

North Shore Cricket Club Inc.



146th Annual Report & Notice Of Meeting



NORTH SHORE CRICKET CLUB INC
Devonport Domain, Cambridge Terrace,
Devonport, Auckland, New Zealand.



NOTICE OF 146th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the 146th Annual General Meeting of the North Shore Cricket Club (Incorporated) will be held at the C.C.Dacre Pavilion, Cambridge Terrace, Devonport, Thursday 26 August 2010 at 7-30pm.

BUSINESS

1. Apologies
2. Condolences
3. Confirmation of minutes
4. To receive and consider annual report and financial statements
5. Report Auckland Cricket Association Board
6. Election of Officers
7. Nomination of R Brittenden as Life Member
8. General Business

By Order of the Executive Board

JEFF CHAPMAN

CHAIRMAN

9 August 2010

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A Good Shore Boy

Richard Jones.

North Shore, Auckland, New Zealand



On a sunny February Saturday on Devonport Domain, around 4pm, the bar in the C.C. Dacre Pavilion strangely emptied out. Patrons gathered outside to observe something special that was occurring on the number one wicket. At the same time, all the other three games on the domain stopped and players silently turned and stood to watch the batsman at the crease. An eerie silence fell around the ground. Then, as they watched, the batsman at the crease stroked another elegant, effortless cover drive. As the ball raced to the boundary every person around the domain suddenly and spontaneously rose as one to give prolonged tumultuous applause to the batsman, Richard Jones, who, with a hint of a smile, courteously raised his bat in the air. And in the scorer's box, the scorers with their coloured pens bent down over their sheets of paper noted down that he had just passed 200.

Richard went on to score 224 not out that day but to those watching it was more than the fact that he had achieved a remarkable total; it was if the cricketing gods had decided in his last year at the top level to shine down him and celebrate a remarkable man and career.

Richard started his cricket as a junior, like hundreds of others, at North Shore. He always displayed a talent but it was his attitude that impressed, his desire for the game, and willingness to practice, practice and practice.

He moved with success through age group teams and was selected for Auckland. Unfortunately, he was not able to secure a permanent place in the side and like many others, moved to Wellington to further his career. After dominating domestic first class cricket for three seasons his selection to play for New Zealand was seen by many as the start of a long international career but a change in the guard of the Black Cap coaching staff discarded him.

This never stopped Richard playing the game he loved and he eventually returned to North Shore and Auckland cricket, where he captained the Aces to championship victories.

At the beginning of this season, at the age of 35, with a new wife and child and a business to take control of, he said it would be his last year. And he made it a wonderful, spectacular farewell to cricket. In his last game for Auckland he scored 89 and 170 not out, his 19th first class century. His 953 runs for the season in the Plunket Shield demonstrated he was going out while at the top of his game, under his own terms.

Away with the Aces for most of the season he always came home to turn out for North Shore whenever he could where he continued his stellar run of form. Although he played only 12 games for Shore he scored a phenomenal 827 runs at an average of 82.70. His presence in the North Shore teams was immense and almost single-handed helped to pull off some stunning victories for Shore.

Richard will always be a “Shore Boy”. To those that know him even slightly, will always admire him for not only his successes with the bat but for quiet, laid-back, genuine warmth and kindness.

To the children in the Junior ranks, where all those years ago he grew and developed into a wonderful player and a man, he has and always will be a person to aspire to, to emulate and admire.

- Roger Brittenden

Richard Jones Career Statistics:

Provincial and International										
	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	100	50	4s	6s
Tests	1	2	0	23	16	11.50	0	0	1	0
ODIs	5	5	0	168	63	33.60	0	1	14	2
First-class	124	215	12	7254	201	35.73	19	33		
T20	23	22	5	399	75	23.47	0	2	41	9

North Shore										
	Mat	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	100	50	4s	6s
Championship	79	114	19	4182	224*	44.02	9	18	434	37
One Day	55	54	9	1371	103*	30.46	1	7	116	20
T20	21	21	2	568	61*	29.89		1	57	11
Total	155	189	30	6121	224*	38.49	10	26	607	68

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Front Cover : Richard Jones acknowledging his North Shore fans

MISSION STATEMENT

*To provide aspiring cricketers;
the resources they need to progress to the next level;*

*To provide recreational cricketers;
the facilities to enjoy the game;*

*To provide children;
the opportunity to learn cricket skills in a safe
and enjoyable environment;*

*To provide the wider community;
a social atmosphere in which to enjoy the game;*

All within a family atmosphere;

At an affordable price.

"THE SHORE WAY"

Down through the 144 year history of North Shore an attitude has evolved, an approach to the way we play the game, that distinguishes North Shore from all others, that is called "The Shore Way":

*At North Shore we don't just simply play cricket, we simply play to win.
We never accept the concept of losing and never wave the white flag.
We never sit back and wait for things to happen,
we go out and make things happen by taking the attack to the opposition
and being prepared to take calculated risks to force an advantage
- even if losing is a possibility.*

*It is about putting pressure on batsmen,
maintaining that pressure to force a breakthrough,
then finishing it off.*

*It is about having self-belief as a team to chase down any score,
regardless of the time or number of overs available.*

*It's about taking personal responsibility, preparing hard and trusting your ability.
It's about trusting your team-mates to do the same and celebrating their successes
to motivate and inspire even greater achievements.*

*It's about an unashamed pride in The North Shore Club, its history, its success
and the people that have gone before - and the desire to leave your mark
and make a difference for those that are to follow.*

It's all about being Positive having Pride and Passion.

That is "The Shore Way"

OFFICE BEARERS

PATRON

B.W. Sinclair.

PRESIDENT

K.A. Robinson

LIFE MEMBERS

D. Ashby. B. Brentnall. R.A. Kelly. P.J. Langton. J. Little. C.T. Maingay. K.J. Miller.
P.D. Mitchell. R. Parlane. G.A. Richards MBE. K.A. Robinson.
K. Wallace. A. Wynyard.

VICE PRESIDENTS

D. Arblaster. R. Arblaster. W. Atkins. S. Bennett. K. Burnett. R. Craig. W. Crump.
P. Finnegan. N. Grantham. J. Gore. H. Howarth. C. Howden. Dr. K. Ireland OBE.
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E. Prentice. D. Scivier. C. Sligo. N. Smith. P. Stafford-Bush. A. Taylor. K. Wapp.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

J. Chapman, Chairman. K. Miller, Treasurer. C. McGuigan. M. Smith. N. Scott.
J. Stuart. K. Robinson. J. Brook, Junior Committee Rep Representative.

AUDITOR & HON. LEGAL ADVISOR

W. More.

I. Hutcheson.

JUNIOR COMMITTEE

J. Brook, Chairman. M. Christian. M. Gore. G. McGregor. G. McKenzie. M. Gleeson.
R. Lewis. M. Ross. G. Symes.

DEVELOPMENT MANAGER

R. Brittenden

DIRECTOR OF COACHING

B. Warner

PREMIER TEAM COACH

P. Cole

ADMINISTRATION

M. Chapman

AUCKLAND ACES

Richard Jones. Pieter Erasmus.

AUCKLAND UNDER 17

Charles Elton

NORTH HARBOUR UNDER 17

A Teams: Charles Elton. Tim Duncraft. Matt Lewis. Lewis Goodwin. Troy Wood.
Matt Brokenshire. Mike Olsen. Marty Guy. Manaia Harris.
B Teams: Tom Dobier, Harry Lissington, Ryan Thompson.

NORTH HARBOUR UNDER 15

Sam Pierce

NORTH HARBOUR UNDER 14

Max Lewis. Steven Newey.

GIRL'S REPRESENTATIVES:

Megan Oliver. Mikara Hendry, Emma Ross.

NORTH HARBOUR Y6 REPRESENTATIVES:

Angus McKenzie. Ashton Howard. Mitch Watts. Gray Hardy. Toby Robb.
Mitchell Bremner. Will Cole. Jack Collison.

NORTH HARBOUR Y7 REPS:

Sam Hinds. Donald Coleman. Max Lewis. Steven Newey. Luke Dewar.
Jake Skellern. Matt Strain

NORTH HARBOUR Y8 REPRESENTATIVES: -

Harry Wilson. Hamish Rose. Michael Gleeson. Connor Faulkner.
Bailey Payne. Micky Suchdev.

SENIOR MEN'S AWARDS

KNOX CUP

Most Runs One-Day Grades
Murray Brown

REDMOND CUP

Most Wickets One-Day Grades
M Furjes

EMERGING PLAYERS X1

Batting Trophy
J Watson

EMERGING PLAYERS X1

Bowling Trophy
T Kennedy

3rd XI BATTING TROPHY

Mac Chapman

3rd XI BOWLING TROPHY

Tim Roxborough

2nd X1 BATTING

Hamish Grant

2nd X1 BOWLING

A Reeder

DON COLEMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY

First Century Of Season
Dale Cowan

VERCOE CUP

Most Wickets For Premier Team
Pieter Erasmus

EILEEN HENDERSON MEMORIAL

Most Wickets In Premier or Second Grade
Pieter Erasmus

MR PICKWICK OF HIGHBURY TROPHY

Best All Round Fieldsman In Premier Team
Ollie Allen

DR BENNETT MEMORIAL TROPHY

best all-rounder
Hamish Baker

WINTERBOTHAM CUP
Most Improved Senior Grades
Graham Donovan

DACRE CUP
The most promising player:
Michael Stevenson

IAN MUNRO MEMORIAL TROPHY
volunteer of the year
Peter Robb

VERDUN SCOTT MEMORIAL TROPHY
For Sportsmanship
John Penhale

MAJOR JACKA CUP
Sportsmanship & Loyalty To Club & Team.
Gordon Robinson

HARRY PITTS MEMORIAL CUP
Highest Score In The Season
Richard Jones

KNOX CUP
Most Runs For Premier Team
Richard Jones

B.P.SOMERVILE TROPHY
North Shore Cricketer Of The Year
Tim Roxborough

JUNIOR AWARDS

LITTLE LEAGUE SHIELD
Most Promising Little League Player
Angus MacKenzie

RENNIE COX CUP
Most Promising Year 5 Player
Donald Coleman

ANTIQUARIANS TROPHY
Most Promising Year 6 Player
Michael Gleeson

FRANKLIN CUP
Best All Round Year 7 Player
Morgan Buchanan

NETTLETON MEMORIAL TROPHY

Most Promising Year 8 Player

Tyler Vao

CHAIRMAN'S TROPHY

Maree Gleeson

CLARE NICHOLSON TROPHY

Most Promising Junior Club Girl

Leah Watts

MOST PROMISING LITTLE LEAGUE GIRL

Isabel Kelsey

THE LITTLE LEAGUE CUP FOR FAIR PLAY

Thomas Moore

THE JUNIOR CLUB CUP FOR FAIR PLAY

Mickey Suchdel

CONDOLENCES

Our sincere condolences go to the family and friends of Graham Osbaldiston, who passed away this year.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The North Shore Cricket club wishes to sincerely thank the following who so generously supported the club during the 2009 - 2010 season.

MAJOR SPONSORS:

GILL & GUNDRY
NEW ZEALAND COMMUNITY TRUST

MINOR SPONSORS:

DEVONPORT CAR COMPANY
CRICKET EXPRESS

The North Shore Cricket club also wishes to thank all the following organisations that supported the club during the 2007-2008 season

LOLLIPOPS EDUCARE
LION FOUNDATION
PUB CHARITY
SOUTH AUCKLAND CHARITABLE TRUST
NEW ZEALAND CRICKET INC.
AUCKLAND CRICKET ASSOCIATION
NAUTILUS FOUNDATION
NORTH SHORE CITY COUNCIL
DEVONPORT COMMUNITY BOARD
AON NZ LIMITED
LETHABY LIMITED
RECREATIONAL SERVICES
NICO SMITH
DEVONPORT SIGNS
YARNTONS MENSWEAR
CORPORATE CABS(JOHN LITTLE)

SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP

The North Shore Cricket Club would like to express its sincere appreciation to those special members who gave very generously this year.

GOLD MEMBERSHIP

Brett Garea
Bruce & Karen Yarnton
Campbell & Hazel Newman
Don Fletcher
Pat & Louise Cole
The McGuigan Family

SILVER MEMBERSHIP

Jeff Ryan
Kevin Ireland
Richard Frechtling
Tom Newman
Warwick & Chris Smith

BRONZE MEMBERSHIP

Alastair McDuff
Arch Taylor
Barry Sinclair
Bob Heale
Blair Sheehy
Cam Maingay
Dennis & Karen Jones
Dillwyn Jones
Donald Melville
Geoff Lee
Jamie Stuart
Jim Bailey
Jim Eagles
John & Karen Gore
Keith Saunders
Matt Smith
Paul D Oram
Spy Kelly
The Tankard Family
Warwick Stevenson

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The completion of the 2009/10 season ends my 39th year as a player and administrator at the North Shore Cricket Club. Of these 39 years, I think there have only been five or six where I have not been involved in the administration of the Club. The last 10 years have been as President with approximately 15 years as Chairman prior to that.

So over my time at the Devonport Domain I have been to hundreds of meetings where members have discussed how the club should be administered and what is the best way to support all our players and our non playing members.

Like everything in life there have been massive changes. We have moved from the pure voluntary base of running the club to the now semi professional where we are required to have paid administrators/coaches supporting the club.

That change came about in 2004-2005 and in my annual report following that season I wrote:

"I am sure that over the past 141 years the club has been through many hard times. In my 34 years with the club I can remember issues that needed to be addressed to enable the club to progress. However, the last 12 months must surely have been one of the more turbulent years for the club.

The last Annual General Meeting discussed the pros and cons of the ACA Club is the Hub scheme and whether North Shore cricket should commit to that scheme. The members unanimously voted "yes" and, in my view, it was the only decision if our club was to survive as one of the Principal clubs within Auckland cricket.

Having committed to the Club is the Hub scheme, there was the necessity to revise the way the club was managed and governed. Our constitution was re-written and an Executive Board replaced the Management Committee. It was

pleasing that these changes were accepted and the new constitution approved, again unanimously, at a Special General Meeting in June.

The Club is the Hub framework is now in place. A new constitution is in place. We now look forward to our first full season under the new management structure."

Jeff Chapman wrote in his report as chairman:

"**Club is the Hub.** Members will be aware that in this year, following approval by the membership at the Annual General Meeting in July, the Club entered into the Club is the Hub scheme by appointing Roger Brittenden as Development Manager, after public advertising of the position. In practical terms, Roger did not commence duties as Development Manager until 1st September and as a consequence we did not obtain a full year's funding for the scheme. Roger was, however, employed on an interim hourly basis, before that date to fulfil some of the duties previously performed by the former Secretary-Manager. The benefits of a more professional management are already being realised. A strategic plan for the three years ending 30 April 2008 and a Development (or Business) Plan for the year ending 30 April 2006 have already been prepared in draft form and await approval by the incoming Executive Board to be elected at this meeting.

I am sure that the coming year will see a consolidation of our financial position, the development of new revenue sources and the strengthening of the management structure, all of which will see the Club realising the benefits of the Club is the Hub scheme."

What has now happened as a result of that decision, which I still maintain was the correct decision and the only one that could have been made, has been a high level of expenditure, which when coupled with the worldwide financial melt-down

of the past 24 months, has led to the Club having a cost structure which has been unsustainable for some time. If the Club was to continue on the same path there would have been no North Shore Cricket Club in the near future. And this Executive Board was not going to be responsible for “ending” 146 years of cricket on the Devonport Peninsula.

In his annual report last year the Chairman wrote:

“Financial. The break-even result we have achieved for the year is better than we anticipated when the Executive Board approved the Budget in August of 2008.

Principally this is due to grants from trusts being greater than we estimated. While we have made a small surplus (\$14 after depreciation and \$5077 before depreciation) our cash position has deteriorated principally due to unforeseen capital expenditure (Phase one of an urgent nets upgrade) and the need to fund the non-cash elements of working capital. The Board will be putting in place measures over 2009/10 to restore a healthy cash position by the end of next season.”

In August 2009 the Executive Board considered the Budget for 2009/10. As a result of this it became apparent that, given the level of funding available to the club from all sources(ACA, gaming grants, fund-raising, sponsorships, subscriptions, members donations), the current level of staffing costs could not continue. To enable a solution to this issue the Board appointed a Staffing Restructure Review Committee. This committee consisted of Jeff Chapman (Chairman), Ken Miller (Treasurer), Matt Smith (representing the current players) and myself as president. The recommendations of that committee were as follows:

“Following consideration of these papers and resulting discussion we came to the following conclusions:

1. North Shore must remain a Principal Club and NOT adopt the option of becoming a community club. The reasons for this are:-

- a. The history of the Club dictates that we must not lower our status
- b. We are of the view that the membership at large would not accept a situation where North Shore could not have a team in the Premier competition and that to have a team in the Premier competition we have to be (in terms of ACA bylaws) a Principal Club
- c. Junior players progressing through from the three secondary schools with which we have a relationship - TGS, WBHS and Rosmini - would (if they wanted to be any more than social players) join Takapuna

2. The current level of remuneration costs are unsustainable in the medium term and must be reduced to a level compatible with both our revenue and the minimum costs necessary to qualify as a Principal Club
3. Our interpretation of the ACA bylaws is that, apart from appointing a Premier team coach and complying with the minimum payroll commitment determined by the ACA Board of Directors, there is complete flexibility as to staffing arrangements.
4. The attempt to be community events function centre on a profitable basis has now been trialled for 3 years and has not been a success.
5. The Club should concentrate on what are its objectives and core business - cricket.”

These recommendations were passed by the Executive Board.

Our budget for 2009/10 provided for a breakeven position. However, as can be seen from the very detailed Statement of Financial Position attached to this report,

that did not occur. Our actual result was a \$10k net operating deficit before depreciation.

Together with the fact that one of the recommendations of the review committee was that the "current level of remuneration costs were unsustainable in the medium term and must be reduced to a level compatible with both our revenue and the minimum costs necessary to qualify as a principal club" meant that the expenditure of the club had to be looked at.

You will see from the notes accompanying the financial statement that the club paid out \$139k in personnel costs which is completely unsustainable. As well, the club has had to rely on short term loans from two club members over the past two years to ensure we had the necessary cashflow to be able to pay our personnel wages over the winter months.

A review of all paid personnel job descriptions was undertaken. This coincided with all contracts expiring over this period. One of the results of the review was that it was not financially possible within current revenue streams for the club to renew Roger Brittenden's contract, which expired on 31 July, on the same terms and conditions as previously. Roger made submissions to the Committee as to how his job description could be amended and a proposal along those lines was put before Roger which would retain his services in the Club under a new contract from 1 August 2010.

However, Roger advised the Board that he did not wish to pursue the proposed contract.

Roger has been a valuable contributor to the Club in both voluntary and paid roles over a number of years. However, there is no way the Executive Board could continue to justify the expenditure of his position when compared with the revenue generated by it. Like many businesses and families around the world the North Shore Cricket Club had to cut its cloth accordingly to ensure it survived to continue to promote cricket on the Devonport Peninsula.

Many of the roles previously undertaken by Roger as they relate to cricket operations will now be undertaken by Bruce Warner in his new role as Club Cricket Manager. We are currently looking at how other duties will be carried out.

Our draft budget for 2010/11 shows a \$10k profit and the Executive Board will be doing everything in its power to ensure the financial haemorrhaging of the past two years is over.

We have a few more cold wet months to get through but then I look forward to seeing you all back at the Domain as we steer the club onto a sound financial footing as we approach our 150th celebrations in a few seasons time.

Kevin Robinson
President

THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

As far as results are concerned, 2009-10 has been one of our more disappointing seasons.

In a season that promised much as it progressed, our final standings in most grades were lower than our initial expectations. From my perspective it is difficult to put a finger on why this was so. The spirit of our players was good, we had put in some hard graft and we believed our support systems were of a high quality. However, that was not to

be. Comment on our individual teams follows:-

The Premiers. A case of so near and yet so far. Two games out from the end of the 2-Day competition we were on top. However, circumstances beyond our control mitigated against us and our final standing of 5th really did not reflect the quality of our performances. We were actually much better than this. Once again the team was well coached by Pat Cole and well led by Craig McGuigan.

The presence of our two provincial representatives (Richard Jones (Auckland) and James Fuller (Otago)) helped us in individual games when they were available to play for us. An encouraging sign this year has been the growing maturity of our younger players. They have stepped up to the mark.

Premier Reserve. A season of mixed performances and work needs to be done in 2010-11 to improve the development, spirit and performance of this team. Andrew Reeder as captain and Danny Todd as coach have resolutely led this team despite the inevitable difficulties of losing players to the Premiers and not always having that talent replaced when facing vital matches.

3rd XI (Senior B1). This team did not always reach its expectations that the quality of its talent and its week-to-week performance suggested could be achieved. Despite winning outright against the top team in the competition they ended up 4th overall, which again does not reflect their real talent. As in previous seasons, they were ably led by Tim Swager.

4th XI (Senior B2). Once again captain Nigel Griffiths has done a sterling job in difficult circumstances. This team will always struggle as it is the entry team for new two-day players and inevitably, when these players show talent, the Club promotes them out of this grade. However, it is important that this team be retained as the number of players coming through the Juniors into secondary school cricket shows increasing talent and the Club must be able to have a vehicle for their rapid absorption into club cricket as they leave school.

1-Day Teams. We fielded four teams in these grades. 1B captained by Mike Furjes (who came 4th), 4C (the Gunners – who came 7th) captained by Kynan Watt, 5A Torpedoes captained by Brendon Pickerill, and the Presidents who came 4th. All four teams had a good spirit,

worked hard and did their best to show what North Shore is made of.

Women's Cricket. The North Shore team came 2nd in the Future Hearts Under 14 A grade. Well done girls.

T20 Sunday League. We fielded three teams in these grades 1A. North Shore North Head captained by Geoff Smart, 2B North Shore Cheltenham captained by Hamish Turley who won the Championship equal with Cornwall and North Shore Kodiak Bears captained by Darren Craddock who won the Bowl competition. These grades have proved immensely popular. The captains have all worked hard to ensure they fielded teams each week and that those teams performed to the best of their abilities.

Support Structures. When as Chairman one sees a disappointing season like this one, reflection needs to be made on the support systems we are providing, particularly to our 2-Day teams. As a matter of urgency during the winter we are looking at all our support systems – coaching, captaincy, management, practice facilities etc. to see what we can do to improve both the support systems themselves and indirectly the team performances.

Twilight Cricket. An outstanding success this season has been the evening session on Wednesday of this intra-club competition. Wednesday nights have been great nights on the Domain and in the Club. While the standard of cricket has not been of the level expected at Lords or the MCG, everybody has had a whale of a time. Our thanks go to Peter Robb for his work in putting this successful programme together.

Secondary School Cricket. The Club continues to support cricket at Takapuna Grammar School and to maintain liaison with North Shore players at Westlake Boys High School and Rosmini College. The 1st XI at TGS has been bolstered this year with the appointment of Dean Flyger

as coach and this has been reflected in a better performance in Term 1. The Premier Colts team at TGS is showing some depth of talent and we are hoping for this to eventually be reflected in the overall performance of the 1st XI in future seasons. Our thanks go to Mike Duncraft and his TGS Cricket Committee for the dedication and hard work they put in to improve cricket at the school.

Fund Raising. Once again Barry Sinclair and Jamie Stuart did a fantastic job in promoting and organising the Summer Lunch. This year's event, with guest speaker Dermot Reeve was the biggest and best we have had. Over \$14000 was raised from this event.

ACA Premier Competition. This competition was due to be reviewed in 2010 and ACA have now done this. As a result the T20 competition has been shifted to January 2011 to be run in the early evening during the week on a regional basis with Auckland wide play-offs and the 1-Day competition will be run in a similar format as at present. With regard to the 2-Day competition, the ACA Board had to make decisions based on the fact that all 14 principal clubs would now be entering teams into the Premier competition. As a result it has been determined that the 2-Day Premier competition will comprise a Major Championship of eight teams (Cornwall, Howick-Pakuranga, North Shore, Papatoetoe, Takapuna, East Coast Bays and Eden-Roskill) and a Minor Championship (Grafton, Parnell, Waitakere, University, Ellerslie, Birkenhead) with promotion/relegation at the end of each season.

Juniors. A remarkable growth rate of 11% in Junior numbers. With increased numbers, of course, come increased headaches. But what a good position to be in. Well done to John Brook and his team. The Junior World Series was again a triumph. The TV One weatherman Tamati Coffey at Devonport Domain -

who would have thought it? Ross Parlane had a hand in this. Well done Roscoe.

Finance. The financial results for this year are disappointing. To some extent, as forecast in my report for last year, this is a result of an on-going cost structure which is not sustainable in the long term. In his report the President has indicated the detail of this and the steps that the Board is taking to deal with this situation.

Our budget this year provided for a break-even (i.e. our revenues would just cover our expenditures while we considered the steps necessary to recover a healthy financial position in 2010/11 and beyond). Unfortunately, our actual result has come in with a net operating deficit of \$10,000 before depreciation. This is largely due to three factors - a substantial drop in revenue available from gaming trusts (a factor being experienced by all sports clubs), the decision, in view of the recession and its probable impact on Devonport families, not to increase Junior enrolment fees despite increasing costs of running Junior cricket and the much higher than expected costs in running 2-Day cricket due to match ball and associated costs. These factors, in addition to the medium term strain on our finances referred to in the President's report, have made this a difficult year for the Club finances.

I can assure members that the Board takes the financial position of the club very seriously and has already commenced a proactive programme to increase revenue and reduce costs in the 2011/12 financial year.

Our Sponsors. These are in three categories - commercial, members and half way house.

Commercial - this year we said goodbye to Champs Sports as our preferred supplier of cricket gear and entered into a new and positive relationship with Cricket Express, helped by their

emergence on the Shore. ENZA, NZ Community Trust and Lollipops continued to provide much needed support to the Junior World Series. Devonport Cars has provided us with a club car, which we have now purchased at a favourable rate.

Members - members have continued to respond generously to the annual letter from the President for financial support. We greatly appreciate this.

Half Way House - Simon Gundry has continued his support to the Club in a variety of ways but this year substantially increased his sponsorship of the Club. We call him a half way house because, although some of the funding comes through a commercial arrangement, Simon, we know is supporting us as a friend. We greatly appreciate this as we do the reciprocal nature of our general relationship with the North Shore Rugby Club.

Appreciation. This year in thanking the Executive Board members for their support during the year I must give special mention to two who have retired during the year and will need to be replaced at the AGM - Norm Scott (who has moved to new business interests in Australia) and Matt Smith (who has gone away for a bit of legal OE). Both these people have contributed immensely to the ongoing administration of the Club as also have the others - our President, Kevin Robinson, our Treasurer, Ken Miller. John Brook, Craig McGuigan and Jamie Stuart.

I acknowledge the efforts made by all our paid staff to contribute to the ongoing operations and development of the Club (Our coaches Pat and Bruce, the clubroom staff Roger and Di, also Roger for his weekly newsletter and general keeping every one up to date with happenings and our statistician and database manager Mac). Often their work is

unseen and behind the scenes but nevertheless important.

This year marks the end of the Devonport Community Board as a result of the Government's reorganisation of Auckland local government. The Board has been very supportive of sports clubs in general and the Cricket Club in particular. I would particularly like to record my appreciation of the help and assistance that Mike Cohen (as Chair), Dianne Hale (as a sympathetic councillor) and of course Roger Brittenden (keeping the interests of North Shore Cricket to the fore) have given over the last few years. We do not know what the composition of the new local board will look like nor what its powers and functions will be so, as the date for the elections approaches, the Club will need to be vigilante in attempting to ensure that the new Takapuna-Devonport Local Board sees things our way.

Once again Karen McKenzie and Jackie Trounson have been excellent caterers and produced an ambience at the Club on Saturdays that is hard to beat. Thank you ladies.

The Junior Committee and the JWS Committee - what can I say - always a success story thank you. Special mention this year of Maree Gleeson who is leaving the Committee because she is no longer a junior parent. She has been a strong performer for the juniors and we will miss her. Thank you Maree.

Finally, but by no means least, the team captains. Without you the season would not work. Thanks Guys.

While features of this year's report are not as positive and uplifting as we all would like I remain confident that we will go from strength to strength in all aspects of Club life in 2010-11.

Jeff Chapman
Chairman

DIRECTOR OF COACHING REPORT.

RICHARD JONES: First mention is Richard Jones, and his retirement from 1st class cricket. Not many players achieve 19 first class centuries. Jonesy has always been a great 'club' man, and a tough, respected first class player. Normally good players are one or the other, but he has always been both. After being strangely dropped from Auckland during the season, there wasn't the slightest moan, or indication from him of any anger or disgust whatsoever. Instead, there was a remarkable run-fest for NSCC, and then Auckland, the proved a point about just how wrong his omission was. (Take note all players, do your talking in the scorebook). Jonesy's smorgasbord of runs culminated with 170* in his last 1st class innings. Talk about leaving on a high. From experience, no other player since Martin Snedden has had the ability to 'boost' the Premiers when he turns out for them, with his presence alone. Congratulations Richard from all at NSCC on a magnificent 1st class career.

COACHES AND VOLUNTEERS: Thanks to my young team of coaches for their hard and consistent work coaching our junior ranks. There are eight TGS teams, 14 junior hardball teams, and 24 little league teams. We are stretched for facilities and resources and limited with funds. Our challenge is to continue to maintain and grow our numbers, in what is in reality a tiny catchment area. We do well to maintain our numbers of just under 400 juniors. Special thanks to the parents that voluntarily coached teams. For all sorts of reasons you are a huge bonus to the club.

PREMIER TEAM: Pat and Craig will cover this thoroughly. I'd like to just say that the club is delighted with the work both of them do organising and leading the side. Two consecutive years now we have been in a position where a big win

in the last game would have got us the Hedley Howarth trophy.

OTHER TEAMS: Reserves; you need to deliver in the new season. The Premiers need you to dominate, score runs (team and individual), and knock sides over. You must put real pressure on the players in the Premiers. Reserves only hit it's straps when it didn't matter, or when Stewart, MacDuff, and Josh TJ made guest appearances. Occupy the crease and hammer the channel. Danny Todd has been a fascinating addition to the side in his role as coach. Toddy has varied and interesting ideas of coaching and I welcome them. In his day he was a magnificent attacking batsman and knew how to score Premier hundreds. Make sure you feed off this experience. I am glad that T20 cricket is less prominent this coming season and I expect 50 over play to enable a more orthodox (and hopefully better) start to your season this time.

B1s; another solid/reasonable season. This team plays fun, attacking cricket, and is largely successful. Sorely missed next season will be Tim Roxborough, a true B1 stalwart. In addition to great late inswingers, Tim delivers the funniest one-liners and running commentaries (whilst in the field) you will ever hear! A great character, enjoy your travels.

B2s; whilst no powerhouse of huge talent, a great little nucleus of keen players comprise this team, our 4th 2-day grade team. Thanks to captain Nigel Griffiths ensuring everyone gets a fair go, this team also serves the good purpose of grooming good school leavers for higher grades.

One-Day 1b, 4c, 5a, Presidents; Our four one-day grades all performed with distinction and passion. My thanks to the respective captains Mike Furjes, Kynan Watt, Brendon Pickerill, Dave Ashby, for their efforts. I hope you had enjoyable seasons.

T20 Cheltenham, North Head, Kodiaks; to our T20 Sunday teams and their

captains (Hamish Turley, Geoff Smart, Darren Craddock), thanks for your efforts, thanks for collecting player subs so well. Hope you enjoyed yourselves, and we hope to see you back in November. Cheltenham won their championship (tied with Cornwall) and Kodiaks won their bowl section.

TGS: Eight teams now play at the school, including two Girls XIs. Dean Flyger was recently appointed as coach of the 1st XI, and under him the team seems to have found a new rejuvenation. The team has had a very successful first half season. A number of very good future NSCC players make up the side. My thanks to Mark Cummings and Paul Heron for their solid voluntary efforts with the Premier Colt boy's team. I would have to say that the school in general is not 'behind' cricket, in funding or support, anywhere near as much as I would like. That said, a great little committee (parents Mike Duncraft, Ken Olsen, Bill Lissington, in particular) put in a terrific effort to keep cricket functioning well at the school. Representing the school, sports co-ordinator Nathan Jackson is worth his weight in gold. A development XI tours Queensland in late September.

BUSINESS HOUSE CRICKET: This season saw business house play erupt at the domain Wednesdays at 6pm. Six teams pre-Christmas and eight teams post-Christmas competed in a round robin competition brilliantly organised and run by ex-player Peter Robb. This has been great for the local community and has been an excellent vehicle for local businessmen, junior parents, and not-so-serious cricket lovers, to have a friendly run around after work... and a pint or three after. Peter, I hope it keeps happening.

SUBS: Thanks to all players for paying so well this season. Please continue to understand that the club is not a bank and our bills cannot be deferred. The club finds it very hard to make ends meet

and your efforts are appreciated. Well done to the 1-Day and T20 grades for paying so well too. Only one team (T20) did a runner on us without paying a cent and have ignored requests to return their gearbag. Nice one. Still, 11 great teams, one shocker.

HOW TO BE A GOOD CLUB MAN:

1. Be fully committed to your cricket, available for pretty much everything, help the club out when you have the chance (like the net run-up matting working bee last year... your efforts probably saved the club thousands of dollars).
2. Support the kitchen and bar. I am often disappointed at how many players don't buy lunch at the club. We are required by ACA to provide lunches in order to comply with 'Club is the Hub' demands. The ladies in the kitchen don't make much, believe me. Please do the decent thing and support them. Likewise, the bar. We want you to play, socialise, and integrate with others as much as you can. Personally I could NEVER just leave the ground after play (still not sure if that's a good thing or a bad thing). Please be a socialiser. It is a nice place to have a beer or four, and bar-takings are such an important part of the club's income.
3. Let the scorebook do your talking. See the Jones paragraph at the start of this report. If you have any issues or suggestions, please make them constructively to me. I am ALWAYS interested in your ideas of 'what might work better', no matter what they are. Otherwise, keep quiet, support everyone around you (captain, coach, team mates) and get on with being the best you can.
4. Greater team integration. I've touched on this in point 2. The new season will see more integration at practice, of different grades. Make the effort to ask someone you don't know 'how'd you get on today', every Saturday night.

ROGER BRITTENDEN: It is with great sadness that Roger Brittenden leaves his role at the club. This is a result of cost reductions that the club has been forced to make. Roger has been a part of North Shore Cricket since 1985, firstly as a player, then as a committee member, then as Chairman, then Club Manager. The hours that Roger has put in over the last 25 years are astronomical. The passion for Shore that Roger has shown in that time has been wonderful. No one is more responsible for the 'look' and 'welcoming feel' of the club than Roger. In 1985 the clubhouse was just a small, basic, room. Locked up like a fortress over the winter months. The steady transformation into the warm and cozy 'family-friendly' cricket environment that the club is now is due in massive part to the influence, hard work, ideas, and vision of Roger Brittenden. Personally, it has been a pleasure to work alongside him for the last six years and I hope Roger maintains a strong bond with the club and perhaps even gets heavily involved again sometime in the future. Thank you Roger

for your sensational input over the last quarter of a century.

CLOSURE: Thanks to the senior captains... Craig, Andrew, Tim, Griff, Furj, Brendon, Kynan, Dave, Geoff, Darren, Hamish. Keep up your fine efforts. We are extremely lucky to have a cricket-mad groundsman, Nico... even though he plays for Parnell! Jeff Chapman leads a terrific senior board, John Brook leads a magnificent junior committee. Maree Gleeson you've been a great contributor for the junior club and the JWS for years! Well done, we'll miss you. I'll organise a statue once we can afford it.

Please remember the immortal words of that great medium pacer from Washington DC, John Kennedy... "ask not what your club can do for you, but what you can do for your club".

Bruce Warner
Cricket Development Manager

DEVELOPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

This, sadly, will be my last report as your Cricket Club Development Manager. I leave with some disappointment and regret, a vision and a dream unfulfilled. However, I do look back on many of the changes that brighten my memory. Helping get Junior Cricket to return Devonport Domain was a one major change. To now sit and watch the little ones having the time of their lives running around on Saturday mornings has provided me with enormous fun and a pleasure. However, the return also highlighted the yawning gap between the junior club and the senior and initially many parents would wonder what the green building was in the corner of the domain. Bringing the two clubs together into a seamless organisation was a major achievement. But more importantly, the changes made that welcomed both the children and parents inside the club. For many it was seen as "blokey" and very uninviting. The changes made over the last few years have seen that dramatically reversed. It has been rewarding to see women now happily enter the bar and treat the place as their own. It was important because it wasn't too many years ago when 80% of the bar turnover came from players, but social and attitudinal changes has seen a decline in their patronage. To change from being strictly a cricket club to a cricket club with a community focus was another step forward. People from all over Devonport now come to enjoy the sun and cricket on Devonport Domain and enjoy the club facilities on a Saturday afternoon. The result being it is the community that now contributes 80% of the bar turnover. The turnover across the bar, in the last five years, has increase by 60%.

The rebuilding of the historic steps, the new paths, the building of the rock wall, picket gate, the outdoor furniture and the interior décor all helped make our pavilion an attractive place to visit and the envy of every cricket club in Auckland.

Researching the lost history of Devonport Domain and the club and teaching the kids the importance to remember the rich, colourful and proud record of the club who they play for was enriching. The big function to name the pavilion to honour one of our (and Devonport's) greatest sporting sons, Ces Dacre, was like putting a stake in the ground at Devonport Domain that will be there forever.

In a commercial sense, redesigning the three scimitars and rebranding the club, the redesigning of the shirts, tracksuits and caps, so everyone wore the same was pleasing. I had huge fun preparing the 120 or so weekly newsletters and knowing they were enjoyed. Again, they were the envy of every other cricket club. The same could be said for the website.

Continually harassing the council and contractors (they never knew if I was wearing my cricket cap or my community board cap - which was a help!) to improve the playing surfaces and the picturesque ambience of the domain.

Then there are all those I need to thank.

The players. Cricket, it is said, breeds good citizens and I have always had an admiration for the players at all levels of the game, not only for their skills but because they are good people. It has been an enjoyable experience to be able to call them my friends, to always be there for them, to offer positive support. In this I include both Bruce Warner and Pat Cole and the others who contribute to this great game of life.

The girls. Di Yorke behind the bar and Karen McKenzie and Jacqui Trounsen in the kitchen changed the face of the pavilion. I called it the "feminisation" of the club. Their bright, warm, welcoming personalities bought a new level of service, fun, laughter and friendship. Their contribution to the changing face of the club cannot be underestimated.

The parents and wide range of social members, many of whom have become good friends. And I thank the 100 or so who wrote to thank me when my leaving was announced. It was humbling to receive your messages.

A special tribute to our Patron, Barry Sinclair, a good friend and mentor.

I know I have probably missed many who I deserve to thank so I hope you will accept my apologies.

But at the end of the day, for me, it was all about the kids. Watching them (and in a small way helping them) grow into fine young men and women has been for me the most rewarding aspect of my life at North Shore Cricket. And always will be. Because that is what it was really all about.

To each and everyone, I sincerely thank you for giving me a most fulfilling experience of my life and I wish you well.

Roger Brittenden

PREMIER COACHING REPORT.

What a roller coaster of a season!

I vividly recall Suburbs New Lynn being presented with the Hedley Howarth trophy at the end of the 2008/2009 season. Whilst we all accepted they were the deserving champions, it was tough to

watch the presentation at our ground in front of our pavilion and our supporters.

I promised myself that day that I would do all I could to change that outcome the following year. However, there I was again, on the last day of this season, having started the day with a chance to

win the premiership, standing with the Premier team watching Takapuna being awarded the trophy.

Every four years a Rugby World Cup comes around and reminds us New Zealander's just how painful it is to watch someone else win the trophy that is the focus of our desire. And that in a nutshell is sport; there are winners and there are losers and you just have to accept that.

Aces coach, Paul Strang, uses a great phrase "you are either winning or you are learning". The key thing that I have learnt from these experiences is that winning is an outcome. The most important thing in sport is that if you have a really good time playing the game (i.e. focussing on the now) then the outcome will look after itself.

If you look at the past season in that context, it was another very successful one for North Shore Premiers. It certainly was not without challenges, and some tough times, but the unique team spirit that we have built within the unit lifted us back up every time.

The season started with a rain affected T20 competition. Again our pre-season work shone through and we only missed making our second consecutive final on run rate.

Our One-day campaign was a shambles and we did not win a game in November or December. We had significant numbers of senior players unavailable in that time and it showed in our results. As hard as our backup players tried Premier Cricket is a tough school. What was evident in that time was our belief in our work ethic and team protocols. We knew we could turn it around.

January and February saw a vastly improved performance as the team rallied around the return of James Fuller from Otago and Richard Jones from the Aces. A thumping outright win against

Takapuna, featuring some genuinely fast bowling by James, was followed by a first innings loss/outright win versus East Coast Bays that was achieved through the best 60 not out that one will ever see from Richard Jones. The ECB victory saw us qualify for the Hedley Howarth championship round for the third year running.

The best days at the 'D' (Devonport Domain) are when the sun is out and the team are doing well. Richard Jones's 229 not out against University Ellerslie was an experience that was a privilege to share as a team. The standing ovation that Richard got when all four games stopped to recognise and applaud his reaching 200 was spine tingling stuff.

A first innings win at Howick-Pakuranga on the back of a Jones 177, followed by another strong performance against Eden Roskill, saw North Shore leading the table with two rounds to play.

We couldn't finish it off. There are reasons for that and we'll continue learning from them. An obvious reason was that our two first class players went back to representative cricket. Club cricket teams need a rock star and the team performance lifts around them. Recent international Paul Hitchcock does this role for Takapuna.

Our two leading players Pieter Erasmus and Terry Crabb had poor years by their standards and collectively the team was not good enough to fill the gaps.

Supporters of North Shore should be confident of our future. We have developed an experienced team of Premier quality players who are ready to deliver consistent performances at the top end of the Premier competition. It's important to me in the coming season that we provide an environment for these players to enjoy their cricket. And as we know with sport, if we do that, one day

we'll be the ones with both hands on the trophy.

I'd like to conclude this report with some thanks.

I enjoy working with Premier Captain Craig McGuigan - he is a good bloke, good cricketer and a committed Shore man.

Nico Smith was a revelation in his first season as grounds man. He consistently produced very high quality decks, which were appreciated by the team as much as his welcoming personality.

Congratulations to our first class players; Richard Jones and Pieter Erasmus for Auckland and James Fuller debuting for Otago.

Ben Wall deserves a massive thank you on behalf of the team for his work as Assistant Coach. Unable to play for the season after a knee operation Ben did a great job supporting the team all year. I look forward to seeing him back on the park next season.

Roger Brittenden's and Di Yorke's friendly welcomes into the C.C. Dacre Pavilion were always appreciated.

And lastly the continued support of Barry Sinclair, Jeff Chapman and the Board is much appreciated by the team.

Pat Cole
Premier Coach

JUNIOR COMMITTEE REPORT

This is my first report as Junior Club Chairman.

The juniors have had a great season all round this year. The weather gods shone on us with no games being cancelled in the little league and North Harbour cancelled only one game all season. This combined with the extensive representative season and Junior World Series has given our players a lot of cricket. And they have excelled this year.

Results. We took the opportunity this year to start with our interclub games early and invited East Coast Bays to co-host a fixture. Our little league teams held their own, but unfortunately ECB got a clean sweep in the hardball. Next up was Grafton at home. We improved on last year's draw to come away with a 4 - 2 win. Following that was Parnell who last year had a clean sweep. But not this year, with a 3 - 2 victory to the Shore. Lastly, we came up against Cornwall who this year had a 4 - 2 victory over us, but generally by not a large margin.

We added to the trophy cabinet this year with our Year 7 Morning team winning their grade. So congratulations to Brett Haeger and his boys for a fine performance.

North Harbour Representation. Primary School Boys U14 tournament: Max Lewis and Steven Newey.

Girl's representatives: Megan Oliver, Mikara Hendry, Emma Ross

Auckland Winter Academy: Megan Oliver, Mikara Hendry, Leah Watts, Ella Walsh

North Harbour Y6 representatives: Angus McKenzie (captained A side a number times), Ashton Howard, Mitch Watts, Gray Hardy, Toby Robb, Mitchell Bremner, Will Cole, and Jack Collison.

North Harbour Y7 reps: Sam Hinds, Donald Coleman, Max Lewis, Steven Newey, Luke Dewar, Jake Skellern, and Matt Strain.

North Harbour Y8 representatives: - who played in primary school boys tournament - Harry Wilson, Hamish Rose, Michael Gleeson, Connor Faulkner, Bailey Payne, and Nicky Suchdev

Membership. As always our numbers are strongest in the Little League with over 200 kids turning up every Saturday to play softball cricket at the Domain. Grant McGregor introduced some under 5 year olds to a reduced version of the game with the help of some keen parents and kids.

This year we trialed the ‘no boundary’ rule, starting first with the Junior Little League. Bruce Warner had seen how successful this had been at clubs over the bridge and wanted us to try it out. After some skepticism it was found to be a great success. The kids played a lot more cricket, having to run everything. There was no sitting down or trudging off to get the ball after a boundary was hit, so fielding and running between wickets was continually tested. The committee then voted to have the Senior Little League play with no boundaries and we also played it at the JWS. There have been a lot of very positive comments and I believe it will pay dividends with our hardball players in the future.

This year we had six Dads put their hands up to coach our hardball teams. I believe this has had a positive return in terms of both team results and team spirit. The Dads have had the advantage of seeing the kids in action on a Saturday so know what training is needed. Also the Dads feel more comfortable with discipline issues at practices so there was no fooling around to put up with.

We trialed a Year 5 ‘Skills Day’ at the Domain pre-season. This was designed to give those new to hardball a taste of what to expect. We had a mixture of coaches and Dads running drills, batting, bowling and fielding practices. Everyone had a great time and there was good feedback on that one too. Bruce also ran some pre-season sessions at the Albany nets.

Our membership drive consists of emails via club hub and the email newsletter ‘From the Boundary’, signage on Lake

Road and Vauxhall Road. Thanks to the McGregor family and the Devonport Community Board for these sites.

Auckland Cricket also made visits to primary schools on the peninsular providing cricket lessons and giveaways to the kids.

Number of Teams

	Girls	LLJ	LL S	Y5	Y6	Y7	Y8	Total
2005-6	1	10	10	4	3	3	2	33
2006-7	1	10	12	4	3	2	2	34
2007-8	1	10	12	5	3	2	2	36
2008-9	1	12	12	5	3	2	2	37
2009-10	1	12	12	5	3	3	2	39

Team numbers continue to grow year on year with an 11% increase in numbers this year, and two extra teams of hardball players.

Playing Facilities. This year has been a struggle with grounds. Stanley Bay artificial was out for half a season with a damaged water main flooding the outfield. The Navy was very helpful in allowing us to use their field at Ngataranga. The Bayswater School grounds were also unusable due to the length of grass in the outfield. Belmont Intermediate was our saviour and our thanks to BIS for continuing support and allowing us to use their grounds for both the JWS and Interclub games.

Unfortunately, a lot of our games are played away from home due to a lack of suitable local pitches.

Devonport Domain was presented in great conditions each week and for the JWS by our friendly groundsman and cricket fanatic, Nico Smith.

Junior World Series. One of my jobs at the club is running the JWS. I have had a tight crew involved in this; Rosco Parlane, Bruce Warner and Maree Gleeson - not to mention the dozens of people who help us run this event.

This year we pulled out all the stops and had Tamiti Coffey, the TV weatherman, beaming life from the Domain. Richard Jones came down to give him a few

cricket lessons live on TV. We had the Cricket Company, who based their whole half hour show down at the domain. Jacob Oram also interviewed people at the Domain, which was fantastic coverage for our sponsors: NZCT, ENZA, Lollipops Educare, Cricket Express and Gill and Gundry. Not to mention a real blast for all the young cricketers down there.

Finance and Fundraising. This year we did not increase subscriptions and yet offered more events. Hence, it would be fair to say, we only just scraped through financially. This situation cannot be sustained. Our fees are too low for our expenses. Without the support of our sponsors we would be deeply in the red. So we will look hard and long at the fees and see what we can offer.

Thanks to Tony Buckingham for his work in securing a successful application to NZCT for a \$10,000 grant. This, along with the JSW and subscriptions, gives us the bulk of our funds.

Coaching

Bruce Warner is a real asset to our club. A hard worker who goes beyond the call of duty in the many tasks he performs. Super organised and able to manage the many curved balls he gets thrown.

I believe Bruce's efforts in getting more Dads to coach hardball - to relive their glory days and pass on some skills at the same time - has been a great success. His introduction of the non-boundaries in the Little League made the game more exciting. And of course he was always available to offer one-to-one sessions to iron out any problems.

Committee. Many thanks to all members

of the committee, especially to those who are leaving. In particular, Maree Gleeson who will be greatly missed in her many roles.

As a junior club we have a constant requirement to replace committee members as children grown up and move on. We have some good systems in place now to help with these tasks, such as enrolments online and club hub for club communications.

Conclusion. I believe after being on the committee for five years I can see we need to continually improve our systems and manage our resources wisely. For our club to be able to offer all levels of cricket and to be able to compete with the best. We need more people, especially ex-players, to put their hands up to help coach our teams. I have my ways of finding these people but would rather they put their hand up first.

Lastly I think that for a kid to become a good cricketer, they have to love the game. Then they will play it all the time, at school, in the backyard, practice their bowling run up while walking to school. Once we have them hooked the rest is easy.

So my challenge to you is to help us get your kids hooked, the payback is your kids will learn some life skills, make some friends and rub shoulders with the right sort of people, all in a friendly environment, in the best part of town. So ask not what your club can do for you, but what you can do for your club.

See you next season.

John Brook
Junior Chairman

PREMIER TEAM REPORT

Captaining the NSCC Premier XI was once again an absolute pleasure and a role I thoroughly enjoy. Coming so close to the championship for the second year

running was extremely disappointing and certainly took the wind out of my sails. However, I look forward to another

season at Devonport Domain for the upcoming summer.

In reflection, the season it was not one of our more memorable for consistent success and performances on the park. It goes to show how, however, you only need a few good weeks and a bit of luck and you will always have a show at coming out on top. We once again struggled through November and December, in many respects due to injuries and student study demands, although this is something not only inflicted upon the NSCC. Performance pre-Christmas is something that seems to reoccur time and time again?

Comparing the squad that started in November against that which finished the season in March is like apples and oranges. I am happy to believe we have a very good group of guys in the senior environment who can perform at the Premier level and the building of a senior squad over the last three years has helped us out a vast amount in comparison the previous years. NSCC Premiers used 17 players this season, all of which are capable at the Premier level and I think the challenge is to make all these players believe they are good enough to establish consistency. By March 2010 the squad had a far greater belief that they could compete and deservedly claim a title. Thinking back to November/December I don't think the same could be said. Pat Cole has challenged us as a group and is largely to thank for beginning to instil this belief - as a group of cricketers I don't think any other club would train harder both individually and collectively. Unfortunately, the results have not reflected this. Maintaining a large squad and valuing the importance of the reserve grades must be once again emphasized and improved on in 2010 - 2011.

NSCC Premiers are not lacking senior players and are, in fact, one of the more senior clubs in this respect. However, the 2009 - 2010 season did lack senior players

performing week in week out. When the senior players fail to deliver consistently it has a similar effect on the younger players. Richard Jones was a shining example of what a senior player can do to the team collectively - in the two games he played post-Christmas he managed to transform the team and turn it in to a winning environment. For 2010 - 2011 to be successful we need the senior players performing as they should and helping the younger players to perform at the Premier level. I would like to think the squad will be largely unchanged for next season. If so, we will have another chance at being one of the top teams in Auckland. From the squad that ended in March there are a number of guys who have played many games at the Premier level and who now have no excuses to be performing on a regular basis.

There is a lack of depth at the club and it is a concern that the Senior Reserves are not as strong as they could be. Rather than a lack of senior players performing, I think it is more a lack of senior players. Andrew Reeder does a great job managing the role of captaincy there, and with another season of experience he will only get better. However, I do think there needs to be a greater cohesion between captain and coach in the reserves - an aspect to put real focus on for 2010 - 2011. Danny Todd has much to offer this team and his enthusiasm throughout the season brought a new light to the senior trainings.

As a club we are in a good place, but we could be in a much better place. The integration between senior teams is still a very hard one to achieve but it is something that is being worked on. No longer do we have as many players climbing through the grades, instead many players enter the club at reserves or even premier level. This creates a large gap between teams socialising and recognising each other. With a bit of thought I hope this can be changed. I also think the club itself needs to be more

proactive in encouraging teams to come down and socialise after matches and make itself more inviting to members, but equally all teams need to appreciate the significance of the club and enjoy what it has to offer. A club is about its players and members, the more the merrier, and a strong club throughout all levels off the park will bring good results on the park.

Finally, many thanks to all of those that make the club tick, it is very much appreciated and I look forward to another bright season down at the D.

Craig McGuigan
Captain

PREMIER RESERVE REPORT

The 2009-2010 season was a disappointing one for the North Shore Premier Reserves.

With run-scoring machines Russ Wakefield and Trevor Brian leaving the club and all-rounders, Nikhil Singh and Michael Stevenson, receiving deserved call-ups to the Premiers, the remaining members of the team were going to have to work hard this season. As usual, we were quite often affected by injuries and availabilities in both our side and the Premiers, so it proved tough to maintain a constant 11 from week-to-week. An early injury to Jake Carter weakened our batting and an injury to Anthony Langton deprived us of last season's best bowler. In light of these setbacks, I am still proud of the way that the team performed on a number of occasions this year.

A rain-affected T/20 competition saw us struggle to one win and two losses. However, the most disappointing facet of the season for us was the One-Day competition. Losing finalists last year, our hopes were high for a successful campaign. Unfortunately, we were unable to win a single game and, more often than not, it was a lack of runs that let us down. Most disappointing were our losses to Waitakere and an average East Coast Bays and Papatoetoe.

We made some improvement on our early season form in the Two-Day competition. We finished the pool stage with two first innings wins (over East Coast Bays and Parnell) and three losses. This left us in fourth place in our pool,

and unfortunately in the Minor Championship.

We left our best cricket until this phase of the season. A first up loss to Cornwall was probably the most disappointing result, given that, at 150 for two chasing 250, we proceeded to give away our last eight wickets and lose on the first innings. In our next game, against Waitakere, an agonising 12-run first innings loss could have been avoided by some better bowling. At one stage we had Waitakere 20 for four, but we let them off the hook and they posted 293. 281 in reply fell just short. The next round saw continued improvement in our batting, and, chasing 357 against Howick-Pakuranga, rain interrupted the match and we were left 240 for six. The last two games finally saw some reward for our improved batting, as we posted over 350 two games in a row against East Coast Bays and Papatoetoe and managed to restrict the opposition both times with the ball to take first innings results.

As said, it was a disappointing season, but the boys hung in there and were rewarded with some results later in the season. Most of us should be disappointed with how we performed in the middle stages, and we will need to improve a lot next year to experience more success. We are a far better side than we showed this season.

On a positive note, three individuals in particular deserve mention. Hamish Grant was given the opportunity early in the season to make the number four spot

his and he worked hard on his batting. As a result, Hamish gained a couple days experience in the Premier side. He could, and should, however have scored many more runs than he did (and he is not the only one), and I have no doubt that he will do so next season, if he can find some spare time, given his fledgling career as a women's advice columnist (for more information please refer to www.kimberleycrossman.com/content/boys-questions-answered). Hamish also served us well as a fill-in wicketkeeper in the absence of Ben Wall.

Campbell Johnstone has improved immensely this year as a bowler and was not rewarded with as many wickets as he deserved. His hard work with his off-spin paid off and, on many occasions, restricted teams who found him hard to put away. I have no doubt that Campbell will be a great asset for us next season.

Finally, Cameron Wallace has begun to fulfill every fast bowler's dream of making it as a batsman. Cameron is currently enjoying the easy life - no longer having to toil away with the new ball after his 95 year old back gave way a couple of seasons back. He has begun to make some vital contributions in the

middle order of late and will no doubt be pushing for an elevation up the order next season. Cam's new hobby of bowling leg spin also came in handy late in the season and he took some fairly horrific wickets and termed himself "the wicket-taking machine".

Individual performances worthy of mention: Alec Cummins 113 v Papatoetoe, Jake Carter 127 v East Coast Bays, Josh Tasman-Jones 116 v Waitakere, James Page 101 v Papatoetoe, Andrew Reeder 11 wickets v Parnell, Hamish Baker nine wickets v East Coast Bays.

Finally, a big thanks to our coach Danny Todd who has put in a lot of time and effort this season.

Thank you also to Pat Cole, Bruce Warner, Roger Brittenden and Craig McGuigan for the time and effort put in by them in towards the running of senior cricket at the club this year.

Enjoy your winter, and lets all look forward to a more rewarding season next summer. See you all then!

Andrew Reeder
Captain

SENIOR B1 GRADE REPORT

On a brisk evening in September 2009, Tim Roxborough and Tim Swager quietly sipped away at their glasses of CC and Pepsi-Max and contemplated the Cricket season that was to come.

The previous year had brought some successes, with the Senior B1 team finishing third in the competition and claiming the One-Day title along the way. However, they could not help but think that the 2009-2010 season would bring with it greater challenges.

On paper, the team's top order batting card had been decimated over the off-season with the retirements of Michael

Gillon, Michael Skellon, Tristan McArley and Matt Wallis. The bowling attack had been left with a gaping hole after the departure of 'The Mighty Cray'. As they enjoyed their drinks on that September night, both Roxborough and Swager were well aware of the murmurs from the team's fans, that heroics from last season simply could not be repeated with the loss of so many key players.

The coming months would soon reveal further devastation as Cam Wallace was called into the Premier Reserve outfit, Sean O'Toole was found to have defected to the infamous One-Day 1B side and the retirement of Stu 'The Journeyman'

Wilkinson left the team without a wicketkeeper. A final blow to the teams pre-season preparation came when it was announced due to the economic downturn, the B1's hard earned lucrative sponsorship deals with giants of the food and beverage industry, Supplement Water and Savour Sandwiches would not be followed up on.

Swagger and Roxborough however, remained confident that another successful season would be had. The classical batting technique of Mac 'Dubai' Chapman would be moved to the top of the batting order while the emergence of up and coming superstar Josh 'Incredible Hulk' Syme would provide a new spearhead to the bowling attack.

On cloudless late October day, a new look B1 side took the field at Bayswater Park for their first match against old foes Howick-Pakuranga. What a day this would turn out to be. North Shore smashed their way to a total of 304 thanks to a massive 104 from Scottish sensation Dale Cowan, 71 from the mountainous John 'Crazyhorse' Deaker, 55 by Tim Roxborough and a golden duck from Aidan 'Big Red' O'Connor after being padded up for two hours in his comeback match. Howick Pakuranga managed only 149 in return, Casey 'Face' Frechtling starring with four wickets. After such an emphatic win team spirits were high and Dale downed Vodka and Cokes and made offensive conversation long into the night, seemingly starting a curious trend of U.K. imports being incapable of drinking beer.

The second match of the season against Suburbs New Lynn brought yet another comprehensive performance, along with the debut of USA international star Graeme Donovan. Despite looking good at the crease, Donovan unfortunately didn't trouble the scorers in his first match at the top level. After showing such good form in the first match, 'Big Red' was promoted to three in the batting order where he anchored the teams

innings guided the team to a total of 204. Former opening bowlers for the emerging players XI, Syme and Frechtling then went about dismantling the opposition batting line up, taking four wickets each, Suburbs all out for 82.

The new look B1 juggernaut rolled on, beating Waitakere by six wickets with 13 overs to spare in game three. The first two-day game however looked set to stop them in their tracks. Playing at the desolate wasteland that is Lloyd Elsmore Park, the game got off to a delicate start when a polite pre-match conversation between Simon 'Exciting' Houghton and an opposition player shaped up as follows:

Howick Pakuranga player: *"So how have you guys been getting on so far?"*

'Exciting': *"Pretty good actually, although the first team we played were so s**t!"*

Howick Pakuranga player: *"Didn't we play you guys first?"*

An awkward silence followed.

North Shore was up against it early on day two of the game at 6/32 chasing 168. Then came a phenomenal 97 run 9th wicket partnership between Chapman (71) and Frechtling (48) guiding the team to an emphatic come from behind victory. Sports journalists flocked from all over Auckland to interview this seemingly unstoppable North Shore B1 outfit and team spokesman Roxborough was recorded as saying *"I always knew we would win the game, I just assumed it would be me that did it"*. This landmark match provided not only a monumental victory but also welcomed back two of B1 crickets favourite heroes: 'The old soup ladle', Michael 'Chief' Thompson, rejoined the side after a stint earning top dollar in the unsanctioned Counties Manukau rebel league. Literally out of the blue, came also the return of Mike 'Prawnstar' Langwell, back from a year spent fishing for prawns of the coast of Northern Australia, where he had a longest stint of 153 days at sea without seeing land.

Such a strong and entertaining start to the season saw the teams' facebook fanclub numbers skyrocket into the thousands. But it was a team-building day spent at the popular tourist destination, Narrow Neck Beach, that would reveal a new number one fan. Reece, a welding apprentice from Whakatane approached the team on the beach and joined them for the day, frequently offering out of place comments about his metal work experience, his favourite metal bands and his famous recipe for a mince pie sandwich made with 20 slices of bread. He even treated the team to a Maori war dance demonstration with a cricket bat in place of a spear. It was comical for a day, but it seemed that after that team members could not show their face around Devonport without Reece showing up.

An odd occurrence that takes place twice each season is the phenomenon of Saturday-Sunday B1 cricket. It just so happens that this phenomenon seems to produce the North Shore B1 worst performances. One dark weekend, was enough to bring the team back down to earth as eight and seven wicket losses were conceded on consecutive days, ruining any chance of North Shore defending its One-Day title. The Sunday match proved particularly devastating, as crowd favourite 'Exciting' Simon Houghton arrived at the ground in the morning proclaiming to the world "*I'm just so happy to be here guys!*" and left in the evening to announce his shock retirement, leaving the team and its fans in dismay.

It seemed that this would be the beginning of a tough mid-season stretch for the B1 side, as they battled to achieve nail-biting final over victories over Grafton and Birkenhead in one-dayers, but conceded two day losses to Suburbs New Lynn, Howick Pakuranga and Grafton. Fans started to question the depth of the B1 squad as injuries took their toll and Swager, a captain struggling for form, was likened by critics to Lee

Germon. There were even talks of a mutiny from within the team as Langwell continually persisted on making captaincy decisions himself. Mike 'Shane Watson' Langwell later jeopardised his captaincy aspirations after he was fined all of his match fee for giving a batsman an excessive send off in the prestigious 'Big Wednesday' business house league.

Tough periods for all great sports teams provide opportunities for new stars to shine. The feeder team for the B1's, the 'Emerging Players XI', began to live up to its name as a number of talented youngsters were catapulted up to the B1 ranks. Young rambunctious fast bowler Charlie McNaughton showed immediate form as he climbed the grades taking seven wickets in his first two outings. Nick 'Scooter' Brokenshire added some technique and solidity the middle order batting along with a very occasional one or two words in the field. Finally Josh 'Mensbrew' Yarnton (nicknamed after his families leading menswear outlet and his own immensely popular homebrew), a hard working off-spinner, joined the side and immediately impressed with his flight and guile and solid batting technique.

A hole had been left in the team by the unexpected early season departure of the young fiery jumbuck Dale Cowan. But just as the fans began to wonder who would fill the hole of the non-beer-drinking UK import, Jimmy Page entered the fray. For someone featuring such an iconic name Page displayed a severe lack of musical taste or talent. He did however provide non-stop entertainment for the team with both his cricketing and social antics. Jimmy, produced three half centuries during this brief stay and a highest score of 82. Top sporting nutritionalists unanimously agreed Jimmy's good form could be attributed to his highly refined sporting diet, consuming a minimum of 1.5 litres of Fanta and one potato-top pie in a typical day of play. Although Jimmy was a confident batsman with a rapid strike

rate, his post match efforts to acquaint himself with the fairer sex could be described as quite the opposite. He took a particular liking to one of his team mates' sisters early in his New Zealand escapade, but unfortunately for Jimmy, no matter how many Peach Vodka Cruisers he offered her, he could not progress the relationship beyond facebook friendship.

It took yet another horrendous Sunday cricketing outing to sunny Te Atatu to reveal a young player who could potentially fill the vast gap in the B1 bowling attack left by the retirement of the mighty 'Crayfish' Crawford. As the B1 brains trust members filled in for the Premier Reserves in what would be one of the least memorable matches of all time, Dan 'Te Puke Thunder' Abricossow caught their eye. 'Te Puke Thunder', a gentle paced left arm opening bowler was immediately drafted into the B1 squad, bringing with him a unique ability to take wickets with full tosses, not to mention immense legions of female fans, something that had been missing on the sidelines since the departure of Nick 'The Fasinator' Halloran two seasons before.

Throughout this tough period of the season the team witnessed some of its finest individual performances. While battling a back injury, superstar Michael 'Chief' Thompson took 17 wickets in only five games, including two five wicket bags. All of Chief's class and experience came to the fore when he was asked to bowl the final over of a one dayer against Birkenhead with only 6 runs to play with. Chief took two wickets in that over and gave away only two runs, sealing victory for North Shore over the previous year's competition winners.

A loss in by far the season's most controversial game against Suburbs New Lynn, also yielded two of the season's greatest innings. After being put in on a green deck on day one, young Callum 'Salty Seadog' Chapman scored 78* following his promotion from nine to

three in the batting order. Even older brother Mac had to concede it was a classy innings. The second innings however left Callum's efforts upstaged, as the usually calm and patient Aidan 'Big Red' O'Connor inexplicably opened fire. 'Red' whose season strike rate was previously in the region of 32.1 blasted 102 off 65 balls. It will forever go down as one of the greatest innings of all time and displayed hitting reminiscent of B1 legends Craig Borley, Michael Skellon and Michael Gillon. O'Conner hit 6 sixes and 11 fours, a total of 90 runs in boundaries. When the hoard of sports journalists ambushed him to ask just what had gotten into him that day, 'Big Red' famously replied "*It was just my areas.*"

A stand out performer over the course of the season was Mac 'Dubai' Chapman. In previous seasons, Chapman was a lower order batsman and leg-spin bowler, but along with the complete reform of the B1 team came a complete remodelling of Chapman's game. With his move to the top of the order Chapman became by far and away the teams leading run scorer and provided consistency that had been missing in B1 openers for many seasons. He converted to bowling medium pace with prodigious outswing, and performed exceptionally when called upon no matter whether it was with the new ball, at the death or in the middle of the innings. The unanticipated retirement of 'The Journeyman' at the beginning of the season left the team experimenting with four different keepers throughout the early stages of the season. As it turned out, Chapman assumed this role also and did a sterling job, only surrendering the gloves when he was called upon to bowl.

Modelled off one of their great inspirations, the Vodafone Warriors, the B1 outfit saved by far their best performance until it was way too late to threaten the competition front-runners. The final match of the season took place on the Devonport Domain No 2 against

the eventual competition runners-up, Birkenhead. The match brought about a great all round team performance. After losing the toss and being asked to bat, North Shore posted a first innings total of 249 thanks to an 82 from Jimmy Page and a bludgeoning 55 from club legend Danny Todd. Toddy, who made it clear that he had little intention of running between wickets, carted the Birkenhead attack for five fours and four sixes in a knock that brought the North Shore faithful to their feet. After a promotion from his usual position of 12th man, Dan Abricossow also made a point of proving his batting worth, smashing four fours and a six in a quick fire 24. When Birkenhead came out to bat, there were looks of confusion as Swager handed the new ball to Josh 'Mensbrew' Yarnton. Hushed comments floated round the ground: *"I see what you've done here,"* said Mac Chapman. *"I thought of this ages ago,"* said Langwell. *"I know a fair bit about welding,"* said Reece.

Birkenheads naturally aggressive top order batting were stifled as Yarnton removed two top order batsman for ducks and set the standard for the innings as Birkenhead were steam-rolled for 114. With Birkenhead asked to follow on, in stepped Tim Roxborough. In his final game for North Shore B1, Roxborough took five for 40 before strolling out to hit the winning runs, guiding North Shore to an emphatic 10 wicket outright victory.

In a competition that was very much separated into Top Four and Bottom Four, the massive win in the final game was unfortunately not quite enough to lift North Shore into third place. The final placing of fourth was perhaps a small

disappointment given the flying start to the season. However, given the almost completely new side that North Shore fielded, it is a result that showed a lot of promise. There were three comprehensive victories over higher placed teams and the young players coming into the side all performed very well. The outright victory over Birkenhead ended a curse of a couple of seasons without more than a first innings win.

It seems at the end of every season, just as the team hits its straps, that the team has to farewell one of its major characters. This year the Tim Roxborough, a star of the North Shore B1 since it was formed, takes off for his OE. In the 2009-2010 season Roxborough took 42 wickets and scored 280 runs, with best bowling of six for 41 and a highest score of 56. Roxborough led from the front with both bat and ball and he was always the teams 'go to' player when wickets needed to be taken or a batting innings required a boost. The team will miss him immensely, not only for his consistent outstanding performances but also for his positive attitude toward the game and hilarious banter in the field which keeps the teams spirits on a high regardless of the state of the game.

Having played alongside him for four seasons now I can confidently say they have been by far the most enjoyable years of cricket I have ever played. I think I speak for everyone at the club when I wish Tim well for his travels and we look forward to his return.

Tim Swager
Captain

ONE DAY ONE B TEAM REPORT

What an interesting season 2009/10 turned out to be, for the first half of the season we were able to make a go of it

and managed to shake the tag of easy beats. Having good wins in the round robin games against eventual winners Navy and runners up Parnell Maroon.

We jelled well as a team and showed some guts and determination with our backs against the wall to come back fighting, and ended the first round of matches in second position, all we needed was to be able to put the same team on the park for the remainder of the season. Alas this was not to be, for some reason we struggled for players, and too score runs consistently, loosing games that we should have one. Alas but you get that in the tough jobs, we lost all of our finals matches finishing 4th.

On the up side we have made some gains, hopefully 2010/11 will be our year. Adam Moss found his was as an off-spinner and Matt Wallis, gave us a reminder that he can actually bowl, when he wants too. Mike Kininmonth, still can't bat, ran away with the batting trophy but didn't score a 50 all season. Paul Craig showed us that he has got potential, when his head doesn't lift, and Mike Furjes just trundled in with his dibly dobbles to clean up opposition top orders and mop up chicken tails to take the bowling honors for the season. I wish Danny Todd could catch, he can still bat, makes me wonder? Star fielder and lower order batsman Ross Carig, has come on in leaps and bounds, from playing his first game last year, to scoring double figures, taking blinding catches and hitting the stumps

side on for run-outs, blinding stuff. Mark Kininmonth bat me at 4, still couldn't find the middle as regularly as he could pick out the opposition fielders and Greg Gatley showed us how explosive he is as a batsman (Avg 50), not to mention his bowling though. I'm looking forward hearing Gordon Robinson (Mr. Sore Ankle, where's the Stretcher) who continues to be the unluckiest bowler in the competition, he's still keen to return to offer some verbal to opposition batsman.

All in all, we did make some new friends and some have showed their interest to play again, so I'm looking forward to seeing them again, and the team go from strength to strength. This was my final season as captain, I've enjoyed taking the reins for the past 3 years but its time to pass them on, so I wish the new captain, Adam Moss all the best and good luck, he's going to need it.

North Shore 1 day Ones Captain, 2007/08 - 2009/10.

Michael Furjes

ONE-DAY 4C TEAM REPORT

It was a season of discontent for North shore 4C.

Whist the side was invincible at Fortress Vauxhall, where oppositions failed to adjust to the paddock like condition of the grass, too many matches were narrowly lost when playing away from home.

Having seven men for several games may have contributed to these defeats.

So, the highs and lows. The bottom of the barrel was definitely a first round loss to

the Eden Roskill Friends X1, a side that normally boosts every players' averages.

The highs were defeating every other team in the league, barring the mighty Tongans, who enjoyed nothing greater than dining on Palangi medium pace.

So, till next year, when the mighty three scimitars will again strive to bring the title back to the Devonport domain.

Kynan Watt
Captain

TORPEDOES TEAM REPORT

The North Shore Torpedoes had a reasonable start to the season with a first up loss followed by a couple of wins.

A good team culture developed over the season led by Greg "Horse" Elliot who always entertaining and had a few stories to share. His was always eager for a bowl and could often be heard asking "When are we gonna let the horse out of the stable?"

Other notable mentions in this area go to James Powell and Toby Hutcheson who produced some brilliant QUIPS throughout the season such as "Squared him up like a Rubik's cube", "This team's like a lizard - they're two thirds tail" and "This batsman's more nervous than a pedophile at a wiggles concert"

After a few rained out games midway through the season the Torpedoes lost a bit of momentum and ended up narrowly missing out on a place in the Top Four. This was also due to the fact that the team

dropped 12 catches in a must-win game against Avondale.

The frustration at this was released the very next game when Sam Stewart opened the batting and was not dismissed until the penultimate ball of the innings, scoring a superb 158 and guiding the Torpedoes to a 200 run victory.

Over the season Theo Field also produced some good performances with the bat, scoring three 50's in his last 6 innings and Andy Hesketh was the standout performer in the bowling department.

In the end it was a very enjoyable but disappointing season and the Torpedoes should have done better. With a year's experience the team will be back again next year with the hopes of being championship winners.

Brendon Pickerill
Captain

TWENTY/20 SUNDAY LEAGUE CHELTENHAM TEAM REPORT

After being hastily put together in order to make the deadline for entries into the Sunday T20 league, North Shore Cheltenham embarked on an unbeaten first half of the season in the 2B White Section.

Teams such as the Cornwall Corn Cobs, the Ellerslie Golden Ducks, Waitakere City Boys in Blue and The Flaming Balls of Fury were easily dispatched thanks largely to the batting of Daniel Burney, Jaryd Gray, Ben Blucher and much to our surprise, occasionally William 'Fat' Petersen.

This was backed up by excellent bowling from Greg Inger, Jason Clarke and William Barrie.

The second half of the season saw the team move up a grade into the 2A division.

In line with this, the team came up against stiffer opposition and ended the competition in 4th position with 4 wins and 3 losses.

Throughout the season all games were played in fine spirit with great some great banter between the players and opposition.

Overall, the stand-out players were Daniel Burney, Ben Blucher and Jaryd Gray.

Jason Oliver.
Captain

PRESIDENT'S GRADE REPORT

This year saw the North Shore Presidents Grade side reach its highest position in the 13 team grade for some years.

In beating Eden-Roskill on finals weekend, to end up in 5th position. when only in the previous two weeks we were, oh so close, to playing in the Grade Final. Having beaten Howick Maroon, one finalist, and just losing with an over to go to Howick Blue, the eventual winner of the grade in the penultimate game of the season.

Unfortunately our early season loses counted against us in a three-way tie to play off for 3rd and 4th, so we dropped to the bottom pair of the top six.

Special mention to 'Brownie' or Murray Brown, an ebullient and effervescent member, with a strong all round performance for the season. With bat, two centuries, topping the runs aggregate with 422 at 42.2. With the ball Murray took most wickets with 23 at 16.65 with a best return of 5 for 14.

Also performing well with the bat were club stalwart John Little, one century, 340 runs at 34; John Coombs 318 runs at 31.8 with a highest score of 80, Rob Sherrell 186 runs at 23.25 with a highest score of 75. Club coach Bruce Warner with one century backed up with the most economical of bowling at 2.18 runs per over.

In the bowling, 'Captain Courageous' Dave Ashby 17 wickets; Chris Thompson 14 wickets and John Coombs 10 wickets were the main contributors.

Once again our thanks to Robyn Langwell in putting 11 names each week down to play and also support from Warwick both on and off the field wherever possible.

Also welcome to Ed Dutton, Ben Willis and Matthew Manning, new and younger players to the team and assets for the future survival of the Presidents Grade side.

Chris Thompson

PREMIER

Batsmen									
	Mts	Inn	NO	50s	100s	HS	Avg	Runs	Ct
Jones, R	10	10	1	1	2	128	45.00	405	3
Smith, H	21	26	-	3	-	90	27.50	715	5
Andrews, G	15	18	2	4	-	82	27.38	438	3
McGuigan, C	21	29	3	2	1	101	26.92	700	25
Stewart, B	8	13	1	2	-	80*	25.92	311	5
McGuigan, D	15	18	1	-	-	45	22.00	374	4
Wall, B	4	6	1	-	-	36	21.20	106	7
Aldridge, N	7	7	2	-	-	30	20.40	102	-
Watson, L	8	12	1	1	-	72	20.36	224	3
Rajasekar, S	7	11	2	-	-	35	20.33	183	3
Wealleans, L	4	4	2	-	-	16*	19.50	39	2
Schoeman, B	17	20	1	1	-	51	18.16	345	9
Fuller, J	5	5	1	1	-	50*	14.25	57	2
Abraham, J	10	8	-	-	-	40	11.88	95	5
Penberthy, J	3	5	-	-	-	38	11.60	58	3
Baker, H	13	12	1	-	-	28	10.36	114	3
Wallace, C	10	9	4	-	-	11*	9.20	46	1
MacDuff, A	6	7	-	-	-	30	7.43	52	2
Reeder, A	3	3	-	-	-	12	6.33	19	1
Leonard, B	11	11	2	-	-	13	5.56	50	4
Atkinson, E	21	14	3	-	-	11	4.36	48	5
Dow, S	13	11	7	-	-	3	2.00	8	4
Brian, T	5	5	1	-	-	5	1.75	7	1
Langton, A	4	4	2	-	-	1*	0.50	1	-

Bowlers								
	Overs	Maids	Runs	Wkts	BBowl	Econ	Avg	5I
Erasmus, P	206.2	53	581	44	5/17	2.82	13.20	5
Atkinson, E	227.1	53	640	29	4/23	2.82	22.07	-
MacDuff, A	139	29	489	29	4/32	3.52	16.86	-
Stevenson, M	158.5	29	539	23	4/74	3.39	23.43	-
Baker, H	103.4	8	447	22	4/77	4.31	20.32	-
Fuller, J	62	15	157	13	4/34	2.53	12.08	-
Langton, A	40	2	233	9	2/10	5.82	25.89	-
Crabb, T	38.5	6	173	7	2/32	4.45	24.71	-
Tasman-Jones, J	32	4	145	7	2/2	4.53	20.71	-
Allen, O	64	17	205	6	2/29	3.31	41.00	-
Penhale, J	25.5	3	105	4	2/43	4.06	26.25	-
Stewart, B	41.2	2	159	3	2/67	3.85	53.00	-
Singh, N	20.1	3	79	3	2/17	3.92	26.33	-
McGuigan, C	2	-	10	0	0/10	5.00	0.00	-

PREMIER RESERVE

Batsmen								
	Mts	Inn	NO	50s	100s	HS	Avg	Runs
Grant, H	19	21	2	2	-	69	21.53	409
Cummins, A	16	20	1	2	1	113	19.89	378
Wallace, C	17	21	4	-	-	39	19.53	332
Page, J	14	15	1	1	1	101	22.71	318
Carter, J	9	11	1	1	1	127	30.20	302
Penhale, J	15	15	-	2	-	63	17.33	260
Reeder, A	19	16	4	-	-	34*	15.42	185
Watson, L	4	6	-	1	-	52	25.00	150
Quirk, D	3	3	-	1	-	97	44.67	134
Baker, H	4	5	1	1	-	67	30.00	120
Warren, G	8	11	5	1	-	51*	20.00	120
Syme, J	10	8	3	-	-	35	13.20	66
Stevenson, M	3	2	-	-	-	42	32.50	65
Burney, D	4	3	-	-	-	45	21.00	63
Standen, J	4	4	-	-	-	31	9.75	39
Johnstone, C	18	17	7	-	-	7	3.80	38
Attwood, D	4	4	-	-	-	25	9.00	36
Roxborough, T	3	3	-	-	-	22	9.67	29
Olsen, M	3	4	-	-	-	22	7.00	28
Abricossow, D	11	7	4	-	-	8	8.00	24
Langton, A	3	3	-	-	-	15	5.00	15

Bowlers										
	Mts	Overs	Maids	Runs	Wkts	BBowl	Econ	Avg	5I	10M
Reeder, A	19	222.5	41	835	34	7/43	3.75	24.56	1	1
Johnstone, C	18	167	26	619	21	4/54	3.71	29.48	-	-
Syme, J	10	113.4	19	395	19	5/34	3.48	20.79	1	-
Penhale, J	15	53.2	6	237	14	5/15	4.44	16.93	1	-
Baker, H	4	58	9	177	13	7/30	3.05	13.62	1	1
Warren, G	8	86	10	356	9	2/32	4.14	39.56	-	-
Abricossow, D	11	70.2	10	294	9	2/11	4.18	32.67	-	-
Wallace, C	17	71	9	290	7	3/18	4.08	41.43	-	-
Wallace, I	3	45	1	232	5	4/112	5.16	46.40	-	-
Langton, A	3	47.3	8	187	5	3/55	3.94	37.40	-	-
Grant, H	19	34	-	170	4	2/34	5.00	42.50	-	-
Olsen, M	3	17	2	88	3	3/38	5.18	29.33	-	-
Page, J	14	43	5	223	3	2/24	5.19	74.33	-	-
Roxborough, T	3	14.1	-	85	2	2/50	6.00	42.50	-	-
Standen, J	4	16	1	102	2	1/24	6.38	51.00	-	-
Stevenson, M	3	17	-	102	1	1/56	6.00	102.00	-	-
Burney, D	4	10	6	28	1	1/28	2.80	28.00	-	-
Carter, J	9	4	-	21	0	0/21	5.25	0.00	-	-
Cummins, A	16	3	-	16	0	0/16	5.33	0.00	-	-

SENIOR B1

Batsmen								
	Mts	Inn	NO	50s	100s	HS	Avg	Runs
Chapman, M	12	16	2	2	-	71	27.93	391
O'Connor, A	10	11	-	-	1	102	26.64	293
Roxborough, T	11	13	2	1	-	56	22.64	249
Page, J	5	6	1	3	-	82	46.60	233
Swager, T	14	16	2	-	-	42	15.43	216
Frechtling, C	14	15	1	-	-	48	14.21	199
Langwell, M	11	14	1	-	-	44	13.00	169
Deaker, J	3	3	-	1	-	71	44.00	132
Cowan, D	3	3	-	-	1	104	40.33	121
Chapman, C	5	6	3	1	-	76*	37.00	111
Attwood, D	10	6	1	1	-	54	16.60	83
Houghton, S	7	6	-	-	-	20	10.00	60
Brokenshire, N	4	6	1	-	-	18*	10.40	52
Grantham, Nick	3	3	2	-	-	33	41.00	41
Warren, G	3	3	1	-	-	30*	20.00	40
Syme, J	6	6	3	-	-	16	12.33	37
Abricossow, D	7	2	-	-	-	24	16.00	32
Williamson, K	8	6	2	-	-	8*	6.25	25
Wallace, I	3	2	1	-	-	11*	14.00	14
Thompson, M	5	4	1	-	-	8*	4.00	12
Corbett, D	3	3	-	-	-	4	1.33	4
Cameron, A	3	3	2	-	-	1*	1.00	1

Bowlers								
	Overs	Maids	Runs	Wkts	BBowl	Econ	Avg	5I
Roxborough, T	159.5	30	524	40	6/41	3.28	13.10	2
Thompson, M	62	12	207	16	5/36	3.34	12.94	2
Frechtling, C	87	14	317	14	4/34	3.64	22.64	-
Syme, J	59.2	19	168	10	4/15	2.83	16.80	-
Abricossow, D	58	12	187	9	3/21	3.22	20.78	-
Corbett, D	29	7	136	8	4/34	4.69	17.00	-
Swager, T	56	14	179	7	2/15	3.20	25.57	-
McNaughton, C	35	5	134	7	3/72	3.83	19.14	-
Chapman, M	33	6	137	6	2/24	4.15	22.83	-
Wallace, I	31	6	109	6	3/41	3.52	18.17	-
Attwood, D	59	5	257	6	2/22	4.36	42.83	-
Williamson, K	48	5	218	6	3/16	4.54	36.33	-
Warren, G	22	3	57	3	2/18	2.59	19.00	-
Yarnton, J	34	7	85	3	2/24	2.50	28.33	-
Grantham, Nick	8	-	30	2	1/11	3.75	15.00	-
Page, J	13	2	68	2	1/20	5.23	34.00	-
Cameron, A	13	1	75	2	1/16	5.77	37.50	-
O'Connor, A	13	1	66	1	1/8	5.08	66.00	-
Chapman, C	27	4	95	1	1/33	3.52	95.00	-
Burney, D	5	2	12	1	1/12	2.40	12.00	-
Skellon, M	6	1	20	0	0/20	3.33	0.00	-
Goodwin, L	5	-	16	0	0/16	3.20	0.00	-
Cowan, D	15	2	42	0	0/5	2.80	0.00	-

EMERGING PLAYERS X1

Batsmen							
	Mts	Inn	NO	50s	HS	Avg	Runs
Watson, J	8	11	1	-	45*	21.20	212
Kennedy, T	10	13	2	-	35	11.18	123
Webster, M	7	11	2	-	29*	12.78	115
Yarnton, J	5	8	1	-	27	15.71	110
Christian, R	7	9	-	-	32	9.67	87
Griffiths, N	7	9	1	1	63	10.12	81
Williamson, K	4	6	1	-	39*	15.00	75
Pickerill, T	3	5	-	-	40	13.00	65
Brokenshire, N	2	3	1	-	40*	30.50	61
Hare, M	9	14	-	-	14	4.14	58
Cameron, A	5	5	-	-	29	10.80	54
Kapar, K	9	11	-	-	22	4.82	53
Hall, S	6	8	-	-	23	6.00	48
Donovan, G	9	14	3	-	12*	3.73	41
Quirk, D	2	2	-	-	29	16.50	33
Corbett, D	2	3	-	-	19	10.33	31
Chapman, C	1	1	-	-	25	25.00	25
Langwell, M	1	1	-	-	22	22.00	22
Langton, A	1	2	-	-	9	8.50	17
Cowan, M	1	1	-	-	16	16.00	16
Craig, P	1	1	-	-	14	14.00	14
Newman, T	1	1	-	-	14	14.00	14
Van Es, D	1	1	-	-	10	10.00	10
Ballantyne, K	1	1	-	-	10	10.00	10
Craig, R	1	1	-	-	9	9.00	9
Duncraft, T	1	1	-	-	8	8.00	8
Reeder, C	1	1	-	-	4	4.00	4
McNaughton, C	3	1	-	-	4	4.00	4
Gatley, G	1	1	-	-	2	2.00	2
Glynn, S	5	8	3	-	2	0.40	2
Dobruur, T	1	1	-	-	2	2.00	2
Fasher, J	2	2	1	-	1*	1.00	1

Bowlers								
	Overs	Maids	Runs	Wkts	BBowl	Econ	Avg	5I
Kennedy, T	94.1	8	551	19	4/35	5.85	29.00	-
Yarnton, J	37.3	8	132	13	6/33	3.52	10.15	1
Kapar, K	25.2	-	196	11	4/56	7.74	17.82	-
Hall, S	37.4	2	200	8	4/20	5.31	25.00	-
Williamson, K	40	3	201	5	2/16	5.02	40.20	-
Cameron, A	32	-	149	4	2/48	4.66	37.25	-
Newman, A	4	1	20	3	3/20	5.00	6.67	-
Watson, J	67	14	244	2	1/23	3.64	122.00	-
Corbett, D	13	-	84	2	2/43	6.46	42.00	-
Strange, L	13	1	89	2	2/54	6.85	44.50	-
Gatley, G	9	-	48	1	1/48	5.33	48.00	-
Christian, R	18	-	83	1	1/50	4.61	83.00	-
Thompson	2	-	13	1	1/13	6.50	13.00	-
Craig, P	6	-	35	1	1/35	5.83	35.00	-
Duncraft, T	4	-	29	1	1/29	7.25	29.00	-
McNaughton, C	31	4	114	1	1/15	3.68	114.00	-
Ballantyne, K	6	-	37	1	1/37	6.17	37.00	-
Webster, M	6	-	39	0	0/39	6.50	0.00	-
Craig, R	7	-	58	0	0/58	8.29	0.00	-

ONE-DAY 1B GRADE

Batsmen									
	M	Inn	N.O.	Runs	HS	AVG	4	6	50s
Michael Kininmonth	18	18	1	387	44	22.76	45		
Mark Kininmonth	18	18	1	295	57	17.35	38	2	2
Paul Craig	17	17	0	237	38	13.94	24		
Adam Moss	17	15	3	219	43	18.25	28	2	
Sean OToole	10	9	1	202	60	25.25	18	6	2
Greg Gatley	9	7	3	200	63	50.00	21	9	2
Michael Furjes	18	12	3	162	43*	18.00	18		
Danny Todd	5	5	1	146	50	36.50	20	5	1
Ian Wallis	16	9	3	101	56*	16.83	10	4	1
Paul Sutherland	13	9	1	85	32*	10.63	6	2	
Dave Van Es	12	10	2	65	26	8.13	5		
Nick Scott	7	7	1	54	15	9.00	4		
Ross Craig	16	10	3	50	14	7.14	5		
Matt Wallis	4	4	1	48	39	16.00	8	1	
Willy Kahu	4	4	1	26	22	8.67	2		
Simon W	1	1		22	22	22.00	3		
Gordon Robinson	14	4	1	21	15*	7.00	3		
John Little	1	1	1	9	9*	#DIV/0!	1		

Bowlers									
	O	M	R	W	BB	AVG	S/R	RPO	5WI
Michael Furjes	129	9	491	41	5/19	11.98	18.85	3.81	3
Ian Wallis	81	2	337	22	4/40	15.32	22.09	4.16	
Gordon Robinson	92	8	397	19	4/20	20.89	29.05	4.31	
Adam Moss	84.2	7	407	18	4/51	22.61	28.11	4.82	
Greg Gatley	49.2	2	282	17	5/49	16.59	17.41	5.71	1
Sean OToole	37.4	3	159	13	5/14	12.23	17.38	4.22	1
Paul Sutherland	30.1	1	170	10	3/0	17.00	18.1	5.63	
Mark Kininmonth	54.5		308	9	5/45	34.22	36.55	5.61	1
Simon W	7	0	62	3	3/62	20.67	14.00	8.85	
Michael Kininmonth	6		43	2	2/43	21.50	18.00	7.16	
Willy Kahu	10	0	70	0	0/21			7.00	

SUNDAY LEAGUE TORPEDO

Batsmen				
	Innings	Not Outs	Runs	Average
Sam	10	1	357	39.67
Brendon	12	1	337	30.64
Theo	12		301	25.08
James	11		252	22.91
Andy	14	1	277	21.31
rJoel	13	2	185	16.82
Kane	10	3	117	16.71
Toby	14	3	182	16.55
Alyx	8	1	79	11.29
Ryan	8	3	39	7.80
William	12	1	73	6.64
Greg	7	2	17	3.40
Roland	1		24	24.00
JP	3	1	45	22.50
Murph	1		9	9.00
Kauri	1		1	1.00

Bowlers					
	Overs	Runs	Wickets	Economy	Average
Andy	96	481	26	5.01	18.50
Joel	103	515	21	5.00	24.52
Greg	93	552	17	5.94	32.47
Brendon	39	277	12	7.10	23.08
Sam	39	202	8	5.18	25.25
Theo	19	140	4	7.37	35.00
Brook	3	6	3	2.00	2.00
JP	12	59	1	4.92	59.00
William	10	57	1	5.70	57.00
Xavier	4	41	1	10.25	41.00
Ryan	5	29	1	5.80	29.00
Toby	6	62	0	10.33	
Kane	2	26	0	13.00	
Murph	8	37	0	4.63	

PRESIDENTS

Batsmen							
	Inns	NO	50	100	HS	Runs	Avge
M. Brown	12	2	2	2	102	422	42.2
J. Little	11	1	2	1	100	340	34
J. Coombes	11	1	1	0	80	318	31.8
I. Hutcheson	11	0	0	0	42	192	17.45
R. Sherrell	8	0	1	0	75	186	23.25
B. Warner	4	1	0	1	100	146	48.66
M. Manning	3	1	1	0	57	87	43.5
E. Dutton	5	1	0	0	37	79	19.75
C. Thompson	9	3	0	0	20	71	11.83
A. Hadlow	6	2	0	0	38	68	17
J. Richardson	7	2	0	0	27	67	13.4
N. Wilkinson	7	1	0	0	34	63	10.5
R. Carroll	2	0	0	0	39	61	30.5
M. Josephson	6	1	0	0	19	55	11

Bowlers						
	Overs	Maidens	Runs	Wickets	Avge	Econ
M. Brown	86.3	10	383	23	16.65	4.43
D. Ashby	57.2	2	244	17	14.35	4.26
C. Thompson	81	16	306	14	21.85	3.77
J. Coombes	79	9	332	10	33.20	4.20
K. Robinson	79	10	302	9	33.50	3.82
N. Wilkinson	46	0	255	8	31.87	5.54
B. Warner	33	12	72	4	18.00	2.18
M. Manining	9	1	32	4	8.00	3.55
E. Dutton	19	0	98	3	32.60	5.15
J. Richardson	14	1	70	3	23.33	5.00
B. Willis	3	0	20	1	20.00	6.60