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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Coming into the last few rounds of cricket its very pleasing to see our Men's 1st, 3rd & 4th Grade very much in the hunt for Final's action. Unfortunately, our Women's 1st Grade & Men's 2nd Grade, two grades who in recent years have performed very well as struggling for results. It looks likely that our junior teams will miss finals although our strong U18 team made the Semi Finals and only went down by 1 run to the eventual Premier.

In more good news, our Men's 1st Grade team have won through to the Final of the One Day Cup which is scheduled for Sunday the 13th Feb at Karen Rolton Oval and our Women's 2nd Grade look very capable of backing up with Finals again. Further to our Women's program, we have welcomed twin sisters from the UK, with Ella & Charley Phillips slotting into our 1st Grade team. We've also welcomed another set of sisters in Aijay & Maddy Willoughby, who along with Miranda Moloney have moved across from Sturt in recent weeks. Aijay & Maddy have also joined our U16 White team and performed extremely well.

Unfortunately, we had to accept Manning McInerney's resignation from his coaching role over the Xmas break. Manning had been a tireless contributor to our programs but with his new teaching career moving forward, he just couldn't commit the time that he wanted to for the role. Thankfully, in his absence, Life Member & former 1st Grade player Daniel "Froggy" Murdoch and current captain, Jess Joseph have stepped up to join Sy Massey in looking after the women's program for the second half of the season. It's been brilliant to have some great numbers available in recent weeks as the injury curse has seemingly lifted (touch wood). Some other positives for the club have been the continual growth in our academy program, with several new players ready to join the squad when we restart shortly, thanks to several of our contacts out in the community clubs.

A number of the players will be once again taking part in games against Kensington & a rescheduled match against Port Adelaide during late February. We've had huge numbers of juniors picked in various representative squads, both male & female, be that SACA underage teams, SAMCA teams or the U18 championship side. Recently no less than 7 of our first grade (Drew, Capel, Gibson, Nielsen, Fallins, Johnson & Buckingham) were selected in either the shield team or in a SACA trial game meaning of the 34 players selected we had over 20% of them! Also Amanda-Jade Wellington & Katie Mack were selected in the Australia A squad.



Some of our "Sheagles" needed help with the club song after a recent victory over Kensington.

We've also seen a couple of new 1st Grade caps given out to Ben Higton (DCLA) and WT Junior (& Yorke Peninsula product) Callum Agnew. It's fantastic to see such hard work rewarded! Even with the impact of Covid since our last newsletter, we were able to accommodate our Yorke Peninsula team in two country championship games. Although we were down on hospitality due to isolation imposed on the Hutton family, Ian Ravenscroft & his team made use of the oval, new changerooms, and quality pitches prepared by the best in the business. We look forward to seeing them again next year with our traditional lunches.

While the last few months have been extremely testing for all involved, there has been some magnificent shows of support from our past players who have continually made themselves available in our lower grades to help combat the absences of current players. At one point, Hags had 15 players unavailable and while on Thursday evening we were 6 players short by

Friday evening we could almost have filled a 5th Grade! A big thank you to the dads of current players & academy kids who also put up their hands although they didn't make the final cut!! It's been extremely hard to socialise as a club and due to this we know our income will be well down so if you have the ability to help support the club through the purchase of either raffle tickets in the Toyota "good for Cricket" raffle or buying some club merchandise (beanies, stubby holders, socks & drink bottles) please reach out to Catherine Terry (secretary@western eagles.com) and she will point you in the right direction.

Lastly, thank you to those very hard-working people on the board, who have continued to give their all, even when faced with personal (covid) issues of their own. The same can be said about all our players, coaches, and volunteers, as well as parents involved with juniors. It's been a tricky few months but hopefully we keep moving forward.

Kent Sendy President

STAN THE STATISTICIAN

Under 16 Red's wicketkeeper **Finian Roche** recently equaled the record for the most dismissals in an innings with 5 catches v. Northern Districts – the other joint holders are **Jacob Burrridge** 1c. 4st. v. Port Adelaide in December 2009 and Luke James 3c. 2st. v. Northern Districts in February 2017. Finian went one better in the 2nd innings adding a further 3 catches giving him the most dismissals in a match of any West Torrens Junior keeper (8) since the Junior competition began in 1978-79.

A new 10th wicket partnership record of 36 (unf) **Caroline Ward** (43 n.o.) and English newcomer **Charley Phillips** (18 n.o.) v. Kensington at Henley Oval, January 2022. It was valiant fight back leaving the team 3 short of its target of 241 when the quota of overs expired.

Daniel Drew had a run-fest on the weekend of 29/30 January when he participated in two record One Day partnerships in A Grade. On the Saturday his 158 n.o. combined **with Bailey Capel's** 133 put on 239 to break the 2nd Wicket record of 231 previously held by **Andrew Haslett** (107) and **Ben Higgins** (130) v. East Torrens at Campbelltown Oval in November 2002. The All-time 2 Day record of 278 set by **Dinny Conroy** (107) and **Angus Woolcock** (160) v. Colts at Hindmarsh Oval, February 1930 was in grave danger until Daniel drove a ball with such power that non-striker Bailey wasn't able to get his bat behind the popping crease before the bowler deflected the ball onto the stumps. On the following day 'Drewie' (72) and **Daniel Fallins** (48 n.o.) combined for a 114 run partnership v. Sturt (S/F) at Price Memorial Oval to establish a new 4th wicket record to surpass the previous best of 94 held by himself (116) and **Isaac Johnson** (39 n.o.) v. Northern Districts at Salisbury Oval in October 2017.

As at 11th Feb Daniel has made 7 centuries this season. He made 130 v. Victoria in only his 2nd First Class match. He had already compiled 2 x SA 2nd XI centuries and in addition 4 x 1st Grade 'ton's including a double century. At the time of printing, he has well over 1000 runs for the season. Well done DANIEL!

Stop Press!

In 2016 the SACA Board tried to remove either or both the **West Torrens** and **Port Adelaide Cricket Clubs** from the Premier Grade competition. In 2016-17 **West Torrens** won the Triple Crown – 2-Day, 1-Day and T20 Premierhips. This season **Port Adelaide** has won the T20 title and **West Torrens** the 1-Day competition. Congratulations to all concerned – players, coaches, support staff and supporters – of both Clubs. Ed.

Best with the Bat – Up to and including Jan 31

Daniel Drew	158 n.o.	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Southern District
Bailey Capel	133	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Southern District
Bailey Capel	125	CA Toyota 2 nd XI	v. Queensland
Harry Russell	108 n.o.	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Kensington
Carl Mickan	104 (79b. 5x6s, 11x4s)	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Glenelg
Daniel Fallins	80	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Glenelg
Charlie Edmunds	78	Under 18 Shield	v. East Torrens
Nathan Marshall	76 (69b.)	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Southern District
Daniel Drew	72	Men's OD Cup (S/F)	v. Sturt
Jack Bonutto	72	Under 16 White	v. Northern Districts
Pat Taylor	71 (52b.)	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Southern District
Caroline Ward	68	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. Sturt
Jay Hoffman	68 (41b.- 5x6s, 8x4s)	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Kensington
Daniel Drew	66	CA Toyota 2 nd XI	v. Queensland
Sam Turner	64 (56b.)	Under 18 Shield	v. East Torrens
Sam Ellicott ('Old Sam')	62	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Kensington
Jarred Hoskin	61	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Southern District
Luke Terry	61	Under 18 Shield (reduced ov.)	v. Adelaide
Brianna Cheetham	57	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt
Charlie Edmunds	57	Under 18 Shield	v. Kensington (S/F)
Caroline Ward	54	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. Glenelg
Tom Parsons	53	Under 16 White	v. Southern District
Luke Terry	52	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Southern District
Callum Agnew	51	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Kensington
Manning McInerney	51	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Northern Districts
Ryan Paul	51	Under 16 Red	v. Northern Districts
Archie Nielsen	51	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Glenelg
James Reuther	49	Under 18 Shield (reduced ov.)	v. Adelaide
Kelly Armstrong	44	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Caroline Ward	43 n.o.	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Mason Rees	42	Under 14 Red	v. Northern Districts
Mark Wenz	38	Under 14 Red	v. Northern Districts
Annette Johnson	35	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. Glenelg
Boston Molzer	34	Under 14 Red	v. Southern District
Nathan Marshall	32 n.o. (25b.)	Under 18 Shield T20	v. Tea Tree Gully
Kelly Armstrong	32	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Glenelg
Mackenzie McCauley	32	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. Sturt
Mark Wenz	32	Under 14 Red	v. Southern District



Best with Ball – Up to and including Jan 31

Archie Aldridge	5/13 and 2/11	Under 16 Red	v. Northern Districts
Nathan Marshall	5/23	Under 18 Shield	v. East Torrens
Brady Williams	5/60	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Kensington
Mackenzie McCauley	4/10 (8 overs)	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. Glenelg
Ollie Ellicott	4/16	Under 18 Shield	v. Northern Districts
Chandan Saddi	4/22	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Glenelg
Josh Joseph	4/23	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Kensington
Harrison Whennan	4/34	Under 14 White	v. Northern Districts
Tom Dolling	4/43	Under 16 White	v. Northern Districts
Amanda-Jade Wellington	4/44	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Tait Sloan	3/11	Under 14 Red	v. Northern Districts
James Reuther	3/17	Under 18 Shield (reduced ov.)	v. Adelaide
Harvey Stephens	3/22	Under 14 Red	v. Northern Districts
Archie Robertson	3/29	Under 14 Red	v. Northern Districts
Ollie Ellicott	3/30	Under 18 Shield (reduced ov.)	v. Adelaide
Harvey Stephens	3/42	Under 14 Red	v. Adelaide
Charley Phillips	3/48	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt

Best in the Field – Up to and including Jan 31

Finian Roche	3c. plus 5c.	Under 16 Red	v. Northern Districts
Warren Peters	2c. 2st. 1 r.o.	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Southern District
Will Sherman	4c.	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Glenelg
Luke Terry	2c. 2 r.o.	Under 18 Shield	v. Sturt
James Turner	1c. 1 st . 2 r.o.	Under 14 White	v. Northern Districts
Pat Fisher	3c. #	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Luke Terry	2c. 1 r.o.	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Northern Districts
Alex Hutton	3c. #	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Kensington
Rhys Kozned	2c. 1 st .	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Southern District
Charlie Edmunds	3c.	Under 18 Shield (reduced ov.)	v. Adelaide
James Turner	2st 1 r.o.	Under 14 White	v. Southern District

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TRIVIA QUIZ

Hindmarsh - West Torrens wicketkeepers.

- Which Hindmarsh/West Torrens wicketkeeper played 11 Tests for Australia and is the longest serving F/c keeper in Australia's cricket history - 24 seasons?
- Who kept for South Australia and Tasmania and was the only non-Test player to be named in the South Melbourne CC Team of the Century?
- Name the keeper who twice toured England with an Australian team but never played a Test.
- Which West Torrens keeper played only one F/c match because that match was the last before Sheffield Shield matches were stopped due to World War 2?
- Name the keeper who played 24 F/c matches and stumped 7 in an A Grade match v. Woodville?
- Which West Torrens keeper also umpired Sheffield Shield matches – post 1980?
- Name the West Torrens keeper who also coached Australia.
- Who was the keeper who kept in A Grade and umpired the entire 'Bodyline' series?
- This player was former keeper who came to WT as a spinner but was then called on to fill in as a keeper in all four senior Grades. Who is he?
- How many Hindmarsh/West Torrens keepers have played F/c cricket as a keeper.

PRESENT PLAYER PROFILE

Armstrong, Kelly Grace (Kel) RHB-RALS b. Adelaide 10 Nov 1998

Family – Rob (Dad) Bronwyn (Mum) Hannah and Emily (sisters)

WTDCC

256 runs @ 21.33 HS 44 v. Kensington
7 wkts @ 41.43 SR 55 Best 2/13 v. University
13 games (50 ov + T20)

Achievements

Premierships 1st Grade T20 Winners Southern District CC (2011-12 and 2019-20) and Kensington DCC (2015-16 and 2016-17) 50 overs Kensington DCC (2016-17). Scorpions Contract (2018-19) Emerging Scorpions (2020-2022)

One of our newest female recruits has been leg-spinning allrounder Kelly Armstrong who chose West Torrens as her new Club after the demise of the Southern District women's teams. Educated at Seaford P.S. and Tatachilla Lutheran College she chose the *Sheagles* because she desired to move to a Club which provided opportunity and had a great culture and West Torrens fitted her needs.

Kelly began her love for cricket in the backyard with her Dad and sisters Hannah and Emily. Her parents had emphasized the need for the family to participate in sport. So cricket became her summer game and soccer in the wet season.

Beginning at the Southern District Club she gradually worked her way through the State under-age pathway until she was invited to train with the Scorpions for the 2017-18 season and gained a 'Scorps' contract for the following season. Since 2020-21 Kel has been part of the Emerging Scorpions squad.

Securing that first Scorpions contract has been her greatest achievement so far. However her biggest thrills have been to play on Adelaide Oval in a 1st Grade T20 Grand Final⁽¹⁾ and in an Emerging Scorpions match at the WACA.

The three Armstrong sisters have a large influence on each others sport and lives in general. They try to get the best out of each other and support each other in whatever challenge their lives face, whether on or off the sporting field. Whilst Cricket is Kelly's major sport she has participated in Soccer and Aussie Rules at various stages of her life.

Kelly has been a real asset to the *Sheagles*. She has bolstered the top order in the place of a couple of losses and her 'leggies' bowled with good variation and a fine 'wrong-un' have been a strong support to 'Wello' and then she has taken the mantle of experience when we lost 'Wello' and Ellie Falconer to the WBBL.

When queried about the best bowlers with whom she has had to contend. She rates Megan Schutt and our own Amanda-Jade Wellington as the best bowlers of their type in Australia (and possibly the World!!). The best batter against whom she has bowled in undoubtedly former player Tahlia McGrath whom she describes simply as 'class' and who has the all the shots and is extremely hard to dismiss.

Kel chose West Torrens as her new Club because she was looking for a home base which provided opportunity and had a great and established culture. She found that at West Torrens which she describes as fun loving, inviting and has the culture she desired.

I asked her to name three people from outside the cricket world with whom she would love have Dinner. Her surprise answers were three Spiderman actors Tobey Maguire, Andrew Garfield and Tom Holland – they obviously would spin a web of intrigue.

But when I turned the subject to her guests from the cricket world she chose, not unexpectedly Glen Maxwell and Pat Cummins. However her third guest was a big surprise – Sir Alastair Nathan Cook, no doubt his swarthy good looks were enhancing as well as persuasive.

- ⁽¹⁾ Unfortunately, Premier Grade finals (Men's or Women's) are no longer programmed at Adelaide Oval, as since the redevelopment access to the oval has been severely restricted. It is a pity as this takes away the great yearn of all Club cricketers, who don't make it to First class cricket, to play on the hallowed ground. – Ed.

- **Denis Brien (aka Rocka)**

Buckingham Jordan S.

b. Bundoora, Victoria 17/03/2000

Family – Jodie (Mum) Steven (Dad) Zac (brother)

WT Debut #560 v. University at University Oval, October 2021 - 7 games

16 wkts. @ 23.88 Best 3/35 v. Glenelg at Henley Oval SR 40 ER 3.6

T20: 4 wkts @ 20.50 Best 3/16 v. Northern Districts SR 19 ER 6.3 - 5 games

Other Teams: Craigieburn CC (junior club - NWMCA) Greenvale Kangaroos CC (VCA) Footscray CC (VCA) Victorian Junior sides including U.12s through to Victoria Metro U.19s, South Australian Redbacks

Another of our prized recruits this season has been former Footscray (VCA) quick Jordan Buckingham. Jordan was educated at Wilmott Park PS and Whittlesea Secondary College. Cricket has always been a way of life for Jordan, from a young age it was always backyard cricket, watching cricket and later assisting his Dad with his coaching. From the backyard It transitioned into playing cricket at the age of six for the local northern suburbs Club Craigieburn, from where he transitioned to Greenvale Kangaroos (formerly North Melbourne in the VCA.) At an early age he achieved a remarkable milestone by participating in 3 Premierships in the one season – U.16s, U.18s and 4th Grade.

However he transferred to Footscray for the 2018-19 season and achieved a trio of 1st Grade matches in his debut season. He earned a regular spot the following season sharing the new ball duties and winning the Bowling Award. Jordan backed it up with a second Bowling Trophy the following season plus a place in the Victorian Emerging talent squad to mark one of his best achievements to date. Last season Jordan performed well in Victorian Premier Cricket taking 21 wickets, with an average of 25.38. He credits Footscray as being imperative for his development, which he hopes will be furthered with the SACA and West Torrens.

Unbeknown to him the SACA scouts had kept an eye on his Premier Grade performances and he was offered a Rookie contract with the Redbacks. Having begun a Turf Management apprenticeship at the Melbourne Polytechnic, he has continued as a Third Year apprentice, under the tutelage of our own Trent Kelly, working one day per week as part of the ground staff at Karen Rolton Oval.

The biggest Influences on his game have been his Dad, Steve and his Mum, Jodie. They have always been so supportive and accommodating towards his career and he feels that he owes all of his success to them. A quote that is ringing in his ears whenever he walks onto the field, is from Steve - "Enjoy it, never stop enjoying it"

When I asked what are his biggest thrills in Cricket? He replies " definitely enjoying and playing a part individually in the team success, singing the song after a win with 10 of your best mates is the ultimate feeling. Premierships are why we play. "

Jordan was attracted to the Eagles originally by the depth of the playing group, the awesome location and the first class coaching staff. Now that he has become more involved in the Club, the playing group culture is inseparable and "I think it will lead to many on field successes which I look forward to enjoying". Jordan was a skilled Aussie Rules player in Melbourne in the TAC Cup competition plus he dabbled in Junior Domestic Basketball and now is an improving golfer.

In answer to some questions which I put to him, Jordan gave the following replies.

- Best batter bowled to - Alex Carey, a class above, can score 360 and looks to come at the bowler which provides a great challenge.
- Best Wicket - Will Pucovski (Grade Final)
- Best Bowler Faced - Kane Richardson - Crafty and Into you at all costs. The most skilful white ball bowler in Australia.

Who are three people you would like to have dinner with outside of the cricket world?

- Paul Fisher (stylised as simply Fisher - musician, producer, DJ), Nick Kyrgios and Will Smith

AND three people from within the cricket world you would like to have dinner with...

- Dale Steyn, Merv Hughes and Pat Cummins.

Denis Brien (aka Rocka)



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MEN'S FIRST GRADE

In **Round 5** we played Woodville at Woodville. We batted first and made 6 for 402, Daniel Drew was outstanding with a brilliant 180 not out, Ryan Gibson was again dominant with 95 and Kelvin Smith and Bailey Capel were sound with 42 and 35 respectively. Woodville then batted and were all out for 318, Jordan Buckingham with 3 for 75 and Dan Fallins with 3 for 90 were best of the bowlers.

In **Round 6** we played Kensington at home, they batted first and were dismissed for 175, Jordan Buckingham took 3 for 45 and Fallins, Spencer Johnson and Murphy Short all took two wickets, a very good bowling effort. Unfortunately, our batting was not up to scratch, and we were dismissed for 135 with Pat Fisher making 34, losing the game on first innings.

In **Round 7** Northern District failed to cover the pitch so the game was abandoned.

In **Round 8** we played Glenelg in a one-day game at Henley, Dan Fallins was outstanding in making 80, Smith with 43 also batted consistently again. Glenelg fell short making 9 for 218 with Buckingham and Fallins continuing their consistent seasons with 3 wickets and 2 wickets respectively.

In **Round 9** we played Tea Tree Gully at Pertaringa, unfortunately the game was rained out with the home side being 1 for 57 in the first innings.

In **Round 10** we played Southern Districts in a one-day game at Henley and we made 6 for 389 off 50 overs, Drew was brilliant with 158 not out off 124 balls and Capel equally with 133 off 115 balls. Southern were then all out for 197 with Fallins again being the consistent bowler with 3 wickets.

At the time of writing Daniel Drew has made 130 for South Australia against Victoria in the Sheffield Shield game, we are all thrilled for him as he is a fantastic representative of the West Torrens Cricket Club and has worked extremely hard to get another opportunity at state level.

- **Brenton Woolford, Cricket Director**

STOP PRESS

On Sunday 13th February West Torrens 9/232 d. Glenelg 215 (49.4 overs) at Karen Rolton Oval to take the One Day Premiership before an excellent crowd of spectators from both camps. Daniel Drew won the toss and elected to bat. A shaky start saw the Eagles precariously poised at 4/65, but a rescue operation by Ryan Gibson (75) and Warren Peters (35) in the form of a 104 runs partnership brought the ship back on course. Cameos from Dan Fallins (25 n.o.) and Murphy Short (20) steered the innings to 232 at the close of the quota of overs.

Jordan Buckingham started brilliantly with the new ball setting the 'Bays' in defensive mode at 2/12. However, a determined fight-back by the Glenelg middle order put the game back in the balance. Glenelg captain and century maker Jake Winter led the charge and at 6/200 the prospect of a 6th One Day Premiership was considerably dampened, although Murphy's two wickets kept the Eagle in touch. However, the return of the new ball pair Jordan and Spencer Johnson (after a tenuous start) cleaned up the tail taking the last four 'poles' for 13 runs. Warren Peters was at his usual brilliant and reliable best behind the sticks, culminating in an incredible leg-side stumping (a wide) off left arm quick Murphy Short. Congratulations on a complete team effort by 12 dedicated young players.

- **Rocka, an enthusiastic and proud supporter.**

WOMEN'S FIRST GRADE

A new look squad for our 1st grade women as we take on the challenge of the one-day season. We welcome to the squad Charley and Ella Phillips from the Root academy, 2020/2021 Rolton medallist Shania Mckinnon and new recruit Kelly Armstrong who joined us at the start of the season. With new recruits, young talent and some experienced faces back on the park the women's senior squad is the largest we have seen it since the introduction of the 2nd grade competition all those years ago; a credit to the hard work of many in the women's committee but also to the players who are displaying grit and persistence as they squad grows to more than can fit on the park.

We also welcome a new coaching panel consisting of Sy Massey, Daniel Murdoch and Jess Joseph, who will lead the squad for the remainder of season 21/22 with Manning resigning at the end of the year. From the playing group we thank Manning immensely for the time, dedication and effort he has put into the women's program over the past few seasons and wish him well on his new teaching ventures and well earned Sundays off.

With Mackenzie Macauley leading the 2nd grade, and the experience of Caroline Ward and Annette Johnson, the 2nd grade hope to continue building on their form from the T20 season which saw them make a semi-final appearance at the end of the year. With a mix of experience and plenty of young talent the 2nd grade will be one team to watch now and in seasons to come.

- **Jess Joseph, 1st grade captain/coach**

MEN'S SECOND GRADE

Round 5 - WTDCC v Woodville DCC (2 Day)

Woodville travelled to Henley where they won the toss and elected to bat on a good deck. A consistent bowling effort by our openers, Ben Williams (3/35) and Brady Williams (3/36), ably supported by Lachie Pointon (3/46) saw us bowl the opposition out for 172 of 75.5 overs. Unfortunately, as has been the case for most of the season, we lost early wickets to be 4/47 with opener Tom Woolford being the only top order batsmen to provide any resistance. A 50 run partnership between Woolly and Luke Terry added some respectability to the score before we were rolled for 164, falling just short in our chase. This was definitely an opportunity gone begging.

Round 6 - WTDCC v Kensington DCC (2 Day)

We travelled to Parkinson where the home side won the toss and elected to bat. After a good start by The Browns, our bowlers fought back well to have them 5/116 before a 50 run partnership helped to get them to 220. Brady Williams was outstanding with 5/60. Lachie Pointon (3/38) and Chandan Saddi (2/52) both chimed in with good support.

Once again another top order batting collapse saw us reeling at 5/60 before Callum Agnew (51) and Brady Williams (18) put on a 48 run partnership. With the loss of Agnew the tail end was unable to stem the flow and we were bowled out for 120. We were put back in again and our two openers, Luke Edmunds (30no) and Luke Terry (28) put on a 64 run opening partnership before the game was called off. This opening partnership showed what the boys were capable of.

Round 7 - WDTCC v Northern Districts CC (1 Day)

Northerns played us on our home deck with Ben Williams taking over the captaincy due to me suffering a bout of Covid. Willy won the toss and sent Northerns into bat. After an early wicket Northerns batted consistently throughout their innings to set a very competitive score of 9/265. The stand-in captain Ben Williams toiled away claiming 2/65 while newly promoted Nathan Marshall was impressive with 3/53 of his 10 overs. A solid start had our team at 3/89 chasing

the large total. Manning McInerney stepped up with an impressive 51 of 67 balls opening the batting with good support from Patrick Taylor with 23 of 28 balls. Unfortunately, we lost 5/50 and were rolled for 173. This was another disappointing loss for the team.

Round 8 - WDTCC v Glenelg DCC (1 Day)

We travelled to Glenelg with Willy leading the side again. He won the toss and The Eagles batted first. This was probably our most disappointing batting performances of the season where we lost 4/13. Charlie Edmunds tried hard to hold the innings together with 29 but had little support. In the end we were bowled out for a dismal 70 of 24.4 overs. We needed to strike early to have any hope and a good opening spell from the big leftie, Lucas Gammon (2/14) had the home team scrambling early before they passed the total 3 wickets down in the 18th over. This was without a doubt one of our weakest performances of the summer and we looked to reset for our next game against TTGDCC.

Round 9 - WDTCC v TTGDCC (1 Day)

Tea Tree Gully travelled to our home and won the toss, putting us in on an overcast and damp day. After the early loss of a wicket we managed to settle to be 5/102 of 32 overs before rain called a halt to the game. We lost some late wickets trying to ramp up the run rate in case the Lewis Duckworth system kicked in. Lachie Pointon was back to his best with a patient 49 n.o. with support from Tom Woolford (21).

Round 10 - WDTCC v Southern District CC (1 Day)

We travelled to Park 25 to take on Southern where we won the toss and sent them in. After a steady start by the opposition, we managed to keep them to 9/198 of 50 overs. Disappointingly we bowled 18 wides through the innings which helped them to achieve a reasonable score. Lachie Pointon (3/18) was the pick of the bowlers with good support from Ben Williams (2/51) and Oliver Ellicott (2/35). A solid start by our top order had us sitting at 2/79 before a mid-order collapse had us reeling at 7/138. After 50 overs we fell short of the total by 10 runs. Tom Woolford (47) was sound at the top of the order and Luke Terry (52) fought hard to get us over the line but another batting collapse and 18 extra deliveries hurt us badly. This was another game we should have won but failed to take our opportunities when they presented. Our last two games are against Prospect and Adelaide. Wins against these sides will lift us of the bottom and enable us to salvage something from a very frustrating year. Let's keep working hard and set ourselves the goal of winning our remaining two matches. All the best to the other grades approaching the finals.

- **Nick Crouch, Captain**

WOMEN'S SECOND GRADE

The Women's 2nd team have had quite the rollercoaster 40 over comp. Things have gone from 'famine to feast', in 8 short weeks. Bookended by matches against Glenelg, we had to forfeit Round 1 due to a lack of availability, then work out which 5 players to leave out come Round 8. Putting a side on the oval has been a constant battle this year.

Against Uni (Reds) the average age was 14.09 but at least it has enabled us to get experience into the future of our program. Squad numbers have dramatically increased recently, boding well for the remainder of the season. So far we've had 2 wins, 4 losses, 1 forfeit and 1 abandoned, seeing us sit in 5th at the halfway mark. Leading the way in the stats department are the skipper, Mackenzie McCauley (8 wkts @ 14) and VC, Caz Ward (170 runs @ 56).

- **Sy Massey, Coach**

MEN'S THIRD GRADE

No Report received

MEN'S FOURTH GRADE

Rd 7 – Started the new year with an abandoned match against Northern Districts.

Rd 8 – Played away against Glenelg knowing that 4th grade needed to win every game to have a chance at our first finals appearance since 2017. We were able to keep Glenelg to a chaseable 9-161 after 40 overs with a notable bowling performance from Morgan Cocks 3/18 in a return game which also saw the likes of ex-players Brad Cocks, Darren Cocks, Michael Dwyer and Carl Mickan also make their return to West Torrens. The lads were able to come away with a 3 wicket win after 36 overs with a greatly needed 104 off 79 including 11 x 4's and 5 x 6's from returnee Carl Mickan to help keep the finals chances alive.

Rd 9 – More rain - The next game against Tea Tree Gully was also abandoned.

Rd 10 – This fixture saw the lads come up against Southern Districts in what seemed a winnable game. We were able to keep Southern Districts to 8-153 after their 40 overs with Blair Wickham and Jordan Capel make their return to West Torrens cricket with Blair (2/30) snagging a couple on his return and Finn Fontaine also able to pick up 3/14. Heading into our batting innings, we believed this was a chaseable total with Rhys Kozned able to get off to a good start before falling for 24, Jarrod Hoskins and Max Parsons were able to continue ticking the scoring along before Max fell for 31 and Jarrod for 61, putting on a 94-run partnership and in a handy position for the team - needing 17 runs to secure another victory. The 4th grade was able to pull off a 3 wicket win in a more anxious end to the game than we really wanted it to be.

Rd 11 - After an undefeated start to 2022, the 4th grade is full of confidence heading into a 2-dayer against Prospect in an elimination final type scenario as West Torrens are currently a game behind Prospect who currently hold onto their 4th place spot. With the first day's play completed, Prospect were bowled out for 167 with both Liam Dorward and Josh Joseph picking up 3 wickets each and a go to option throughout the day. The day's play ended with West Torrens losing 2 wickets for 35 runs with Jarrod Hoskins once again starting well on an unbeaten 19* overnight partnered with Rhys Kozned. Looking to chase down the total and secure 15 points to equal our position with Prospect on the ladder.

With the 4th grade in a strong position to take a finals spot for the first time in 5 years, it will take a strong second day's play to hopefully see the team pick up maximum points and a win against Adelaide in the final home & away round before finals to complete the accomplishment.

- **Max Parsons, Captain**

UNDER 16 RED

Round 5 against Woodville was at home – a good start with the bat at 2 for 69 but it fell away to be all out for 135. A stylish 51 from Sam Turner and 29 from Ryan Paul were the highlights. Dropped catches gifted the Woodville batters' opportunities to pass the target. Eddie Ellicott was the pick of the bowlers at 2 for 24.

Round 6 was away against Northern Districts with the home side in trouble early and dismissed for 62. Archie Aldridge from Port Lincoln (son of former A Grader Mark) took 5 for 13 on debut. The runs were chased down by stumps and with some quick scoring on day 2

leading to a declaration of 5 for 182. The runs were spread around with 51 from Ryan Paul and 46 from Sam Turner. The opposition was rolled for 85 in their second innings leading to an outright victory. Sam Gariboli and Eddie Ellicott both picked up 3 wickets. Gloveman Finian Roche took 5 catches for a match total of 8.

Round 7 against Adelaide was at home – again a promising start with the bat of 2 for 65 fell away to be 8 for 120. Sam Turner with 31 and Alex Cappelluti with 29 were the major contributors. A great effort with the ball and in the field almost resulted in victory, with the opposition getting the runs at 8 down with 3 balls to spare.

Round 8 at Tea Tree Gully was abandoned. Round 9 was home against Southern Districts who reached 7 for 115. Mitch Scholes was the pick of the bowlers at 3 for 26. We chased the runs down in the 37th over with 22 from Finian Roche and 21 from both Ryan Paul and Sam Turner. In summary, once again more contributors required with the bat.

- **Mick Davidson, Manager**

UNDER 16 WHITE

Round 7. We played away against Adelaide at the West Beach playing fields and welcomed 3 new players to the squad – Noah Trzesinski-Smith along with Maddy Willoughby and Aijay Willoughby from our Women's squad. We bowled first, best of the bowling was Josh Hoffman 3/25. Chasing 142 we got off to a slow start, Hoffman and Thomas Parsons both made 31 and Tom Dolling 19 but it was not enough. At the end of the day 7/102.

Round 8. The game against Tea Tree Gully was washed out.

Round 9. We headed off to Christies Beach High School to play Southern Districts. We welcomed Henry Butler into the team as wicket keeper, to go with much the same team as last game. We batted first but had a disappointing start- 3/3 after 5 overs. Parsons (53), Trzesinski-Smith(26) and Brodie Phillips (27) steadied the ship and we ended up all out for 124 – a defendable target. We bowled well and had 5 individual wicket takers, Phillips 3/13 off 5 overs being the standout for the game. They were all out for 55 and we had our first win of the season.

Round 10. We are currently in the middle of a 2-day game with Glenelg, playing at home. We welcomed George Butler and Jackson Ritter into the team. We bowled for the first day – Thomas Parsons 3/45 and George Butler 2/35 and go into day 2 chasing 239.

- **Parsons Family (The backbone of the team - Ed.)**

UNDER 14 RED

Rounds 5 – 9 produced wins for the U14 Reds against Northern and Southern Districts, losses to Woodville and Adelaide and a washout to Tea Tree Gully.

The Woodville game was a chance lost and one where the scorebook doesn't reflect the battle between the sides. Taking our missed opportunities would have made the outcome very interesting! Marco Gariboli was a standout with the bat and his maturity this season continues to impress. Player of the Match Marco Gariboli.

Our win against Northerns produced excellent batting and bowling displays from multiple players. Tait Sloan, Harvey Stephens and Archie Robertson finished with 3 each from Northerns first innings and Mason Rees' rapid fire 42 (28) put us in a great position for an outright win. Special mention to Harry Rennie, Mark Wenz and Archie whose fielding against Northerns was outstanding. Player of the Match– Mason Rees

The Southern's win was the best team effort of the season led brilliantly by Boston Molzer who finished with 34 runs and 2/8 (6.2), including an impressive final over of the day that didn't allow Southern's an opportunity to hit big and steal the win. The team has withstood the difficulty of player rotation due to school holidays and Covid. They've proven that when we play as a team and positively support and encourage each other, and when our fielding is sharp, we can challenge the best teams. Player of the Match - Boston Molzer.

Andrew Stephens Manager

UNDER 14 WHITE

Round 5 for the U.14 Whites was our best game for the season. Batting first we piled on 8 for 201 with Harrie Rennie making 33 and Luke Hall 40. The boys then had wonderful bowling and fielding performances restricting Woodville to 100. Lochie Townsend continued his outstanding season with figures of 8 overs 2 for 8 while Harrison Whenan was also fantastic taking 2 wickets with his leggies. James Turner was excellent behind the stumps with 4 catches.

Unfortunately from round 5 until last weekend's game we haven't been able to get back onto the winners list. But the boys have been super competitive in most matches and last weekend (Round 9) took on the second placed Southern Districts. Although we didn't come away with the win there were some promising displays from our boys. George Butler top scored with a well compiled 18 not out. Angus Petherick opened the bowling with his left arm finger spin and bowled well beyond his years with an amazing 8 over spell yielding 1 for 12 but was unlucky not to get a couple more. Harrison Whenan was also great claiming 2 wickets.

With 2 rounds remaining and although we can't make finals, I still feel the boys have a lot to gain out of the remaining games. With a few players to return the boys should be aiming for 2 wins but also to progress their individual games to springboard them into next season. A special mention must go to our captain James Turner who has led the team superbly. I have had a number of opposition coaches and parents commenting on his tactical nous in regards to his bowling changes and field placements, not to mention how superb he is with the gloves behind the stumps. Hopefully the next report I can comment on a couple of wins.

Steven Hall Manager

PAST PLAYER PROFILE

SIM Charles Wallace (Chook or Soapy) RHB -RAM/RALS

b. Rockton QLD. 30 Mar 1895

d. Woodville South 3 Jul 1971

WT 1918-19 and 1926-27 (13 games) Queensland 1925-26 (4 games)

Debut Nos. Qld. ? WT 123 South Brisbane 154

WT

Debut v. Glenelg at Hindmarsh Oval, November 1918

193 runs @ 13.79 H.S. 60 v. University at University Oval, March 1919

30 wkts. @ 22.43 Best 5/46 v. Port Adelaide at Adelaide Oval, December

1918

Other A/1st Grade

1031 runs @ 18.41 HS 96 South Brisbane v. Nundah at Davies Park, March 1920

200 wkts @ 12.43 Best 7/19 Valley v. Woolloongabba at the Gabba, March 1925 (5WI x 5)

31 catches (Valley only)

Queensland Debut v. New South Wales at the Exhibition Ground, Brisbane, Nov 1925
14 runs @ 14.00 H.S. 10 n.o. (on debut) 5 catches
11 wkts. @ 24.36 Best 4/92 v. New South Wales at the SCG, Dec 1925

Other Teams Bowden C.C. (Adelaide and Suburban C.A.), South Brisbane C.C. (QCA - 1919-20 – 8 games), Fortitude Valley E.C.C. (QCA - 1920-21 to 1926-27 – 60 games)

Other Achievements QCA Batting Aggregate 1919-20 (South Brisbane)
Premiership Bowden C.C.

Cricketing Family Brothers William (West Torrens) and Robert (West Torrens)

Notes only

Four West Torrens players have represented Queensland in First class cricket. The first was Charles Sim in 1925, the others being Peter Trethewey and Paul Twible who went to Qld. while still at Henley HS when his father was transferred in the Bank. Peter George also moved to Queensland for several seasons when SA did not renew his contract.

Charles Sim's parents George (b. 1865) and Christina (nee Strachan b. 1864) were married in Scotland in about 1885 and migrated to Queensland in 1888. The eldest son George jun. was born in Fraserburg, Aberdeen, Scotland in 1887 a little before they emigrated. The next five children were all born in Queensland.

They moved to SA and settled in Howard St. Hindmarsh where Christina was born on 27 February 1904 but the birth was premature and she died 13 days later from gastroenteritis. George worked a cooper, probably initially for J.Sim and Co. Coopers of Manton St. Hindmarsh, a Cooperage which was established in Hindmarsh in 1896. The children attended Hindmarsh Primary School.

George then worked for the West End Brewery as a cooper but Charles took up employment as a Commercial Traveller for Simpsons and then the Soapmakers, Kitchen and Sons (hence the colloquial nickname).

Charles' brothers William and Robert (Bob) also played with West Torrens, the former just prior to Word War 1 and Bob and 'Soapy' after the war. William, another sibling Arthur and Charles all told their father that they were going to enlist in WW1. The father sanctioned the enlistment of the older two but persuaded Charles not to enlist, not wanting to risk the lives of three of his children. William and Arthur (the latter had only appeared for the Bowden C.C. in the Adelaide and Suburban C.A.) were both killed in France on 18 October 1917 when they were machine gunners caught in the same machine gun nest at Passchendaele Ridge.

Charlie had played for Bowden with brothers William and Arthur in 1914-15 and 1915-16. William, who showed the most early promise, was a dashing right hand bat and left arm bowler who was selected for SA Juniors (Junior Union carnival) at Adelaide Oval in December 1913 and for ASCA v. United Churches in January 1915. William and Charles played B grade for WT in last round of 1915-16 when Charlie scored 102 v. Sturt at Hindmarsh Oval.

Charlie, who was also a right arm medium pace bowler with a deceptive change of pace and a useful right hand lower order batsman, began his career with the Bowden C.C. After WW1 he ventured back to Hindmarsh Oval and debuted in A Grade in Round One and played all except one match for the senior team taking 20 wickets @ 19.70 and averaging 18.62 with the bat.

He then returned to Queensland in 1920 due to his employment and he began with the South Brisbane C.C. but after one season transferred to the Fortitude Valley Club (now the Valley District Cricket Club) for whom he played 60 First Grade games and took 187 wickets.

He took 40 wickets at an average of 12.57 for Valley in the 1923-24 season, and also averaged 15.36 with the bat earning praise as a promising all-rounder and in addition was extremely brilliant in the slips cordon. He continued to perform well late in the 1924-25 season notably taking 7 for 19 in a match. *The Telegraph* listed him as one of Club cricket's three most successful players, carrying Valley's bowling attack and taking 63 wickets at an average of 7.8.

Charlie had added leg spin bowling to his repertoire and when he represented a Metropolitan side against a Country side, at the Exhibition Ground in Brisbane taking 8 for 66, he strengthened his chance of being selected for Queensland. This occurred when he was selected for all 4 First class matches of the 1925-26 season. He made his debut against New South Wales in Sydney and was mistakenly identified as Finn on the scoreboard resulting in the crowd nicknaming him "Huckleberry". He didn't make a significant mark, just taking a solitary wicket in the 2nd innings. However he claimed three wickets in the following match against Billy Patrick's New Zealand tourists when Queensland won by an innings.

Having batted at #11 in his first two games 'Soapy' Sim was promoted to opener but failed to trouble the scorer in the next game, which was another match v. NSW. His final match was v. South Australia at the Brisbane Exhibition Ground (only the 3rd ever SA v. Qld. Match). His first season could not be called unsuccessful as he took 11 wickets at an average of 24.36, scored 14 runs at an average of 14.00, and took 5 catches.

Chook had returned to Adelaide for his marriage to Muriel Pelham in September 1925 but they settled in Qld. (probably Toowoomba according to his daughter Helen). They returned to Adelaide at Christmas in 1926 when Queensland was about to enter Sheffield Shield competition. This was because Muriel didn't like living in Qld. (info from son Lloyd and Helen daughter) and he was able to transfer back with Kitchen and Son. They settled in Dulwich which was the Kensington area (Kensington had been admitted to A grade in 1923-24). He was still able to play for West Torrens for the remainder of the 1926-27 season as he didn't have had the required 6 months residential qualification for the 'Browns'. After that season he could not play for WT and declined to don the Kensington cap, so he turned out for Kenilworth in the ASCA as their home was in the South Parklands not far from Dulwich.

Charles and Muriel had a son, Lloyd who was born in 1928 and a daughter Helen in 1933. However Muriel died at Dulwich in 1936 aged 35. After her death he moved to Henley Beach and raised Lloyd, while Helen was raised by her maternal grandmother.

He was a creditable Aussie Rules footballer, having played 22 league matches for WT from 1913 to 1919. When the SANFL competition was suspended during the WW1 conflict he continued for West Torrens in the local Patriotic League in 1916 and 1917. He continued his passion for the sport in Brisbane and was a stalwart in the development of Aussie Rules in Queensland.

- Denis Brien West Torrens DCC Historian



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2. Cyril 'Butcher' Parry
3. Charlie Walker
4. Bert Heairfield
5. Rex Blundell
6. Mick Brien
7. Tim Nielsen
8. George Hele
9. Denis Brien
10. Ten ('Affie' Jarvis - 1877, Jack Noel - 1880, Billy Thamm - 1902, Harwood Jarvis - 1905, Cyril Parry - 1925, Charlie Walker - 1929, Bert Heairfield - 1941, Rex Blundell - 1964, Tim Nielsen - 1990, Adam Crossthwaite - 2011. Debut dates.)

n.b. Other F/c keepers who played for WT have been Elliott Monfries (Victoria) John Donaldson (with Teachers Colleges) Russell Vincent (with Sturt) and Brad Cachopa (Canterbury and Auckland). David Hookes kept in a Domestic OD match for SA.



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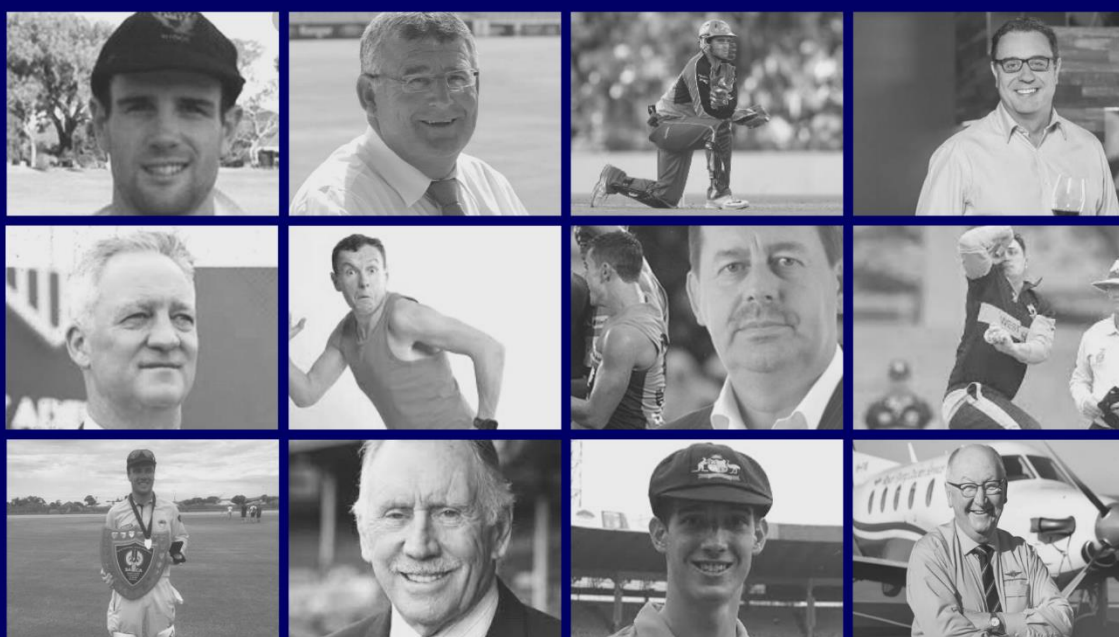


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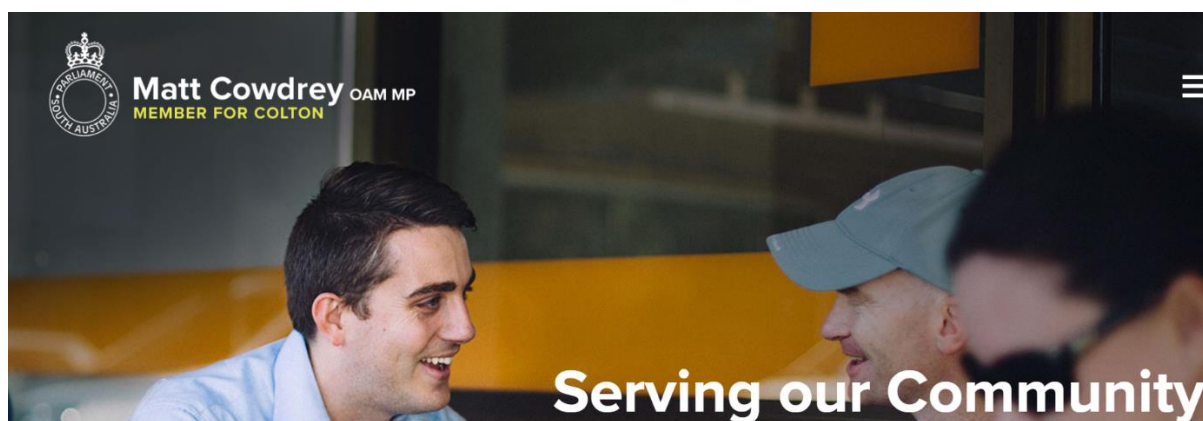
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