INTER ASSOCIATION COMPETITION TEAM REPORTS

In 2022-23 representative cricket was again played under the Cricket NSW Youth Championships banner, along with a continuation of our involvement in the Presidents' Cup competition. We also participate in the District Cricket Association Martin Shield (open age).

Paul Guimelli & Justin Isaacs continued with their stewardship of the rep program, from organising selection trials, clothing and practice matches to appointing and managing the team personnel. On behalf of the association, the players and myself, I cannot thank them enough for their time, effort and professionalism. Our strong performances across the board and continuing improvement auger well for the future.

NSW YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION REPORTS

C. S. WATSON SHIELD Under 17

T.B.A.

MARGARET PEDEN SHIELD Under 15 girls

Round 1: Penrith all-out 46 def by Parramatta 1/48

First game of the rep season, the girls were really very confident and dominated the opposition, bowling them out for 46. Aurora Mavros 2/5, Shiloh Julien 2/7, Isabel Selems 3/1 (which was an hattrick). Parramatta girls chased the required score in only 7 overs with Kayla Robson 30 n.o., Neha Joshua 13, and Shiloh Julien 2 n.o.

Round 2: Parramatta 181, lost against IWCWSE Gold, 6 for 182

We had player sick and not available and Kayla Robson badly Injured while warming up. Girls gave very good fight, scoring 181 batting first. Shiloh Julien 52 and Gunisha Garg 53 were the highest scores. IWCWSE chased the required runs in 45 overs, losing six wickets. Shiloh Julien 3/31. This was only match Parramatta lost.

Round 3: Parramatta 4 for 121 def Sutherland St George 5 for 115

Well contested game. Parramatta scored 121, losing 4 wickets in 20 Overs, Shiloh Julien 56, Neha Joshua 24 and Gunisha Garg 18 n.o. Sutherland played well, a very close game, scoring 115 in 20 overs, losing 5 wickets. Janya Shah 2/23, Shiloh Julien 2/9.

Round 4: Newcastle all-out 75 def by Parramatta 3 for 77

Another game dominated by Parramatta girls. Newcastle rolled for 75, great team effort. Amna Rahman 2/8 and Mira Mohan 2/5. Parramatta chased the required runs in 17.3 overs, losing three wickets. Shiloh Julien 31 n.o. and Lakshmi Rajadurai 10 n.o.

Round 5: Abandoned due to severe weather conditions

Round 6: Central Coast all-out 101 def by Parramatta 5 for 102

Central Coast all-out 101. Shiloh Julien 3/8, Mira Mohan 2/17 and Lakshmi Rajadurai 2/11. Parramatta 5 for 102 chasing, Aurora Mavros 19, Marlie Pathirana 21 n.o. and Lakshmi Rajadurai 16 n.o., completing the chase in 27.3 overs.

Round 7: Hornsby Ku-ring-gai all-out 47 def by Parramatta 2 for 48

Hornsby all-out for 47 with Amna Rahman 2/8 and Aurora Mavros 2/7. Parramatta chased the required runs in 7.1 overs, losing two wickets. Shiloh Julien 17 n.o. With this win Parramatta girls assured their position into the semis, finishing 2nd on the ladder.

Semi Final: Sutherland St George 9 for 86 def by Parramatta 2 for 87

Rain-affected game. Great work from grounds-person, preparing the pitch by noon, match reduced to 40 overs. Sutherland batting first scored 86 runs in 40 overs, very economical bowling by bowlers, Amna Rahman 2/2, Shiloh Julien 2/13. Parramatta chased the required runs in 27.4 overs, losing two wickets. Shiloh Julien 47 n.o. and Lakshmi Rajadurai 22. After a very clean and disciplined victory Parramatta had reached the Grand Final, which was to be played as a day/nighter at Blacktown International Sport Park Oval 1.

Grand Final Parramatta 4 for 80 def NSJCA Peden 9 for 116

One of the best finals played, and first time in the history of Margaret Peden U-15 girls that a finals game was played under lights. NSJCA won the toss and elected to bat, losing early wickets. A great opening spell from Aurora Mavros, supported by Gunisha Garg, skittled their top order. Amna Rahman and Neha Joshua then took over, bowling equally well to have the opponents 6 wickets for 35 runs in the 19th over. Rain stopped the innings and after a period of waiting resumed with overs reduced to 46. After the break Parramatta bowlers had to work hard as NSJCA skipper Elizabeth Yates 34 and Samantha Williams 26 built a good partnership of 66 runs. Isabel Selems broke the partnership and very good death bowling, taking two wickets and NSJCA ended up with 9 for 116. Parramatta chasing was rocked early, losing the wicket of our in-form batter Shiloh Julien for a golden duck, but a partnership between Neha Joshua and Gunisha Garg consolidated the innings until Parramatta lost Neha when the score was on 30 runs. Soon after, Gunisha was dismissed for 18 with the team score on 37, and Kayla Robson was run out with the team score on 52. As the pressure mounted, Marlie Pathirana and Lakshmi Rajadurai stood strong, and at 22.5 overs our score was 80 runs. Heavy rain started, with Parramatta needing another 36 runs to win in 23 overs, with 6 wickets still in hand. The rain continued unabated, with the decision from umpires based on the Duckworth-Lewis-Stern method declaring Parramatta Grand Final Winners. Neha Joshua was awarded Player of the Match

Overall, a superb effort from players, demonstrating good teamwork, outstanding captaincy, and fantastic support from parents, PDCA officials and grounds people. In a cooperative coaching effort, **Suresh Madala and Harry Mavros** coached the team to the best possible result. Thanks to our manager **Puneet Sidhu** for helping us in all administrative tasks, organising related house-keeping and looking after the wellbeing of the girls. Finally thank you to **Bernie Robson** for all her calm professionalism, assisting us in the sometimes complicated issues of mediation, as well as sourcing match balls, grounds, and venues.

Congratulations everyone, you're all winners!

Suresh Madala, Coach Margaret Peden Shield team

E. G. WEBLIN SHIELD Under 15

Playing Squad:

Blake Noorbergen (C) – Baulkham Hills,

Arjun Nadadur – Wenty Leagues
Bradley Hansen – Wenty Leagues
Connor Culnane – Winston Hills
Cruize Barton – Baulkham Hills

Prangan Das – Baulkham Hills

Coaches: Gordon Smith & Wayne Earl

Manav Narayan – Rouse Hill Rams

Prapta Das – Baulkham Hills Sanjith Anreddy – Rouse Hill Rams Subhash Gadde – Rouse Hill Rams Will Macdonald – Winston Hills Zachary Nicholls – Hills Barbarians Ibrahim Khan – Guildford Leagues

Round 1: Wash Out

Round 2: PDCA 6/184 defeated Hornsby Ku-ring-gai 8/182

After a first round washout, it was good to get a game in, bowling first we restricted the opposition to 182 with wickets going to Connor 2-41, Prangan 2-33, Brad 1-23 off 10 and Arjun 1-18. Chasing a sizable total we successfully passed the score with 6 overs to spare. Great contributions from Arjun 54, Blake 40 and Prangan 26*

Round 3: PDCA 3/84 defeated Bankstown 10/82

A comprehensive bonus point win with our bowling and fielding leading the way. On a drizzly day where the balls was slippery the boys were outstanding in the field restricting Bankstown to just 82 off 40 overs. Wickets being taken by Connor 3-9, Prangan 2-11, Zach 4-29. In the small chase Blake top scored with 31*.

Round 4: PDCA 9/270 defeated Penrith 104

Winning the toss and batting first we lost a couple of quick wickets to be 2-9. Then a wonderful 3rd wicket partnership of 119 runs set up our innings from Manav and Blake. Was finished off with some great middle and lower order batting to set a formidable total. Top scorers were Blake 76 and Manav 43. Penrith were never really in the hunt losing wickets on a regular basis to be bowled out for 104. Our spinners Brad and Will did the damage taking 5-46 off 20 overs combined.

A great win with another bonus point.

Round 5: PDCA 9-183 defeated Inner West Harbour 76

Winning the toss again and batting first we struggled to get going losing two early wicket and wickets continued to fall at regular intervals without any major partnerships. The very pleasing part was the tail batted superbly t get us a decent total to defend. Cruiz's 21* at the end a highlight of the innings. Prapta also scoring 31*. This innings showed us the resilience of the boys when our top order doesn't fire. With the ball we dominated with Will and Brad the spin twins doing the damage again taking 3 and 2 wickets respectively.

Our third bonus point in a row and the boys are starting to really gain confidence.

Round 6: PDCA 6/90 defeated Camden 10/89

Not our prettiest win but was still good enough to secure a bonus point. Camden batted first and managed only 89 with Connor Bradley and Prapta all getting 3 wickets. Prapta getting a hat trick all bowled to clean up the tail.

Chasing this small total we were never in danger after an opening stand of 44, but a flurry of lost wickets due to some poor shot selection did give us a scare. Subhash held the innings together with the others making small contributions.

Round 7 PDCA 133 Defeated Northern District 124

We arrived at Marsfield to an uncovered pitch that had received overnight rain. Losing the toss we were predictably sent into bat. Batting proved very difficult and we were in trouble early at 3-17. Manav and Prangan revived the inning before losing 3 wickets without a run being scored and a 6-75 our poor batting from the week before was coming to haunt us. Prapta and Will batted well to recover the innings both scoring 20 each. We new with only 133 on the board we would have to bowl well. Unfortunately, this wasn't the case early with the team out of sorts and some uncharacteristic bowling ND's were cruising at 3-103 at the second drinks break. Some stern words and a renewed belief the boys went out and turned the game on its head. Proof the game is never over the boys took a couple of quick wickets to change the momentum and took the remaining 7 wickets for 21 runs. This was a fantastic win which really gave the boys a belief they could do something special in the competition. Connor led the way with 4-20 off his 10 overs.

Round 8 PDCA 9/200 defeated North Shore 10/119

The last round before the knockout stage was going to determine who won the pool. The boys were keen to avenge their Moore Shield semi final loss and erase any remaining demons. Batting first we put together a competitive total of 200. With a special innings from Blake scoring 95 before being controversially being given out. Manav again supported Blake for a hard earned 27 with Connor bombing a few boundaries late to get the total to the 200 mark. North Shore were never in the hunt losing wickets regularly for a comprehensive win. The spin twin Bradley and Will did the damage yet again taking 4 and 3 wickets respectively. Winners f the pool and on to the knockout stage.

Elimination Final 1 - PDCA 9/210 Defeated Fairfield 91

Winning the toss and batting first we lost early wickets being 3-27 but another outstanding innings from Blake held the innings together. His 131* from 126 balls was one of the best innings we have seen from a junior player. With a strong total on the board and a bowling lineup full of confidence we comfortably rolled Fairfield for 91. With Will being the destroyer taking 5-21.

Semi-final – PDCA 209 defeated Hawksbury 164

Winning the toss and batting first we were in a bit of trouble at 5-73 including losing Blake for 20. With the game in the balance Prapta and Subhash rose to the occasion and rescued the innings much to the shock of the opposition. Prapta finishing with 67 and Subhash 42. In field we took control early, bowling well and holding our catches making it impossible for Hawksbury to get close to our score. Prapta was the pick of the bowlers taking 4-30. This win saw this team into their 3rd final in four years and outstanding achievement.

Grand Final – PDCA 2/119 defeated Sutherland 8/115

Sutherland won the toss and elected to bat on a perfect day for cricket. Our boys were primed and ready for what the day lay ahead. Our bowling was tight our fielding was outstanding and we really didn't give them much opportunity to scored freely. Taking wickets at regular intervals we were able to contain Sutherland to just 115 off their 50 overs. The spin twin did it again taking 2 apiece and only conceding 37 runs off the 20 overs. We got off to a shaky start in the run chase but Manav and Blake settled into a strong partnerships to bring home the victory in 26th over. Blake finishing with 46* and Manav 38*.

U15 State Championship game - PDCA 5/145 defeated Western Plains Outlaws 141

For the first time CNSW held a state championship game pitting the country championship winner against the metropolitan winner. This game was held in the April school holidays when unfortunately, a number of the squad were unavailable due to touring in India. Fear not some of our Moore Shield boys came to the rescue.

The game was played down in Camden with the outlaws winning the toss and batting first. Our bowling and fielding was a bit rusty but we kept taking wickets to bowl them out in the 39th over. Connor, Bradley Cruiz and Arhan all took 2 wickets.

Chasing a modest total batting was hard and slow. Some great bowling from the outlaws meant we had to dig in deep and be patient eventually running down to score in the 47th over. Blake top scored with 53 and supported well by Cameron.

Thank you to Cameron Knight, Arhan Shah, Advik Ajithkumar and Ben Smith for filling in andmaking such a positive contribution.

What an amazing season 11 games for 11 wins. The boys are to be commended for the way they played the season. Each and every boys contributing to the final outcome.

To Mark and Sonia thanks for arranging those amazing lunches. To the parents thank you for making the season so enjoyable your support with drinks, ice, food fo the boys each week was much appreciated.

To all the parent that scored throughout the season particularly Mark on the laptop thank you.

Yours In Cricket

Gordon Smith, Manager & Wayne Earl, Coach E.G. Weblin Shield team

HAROLD MOORE SHIELD Under 14

We had the pleasure of coaching the Moore Shield team this season, and we must say it was a fantastic experience. The team showed great determination and sportsmanship throughout the season.

In the early rounds, we were competitive in every match and consistently held a spot in the top 4 teams.

However, it all came down to last round match against North Shore. We needed a win to advance to the finals, but unfortunately, we faced some setbacks with the loss of early wickets. However, we managed to get ourselves back into the match with some solid batting by the middle order. The match eventually went down to the wire, but ultimately, North Shore managed to hit the winning runs.

Although we didn't make it to the finals, the boys should be immensely proud of their performances throughout the season. They displayed resilience, perseverance, and a never-give-up attitude.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all the parents who supported the team throughout the season. Your involvement and encouragement made the experience all the more memorable. It was heartening to witness everyone coming together and contributing to the success of the team. Some of the lunches were amazing and it was commented by many opposition teams about our inclusion for their players and supporters.

To the talented bunch of boys who made up the Moore Shield team, we wish you all the best for the seasons ahead. Your skills and potential are evident, and we have no doubt that you will continue to excel in the future.

Once again, thank you all for an incredible season, and we are grateful for the opportunity to coach the boys.

Justin Isaacs & John Stephenson (Emu), Coaches Harold Moore Shield team

MOLLIE DIVE SHIELD Under 13 girls

PDCA Mollie Dive season 2022-23 kicked off with the 1st round game against Inner West Harbour. Winning the toss and elected to bat first IWCWSE posted 4/167 in 30 overs. Kaya Kumar was the pick of the bowlers with 2/30. In return PDCA scored an impressive 6/147 with Zara and Kaya scoring 42* and 29 respectively. Despite a good chase PDCA lost by 20 runs.

Round 2 was an away game in Newcastle. Winning the toss Newcastle batted first to score 142, pick of the bowlers was Janani with 2/7. Chasing 142 PDCA scored 110 with the loss of 8 wickets, Athira was the top scorer with 19 not out.

Round 3 was a home game against Hornsby. Winning the toss PDCA scored an impressive 203 with Sharon, Janani and Zara scoring 47, 43 and 32 respectively. In reply, Hornsby finished with 6/84 in 30 overs, Sharon was the pick of the bowlers with 2/7.

After a bye round 4, round 5 commenced at home against North Shore Maroon. On and off drizzle and not very keen North Shore and umpires agreed for a reduced game of 27 overs. Winning the toss, PDCA batted first to score 3/119 in challenging conditions. Sharon and Kaya scored 33* and 21* respectively. In reply, NS Maroon was 1/1 at the end of 1st over before heavy rain abandoned the game.

Round 6 again was a home game against Blacktown. Winning the toss, PDCA batted first to score another impressive 1/158 in 30 overs with Sharon and Natalie top scoring with 65* and 61* respectively. In reply, Blacktown scored 6/101 in 30 overs with Natalie being the pick of the bowlers with 2/16.

Round 7 was an away game against the table topper North Shore Blue. Winning the toss PDCA scored a meagre 75 in 30 overs. PDCA batters tried all along but few vital decisions going against us means it was not going to be enough. In reply, NS Blue made a quick work of the total with 8 wickets in hand.

Round 8 and final round was an away game against Campbelltown. Winning the toss, PDCA scored a healthy 96 in 30 overs against a quality bowling and challenging in/out field. In reply Campbelltown scored the winning runs with 3 wickets in hand in a thriller which would have easily gone either way.

With that PDCA's Mollie Dive season 2022-23 concluded with a scorecard of Played -7; Won -2; Lost -4; No result -1. The final standing and scores did not do justice on how closely the games were fought. With a little luck, at least a couple of games would have gone our way. Even though the results were not as successful as we expected, the Mollie Dive campaign was a huge success as the girls benefited hugely. With more than half of the team has two more seasons in Dive, the future of PDCA looks very promising.

Julien Prem, Coach Mollie Dive Shield team

W.S. GEE SHIELD Under 13

Season: - 8 games 3 wins 4 lost 1 washout.

Our season started slowly after what I thought was a positive trialing start to our season.

Round Two after a round one washout was a disappointing start to the season managing only 85 runs against Penrith although it was a hard fought fielding effort, we went down by 1 wicket

Great wins against Hawkesbury, Sutherland & St George were positive signs this group had what was required to be extremely competitive and go deep into this competition.

Although we had Four losses we were competitive in all games until our last and most important game of the season against Inner West Harbour (Parramatta 117 all out lost to Inner West Harbour 8 for 191).

In closing: -

I found this group were extremely immature compared to past junior teams I've been involved with. Attention span was extremely poor (warm ups and batting- waiting) towards the middle of our season we took action by separating the boys from batsman ready to go in which helped but was still difficult. To be fair they were only 13 but trying on many, many occasions.

Let's hope the extra year helps mature them this season.

Looking forward to the challenge of season 14/1 Moore shield upcoming 2023/24.

Thanks to you Guys for your ongoing support as it's more important than you probably recognise.

Brett McNaught, Coach Gee W. S. Shield team

J. H. CREAK SHIELD Under 13 Division 2

This was an interesting year with the team. The previous season they were champions of the u12/s competition but with only a few remaining members of that team being available a new list of talented and hungry cricketers was put together to defend the title with a rookie head coach.

The season started out with a couple of preseason games where we were identifying the strengths and weaknesses of the side that was put together. After the preseason games it was decided that Eamon would lead the side as the inspirational and vocal captain. Trainings were fun and exhausting for the boys with a mixture of game-based skills, net sessions, fitness and teamwork activities used to bring them together and it showed with improvements made in their abilities every week within the representative season and club season.

We started the year off with a wash out and a tight loss to eventual premiers Hornsby. The game was getting away from us in the first 20 overs till the boys rallied together to bring it down to the last few overs where we fell short of a win. This fighting spirit was shown through the season and put the boys of the right track. Over the next few weeks, the boys played some flawless cricket rolling St George for 36 in the wet before Devaj and Sudharshan got the runs before the heavier rain came along. Following week Eamon put on a batting masterclass against rivals Blacktown posting 65 and setting up the big win with the wickets getting shared round.

We continued to roll through the competition to sit 3rd on the table going into the last rounds. Unfortunately, we had a bit of a form slump and got punished by Manly then Fairfield to fall to fifth on the ladder and having to face eventual runners up Inner West. The boys went out strong and were putting pressure on with the ball holding Inner West to 140. We were put on the back foot early losing a few early wickets and needed to recover. A hard effort was put in by the team, but we fell 25 runs short, and our season ended there.

After the season ended the team had a get together the New Cricket NSW centre for a net session. The development of the team and to come together so easily made coaching the boys a pleasure. The assistance provided by Darren, David and all the parents made the season run smoothly. The team will continue to develop and become better cricketers and wish them all the best in their cricketing futures.

Chad Radford, Coach J H Creak Shield team

ARCH CAWSEY SHIELD Under 12

T.B.A.

W. G. FOSTER SHIELD Under 12 Division 2

Introduction: I present the annual report for our cricket team in the W. G. Foster Shield Under 12 Division 2. Our team consisted of thirteen talented players, with a mix of previous PDCA representative players and new additions. Our focus was on developing a strong team for present and future success.

Team Development: Despite initial challenges and losses, our team displayed remarkable growth and unity. Players complemented each other's strengths and weaknesses, becoming a cohesive unit. Dedication and commitment were instrumental in our development.

Never Give Up Attitude: A highlight of our season was the one-run victory against Central Coast, showcasing our never-give-up attitude. Our players displayed resilience, determination, and unwavering spirit, inspiring us all.

Player Development: Every player showed significant development throughout the season. Our coaching staff worked tirelessly to enhance skills, with a particular focus on improving our fielding, which was identified as a weakness. Improved performance reflects dedication and a supportive team environment.

Future Prospects: The PDCA is fortunate to have such talented young cricketers. Our team's progress bodes well for the future. These players will contribute to the PDCA's success as they continue to develop their skills and gain experience.

Acknowledgments: Gratitude to the PDCA Management team, coaching staff, and parents, for unwavering support. Their encouragement played a significant role in our achievements. Commendations to each player for their commitment, hard work, and sportsmanship on and off the field.

Conclusion: The annual report highlights our development as a strong and united team. Throughout the season, we persevered, learned valuable lessons, and showcased an inspiring never-give-up attitude. Our remarkable growth and progress have been significant achievements. While we didn't reach the semi-finals, we are confident in the future success of our team and the foundation we have built for continued improvement.

Player Report:

Akain Sendil Amuwalage: Akain has consistently shown his enthusiasm and commitment by giving his all in every game. His dedication towards personal development has been commendable, and he has been a valuable asset to the team.

Arjun Mutyala: Despite missing a few initial games, Arjun emerged as one of the top three runscorers for the team. He has been a reliable contributor, stepping up to score quick runs when the team needed them the most. Arjun also showed improvement in his bowling skills throughout the season.

Brendan Dinesh: Brendan's punctuality and dedication have been exemplary. He consistently gives his best on the field and has saved numerous runs behind the wickets.

Ishaan Ambardar: Ishaan's technique, temperament, and game sense have been evident in both his batting and bowling. He often led the bowling attack and made significant improvements in his batting throughout the season.

Kayaan Patel: Kayaan's versatility as a all-rounder has been invaluable to the team. Kayaan's ability to bowl in the death overs has been remarkable, often stepping up and delivering crucial wickets when the team needed them the most.

Kritthik Kamalanathan: Kritthik made significant contributions to the team's batting lineup, finishing as the second-highest run-scorer. His performances with the bat were crucial to the team's success.

Maninderpal Pawar: Maninderpal's skills as a leg-spinner were exceptional, making him the highest wicket-taker for the team. He showcased improvement in his batting towards the later part of the tournament, and his highlight as a bowler included a remarkable five-wicket haul against Bankstown.

Roshan Rajesh: Roshan displayed excellent temperament and technique throughout the season. He showcased his development as a batter and made progress in his wicketkeeping skills.

Saathvik Dornala: Despite missing some initial games due to injury, Saathvik demonstrated resilience and determination upon returning to the team. He contributed and displayed overall growth throughout the season.

Shehraaz Singh Sandhu: Shehraaz emerged as the highest run-scorer for the team, with a standout performance of 50 runs against Blacktown. His consistent contributions and commitment to improvement have been evident throughout the season.

Teerth Patel: Teerth's eagerness to learn and his supportive team-player attitude have made him an invaluable asset. He has consistently been available to help his teammates, contributing positively to the team's dynamic.

Xavier Parsons: Xavier, the team's vice-captain, has been a remarkable team player, displaying punctuality and dedication. He was the second-highest wicket-taker and made notable contributions, including a remarkable run-out with a direct hit from mid-on against St. George.

Yogi Mihir Patel: Yogi's role as a specialised wicketkeeper and his all-round abilities have been outstanding. His excellent fielding skills and leadership as captain have motivated the team to perform at their best.

Each player has contributed significantly to the team's success and demonstrated continuous growth. Their dedication, commitment, and teamwork have been integral to the team's achievements.

Chinmaya Gupta, Coach & Amit Ambardar, Manager

W G Foster Shield team

IDCA PRESIDENTS CUP REPORTS

For season 2021/22 PDCA fielded teams in U11/1, U11/2, U14 and U15.

The season saw some fantastic performances and results, with all teams being in contention for their respective premierships. Ultimately it was U11/1 and U14 who went on to win, congratulations to both teams.

Due to our great season, PDCA were fortunate enough to win the 'President's Cup' – Club Championship. A fantastic effort in our 3rd season of this competition.

This season's IDCA Presidents Cup player of the year was Ronav Aparjit from our U11/1, Well done Ronav.

Thank you to all the coaches, managers, players, and parents for making this season successful. It was trying at times with wet weather, ground issues and Covid but we managed to get through. I look forward to another great season next year.

Justin Isaacs

PDCA - President Cup Co-Ordinator.

IDCA Under 15

To be selected for a representative team is an honour, especially a team that represents PDCA. With that in mind, it is extremely disappointing when some players trial and are then selected, are unavailable for the majority of matches (holidays, other commitments) and training sessions, leaving the team short and scrambling for additional players and making it difficult to produce meaningful training sessions. Unfortunately most Saturday nights when my phone went off, it was another withdrawal from the following days match. I can't thank Justin Isaacs enough for sourcing players so we could field a full side each week.

Not being able to have the option of selecting the same side twice did not allow combinations to grow. Of course, injuries played a part, with both our keepers being injured for half of the season but to see both those boys turning up to the matches to support the team, is what being part of a team is about.

On a positive note, we did have a core group of players who turned up and gave their all each week. I really enjoyed mentoring and sharing the journey with those boys. The commitment they showed was exemplary.

On the field, we had 2 good wins and a couple of close losses in which we were a bit unlucky not to gain a victory in. On many occasions during the year, we found ourselves in reasonable positions only to let the game slip from our grasp. Representative cricket requires a different level of concentration and application. Hopefully this will serve as a good learning curve in the boy's development in their cricket careers.

I do hope the boys enjoyed the season and learnt some valuable cricketing lessons.

To the group of parents who assisted with umpiring, scoring, setting up team tents and catering, I thank you.

Emu, once again, thank you for running the fielding drills @ training and on match mornings. To our Manager Susan Isaacs, a big thank you for a job well done.

Aaron Martin, Coach IDCA Under 15 team

IDCA Under 14 ANTHONY NEALE CUP

PDCA 14/2 had an excellent season and missed on finals qualification by the narrowest of margins. With only the top 2 team making any finals it was always going to be tough. We finished equal 3rd in the end. NRR been the deciding factor in the end for the top 4. Each year these boys get better and closer to taking out the competition.

We had a good balance of strong batting, bowling, and fielding within the team. Overall, Team Management was very happy with the players and the 100% effort they all put in. I would like to acknowledge the parents for the support for the boys and coaching and management staff. The team and parents gelled together as one unit and supported each other. The players thoroughly enjoyed the cricket and playing with their mates.

Standout Batting Performers

- **Joshua Garner:** Josh is a right-hand batsman and was the leading run scorer of our team. He continued to work hard on his batting and was the most consistent batsman. He scored 172 runs at an average of 29 and was the 6th highest run scorer across U14 President Cup
- Aiden Smith: Aiden had a very good season with bat. He worked hard on his batting and was the most improved batsman from the last season. He scored 148 runs at an average of 29 He was the 15th highest run scorer across U14 President Cup

Standout Bowling Performers

- Hari Santhana: Hari is a right arm bowler and has good pace and control. He is a consistent bowler and bowled well throughout the season. He is a valuable member of our bowling attack. He took 13 wickets at an average of 8.15 and was the 3rd highest wicket taker across U14 President Cup
- **Daawinder Singh:** A right arm fast bowler who enjoys batting and bowling, he is always ready to help the teammates. He took 8 wickets at an average of 10.25

Standout Fielding Performers

- Joshua Garner: 11 catches most in competition
- Aidan Smith: 7 catches 3rd most in competition

What went well?

- Batting The batting performed well and gave the bowlers a good total to defend most of the times. There were some consistent performances that allowed us to put a total up or defend.
- **Bowling –** We had the best or one of the best bowling attacks across the competition. Runs were never easy to score against us. the boys never gave up and even the few games we lost we were in the hunt.

- Fielding Team's fielding was decent. But still lacking in some areas in fitness.
- Parent/Team Management relationship Parents supported the team well and appreciative of team management's efforts.
- Fun All players had great time and they thoroughly enjoyed the season though they were saddened in the end by missing out on Finals.

The team can be very proud of their achievements this year. They worked so hard on game days and more importantly learned and had lots of fun! Congratulations on a great season.

Overall, a great season and a big thank you to team management Mark Garner and Naeem Munir for their dedication and hard work with the team. Thanks to PDCA for their guidance, efforts, and support throughout the season.

Mark Garner, Coach Anthony Neale Cup team

IDCA Under 11 COLIN COOPER CUP Division 1

We had so many reasons to celebrate this year and coming into the season we were excited about where we would finish as we knew we had a talented team. Unfortunately, we started the season with a loss to Blacktown and this ended up costing us. Even with just 1 loss we knew it would be almost impossible to make the finals from here as finals in u11/1 is only for the top 2 teams.

Despite the rocky start we picked ourselves up and trained hard and continued to try and get better each week. We won our next 4 games and continued to improve with both the bat and ball.

During the January break we played in the Newcastle Under 11 carnival and we had a very successful carnival. We won all of our games, and this set us up for a thrilling final against Hornsby. We bowled first and restricted Hornsby to 154 runs after 40 overs. We batted well and it came down to the last over. We needed 3 runs from the last over to secure the win and we couldn't contain our excitement when we won! It was an amazing 4 days of cricket for the players and families. A special thanks to the Parramatta 11/2 team who came to watch and support us in the final. What a win!

The rest of our IDCA season continued strong but due to our loss in the first round we were out of the final. We were lucky to have the best group of players and parents. With many players now playing representative cricket for the second year. Lots of great, long-lasting friendships have been formed. Most players play against each other on Saturdays at club cricket and then together on Sundays so, throughout the season we became a very close group of friends.

One of our many training highlights was training against the parents, using water balloons to help with our catching and competing many laps of the cricket field when we bowled too many extras!

A huge thank you to our amazing group of families that helped with umpiring, training, scoring and cooking each week! Best of luck to all of the players in 2023/2024.

Player's Report

Arjun Patil – A consistent and talented bowler and batter. Arjun was the captain this season and led

with enthusiasm and passion at every game.

Aaryan Mehta – This was Aaryan's first year in representative cricket and he had a great year with the ball. His passion and enthusiasm for cricket was evident at every game.

Arpit Shenoy – A passionate player who loves running quick singles! This was Arpit's first season of representative cricket, and he enjoyed lots of success with the ball.

Adhiraj Choudhary – Always happy and confident, Adhiraj loves bowling quick and is the life of every cricket game!

Emmett Parsons – Emmett had great success this year with the bat and stepped up when the team needed him most. He is a talented wicket keeper with great skills!

Rohan Mathur – A quiet and considered player. Rohan showed lots of patience with the bat this year and was always cheering on his teammates.

Tharun Suthakaran – This was Tharun's first year of representative cricket and he had a great year with the bat and ball. Tharun enjoyed lots of success this year in the field.

Lucas Karam – A quiet, calm and passionate player. Lucas enjoyed lots of success this year with the ball and continued to work hard on his batting.

Jershovin Bas – Jershovin enjoyed his first season of representative cricket and was a solid wicket keeper. His passion and enthusiasm for cricket was evident at every game.

Mahesh Rajadurai – This was Mahesh's first year of representative cricket and he continued to work hard on his batting. Mahesh always gave 100% in the field.

Mahd Khan – Mahd's fast and accurate bowling was always spot on. He is also talented with the bat. Mahd had a great season.

Dylan Paskaranathan – Dylan always gives 100% into everything he does and never gives up in the field. Dylan continued to have great success with the ball and was always working hard on his batting.

Sreekanth Gunasekaran – Sreekanth is a talented young player who enjoyed every moment of cricket. Sreekanth had lots of great success with both the bat and ball.

Thank you to all the players, parents and the Parramatta District Cricket Association for their constant support throughout the season. It was an absolute pleasure to coach this year and I'm looking forward to following the boys representative progress in the coming years. Parramatta Junior cricket is in safe hands with lots of talented players.

Steven Karam, Coach & Laura Karam, Manager Colin Cooper Cup Div 1 team

IDCA Under 11 COLIN COOPER CUP Division 2

The 2022/2023 season was an exciting year to be part of representative cricket.

We were lucky to have the most amazing group of players and parents. It was the first year of representative cricket for 11 out of 13 players. It was great to see how passionate the boys were each week. Boys enjoyed weekly training sessions and game plan.

We had a very successful year finishing 1st overall. We remained undefeated in the 40 over game. The purpose of the 11/2 team was to form a development squad and to support the players in improving their cricket skills at a representative level with both the bat and ball. For this reason, we rotated the players weekly ensuring that each player got equal opportunity with both the bat and

ball. In some games this was difficult to achieve especially when we were chasing a low score but we made sure that all players had ample opportunity to develop their cricketing skills and finishing the season being undefeated in the 40 over format proved that we had a talented group of players.

Player's Report

Shlok Gupta – Right hand batsman and medium pace bowler: A talented young cricketer with lots of passion and enthusiasm for the game. Shlok was always keen to be involved in the game.

Maahir Desai – Right hand batsman and medium pace bowler: Maahir's high levels of energy were infectious to be around. He is a very talented all-rounder and enjoyed every opportunity he got with the bat and ball.

Vihaan Kollipara – Right arm quick bowler and batter: Vihaan had a great season with the bowl and is improving every day on his batting.

Tanmay Yerramsetty – Right hand batter and off spinner. Tanmay has lots of talent with both the bat and ball. He is always keen to lean.

Kavan Raj – Right hand batter and Leg spinner: A calm, considered and talented young player. Kavan has got good talent with bat and bowl and is a good slip fielder.

Pranav Rajiv – Right arm quick bowler: A talented player with the ball. Pranav enjoyed his bowling more than his batting.

Adish Shetty – Left hand batter who likes to open, right arm Leg spinner and wicket keeper: A passionate, talented and patient batsman who can score lots of runs without making much noise. Very economical with the bowl and great wicket keeping skills. Adish had great success this year with the bat by scoring three half centuries and awarded for leading run getter and enjoyed every opportunity.

Girvan Rohan – Left arm bowler and batter: Girvan enjoyed many highlights with the ball this season. He is spot on with his line and length. His passion and enthusiasm for cricket was evident at every game.

Kush Patel – Right hand quick bowler and attacking batsman. Kush's fast and accurate bowling was always spot on. He is also talented with the bat with his attacking batting style. Kush had a great season with the bowl and was awarded highest wicket taker for the season.

Rohan Pradeeparaj – Right hand batter and medium pace bowler: Rohan is a talented young player who enjoyed every moment of cricket. Rohan had great success with the ball and was awarded for taking five wickets in a game.

Rayan Goel – Right hand batter and Wicket Keeper: Rayan is another talented young player. He is worked hard on his batting and is a good keeper.

Krish Barua – Right arm Leg spinner: He is a talented bowler who absolutely enjoys his bowling and every game of cricket.

Arsh Raina – Right arm leg spinner and batter: Arsh had a great season with the bowl and is improving every day on his batting.

Thank you to Parramatta District Cricket Association for their constant support throughout the season. It was an absolute pleasure to coach and manage this team.

Gaurang Patel, Coach and Daneesh Kumar, Manager

Colin Cooper Cup Div 2 team