

**PARRAMATTA DISTRICT CRICKET
ASSOCIATION INC.**

**ONE HUNDRED and FIRST
ANNUAL REPORT**



**ASSOCIATION RECORDS
FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

and

**PARRAMATTA DISTRICT
CRICKET UMPIRES
ASSOCIATION
ANNUAL REPORT
SEASON 2019/20**

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BOARD

Peter McLoughlin (Chair), Michael Johns (Deputy Chair), Frank Pitt (Executive Officer),

Barry Twining (Financial Officer), Cameron Laurie, Hari Murali,

Ken Bakon, Justin Isaacs, Paul Giumelli, Doug D'Arney (PDCUA)

LIFE MEMBERS

Messrs E. L. Myatt OAM, R. B. Boxall, R Sandell OAM, J. Lawrence, A Knight, R. O'Donoghue,
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COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE

Cameron Laurie (Chair), Frank Pitt, John Kozumplik, Tapan Sharma, Madan Alagarraja,
Ashwath Krishna

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

Michael Johns (Chair), Doug D'Arney, Cameron Laurie, Eric Myatt, Paul Giumelli, Scott
Riebelt, Frank Pitt.

REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE

Justin Isaacs (Chair) and Representative Team Managers

GRADING COMMITTEE

Barry Twining (Chair) Frank Pitt, Michael Johns, Peter McLoughlin

RULES REVIEW COMMITTEE

Barry Twining (Chair) Frank Pitt, Ken Bakon, Eric Myatt, Hari Murali

DELEGATE TO NSWDC

Eric Myatt, Peter McLoughlin

DELEGATE TO PDCUA

Cameron Laurie

PRESIDENT'S FOREWORD

The 2019/2020 season ended on a rather disappointing note with the finals unable to be played due to the Covid-19 Pandemic. The advice of health officials and Cricket NSW led to the decision to cancel the finals, with safety of all concerned paramount. The ongoing Pandemic will impact on our end of season functions and meetings. The Presentation will not be held and AGM will be postponed and a start date for the 2020/2021 season is unknown. The Covid-19 will change how we do things including how we shine the ball!

The competition numbers remained strong overall. Seniors and the younger juniors had many teams, but the upper junior grades (U15 & U16) were again lacking in depth. Hopefully we can find a way to increase numbers in these ages. The depth of the A Grade competition also remains an issue. The season had a wide range of weather with the extreme heat and total washouts within a few weeks in early 2020.

Congratulations to those teams who were premiers. Whilst nobody wants to win the competition without playing a final, the teams who won were higher placed, based on the season long results. Congratulations to Baulkham Hills on winning the A Grade Premiership, their first since 1995/1996.

The competition structure continues to evolve, in line with Cricket NSW policies. Stage 2 will extend to U13 in 2020/2021 and Stage 3 may be progressively introduced over the upcoming seasons.

The PDCUA continues to provide umpires for both senior and junior games. Their numbers for the finals were strong, with all grades scheduled to be covered for the finals. Thanks to President Rob Dryburgh, Secretary Ken Bakon and Treasurer Terry Heath and their committee.

Our clubs do a great job in providing cricket for all ages and we thank the committees for their efforts.

The Pandemic meant the Board held its first virtual meeting in April. It was an interesting experience. The Board has evolved over the last few years with new members joining, but it continues to work well running our competitions.

Our Executive Officer Frank Pitt has again run the Association seamlessly this year. It is a big job and I thank Frank for his efforts. Our Financial Officer Barry Twining has managed the Finances this year, as he has done over many seasons. Barry has been a magnificent servant of PDCA for close to 50 years. The Judiciary and Competition Committees both ran well under the Chairmanship of Michael Johns and Cameron Laurie respectively. Thanks Michael and Cameron and those who assisted on both these committees.

I look forward to season 2020/2021 and hopefully we can get on the field as soon as possible. Stay safe.

Peter McLoughlin, President.

THANK YOU

A sporting association survives on the contribution of time, hard work and the genuine goodwill of its volunteers. Without them, there is no association and there is no cricket.

Barry Twining has served Parramatta Cricket for half of its 101 years. He, with Eric Myatt who retired two years ago, ran the association and competitions for much of that period. They built what it is today. In my brief tenure as Executive Officer, Barry's guidance and experience has been invaluable.

His work as Financial Officer, Board Member, Grading Committee Chairman and his help with our Judiciary Committee, Competitions Committee and all the facets of running the association is immeasurable, my words cannot do justice to Barry's contribution over decades. PDCA has operated from Barry's business premises for many years thanks to his generosity.

Unfortunately for Parra Barry has decided to declare his long innings closed, although he will again assist with the grading and draws for 2020-21 season. On behalf of every past and present Parramatta DCA player, supporter and affiliated club member, office bearer and volunteer I sincerely thank Barry and wish him a long and happy retirement.

In another blow to our organisation, Board member Cameron Laurie will step back from his multiple roles with the association. Cameron currently serves as a Board Member, the Competitions Committee Chairman, a member of the Judiciary panel, the Delegate to the Umpires Association and as an Umpire. Clearly Cameron has been a real asset, always prepared to contribute the time and work needed to keep things running. Personally, I have valued Cam's integrity and willingness to make the hard decisions because they were the right decisions. His stewardship of the Competitions Committee over the last several years has kept our cricket comps running smoothly and importantly, fairly. His role on the Judiciary always reflected the integrity and fairness of his character.

Again, we all wish Cameron the very best future with the hope that after a break he may be ready to pad up again for another season or five.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

What can be said about PDCA's 2019-20 season? It was certainly unusual, and those things that impacted on our cricket serve to show how fortunate we are when we can take the field for Saturday sport. While the fires and the pandemic interrupted cricket in Parramatta, some people's lives and livelihoods, homes & security were lost, and our thoughts and best wishes are with them. Perhaps just being able to play may be more important than who wins next time we walk on.

When we play again it will be due to the dedication and hard work of our various club's and the association's volunteers. As always, they deserve our thanks and support, as well as each player or parent asking "How can I help?", and perhaps finding that they can.

I would like to thank all those who participate on the various committees of PDCA – Competitions, Judiciary, Grading and Representative Committees and of course, the Board. Each season we call for help with these bodies and welcome all enquiries. The Parramatta Umpires Association were again a great assistance to our competition, I thank all their officers & members.

Parra's representative teams performed extremely well in 2019-20. We entered teams in all the competitions available; 9 teams in the Cricket NSW Youth Championships where 8 made it to the final four of sixteen and two teams won this very competitive championship. 7 teams entered the IDCA President Cup Competition, with two finishing as Champions. Our all-age men competed in the DCA Martin Shield and were runners up. Such a wide-ranging campaign is only possible with the help of many people, most of whom are mentioned in the following individual team reports. I would like to specifically thank Justin Isaacs, for his efficient and successful President Cup management.

The 2019-20 PDCA season began with an increase in participation in both junior and senior cricket. Stage One participation increased by one competition with expansion of the girls Thunder League. Competitive junior comps remained at ten, with the under 12 boys moving to the Stage Two format. Senior comps grew by one to 17. A combination of growth and the withdrawal of some grounds by councils resulted in too few grounds to allocate on the usual "home ground" basis. Some junior matches had to share grounds by playing back to back, some teams found themselves far from home in unfamiliar territory and some teams played every match "away". I can only see this situation becoming worse, and ask that we all - clubs, players and parents - let the local councils and our councillors know about it.

Team grading continues to set challenges with some very accomplished cricketers not wishing to test their skills in an appropriate grade. I thank the Grading Committee of Barry Twining (Chair), Peter McLoughlin and Michael Johns for their time and often intense efforts in putting our competitions together in a tight time frame. Most grades appear to have had close contests for the final four, however, it is clear that the top few grades, particularly A Grade, remain uneven and require some innovation.

A few early round matches were affected by rain but our season progressed pretty well through the midpoint when things turned decidedly weird. Bushfire smoke, extreme heat and rain had an impact on rounds ten, eleven and twelve. We moved into the finals short of grounds due to soccer's demands on councils, but hopeful the deciders would play out on the parks and reveal proven victors. While rain marred both days of the semi-finals almost all of these matches went to a result. Then history happened and our season ended with a phone call and premierships were decided on the ladder positions of the semi-final winners. I know I speak for many when I say that to compete in a Grand Final is a rare honour and to have played and lost would be preferable to never knowing how the "Big Dance" might have gone.

Congratulations to the 2019-20 premiers in each division, and good luck to all for 2020-21.

BOARD MEETINGS

The Board met on eight occasions since being elected at the last Annual General Meeting. Attendance was as follows:

Office Bearers

Peter McLoughlin 7, Barry Twining 8, Frank Pitt 8

Board Members

Michael Johns 8, Cameron Laurie 8, Ken Bakon 8, Doug D'Arney 7, Paul Giumelli 7,

Justin Isaacs 6, Hari Murali 5

Apologies were submitted and accepted for absences.

The Competitions Committee and the Representative Committee Chairman joined the Board on occasions.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

(Cameron Laurie - Chairman)

Season 2019-2020 has provided one of the most unusual finishes, all the grand final winners being decided by a virus. COVID-19 was not the only reason we had games stopped, extreme heat and bush fire smoke put in their two bob's worth.

I recently read a media release that discussed the ups and downs of cricket participation across the greater Sydney area, some associations have almost collapsed, one association was highly praised for their huge numbers, especially their growth in junior ranks.

PDCA passed this other area by 46 teams, we fielded 121 senior teams (up by 10) 139 junior mixed teams (up by 16) and 12 girls only teams (up by 5).

Frank Pitt deserves a huge thanks for his efforts in making all these extra teams fit into an already bulging competition, how he continues to find grounds is amazing; with the continuation of stage cricket next season Frank will a very busy executive officer.

All the cricket clubs have again given the PDCA great support, the growth of our game shows that the hard work from the club officials and volunteers is continuing to make us a strong and viable association, thank you on behalf of the PDCA

Late registrations have become a part of our game, but as time becomes a harder thing to find, teams will always need those valuable fill-ins to get the right number on the park each week.

Player umpires did their job and very few games were left without an umpire, thanks to all the clubs who fulfilled their commitments. The Black and White umpires grew in numbers and more games were covered, which is valued by the players, the PDCA thanks and appreciates the PDCUA for their contributions and support.

Congratulations to all the teams who won their premierships in the PDCA competition, the number of representative teams grew with the introduction of the IDCA competition, a full report is included in a separate report.

The judiciary committee was kept busy with many multiple hearings during the season, players have continued to cross the line in the sand and have yet to realise that a zero tolerance is in place. The full details of these meetings can be read in a separate report.

The members of the competition committee welcomed some first timers, who all made important contributions the running of the game; we give our thanks to the following people, Madan Alagarraja, John Kozumplik, Ashwath Krishna, Frank Pitt, and Tapan Sharma

Lastly the committee thanks the PDCC and the PDCA Board for its ongoing support.

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

(Michael Johns – Chairman)

From a Judicial perspective the season started off pretty slowly after a torrid previous season. When the warmer weather kicked in, we had numerous reports mostly for players simply disrespecting the umpires, the opposition and our code of Conduct.

The list below is of the players who appeared and were found guilty of breaches of our Code of Conduct. There were a few other reports where a warning was sufficient. Very disappointingly there were a few reports from both Clubs and Umpires on Junior Coaches and players. We ask the Clubs to ensure Junior Coaches stay within acceptable Social boundaries and also our Code of Conduct. The Junior age players are all spoken to by myself as Judiciary Chair and for first offence are simply reminded of their obligations under our rules - they are not named here for obvious privacy concerns.

The Judiciary will continue to support our umpires so the message to all players is to please remain playing within our rules, within our Code of Conduct and set a great example of the Spirit of Cricket within PDCA. We are currently working on reviewing our processes for next season but honestly hope not to see any players appear before the panel.

Thanks are extended to those that sat on the panels namely Doug D'Arney, Cameron Laurie, Eric Myatt, Paul Giumelli and Scott Riebelt and Frank Pitt.

Zorawar Singh from Kings Langley B9 was suspended pending an ID check and re-registration (late re-go) process being applied - his team was penalised all competition points for the matches he played as an unqualified player

Mahiban Rajendram of Sydney Supersonics B11 was guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct - he is suspended from playing until 31/12/19 and the team penalised 5 Competition points

Paramjit Singh of PTW B11 is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct - he is suspended from playing until 31/12/2019 and the team penalised 5 Competition points

Brenton Butcher from Guildford Leagues A Reserves is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct - he is to be suspended til 31/12/2019 and his team penalised 5 competition points

Harjeet Saini Kings Langley A Reserves player is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct - he is to be suspended until 31/12/2019 and his team penalised 5 competition points

Michael Norford from Baulkham Hills B4 is suspended for 4 playing dates for dissent and the team penalised 5 competition points

Karthik Padmanabhan from Cheetahs B14 has been found guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct suspended for 2 playing dates and the team penalised 5 competition points

Dan Fletcher from Seven Hills Toongabbie RSL B15 is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct and is suspended for 6 playing dates and loss of 5 competition points

Mohan Akkinenei from PTW B15 is suspended for 2 playing dates and loss of 5 points (overturned on appeal after 1 match suspension served)

Daniel McMaster from Kings Langley A Grade captain has breached our Code of Conduct and was suspended for 1 playing date and the team penalised 5 points

David Hossack from Rouse Hill Rams A Reserve is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct - he is suspended for 2 playing dates and the team penalised 5 points

Vincent Fernando from Indian Cricket Club is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct. As Captain, and despite being penalised for a similar incident earlier in the season, he knowingly played unregistered and unqualified players. He further contributed to the breach by recording the scores of unqualified players in MyCricket under different players names. He is to be suspended from Cricket until the conclusion of our 2021/22 season - effectively a 2 year ban.

He was informed that PDCA will not accept his registration in any competition going forward - effectively a life ban from PDCA.

Siddharth Dinde from Indian Cricket Club B6 is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct. He knowingly played when he was unregistered and unqualified. He is to be suspended from Cricket until the conclusion of our 2020/21 season - effectively a 1 year ban.

Prapul Beeraka from Indian Cricket Club is guilty of a breach of our Code of Conduct. He knowingly played when he was unregistered and unqualified. He is to be suspended from Cricket until the conclusion of our 2020/21 season - effectively a 1 year ban.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT CRICKET UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

The PDCUA continue to support our junior and senior competitions, appointing qualified Umpires to stand in our all higher grade matches as well as circulating through each lower grade periodically. The Umpires Association's membership increased for 2019-20 after a well-attended off-season training course, the strength of the association is testament to the hard work of its officers Doug D'Arney (President), Ken Bakon (Secretary) and Terry Heath (Treasurer).

New members can gain qualification at the annual Parramatta training course, or others run by Cricket NSW both in person and on-line. Coaches, Managers, Captains and players are encouraged to participate in one of these courses and learn the Laws of the game they play or manage. Once qualified, joining the association can provide an income when not playing, from the best seat in the house.

It was with shock and great sadness that our cricketing community learned in May of the sudden passing away of Terry Heath. All who knew Terry will agree that he was a thorough gentleman and great servant of the Umpires Association and cricket. Those umpires fortunate enough to have paired with Terry, and players in matches he umpired over many years, would attest to his calm, considered adjudication and skill as an umpire. We are poorer for his passing; our sympathy and condolences go out to Terry's family.

The Umpires Association Annual Report follows separately.

SPONSORSHIP

Our Association enjoys substantial financial support from Kookaburra, which effectively lowers the cost of participation for every player. That support deserves our appreciation and thanks. We also receive support from Kingsgrove Sports. Again, this is appreciated and should be considered by all our members when in need of new cricket gear or any sporting equipment

FINANCIAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The purpose of this report is to explain various items of Income and Expenditure listed in the Financial Statements.

Insurance – Juniors:

Cricket NSW via My Cricket assumed control of Player Insurance payments in respect of Juniors. Consequently, zero Income is shown for this item. Expenditure on Player Insurance is similarly reduced. It is anticipated that Senior Player Insurance may be similarly dealt with from next season.

Ground Rental:

The reduction in Income and Expenditure is a result of some Council charges being delayed until after 30 April 2018 and thus increasing the amounts recorded in 2018/19 season.

Inter Association Clothing and Fees:

Cricket NSW took control of Junior Representative Cricket from NSWDCA and Player Fees were introduced to cover match expenses (grounds, umpires, balls etc) and clothing. Expenses pertaining to Watson and Martin Shields were still incurred separately.

Government Grant:

A one-off Sports Grant of \$6,000 was received from the NSW Government.

Pink Stumps Day:

Clubs raised \$13,700. PDCA supplemented this by \$1,300 resulting in a donation of \$15,000 to the McGrath Foundation.

Scorebooks:

NSWDCA ceased providing Scorebooks for sale.

Sponsorship:

Kookaburra Sports have been most generous sponsors of PDCA. We anticipate they will continue their sponsorship but given the current economic conditions we expect it will be limited to the agreed \$10,000 per season.

Umpires' Fees:

An amount of \$3,690 relating to Umpires' Fees unpaid at the end of 2018-19 is included in Umpires' Fees received. An amount of \$2,065 is unpaid for 2019-20. This is listed in the Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

Administration Grants:

The reduction in expenditure relates to July/August 2018 when additional cost was incurred during the succession process of the Executive Officer.

Donations:

As mentioned above \$15,000 was raised for the McGrath Foundation.

A contribution of \$1,500 was made to the Parramatta District Cricket Club.

PDCUA Contributions:

An additional \$2,000 was contributed towards Umpire training.

Financial Status:

PDCA finances are in a healthy state with a bank balance of \$97,691 at season's end. Normal off-season expenditure for administration and trophies should result in a balance of approximately \$80,000 to start the 2020-21 season.

It is expected all sporting bodies will face challenges in the coming year as a result of the economic conditions prevailing from the pandemic.

Being in a healthy position may enable the Association to ease the burden on the clubs in some way.

Barry Twining, Financial Officer

Parramatta District Cricket Association Inc.
Statement of Income & Expenditure
Year End 30th April 2020

2018/19	Income	2019/20
42,750	Affiliation Fees - Senior	47,960
12,540	Insurance - Senior	13,200
21,270	Affiliation Fees - Junior	23,940
6,435	Insurance - Junior	0
1,200	Fines & Appeal Fees	2,625
64,631	Ground Rental	43,153
61	Interest Received	17
0	Inter Association - Clothing & Fees	37,435
0	Cricket NSW Competitions Reimbursement	450
0	Government Grants	6,000
0	Pink Stumps Day	13,700
2,288	Scorebooks	0
13,342	Sponsorship	28,342
48,410	Umpires Fees	55,140
	Miscellaneous	
13,446	Centenary Dinner	0
2,582	Sundry Income	0
228,955	Total Receipts	271,962
2018/19	Expenditure	
41,000	Administration Grants	36,000
5,582	Annual Report & Presentation Expenses	5,388
797	Club/Committee Meetings	835
1,400	Donations/Charitable Functions	16,500
59,775	Ground Rental	46,634
17,765	Players Insurance	12,650
0	Incorporation Expenses	0
169	Inter Association - Competitions	20,473
9,806	Inter Association - Clothing	24,147
220	NSWDCA Affiliation Fees	220
8,580	Office Rental	9,185
1,656	Office Equipment	0
1,500	PDCUA - contributions	3,500
0	Postage	0
399	Printing & Stationery	105
1,475	Telephone & Internet	695
3,302	Trophies	3,351
2,720	Scorebooks	0
52,280	Umpires' Fees	53,655
18,177	Centenary Dinner	175
<u>857</u>	<u>Miscellaneous</u>	<u>20</u>
227,461	Total Expenditure	233,533
1,494	Surplus/(Deficit) for Season	38,429
<u>57,768</u>	<u>Add: Opening Cash Balance</u>	<u>59,262</u>
<u>59,262</u>	<u>Closing Cash Balance</u>	<u>97,691</u>

Parramatta District Cricket Association Inc.
Statement of Assets & Liabilities
Year End 30th April 2020

2018/19	Assets	2019/20
	<u>Current Assets</u>	
59,262	Cash at Bank	97,691
	Stock on Hand:	
1,280	Clothing	250
3,328	Cricket Balls	3,035
<u>414</u>	Scorebooks	<u>210</u>
<u>5,022</u>	Total Stock on Hand	<u>3,495</u>
	Amounts Owing by Clubs:	
<u>900</u>	Fines	<u>0</u>
3,690	Umpires' Fees	2,065
<u>1,270</u>	Ground Fees	<u>0</u>
<u>5,860</u>	Total Fees Owing	<u>2,065</u>
0	Sponsorship Receivable	0
70,144	Total Assets	103,251

2018/19	Liabilities	2019/2020
70,144	Members' Funds	103,251
70,144	Total Members' Funds	103,251

Notes to Financial Statements

The Association had an operating surplus of \$38,429 for the year ended 30 April 2020.

Unpaid Fees:	Hills Barbarians	1,680
	Rouse Hill Rams	245
	Wenty Waratahs	140

Outstanding fees must be paid before entries will be accepted from those clubs for the 2020/21 season.

We express our appreciation to those clubs that paid their fees promptly during the season. We will continue to communicate with Clubs to improve the notification and collection of fees.

Barry Twining, Financial Officer