# INTER ASSOCIATION COMPETITION TEAM REPORTS

In 2021-22 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). The season was again impacted by the pandemic. The boys' comps were delayed a few weeks and the girls' competitions moved entirely into the new year.

Our Under 12/1 Arch Cawsey, 12/2 W G Foster (minor premiers), 13/1 Gee and U 14 Moore Shield teams all qualified for finals, with the Foster Shield boys bringingt home the Shield.

Parra's Presidents Cup squads performed very well, winning the Club Championship, as well as the Under 11/2 & Under 14 titles.

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

Coach: Suresh Madala

Manager: Bernadette Robson

After the previous years success across all levels of female cricket, PDCA saw an uplift of player representation across the community clubs. With most clubs now having representative players in Youth Championships the future of Female cricket in the Parramatta region appears strong and thriving. The 2021/22 Margaret Peden Shield was highly impacted by weather and covid with only 4 games being played across the season.

### Players for the Season:

Amna Rahman (c), Kayla Robson (vc), Alicia Welsh, Aurora S Mavros, Eva Jenns, Lakshmi Rajadurai, Manat Kaur, Marlie Pathirana, Mira Mohan, Nanthana Bhavan, Neha Joshua, Paige Bradley, Vani Bhadana

### Round 1: Parramatta 1-97 def Bankstown-Camden 96

After being presented with their Baggie Blues, a first for the Girls, the team took to the field with a spring in their step. The opposition never really found their feet and were 2/3 with opening bowlers Amna (2/7) and Aurora (2/25) setting expectations early. Marlie (2/17), Alicia (1/11), Manat (1/16), Lakshmi (1/3) and Mira (1/12) also having success with the ball. Seven catches were taken in the field with Lakshmi and Amna taking 2 each, as well as Kayla, Neha and Marlie holding onto one each. The girls chase started with momentum with Neha (22) and Marlie (35) having a solid partnership of 56. We were able to overtake them on the 14th Over. Securing a bonus point for the team.

### Round 2: Parramatta 138 lost to Newcastle 139

Rain impacted game was relocated from Turf to Synthetic ground. Winning the toss and electing to bat we started of steady with openers Neha (31) and Marlie (12). Newcastle bowled well in the wet conditions and kept the run chase to a minimum. Eva (16) and Lakshmi (7) helping to push the score along however the posted score was not defendable. Early wickets by Aurora (1-19) Lakshmi (1/13) and Alicia (1/14) but their middle order held strong and overtook us in the 37th over.

## Round 3: Parramatta 89 lost to Central Coast 98

The game that got away. The girls fielded well and created plenty of opportunities with their bowling. Our spin bowlers Lakshmi (3/13), Alicia (2/21), Manat (1/5) kept the opposition guessing throughout the innings. Catches by Marlie (2) and a run out by Aurora kept the score line low and achievable. Unfortunately, we were unable to find momentum and dot balls were our undoing. Top score for the day went to Neha (19) and we were unfortunately all out in the 38th over.

Round 4: Parramatta 171 def Greater Illawarra 104 - Reconciliation Round.

Amna (c) led both of the teams to a barefoot circle where we she paid respect to our traditional owners of the land by conducting an Acknowledgement of Country for the **Darug Nation and People.** 

The girls were determined to ensure that they posted a solid innings and pushed hard to increase the run rate from the moment that they walked out to the middle. Half centuries for Marlie (53) and Manat (57) ensured that the team was set up for success. The chase for the bonus point then became our target and we couldn't have pushed it the very last ball. Securing the bonus point in the 30th over. Aurora 3/22, Amna 2/19, Neha, Alicia, Nanthana, Mira also picking up a wicket each.

Unfortunately, the season ended swiftly with rain impacting the last few rounds which meant that we came up just short of the final four. The season showed the potential in the team and we can't wait to see this group of young ladies achieve their cricketing goals over the next couple of years. A huge thank you to all parents who contributed in so many ways to the successful season and we hope to do it all again next year. Thank you to **Sydney Water** who supported the girls providing them with drink bottles.

Bernadette Robson

### E. G. WEBLIN SHIELD Under 15

### **Playing Squad:**

Ben Boxshall (C) – Hills Barbarians, Aakash Ajith – Wenty Leagues Abhinav Kamsali – Guildford Leagues Advith Boreddy – Guildford Leagues Eesa Omar – Guildford Leagues Lachlan Selems – Winston Hills Manraj Kahlon – Guildford Leagues

James Thomson Gerard – Kings Langley Nitesh Samuel – Seven Hills Ravi Abayakoon Soni – Baulkham Hills Nilaathan Kulendran – Wenty Leagues Ajitesh Kamboj – Greystanes Adhvay Jayavarapu – Guildford Leagues

Coaches: Gordon Smith & Wayne Earl

### Round 1: Wash Out v Canterbury & Western Suburbs

#### Round 2: PDCA 4/232 def Penrith 125

After a first round washout, it was good to get a game, even if it was on a synthetic wicket. A comprehensive bonus point win set up by a great batting effort. Batting was well controlled with a steady increase in the scoring rate after an early wicket to set up a good score which we were confident of defending.

After some erratic bowling early, the introduction of spin and an increased commitment in the field dried up the runs and increased the pressure on Penrith. Spin is king as we took the last 9 wickets for 39 runs. A good start to our campaign with plenty of room for improvement.

Congrats to Advith on scoring his first century (one of many in the future!)

Best Performances: Advith Boreddy 107\*, Abhinav Kamsali 50, Nila Kulendran 44

Aakash Ajith 6/29, Adhvay Jayavarapu 2/10

# Round 3: PDCA 268 def Fairfield-Liverpool 159

Another comprehensive bonus point win with our batting once again proving too strong for the opposition.

After losing a couple of early wickets, the batsmen steadied the ship and then gradually increased the scoring rate to post another imposing total. Was pleased to see other batsmen step up when required. A few wickets at the end with some strange and needless shot selections!

Once again our early overs were too loose and erratic, enabling the opposition to get off to a good start. Introduction of spin and then some good tight bowling from the pacemen, curtailed the runs and we were able to once again put pressure on the batsmen. Thanks to Eesa, we were able to grab the bonus point with 1 run to spare!!

Congrats to Ajitesh Kamboj on scoring his first century (Same as Advith, many more to come)

Best Performances: Ajitesh Kamboj 110, Manraj Kahlon 38, Abhinav Kamsali 2/31,

Aakash Ajith 2/38, Adhvay Jayavarapu 1/16

# Round 4: PDCA 77 lost to Hawkesbury 140

A disappointing loss which also gave our opposition a bonus point!!

Playing on a wet and slow ground and also on a sythentic wicket proved a challenge but we really lost a game that was there for the taking. Once again, we struggled with the ball early and gave away too many extras, which continued throughout the innings. A total of 23 extras was not good enough (21 Wides !!). Some good fielding and tight bowling at the end restricted the opposition to a total we were confident of chasing down.

Our goal, as is in all our games, was to bat our overs and if that happens, we win. Unfortunately, our batting was very poor, with some hard work done by some batsmen thrown away with poor shot selections!! Thus, getting rolled for only 77 in the 33<sup>rd</sup> over.

We need to turn up at the game on time and with a better attitude. A good attitude doesn't guarantee success, but a bad attitude will guarantee failure.

Best Performances: Ajitesh Kamboj 5/10, Nila Kulendran 2/16

#### Round 5: PDCA 79 lost to Bankstown 5/80

Another very disappointing batting performance saw us lose a chance to show the comp that the last game was not what we stand for.

Once again, against some good, but not outstanding bowling attack, we failed to knuckle down and build our innings as we had done earlier in the season. Over confidence, arrogance, and leaving it up to someone else were all on show!

At least we showed a bit of character in the field. Some tight bowling and good fielding forced the opposition to fight for the win, denying them a bonus point win.

Disappointed for the team because they have shown what they are capable of and just need to bring the right attitude to every game, whether they are expected to win easy or fight hard.

Hopefully an experience we will learn from .....

Thanks to Nand Desai for filling in for us at late notice

Best Performances: Ravi Abayakoon Soni 23 & 2/10,

# Round 6: Match Abandoned v Blacktown

A crucial game against one of the top 2 teams. No play due to Blacktown team being Covid affected.

#### Round 7: PDCA 5/239 def Camden 69

A game we needed to win and then hope for other results to go our way for us to make the finals. A welcome return to the side to Nitesh Samuel who had missed all our previous games due to injury.

We blew the opposition away with an outstanding batting performance that had been missing in our last 2 games. Showing what they are capable off, the batsmen built another big score with some smart batting that had been sorely missing.

We bowled well, although still too many extras (14 wides – 20% of their score) with our change bowlers capitalizing on the work done by the early bowlers.

Best Performances: Nitesh Samuel 93, Ben Boxshall 66, Ajitesh Kamboj 3/2, Ravi Abayakoon Soni 2/2 Abhinav Kamsali 2/3, Adhvay Jayavarapu 2/18

Unfortunately, other results didn't go our way and the side missed out on the finals.

We can look to blame not getting the opportunity to play due to the Washout or Covid abandoned games. But ultimately 2 substandard batting performances were the reason we failed to reach the finals.

A disappointing result in not reaching the finals but this side has shown it has the ability to match it with anyone in their age group. It is nothing to do with their skill set, just attitude.

A season that saw this team not make the finals. Let's hope the boys remember that disappointment and use it to drive their careers in the future. Good luck in your future cricketing endeavours. Remember this quote:

"A good attitude doesn't guarantee success, but a bad attitude will guarantee failure."

Thank you to the Frank Pitt and the PDCA, and in particular Paul Giumelli, for your efforts in getting all our rep sides on to the park each Sunday.

Thank you to all the parents of this great bunch of cricketers. It has been a pleasure to be involved with this team this season and they have represented the PDCA, themselves and their parents with outstanding behaviour both on and off the field.

Thanks also to Manjinder for your scoring exploits.

Yours In Cricket

Gordon Smith & Wayne Earl

# **HAROLD MOORE SHIELD Under 14**

Coach: Paul Giumelli Manager: Craig Noorbergen

### **Playing Group:**

Blake Noorbergen (C), Connor Culnane (VC), Brad Hansen, Will Macdonald, Arjun Nadadur, Ibrahim Khan, Hrehan Shah, Prapta Das, Zac Nicholls, Adi Thakare, Adi Tiwari, Abhay Ranganath, Dhairya Patel

After a very successful season in 2020/21, the boys went into the under 14's looking forward to the experience of playing on turf pitches for the first full season. The down side to that, wet weather was to hamper the start to the season with our first two matches washed out. Our next two matches against very competitive Fairfield and Hawkesbury teams result in losses. After 4 rounds and no

wins it was going to take a massive team effort to qualify for the final and give ourselves a chance of defending our title.

The team were aware of the job at hand and responded brilliantly, putting winning our last three matches against Bankstown (bonus point), Blacktown and Camden (bonus point) to not only make the finals but finish second on quotient giving us the right to host a quarter final.

The quarter final was going to be a challenge with players selfishly deciding to withdraw from the squad in the week leading up to our match. The boys understood the challenge ahead but didn't shirk the task and we battled our way to 133 against a determined South Eastern outfit. We then lifted with ball, dismissing South Eastern for just 34. A great effort from the boys who bound together as a team and got the job done.

We then travelled to North Shore to play our semi-final. The wet weather resulted in the match being moved and a delayed start. We were grateful to be able to play as we had to win to progress. North Shore were too good for us never allowing us into the match. Unfortunately, we bowed out a week earlier that we would have liked to a very strong North Shore outfit.

A special mention to our two team leaders in Blake and Connor this season. Both boys led from the front and their willingness to learn and back their own instincts and judgement meant their leadership skills developed enormously throughout the season.

We also had several PDCA boys as part of the CNSW Pathways trials. Blake, Conner, Arjun, Ibrahim and Adi attend the Dubbo U14 State Challenge. In addition, Zac, Will and Dhairya were invited to attend the indoor net trials for CNSW Pathway program. Well done to all the boys.

Thanks to all the parents (and Jay N) who assisted with scoring, field preparation, pre match covers and coffees. In particular, a massive thank you to Shafiq for once again providing the most superb lunches seen at a cricket match. We were the envy of every opposition.

Finally, thanks to our rock-solid manager, Craig Noorbergen. Once again Craig provided great support to the team and certainly made the life of the coach much easier.

Thanks all and for those in the Weblin squad next season let's get PDCA back on that U15 trophy in 2022/23.

# PG (Coach)

# **MOLLIE DIVE SHIELD Under 13 girls**

Coach: Julien David

Manager: Puneet Parthasanathan

Overall, the girls have played a strong game this season amidst few hiccups presented by COVID and weather. Although it has been little bit disheartening for girls to finish the season with not being able to play all the rounds as planned; the positives we can take away are the how well the girls became coordinated in a short timeframe to play as a team with only 3 or 4 training sessions prior to the start of the season.

# Players for the Season:

Sharon Julien (c), Athmisha Parameswaran, Isabel Salems, Jaaniya Shah, Janani Raghavan, Kleo Hendry, Lana Sredokevic, Lara Jenns, Natalie Williams, Puneet Sidhu, Sofia Jericevic, Syona Nishant, Tanisha Shanmuganathan.

### Round 1: Parramatta 6 -123 def Sutherland -St. George 7-115

Summary: First game of the season, the girls were really nervous. It was quite a close and unpredictable game right up to the last 2 overs. Yona Nishant & Isabella Salems bowled superbly, taking 3 wickets each. Ekmehar K Sidhu and Sharon Julien (C) hit 35 and 31 runs respectively and were the top scorers.

#### Round 2: Parramatta 2-136 def ACT 9-94

This was home ground game and girls were quite pumped with a win from last week. Girls put up an amazing score of 136 for 2 for ACT to chase. Janniya & Sharon were our lead scorers with 35 & 34 runs respectively with Athmisha on 21 not too far behind. There was some brilliant bowling from Lana(3 wickets) & Tanisha(2 wickets) and strong fielding taking 7 catches.

### Round 3: Parramatta 6-91 def by Greater Illawarra 7-94

This was definitely a very close nail-biting game. Although we lost the game there was amazing bowling, fielding & wicket keeping effort with only 11 extras given. Sharon was top scorer with 31 runs. The loss certainly was disheartening for girls with such a close game.

# Round 4: Parramatta 6-71 def by New Castle 7-72

Another very close game but wow what an amazing bowling & fielding show was put on by girls. Janniya bowled brilliantly taking 5 wickets bowling 6 overs and giving only 7 runs. Big shout out to Janniya for this achievement. Again very strong bowling & wicketkeeping effort with only 11 extras. Sharon was once again our top run scorer with 19 runs.

#### Round 5 & 6: Abandoned due to severe weather event

Thank you to all the parents for the commitment to the season. We are incredibly proud of the team and we hope that they look back at the season with fond memories and lifelong friends.

### W.S. GEE SHIELD Under 13

Coach Brett McNaught Manager Henry Knight

Another reasonably successful season missing out once again in a tight semi - Final clash with Manly. A very talented bunch of young men with a few very impressive individual performances from the boys with the following result's....

# Bowling:-

Atharva Bhatt; Toping the Gee shield bowling with 18 wickets @8.63

Arhan Shah; 2nd Gee shield with 16 wickets @5.56

#### Batting

Camron knight; 6th with 188runs @37.60 Harsh Pathak; 11th with 158 runs @22.57.

The above boys were also highly successful the season prior.

This group of young men are extremely talented and hardworking, hence the successful results shown.

In closing I would like to thank all involved and special thanks to the PDCA for the ongoing support. Special thanks to Henry Knight for managing our Gee shield Squad, Cameron Knight (Captain, an extremely talented cricketer with a vision of the game well beyond his years),

Ben Smith (Vice Captain - super job assisting Cameron), and the group as a whole who are extremely hard working and most importantly supportive in which made the season the success it was.

All individual team members contributed to the success and the teams results.

Regards Brett McNaught WS GEE Shield Coach

# J. H. CREAK SHIELD Under 13 Division 2

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### **ARCH CAWSEY SHIELD Under 12**

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### W. G. FOSTER SHIELD Under 12 Division 2

Our goals at the outset of the year were to build a strong team, develop the boys, grow an understanding of the game, take more wickets, and make more runs than the opposition. We certainly saw the boys improved in all aspects of their game. As a group they played solid competitive cricket across the season against tough oppositions. Certainly, improvement came regarding the boy's ability to concentrate and to recognize important moments in games.

With 13 players representing the U12/2 it provided the PDCA a perfect opportunity to assess the talent of several boys that will go on to represent the association in future years. There were several individual highlights across the season. From a team perspective the win against Lake Mac Attack in the grand final was at the top of the list. Lake Mac Attack couldn't handle the bowling and fielding pressure created by Parra boys. With the wickets shared across the group, they were bowled out for 77. While it was tough batting, the team were able to keep the run rate up and finished off at 1/79. All the Parra boys on this day able to contribute to a stirring win. It was a team performance, with the boys competitive across the season. It was tough, hard, grinding cricket. The bowling group was solid, batting consistent, and the fielding performance was as good as we had seen all season.

There are some fine talents within the team, and I hope they continue to play excellent cricket for an extended period. I look forward to seeing significant accomplishments by this team collectively and individually in the future. There were numerous performances that were noteworthy over the season. These include:

- ❖ Aarush Goel: fifer (3-1-2-5) against Bankstown and highest wicket taker (17) with best bowling average (3.65) in the U12/2.
- ❖ Navya Modi: hattrick (3.4-1-5-4) against the Penrith.
- ❖ Ojas Vishwakarma: half century (61) against Fairfield and highest catches (8) in the U12/2.
- Aidan Hackett: received batting aggregate (134) trophy by PDCA

# Player's Report

#### **AARAV GUNDIGARA**

**Aarav** is an intelligent and thoughtful boy. He always made a positive contribution, and he celebrated others' achievements with the same joy as his own. A good season from Aarav and most consistent player in bowling this season.

#### **AARUSH GOEL**

What a great season Aarush has had. We are extremely proud of what he achieved as a great bowler. Incredibly mature performer, and for someone that plays so much cricket, he tries to impact the game every time he plays. I am so excited to see what he can do next year and beyond.

#### **AIDAN HACKETT**

Played good cricket and always very excited in the game. Aidan has a terrific temperament which ideally suits him to opening the batting. I expect to see many more good things from him in future.

#### **DEVAJ PATEL**

He is calm and considered in his approach and has a bright future with hard work. He will simply get better as he plays more and more cricket

#### **EAMON BONORA**

Eamon was a great asset both behind the stumps and with the bat this season. He was one of the leading scorer and man of the match for the grand final and showcased his ability to take games away from the opposition with his stroke-making ability.

#### **GUHAN MANIMARAN**

He is a great future talent. He did great bowling throughout the season and is always looking to learn and get better. He is another to watch in years to come.

### **GUNEET KALRA**

A solid middle-order batsman and an extremely skilful spin bowler. He made a solid all-rounder contribution to the success of his team throughout the season.

#### **NAVYA MODI**

**Navya's** strong potential with ball and bat was on show on several occasions throughout the season. He bowled some fantastic spells of fast bowling and taking crucial wickets.

#### **NEH PATEL**

Neh has improved a lot in Spin bowling as well as magnificent hands in the slips this season, and repeatedly bowling a good line and length was astounding. He is another to watch in years to come.

# **OJAS VISHWAKARMA**

Ojas made a solid all-rounder contribution to the success of his team once again. His work ethic at training was outstanding and his skills prospered accordingly. He is a great team player who always has a positive outlook on the games we played.

#### RAGHAV KASIRAMAN

He is always ready to have a go and put in many fine performances for the team with his spin bowling and batting. His bowling, batting, and fielding improved throughout the season and overall, his game improved lot.

#### **RISHABH JOSHI**

A real, valuable talent for the team, Rishabh is capable of playing and performing in higher level of cricket. Rishabh always tried his hardest and showed great improvement throughout the season.

#### **SACHIN MUTHUKUMARAN**

Everything Sachin did, he did with his trademark smile. He has a terrific wicket keeping skill - a passionate kid who has lots of talent. Keep doing hard work.

In finishing, I would like to offer a big thanks to all the parents who helped throughout the season – at training, scoring, umpiring, putting boundary cones & stumps, etc. Thank you to our team manager Kunal Joshi, who has done brilliant work in managing the team. Also, a big thanks to the PDCA & committee for supporting everyone very well.

### **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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**

This year has been an entertaining season full of new situations for the team and myself. We started of the season with a few practice sessions trying to understand all the players, their styles, and the kind of cricket they would like the play. I considered my job to really give each player freedom to express themselves and put them in the best position to achieve best results as a team. We started the season of great with a win against Hornsby chasing 120 with 8 wickets in hand. Within this game we really understood our bowling was our great strength and Evan played a great aggressive innings to get us over the line.

The next few games were to be played on our home ground, Guildford West Sportsground which as we found out, was a very slow outfit not offering value for shots. In this we had to revaluate our plans and understand how we can use our bowling to our advantage. We had also lost our strong inform top order bat Evan which made our batting a bit more exposed. Due to this we were asked to bowl first and restricted them to 136 within 50 overs. However, our batting did not fire due to the pressure in a chase and wrong shot selection in certain situations, especially against spin.

The Third game was very similar as the second as we were put into bowl and learnt how to restrict runs especially at the end of the innings and in the chase kept our nerve to pull through the chase 8 wickets down. We had a clear problem that our batsman were not firing and the only batsman who was consistent was Gurshaan.

Our 4th game was a very important game against Blacktown, yet again we lost the toss and were put into bowl first. We restricted them well to100 runs in 50 overs, with Shaan and Usmaan taking 3 wickets each. Again, our batting did not stand up especially against spin. We were not willing to take the spinner on and put them off their line, and their only option was to swipe across the line. This was an important change and a trend we had seen, so the next few sessions we put most of the focus on playing against spin. I gave them a few options of charging and hitting mid off and on for one or moving across and looking for one. These options and training were drilled into the boys so they can learn this skill and learn to build an innings. This really helped us in our last two games we really came together as a batting unit.

As we get Evan back and we had nothing to lose as a unit, adding to a great ground and surface, we batted first against Bankstown scoring 294 in 50 overs with half centuries from Nand and Evan and a great finish from Mehar. Similarly, we scored 249 against Penrith with Evan scoring another high score of 96 with Rahul also adding 41 and were able to keep them down to 120.

The last two games were more about giving a chance and exposing different players to certain situations in which a few players really did stand out, such as Robert scoring a 47 not out. During this whole season we learnt that spin really was able to restrict batsman into playing false shots and that our batting unit was left a bit exposed after Evans's injury and mentally played a fearful game especially on a slow outfield.

But all in all, the kids really did enjoy and learnt new situations and understood how much of the game is a mind game. Our bonding was very strong, and our communication was also strong in my opinion allowing the kids to trust me and not scared to fail and they knew I would back them.

# **IDCA Under 14 ANTHONY NEALE CUP**

The 2021-2022 U14 Anthony Neale cup was a fantastic one for the Under 14s team. There were 13 extraordinarily committed players ranging from newcomers to boys that had a few seasons of Rep cricket experience under their belts. They all gelled together as a team and lead the comp all the way to the finals. They were the most enthusiastic group of boys and showed their love of the sport by eagerly attending training and the games each week. They all wanted to learn and were guided by a dedicated coach, Jay along with his committed helpers each week.

Each boy worked hard and showed enormous improvement in their bowling, batting, and fielding. They should all be congratulated for their effort and determination. Every week they were a force to be reckoned with, winning most games convincingly. They seemed to gel so well together, and their focus was not on themselves but on playing as a team, which resulted in some entertaining and very good cricket to watch.

I had the pleasure of working with a wonderful group of parents. I know you all loved coming to the games and cheering the boys on. My thanks to all of you for the great support you have showed our wonderful coach and for supporting the boys throughout the season.

Highlights of the Season. Parramatta chasing a high total of 175 against Hornsby (Game 2) helped by Manavs 62 runs and Ashanes 36. Yoshan and Jeeva finished the chase style with 9 wickets down and still needing 14 runs the held their nerve and played sensible cricket. Tanishq hitting a boundary to finish a nervous chase of 121 against North Shore who has one of the most formidable bowling attacks and disciplined fielding teams. The Grand final game was completely dominated by parramatta team with Prangan Das taking 5 wickets and contributing towards 3 more wickets with his fielding.

Satish Gadde

### **IDCA Under 11 COLIN COOPER CUP Division 1**

# **Highlights**

- Brilliant teamwork- Players, coach, manager and PDCA officials
- Outstanding President cup season played 7 games won all 7 games
- Minor Premiers of President cup U11/1 2021-22 season
- Champions of President cup U11/1 2021-22 season
- Semi-finalist Newcastle carnival U11 2022

# **Special Mention**

- 1. Vs Illawarra Ronav Aparajit's century, Mahd Khan's 3 wickets
- 2. Vs Canterbury west Ronav Aparajit's half century, Rey Sharma's 3 wickets, Juhith Rajesidhiraju's 2 catches
- 3. Vs Blacktown Parth Patel's century, Rey Sharma's half century
- 4. Vs Penrith Juhith Rajesidhiraju's quick fire 25, Abhiram Chennupathi's 3 wickets
- 5. Vs Sutherland Ronav Aparajit's half century, Ethan Natkuna's 37, Juhith Rajesidhiraju's 2 stumpings, Girish Ganga's 2 wickets
- 6. Vs Northern District Girishan Ganga's 2 wickets
- 7. Grand Final vs Manly Adhiraj Choudhary 26 runs off 11 balls on the 40<sup>th</sup> over, Ethan Natkuna's match winning catch
- 8. Newcastle carnival 2022 U11 in the top 10 batters Ronav Aparajit and Ethan Natkuna

# **Individual Performance Highlights**

Batting:

Ronav Aparajit: 301 runs

Bowling:

Girish Ganga: 10 Wickets

Fielding:

Juhith Rajesidhiraju: 3 - Stumping, 7 - Catches, 1 - Run out

Ethan Natkuna 4 – catches, 1- Run out

Player's Highlight in batting:

Ronav Aparajit: 1 - 100's and 2 - 50's

Parth Patel: 1 – 100's Reyansh Sharma: 1 – 50's

Player	Summary
Ethan Natkuna	Led the team on the field, great all-rounder. Scored 37 runs vs
	Sutherland, 86 runs, taken 7 wickets, 4 catches and 1 run out.
	Excellent leg spinner and wicket keeper batsman, contributed to all
	areas, outstanding leadership.
Ronav Aparajit	301 runs, 1 century, 2 half centuries, 1 catch and 4 wickets. Great
	top order batsman. Assisted in leadership of the team.
Adhiraj Choudhary	49 runs, 1 catch and 4 wickets. Match winning innings in the finals.
Girish Gangatharan	22 runs and 10 wickets, good leg spin bowler.
Arjun Patil	22 runs, 2 catches and 2 wickets. Good fielder, developed himself
	this season.
Mahd Khan	3 runs, 8 wickets, 1 run out, outstanding top order pace bowler,
	developed himself this season.

Alexander Felix	
Domingo	107 runs, 2 catches and 2 wickets. Accurate bowler.
Juhith Rajesidhiraju	67 runs, 2 wickets - Kept wickets this season 7 catches and 3 stumpings, 1 run out. Excellent wicket-keeper and middle order batsman.
Reyansh Sharma	Assisted in leadership of the team, 128 runs, 1 half century, 8 wickets, 2 catches. Impressive top order pace bowler
Varun Vivek	31 runs, 1 catch, 1 run out and 1 wicket. Developed himself this season.
Parth Patel	148 runs, 1 century, 3 catches, 3 wickets and 2 run outs. Attacking batsman.
Abhiram	32 runs, 2 catches, 1 run out and 4 wickets. Great contributor to the
Chennupati	team.

Thank you to all the support from our team manager Prema Rajesidhiraju, parents and PDCA coordinator Justin Isaacs for all the help and guidance this season.

Athavan Natkuna (Coach)
Prema Rajesidhiraju (Manager)

### **IDCA Under 11 COLIN COOPER CUP Division 2**

The 2021/2022 season was an exciting year to be part of representative cricket. After going through what was a tumultuous year in 2021 due to COVID-19 we were just thankful to get the opportunity to play representative cricket as at one stage we didn't think any cricket would be played.

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 12 players. It was great to see how passionate the boys were each week. Weekly training sessions were definitely a highlight with the players never wanting to go home and continually begging for just one more catch and one more fielding drill! Their enthusiasm, dedication and commitment to the game of cricket was infectious.

We had a very successful year finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> overall. We remained undefeated in the 40 over game and was only placed 2<sup>nd</sup> on the ladder overall due to a wash out round which therefore resulted in a draw. Unfortunately, we lost our final game at the 20/20 gala day.

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. The players overall batting and bowling statistics reflected the rotations but helped to ensure a successful season for all players.

# Player's Report

**Aryan Ambardar** – A talented young cricketer with lots of passion and enthusiasm for the game. Aryan was always keen to be involved in the game and contributed well with both the bat and the ball.

**Dylan Paskaranathan –** Dylan'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.

**Emmett Parsons** – Emmett has lots of talent with both the bat and ball. He is always keen to learn and brought lots of fun to the team.

**Ishaan Ambardar –** A calm, considered and talented young player. Ishaan is a great team player and was always congratulating his team mates.

**Kayaan Patel –** A talented player with both the bat and ball. Kayaan enjoyed lots of success this year on the field.

**Lucas Karam –** A passionate, talented and patient batsman. Lucas had great success this year with the bat and enjoyed every opportunity.

**Prajesh Prakash** – Prajesh enjoyed many highlights with the ball this season. His passion and enthusiasm for cricket was evident at every game.

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

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

**Sreekanth Gunasekaran** – Sreekanth is another talented young player. He worked hard on his bowling and was awarded with a great season.

**Yogi Mihir Patel –** Yogi's leadership, passion and talent was on display at every game. He is a very talented wicket keeper who absolutely enjoys every game of cricket.

**Xavier Parson –** Xavier had a great season and proved how talented he is with both the bat and ball. Xavier's passion, attitude and dedication to cricket was evident at each game.

Thank you to all of 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.

**Coach –** Steve Karam **Manager –** Laura Karam