couldn't string together any partnerships over 30 and fell all out for 130, leaving us relying on other results to keep our season alive.

The last two games needed some positive results against Queanbeyan and Ginninderra. John Cheadle dominated the game against Queanbeyan. We bowled first and kept them to 146. Cheadle taking 5/21 and then backing up that performance in the run chase scoring 100 not out, Lee declared with a lead of just over 100. Cheadle took the only 3 second innings wickets to finish with 8 wickets for the match.

Batting first in the last game against Ginninderra we made 249 (our highest score of the season). Lee continued some good form with 65. Alex Taylor got 48 & Matt Treloar scored 33. Ginninderra held off until the last hour of the second day being all out for 162. Pete McKell & Bangers taking 3 each and Timmy taking 2. We narrowly missed the finals though, as ANU had fought out a draw and finished only 2 points in front of us.

So a lot of what ifs come out of the Third Grade season. Our batsmen need to set higher goals. 20s and 30s aren't good enough to get into finals or push for a spot in Second Grade. We need to kick on to 50 and beyond. Our 60s & 70s also need to be converted into 100s. It's extremely hard work for our bowlers defending 120-150 every week. We need to be able make 200-250 consistently to be a real force. It was still an improvement on the two wins from last season. We got 6 wins along the way as well as two draws. We ran into some great form after Christmas winning 4 out of our last 6 games, to give an unlikely finals appearance a shake.

I would like to also thank Bob Taylor and Dean Turner for all of their hard work throughout the season. Bob & Dean put their hand up to score every game that they attended and set up every home game we played, no questions asked. Dean umpired an entire game from one end for us, you were so good that Tuggeranong wanted you to umpire their innings. Without these guys our club would be significantly weaker.

See you at pre-season training,

Roar!

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Western District and University of Canberra Cricket Club  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Statistics  
2008 – 2009

<b>Batting</b>									
<b>Name</b>	<b>Matches</b>	<b>Innings</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>Cts/Stmp</b>
Lee Evans	9	9	204	1	25.50	65	2		4
John Cheadle	3	3	168	0	56.00	121		1	
Chris Turner	6	6	166	1	33.20	59	1		3
Alex Taylor	9	9	139	0	15.44	48			4
Steve Duhigg	10	7	134	3	33.50	49no			2
Sudha Rama	5	5	130	0	26.00	75	1		
Matthew Hollis	7	7	128	0	18.29	25			5
Syed Jaffry	5	5	127	0	25.40	62	1		3/1
Nic Harvey	2	2	120	0	60.00	67	2		4
Marcus Cosgrove	5	5	102	1	25.50	51	1		
Jordan Smith	5	5	77	0	15.40	29			2
Shawn Jones	4	4	76	0	19.00	43			4
Andrew Jones	3	3	56	1	28.00	34			
Stuart Hook	1	1	54	0	54.00	54	1		1
Manuk Samarasinghe	6	6	45	2	11.25	15			9
Clinton Lillepruun	8	8	43	0	5.38	13			7/3
Brett Callaghan	4	3	42	0	14.00	32			
Andrew McDermott	1	1	42	1	N/A	42			
Matthew Treloar	3	2	40	0	20.00	33			
Andrew Day	5	4	36	3	36.00	14no			2
Shane Bartle	3	3	34	0	11.33	34			1
Trent Hopkinson	7	7	33	4	11	13no			2
Irfan Yousaf	1	1	32	0	32.00	32			
Brendon Mace	2	2	27	0	13.50	27			2
Tim Mann	9	5	23	0	4.60	10			3
Tristan Du Toit	1	1	21	0	21.00	21			1
Adam Miller	2	2	16	0	8.00	13			
Matthew Weiden	5	5	12	0	2.40	7			1
Andrew Newton	1	1	11	0	11.00	11			1
Ben Willis	3	1	9	0	9.00	9			
Robert Maggs	1	1	7	0	7.00	7			
James Harrison	3	2	4	1	4.00	4			1
Jacob Boyle	1	1	3	0	3	3			1
Ryan Selmes	2	2	3	0	1.50	3			1
Peter Mckell	1	1	2	0	2.00	2			
B Slater	2	2	1	0	0.50	1			
Alex Vallentine	1	1	1	0	1.00	1			
Jayson Bush	6	2	0	0	0	0			2
Rory Hulmes	1	1	0	1	N/A	0no			
Matthew McGann	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A			
David Kidd	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A			1
Andrew Appledorff	1	1	0	0	0.00	0			
David Mann	2	1	0	0	0.00	0			1
Shebang Mehta	1	0	0	0	N/A	N/A			

<b>Bowling</b>							
<b>Name</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>5 fors</b>
Steve Duhigg	88	16	20	291	14.55	6/15	2
Tim Mann	109	23	17	265	15.59	4/24	
John Cheadle	36	5	11	107	9.73	5/21	1
Sudha Rama	36.5	2	8	144	18.00	3/31	
Jayson Bush	46	2	7	176	25.14	3/23	
Andrew Day	45	11	6	122	20.33	3/35	
Trent Hopkinson	42	9	5	159	31.80	3/18	
Matthew McGann	10	0	5	31	6.20	5/31	1
Matthew Weiden	16	1	5	115	23.00	4/25	
Matthew Treloar	41	11	5	88	17.60	2/20	
Brendon Mace	17	2	4	42	10.50	3/31	
David Mann	32	3	4	139	34.75	3/43	
Irfan Yousaf	6	0	3	27	9.00	3/27	
Peter McKell	14	4	3	41	13.67	3/41	
Shebang Mehta	20	8	3	28	9.33	3/28	
Chris Turner	27	1	2	119	59.50	1/24	
James Harrison	27	6	2	96	48.00	2/31	
Ben Willis	23	3	2	67	33.50	1/15	
B Slater	4	0	2	22	11.00	2/22	
Andrew Jones	19	3	1	53	53.00	1/31	
David Kidd	10	0	1	31	31.00	1/31	
Rory Hulmes	10	0	1	46	46.00	1/46	
Tristan Du Toit	2	0	0	24	N/A	0/24	
Andrew Appledorff	1	0	0	10	N/A	0/10	
Adam Miller	9	0	0	23	N/A	0/23	
Alex Taylor	1	0	0	11	N/A	0/11	
Jordan Smith	2	0	0	12	N/A	0/12	
Lee Evans	1	0	0	17	N/A	0/17	

<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>	<b>By Wicket</b>				
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>1st</b>	Sudha Rama 46	Robert Maggs 7	57	Tuggeranong	Chisholm 1
<b>2nd</b>	Shane Bartle 34	Nic Harvey 67	99	Tuggeranong	Jamison
<b>3rd</b>	Matthew Hollis 18	Stuart Hook 54	79	North Canberra Gungahlin	Kaleen
<b>4th</b>	Jordan Smith 29	Andrew McDermott 42	68	Tuggeranong	Kaleen
<b>5th</b>	Alex Taylor 48	Lee Evans 65	76	Ginninderra	Kaleen
<b>6th</b>	Marcus Cosgrove 42no	John Cheadle 121	173	Queanbeyan	Kaleen
<b>7th</b>	Chris Turner 59	Steve Duhigg 49no	82	Eastlake	Kaleen
<b>8th</b>	Marcus Cosgrove 51	Clinton Lillepruun 11	53	Ginninderra	Kaleen
<b>9th</b>	Chris Turner 41no	Steve Duhigg 11	29	Tuggeranong	Kaleen
<b>10th</b>	Andrew Day 13no	Brendon Mace 27	47	Weston Creek	Phillip District

<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>	<b>By Runs</b>				
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>6th</b>	Marcus Cosgrove 42no	John Cheadle 121	173	Queanbeyan	Kaleen
<b>2nd</b>	Shane Bartle 34	Nic Harvey 67	99	Tuggeranong	Jamison
<b>2nd</b>	Sudha Rama 75	Nic Harvey 53	96	ANU	ANU South
<b>7th</b>	Chris Turner 59	Steve Duhigg 49no	82	Eastlake	Kaleen
<b>3rd</b>	Matthew Hollis 18	Stuart Hook 54	79	North Canberra Gungahlin	Kaleen
<b>5th</b>	Alex Taylor 48	Lee Evans 65	76	Ginninderra	Kaleen
<b>7th</b>	Lee Evans 65	Matthew Treloar 33	70	Ginninderra	Kaleen
<b>4th</b>	Jordan Smith 29	Andrew McDermott 42	68	Tuggeranong	Kaleen
<b>4th</b>	Marcus Cosgrove 29	Lee Evans 60no	63	ANU	Jamison
<b>2nd</b>	Brett Callaghan 32	Alex Taylor 27	60	Eastlake	Kaleen

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4<sup>th</sup> Grade Captains Report  
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Once again the 2008/09 was another season which saw 4's fall at the final hurdle. Having won our first 20/20 comp at the start of the season we again stumbled in the 1 and 2 day comps going down in the final of the 1 day game by 4 runs against Weston Creek and then being defeated by Queanbeyan in the semi of the 2 day format by 5 runs.

The season started well for 4's with a win in the 20/20 comp. Our first game against Tuggeranong saw us total a massive 221 runs which was mainly thanks to newcomer Stu Hook who smashed 87 inside the first 13 overs and a solid contribution by Syed Jaffry with an unbeaten 56. Tuggeranong who we're never in with a chance eventually managed to pile up 155.

In our second game against Queanbeyan we managed too defend our very modest score of 109 to win by 4 runs.

The final against Ginninderra saw Ginninderra get off to a flyer reaching 1/90 off 9 overs before a collapse which was sparked by Clarky, Jimmy Harrison and Matt McCauliffe saw them crumble to be all out for 138. In reply it was again Stu Hook undefeated on 90 and Jaffs undeated on 36 who saw us home by 10 wickets with 5 overs to spare

The One and 2 day format for 4s was quite strong all year only losing the 1 game in the 1 day format.....unfortunately that being the Grand Final against Weston Creek which saw us all out in the final over for 241 chasing 245. The highlight of our innings was Keensy who managed to spank the Creek bowlers all over the park for a well made 90.

Keensy also managed to shine in our 1 day semi against Queanbeyan smashing them all over the park to score his 2<sup>nd</sup> ton of the season with 124 and helped us set a respectable score of 248. In reply Qbn got off to a great start reaching 1/110 at the 25 over mark only to fall in heap and be all out for 147 in the 41<sup>st</sup> over.

The two day format was again a similar story with us going through the whole year wining 5 drawing 1 and loosing our last game against Ginninderra, this combined with our 1 day points saw us win the minor premiership by a margin of 10 points. Unfortunately for us when it comes to playing the semis it doesn't equate to nothing if you loose and on this occasion that's exactly what happened.

Queanbeyan batted first and after having them in trouble at 5/65 and 8/133 they managed to rack up a competitive score of 194, Tony Bailey the highlight with the ball taking 5/75. In reply we lost a couple of early wickets which saw us in some trouble at 3/25 but thanks to Jaffs and Selmsy who batted sensibly saw us reach stumps at 3/75 and requiring 120 with 7 wickets in hand on the final day.

The following day didn't start well at all loosing Jaffs in the 1<sup>st</sup> over and with wickets falling at regular intervals we went to lunch at 8/139. Shortly after lunch we lost Tony



Bailey after he set off for a quick single and would have been lucky if he reached half way before the ball hit the stumps and left us 9/150 and still requiring 45 to get past Queanbeyan. Unfortunately for us a last rear guard dig by Jimmy Harrison and Brett Grocott saw us reach 189 before Brett fell for 54 leaving us 5 runs shy of reaching another 2 day grand final.

As mentioned above there were some quite strong performances during this year with five players scoring over 200 runs for the season. Sudha Rama 220, Ryan Selmes 288, Brett Grocott 402, Ben Keens 402 and David Spare 412. Batting Highlights also included hundreds to Ben Keens 111 v Tuggeranong and 124 v Qbn and Sudha Rama 107 v Qbn.

Other batting highlights include 50s by; Ryan Selmes 60 and 79 v Tuggeranong, Manuk Samarasinghe 63 v Weston Creek, Irfan Yousaf 57 v Norths, David Spare 60 v Weston Creek and 51 v ANU, Keensy 90 v Qbn, Sudha Rama 55 v Ginninderra and myself with 57 v Weston Creek and 77\* and 54 v Qbn.

From a bowling perspective the main wicket takers were Jimmy Harrison with 26 while Tony Bailey also chipped in with 17 wickets from his 5 games.

Bowling highlights saw Jimmy Harrison taking 5/17 v Norths, Tom Colebatch 6/28 v Tuggeranong, Ben Willis 5/21 v Queanbeyan and Bails with 5/75 in the 2 day semi. Another highlight was the hatricks taken in 4s by Tom Colebatch and Ben Willis.

On a final note and on behalf of Clarky and myself we'd like to thank all involved in making this a solid season for 4<sup>th</sup> grade this year and we look forward to seeing you all again next season and hopefully finally bringing home some silverware.....cheers boys!!

Brett Grocott

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<sup>th</sup>  
 4 Grade Statistics  
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<b>Batting</b>									
<b>Name</b>	<b>Matches</b>	<b>Innings</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>50s</b>	<b>100s</b>	<b>Cts/Stmp</b>
D Spare	15	16	412	3	31.69	60	1		13
B Keens	10	11	402	0	40.20	128		2	3
B Grocott	15	15	402	2	33.50	77*	1		4
R Selmes	12	12	288	1	26.18	79	1		6
S Rama	6	6	220	0	36.67	107		1	
S Jaffry	11	13	177	2	17.70	29			1
J Clark	14	15	167	2	15.18	46			6
M Samarasinghe	10	9	137	0	15.22	63	1		6
Adam Miller	4	4	124	1	41.33	49			5
I Yousaf	12	9	113	1	14.13	57	1		2
S Natarajan	8	7	73	0	9.13	27			12/3
M Veitch	3	3	41	2	20.50	16			2
S Bartle	2	2	38	1	38.00	31			1
T Bailey	6	4	35	0	8.75	16			
J Harrison	13	6	33	1	8.25	20			4
A Dhulokoa	1	2	30	0	15.00	29			
M Broers	1	1	25	0	25.00	25			
R Hulmes	9	6	23	5	23.00	12*			2
T Dutoit	1	1	16	0	16.00	16			1
D Jess	1	1	12	0	12.00	12			
A Day	2	1	12	0	12.00	12			1
M McAuliffe	3	1	11	1		11*			
T Colebatch	2	2	11	0	5.50	9			
B Mace	6	2	10	2		10*			2
A Melverton	9	3	8	3		6*			1
B Willis	1	1	6	0	6.00	6			
S Luby	10	4	5	2	2.50	5*			3
M Hurcum	1	1	5	1		5*			
A Hossnain	2	2	4	1	4.00	4			
S Duhigg	2	2	4	1		4*			
S Ustick	1	1	3	0	3.00	3			1
A Jones	1	1	2	0	2.00	2			
S Jones	1	1	0	0	0.00	0			1
T Hopkinson	3	1	0	0	0.00	0			1
D Kidd	1	0	0	0	0.00	dnb			
R Kidd	1	0	0	0	0.00	dnb			

<b>Bowling</b>								
<b>Name</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>5 fors</b>	<b>10 fors</b>
J Harrison	148	56	26	296	11.38	5/12	1	
T Bailey	84	23	17	204	12.00	3/40		
B Grocott	50	8	14	170	12.14	2/12		
I Yousaf	69	12	14	225	16.07	5/22	1	
A Melverton	94	22	14	225	16.07	3/28		
B Keens	72	17	13	206	15.85	4/35		
T Colebatch	33	9	11	91	8.27	6/28	1	1
S Luby	56	7	7	183	26.14	2/25		
J Clark	9.2	1	6	48	8.00	4/21		
A Day	16	2	6	36	6.00	4/20		
R Hulmes	42	4	5	159	31.80	2/12		
B Willis	13	5	5	21	4.20	5/21	1	
S Rama	32	6	5	93	18.60	2/15		
B Mace	64	8	3	201	67.00	1/13		
M McCauliffe	10	1	3	25	8.33	2/9		
Adam Miller	20	1	3	103	34.33	2/33		
D Jess	5	1	2	16	8.00	2/16		
T DuToit	5	3	2	5	2.50	2/5		
T Hopkinson	19	5	2	63	31.50	2/39		
D Spare	3	0	2	6	3.00	1/0		
A Jones	10	2	1	29	29.00	1/29		
D Kidd	3	1	1	11	11.00	1/11		
M Hurcum	1.1	0	1	5	5.00	1/5		
M Sarasinghe	1.2	1	1	0	0.00	1/0		
S Bartle	4	0	0	21	N/A	0/21		
S Jaffry	1	0	0	8	N/A	0/8		

<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>					
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>By Wicket</b>				
	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>1st</b>	D Spare 60no	J Harrison 20	74	Weston Creek	
<b>2nd</b>	S Rama 55	S Jaffry 29	88		
<b>3rd</b>	B Keens 83	R Selmes 69	154		
<b>4th</b>	D Spare 39	B Grocott 57	100		
<b>5th</b>	S Rama 43	B Grocott 34	80	Queanbeyan	
<b>6th</b>	B Keens 44	B Grocott 41	96		
<b>7th</b>	B Keens 38	J Clark 18	60		
<b>8th</b>	I Yousaf 45	J Harrison 2	49	North Canberra Gungahlin	
<b>9th</b>	B Mace 10	B Grocott 17	28	Queanbeyan	
<b>10th</b>	B Grocott 33	J Harrison 1no	37		

<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>	<b>By Runs</b>				
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>3rd</b>	B Keens 83	R Selmes 69	154	Tuggeranong	
<b>4th</b>	D Spare 39	B Grocott 57	100		
<b>6th</b>	B Keens 44	B Grocott 41	96		
<b>2nd</b>	S Rama 55	S Jaffry 29	88		
<b>6th</b>	Adam Miller 49	J Clark 32	86	ANU	
<b>2nd</b>	S Natarajan 27	M Samasinghe 50	84	Weston Creek	
<b>5th</b>	B Grocott 34	S Rama 43	80	Queanbeyan	
<b>4th</b>	D Spare 45	S Rama 30	76	Queanbeyan	
<b>1st</b>	D Spare 60no	J Harrison 20	74	Weston Creek	
<b>6th</b>	D Spare 46	M Veitch 10	73	ANU	

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5<sup>th</sup> Grade Captains Report  
2008 – 2009

It was a good year for 5's season 2008/09, knowing it would be tough to repeat it gave us something to fight for from the previous seasons. Also Alan Copeland took on the job of Captaincy.

The year started off with the 20/20 competition where we won the first game but lost the semi to eventual winners Eastlake.

Some new faces at the club showed early potential ensuring we would be strong again this season, including Kerin Cotchett, Andrew Gurney, John Hewitt, Jamie Bradnam and Tim Mann.

Our regular season started with a loss to Eastlake in a close fought high scoring game. But by Christmas we were on top of the ladder with no more losses, several washouts and plenty of wins.

Some good early season form was shown from Mick Hodge, Alan Copeland, Jamie Bradnam and Alex Vallentine with the bat. And Andrew Gurney and John Hewitt showed plenty of potential with the ball.

Then in the New Year things turned for the worse. In the last 9 games we lost 6, including 5 in a row. We also lost our Captain to fathering duties for the rest of the season. Our problems seemed to be with our bowling, we built many a good total but got it run down on several occasions. Although I think the standard of the opposition and the better pitches 5's played on this season improved the standard of the competition making it harder to defend when bowling.

It was only a win against lowly ranked Ginninderra in the last round confirmed our eligibility for the semi-finals.

Our semi-final opponent was our old foe ANU who walloped us only 2 weeks before. They won the toss and batted at O'Connor scoring 232, we were never in the hunt scoring 116 in reply.

Some Memorable Moments of the season.

- Hodgo's first 50 for the club
- Cope's 72 vs Tuggeranong.
- Suman's lightening 77 vs Tuggeranong.
- Gurn's 5 for 28 vs Eastlake.
- Chakra's 5 for 25 vs Tuggeranong.
- Ben Dencio's leg spin improvements.
- Newton's 5 for 14 vs Ginninderra

Finally, I would like to thank the committee for their efforts throughout the year, Al and Mat McGann for their coaching and support of the team, and congratulate 1s and 2s on making their respective finals.

Dave Kidd  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Captain

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5<sup>th</sup> Grade Statistics  
2008 – 2009

<b>Batting</b>									
<b>Name</b>	<b>Matches</b>	<b>Innings</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>50's</b>	<b>100's</b>	<b>Cts/Stmps</b>
Hodge, Michael	15	14	1	324	24.92	57no	2		1
Ravinuthala, Chakra	11	10	1	202	22.44	44			4
Copeland, Alan	9	8	2	199	33.17	72no	1		3
Vallentine, Alex	12	11	1	188	18.80	42			3
Bradnam, Jamie	12	8	1	117	16.71	36			3
Ustick, Simon	6	5	0	115	23.00	38			2
Dencio, Benjamin	11	10	1	106	11.78	28			2
Natarajan, Suman	6	5	2	100	33.33	77	1		3
Cotchett, Kerin	5	4	0	83	20.75	67	1		2
Crowther, Rian H	1	1	0	70	70.00	70	1		2
Low, David	5	4	0	67	16.75	40			2
Stokes, Daniel	3	3	0	64	21.33	35			1
Hopkinson, Trent	2	2	1	60	60.00	40			
Cheadle, John	1	1	1	54	N/A	54no	1		
Miller, Andrew	5	5	2	47	15.67	33no			1
Hewitt, John	6	3	2	42	42.00	21no			3
Du Toit, Tristan	1	1	0	41	41.00	41			
Gurney, Andrew S	12	5	2	40	13.33	20			5
Hulmes, Rory	6	5	2	39	13.00	27			
Keens, Ben	1	1	1	34	N/A	34no			
Azam, Haider	4	3	1	32	16.00	15			2
Kidd, David	16	5	4	29	29.00	19no			
Rama, Sudha	1	1	0	27	27.00	27			
Butcher, Jayden	2	2	0	25	12.50	17			
McGann, Mathew	1	1	0	20	20.00	20			
Colebatch, Tom	7	5	0	17	3.40	10			
Luby, Stephen	7	4	2	16	8.00	16			3
Newton, Andrew	2	1	0	16	16.00	8no			
Mann, Tim	2	2	0	9	4.50	9			
Butler, Nigel	1	2	2	8	N/A	8			1
Mann, David	3	1	0	8	8.00	5no			
Veitch, Matthew	1	1	0	5	5.00	5			2
Lillepruun, Clinton	2	2	1	4	4.00	4no			2/1
Howes, Dylan	2	2	0	3	1.50	3			
Griffiths, Johnny	1	1	0	0	0.00	0			
Day, Andrew R	3								3
Melverton, Aaron	2								
McGann, Allan	2								
Wieden, Matthew	1								
Spare, David	1								
Mace, Brenton	1								
Bell, Nick	4								1
Clark, Jeffrey	1								

<b>Bowling</b>							
<b>Name</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Wickets</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>5 fors</b>
Gurney, Andrew S	69	5	19	281	14.79	5/28	1
Kidd, David	65.2	3	12	249	20.75	3/11	
Luby, Stephen	42	9	11	216	19.64	3/15	
Ravinuthala, Chakra	14	1	8	64	8	5/25	1
Dencio, Benjamin	24.2	0	8	132	16.5	4/51	
Colebatch, Tom	47	8	7	179	25.57	4/11	
Newton, Andrew	11	2	6	26	4.33	5/14	1
Hewitt, John	31	6	6	81	13.5	2/15	
Bradnam, Jamie	26	1	6	158	26.33	3/18	
Hulmes, Rory	28.4	3	5	165	33	2/21	
Azam, Haider	24	3	4	106	26.5	2/38	
Bell, Nick	19	1	4	91	22.75	2/33	
Keens, Ben	8	1	3	23	7.67	3/23	
Cheadle, John	5	1	3	9	3	3/9	
Cotchett, Kerin	22	2	3	76	25.33	2/13	
McGann, Allan	6	0	3	29	9.67	2/25	
Day, Andrew R	18	2	3	69	23	3/21	
Du Toit, Tristan	8	4	2	24	12	2/24	
Butler, Nigel	12	0	1	71	71	1/15	
Hodge, Michael	19	1	1	110	110	1/31	
McGann, Mathew	6	0	1	22	22	1/22	
Mann, Tim	10	0	1	56	56	1/9	
Rama, Sudha	4	0	1	20	20	1/20	
Spare, David	2	0	1	21	21	1/21	
Hopkinson, Trent	3	0	0	36	N/A	0/36	
Mace, Brenton	6	2	0	8	N/A	0/8	
Mann, David	7	0	0	35	N/A	0/35	
Melverton, Aaron	10	2	0	25	N/A	0/9	
Howes, Dylan	5	0	0	46	N/A	0/23	

<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>	<b>By Wicket</b>				
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>1st</b>	Alex Vallentine	Alan Copeland 23	52	ANU	Forestry
<b>2nd</b>	David Low 40	Mick Hodge 52	95	Eastlake	Forestry
<b>3rd</b>	Rian Crowther 70	Sudha Rama 27	80	Queanbeyan	Aranda
<b>4th</b>	Alan Copeland 72no	Suman Natarajan 77	117	Tuggeranong	Chisholm 2
<b>5th</b>	Simon Ustick 38	Ben Dencio 28	68	Tuggeranong	Chisholm 2
<b>6th</b>	Alex Vallentine 30	Ben Dencio 27	37	Queanbeyan	Town Park
<b>7th</b>	John Cheadle 54no	John Hewitt 11	29	Queanbeyan	Aranda
<b>8th</b>	John Cheadle 54no	Jamie Bradnam 14no	39	Queanbeyan	Aranda
<b>9th</b>	John Hewitt 21no	Haider Azam 14no	35	Norths	Dickson
<b>10th</b>	Ben Keens 34no	Dave Kidd 2no	19	Eastlake	Forestry



<b>Top Ten Partnerships</b>	<b>By Runs</b>				
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
<b>4th</b>	Alan Copeland 72no	Suman Natarajan 77	117	Tuggeranong	Chisholm 2
<b>2nd</b>	David Low 40	Mick Hodge 52	95	Eastlake	Forestry
<b>3rd</b>	Rian Crowther 70	Sudha Rama 27	80	Queanbeyan	Aranda
<b>4th</b>	Trent Hopkinson 40	Simon Ustick 38	73	Eastlake	Forestry
<b>5th</b>	Simon Ustick 38	Ben Dencio 28	68	Tuggeranong	Chisholm 2
<b>5th</b>	Michael Hodge 34	Chakra Ravinuthala 44	64	Norths	Dickson
<b>2nd</b>	Alex Vallentine 31no	Michael Hodge 18	62	Ginninderra	Dickson
<b>2nd</b>	Alan Copeland 72no	Michael Hodge 18	60	Tuggeranong	Chisholm 2
<b>4th</b>	Alan Copeland 49	Tristan Du Toit 41	57	ANU	Forestry
<b>4th</b>	Chakra Ravinuthala 44	Jayden Butcher 17	57	Weston Creek	Mawson

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City & Suburban Captains Report  
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West's City and Suburban had a fun and challenging year of cricket. Being the final side to be picked in the club, our line up changed considerable all season. Josh Smith, Andrew Rawstron were the only regular players through out the season. Due to this factor our results were mixed depending on the players available to us. However all players that turned up for games, enjoyed themselves. Particularly the batsmen, thanks to the consistent bounce of synthetic wickets.

Some Memorable Moments of the season.

- Nifty getting both the batting and bowling awards.
- Nic Harvey scored a century.
- Andrew Gurney got a hat trick on debut.
- Josh Smith copped a ball in the face while attempting to take a catch a deep long off and had a trip to the hospital.

David Low  
City and Suburban Vice Captain

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<b>Batting</b>									
<b>Name</b>	<b>Matches</b>	<b>Innings</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>50's</b>	<b>100's</b>	<b>Cts/Stmps</b>
Butler, Nigel	14	12	0	308	25.67	93	1		
Low, David	9	9	0	219	24.33	69	1		
Rawstron, Andrew	16	15	5	205	20.50	50	1		1
Dencio, Benjamin	6	5	1	158	39.50	66	1		2
Banagala, Rahal	13	12	4	155	19.38	46no			
Harvey, Nicolas	1	1	1	121	N/A	121no		1	
Wieden, Matthew	4	4	0	87	21.75	64	1		
Howes, Dylan	10	8	2	87	14.50	65no	1		
Ravinuthala, Chakra	1	1	0	82	82.00	82	1		
O'Malley, Tom	11	10	1	71	7.89	48no			
Lampard, Michael	12	7	1	63	10.50	23no			
Griffiths, Johnny	1	1	1	61	N/A	61no	1		
Bell, Rhys	5	4	0	55	13.75	36			
Butcher, Jayden	4	4	1	55	18.33	29no			
Marshall, Eddie	6	5	2	51	17.00	17			1
Smith, Joshua	16	14	2	49	4.08	12			1
Miller, Andrew	1	1	0	43	43.00	43			
Joshi, Rajen	4	4	1	42	14.00	15no			
Bell, Nick	12	7	1	31	5.17	14			1
Gurney, Andrew S	7	3	2	27	27.00	26no			
Saddler, Luke	2	2	0	26	13.00	15			
Naseby, Tom	1	1	0	10	10.00	10			
Bailey, Robert	3	3	1	7	3.50	6			1
Hodge, Michael	1	1	0	5	5.00	5			
Roberts, Matthew	4	3	0	5	1.67	3			
Cotchett, Kerin	1	1	1	2	N/A	2no			
McMenemy, Peter	1	1	0	1	1.00	1			
Saddler, Dean	1	1	0	1	1.00	1			
Copeland, Alan	1	1	0	0	0.00	0			
Crocombe, Peter	2	1	0	0	0.00	0			
Bennetts, Jason	1	1	0	0	0.00	0			
Hewitt, John	1	0							1
Bradnam, Jamie	1	0							
Hawkins, Denis	1	0							
McGann, Allan	1	0							
Brown, Lee	1	0							
Lewis, Matt	2	0							

<b>Bowling</b>							
<b>Name</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Total Wickets</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>5 fors</b>
Butler, Nigel	101.3	18	17	455	26.76	3/34	
Howes, Dylan	61	7	13	240	18.46	4/18	
Gurney, Andrew S	48	5	8	137	17.13	4/15	
Rawstron, Andrew	36	3	8	166	20.75	3/39	
Lampard, Michael	56	7	7	258	36.86	3/28	
Joshi, Rajen	23	2	6	100	16.67	3/46	
Hewitt, John	8	5	6	6	1.00	6/6	1
Crocombe, Peter	12	2	5	51	10.20	5/49	1
Bell, Nick	87	13	4	343	85.75	2/27	
Wieden, Matthew	32	1	3	147	49.00	2/31	
Banagala, Rahal	26	2	3	163	54.33	1/25	
Smith, Joshua	10	0	3	92	30.67	3/29	
Hodge, Michael	7	2	2	25	12.50	2/25	
Low, David	9	0	2	47	23.50	1/7	
Ravinuthala, Chakra	7	0	2	32	16.00	2/32	
Bradnam, Jamie	4	0	2	10	5.00	2/10	
Naseby, Tom	5	2	2	10	5.00	2/10	
Brown, Lee	9	0	2	25	12.50	2/25	
Dencio, Benjamin	11.2	1	2	80	40.00	2/20	
Butcher, Jayden	8	0	2	62	31.00	2/42	
Copeland, Alan	3	1	1	13	13.00	1/13	
Griffiths, Johnny	4	0	1	11	11.00	1/11	
Bell, Rhys	7	0	1	27	27.00	1/27	
Bailey, Robert	7	0	1	41	41.00	1/41	
Bennetts, Jason	4	0	1	14	14.00	1/14	
Cotchett, Kerin	4	1	0	8		0/8	
Roberts, Matthew	2	0	0	15		0/15	
O'Malley, Tom	1	0	0	16		0/16	
Lewis, Matt	5	0	0	23		0/9	
Saddler, Dean	1	0	0	3		0/3	
Marshall, Eddie	9	1	0	41		0/20	

<b>Top Ten Partnerships - By Wicket</b>					
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1	Nicolas Harvey 121no	David Low 69	182	Queanbeyan Razorbacks	Gowrie
2	Johnny Griffiths 61no	Benjamin Dencio 36	77	Tuggeranong	Latham
3	David Low 58	Rahal Banagala 33	54	Woden Wanderers (Red)	Nicholls 2
	Jayden Butcher 18	Matthew Wieden 64	54	Workers (Colts)	Curtin
4	Matthew Wieden 64	Rahal Banagala 22	70	Workers (Colts)	Curtin
5	Michael Lampard 23no	Andrew Rawstron 29	56	Workers (Colts)	Kaleen 3
6	Nigel Butler 70	Michael Hodge 5	37	ANU CC	Kambah 2
7	Joshua Smith 11	Luke Saddler 11	30	Olims	Hackett
8	Rahal Banagala 46no	Nigel Butler 93	114	Barton	Hackett
9	Andrew Gurney 26no	Nick Bell 9	43	ANU CC	Kambah 2
10	David Low 19	Andrew Rawstron 7no	18	Olims	Hackett

<b>Top Ten Partnerships - By Runs</b>					
<b>Wicket</b>	<b>Batsmen</b>		<b>Runs</b>	<b>Opposition</b>	<b>Venue</b>
1st	Nicolas Harvey 121no	David Low 69	182	Queanbeyan Razorbacks	Gowrie
8th	Rahal Banagala 46no	Nigel Butler 93	114	Barton	Hackett
1st	Chakra Ravinuthala 82	David Low 27	100	Woden Wanderers (Yellow)	Chapman
2nd	Johnny Griffiths 61no	Benjamin Dencio 36	77	Tuggeranong	Latham
4th	Matthew Wieden 64	Rahal Banagala 22	70	Workers (Colts)	Curtin
1st	David Low 58	Nigel Butler 36	69	Woden Wanderers (Red)	Nicholls 2
2nd	Benjamin Dencio 66	Eddie Marshall 17	61	Workers (Colts)	Kaleen 3
5th	Michael Lampard 23no	Andrew Rawstron 29	56	Workers (Colts)	Kaleen 3
3rd	David Low 58	Rahal Banagala 33	54	Woden Wanderers (Red)	Nicholls 2
3rd	Jayden Butcher 18	Matthew Wieden 64	54	Workers (Colts)	Curtin

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This season began with a lot of promise after a reasonably successful Twenty20 competition where we won two of the five games including a very exciting game against ANU, the team won on the last ball of the match.

So began the Lynne O'Meara competition with the first game against Tuggeranong being washed out. The next match against North Canberra Gungahlin showed promise with 69 run 3<sup>rd</sup> wicket partnership between Laureen McGann(40) and Alisa Clark (16) however this was not enough to prevent NCG surpassing the final score of 5/106.

The next game was against Eastlake a game traditionally a difficult away fixture. This again proved to be the case with Aimee Southwell (23) being the only notable score in 7/59 (AO).

The next match against Queanbeyan promised much but delivered little other than Laureen McGann (23) and Lee Brown (28) no one else made double figures in the final score of 8/89 (AO).

Next match against ANU proved to be the match of the year where everything came together batting, bowling and fielding. The team batted first posting our highest total ever 3/179 with Anne Lawson (56no) carrying her bat and Zoe Cooke (43) and Aimee Southwell (33no), with a 1<sup>st</sup> wicket partnership of 48 between Alisa Clark (14) and Anne Lawson ; 3<sup>rd</sup> wicket partnership of 70 between Zoe Cooke and Anne Lawson. Then in ANU innings Zoe Cooke took 5/10 and Anne Lawson 2/11 bowled them out 7/90 (AO). A great effort by the whole team and new territory for the women.

Back to playing Tuggeranong, however not a very successful match with only 8 players Wests was never really in the hunt for a win falling well short of Tuggeranong's score of 6/213 with a score of 7/71. notable performances included Laureen McGann(29), Anne Lawson (2/34) and Helena Kreis (2/42).

The match against North Canberra Gungahlin proved to be a very close affair with Wests batting first and posting a score of 6/115 with Zoe Cooke (50). The chase by NCG was steady but towards the end of the innings their star batter Bec Maher was out, having scored the bulk of the runs they limped across the line to score a close win for NCG, with Laureen McGann (2/25) showing her versatility .

Match against Eastlake again proved the gap between the two teams with Wests (76) going down to Eastlake (7/195) whilst the batting proved to be disappointing except for Laureen McGann (34) the bowling and fielding proved very good Anne Lawson (2/33) and Caitlin Brown (3/25) along with two excellent catches to Helena Kreis and Alisa Clark, Diane Wilson and Zoe Cooke all taking a catch.

Queanbeyan was the next match and after a good start the batting fell away with only Anne Lawson (36) producing any score of note. Wests 9/109 lost to Queanbeyan 2/110.

Last game of the season saw Wests up against ANU and after a good bowling display ANU (7/78 AO) with Anne Lawson (2/14) and Helena Kreis (2/14) both bowling well. Wests innings progressed well with the score being 4/57 at one stage and Zoe Cooke (22) to be all out 69 was a very disappointing way to finish a promising season. Based on the performances of this season the opportunity to be more successful in 2009/2010 is certainly there.

Graeme Lawson  
Director – Womens Cricket

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<b>Batting</b>									
<b>Name</b>	<b>Matches</b>	<b>Innings</b>	<b>Not Outs</b>	<b>Total Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>HS</b>	<b>50's</b>	<b>100's</b>	<b>Cts/Stmps</b>
McGann, Lauren C	8	8	0	166	20.75	40			1
Cooke, Zoe	6	6	1	143	28.60	50	1		1
Lawson, Anne	9	9	3	118	19.67	56no	1		2
Southwell, Aimee	8	8	1	99	14.14	33no			
Brown, Lee	6	5	0	41	8.20	28			1
Clark, Alisa	9	9	0	40	4.44	16			3
Kreis, Helena	8	7	3	27	6.75	10no			2
Lawson, Kathryn	8	6	0	18	3.00	9			1/1
Brown, Caitlin	4	4	2	15	7.50	5			
Quinlan, Clare	6	5	1	12	3.00	9			
Wilson, Dianne	4	4	0	5	1.25	2			1
Slattery, Sarah	3	2	0	4	2.00	4			1
Guess, Vishnupriya	3	3	1	2	1.00	2no			
Finn, Jodi	1	1	0	0	0.00	0			
Swaker, J	1	0	0	0	0.00	0			1
Lewis, Angeline	1	0	0	0	0.00	0			

<b>Bowling</b>						
<b>Name</b>	<b>Overs</b>	<b>Maidens</b>	<b>Total Wickets</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Avg</b>	<b>BB</b>
Lawson, Anne	48	5	10	186	18.60	2/11
Cooke, Zoe	25.4	4	6	69	11.50	5/10
Kreis, Helena	25.3	1	5	108	21.60	2/14
Brown, Caitlin	14	0	5	63	12.60	3/25
McGann, Lauren C	27.4	1	3	130	43.33	2/25
Southwell, Aimee	29	3	2	118	59.00	1/9
Clark, Alisa	37	2	2	172	86.00	1/7
Quinlan, Clare	25	1	1	113	113.00	1/37
Lewis, Angeline	1	0	1	3	3.00	1/3
Wilson, Dianne	5	0	0	12	N/A	0/3
Slattery, Sarah	2	0	0	13	N/A	0/13
Lawson, Kathryn	2	0	0	13	N/A	0/13



## Vale Geoffrey Gelding

There's little doubt that not only can Geoff Gelding ("Geldo") be described as one of the best workers in the Club's history but he can also be labelled a "character".

Club President on nine occasions and Secretary for two years are ample evidence of his contribution to the administrative workload of the Club. He nurtured a happy association with the licenced Rugby Club and spent many hours representing the club at ACTCA meetings and activities. His voluntary efforts extended further to junior coaching, curating, constant fund raising and membership of various kit, social and selection committees over many years.

It was no surprise to those who knew him that he was elevated to the status of Life Member in 1981, the first such individual in the club's history. The following extract from the 1980/81 Annual Report confirms the importance of this appointment to the club:

*"The Management Committee of the club unanimously supports the following motion to be moved by Mr. G. Garrity, seconded by Mr. R. Rogers, that Mr. G.W. Gelding be made a life member of this club. The adoption of this motion would mean, not merely that Geoff would be our first life member, but also a recognition that he would have done more for this club than any other member, either past or present."*

Complimenting his significant administrative contributions to the club was Geoff's memorably humorous nature and quick, and sometimes ribald, wit that appealed to all. Even on solemn occasions he could break down the seriousness of the situation with a humorous quip and suddenly the scene would change. With Geoff in the chair, meetings were not only productive but also entertaining, a challenging outcome in any committee environment.

As a cricketer, Geoff played 154 matches for Wests, scoring 1,989 runs at 13.81 (HS 102\*) and took 235 wickets at 15.85 (BB 7/66). A slow bowler with a wrist action – one hesitates to say spinner as many who played with him contend he did not spin and that was his ploy – and a powerful hitter, he proved a competent all-rounder. Originally a first grade opening bat he later found his way down-the-order and the grades where a quick-fire 30 or 40 often turned the game.

One memorable Geldo knock was witnessed on an unforgettably harsh day at O'Connor Oval. It was the last 2<sup>nd</sup> grade match of the season and on the second day both sides needed competition points – Wests to secure top placing and South Woden to make the semis. It started to rain, it continued to rain – in fact it didn't stop raining! Some of the players in the other grades whose matches had been called off came past O'Connor Oval and seeing the game continuing, called in. The scorers stuck to their task working not on the scorers' table but under it – and even then they got saturated. But the match continued – each side chasing those points. Geoff was in his element. When the ball hit the pitch, there was a slash but this seemingly suited Geoff's batting technique. He was there at the end and his fifty plus secured the

minor premiership. His comments as he left the field were along the lines of “I hope we get similar conditions for the semis”!

It’s fair to say Geoff had no enemies. Wests were fortunate to have a great club man, one who loved his cricket and in fact loved life. He was, without doubt, one of the key people who made Wests a strong and succesful club and a fun-filled and rewarding place to play cricket. He will be sorely missed by his friends and family.

*Contributions by Gerald Garrity, Dene Moore, Mick Brady and Marcus Cosgrave*

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Club Membership  
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Appeldorff, Andrew	Harrison, James	Melverton, Aaron
Azam, Haider	Harvey, Nicolas	Miller, Adam
Bailey, Tony	Hawkins, Denis	Miller, Andrew
Banagala, Rahal	Hewitt, Adam	Monshizada, Abdul
Bartle, Shane	Hewitt, John	Naseby, Tom
Bell, Nick	Hodge, Michael	Natarajan, Suman
Bell, Rhys	Hollis, Mathew	Newton, Andrew
Bennett, Vinesh	Hook, Stuart	Oakley, Ben
Boyle, Jacob	Hopkinson, Trent	O'Malley, Tom
Bradnam, Jamie	Howes, Dylan	Phillips, Benjamin
Broers, Matthew	Hulmes, Rory	Quinlan, Clare
Bush, Jayson	Jaffry, Syed	Rama, Sudha
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