# MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY CRICKET CLUB



## **ANNUAL REPORT**

2007-08 SEASON

## **MUCC FINALS PERFORMANCES**

1 <sup>st</sup> (	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade		3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade		4 <sup>th</sup> Grade		
1974-75	4 <sup>th</sup>	1977-78	4 <sup>th</sup>	1970-71	4 <sup>th</sup>	1989-90	2 <sup>nd</sup>
1977-78	4 <sup>th</sup>	1978-79	Premiers	1971-72	Premiers	1993-94	Premiers
1990-91	4 <sup>th</sup>	1979-80	4 <sup>th</sup>	1972-73	Premiers*	1997-98	4 <sup>th</sup>
1991-92	4 <sup>th</sup>	1990-91	$3^{rd}$	1975-76	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2003-04	5 <sup>th</sup>
1992-93	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1992-93	Premiers	1977-78	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2005-06	Premiers
1994-95	4 <sup>th</sup>	1997-98	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1978-79	Premiers	2006-07	2 <sup>nd</sup>
1995-96	Premiers			1985-86	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2007-08	Premiers
2000-01	6 <sup>th</sup>			1987-88	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
2007-08	5 <sup>th</sup>			1990-91	4 <sup>th</sup>		
				1991-92	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
				1993-94	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
				1994-95	Premiers		
				2002-03	4 <sup>th</sup>		
				2003-04	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
				2004-05	4 <sup>th</sup>		
				2005-06	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
				2006-07	4 <sup>th</sup>		
				2007-08	5 <sup>th</sup>		

<sup>\*</sup> Second team finished 2<sup>nd</sup>

U-24's		Tim Creer Cup		N.S.C.A		Masters	
2004-05	4 <sup>th</sup>	2000-01	4 <sup>th</sup>	1993-94 (C)	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2001-02	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2005-06	6 <sup>th</sup>	2004-05	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1997-98 (C)	2 <sup>nd</sup>	2002-03	3 <sup>rd</sup>
2006-07	4 <sup>th</sup>			2001-02 (C)	3 <sup>rd</sup>	2004-05	Premiers
				2002-03 (C)	Premiers	2006-07	Premiers
				2005-06 (B)	4 <sup>th</sup>	2007-08	Premiers
				2005-06 (C)	4 <sup>th</sup>		
				2006-07 (C)	4 <sup>th</sup>		

Sydney Shires Club Champions	1991-92

#### **REGULAR SEASON FINISHING POSITION: PAST 4 SEASONS**

Team	Position 2004-05	Points	Position 2005-06	Points	Position 2006-07	Points	Position 2007-08	Points
1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	13 <sup>th</sup>	6	8 <sup>th</sup>	37	10 <sup>th</sup>	34	3 <sup>rd</sup>	56
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	10 <sup>th</sup>	24	13 <sup>th</sup>	12	8 <sup>th</sup>	37	10 <sup>th</sup>	28
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	5 <sup>th</sup>	52	5 <sup>th</sup>	44	3 <sup>rd</sup>	50	5 <sup>th</sup>	39
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	8 <sup>th</sup>	34	1 <sup>st</sup>	85	2 <sup>nd</sup>	85	1 <sup>st</sup>	62
Under 24s	4 <sup>th</sup>	30	6 <sup>th</sup>	28	4 <sup>th</sup>	34	7 <sup>th</sup>	13
Club Championship	10 <sup>th</sup>	586	6 <sup>th</sup>	825	5 <sup>th</sup>	980	2 <sup>nd</sup>	870
Tim Creer Cup	1 <sup>st</sup>	62	-	-	6 <sup>th</sup>	63	5 <sup>th</sup>	43
N.S.C.A. (B Grade)	-	-	4 <sup>th</sup>	56	-	-	-	-
N.S.C.A. (C Grade)	5 <sup>th</sup>	58	4 <sup>th</sup>	64	3 <sup>rd</sup>	56	6 <sup>th</sup>	50
Masters	Premiers	387	5 <sup>th</sup>	323	Premiers	402	Premiers	394

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## MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY CRICKET CLUB OFFICE BEARERS

#### **PRESIDENT**

**David Smith** 

#### **HONORARY SECRETARY**

Warren Montford

#### **HONORARY TREASURER**

Mark Schaafsma

#### COMMITTEE

Kris Griffiths-Jones Jason Tabrett
Paul Clift Adrian Lulka
Ross McIntyre Simon Fairlie
Aviral Johri

#### S.C.A. DELEGATE

Mark Schaafsma

#### **N.S.C.A. DELEGATE**

**Tony Barnes** 

#### **COMMITTEE ATTENDANCES**

During 2006/07 the Committee met on 10 occasions with the following attendances:

David Smith	10
Mark Schaafsma	10
Warren Montford	10
Adrian Lulka	10
Ross McIntyre	10
Paul Clift	9
Aviral Johri	8
Simon Fairlie	8
Jason Tabrett	8
Kris Griffiths-Jones	3

## **PAST OFFICE-BEARERS**

#### **PRESIDENT**

1967-69	R. Vagg	1992-94	B. Hort
1969-79	M. R. Gwilliam	1994-95	D. Budge
1979-80	R. Vagg	1995-98	D. Folkard
1980-83	J. Wickham	1998-2004	C. Edwards
1983-89	W. Folkard	2004-	D. Smith
1989-92	A. Davies		

#### **HONORARY SECRETARY**

1967-69	P. Saunders	1990-91	S. Jurd
1969	P. Barclay	1991-93	R. Mather
1969-72	J. Slack	1993-94	M. Ramsland
1972-73	K. Henry	1994-95	D. Deller
1973-74	D. Rutledge	1995-98	J. Breden
1974-75	A. Faulks	1998-99	G. McFadden
1975-76	P. Barclay	1999-2004	D. Smith
1976-79	J. Wickham	2004-05	P. Clift
1979-80	B. Jones	2005-07	P. Chapman
1980-81	P. Garty	2007-	W. Montford
1981-90	A. Mahoney		

#### **HONORARY TREASURER**

1967-69	P. Barclay	1994-95	M. Hughes
1969-72	P. Korbel	1995-96	D. Budge
1972-74	M. Hoban	1996-98	D. Webb
1974-75	D. Rutledge	1998-2000	A. Slattery
1975-77	P. Korbel	2000-02	M. Payne
1977-78	G. Leary	2002-04	C. Savage
1978-90	C. Welsby	2004-07	S. Rose
1990-93	S. O'Reilly	2007-	M. Schaafsma
1993-94	I. Blyth		

## **LIFE MEMBERS**

L. Ager	K. Dixon	P. Miller
C. Anderson	C. Edwards	S. O'Reilly
P. Barclay*	D. Folkard	S. Rose
A. Barnes	W. Folkard	D. Smith
G. Bleus	P. Garty	R. Vagg
I. Blyth*	J. Giuffre	D. Webb
J. Breden	C. Gold	C. Welsby
G. Brown	M. R. Gwilliam*	S. Wiblin
D. Budge	B. Hort	J. Wickham
S. Burchett	M. Hughes	
A. Davies	B. Jones	*Deceased
M.J. Denlow	A. Mahoney	

## M.R. GWILLIAM SHIELD

The **M.R. Gwilliam Shield**, a gift from the President of the Club who served from 1969 to 1979, is awarded annually to the most outstanding cricketer in the Club.

#### **Previous Winners are:**

1974-75	G. Frankish	1986-87	I. Blyth	1998-99	P. Notaras
1975-76	G. Frankish	1987-88	K. Dixon	1999-00	D. Webb
1976-77	L. Ager, M. Denlow	1988-89	G. Brown	2000-01	D. Webb
1977-78	P. Bourke	1989-90	I. Jessup	2001-02	P. Procopis
1978-79	J. Giuffre	1990-91	P. Notaras	2002-03	B. Rounds
1979-80	L. Ager	1991-92	T. Ritchie	2003-04	P. Procopis
1980-81	L. Ager	1992-93	D. Webb	2004-05	B. Rounds
1981-82	P. Dignan	1993-94	D. Webb	2005-06	K.Griffiths-Jones
1982-83	A. Monaghan	1994-95	D. Webb	2006-07	T. Hopkins
1983-84	A. Lindsay	1995-96	D. Webb	2007-08	Prashant Rai
1984-85	G. Craighead	1996-97	G. Brown		
1985-86	S. O'Reilly	1997-98	P. Notaras		



2007/08 M.R. Gwilliam Shield winner- **Prashant Rai** 

## **CLUB AWARDS: 2007-08**

M.R. Gwilliam Shield	Prashant Rai		David Webb Most Improved		Si	mon Fairlie
Mahoney-Folkard Rookie of the Year	Jairam Shyam	1	Greg Gavin Fielding Award		Cł	nris McPherson
Ivan Blyth Memorial	Clubman of the	Year	Paul Mcl	nnes		
100 Games	Stephen Rose	Brenda	n Rounds	Danny McV	'ey	Kieran Mahoney
MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS						
Second Grade	Steve Moran		Third Gr	ade	Pa	aul Clift
Fourth Grade	Greg Brown		Fifth Gra			ranav Sood
Sixth Grade	Asita Galappa	ıtti		ay Shield		atrick Whipps
Masters	Clyne Fernand				<u> </u>	··
PEWTERS						
Prashant Rai (1 <sup>st</sup> Grade)	5/43 (incl. Hat v Epping	5/43 (incl. Hat-trick) Peter Saliba (2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade)			187 v Strathfield	
Steve Moran (2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade)	130 v George River	S	Tim Morr (2 <sup>nd</sup> Grad			56 (incl. Hattrick) Georges River
Greg Brown	6/29 & 4/28 (10/57) v Greg Brown North West Sydney		Craig Edwards (4 <sup>th</sup> Grade)		107* v Georges River	
(4 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	6/58 v Lane C	ove	Ashneil Singh (5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)		6/59 v Burwood Briars	
Chris Wing (5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	108 v South Sydney		Jason Tabrett (5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)		6/36 v Auburn	
Chris McPherson (5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	7 Dismissals v Auburn					
REPRESENTATIVE	PLAYERS					
Prashant Rai (Sydne	y Shires Repres	sentative	e)			



Paul McInnes- 2007/08 winner of the Ivan Blyth Memorial Clubman of the Year award

## MAQUARIE UNIVERSITY SPORTS AND RECREATION AWARDS

#### **CLUB OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The 1990 Club of the Year winner was the Cricket Club.

#### SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

In 1984 MUSR instituted the award of Sports Administrator of the Year. The award is presented to a leading Club Administrator for service over and above that normally expected. The Cricket Club members to receive this award are:

1985 Allan Mahoney 1996 David Webb 1997 David Folkard

#### **BRIAN SPENCER AWARD**

This award is given in recognition of outstanding service to a club and/or to MUSR by an individual on or off the field.

2001 Allan Mahoney 2003 Warrick Folkard

#### **ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The Rookie of the Year acknowledges the efforts of a student in their first year of involvement in a sporting club.

In 2002 Peter Procopis became the first member of the Cricket Club to win this award.

#### JOHN LINCOLN SERVICE AWARD

The John Lincoln Service Award acknowledges the efforts of a Club Administrator or Member who has provided outstanding service to their Club over many years.

In 2008 David Smith became the first member of the Cricket Club to win this award.

### **UNIVERSITY BLUES**

The University awards blues to sportsmen and women for outstanding sporting achievements. Performance standards are set by the Clubs and approved by the University Blues Committee. For Cricket, a **Full Blue** requires *State representation* whilst a **Half Blue** requires either *500 runs or 50 wickets* in the *Club's highest team*. *Current student* status is also necessary.

Full Bl	ue	Half B	lue				
1971	Kerry Mackay	1970	Mick Redden	1977	Laurie Ager		
		1971	Frank Alley	1978	Paul Bourke		
		1972	John Guiffre	1985	Chris Welsby		
		1972	Peter Miller	1988	Ivan Blyth		

### **UNIVERSITY CLUB COLOUR AWARDS**

In 1980 the University instituted the award of *Club Colour* to be presented to men and women who have made an outstanding contribution to Macquarie University Sport, through their respective clubs, from an administrative or organisational viewpoint. Cricket Club members who have received this award are:

1980	Peter Barclay	1981	Andrew Faulks	1987	Allan Mahoney
	Grahame Blues		Keith Henry	1990	Al Davies
	Ross Gwilliam	1983	Graham Hargreaves		Warrick Folkard
	Peter Miller	1984	Chris Welsby	1998	Jamie Breden
	Robert Vagg		John Wickham		David Webb
	Brian Jones				

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with an element of sadness that I announce this will be my final President's report. However, with the club finishing season 07/08 as strongly as we have, I feel the time is right to step aside and give someone else the opportunity to take the reins.

2007/08 was almost the season that wasn't. With the disheartening news arriving in April 2007 that we would only have access to one oval at the Macquarie University Sports Fields, it seemed that Shires Cricket for Macquarie University may well be over. However, through some hard work and renegotiation with MUSR, aided by Gordon District Cricket Club (and in particular Paul Stephenson) and the Sydney Cricket Association, along with terrific help from Danny McVey, Warren Montford and Mark Schaafsma, we gained a reprieve, and two ovals were made available to us for the start of the season. Unfortunately, University Oval has been lost to us for the time beinghopefully the work of future committees will see this unique oval returned to the Cricket Club sooner rather than later.

After such a disjointed start to the season, the most startling aspect of season 2007/08 was how enormously successful it turned out to be for MUCC. It what was our best overall performance for over a decade, the highlights were:

- 1st Grade finishing the regular season undefeated, and making the finals for the first time since 2000/01
- 3rd Grade making the finals for the 6th consecutive season. A grand final appearance and premiership win must be close.
- The Premierships won by the all conquering 4th Grade team and the undefeated Masters (our very own 'Curious Case of Benjamin Button')
- A magnificent 2nd in the Shires Club Championship- only 42 points from the top spot

Individually, there were some terrific performances across the grades both on and off the field during the season. The specific team reports will describe these efforts in more detail, but from my point of view, a few of the stand-outs were:

- Greg Brown- Premiership winning 4th Grade Captain and member of the Masters Team...who also took a respectable season total of 79/904 (@11.44)
- Prashant Rai- whose dominating performances with both the ball and bat in the top grade saw him receive the Gwilliam Shield
- Jairam Shyram- A top debut season for MUCC was rewarded with winning the Mahoney- Folkard Rookie of the Year. Top grade representation must be just around the corner
- Simon Fairlie- from 5th Grade to 1st Grade- a terrific effort from Simon and the first winner of the "David Webb Most Improved" award
- Paul McInnes- whose efforts on and off the field over many seasons was justly recognised by receiving the Ivan Blyth Memorial Club-Man of the Year

This team and individual success shows that the structure and culture of cricket at Macquarie University, laid down over the reigns of Craig Edwards and myself are now finally bearing fruit (and the fruit in this instance is a lot different to the fruit we traditionally dished up on the fields most weekends!). MUCC are now a force to be reckoned with in Shires Cricket, and it will be crucial that future committees work hard to maintain the disciplines and 'Mac Attitude' which came to the fore during 07/08. It would be very disappointing if the achievements of this season were to become a high water mark for MUCC.

It has been an honour to hold the position of Club President over the past 4 seasons (and 5 years previous to that as Secretary). With MUCC in a strong position, now is the right time to handover to a new Committee who will have the enthusiasm and passion

to take the Cricket Club to the next level. I look forward to putting into practice some of the observations I've made when listening to my predecessors and other Club members. Most of my sentences can now start with "In my day...." or "Why don't you....." and 'Have you thought of ......"

The Cricket Club will face many challenges over the seasons ahead, and it is up to each member of MUCC- not just the committee- to play a role in ensuring its continuing viability and strength. These include:

- Working hard to have the Committee function more effectively than they have in the past. Too often, it is only one or two members doing 90% of the work.
- Building and maintaining a strong relationship with MUSR (or U@MQ as they're now known)
- Ensuring we are able to maximise the benefits from our GDCC relationship
- An increased focus on fundraising and sponsorship opportunities
- A greater emphasis on coaching and ensuring our practice and training sessions are of as high a standard as possible. I'm sure it was only a dropped catch or two which ultimately cost us the Club Championship this season
- Getting another overseas tour off the ground. Everyone must be sick of the 2002 UK tour stories... it's time to create a new batch of tales.

There are many people to who I and the Cricket Club owe a debt of gratitude. In particular, I'd like to specifically thank:

- My predecessor, Craig Edwards, who very much set the wheels in motion to turn the Club around from the dark days of the late 90's.
- David Webb who was always available to lend a hand or give some advice when asked
- Warwick Folkard and Mark Hughes, who did much work in keeping the club statistics and other information up to date, while also providing terrific content for www.mucc.org.au
- The past members of the Club Executive, including Chris Savage, Steve Rose, Mark Schaafsma, Marty Payne, Paul Clift, and Paul Chapman, who provided me with much support and assistance over many seasons
- Simon Burchett, whose time on the SCA Committee and all his pro-bono legal advice over the years was greatly appreciated/
- Ross McIntyre, Warren Montford, and Paul McInnes, for their off the field assistance over many seasons in organising training, functions, match day set-uppretty much anything they were asked to help with
- Greg Brown, whose on-field performances only just eclipse his off-field efforts
- Danny McVey, who was always available for support during some of the darkest days over recent seasons, and for doing the hard work in getting the 2002 UK Tour off the ground.
- Gordon District Cricket Club (and in particular Paul Stephenson), for their great assistance and support in helping to ensure the continuing viability of MUCC
- My wife Kerrie, whose understanding allowed me to remain as President for as long as I have. Regardless of if I was up early on a Saturday morning to drag the covers off, late home from another MUSR crisis meeting, or simply cramping up on the couch after another long day in the field, there was never any argument or ultimatum from Kerrie to give the job up- which meant I could hold down a job, run a cricket club, play when the body allowed, and still remain married!

I look forward to staying close to Macquarie University Cricket for many years yet, and wish all its members continued success on and off the field.

David Smith President

#### **HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT**

Season 2007-08 was one of the clubs most successful seasons in many years on the field and had improved relations with the University Administration off the field.

On the field, we finished second to Auburn in the club championship and our undefeated\* (at least over the entire course of a match) first grade skipper Kris Griffith-Jones led a good team of experienced and capable players into our first finals campaign at the top level for some time. The additions of Clint Simpson and Pat Whipps to our playing roster certainly strengthened the top grade, and allowed players like Prashant Rai (our Gwilliam Shield Winner) to excel. Hopefully the experience of finals cricket this season will enable the boys to go a step further next year.

Linus's (Glen McFadden) 2<sup>nd</sup> grade managed to be competitive the whole season, only losing to the top 5 teams but unfortunately not managing to take one of their scalps to secure a finals birth. The club will again be very strong when we make finals in the second tier competition.

Adrian Lulka's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade were competitive without quite being able to push for a finals birth whilst 6<sup>th</sup> Grade under Wayne Travers had a strong season and just fell short of the top 4 finals race.

3<sup>rd</sup> grade for the 6<sup>th</sup> consecutive season made finals, but the season belonged to Greg Browns old stagers in 4<sup>th</sup> Grade. After many seasons of coming oh so close Greg was able to lead a very close knit group of cricketers to what has thus far been an elusive Shires premiership – a remarkable achievement for a core group of players who also back up on the Sunday to play in Masters cricket – where we again won the Sydney Masters title (the 3<sup>rd</sup> in 4 seasons for the wily old veterans). On a personal note, Greg also took a record 53 wickets for 4<sup>th</sup> grade during the season including a man of the match 6/54 in the final.

Congratulations to both Greg Brown and Steve O'Reilly on their and their teams achievements throughout the season.

Off the field the drama of the last couple of seasons was put behind us as we reestablished a solid basis for a working relationship with MUSR. Our thanks go to our groundsman Ian Hasselman for his efforts during the season and to Craig Oliver, David Munro and Kirsten Cumming for the pleasingly uneventful season as we worked together to ensure cricket was able to be enjoyed by the Mac Uni fraternity.

With the more relaxed atmosphere concerning off field matters the committee was a little more laid back than previously, and next season we will need to re-focus on the future of cricket at Macquarie University. The most significant and immediate challenge facing the club is to fund the shortfall from the loss of funding from our former parent body and the fact we now have to pay for our ground hire. This will require an effort from more than just the executive for us to ensure the long term viability of the club. Secondly, we will need to focus on player retention to continue to build upon the successful season we had this year.

Last but not least this season marks the passing of an era – David Smith will be sorely missed as he retires from the presidency of our club after ten years of serving in an executive position on committee. David is rightfully a life member of the club who has almost single-handedly ensured the continuing and growing viability and success of Club Mac during his tenure. The website we now boast as one of the best in Sydney cricket is a testament to Dave's efforts and hopefully we can maintain the website to the standard it currently enjoys.

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My thanks to David on the tremendous job he has done as President, head selector, head recruitment officer, web administrator, head coach and the many, many hats you have worn during the past ten seasons – you will be sorely missed.

I'd also like to personally thank the other members of the Saturday night 500 club – Paul Mac, Paul Clift, Ross and Simon whose efforts this year are well appreciated.

I look forward to seeing everyone back and refreshed next year.

Warren Montford Honorary Secretary

### HONORARY TREASURER'S REPORT

#### For the 18 month period ended 30 June 2008

This report contains two sets of financial statements. These are:

01/01/2007 to 30/06/2007
 Net Operating Profit of \$1,772.95
 01/07/2007 to 30/06/2008
 Net Operating Loss of \$15,933.24

So as at 30/06/2008, the club has assets of \$18,993.46, down from \$34,926.70 twelve months earlier, and \$33,153.75 eighteen months earlier, being the balance reported in the last Annual Report.

This result is a significant deterioration to the club's cash reserves, and requires the club to reprioritise and replan its activities.

A discussion of these financial statements and the financial statements themselves follows.

#### **Detailed Report**

In last season's Annual Report, our president David Smith, outlined the issues MUCC had with MUSR (now U@MQ) during the 2007 off season, and the resulting formation of the alliance agreement between Gordon District Cricket Club and U@MQ, with MUCC an affiliate to GDCC. This new arrangement has had and will have a significant impact on the way MUCC operates financially.

The major points of note are:

- U@MQ is no longer providing financial subsidies to the cricket club. This subsidy has gone from \$20,500 in 2004, \$18,276 in 2005, and \$13,246 in 2006, to nothing in 2007 and 2008. A very significant loss of income.
- U@MQ advised that they would commence charging MUCC for the use of one of the
  two grounds MUCC require. This did not actually occur for 2007/08, but it is anticipated
  that it is only a matter of time. As yet it is unclear at what rate U@MQ will charge
  MUCC, but is anticipated to be a significant expense.
- MUCC are now able to operate financially independently of U@MQ. This means that MUCC can establish its own bank accounts and no longer has to use the U@MQ Trust Account, which is what has occurred.
- With MUCC now able to operate financially independently of U@MQ, MUCC have changed their financial year end from 31<sup>st</sup> December to the 30<sup>th</sup> June. This aligns with the natural operation of the cricket club. Hence the reason for this report containing two sets of statements, one for the 6 months ended 30/06/2007, and one for the 12 months ended 30/06/2008.

Apart from the issues with U@MQ, MUCC have a number of financial issues under their own control which require evaluation and a probable change of direction. These include:

• Player Payments, which have been increasing every season and have now reached in the 2007/08 season \$19,379 in cash and \$4,150 in subsidies. A very significant expense. Payments of this magnitude are arguably beyond the club's financial capability to pay in the new environment. In fact, the Shires Sub Committee consider player payments a major issue and have introduced a Player Payment Salary Cap of \$10,000 effective from the 2008/09 season, with exceptions for existing player payment arrangements. Given all the financial issues outlined in this report, and further, the

- desired culture of the club, MUCC need to seriously evaluate if player payments are in their long term interest.
- Fund Raising, which has been of a relatively limited extent, \$3,939 in 2007/08, but in light of lost income and increased expenses, requires far more serious attention.

Further, other financial activities of significance that occurred during the 2007/08 season included:

- Spending \$12,675 on restocking clothing supplies. Yet for 2007/08, only \$3,785 was recouped in sales, while \$815 worth of stock was given away as player subsidies. Significant stock still exists and this expense will largely be recovered over time.
- Cricket NSW provided a one off grant of \$3,500 in addition to their normal grant of \$7,700. This was due to Cricket NSW's renegotiated use of the SCG which produced significant extra funds. However, with the deepening global economic crisis and a major reduction in investment income for Cricket Australia and Cricket NSW, the size of the standard grant may not increase and may in fact decrease.
- Virtually nothing was spent on club infrastructure or facilities. While the club is dependent on U@MQ for a range of facilities, it still needs to be able to supply and maintain a significant amount of its on equipment. For example, current items requiring repair or replacement are the training nets and the bowling mats. With the bank balance diminishing rapidly, the ability to invest in the club becomes severely impacted.
- Symptomatic of the issues MUCC had with U@MQ during 2007/08 was the poor state of the Grounds. With 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and 4<sup>th</sup> grade having home finals, all captains chose to play these home finals on better quality grounds away from Macquarie. This resulted in a ground hire expense of \$2,980, a foretaste of the club's future financial life.

#### In Conclusion

I like to say a big thank you to David Smith for his tremendous efforts guiding and running the club during the 2007/8 season, and in particular for his assistance with the financial aspects. I'd also like to thank Steve Rose who provided his expertise and greatly assisted with the finalisation and preparation of the accounts. Thanks too to the rest of the committee, the captains, and all members who contributed to the running of the club over the past season. It takes lots of enthusiasm and a lot of work! I hope many more of you will be prepared to contribute and keep the club moving forward during the challenging times that are presenting themselves over the next few seasons. Finally, I'd like to wish everyone all the best with the cricket itself.

Mark Schaafsma Honorary Treasurer

### MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY CRICKET CLUB

## Income Statement for the year ended 30 June 2008



Revenue	\$	\$
Cricket NSW	7,700.00	5.
Cricket NSW - One Off Grant	3,500.00	
Events - Annual Dinner	3,205.00	
Events - Other	#####################################	
Fund Raising - Fantasy League	805.00	
Fund Raising - Other	3,524.44	
Investment Income - Interest	909.76	
Membership Fees	20,170.00	
Sales - Clothing	3,785.00	
Sales - Club Takings	992.45	
Other - Donations	6.00	
Other - Maters Games Receipts	1,265.00	
Other - Miscelaneous	274.76	
Total Revenue	100	46,137.41
Expenses		
Administration Costs - Advertising	100.00	
Administration Costs - Captain's Allowance	100.00	
Administration Costs - Record Keeping	825.11	
Administration Costs - Umpire Parking	147.00	
Administration Costs - Website	902.64	
Affiliation and Registration Fees	1,600.00	
Annual Report - Printing	462.20	
Bad Debts	300.00	
Bank Fees	327.14	
Clothing	12,675.00	
Coaching	1,510.00	
Equipment - Cricket Balls	7,539.45	
Equipment - Playing and Training	513.76	
Food and Beverage - Clubhouse Supplies	903.08	
Functions - Annual Dinner	2,988.40	
Functions - Other	2,057.04	
Fund Raising - Fantasy League	390.00	
Ground and Training Hire - Grounds	2,980.00	
Ground and Training Hire - Net Hire	1,345.09	
Masters - BBQ Expenses	421.00	
Masters - Match Fees	740.00	
Masters - Other	70.00	
Membership Refunds	390.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	198.59	
Player Payments	19,378.95	
Repairs and Maintenance	 15≅1	
Trophies and Honour Boards	3,206.20	
Total Expenses		62,070.65
Net Operating Result		- 15,933.24

## Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2008

Current As	sets
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Our ent Assets	
Cash on Hand	1,475.80
Trust Accounts held by MUSR	(I.E.)
NAB Business Cash Maximiser	17,509.76
NAB Community Fee Saver	7.90
Net Assets	18,993.46
Equity	
Retained Surplus	
- Balance at the beginning of the year	34,926.70
- Net Operating Result	- 15,933.24
Total Equity	18,993.46

#### Notes to the Accounts:

- 1 Summary of Accounting Policies
  - The financial report has been produced on a cash basis.
  - Despite the cash basis of the accounts, there are timing differences.
  - Significant timing issues are documented in the Notes to the Accounts.
- 2 Significant Changes to Accounting Arrangements
  - At the commencement of this accounting period, the requirement for all transactions to be carried out within the accounting framework of U@MQ ceased.
  - Thus MUCC have realigned their financial year to correspond with the cricket season, moving from a 31st December year end to a 30th June year end.
  - Further, MUCC are now allowed to establish and operate its own bank account.
  - Hence, the MUCC Trust Account with U@MQ has been run down close to a zero balance. U@MQ and MUCC, despite disagreeing about the account balance, agreed to write off the remainder, this being \$198.59 according to MUCC.
  - Further, MUCC, as a Not for Profit organisation with a turnover below \$100,000, is not required to collect GST and forward to the Tax Office.
     So while transactions via U@MQ included GST, MUCC has choosen not to be involved with GST.
- 3 Outstanding Membership Fee Revenue

	- MUCC Fees 07/08	3,290.00	
	- MUCC Fees Prior to 07/08	1,490.00	
	NB There is little chance of recovery with these long term debtors		
4	Outstanding Clothing Sale Revenue		
	- MUCC Member Sales	390.00	
	- U@MQ Sales	360.00	
5	Outstanding Fund Raising Revenue		
	- Eclipse Cricket Lunch Feb 08	2,000.00	estimate

- 07/08 Fantasy League 120.00 - 06/07 Fantasy League 60.00

6 Player Payment Subsidy Expenses

- Fee Subsidies 3,335.00
- Clothing Subsidies 815.00

7 Ground Hire Expenses

- Ground hire expenses relate to the use of other clubs' grounds.
   Currently, MUCC does not have to pay U@MQ to use U@MQ grounds, although at the commencement of 07-08, U@MQ did indicate that they would start charging MUCC to use the Gwilliam oval. However, the rates were never discussed and no invoice has been received by MUCC.
- 8 Trophy & Honour Board Expenses
  - A cheque for 2,303.70 for Trophies was not presented until 01/07/08, however, because of its significant size, it has been included in the 07-08 accounts.



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## INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MACQUAIRE UNIVERSITY CRICKET CLUB

#### SCOPE:

I have audited the financial statements of the Macquarie University Cricket Club for the year ended 30 June 2008. The Committee is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements and the information they contain. I have conducted an independent audit of the financial statements in order to express an opinion on them to the members.

My audit has been conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. The club predominantly trades on a cash basis, which is the normal trading basis for clubs of this kind. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on above basis.

#### OPINION:

In my opinion, the financial statements present fairly in accordance with the applicable Accounting Standards, the financial position of the Macquarie University Cricket Club as at 30 June 2008, and the deficit for the period 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008.

Yours faithfully,

Rob Baker & Associates

Rob Baker

ASIC Registered Company Auditor (No: 3746)

Date this ...3rd .. day of February 2009

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#### MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY CRICKET CLUB

## Income Statement for the 6 months ended 30 June 2007



		UNIVERSITY~SYDNE
Revenue	\$	\$
Cricket NSW	8,000.00	
Events - Annual Dinner	2,180.00	
Events - Other	254.60	
Fund Raising - Fantasy League	590.00	
Fund Raising - Other	2,765.33	
Membership Fees	3,866.36	
Sales - Clothing	80.00	
Sales - Club Takings	620.15	
Other - Masters Games Reciepts	275.00	
Other - Miscellaneous	2,500.00	
less GST on Income	(360.03)	
Total Revenue	A STATE OF THE STA	20,771.41
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Expenses	207.44	
Administration Costs	287.41	
Affiliation and Registration Fees	654.55	
Clothing	4 000 00	
Coaching	4,300.00	
Equipment - Playing and Training	2,332.93	
Food and Beverage - Clubhouse Supplies	691.01	
Functions - Annual Dinner	2,510.91	
Functions - Other	1,018.80	
Fund Raising - Fantasy League	500.00	
Miscellaneous Expenses	695.00	
Repairs and Maintenance	72.05	
Scholarship and Incentive Schemes	2,274.29	
Trophies and Honour Boards	3,661.51	10/2002/2012 10:277
Total Expenses		18,998.46
Net Operating Result		1,772.95
Balance Sheet		
as at 30 June 2007		
Current Assets		
Cash on Hand		12,548.20
Trust Accounts held by MUSR		22,378.50
Trust Accounts field by MOSIN		22,370.30
Net Assets		34,926.70
Equity		
Retained Surplus		
- Balance at the beginning of the year		33,153.75
- Net Operating Result		1,772.95
Tion Operating Neodit		1,112.00
Total Equity		34,926.70

#### Notes to the Accounts:

- 1 Summary of Accounting Policies
  - The financial report has been produced on a cash basis.
  - Despite the cash basis of the accounts, there are some timing differences.
  - Transactions for this period for the Macquarie University Cricket Club have been maintained within the accounting framework of "U@MQ" (ABN 33 039 325 581).
- 2 Significant Changes to Accounting Arrangements
  - At the conclusion of this accounting period, the requirement for all transactions to be carried out within the accounting framework of U@MQ ceased.
  - Thus MUCC have realigned their financial year to correspond with the cricket season, moving from a 31st December year end to a 30th June year end.
  - Hence, this six monthly statement has been prepared to realign the financial year.

#### SEASON'S REPORT – 1ST GRADE SHIRES

In what was, until our final match, an amazing, undefeated season, the MUCC 1<sup>st</sup> Grade team made the competition finals for the first time since the 00/01 season. This was a tremendous achievement by an enthusiastic and talented team who, as the results definitely show, had a 'never say die' attitude which bought home some thrilling victories after all seemed lost.

Exemplifying this never say die attitude were two matches in particular, where close 1<sup>st</sup> innings defeats were turned around with the good guys walking away with thrilling, outright points. The first was against Georges River, who dismissed us for 107 in our chase for 109. From the match report:

What happened next was what you might imagine would happen if 11 blokes won a cricket world cup on the final delivery, scored the winning goal in an FA Cup final with a dipping volley from 30 yards, and beat Tiger on the 18th at Augusta with a snaking 40-footer all on the same day. Once the (Georges River) celebrations had died down, Macquarie calmly set about doing what we'd planned to from the outset - win the game outright.

Clint and Prashant contributed 38.5 of the 40.5 overs and put in another superior display of fast bowling - Yogi 5/21 and Simmo 5/34. The Whip was controversially thrown the ball and took 0/9. Hard work by our 2 tall men had given us another chance at 6 points.

Our equation was simple - 69 runs off 17 overs. We weren't going to let 6 points slide when we'd taken 20/175. Pranish got things going and showed what he's capable of when provoked. We did lose a couple and with the required run rate climbing a bit, the skipper (29\*) took control and blasted a couple of sixes to get us back on track. We closed it out with 3 overs to go, a hearty cheer and some firm handshakes.

The second 'come from behind' win occurred the following round against Warringah, where we were unable to chase down 85, dismissed for a disappointing 79. Again, from the match report:

(Warringah's 2nd Innings): We got them to 5/32 and then 7/48. The final wickets took a bit longer than hoped and in the end we dismissed them for 59. Simmo and Prashant led from the front again (finishing with 4/11 and 4/21 respectively).

So, 65 from 16 for another unlikely win.

At half way we were 1/32 and on track without dominating the bowlers on the tricky Weldon pitch. This became 11 required from 12 balls. But Clint and Seamus rose to the task and finished it off in the penultimate over.

Finishing the regular season in 3<sup>rd</sup> place, we were then pitted against our local rivals Epping in the Qualifying Final. Exerts from Mark Fairlies match report follow

With a little bit of good luck and lots of good bowling, Grif and the boys found themselves in third place after the regular season. We arrived Saturday morning at Killara Oval for our home qualifying final against fourth placed Epping who we had beaten earlier in the season.

Having removed the world's largest covers, we had to put them back on twice as the drizzle arrived. Unfortunately, some water had found its way onto the pitch overnight and we had to wait for a delayed start time.

We finally started at 2, but having lost the toss, found ourselves padding up on what would prove to be a bit of a tricky pitch. We never really got going and 2/18 became 8/73 and all out 101. We had lasted just 30.2 overs with only the Skipper managing more than 20.

Poor batting had struck again, but we knew that Epping would struggle too.

Clint and Prashant got us away to a great start as usual and at 5/20 odd, the opposition looked in real trouble. Epping then steadied things a bit, and the day finished at 7/50. Not quite how we'd planned it, but a very solid position to take into day 2.

Day 2 brought a 10am start and a very different pitch - hard with more predictable bounce. We bowled well, but to the overnight batsmen's credit they played sensibly and accumulated plenty of 2s at a good rate. Ultimately it was a case of not scoring enough and we were passed 8 down. We then had to focus on limiting the damage and get back out there with the bat ourselves. Unfortunately we couldn't finish the job before lunch and eventually faced a 51 run deficit.

Our only chance was to pile on quick runs and leave ourselves 35-40 to bowl them out.

We declared at 9/151 off 20 overs with a sparkling Lloyd leading the way with 70\*. Playing in his favoured 'V' with power and timing, Michael was definitely on his way to a century when the skipper called him in.

So, with news coming through that Auburn were looking good at Pennant Hills, we had 38 overs to do what had taken us 72 overs the first time. It wasn't to be, and Epping chased down the small target without the loss of a wicket. A comparison of days 1 and 2 told a part of the story - 17/150 vs 12/350.

And that was it. An unusual but successful season had come to end. We picked a bad time for our first loss and it cost us.

While most of the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade squad made significant contributions during the season, individually, there were two stand-outs. Making his debut for the club, and after an indifferent start to his MUCC career (including a visit to the judiciary), Clint Simpson ended the season strongly with a terrific double- 283 runs (@25.70) and 32 wickets (@15.00). In most seasons, that would have been more than enough to win the Gwilliam Shield. However, as perhaps the most feared fast bowler in Shires cricket, as well as one of its hardest and unconventional hitters, Prashant Rai was justly rewarded for his outstanding performances by receiving the Gwilliam Shield- 203 runs (@20.30) and 40 wickets (@11.20)- including a hat-trick.

The Captain, Kris Griffiths-Jones (OUCMSFGH-EF\*), had a solid season, being the leading run-getter with 292 runs, while Seamus Ross contributed a handy double- 231 runs and 14 wickets. Michael Lloyd also made some hard-hitting runs, which saw him lead the averages with a respectable 254 runs @36.29.

A special thanks from all the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade squad to our dedicated scorer, Ian 'Wrighty' Wright. Your efforts over a long season are greatly appreciated by all.

To finish up the 1<sup>st</sup> Grade season review, a selection of gems gleaned from the match reports:

- The lowlight of the day was definitely Kizza's attempted catch at mid-off. With textbook technique Kieran kept his eye on the ball all the way into his hands. And through his hands. Needless to say the eye-socket catch was spilt...
- What happened next (to the Briars) was something I've had the misfortune to witness (and
  participate in) on plenty of occasions a big collapse! Batsmen panicked and began to
  swipe across the line and run each other out. We sensed that the pendulum had swung and
  in the end it was sensible straight bowling that got us home.
- With 9 overs left we still needed 60 something, and when the 8th wicket fell we needed 24 off 18 balls. The skipper rose to the occasion though and saw us home with 4 balls to spare. Grif top scored with 87\*, including a massive 6 over cow that cleared the road.

<sup>\*</sup> Only Undefeated Captain in MUCC Shires 1st Grade History- Excluding Finals

- After a shortened lunch (and thanks to Grif's missus for the tasty spread) we knew that 'quick wickets', 'lots of pressure' and 'no singles in the ring' would satisfy the cliché quota.
- Prashant obviously deserves special mention for his hat-trick. The third ball was perfect fast, straight and bang on the batsman's toe. The finger went up, Yogi ran down the wicket
  and Whippa went in for the bear hug. Yogi then seemed a little unsure about how to
  celebrate and started bouncing up and down like we'd just won the FA Cup.
- Lloyd's pre-game warm-up consisted of a bacon and egg roll, sausage and egg mcmuffin, a hash-brown and another burger I think. He proceeded to edge everything in his brief stay at the crease and departed for 9.
- Early wickets were the key and it was early wickets we got! With Simpson claiming the first two wickets of the day followed by another quick one from Prashant, NWS found themselves 6/120. With another wicket falling NWS were left reeling at 7 down... then at 7/140 our ever loving English import dropped what could only be described as the easiest catch. I have ever seen. In fact I've seen my little dog catch harder ones when I've been throwing the tennis ball out the back yard. However, with that disappointment behind us we managed to finished off the tail to claim another special victory.
- A special mention must go to our opening bowlers Simpson and Prashant. It makes a captains job easy when you have two class bowlers that can bowl to a field and maintain accuracy and consistency for an extended period of time.
- Still undefeated, first grade huddled round the skipper before play to be told: "Guys, we've been kissed on the d#ck so far this season, let's pick it up this round."
- So our good start had Roseville at 5 for 30 something. Not the first time we've had the opposition in that sort of position. What happened next though was way better than the usual annoying partnership that drags on as Fairlie was thrown the ball for once, and Hoppa got a bowl in his first match since October. They finished with 3/0 off 3 and 2/0 off 1.2 respectively. Seamus had earlier finished with a very expensive 3/16 off 10, and Yogi deserves the selectors' axe after a woeful 0/11 off 5.
- So, 36 to chase. Bearing in mind that only we could stuff up such a chase, you would imagine that all 11 of us might stay at the ground and wait until the game was over before we got lunch. Incorrect. So, with an angry skipper forced to open (and Fairlie listed at 5 for the first time ever) we embarked on the big chase. We got there after 9.4 overs with the Skip on 23\*

#### **The MUCC Committee**



Seamus Ross

ROUND	1ST GRADE- 2007/08 SEASON RESULTS									
1	Southern Districts <b>122</b> (M Fairlie 3/16 Prashant Rai 3/22) and 2/73	defeated by	MUCC 7/301 (dec) (K Mahony 82 M Lloyd 59* Prashant Rai 50 C Simpson 38 B Rounds 35)							
2	<b>MUCC 196</b> (S Ross 56 B Rounds 31)	def	Burwood Briars <b>176</b> (T Hopkins 5/57)							
3	Lindfield	drew	MUCC 9/227 (L Hanna 55 C Simpson 35 P Whipps 32 S Moran 30)							
4	Lane Cove <b>9/205</b> (L Hanna 4/41 P Prashant Rai 3/46)	def by	MUCC 8/211 (K Griffiths-Jones 87* L Hanna 32)							
5	<b>MUCC 190</b> (S Ross 73*)	def	Auburn <b>154</b> (L Hanna 5/24 Prashant Rai 3/28)							
6	Pennant Hills	drew	MUCC							
7	Epping <b>171</b> (Prashant Rai 5/43 (inc hat-trick) S Ross 4/24 ) and <b>4/49</b> (Prashant Rai 3/7)	def by	MUCC 5/175(dec) (Prashant Rai 57 M Lloyd 37)							
8	MUCC 149 (M Lloyd 58 C Simpson 47)	drew	Strathfield 2/120							
9	North West Sydney <b>155</b> (C Simpson 5/61 Prashant Rai 4/60)	def by	MUCC 175 (C Simpson 39 B Rounds 33)							
10	MUCC	drew	South Sydney							
11	<b>MUCC 107</b> (S Ross 34) and <b>3/69</b>	def	Georges River 109 (C Simpson 4/17) and 66 (Prashant Rai 5/21 C Simpson 5/34)							
12	Warringah <b>84</b> (Prashant Rai 4/42 C Simpson 3/32) and <b>59</b> (C Simpson 4/11 Prashant Rai 4/21)	def by	MUCC 79 and 2/66							
13	MUCC 1/37	def	Roseville <b>36</b> (M Fairlie 3/0 S Ross 3/16)							
Quarter Final	MUCC 101 and 9/151(dec) (M Lloyd 70* K Griffiths-Jones 30)	def by	Epping <b>152</b> (C Simpson 5/42 Prashant Rai 3/40) and <b>0/101</b>							

## **1ST GRADE SHIRES STATISTICS 2007-08**

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
K. Griffiths-Jones	12	14	5	87*	292	32.44	16/1 stp
C. Simpson	10	13	2	47	283	25.73	6
M. Lloyd	8	9	2	70*	254	36.29	5
S. Ross	12	13	2	73*	231	21.00	5
Prashant Rai	12	12	2	50	203	20.30	2
Pranish Rai	12	14	0	57	171	12.21	7
B. Rounds	11	11	0	35	163	14.82	4
P. Whipps	12	13	2	32	144	13.09	4
K. Mahony	5	5	0	82	107	21.40	-

### **ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
L. Hanna	3	3	0	55	96	32.00	-
S. Moran	4	5	1	30	46	11.50	9
M. Fairlie	11	9	5	7	20	5.00	-
P. Saliba	2	3	1	12	13	6.50	3
A. Bingham	1	1	0	7	7	7.00	1
W. Griffiths	6	3	1	4	4	2.00	10/1 stp
S. Fairlie	2	2	0	2	3	1.50	2
R. Cann	2	1	0	1	1	1.00	-
M. Binge	2	2	0	1	1	0.50	1
A. Natarajan	1	1	0	1	1	1.00	-
T. Hopkins	2	1	0	1	1	1.00	-
T. Morrow	1	1	0	1	1	1.00	-
P. McInnes	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	-

#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
Prashant Rai	223.2	72	449	40	2	11.23	5/21
C. Simpson	182.2	38	480	32	3	15.00	5/34
S. Ross	79	19	227	14	0	16.21	4/24

### **ALSO BOWLED (Less than 10 Wickets)**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
L. Hanna	19	3	65	9	1	7.22	5/24
M. Fairlie	64.1	19	166	9	0	18.44	3/0
B. Rounds	85	22	225	8	0	28.13	2/8
T. Hopkins	14.2	3	57	7	1	8.14	5/57
P. Whipps	26	7	58	2	0	29.00	2/21
S. Fairlie	6.3	0	28	2	0	14.00	2/28
R. Cann	2	0	19	0	0	-	0/19
P. Saliba	2	0	6	0	0	ı	0/6
T. Morrow	1	0	5	0	0	-	0/5
M. Lloyd	0.1	0	4	0	0	-	0/4

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting Average	M. Lloyd	36.29
Batting Aggregate	K. Griffiths-Jones	292
<b>Highest Score</b>	K. Griffiths-Jones	87
<b>Bowling Average</b>	Prashant Rai	11.23
<b>Bowling Aggregate</b>	Prashant Rai	40
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Most Wickets in a Innings Prashant Rai 5/21 vs Georges River

L. Hanna 5/24 vs Auburn

C. Simpson 5/34 vs Georges River

C. Simpson 5/42 vs Epping Prashant. Rai 5/43 vs Epping

T. Hopkins
C. Simpson
C. Simpson
C. Simpson
Prashant Rai
K Griffiths-Jones
5/57 vs Burwood-Briars
5/61 vs N-W Sydney
9/51 vs Georges River
5/43 vs Georges River
11 catches/ 1 stumping

Wicket Keeping Centuries

Most Wickets in a Match

**Highest Team Score** 7(dec) 301 vs Southern Districts

Lowest Team Score 79 vs Warringah

#### **RESULTS**

**Hattrick** 

Played	12
Won Outright	2*
Won 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	7
Drawn	2
Lost 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	2*
Lost Outright	1
Position in Competition	3 <sup>rd</sup>

<sup>\*2</sup> matches were lost on 1st innings but won outright

TEAM STATISTICS	MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS
Runs Scored	2007	1778
Wickets Lost	94	115
Average per Wicket	21.35	15.46

#### **HIGHEST 1ST GRADE SHIRES PARTNERSHIPS 2007-08**

WICKET	P'SHIP	BATTERS	OPPONENT
1	39	K. Mahony – P. Whipps	Lindfield
2	78	Pranish Rai – M. Lloyd	Epping
3	92	M. Lloyd – C. Simpson	Strathfield
4	63	C. Simpson – B. Rounds	North West Sydney
5	56	S. Ross – Pranish Rai	Burwood-Briars
6	83	K. Mahony – M. Lloyd	Southern Districts
7	37	S. Ross – P. Whipps	Burwood-Briars
8	19	Prashant Rai – R. Cann	Strathfield
9	35	S. Ross – M. Fairlie	Auburn
10	4	M. Fairlie – T. Morrow	Warringah

#### **CAPTAIN'S REPORT – 2ND GRADE SHIRES**

It was the best of times; it was the worst of times.....

I'll forgo the novel writing skills that my match reports took on during the season, but to give everyone there due it will take some considerable effort to maintain my concise manner. If I was to try to summarise the season, it would be in the first line without the intended irony.

I had the pleasure of playing with a very talented and committed group who made the season a most enjoyable one and my rookie season of captaincy a pleasure (I'll conveniently forget my U24's initiation, all those years ago) and I'd personally like to thank every one of those who played this season. This includes Pranav, Chris Mc and Jarryd (at least I think it was) who fielded for us at times during the season.

The frustration of the season was perhaps best reflected in our statistics (most notably percentage) that should have ensured us a place in the finals and the chance of higher honours. Rather than dwell on the results (still a sore point) I'll talk of the performances.



2<sup>nd</sup> Grade in action on the Northern Oval

The highlight of the season was the consistent bowling. There was not a game in which we weren't able to defend a target or roll the other side for a below average total. There were a number of very close games that the crucial catch was dropped or the decision not given, that, in the context of the game, was the difference between a win or a loss. It would a harsh criticism for the reason for the loss to be blamed on our bowling and fielding. But there were moments that got away, and the Warringah game that was probably the last chance we had to turn around all of our disappointments.

#### **Opening bowlers**

**Warren 'The Python' Montford** – The horse on which our Captain depended. Finishing with overall total of 25 wickets at a wonderful average of 14.28 in our rain shortened season. Bowled superbly all year and rarely bowled a bad over let alone a bad spell. Led our young (?) bowling attack and consistently showed that with effort and guile there is no batsman that won't struggle. Mont has always an inkling that this season will be his last as a quick

bowler, but as he showed again this season that is a choice that no captain will ever encourage, as his durability and determination are to be admired.

Tim Morrow

**Tim 'Mañana' Morrow** – Having only played 2 matches in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade before this season Tim showed he belonged in higher grades for his ability to make any batsman struggle. The figures do Tim a disservice (11 wickets at 33.91) as the number of batsman beaten and near misses (even drops) throughout the season fell mostly to Tim. The fact that he was pretty much the 2<sup>nd</sup> bowler selected each week showed the captains belief in his ability to create chances all year on any pitch.



The hat trick against Georges River being the highlight of the season but it was the growth as a player that was the most heartening thing to see. The recognition that it was his wicket to take rather than rather than just a ball to be bowled and the ability to slow down and control his bowling when things weren't in his favour are the lessons to that from the season,

this is a man to be relied on for 20 wickets a season in any

company.

Mick Kelly

**Mick** 'The Man' Kelly – After much discussion, Mick came up to 2<sup>nd</sup>'s as an assault weapon claiming 15 wickets at the miserly average of 8.67, in only 4 appearances. A serious cricketer with the ball, who just flat out makes it hard for the batsman to do anything but get out. The possessor of the best second spell I have had the pleasure to call upon as he regularly made it look easier with the older ball.

#### The med's

Paul 'eminem' McInnes- a fine season and a pleasure to play cricket with, flat out loves playing and it shows. "I'll bat" when the wicket was wet, "give me the ball" when a breakthrough was required, and even better "I'll help with the covers!" The total of 12 wickets at an average of 13.17 was justified from his 4 appearances, and contributed with his Captain's knowledge to this rookie skip.

Andrew 'The Toss' Tossolini – If it wasn't for Southern Districts he would have had 1 run as his batting total, there was an upside to this, as he bowled superbly throughout the season to finish with 16 wickets at 14.94 apiece, proving to be a consistent wicket taker and a serious bowler (in 6 appearances). Often tagged by the opposition as looking the best option to have a go at, he was always able to beat the bat and take the game right back to the batsmen.

A breakthrough season with the ball in this competition, there is nothing like being able to consistently bowl an out swinger, just ask the premiership winning captain. The less comments about his "train of thought encouragement" to the opposition batsmen the better, but it was pure entertainment for the fielding side.

Marty 'The Lip' Payne – Marty took Toss's role with the ball and the lip, but instead of unrehearsed train of thought sledging of Toss, we welcomed the finely crafted skills of a truly well rehearsed professional. 11 wickets at 10.09 apiece (in 5 matches) were pretty helpful too! Marty's attitude to cricket is to contribute in whatever way possible this include sitting out, opening the batting, being the 3rd change bowler if required, without ever doubting that there would be his time to shine. A premiership in 4's is reward for all his efforts



Rich 'The hirsute one' Cann - as the wood work at Bexley Oval can attest to, Rich was never short of commitment. A handy addition to have in the line up with 8 wickets at 18.88 and considerably under bowled by the skipper, Rich suffered for the plethora of bowling talent available. His contribution was further enhanced by the fact that he opened in every game he played, scoring 136 at an average of 17 and added 6 catches to lead all fielders. A very talented player who is unassuming around his teammates, well perhaps, a little more unassuming than he needs to be, being one of the first selected every game and should be looking forward to a dry season to add to his batting statistics.

**Richard Cann** 



#### **Spinners**

Simon 'The Fez' Fairlie – Plucked from Brownie's grasp in 4's, Simon deservedly won the Most Improved for the season proving a handful in 2's capturing 17 wickets at 14.76. As a Captain the fact that he listened to my advice (always a good thing!) and showed his ability to trouble batsman in this grade. A splendid start to the season had him move up into 1's where a lack of bowling and an injured knee over the Christmas break meant a loss of rhythm and penetration. Fez should be pumped to coming back with the belief in his ability to play at the top levels in our competition. Well bowled!

Simon Fairlie

#### The others

Mark 'Fairy Bread' Fairlie – 3 wickets on loan from 1<sup>str</sup>s

Alex Bingham – 3 wickets on loan from the UK.

Jairam Shyam and Ross Mc 2 and 1 respectively in last game of the season.

#### The batting

#### Steve 'Shrek' Moran

Take a bow Steve Moran- an amazing season with the bat, with 410 runs at an astonishing average of 51.25. Shrekie batting in his favoured No.4, showed what he was capable of with a stunning season that held our batting together, in 10 innings he bettered 50 on 4 occasions providing the mainstay of the order.

**Pete** "Deadset Headbutt" Saliba – a scintillating 187, knocked Strathfield apart on his return mid season, and consistently contributing throughout the rest of the season. Showed his ability to tough it out when required and attacking when able, Pete "now this is when we usually @^#\$ it up" to add steel to a hot and cold batting line up

**Abi "Natters" Natarajan** – was a welcome addition this season that showed glimpses of his potential. This man took one game by the scruff of the neck and allowed us a shot at an outright with a superb 60 odd. I think the local pitches will become friendlier once he adjusts to the bounce, as he realises which balls are not to be flirted with. The knee injury really slowed him down as he found form and cruelled his fluency which is a very pretty thing to watch from the other end.



Jamie Breden

Jamie "Toy" Breden – I was able to convince Jamie of the pleasures that maturing gentlemen can still have away from their families on a Saturday and was rewarded with his fine attitude, safe hands, fast legs (still) and strong arm. Not to mention his ability to plunder an attack, single handedly gave us a competitive total against Lane Cove and was a considerable pleasure to admire his batting talents on display on a Saturday afternoon. The cruel nature of sport meant Toy had few opportunities to impose himself on more outcomes. I hope that it was a mutually enjoyed sensation for Jamie as well. (Yes every comment about Toy has to have some double éntendré). I know with an addition to the family this off season there will be an even smaller chance of an encore.

Chris "Sav" Savage - An absolute rock star (I have no idea if that is a complement to an accountant) to have as a teammate, gritty, determined with the ability to put big scores on the board and a fine pair of legs (and hands) in the field. Probably an overall disappointing season personally, without ever going on to get the big score that was just around the corner. What he did contribute was a tough out, always valuing his wicket and contributing a partnership even when he didn't make a score himself, then there was the win against Lindfield in which he calmly batted in testing conditions for 40 odd (a large chunk of this with number 11) to steer the side to 6 points. (Scored 211 runs at a tick under 20)

#### Cameo's

**Jairam Shyam** (60 @30) a couple of appearances at the end of the season showed huge potential with a splendid 57 in the final one dayer (v Roseville) an innings of class, dragging us back into the game and eventually ran out of partners to support him when chasing a run a ball against the eventual premiers. I hope it is the sign of the things to come from this fine young player.

**Kieran 'Little Al' Mahoney** – a late, patchy start to the season had Kieran bounce between 1's and 2's. Used the Roseville game to show his abundant talent, with a score of 50 when batting at 3. Finished with 92 runs at 23 a piece.

**Michael Lloyd'y'** (87 runs at 29) a welcome appearance in two early games showcased his worth to the firsts skipper, a mighty strong hitter who demoralised Lindfield with the easiest 50 you've ever seen before getting one that didn't bounce very much. It was all over too soon, much like the stay in 2's

**Wesley Griffiths** (26 runs unconquered) a cameo due to the skippers preference to stand behind the stumps, and 2 dropped catches when I didn't.



#### **The Skipper**

**Glen 'Linus' McFadden** – I was hoping for more, with runs (197 @ 21.89), dismissals (19 – 17 caught and 2 stumpings) and wins (4) 1 outright and 3 on first innings, against 6 losses.

In the wash up, we were always competitive (our biggest loss was by 80 runs or 4 wickets) and rain played havoc with our results and those around us. We couldn't get a point in any one day matches, had 3 draws, which at least 2 we thought who would have won. And played 4 rain affected losses, and maybe could have expected that we would have won 2, had two matches finish in the 2<sup>nd</sup> innings where outright results were on offer and we still finished 1 win out of the finals, give or take a bonus point.

I think we played in the right spirit (playing to win) and with a touch more mental toughness have a team of fine players who will go on to play great cricket and win many more games. I am now an even firmer believer that....attitude is what you can control and it will allow you to achieve the best possible results.

"Missed it by that much" Maxwell Smart

Glen McFadden Second Grade Captain

ROUND	2ND GRADE- 2007/08 SEASON RESULTS							
1	MUCC 5/214(dec) (S Moran 88 R Cann 82) and 2/42	def	Southern Districts <b>116</b> (A Tosolini 4/33 S Fairlie 3/28) and <b>135</b>					
2	Burwood Briars <b>6/237</b> (S Fairlie 3/37)	def	MUCC 231 (S Moran 56 W Montford 47 T Morrow 43 C Savage 39)					
3	MUCC 173 (M Lloyd 51 C Savage 43) and 8/82 (M Lloyd 34)	def	Lindfield <b>158</b> (W Montford 3/10 S Fairlie 3/26) and <b>129</b> (W Montford 4/29)					
4	MUCC 189 (J Breden 74 G McFadden 34)	def by	Lane Cove <b>7/194</b>					
5	Auburn <b>137</b> (M Payne 4/26 R Cann 3/41)	def	MUCC 57					
6	MUCC	drew	Pennant Hills					
7	MUCC 2/93(dec) (A Natarajan 51)	def	Epping <b>76</b> (W Montford 4/10) and <b>8/175</b> (A Bingham 3/36)					
8	Strathfield 2/21	drew	<b>MUCC 6/346(dec)</b> (P Saliba 187 S Moran 66)					
9	MUCC 103	def by	North West Sydney <b>139</b> (M Kelly 5/23)					
10	South Sydney	drew	MUCC					
11	Georges River <b>174</b> (M Kelly 4/54 M Payne 3/28 T Morrow 3/56 (inc hat-trick))	def by	<b>MUCC 227</b> (S Moran 130) and <b>4/87</b> (J Breden 48)					
12	MUCC 94 (G McFadden 38)* and 6/108(dec) (K Mahony 30)	def by	Warringah <b>8/97(dec)</b> (M Kelly 4/32) and <b>7/103</b> (P McInnes 3/19)					
13	Roseville <b>218</b> (W Montford 3/31)	def	<b>MUCC 205</b> (J Shyam 57 K Mahony 52 A Natarajan 36)					



A big shout from the cordon and Morrow

## **2ND GRADE SHIRES STATISTICS 2007-08**

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	Inn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
S. Moran	8	9	1	130	410	51.25	3
P. Saliba	4	5	0	187	259	51.80	1
C. Savage	11	13	2	43	211	19.18	4
G. McFadden	10	11	2	38*	197	21.89	17/2
A. Natarajan	9	13	0	51	176	13.54	6
J. Breden	6	7	1	74	153	25.50	6
R. Cann	7	8	0	82	136	17.00	6

## **ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
K. Mahony	3	4	0	52	92	23.00	2
M. Lloyd	2	3	0	51	87	29.00	3
W. Montford	10	8	0	47	83	10.38	5
J. Shyam	2	3	1	57	60	30.00	1
T. Morrow	10	7	1	43	51	8.50	2
M. Kelly	4	5	0	19	39	7.80	-
S. Fairlie	7	7	6	20*	29	29.00	5
W. Griffiths	2	2	2	20*	26	-	1
A. Sharma	2	3	1	19*	24	12.00	-
M. Payne	5	5	1	9	18	4.50	-
P. McInnes	4	4	1	8*	15	5.00	1
A. Bingham	5	5	1	8	14	3.50	2
R. McIntyre	1	1	0	8	8	8.00	-
N. Alexander	1	1	0	7	7	7.00	-
M. Fairlie	1	2	0	7	7	3.50	-
A. Tosolini	6	6	0	4	5	0.83	4
M. Binge	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	-
C. McPherson	0	0	0	-	-	-	1



Steve 'Shrek' Moran

#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
W. Montford	135.3	40.00	357	25	0	14.28	4/10
S. Fairlie	77.2	19.00	251	17	0	14.76	3/26
A. Tosolini	72	12.00	239	16	0	14.94	4/33
M. Kelly	66	16.00	130	15	1	8.67	5/23
P. McInnes	57	18.00	158	12	0	13.17	3/19
T. Morrow	104	12.00	373	11	0	33.91	3/56
M. Payne,	29.1	4.00	111	11	0	10.09	4/26

## ALSO BOWLED (Less than 10 Wickets)

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
R. Cann	42.5	9.00	151	8	0	18.88	3/41
M. Fairlie	15	3.00	63	3	0	21.00	2/20
A. Bingham	20	1.00	85	3	0	28.33	3/36
J. Shyam	6	1.00	24	2	0	12.00	2/24
R. McIntyre	8	0.00	27	1	0	27.00	1/27
A. Natarajan	10	1.00	37	0	0	-	0/14



Warren Montford

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting AverageP. Saliba51.80Batting AggregateS. Moran410

Highest Score P. Saliba 187 vs Strathfield

Bowling AverageM. Kelly8.67Bowling AggregateW. Montford25

Most Wickets in an Innings M. Kelly 5/23 vs North West Sydney

Hat-trickT. Morrow3/56 vs WarringahMost Wickets in a MatchW. Montford7/39 vs Lindfield

Wicket KeepingG. McFadden17 catches/ 4 stumpingsCenturiesP. Saliba187 vs Strathfield

S. Moran 130 vs Georges River

**Highest Team Score** 6/346(dec) vs Strathfield

**Lowest Team Score** 57 vs Auburn

#### **RESULTS**

Played	11
Won Outright	-
Won 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	4
Drawn	1
Lost 1 <sup>st</sup> Innings	6
Lost Outright	-
Position in Competition	10 <sup>th</sup>

TEAM STATISTICS	MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS
Runs Scored	2251 113	2109 113
Wickets Lost Average per Wicket	20.92	18.66

#### **HIGHEST 2ND GRADE SHIRES PARTNERSHIPS 2007-08**

WICKET	P'SHIP	BATTERS	OPPONENT
1	73	R. Cann – A. Natarajan	Southern Districts
2	107	A. Natarajan – P. Saliba	Strathfield
3	137	P. Saliba – S. Moran	Strathfield
4	74	S. Moran – C. Savage	Burwood Briars
5	27	C. Savage – J. Breden	Strathfield
6	93	S. Moran – G. McFadden	Georges River
7	30	G. McFadden – M. Kelly	Warringah
8	31	J. Shyam – W. Montford	Roseville
9	86	W. Montford – T. Morrow	Burwood Briars
10	45	C. Savage – S. Fairlie	Lindfield

#### **CAPTAIN'S REPORT – 3RD GRADE SHIRES**

Another season over, and another semi final appearance for third grade. At the start of this season I had high hopes for 3s. We had a strong club around us which led to what I believe was one of the best 3<sup>rd</sup> grade squads to take to the park in my time at the club. There was a good mix of youth and experience, which gave good guidance to the younger guys, and especially helped out with the leadership of the side.



Shyam cuts

It was fantastic to see the young guys step up this year. Jai Shyam in his debut season for club mac just got better and better. I originally picked him because I could see the talent that lay within him, but it took a little while to shine through. He overcame being dropped to 4s, immediately scoring runs down there and being recalled. He then put on a match winning 90 against North-west. He even caught Linus's eye with that innings and soon flourished in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade as well. This coupled with another match winning performance in the QF against Burwood with 54 made him invaluable to 3s for the season. His bowling was good and tight, he just needs to learn to take the odd risk with flight occasionally. All in all, one of the best young talents we've got coming through the club.

Niraj Pathak was called up to 3s for a number of games, and bowled beautifully. His left arm over the wicket was bowled with a great lines and lengths, and caused many an opposition trouble. Raj has got a bright future with this club.

Alex Bingham, one of our pommy imports, had a good time in threes. He found his feet in his second game in 3s when I learned that he'd opened the batting in the not too distant past. As he flayed the Lane Cove attack to all parts of the ground, I thought "hey, I've found my opening bat", unfortunately as he cruised to 113 off 114 balls, I know that I'd lost him again, as Linus was sure to call him back to 2s. He did a great job for us during that matches he played, and he's got a great attitude most of the time, which rubs off well on the others in the squad



Bingham on his way to a century

Jehan Bilimoria was a fine young talent as well. He only played a handful of games for us, but his bowling was definitely useful, and he will be a great player in the years to come. With some luck the club may be able to hold on to him for another season or two.

Chris McPherson was the man who could do it all, at least, looked like he could. The man known as 'Corey' had a shaky season with the bat, but it was obvious that there is talent there that will hopefully come through in seasons to come. His keeping was top notch, and will not suffer through some maturity in the next couple of years. He could bowl too, taking wickets against Warringah in the round match, and one in the painful semi final after keeping for four sessions. And his hand-eye coordination in the field meant that without the gloves, he was pretty useful too. A big season awaits this youngster in 2008-09.

Jason Tabrett was his usual self; quiet and all business on the field. He went about his task of taking wickets in third grade in this manner, accumulating 26 wickets throughout the season. His contributions with the bat were handy as well, supporting Jai in his 90, and scoring a lot of other useful runs along the way.

Kam Milon had an up and down season this year, bouncing from 3s through to 4s and 5s, but when he played for us and performed, it was fantastic to watch. His innings up at Mandalong signalled a new Kam Milon I think. He was patient all afternoon, something we rarely see of the young lad, finishing not out and saving himself to launch an attack on day 2 (which was unfortunately washed out). His innings against Burwood in the 2<sup>nd</sup> dig of the QF is also worth noting. He made 64 not out in two and a half hours to save the match for us at a time when it looked like our first innings victory might not be enough. He was patient here also, waiting for his ball to hit, and making sure it stayed hit most of the time, but also

leaving a number of deliveries that we're used to seeing

him swipe at.

Robbie Walker

Now on to the experienced blokes, and I'll keep it a little brief. Robbie Walker was as solid as ever, locking down the number 3 spot in style. He worked away every time he went out to bat, always holding up an end for a while, and pulling out a couple of nice scores along the way.



John Sutton did a job for us at the top of the order. We're a club who is very short on

opening batsmen, but John is one I'll always welcome. On his day, he occupies the crease for lengthy periods of time, grinding away at oppositions, mixing this with an explosive shot or two (sometimes one too many!).

Ross McIntyre's another guy who's always good to have around. He struggled a little this season with the stop start nature of the weather, but his will was always there to try and bring the side through.

John Sutton

Finally, Chris Anstiss. I wasn't sure which category to put Chris in, but I figure he's been around long enough to belong to the experience. Chris's keeping this year was at a good standard. He missed a few chances along the way, but we all do that, even if we don't admit to it. His batting battle with Tabby was fun to watch, and it gave him something to strive for with this part of the game. He was unlucky to miss out on the last few rounds and the finals in 3s, but unfortunately, captain's have to make these tough decisions sometimes, and this one went against Chris. Hopefully we'll see him back at the club, striving to improve his game beyond the realm of those decisions next season.

I knew this team had the ability to be playing at the pointy end of the season after out 2<sup>nd</sup> round match against Burwood. It is rare for a Macquarie team to push Burwood so hard as we did. We batted well, bowled superbly, fielded well too. If it hadn't been for a few 'interesting' umpiring decisions, I dare sat we would have won that match. This is what gave me confidence in the team, knowing that we pushed them all the way, and with black and whites, would've taken the points.

Our batsmen tended to struggle all season once the rains came. The interruptions to the season due to weather tended to play havoc with their form, but the strong tail nearly always wagged with the bat, and then rolled teams consistently, without even giving the opposition a sniff.

The QF against Burwood was by far the highlight of the season. Being rolled for 138 is not the ideal was to set up a victory, but it was in the fight shown to get that far with the bat. Of course, and finals match is going to require a lot of fight, and the way we bounced back in the field was sensational. The commitment levels rose, and everyone threw themselves about, saving each and every possible run they could, and we got there in the end, restricting Burwood to 124. And then the performance in the second innings was mammoth again, after an early collapse that put our win in jeopardy, the boys fought back magnificently to bat out the day.

#### The Semi Final Scoreboard Shocker...

All I'll say about the Semi Final is that I appreciate the efforts that all the guys put in. It was a hell of a cruel way to end a season, but that pitch was designed to do what it did, and 535 was the ultimate result. We tried out guts out for 150 overs, and we left nothing in the sheds, it just wasn't to be.

Thanks must go to Robbie, Rosco, Paul Mac and Sutto for all the assistance they gave me throughout the season. In my first season as a skipper at this club, I appreciated all the helpful advice you had to offer. And I find that is the best was to captain a side anyway, the ultimate decision lies with the captain, but there's no reason why experience shouldn't be utilized, so thank you.

Also, thank you to Smithy and the rest of the committee for finally taking a chance on me. It was something I've been trying for, and looking forward to for 5 seasons now, and I appreciate you finally agreed that I had something to offer. And also to Smithy, mate, the effort you've put in over the last 7 years has been phenomenal, and I for one am extremely grateful we've had you. You administration of the club has been without comparison, and we'll be sorry to see you go. The club would not have run as smoothly as it has through the turbulent years we've had without you at the helm, so thanks for everything.



Thanks to all the people who came out and supported us this year, we've appreciated it every week. And a big special thank you to Margaret Tabrett. You were there every week with us, helping out with tea's, cheering us on, and taking on the scorer's role with gusto. We appreciated it greatly.

#### Paul Clift

Congratulations to Griff and 1s on his 'undefeated' season, thanks to Linus for a great season, and for making the communications and transitions between the grades run so smoothly. Thanks also to Browny for the

same. And a big congrats to Brownie and 4<sup>th</sup> grade, and to Phanto and the Master's 'boys' for bringing home the silverware this year, well done.

Paul Clift Third Grade Captain

ROUND	3RD GRADE-	2007/08 SEA	ASON RESULTS
1	Southern Districts <b>181</b> (M Kelly 4/62 M Payne 3/29)	def by	MUCC 236 (R Walker 42 K Milon 40 J Sutton 39)
2	<b>MUCC 232</b> (M Payne 41 M Binge 38 )	def by	Burwood Briars <b>8/233</b> (P Clift 3/72)
3	Lindfield <b>6/111</b> (P Clift 3/27 )	drew	MUCC 119
4	Lane Cove <b>79</b> (J Tabrett 5/28 M Payne 3/17)	def by	MUCC 8/334 (A Bingham 113 P McInnes 79* R Walker 58)
5	MUCC 97	def by	Auburn <b>125</b> (P McInnes 3/33)
6	Pennant Hills	drew	MUCC
7	Epping <b>103</b> (M Kelly 4/32)	def by	<b>MUCC 180</b> (R Walker 36)
8	<b>MUCC 2/61</b> (A Sharma 40)	drew	Strathfield <b>261</b> (R McIntyre 3/44)
9	North West Sydney <b>131</b> (J Sutton 3/30 P Clift 3/38)	def by	<b>MUCC 206</b> (J Shyam 92)
10	MUCC 264 (M Binge 66 P Saliba 55)	def	South Sydney <b>9/159</b> (P Clift 3/44)
11	MUCC 221 (J Shyam 52 R Walker 40 J Sutton 32 A Bingham 30)	def by	Georges River <b>257</b> (N Pathak 3/46 P Clift 3/65)
12	Warringah <b>76</b> C McPherson 3/8 N Pathak 3/15)	def by	MUCC 4/103 (A Bingham 42 R McIntyre 40)
13	<b>MUCC 9/209</b> (W Griffiths 51 R Walker 39)	def by	Roseville <b>5/210</b> (J Tabrett 3/34)
QF	Burwood Briars <b>124</b> (P Clift 4/47 J Tabrett 3/31)	def by	MUCC 138 (J Shyam 54) and 8/119 (K Milon 64)*
SF	Warringah <b>535</b> (M Kelly 3/82)	def	MUCC 180 (R McIntyre 51 A Bingham 36)

# **3RD GRADE SHIRES STATISTICS 2007-08**

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
R. Walker	11	12	0	58	285	23.75	2
A. Bingham	8	9	0	113	270	30.00	1
J. Shyam	9	9	0	92	264	29.33	1
J. Sutton	11	12	0	39	193	16.08	3
P. Clift	14	13	1	28	176	14.67	9
M. Binge	7	8	1	66	157	22.43	2
K. Milon	6	7	2	64*	148	29.60	3
P. McInnes	7	8	1	79*	144	20.57	-
R. McIntyre	10	10	1	51	126	14.00	3
M. Kelly	7	7	0	29	125	17.86	1
J. Tabrett	14	11	5	27*	118	19.67	5

#### **ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
M. Payne	5	5	1	41	98	24.50	1
A. Sharma	6	6	0	40	95	15.83	6
W. Griffiths	4	4	1	51	56	18.67	1/ 1stp
P. Saliba	1	1	0	55	55	55.00	-
C. Anstiss	9	8	5	17*	43	14.33	8/ 2stp
N. Alexander	4	4	0	12	30	7.50	1
J. Bilimoria	2	2	0	9	17	8.50	-
N. Pathak	4	3	1	15	16	8.00	1
A. Jessop	1	1	1	10*	10	-	3
M. Schaafsma	4	4	0	5	10	2.50	-
C. Clarke	1	1	0	8	8	8.00	1
C. McPherson	5	4	0	4	8	2.00	4
A. Natarajan	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	-
B. Skinner	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	
A. Tosolini	2	0	0	-	-	-	



McPherson takes the catch

#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
P. Clift	159.1	32	622	27	0	23.04	4/47
J. Tabrett	181	47	446	26	1	17.15	5/28
M. Kelly	101	17	313	15	0	20.87	4/32
J. Sutton	70.3	18	224	14	0	16.00	3/30

#### **ALSO BOWLED (Less than 10 Wickets)**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
P. McInnes	72.3	16	212	9	0	23.56	3/33
M. Payne	38.1	7	128	8	0	16.00	3/17
N. Pathak	41	10	101	8	0	12.63	3/15
C. McPherson	12	4	24	4	0	6.00	3/8
R. McIntyre	17	0	93	4	0	23.25	3/44
J. Shyam	33.1	3	114	3	0	38.00	1/0
A. Bingham	19	5	79	2	0	39.50	1/9
J. Bilimoria	13	2	52	1	0	52.00	1/24
A. Jessop	9	1	34	1	0	34.00	1/34
A. Tosolini	12	1	31	0	0	-	0/11
A. Natarajan	1.5	0	12	0	0	-	0/12
P. Saliba	1.3	0	12	0	0	-	0/12
K. Milon	3	0	19	0	0	-	0/19



3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Semi-Final Team

Back (L-R): J Sutton, J Tabrett, R McIntyre, M Binge, P Clift (c), A Bingham, J Shyam
Front (L-R): P McInnes, R Walker, K Milon, M Kelly, C McPherson

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting AverageA. Bingham30.00Batting AggregateR. Walker285

**Highest Score** A. Bingham 113 vs Lane Cove

Bowling AverageJ. Sutton16.00Bowling AggregateP. Clift27

Most Wickets in an InningsJ. Tabrett5/28 vs Lane CoveMost Wickets in a MatchJ. Tabret5/28 vs Lane CoveWicket KeepingC. Anstiss8 catches/ 2 stumpingsCenturiesA. Bingham113 vs Lane Cove

Highest Team Score 8/334 vs Lane Cove

**Lowest Team Score** 97 vs Auburn

#### **RESULTS**

Played 14
Won Outright Won 1st Innings 7
Drawn 2
Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings 5
Lost Outright Position in Competition 5<sup>th</sup>

MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS
2699	2585
131	128
20.60	20.20
	2699 131

#### **HIGHEST 3RD GRADE SHIRES PARTNERSHIPS 2007-08**

WICKET	P'SHIP	BATTERS	OPPONENT
1	64	A. Bingham – R. McIntyre	Warringah
2	49	J. Sutton – R. Walker	Georges River
3	179	A. Bingham - R. Walker	Lane Cove
4	67	J. Sutton - J. Shyam	Burwood Briars
5	83	R. Walker – W. Griffiths	Roseville
6	50	K. Milon - P. Clift	Burwood Briars
7	63	M. Payne – P. McInnes	Lane Cove
8	52	P. McInnes - P. Clift	Lane Cove
9	56	M. Payne - P. Clift	Roseville
10	87	J. Shyam – J. Tabrett	North West Sydney

#### <u>CAPTAIN'S REPORT – 4TH GRADE SHIRES</u>

The 2007 08 season was an amazing achievement for the 4th grade team. One that delivered the Holy Grail and saw Macquarie Uni rewarded for the toil of trade we, the collective we, postulated forth.

Stepping off of the hallowed turf of North Sydney Oval at the completion of the game was an uplifting and emotional experience, reinforcing and defining us not only as cricketers, but also as men. To play together for 7 months with a unified goal defies explanation of the oneness that develops. Beyond camaraderie, it is emotional and binding, and it is why we play this game. As a group of such individuals of varying ages, strengths and vocabularies driven by this desire to be the best; to achieve this is congruent of self-belief, in a word remarkable.

Personally, it was that much more rewarding given the fact that a group of individuals who strove together for the last 6 or 7 seasons; (brow beaten by cricketing Gods, unclarified demons and belied Buddha's), bandied together to share the spoils. To the unencumbered I dip my lid; to Edo, Phantom, Clyney, DG and Smithy whose camaraderie and friendship (galvanised by over 20 summers) made the victory that much sweeter. It moved me to verse:

Of hallowed ground
Between cursed and revered
Tempered by time, titillated by tenacity.
Wonders never cease – creased by crease
Immortalised man delivered whole ... unified by cause
Emotional path: conclusive devoured edified glorified haltingly conjoined by nature
Remarkable.

A review of the season lays not so much in the statistics but the character displayed in times of turmoil. The finest example of that was the semi final against Auburn where we were dispatched to all parts of the ground on a very hot Saturday on a concrete runway. By the end of Saturday as we sat in the dressing room unable to move and

heads lowered we were ready to be devoured. However such was the awe our team was held in, Auburn batted on the second day, determined to grind us into the ground. When they finally declared at 6 for 383 we knew they had gone too far. Even at 8 for 166 and 3 hours to play character rises to the top. Into this arena arose a 14 year old man Jehan Bilimoria, who withstood everything Auburn could throw at him to thwart their ambitions and display the character that this team is built on. When the dust settled we ended the day 8 down, bruised, battered but proud of the character the team was built on.



Jehan Bilimoria

It was again evident in the Grand Final. On a pitch that had 600 odd runs scored on it, when we won the toss and batted, we felt the game was as good as won. Imagine the indignity of being dismissed for a paltry 162. With only a little over an hour to play and a minimum 15 overs we needed to display that character. At days end Lane Cove were 7 – 66 and it was good. When Niraj finally dismissed the last batsmen with Lane Cove on 119, it was this self belief, this rock of character that rose and held firm.

To delve into the statistics the batting was again one of our strengths. Dave Gracie as ever style and curves and his 431 runs always entertaining as was his left field suggestions. Steve O'Reilly as always majestic and a picture of grace to be devoured by the younger players, as he churned out another 400 run season. The season also reignited the enthusiasm and showcased the abilities of Craig Edwards. His tally of 352 runs included the only century of the season – even if he was dropped on 99. His batting in the final a major contribution to our success.



Craig Edwards

The bowling department was highlighted by youth. Both Niraj and Jehan contributed mightily and will develop in years to come. With Jehan heading to grade next year it will be interesting to follow his career and we hope he takes strength from his championship season. There is no experience like victory! Smithy was the fire of the team. Indeed if we could have kept him on the pitch the results would not have been as close as they were such was his ability to deliver the special ball at pace.

Our fielding although not quick was stable and our catching normally very good. It is only in those long days in the field that we find "age shall weary them" but to the victor goes the spoils.



The cordon- Fernandes, Edwards, O'Reilly, Schaafsma

To have a successful season takes an amazing effort. To that end I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the players that graced the field this and past seasons. As I have commented before, it is a unique environment for such a large group of individual personalities to combine and strive in one direction. To each and everyone of you I say thank you and I hope you had as much fun as I did.

To the administrators (and I will speak of Smithy next) and other captains the endless conjecture, hypothesis, crystal ball gazing and ball juggling as always was interesting and macavellian. But always, and I mean this, always fun.

To my beautiful wife and understanding children (even when I dropped the trophy on my sons head, he gazed up at me with loving tearful eyes) the sacrifice you make to allow me to partake of this journey is awe inspiring and generous. I thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Finally, I can not let this tome rest without regaling the deeds of Mr. David Smith. His contribution to this club is unparallel and beyond reproach. The hours that David has given of himself speak to the individual who pragmatic and uncluttered approach enables him to bring amazing qualities to this table. The website, the way information flows to every corner of this juggernaught is sensational and beyond anything else that is visible. His devotion to ensuring pitches are covered, lines are dotted, cups available every minuscule detail covered is without peer. Although it falls short of repaying your deeds let me say this David, Thank you; it is with great pleasure I call you my friend.

Therefore, dear reader, it falls to me just to say, cricket like life, leaves the best in front. The not knowing the result or even the condition of the pitch leaves one in perpetual motion looking to win the toss one more time.

I look forward to doing it all again with you next year.

# Greg Brown Fourth Grade Captain



50 to Gracie in the Grand Final



Grand Final Man of the Match- Greg Brown



The final wicket- Niraj hits the stumps and the premiership is Mac Uni's!!

ROUND	4TH GRADE- 20	07/08 SE	EASON RESULTS
1	MUCC 1/150(dec) (S O'Reilly 78* L Nichols 59* and 0/37	def	Southern Districts <b>92</b> (J Bilimoria 4/14 G Brown 3/40) and <b>94</b> (N Pathak 4/23)
2	Burwood Briars 133 D Gracie 3/12	def by	MUCC 8/275(dec) (D Gracie 85 G Brown 81 J Watters 34 C Fernandes 30)
3	<b>MUCC 8/174</b> (S O'Reilly 49)	def	Lindfield <b>9/172(dec)</b> (G Brown 5/52)
4	MUCC 194 (C Edwards 40 S O'Reilly 39 M Binge 33)	def	Lane Cove 181 (G Brown 3/21 J Watters 3/30)
5	Auburn <b>198</b> (A Hale 3/37 J Bilimoria 3/47)	def	MUCC 9/197 (S O'Reilly 62 C Edwards 32)
6	MUCC	drew	Pennant Hills
7	<b>MUCC 2/103</b> (J Shyam 49* R Egerton 37)	def	Epping <b>71</b> (G Brown 5/22) and <b>4/124</b>
8	Strathfield <b>201</b> (G Brown 4/31)	drew	MUCC 2/80
9	MUCC 2/66(dec) (C Edwards 33*) and 5/61	def	North West Sydney <b>63</b> (G Brown 6/29) and <b>62</b> (G Brown 4/28 N Pathak 3/2)
10	South Sydney	drew	MUCC
11	Georges River <b>206</b> (G Brown 4/48 A Jessop 3/43)	def by	<b>MUCC 3/210</b> (C Edwards 107* K Milon 31)
12	<b>MUCC 9/267(dec)</b> D Smith 82* A Hale 68)	def	Warringah 113 and 3/84
13	Roseville <b>228</b> (G Brown 4/45)	def by	MUCC 8/262 (S O'Reilly 73* D Gracie 51 S Rose 45)
QF	MUCC 6/161 (D Gracie 50 C Fernandes 31*)	def	North West Sydney <b>157</b> (N Pathak 4/31 D Smith 3/33 G Brown 3/44)
SF	MUCC 8/198 (C Fernandes 36)	drew	Auburn <b>6/383(dec)</b> (A Jessop 3/78)
GF	MUCC 162 (D Gracie 62 M Schaafsma 33) and 3/148 (C Edwards 61* G Brown 38*)	def	Lane Cove <b>119</b> (G Brown 6/54 N Pathak 3/36)

### 4th Grade: 2007-08 Premiers



Back (L-R): David Smith, Martyn Payne, Anthony Hale, David Gracie, Greg Brown, Andrew Jessop, Clyne Fernandes, Steve O'Reilly, Jehan Bilimoria Front (L-R): Mark Schaafsma, Craig Edwards, Niraj Pathak

Played at North Sydney #2, North Sydney 5 and 6 April, 2008.

#### Macquarie University won by 43 runs.

Toss: Macquarie University Captain: Greg Brown
MUCC 162 (David Gracie 62, Mark Schaafsma 33, Craig Edwards 21)
and

3/148 (Craig Edwards 61 not out, Greg Brown 38 not out)

Lane Cove 119 (Greg Brown 6/54, Niraj Pathak 3/36)

The Skipper with the Premiership trophy



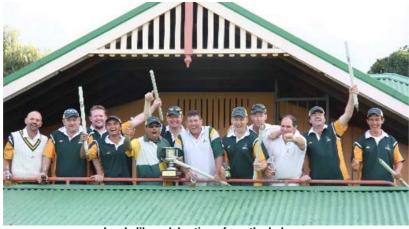
#### **4TH GRADE SHIRES STATISTICS 2007-08**

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
D. Gracie	12	15	2	85	431	33.15	2
S. O'Reilly	14	15	6	78*	408	45.33	6
C. Edwards	10	12	3	107*	352	39.11	3
G. Brown	14	10	4	81	219	36.50	5
C. Fernandes	13	10	2	36	158	19.75	17/ 2 stp
M. Schaafsma	8	9	0	33	122	13.56	4
A. Hale	7	4	0	68	109	27.25	2

#### **ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
D. Smith	8	5	3	82*	97	48.50	4
C. McPherson	6	6	1	26	84	16.80	8
L. Nichols	2	2	1	59*	65	65.00	0
K. Milon	4	4	0	31	55	13.75	0
S. Rose	4	3	1	45	53	26.50	4
J. Bilimoria	11	7	4	20*	52	17.33	8
J. Watters	7	4	1	34	51	17.00	4
J. Shyam	1	1	1	49*	49	-	0
M. Binge	2	2	0	33	39	19.50	0
R. Egerton	1	1	0	37	37	37.00	1
A. Jessop	6	5	0	15	33	6.60	4
M. Payne	2	2	0	19	28	14.00	1
C. Wing	6	4	1	7	11	3.67	1
B. Skinner	1	1	1	10*	10	-	0
C. Anstiss	1	1	1	10*	10	-	0
N. Pathak	10	2	0	1	1	0.50	1
C. Clarke	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	0
P. McInnes	1	0	0	-	-	-	0
A. Lulka	1	0	0	-	-	-	0
N. Yussouf	1	0	0	-	-	-	2



Lords like celebrations from the balcony

#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	10 in Match	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
G. Brown	292.2	86	668	53	1	4	12.60	6/29
N. Pathak	121.2	37	295	20	0	0	14.75	4/23
D. Smith	91	24	235	14	0	0	16.79	3/33
J. Bilimoria	76.5	12	308	14	0	0	22.00	4/14
A. Jessop	75.2	6	266	13	0	0	20.46	3/43
D. Gracie	41.5	5	162	10	0	0	16.20	3/12

#### **ALSO BOWLED (Less than 10 Wickets)**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
J. Watters	58.2	13	187	9	0	20.78	3/30
A. Hale	41.4	6	130	7	0	18.57	3/37
P. McInnes	12.4	3	26	2	0	13.00	2/17
C. McPherson	16	7	47	2	0	23.50	2/10
R. Egerton	20	9	23	2	0	11.50	2/11
J. Shyam	5	1	6	1	0	6.00	1/6
C. Edwards	16	3	66	1	0	66.00	1/36
M. Payne	5	1	24	0	0	-	0/24
S. O'Reilly	15	0	70	0	0	-	0/3
M. Binge	13	1	51	0	0	-	0/23
K. Milon	2	0	3	0	0	-	0/3
A. Lulka	2	0	11	0	0	-	0/11
L. Nichols	3	0	6	0	0	-	0/6



Schaafsma leaps high but couldn't hold the tough chance

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting AverageS. O'Reilly45.33Batting AggregateD. Gracie431

**Highest Score** C. Edwards 107\* vs Georges River

Bowling AverageG. Brown12.60Bowling AggregateG. Brown53

**Most Wickets in an Innings** G. Brown 6/29 vs North West Sydney

G. Brown 6/54 vs Lane Cove

Most Wickets in a MatchG. Brown10/57 vs North West SydneyWicket KeepingC. Fernandes17 catches/ 2 stumpingsCenturiesC. Edwards107\* vs Georges River

**Highest Team Score** 8(dec) 275 vs Burwood Briars

**Lowest Team Score** 162 vs Lane Cove

#### **RESULTS**

Played 14
Won Outright 2
Won 1st Innings 9
Drawn 2
Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings 1
Lost Outright Position in Competition 1<sup>st</sup>

TEAM STATISTICS	MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS
Runs Scored	2745	2681
Wickets Lost	94	158
Average per Wicket	30.20	16.97

#### **HIGHEST 4TH GRADE SHIRES PARTNERSHIPS 2007-08**

WICKET	P'SHIP	BATTERS	OPPONENT
1	52	C. Edwards – M. Schaafsma	Georges River
2	148*	L. Nichols – S. O'Reilly	Southern Districts
3	53	D. Gracie – S. O'Reilly	North West Sydney
4	78*	C. Edwards – G. Brown	Lane Cove
5	65	M. Binge – C. McPherson	Lane Cove
6	79	G. Brown – J. Watters	Burwood Briars
7	62	S. O'Reilly – G. Brown	Lindfield
8	100	D. Smith – A. Hale	Warringah
9	73	D. Smith – J. Bilimoria	Warringah
10	11*	D. Smith – C. Anstiss	Warringah

#### SEASON'S REPORT - UNDER 24'S- FRANK GRAY SHIELD

With washouts dominating our season, the U'24's didn't make enough of the matches we actually completed, winning 2 and losing 2 (with 3 draws/washouts). These results meant that for the first time in 4 seasons we failed to make the finals- a very disappointing result.

With so little cricket played, the statistics make for pretty uninteresting reading. Only 1 batsman made more than 100 runs (Whipps- 123 @30.75), while no bowler made the 'above the line' cut of 10 wickets-Simpson (6@ 13.33) and Hanna (6@ 10.00) the best.

**Clint Simpson** 

Some highlights from the match reports:

- Once again, we drifted off slightly and allowed the Ants' 10 and 11 to build a frustrating run a ball 50 partnership. Things got even scarier as they moved up to 9/180 with 10 overs remaining, before the skipper finally picked up the elusive 10<sup>th</sup> wicket and securing a bonus point for the good guys.
- This was a very disappointing result against weak opposition. Application and shot selection with the bat was poor, while player attitudes on and off the field were below standard. At 9:30am we had only 7 players at the ground, and then had people turning up late after lunch break. It's not good enough, and if we're serious about finals this season,



these basic requirements have got to be met. The fielding was terrible and the only real thing we can take away from the match was the bowling performances from Tabrett, Prashant, and Morrow.

#### Pat Whipps

- After losing the toss and being sent in on a green deck Macquarie lost wickets with regularity. We were dismissed for a paltry 86 with Pranish being the top-scorer with a well-made 32. To their credit Burwood bowled tight lines and fielded excellently. In future all batsmen even down to number ten need to display greater application with the bat and make sure we see out the full 50 overs.
- Bowling ten overs straight Simo and Tabby deserve mention for a fantastic opening spell, they bowled in a great partnership, with tight line and length, allowing wickets to fall regularly. In the end Burwood were dismissed for 84.
- The umpires handed Simmo a Duckworth-Lewis sheet during the break should there be rain which he laughed at and threw away as it was still 36 degrees... the loss of Yogi as a bowler due to his leg injury seemed more of a concern at the time.
- The team waited around for the next two and a half hours with lightning every 25 minutes stopping play rather than any excessive rain. The majority of the team was happy to wait around and claim those 6 wickets in 2 overs to win the game... Whippsy was one of the exceptions, not impressed on delaying his mocha he was going to have in Cronulla later in the day.

Most Valuable Player: Patrick Whipps

#### **MUCC Committee**

ROUND	U-24'S- FRANK GRAY SHIELD- 2007/08 SEASON RESULTS									
1	MUCC	drew	South Sydney							
2	Southern Districts <b>180</b> (P Whipps 3/38 SM Fairlie 3/50)	def by	MUCC 9/232 (P Whipps 84 Pranish Rai 43)							
3	<b>MUCC 136</b> (L Hanna 71 )	def by	Auburn <b>2/137</b>							
4	Burwood Briars <b>84</b> (C Simpson 4/19 L Hanna 4/23)	def by	MUCC 86 (Pranish Rai 32)							
5	<b>MUCC 7/206</b> (C Simpson 54 Prashant Rai 48*)	def by	Georges River <b>4/141</b> (J Tabrett 3/31)							
6	Pennant Hills	drew	MUCC							
7	MUCC	drew	Warringah <b>2/10</b>							



24's Warm-ups

## **U-24'S FRANK GRAY SHIELD STATISTICS 2007-08**

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
P. Whipps	4	4	0	84	123	30.75	2

#### **ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
Pranish Rai	5	4	0	43	80	20.00	3
C. Simpson	4	3	0	54	74	24.67	0
L. Hanna	3	3	0	71	71	23.67	0
Prashant Rai	3	2	1	48*	53	53.00	0
A. Bingham	5	4	0	26	50	12.50	2
A. Natarajan	3	3	0	19	37	12.33	0
W. Griffiths	5	4	1	27*	28	9.33	2
M. Binge	5	4	0	14	26	6.50	1
J. Shyam	2	1	1	19*	19	-	0
T. Morrow	5	3	0	7	11	3.67	0
S. Fairlie	4	3	1	9	9	4.50	0
J. Tabrett	4	2	2	4*	7	-	1
N. Alexander	1	1	0	5	5	5.00	0
A. Tosolini	1	1	0	2	2	2.00	0
J. Bilimoria	1	0	0	-	-	-	0

#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
L. Hanna	18.1	1	60	6	1	10.00	4/23
C. Simpson	28	10	80	6	ı	13.33	4/19
P. Whipps	18	1	73	4	-	18.25	3/38
J. Tabrett	34	12	82	4	-	20.50	3/31
Prashant Rai	11	1	30	3	1	10.00	2/6
S. Fairlie	18	2	80	3	-	26.67	3/50
J. Shyam	7	1	27	1	ı	27.00	1/27
T. Morrow	16	1	99	0	ı	-	0/22
A. Bingham	2	0	10	0	-	-	0/10

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting AverageP. Whipps30.75Batting AggregateP. Whipps123

**Highest Score** P. Whipps 84 vs Southern Districts

Bowling AverageL. Hanna10.00Bowling AggregateL. Hanna6C. Simpson6

Most Wickets in an InningsL. Hanna4/23 vs Burwood- Briars

C. Simpson 4/19 vs Burwood-Briars

Wicket Keeping W. Griffiths 2 catches

Centuries -

**Highest Team Score** 9/232 vs Southern Districts **Lowest Team Score** 86 vs Burwood Briars

#### **RESULTS**

Played 5
Won 2
Tied Drawn 1
Lost 2
Position in Competition 7

TEAM STATISTICS	MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS		
Runs Scored	660	552		
Wickets Lost	36	28		
Average per Wicket	18.33	19.71		

#### **HIGHEST U-24 FRANK GRAY SHIELD PARTNERSHIPS 2007-08**

WICKET	P'SHIP	BATTERS	OPPONENT
1	39	A. Natarajan – P. Whipps	Southern Districts
2	72	P. Whipps – C. Simpson	Southern Districts
3	91	C. Simpson – P. Whipps	Georges River
4	31	Pranish Rai – A. Bingham	Burwood Briars
5	43	A Natarajan - Prashant Rai	Georges River
6	54	L. Hanna – A. Bingham	Auburn
7	12	A. Tosolini – M Binge	Burwood Briars
8	45*	Prashant Rai – J. Shyam	Georges River
9	27	W. Griffiths – T. Morrow	Southern Districts
10	14	S. Fairlie – J. Tabrett	Auburn

#### <u>CAPTAIN'S REPORT - 5TH GRADE (TIM CREER CUP)</u>

Season 07/08 was a season of what might have been for the boys. When Smithy and the committee finally dealt with the off field dramas and we were given the green light to play cricket we still had to negotiate the wettest Sydney summer in living memory just to try and get some cricket played.

A narrow loss to eventual grand finalists Lindfield and some creative selections by Burwood in the early rounds followed by three weeks of wash outs saw the boys on the back foot early in the season. Unfortunately Ash Singh's 6/59 and Chewy's 69 with the bat weren't enough to get us home against a Burwood line up top heavy with first grade players. A massive win against Souths followed, where we smashed 4/324 off 45 overs thanks largely to a great hundred by Chris Wing with great support from Jono Ingram with 75 and our season was back on track. Another convincing win against Auburn in the last round before Christmas gave us hope that we could mount a challenge in the back half of the year.

Special mentions in that game no doubt belong to Jason Tabrett for taking 6/36 and Chris McPherson for an amazing 7 catches! How Chris wasn't keeping in higher grades I'll never know but we were sure glad to have his services at various stages through the year.

The new year brought news that Pennant Hills were about to be stripped of nearly all their points in 5th grade so all of a sudden we were playing for 2 spots in the final four.



The New Year started off on the right note with a win against Pennant Hills just as the storm clouds opened up. This was set up by a great knock of 93 from Milon who was unlucky not to become our 2nd centurion for the year and three wickets a piece to the skipper and Chris Backwell. We then took care of Lane Cove with Jehan claiming 4 wickets, and one of our Gordon recruits (more on that later) Alex Griffiths finding his feet in Australian conditions with 55 the pick.

#### Adrian Lulka

The curse of the wet season struck again with crucial matches against Georges River and Auburn being washed out and this in some part probably contributed to our less than average performance against Souths when cricket finally resumed. This then took the finals equation out of our hands and in need of results to go our way.

We kept up our end of the deal with a huge win over Lane Cove and a great bowling display against Lindfield. Unfortunately for the boys, our season came to a premature end a week later when Burwood failed to provide covers after a Friday night storm and Auburn got the better of Pennant Hills in a last wicket thriller.

On reflection we were probably one gun batsman short who could turn a one day game in the blink of an eye. Having said that, hopefully the core of this team can stick together and cause some damage in the coming seasons.

I touched on the fact we had some useful Gordon recruits in our ranks this season. So it would be an appropriate time to thank Jim Catlin and the rest of the Gordon committee for playing their part in the Macquarie/Gordon Alliance. Hopefully it's something that both sides can build on going forward which can only help build the strength of both clubs. The Gordon guys were always willing to help out where needed and we even managed to drag young

Alex Griffiths out of bed one Saturday morning to sub field for us after Chris Anstiss copped a knock to the head and couldn't take the field. Sensational effort guys!

I'd also like to congratulate Danny McVey for playing his 100th game for MUCC. It's a great effort and I'm sure there'll be many more games to come after you come back from your travels.



The cordon waits for an edge

Also a huge thanks again to Smithy and the rest of the committee. It's certainly been a tough road but your leadership over the past few years has seen our club come out the other side a lot more committed and dedicated outfit and one that will be able to stand on its own two feet for many years to come.

Finally, to all the guys who played 5th grade this season, enjoy the off season and let's re group again to give this title a shake in 08/09.

# Adrian Lulka Fifth Grade Captain



5<sup>th</sup> Grade celebrate a wicket

ROUND	5TH GRADE- 200	7/08 SI	EASON RESULTS
1	Lindfield <b>8/170</b> (A Lulka 3/9)	def	MUCC 169 (CT McPherson 33 R McIntyre 30)
2	Georges River <b>5/166</b>	def	<b>MUCC 164</b> (D McVey 38)
3	Burwood Briars <b>251</b> (A Singh 6/59)	def	<b>MUCC 8/178</b> (PG Chew 69)
4	Auburn	drew	MUCC
5	Pennant Hills	drew	MUCC
6	MUCC	drew	Lane Cove
7	MUCC 4/324 (C Wing 108 J Ingram 75 C Brown 40 I Don 37*)	def	South Sydney <b>9/119</b> (C Brown 3/11 B Shrestha 3/16)
8	Lindfield 3/108	def	<b>MUCC 105</b> (N Yussouf 42)
9	Georges River <b>204</b> (P McInnes 4/30 JP Best 3/12)	def	<b>MUCC 136</b> (P McInnes 32)
10	Burwood Briars	drew	MUCC
11	Auburn <b>86</b> (J Tabrett 6/36 A Lulka 3/24) and <b>0/45</b>	def by	MUCC 7/102(dec)
12	Pennant Hills <b>109</b> (A Lulka 3/14 C Blackwell 3/16)	def by	<b>MUCC 9/202</b> (K Milon 93 A Bradshaw 42)
13	South Sydney	drew	MUCC
14	MUCC 8/190 (A Griffith 55 L Nichols 35 A Bradshaw 31)	def	Lane Cove <b>131</b> (J Bilimoria 4/25 A Singh 3/34)
15	Auburn Eagles	drew	MUCC
16	Georges River	drew	MUCC
17	South Sydney 2/85	def	MUCC 9/79
18	Lane Cove <b>68</b> (P Sood 4/16 JP Best 3/11 A Lulka 3/22)	def by	<b>MUCC 0/71</b> (A Griffith 37*)
19	Lindfield <b>72</b> (J Bilimoria 3/11)	def by	MUCC 7/73
20	Burwood Briars	drew	MUCC
21	MUCC 9/97	def by	Pennant Hills <b>2/99</b>

# **5TH GRADE - TIM CREER CUP STATISTICS 2007-08**

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	Inn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
P. Chew	10	9	0	69	170	18.89	3
A. Lulka	12	11	0	28	119	10.82	2
J. Ingram	7	6	0	75	112	18.67	4
C. Wing	2	2	0	108	110	55.00	0
K. Milon	2	2	0	93	109	54.50	1
A. Griffith	4	4	1	55	100	33.33	1/ 1stp

#### ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
N. Yussouf	11	9	2	42	94	13.43	5
L. Nichols	8	8	0	35	90	11.25	4
A. Bradshaw	4	3	0	42	76	25.33	2
D. McVey	7	7	1	38	75	12.50	3
R. Balfas	3	3	1	29	60	30.00	1
C. McPherson	4	3	1	33	53	26.50	8
A. Johri	7	6	2	22*	51	12.75	2/ 1stp
C. Blackwell	5	5	0	18	44	8.80	1
C. Brown	1	1	0	40	40	40.00	0
I. Don	1	1	1	37*	37	-	1
M. Schaafsma	2	2	0	29	35	17.50	1
N. Alexander	3	3	0	17	35	11.67	0
A. Singh	13	7	3	19	34	8.50	1
P. McInnes	1	1	0	32	32	32.00	0
J. Bilimoria	3	3	1	14	30	15.00	1
R. McIntyre	1	1	0	30	30	30.00	1
A. Tosolini	1	1	0	28	28	28.00	3
J. Best	4	3	2	11	26	26.00	0
F. Tye	2	2	0	10	10	5.00	0
B. Shrestha	2	1	0	8	8	8.00	0
S. Zuhair	1	1	1	7*	7	-	1
P. Sood	9	5	2	4	6	2.00	2
C. Clarke	1	1	0	6	6	6.00	0
Asita Galappatti	1	1	0	5	5	5.00	0
M. Binge	1	1	0	5	5	5.00	0
D. Bijlsma	1	1	0	4	4	4.00	0
C. Anstiss	2	2	1	3	4	4.00	0
N. Hasan	1	1	0	3	3	3.00	0
T. Barnes	1	1	0	2	2	2.00	0
C. Pope	1	1	0	1	1	1.00	0
D. Latto	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	0
V. White	1	0	0	-	-	-	1
J. Tabrett	1	0	0	-	-	-	0
V. Sahni	1	0	0	-	-	-	0

#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
A. Singh	88.3	9	398	16	1	24.88	6/59
P. Sood	56.1	6	232	15	0	15.47	4/16
A. Lulka	59.3	15	219	14	0	15.64	3/9

### ALSO BOWLED (Less than 10 Wickets)

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
J. Bilimoria	23	6	44	7	0	6.29	4/25
J. Tabrett	27	11	43	6	1	7.17	6/36
J. Best	24	7	67	6	0	11.17	3/11
N. Yussouf	26.2	6	95	5	0	19.00	2/3
B. Shrestha	10	3	23	4	0	5.75	3/16
P. McInnes	9	0	30	4	0	7.50	4/30
A. Johri	26	3	110	4	0	27.50	2/19
D. McVey	20	1	106	3	0	35.33	2/22
L. Nichols	8.4	1	45	3	0	15.00	1/2
C. Blackwell	24	5	94	3	0	31.33	3/16
C. Brown	4	0	11	3	0	3.67	3/11
A. Tosolini	8	3	18	2	0	9.00	2/18
M. Binge	4	0	22	1	0	22.00	1/22
Asita Galappatti	4	0	22	0	0	-	0/22
V. Sahni	5	1	21	0	0	-	0/21
R. McIntyre	3	0	20	0	0	-	0/20
S. Zuhair	4	0	28	0	0	-	0/28



Wicket celebrations for the Skipper

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting AverageC. Wing55.00Batting AggregateP. Chew170

**Highest Score** C. Wing 108 vs South Sydney

Bowling AverageP. Sood15.47Bowling AggregateA. Singh16

Most Wickets in an Innings J. Tabrett 6/36 vs Auburn

A. Singh 6/59 vs Burwood Briars

Wicket Keeping C. McPherson 8 catches

**Centuries** C. Wing 108 vs South Sydney

**Highest Team Score Lowest Team Score**4/324 vs South Sydney
9/79 vs South Sydney

#### **RESULTS**

Played 13 (8 washouts)

Won 1st Innings 6
Drawn Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings 7
Position in Competition 5<sup>th</sup>

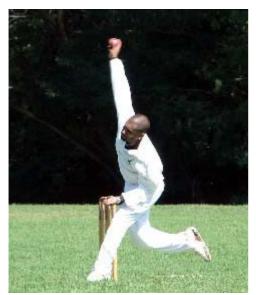
TEAM STATISTICS	MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS
Runs Scored	1890	1713
Wickets Lost	101	99
Average per Wicket	18.71	17.30

#### **TIM CREER CUP PARTNERSHIPS 2007-08**

WICKET	P'SHIP	BATTERS	OPPONENT
1	71*	R. Balfas - Alex Griffith	Lane Cove
2	51	D. McVey – A. Lulka	Georges River
3	149	J. Ingram – C. Wing	South Sydney
4	83	C. Wing – I. Don	South Sydney
5	53	R. McIntyre – J. Ingram	Lindfield
6	42	J. Ingram – C. McPherson	Lindfield
7	48	A. Griffith – A. Lulka	Lane Cove
8	38	A. Griffith – A. Johri	Lane Cove
9	52	N. Yussouf – A. Singh	Lindfield
10	23*	D. McVey – J. Best	Pennant Hills

#### **CAPTAIN'S REPORT – 6TH GRADE (N.S.C.A. – C Grade)**

Once again the 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys had a competitive and enjoyable year. For the fourth year in a row we have been in finals contention right up until the last round. Unfortunately this year we failed to win the last match and as a result we ended up finishing equal 5<sup>th</sup>. In common with the last three years we won as many games as we lost. We also finished third on the one day table. More importantly team spirit was high and each Saturday could not come fast enough.



The competition was dominated by the top two teams, The Wanderers and the deserved Premiers, The Pigs. It is fair to say that we were on the next tier with four teams. Our finals hopes effectively hinged on two seesawing matches we played against the fourth placed team, West Pymble. We lost both, and could've won both. One victory would have seen us play for at least another week.

#### $\mathbf{6}^{\mathsf{TH}}$ Grade MVP: Asita Galappatti

The highlight of the year was an improbable victory against Kirribilli. Chasing 148 for victory we were reduced to 9-76 in the 26<sup>th</sup> over (in a 40 over match). Asita Galappatti and Dave Schiller (who came in at 11 due to injury) put on 73, with Dave smashing a four with 2 balls to go to get us the points. For the rest of the year all our victories were tight affairs, which showed we had ticker but it was tough on the captain.

The team this year had a familiar look to it with many guys returning from previous campaigns. As always, though, we were bolstered by a few new faces. To the old hands first. The player of the year for the second time was Asita Galappatti. His bowling was just as incisive this year and he again led the way. We were a good bowling team and Asita was the lynchpin, helping

to knock over a few teams cheaply with his aggression and variation. What was surprising was that he had a great all round year, scoring 252 runs at 28.00. He scored two fifties, just missing out on a ton when he scored 92 against Mosman.

Deepak Ramanathan was the top wicket taker and quickly established himself as the go to guy. He was a rare commodity at this level; an offspinner with good control, variation and yes even a little bit of spin. He rarely blinked in the face of aggression and it was a credit to him on the small North Shore grounds.

#### Deepak Ramanathan

The enigmatic Dave Bijlsma again scored runs at a good pace and won at least two matches off his bat. His fielding even improved. Dave Schiller had a solid year with both bat and ball, opening both. He played some handy knocks and bowled some unplayable balls. With more consistency he could be devastating at this level.



Bob Galappatti suffered a little from not playing consistently but always brought enthusiasm. He showed glimpses of his talent but a full season would bear more fruit. Anik Zuhair returned and was still a very dangerous bowler. He bowled the spell of the year against the best batsman in the comp. His batting was a little underdone. Tony Barnes was as ever competitive. His figures may not show it but he played an important role with both bat and ball, steadying the team when it was needed. Avi Johri played a few cameos that helped enormously.

Of the new faces, Sajid Zamin probably stood out. He improved as the year wore on. He always valued his wicket and made some important contributions. Towards the end of the year we discovered he could bowl and in coming seasons he should have the makings of a fine all rounder. Luke Polack was not far behind. He was a little unlucky with the bat and finished the season with a fine 40. He was also our makeshift keeper, never complaining when the ball was being sprayed around. He can bowl too, taking a few wickets.



Wayne Travers

Nasim Reza was solid and made good runs. He is a stylish batsman and can improve. He will want to forget being bowled after two bounces near the end of the season. Joy Roy and Hasith Galappaththi played a few times without setting the world on fire but hopefully will play more in the future. My thanks go to all those players who played one or two games. Pranav Sood stood out with 76 and a wicket and played the rest of the season in Metro.

As a team we were unmatched in spirit and enthusiasm. Our bowling was our strength, regularly knocking over the opposition for low totals. Our batting could definitely improve. Not having Daniel Tabrett at the end of the season lessened our ability to set really solid totals. As always our fielding was patchy.

Thanks must go to the committee and the executive for getting us on the field this year. David Smith's tireless efforts are much appreciated throughout the club. Congratulations to both the Masters and 4<sup>th</sup> grade sides for their magnificent premierships. Thanks to Adrian Lulka who made Fridays a little easier each week. Dave Schiller saved me a lot of hassle by driving me and the kit around all year, and Asita and Deepak ferried many of their team mates to and from games. Luke Polack also assisted in moving people around. This was another enjoyable season with a great bunch of guys.

# Wayne Travers Sixth Grade Captain



ROUND	6TH GRADE- 200	07/08 SE	ASON RESULTS
1	MUCC 8/261 (P Sood 76 W Travers 47* Aalok Galappatti 31)	def	The Bats <b>157</b> (D Ramanathan 4/22 S Zuhair 3/22)
2	Wanderers 5/199	def	<b>MUCC 192</b> (D Bijlsma 56*)
3	MUCC 149 (Asita Galappatti 50*)	def	Kirribilli Crusaders <b>6/147</b> (D Ramanathan 3/34)
4	West Pymble <b>8/236</b> (Asita Galappatti 3/53)	def	MUCC 8/227 (W Travers 75 R Amerasinghe 32)
5	<b>MUCC 128</b> (W Travers 46)	def by	Wanderers <b>2/132</b>
6	Northbridge <b>119</b> (Asita Galappatti 5/41 W Travers 3/17)	def by	MUCC 9/121
7	The Bats <b>133</b> (D Ramanathan 4/44 A Johri 3/26)	def by	<b>MUCC 8/137</b> (D Bijlsma 65)
8	Mosman CC 1/47	drew	MUCC 222 (Asita Galappatti 92)
9	MUCC 7/141(dec) (Asita Galappatti 38) and 4/41	def	North Sydney Leagues <b>86</b> (Asita Galappatti 3/17) and <b>79</b> (T Barnes 3/6 W Travers 3/24)
10	Kirribilli Crusaders	drew	MUCC
11	MUCC 83 and 73	def by	Pigs CC <b>140</b> (D Ramanathan 3/30 Asita Galappatti 3/33 and <b>3/27</b>
12	<b>MUCC 184</b> (L Polack 40 N Reza 34)	def by	West Pymble <b>223</b> (D Ramanathan 3/61)

# 6TH GRADE N.S.C.A. C GRADE STATISTICS 2007-08

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
Asita Galappatti	11	12	3	92	252	28.00	2
W. Travers	11	11	2	75	235	26.11	6
D. Bijlsma	9	10	1	65	170	18.89	1
D. Schiller	9	9	0	26	138	15.33	5
T. Barnes	10	11	1	25	136	13.60	3
S. Zaman	7	9	1	28	118	14.75	0
L. Polack	10	12	2	40	112	11.20	10
N. Reza	5	6	0	34	104	17.33	2

#### **ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
S. Zuhair	8	10	0	24	84	8.40	4
P. Sood	1	1	0	76	76	76.00	1
Aalok Galappatti	7	7	1	31	71	11.83	0
D. Ramanathan	11	11	5	13	55	9.17	3
J. Roy	4	4	0	16	37	9.25	1
R. Amerasinghe	1	1	0	32	32	32.00	1
D. Latto	1	1	0	21	21	21.00	0
A. Johri	4	4	0	13	18	4.50	1
H. Galappaththi	3	3	0	12	12	4.00	1
J. Ingram	1	1	0	10	10	10.00	0
E. Hasan	1	1	1	9*	9	-	0
A. Gissing	1	1	0	7	7	7.00	1
B. Thomas	2	2	0	6	7	3.50	1
V. Sahni	1	1	1	5*	5	-	0
F. Tye	1	1	0	2	2	2.00	0
I. Ali	1	1	0	2	2	2.00	1
T. Killin	1	0	0	-	_	-	0





#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
D. Ramanathan	65.3	7	332	21	0	15.81	4/22
Asita Galappatti	102	25	302	19	1	15.89	5/41

#### **ALSO BOWLED (Less than 10 Wickets)**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
W. Travers	51	4	199	9	0	22.11	3/17
D. Schiller	70	15	229	8	0	28.63	2/32
A. Johri	27.5	5	83	7	0	11.86	3/26
T. Barnes	32	3	140	7	0	20.00	3/6
S. Zuhair	39	1	147	7	0	21.00	3/22
S. Zaman	8	0	25	3	0	8.33	2/5
L. Polack	2.4	0	10	2	0	5.00	2/0
J. Roy	8	0	48	2	0	24.00	1/4
N. Reza	1	0	12	1	0	12.00	1/12
P. Sood	5	1	16	1	0	16.00	1/16
V. Sahni	7	1	32	1	0	32.00	1/32
A. Gissing	5	2	9	0	0	-	0/9
D. Bijlsma	1	0	8	0	0	-	0/8
T. Killin	2	0	21	0	0	-	0/21



The 6<sup>th</sup> Grade cordon waiting for an edge

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting AverageAsita Galappatti28.00Batting AggregateAsita Galappatti252

**Highest Score** Asita Galappatti 92 vs Mosman

Centuries

Bowling AverageD. Ramanathan15.81Bowling AggregateD. Ramanathan21

Most Wickets in an InningsAsita Galappatti5/41 vs NorthbridgeMost Wickets in a MatchAsita Galappatti5/41 vs Northbridge

Wicket Keeping L. Polack 10 catches

**Highest Team Score** 8/261 vs The Bats **Lowest Team Score** 73 vs Pigs CC

#### **RESULTS**

Played 11
Won Outright 1
Won 1st Innings 4
Drawn 1
Lost 1<sup>st</sup> Innings 4
Lost Outright 1
Position in Competition 6<sup>th</sup>

TEAM STATISTICS	MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS	
Runs Scored	1959	1725	
Wickets Lost	116	95	
Average per Wicket	16.89	18.16	

#### **HIGHEST N.S.C.A. C GRADE PARTNERSHIPS 2007-08**

WICKET	P'SHIP	BATTERS	OPPONENT
1	61	D. Schiller - Asita Galappatti	Mosman
2	29	Asita Galappatti – J. Ingram	The Bats
3	94	Asita Galappatti – N. Reza	Mosman
4	69	D. Bijlsma – S. Zuhair	The Bats
5	45	S. Zaman – T. Barnes	Mosman
6	90	W. Travers – D. Latto	West Pymble
7	65	P. Sood – T. Barnes	The Bats
8	51	T. Barnes – W. Travers	The Bats
9	43	D. Bijlsma - Asita Galappatti	Wanderers
10	73*	Asita Galappatti – D. Schiller	Kirribilli Crusaders

#### **CAPTAIN'S REPORT – SYDNEY MASTERS**

In sport there are winning streaks and there are winning streaks. Our current winning streak of 22 games stretching back to February 2006 compares very favourably with other cricket



winning streaks such as the Australian cricket team's record 16 consecutive test victories and, on another occasion, 21 consecutive ODI wins. However, compared to other sports, our streak hardly rates a mention compared to Edwin Moses' unbeaten 10 year reign in the 400m hurdles or St George's 11 consecutive rugby league premierships, some of which, without naming names, were probably witnessed by several of our more senior team members.

This year we fielded a very similar team to that which won the premiership last year although we were boosted by new boys Wick and Dougie, both of whom were able to amply satisfy the age requirement for Masters. Everyone contributed to our success during the season underlining the depth that we are fortunate to be able to draw upon.

Steve O'Reilly

In the batting department, Clyne Fernandes led the charge scoring 236 runs at an average of 39 and was ably supported by John Sutton and the evergreen Neil Howlett. In the bowling department, Greg Brown again led the way with 26 wickets (at the schoolboy average of 9) and may have broken the record mark of 30 had all our scheduled games been played. Greg also had the honour to receive the trophy as the leading wicket taker in the Masters competition, continuing our domination of this trophy with Danny McVey having won it three times previously. New boy Warrick Folkard showed his class picking up 17 wickets at 13 (making him the third highest wicket taker in Masters this season) and Dave Deller was always effective (well at least after a physio session) snaring 12 wickets at 11. The story about Dave's physio session in which the physio mistook his good leg for his bad will long be recounted by Wick and others.



Warrick Folkard



In other milestones, Neil Howlett brought up 1000 Masters runs and Greg Brown 100 Masters wickets, both fine achievements. In other news, Clyne broke, no smashed, the old keeping record recording an amazing 23 dismissals (18 catches and 5 stumpings) compared to the old mark of 14. All in all, it was a very enjoyable season and it was an absolute pleasure to have the honour to captain such a team.

#### **Neil Howlett**

Thanks to Club President David Smith and for his immeasurable assistance throughout the year. The success we have enjoyed on the field during the last few seasons is in no small part due to the strength of Smithy's leadership off the field. Thanks also to our wives, partners, significant

others etc who have allowed us once again to play a sport we love with some mates who, in many cases, we have known for 25 years or more. Thanks also to all our supporters during the year especially Paul McInnes whose hard work on match days was very much appreciated.

As for our winning streak, it will, like all good things, come to an end. But, in the meantime, to win consecutive unbeaten premierships and three titles in four years has sure been a lot of fun and will be fondly remembered for many years to come!

Steve O'Reilly Masters Captain

#### **MUCC MASTERS 2007-08 UNDEFEATED PREMIERS**



ROUND	SYDNEY MASTER	RS- 2007	08 SEASON RESULTS
1	<b>I Zingari 160</b> ( D McVey 3/16 D Deller 3/20)	def by	MUCC 5/162 (C Fernandes 41* D Latto 35* R Egerton 30)
2	Burwood <b>9/169</b> (G Brown 4/26 D Deller 3/44)	def by	<b>MUCC 3/221</b> (J Sutton 42* S O'Reilly 40* N Howlett 40*)
3	MUCC 4/211 (C Fernandes 44* J Sutton 40* A Mahoney 40*)	def	Doyalson 118
4	<b>MUCC 7/156</b> (S O'Reilly 40*)	def	Parramatta CC <b>71</b> (W Folkard 3/19)
5	MUCC 1/23	drew	Kenthurst <b>152</b> (G Brown 5/50)
6	MUCC 6/125	def	Hornsby <b>122</b> (W Folkard 3/22)
7	Old Ignatians <b>70</b> (D McVey 4/35 W Folkard 3/18)	def by	<b>MUCC 142</b> (S Rose 35)
8	Lane Cove White 9/136 (G Brown 3/22)	def by	MUCC 5/137 (N Howlett 38)
9	MUCC 3/126 (C Fernandes 40* S O'Reilly 37)	def	Kenthurst <b>125</b> (W Folkard 3/28)
10	MUCC*	def	CCNSW
11	Lindfield Legends <b>81</b> (G Brown 5/32)	def by	MUCC 7/173 (D Deller 36* N Howlett 34 C Fernandes 32 S O'Reilly 30)
12	MUCC	drew	Manly

<sup>\*</sup> Match Forfeited

# **SYDNEY MASTERS STATISTICS 2007-08**

#### **BATTING AVERAGES**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
C. Fernandes	10	10	4	44*	236	39.33	18/ 5stp
S. O'Reilly	10	9	2	40*	220	31.43	5
N. Howlett	6	6	2	40*	155	38.75	4
J. Sutton	7	7	3	42*	134	33.50	2
D. Latto	5	5	2	35*	114	38.00	1
D. Deller	8	6	3	36*	104	34.67	1
S. Rose	5	5	0	35	100	20.00	1

#### **ALSO BATTED (Less than 100 Runs)**

Batsman	Mat.	lnn.	N.O.	H.S.	Runs	Average	Catches
R. Egerton	4	4	0	30	97	24.25	1
A. Mahoney	4	3	2	40*	47	47.00	1
S. Burchett	5	3	1	23*	47	23.50	1
G. Lego	7	4	1	24	40	13.33	2
K. Dixon	7	3	1	18*	35	17.50	2
G. Brown	9	3	2	16*	30	30.00	2
R. Walker	2	2	0	17	19	9.50	0
M. Schaafsma	3	3	1	8	14	7.00	2
W. Folkard	9	2	1	6*	9	9.00	3
D. McVey	6	2	1	4*	4	4.00	1
C. Pope	1	0	0	ı	-	-	0
A. Pavlov	1	0	0	-	-	-	0
B. Hort	1	0	0	ı	-	-	1



Masters MVP- Clyne Fernandes

#### **BOWLING AVERAGES**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
G. Brown	71.1	11	236	26	2	9.08	5/32
W. Folkard	63	9	219	17	0	12.88	3/18
D. Deller	45.4	7	128	12	0	10.67	3/20

#### **ALSO BOWLED (Less than 10 Wickets)**

Bowler	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	5 in Inn.	Average	Best Bowling
D. McVey	37.5	6	155	9	0	17.22	4/35
J. Sutton	42	6	127	8	0	15.88	2/14
K. Dixon	47.2	8	115	7	0	16.43	2/13
N. Howlett	10.4	0	62	4	0	15.50	2/16
R. Egerton	17	3	65	3	0	21.67	2/10
S. O'Reilly	3	0	13	2	0	6.50	1/1
D. Latto	1	0	5	1	0	5.00	1/5
C. Fernandes	1	0	10	1	0	10.00	1/10
S. Burchett	3	0	11	0	0	-	0/2
A. Mahoney	2	0	9	0	0	-	0/9

#### **BEST PERFORMANCES**

Batting AverageC. Fernandes39.33Batting AggregateC. Fernandes236

**Highest Score** C. Fernandes 44\* vs Doyalson

Bowling AverageG. Brown9.08Bowling AggregateG. Brown26

**Most Wickets in an Innings** G. Brown 5/32 vs Lindfield Legends

G. Brown 5/50 vs Kenthurst

Wicket Keeping C. Fernandes 18 catches/ 5 stumpings

Highest Team Score 3/221 vs Burwood Briars Lowest Team Score 142 vs Old Ignatians

#### **RESULTS**

Played 11
Won 10\*
Drawn 1
Tied Lost Position in Competition 1st

\* Includes a forfeit win

TEAM STATISTICS	MACQUARIE	OPPONENTS

 Runs Scored
 1476
 1204

 Wickets Lost
 51
 98

 Average per Wicket
 28.94
 12.29

#### **MASTERS PARTNERSHIPS**

As Masters batsmen are required to retire (not out) at 40 runs, our statistical tool is unable to meaningfully reflect the partnerships for each wicket in this competition.

# CURRENT PLAYER STATISTICS - 40 GAMES MINIMUM (Note: The following statistics are correct to the end of the 2008/09 Season)

		MATCHES	RUNS	AVE.	WICKETS	AVE.	CATCHES	STP.
C.	Anstiss	75	641	15.63	0	1	108	21
T.	Barnes	238	4052	18.25	187	18.34	91	-
D.	Bijlsma	48	848	17.31	3	21.67	7	-
J.	Breden	185	4260	24.62	92	24.08	69	-
G.	Brown	311	5255	27.95	756	15.88	137	-
S.	Burchett	300	6225	21.54	4	48.50	131	2
R.	Cann	120	1705	13.98	69	25.33	56	1
P.	Chew	157	3501	22.16	4	46.75	45	-
P.	Clift	132	1164	12.79	244	21.30	49	-
D.	Couper	75	276	8.90	103	22.54	14	-
D.	Deller	110	1358	23.82	179	18.61	34	-
K.	Dixon	231	2898	21.79	357	17.53	50	-
C.	Edwards	280	4762	23.00	276	24.45	118	-
S.	Fairlie	58	294	10.50	76	18.18	16	-
M.	Fairlie	105	637	11.80	130	21.43	32	-
C.	Fernandes	195	3494	22.99	2	23.00	266	38
W.	Folkard	393	4348	18.19	484	19.86	135	-
Asita	Galappatti	41	699	19.97	93	16.11	13	-
A.	Gissing	69	746	13.56	78	29.41	22	-
D.	Gracie	100	2696	30.64	78	20.03	29	-
K.	Griffiths-Jones	41	1482	41.17	0	-	70	6
Α.	Hale	80	1153	18.30	147	19.04	37	-
T.	Hopkins	114	1231	15.98	206	19.87	33	-
В.	Hort	161	3669	26.58	31	21.87	65	-
N.	Howlett	92	2061	29.44	22	21.18	37	_
М.	Kelly	71	1176	18.38	149	15.21	16	-
D.	Latto	200	3334	17.01	85	27.36	63	-
G.	Lego	289	7074	28.64	2	35.50	131	-
M.	Lloyd	49	1196	27.81	3	19.33	20	-
Α.	Lulka	144	1798	15.11	188	22.26	30	_
Α.	Mahoney	347	7562	21.48	6	17.00	182	5
K.	Mahony	104	2018	19.78	11	23.45	30	-
G.	McFadden	148	2359	20.16	2	18.00	220	27
P.	McInnes	105	1727	19.63	180	19.39	35	-
R.	McIntyre	88	1625	19.82	67	30.10	34	_
D.	McVey	114	1126	14.44	169	14.21	28	-
K.	Milon	48	1380	28.16	0	-	17	_
W.	Montford	100	<b>627</b>	11.83	215	18.14	37	_
T.	Morrow	45	261	9.00	37	35.32	15	_
S.	O'Reilly	281	<b>7929</b>	36.88	52	30.75	133	_
<b>М</b> .	Payne	145	1762	14.32	189	20.82	67	_
<b>S.</b>	Rose	126	3207	24.86	0	-	52	-
S.	Ross	60	1098	17.16	34	29.32	39	-
В.	Rounds	133	<b>2915</b>	19.83	191	21.15	64	-
<b>в.</b> Р.	Saliba	154	3729	24.37	12	27.33	63	_
C.		103	<b>2032</b>	20.12	4	61.75	45	-
<u>С.</u> М.	Savage Schaafsma	196	3774	19.35	3	35.00	<b>43</b> 62	-
		41			50			-
<b>D</b> .	Schiller	107	<b>540</b>	15.88		20.92	22	-
A.	Singh		416	8.66	189	19.66	19	-
D.	Smith	161	1829	17.76	209	17.53	37	-

		MATCHES	RUNS	AVE.	WICKETS	AVE.	CATCHES	STP.
J.	Sutton	91	1900	22.09	99	17.57	48	-
J.	Tabrett	89	670	13.67	158	18.53	30	-
A.	Tosolini	70	952	15.61	64	19.27	49	1
W.	Travers	184	2520	17.38	275	23.29	96	-
R.	Walker	46	985	21.89	0	ı	12	3
D.	Webb	223	4120	24.81	491	15.71	86	-

# MUCC CRICKET CLUB HISTORICAL STATISTICS

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The Cricket Club is currently undertaking a major project to place the entire clubs historical statistics into the ResultsVault on-line database. As this project is on-going, it was decided by the Committee not to include historical statistics in this Annual Report (other than those for current players (40 game minimum) listed above).

Manually updating the historical statistics is a time consuming effort, and this Project will make the job of compiling future Annual Reports a much simpler process, as well as ensuring that individual and club records and performances are documented with 100% accuracy.

It is planned that this Project will be completed in time for the release of the 2008/09 Annual Report.

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