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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

As I'm sure everyone is aware of, it is pleasing to report on a very successful season from our very talented Men's 1st Grade squad who added the Two-Day premiership to the One-Day premiership they won earlier in the season. It's an absolute credit to our coaching team led by Mark Harrity that we have been able to win 5 titles (2 -Two Day, 2 One Day & 1 T20) in the last 6 years. A big thank you to Brenton, who has been instrumental in putting together a squad which is undoubtedly one of the most talented groups to have ever represented the Eagles in our proud history. Having absolute class players & people in Gibson, Fallins & Buckingham join our local boys is something that doesn't just happen. It's very pleasing to note that 10 of the 13 players named in our GF squads were WT juniors too. Also pleasing was some of the team performances of our men's lower grades (3rd/4th grade) who only just missed out on making the finals.

Our women's & junior teams, while not experiencing the team success that our 1st Grade Men achieved, have seen enough promising individual performances and some very good wins throughout the year. We are confident that we will soon again experience more success throughout the club. Some very handy additions to the Women's program in the later half of the year, including Niamh Bullen (from NSW, thanks to her contact with club Ambassador Adam Crosthwaite) who played the last two games and averaged 100 and, in an official capacity, of Daniel "Froggy" Murdoch to the coaching team. The great news is that Daniel, Sy Massey & Jess Joseph will continue next year in their joint coaching capacity.

We recently held an open training session for our junior squads, and it was most pleasing to see approximately 40 new faces wanting to join our existing contingent of u16/14 & academy players for season 22/23. With our academy program expanding we will have room for the bulk of these players to join the club in one squad or another.

Towards the end of the minor round, our teams were hit by several covid related issues, and it's been a continuing struggle especially in the last round to fill full teams for all grades. Thank you to those amazing people that have put up their hands to help. It was great to see the 3 Parson kids playing alongside the McCauley's (the first father-daughter combo in grade cricket!) for our 4th grade Rd 13 clash with ACC. It was also very pleasing to see young Spinner, Archie Robertson step up to u16s and take a 5 for in the last junior round against Prospect. Thank you to all the coaches, players, captains, parents (especially Catherine Terry & Sam Ellicott) who have been involved with making sure we've had enough players to take the field come game time.

While it's a great time to reflect on the achievements of Premierships, the end of the season will undoubtedly spell the end of some players & volunteers time at WT and so I'd like to thank every member of the club, who will move on, and wish them all the best. To those who will be back for season 2022-23 we think we will once again be in a better position than this year and we look forward to future success both on & off the field. There will be some announcements made over the coming months that will help underpin what we are striving to achieve.

We are very lucky to have a fantastic playing, coaching & volunteer group working hard to drive our club towards the pinnacle of SA Premier Grade Cricket. But we are always keen to add to what we have so if you are considering stepping up and helping out in any way please don't hesitate to be in contact.

- Kent Sendy, President

STAN THE STATISTICIAN

Isabel Bryksy (52 no) and Caoimhe Roche (2) created a new 2nd Grade 10th wicket partnership record of 33 v. Sturt at Price Memorial Oval in Round 10. Irish born Caoimhe (pronounced *Queever*) played her best innings ever to hang on for 62 minutes to enable Issy to reach her half century.

2nd Grade keeper, 17 year-old Luke Terry equaled the all-time best for the most dismissals in a match at *Henley Oval*. His 4 catches and 3 stumpings equaled Adam Mason's 6c. 1 st. (in an innings) v. Woodville (C Grade G/F) in March 2004.

The most dismissals in a match for a West Torrens player at any ground is:

1st Grade (9)

1. Bert Heairfield	5 ct. 4st.	v. Glenelg at Adelaide Oval (S/F), Mar 1941
Tim Nielsen	9 ct. 0st.	v. Elizabeth at Kings Reserve West, Nov 1994
Jesse Lewis	8 ct. 1st.	v. Port Adelaide at Pt. Adelaide Res., Oct 2004

2nd Grade

Peter Hill	4c. 4st. (innings)	v. Sturt at Unley Oval, Nov 1940
Doug Riggs	5c. 3st.	v. Prospect at Thebarton Oval (G/F) Mar 1958

In the 4th Grade match v. Adelaide at Park 23 on March 5, we introduced a FIRST for SACA Senior cricket when the first Father and Daughter combination played in the same SACA senior team. 16 y.o. Mackenzie McCauley (a regular with our Women's teams) and her father former Prospect and Port Adelaide player, Michael took the field for the Eagles. Leg spinner Mackenzie was our most successful bowler with 3/52 while Michael fell to an unlucky l.b.w.

In the same match another unique combination also played. Captain Max Parsons had his younger brother Tom (from the U16s) AND sister Emily (also a regular in our women's teams) as team-mates. The Club had to call on some of our talented girls to fill in over the final few games due to Covid complications. Parents Steve and Nicole Parsons bluntly refused to don the whites.



On the previous weekend Mackenzie created another record when she led the Maitland Senior Colts to a Premiership in the Yorke Peninsula CA. She is the first female to lead a male team to a Premiership on Yorke Peninsula – and maybe South Australia.

SACA AWARDS

14 y.o. Maggie Clarke became the youngest ever player to win the Joanne Broadbent Trophy for the best fielder in Women's 1st Grade. This pocket dynamo who also opens the bowling, travels from Jamestown each week to play and sometimes to train with West Torrens or SA squads of which she is a member.

Grade Teams of the Year – West Torrens representatives.

Men – Daniel Drew, Daniel Fallins and Spencer Johnson

Women – Kelly Armstrong and Paris Hall

Best with the Bat – Feb & Mar

Kelvin Smith	159	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt (S/F)
Katie Mack	107	WNCL	ACT v. South Australia
Daniel Drew	98	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt (S/F)
Paris Hall	89	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Will Sherman	80 n.o.	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Prospect
Emily Parsons	79 n.o.	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. University Red
Max Greenslade	79	Under 16 White	v. Prospect
Jack Bonutto	70 n.o.	Under 16 White	v. Prospect
Jarrad Hoskin	68	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Prospect
Kelly Armstrong	64	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Naimh Bullen	62	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Northern Districts
Miranda Maloney	54	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. University Red
Pat Taylor	54	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Adelaide
Max Davidson	52	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Adelaide
Matthew Ross	52	Under 14 Red	v. Glenelg
Tom Woolford	51 n.o.	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Prospect
Ryan Gibson	50 ret. n.o.	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Prospect
Paris Hall	50	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt
Lachie Pointon	50	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Prospect
Ellie Falconer	44	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Northern Districts
Cooper Arnold	41 ret. n.o.	Under 14 White	v. Prospect
Harry Rennie	39	Under 14 Red	v. Prospect
Naimh Bullen	38 n.o.	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Glenelg
Kelly Armstrong	37	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt
Brianna Cheetham	33	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Prospect
James Turner	33	Under 14 White	v. Glenelg
Laura Niejalke	32	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Aijay Willoughby	30 n.o.	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. Northern Districts

Best with Ball – Feb & Mar

Lachie Pointon	5/24	Men's 2 nd Grade	v. Prospect
Archie Robertson	5/26	Under 16 White	v. Prospect
Ella Phillips	5/26	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Jess Joseph	5/34	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Northern Districts
Ellie Falconer	5/56	WNCL	South Australia v. ACT
Jess Joseph	4/22	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Kensington
Levi Barratt	4/29	Under 14 Red	v. Glenelg
Daniel Fallins	4/43	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Adelaide
Spencer Johnson	4/45	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Prospect
Kelly Armstrong	4/47	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Northern Districts
Isaac Gillard	4/74	Men's 3 rd Grade	v. Prospect
Spencer Johnson	4/115	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt (S/F)
Sophie Challis	3/4	Women's 2 nd Grade	v. University Red
Hamish Burns	3/6	Under 14 White	v. Prospect
Mackenzie McCauley	3/16	Women's 1 st Grade	v. Glenelg
Angus Petherick	3/26	Under 14 White	v. Prospect
Boston Molzer	3/33	Under 14 Red	v. Prospect
Mackenzie McCauley	3/52	Men's 4 th Grade	v. Adelaide

Best in the Field – Feb & Mar

Luke Terry	3c. 1 st . 1 r.o. + 1c. 2st.	Men's 2nd Grade	v. Prospect
Warren Peters	4c.	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Adelaide
Matthew Ross	3c. 1 r.o.	Under 14 Red	v. Prospect
Matthew Ross	3c. 1 r.o.	Under 14 Red	v. Glenelg
Warren Peters	3c.	Men's 1 st Grade	v. Sturt (S/F)
James Turner	1c. 2st.	Under 14 White	v. Prospect
Shivansh Bisht #	2c. 1 r.o.	Under 14 White	v. Prospect

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MEN'S FIRST GRADE

In round 11 the first grade played Prospect at Prospect. We bowled well to have Prospect all out for 180 with **Spencer Johnson** taking 4/43 and **Jordan Buckingham** taking 3/36. We then batted and had a very good start being 1 for at stumps with **Ryan Gibson** making 50 before having to retire the next week to field for the Redbacks and **Kelvin Smith** making 46. After being 1/100 we lost quick wickets to be 8/176 before getting the winning runs and the valuable points and being dismissed for 187. **Warren Peters** remained 28 not out.

In round 12 we had a bye and so we went to the last round in a challenging position sitting out of the 4 by 3 runs on percentage. We played Adelaide and after batting we were uncharacteristically in trouble losing the wickets of **Kelvin** and **Gibbo** cheaply, **Bailey** made 47 and **Lachie Pointon** with 36 and **Pat Fisher** with 27 enabled us to reach a total of 194 which gave us something to bowl at. Adelaide made a reasonable fist of giving us a competitive game, **Fallins** was best with the ball with 4 wickets and **Bucks** after returning from Brisbane at 6am on the Sunday with **Spencer**, took 3 wickets, Adelaide were dismissed for 154 to give us first innings points. We then made 5/83 and set a target for Adelaide however the game was called off with them 4/69 off 18 overs with a result not looking possible.

Fortunately, Southern Districts were able to hang on and draw with Adelaide University which meant we were in the four and were to play Sturt in the first semi-final.

First Semi-Final. We journeyed to Hawthorn where a very good batting pitch had been prepared. Sturt won the toss and batted for 96 overs on the first day to reach 5/302 with **Jordan Buckingham** and **Spencer Johnson** bowling 26 overs each, **Spencer** took 2 wickets and **Buckingham** was outstanding although only taking 1 wicket. **James Reuther** got some good bounce and took a wicket and **Dan Fallins** also took a wicket. We came back on Sunday and Sturt continued to bat on as the rules allow, taking up another 20.3 overs to finally reach 361 after 116.3 over. The lunch break was taken allowing us to have another 2 overs so we had 75 overs to make 362, but given the quality of the batting line up we were confident our players could achieve the total. **Kelvin Smith** was outstanding in making 159 off 208 balls, Daniel again was brilliant to make 98 off 109 balls. **Gibbo** made 38 and at the end **Harry Nielsen** showed great poise to make 24 off 30 balls and **Dan Fallins** made 18 off 18 to get the job done. It was a brilliant game of cricket and a credit to both teams. We now head to another Grand Final, this time against Tea Tree Gully which promises to be a great game of cricket.



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WOMEN'S FIRST GRADE

A season of development for our 1st grade women, with injuries, covid, WBBL and state commitments having us take to the field with some very youthful sides. Despite some challenges, as every side this season has had, we remained competitive week and week out with numerous players earning themselves 1st grade debuts through consistent performances in the 2nd grade.

A breakout season for young Jamestown born **Maggie Clark**, in her first full 1st grade season. At just the age of 14 Maggie has been impressive with both the ball and in the field, earning her the Joanne Broadbent Feilding trophy presented at the Bradman and Rolton award night. **Kelly Armstrong** in her first season with the Eagles has led the way numerous times with both bat and ball, being economical and consistent across the T20 and one day season.

A strong and competitive finish to the end of the season including a 120-win run over Kensington in round 6 and a well fought 18 run win over northern districts in the final round, with all round performances with the bat by **Niamh Bullen** and **Paris Hall**, and consistent pressure from the bowling cartel.

With players stepping up in the back end of the season, our squad numbers growing, and new recruits including **Niamh Bullen** coming across from NSW as an underage state player, there is plenty to look forward to in season 2022/23.

Thank you to **Sy, Froggy and Manning** with your efforts coaching this season. To **Nicole** and **Lawrence** for your time and scoring each Sunday. To **GT** who has stepped into the role of practice coordinator, the Women's Cricket Committee and Board of Management for your continued support of the women's program.

- **Jess Joseph, Captain**

MEN'S SECOND GRADE

Round 11 - West Torrens won the toss and elected to send Prospect in to bat at home. Prospect started poorly losing early wickets to be 6/52. A sixth wicket partnership of 56 saw Prospect recover to be all out for 113 after 54 overs. **Ben Williams** 1/11 of 13 overs was miserly with his opening spell, supported well by **Lucas Gammon** 3/29 and **Lachie Pointon** 2/26. **Pat Fisher** chimed in with 2/13. The Eagles chased the score down before the end of the first day, declaring at 6/127. **Luke Edmunds** was outstanding with 47 and **Lachie Pointon** was superb with 50. Prospect looked to dig in and prevent an outright loss in their second innings. Only their captain was able to withstand the Eagles bowling attack with them being bowled out for 101 in the 43rd over. **Brady Williams** finished with 2/21 and **Lachie Pointon** with his darts managed a brilliant 5/24 of his 17 overs. It was pleasing to see young **Oliver Ellicott** pick up 3/19 of his 6 overs. The West Torrens openers then batted beautifully to chalk up an outright win in the 24th over chasing down the 89 runs needed. **Luke Edmunds** was once again outstanding with 34 n.o. and **Tom Woolford** was back to his best with a brilliant 51 n.o.

Round 12 - Bye.

Round 13 - This round had us playing Adelaide at Prospect Oval after a programming issue forced Adelaide to relocate the game. A misunderstanding between Prospect curators and Adelaide resulted in the pitch not being covered and overnight rain making it too damp to play on the Saturday. On the Sunday it was decided to play even though the pitch was still suspect. Adelaide won the toss and sent us in to bat. Unfortunately, we did not get off to a good start losing both openers early. **Lachie Pointon** and **Crouch** put on a 41-run partnership before we both lost our wickets. **Luke Terry** and **Will Sherman** showed what they were made off digging in when the team needed them to put on a 72-run partnership before we were bowled out in the 51st over for 192. We thought this would be a very competitive total given the state of the pitch. We got off to a great start having the opposition 4/65 before a 101 5th-wicket partnership edged them closer to our total. The Eagles fought hard but, in the end, extra time added for the day lost meant Adelaide reached the total in the 52nd over with three wickets in hand. **Lachie Pointon** once again picked up 3 wickets and **Jack Hawke** was awesome with 2/22 of his 6 overs.

Overall, the season was a disappointing one with us finishing 11th on the table. We had too many games where we failed to take our opportunities with the bat after some impressive bowling performances. There were several tight matches we should have won but inconsistency with our batting and the inability to build partnerships meant we struggled at times to take our chances. The most pleasing aspect of the season was the opportunities we were able to give to some younger players at the club. Selections issues, injuries and Covid meant we were able to blood some very promising young cricketers who did not let us down. **Luke Edmunds**, **Charlie Edmunds**, **Chandan Saddi**, **Oliver Ellicott**, **Nathan Marshall** and **Jack Hawke** all showed they have what it takes to be very good cricketers at the club. Their ability to step up when required shows the club is in good hands for the future.

A special thankyou to **Amy Agnew** for her willingness to score for the Bs all season. She is an amazing club volunteer, and we appreciate her efforts.

- **Nick Crouch, Captain**

WOMEN'S SECOND GRADE

Although we finished one spot from finals, rounds 9-14 were actually very positive. Our ledger, 4 and 2. No shame in losses to Adelaide, the very likely premiers and a Sturt team boasting a Scorpions understudy. The less said about that the better.

The results were great but the way the team carried themselves was even more pleasing. Very regularly it was girls vs women but did that phase them, not one little bit. Our last two outings saw an average age of 14! Back-to-back wins for the record. Three of our top 5 bowlers were 13 or younger. **Sophie Challis** and **Aijay Willoughby** both 13, plus **Cadence Murdoch** 12. 27 wickets between them.

Batting wise **Emily Parsons** at 16 lead the way for the young guns, including a career best 79 n.o. Top of the pile were two more seasoned players. **Caoimhe Roche** finally sat atop the tree with 11 wickets, after a string of 2nd places and **Caz Ward**, keeps on keeping on, with 304 runs for the year. Thank you to all of the players, parents and 'support staff', we simply couldn't do this without you. Welcome to the debutants and welcome back to the senior pros. On to next season Eagles.

- **Sy Massey, Coach**

MEN'S THIRD GRADE

No Report received

MEN'S FOURTH GRADE

Round 11 – After an undefeated start to 2022, the 4th grade was full of confidence heading into a 2-dayer against Prospect with West Torrens a game behind Prospect which was in 4th place. Prospect were bowled out for 167 with both **Liam Dorward** and **Josh Joseph** picking up 3 wickets each. The day's play ended with West Torrens losing 2 wickets for 35 runs with **Jarrold Hoskins** on an unbeaten 19* overnight partnered with **Rhys Kozned**. We were looking to chase down the total and secure 15 points to equal our position with Prospect on the ladder. Unfortunately, after a positive start and despite **Jarrold Hoskin** making 68 we were not able to get the win. Bowled out for 143. This leaves us out of the finals.

Round 12 - Bye

Round 13 – For the final game of the round we were off to Park 23 to play Adelaide. It was a tricky task to compile a team this week – thanks to our Under 16's (**Max Davidson**, **Sam Gariboli** and **Thomas Parsons**) and women's teams (**Mackenzie McCauley**, her Dad **Michael McCauley** and **Emily Parsons**) for supplying the necessary players – giving us a Father/Daughter combination and a first time for all 3 Parsons playing in the same team. While Adelaide had a slow start and we got an early wicket, their number 3 got away from us leaving us chasing 234. Some great performances from **Mackenzie McCauley** 3/52 and U. 16 **Max Davidson** making 52 were not enough –West Torrens all out 132. A disappointing end to the season.

- **Max Parsons, Captain**

UNDER 16 RED

Round 10 against Glenelg was away at Pulteney Grammar School where we were invited to bat. Some good starts evaporated and left us at 7 for 102. A rescue mission was launched via some sensible batting from our opening bowlers with **Sam Gariboli** 35 and **Mitch Scholes** 34 adding 52 for the 8th wicket – eventually we were dismissed in the last over of the day for 172. The Glenelg run chase was dominated with a century to one of their openers with the runs flowing freely once the target was reached with opposition continuing to bat on. **Eddie Ellicott** was the pick of the bowlers at 3 for 28.

Round 11 was against Prospect at Henley and Grange Oval where we won the toss and had a bat. Despite a resolute 28 from **Alex Cappelluti**, we were in trouble at 5 for 55. Another rescue mission was provided by our opening bowlers with **Mitch Scholes** 24 and **Sam Gariboli** 20 adding 49 for the sixth wicket - we were dismissed shortly after for 113. Prospect were obliged to have a bat and were 2 for 28 at stumps and talking about quick runs and an outright victory the following week. At 5 for 59 they had their doubts, however the runs were chased down without further loss. **Eddie Ellicott** was the pick of the bowlers at 2 for 8 off 6 overs. With Prospect desperate for an outright win and the chance for a final's appearance, we had another bat finishing at 8 for 104 when play was abandoned – **Sam Turner** was the pick of the run scorers with 27. In summarising the season, some great performances with the ball, however not enough contributors with the bat to support **Sam Turner** who finished 3rd in the Association batting aggregate.

- **Mick Davidson, Manager**

UNDER 16 WHITE

Round 10 – Playing at John Mitchell Oval, Glenelg won the toss and batted first. **Thomas Parsons** took 3/45 and in his U16 White debut, **George Butler** took 2/35. **Brodie Phillips**, **Aijay** and **Maddy Willoughby** were economical with the ball and there were contributions around the field but at the end of the day Glenelg were 8/239- setting a difficult task for Day 2. On Day 2 we struggled to make enough runs, **Jackson Ritter** top scored with 36 with support from **Brodie Phillips** 20 – unfortunately not quite enough. At the end of the day we were 7/138.

Round 11 – For our final game of the season we headed to Prospect with the welcome addition of **Archie Robertson** and **Mason Rees** from the U14 Reds. We won the toss and batted first. There were contributions across the team with the bat – **Max Greenslade** making his best ever score of 79, supported by **Noah Trzesinski-Smith** with 49, **Will Mackenzie** (38) and **Jackson Ritter** (31, including 3 sixes) and further runs scored across the team – all out for 298. Day 2 Prospect got a good start but some good bowling all around – **Archie Robertson** 5/26 in his U.16 debut – supported by **Thomas Parsons** 3/20, **Tom Dolling** 1/19 and **Mason Rees** 1/24 in his debut- bowling Prospect out for 142. We were then sent back in to bat where we made a further 143 runs – **Jack Bonutto** contributing 70 n.o. An excellent end to the season.

- **Nicole Parsons, Manager/Scorer**

UNDER 14 RED

Rounds 10 and 11 against Glenelg and Prospect presented opportunities for the U14 Reds.

Great team bowling with season best performances for **Levi Barratt** 4/29 (12 ov.) and **Mason Rees** 3/30 (12 ov.) put Glenelg under pressure however two strong middle order partnerships for the Seahorses resulted in a tough target of 209 for the Reds to chase. There was great support from **Boston Molzer** and **Tait Sloan** with **Harvey Stephens** the pick of the spinners. **Marco Gariboli's** 25 (97 b.) got the team off to a steady start against some very quick opening bowling, but early wickets hampered the run chase. Best with the bat was **Matt Ross** with a quick fire 52 (60 b.) with **Jack Terry** hitting some late season form with 25 (55). A team score of 170 wasn't quite good enough but individual performances were encouraging.

Sitting even on the ladder, the game against Prospect was a great final round battle. Batting first, Prospect got away to a good start before the Reds combined to take 3/5 with a superb **Marco** contributing to an awesome run out and a classic catch. **Boston** was brilliant with the ball finishing with 3/33 (12 ov.) supported by **Harvey's** economical 1/25 (13 ov.). **Tyson Hannett** contributed his best for the season of 1/27 (8 ov.) with his wicket off his first ball. Our only let down was some average fielding late in the innings. After a shaky start following two early wickets, **Boston's** captain's knock of 20 (37 b.) looked ominous but for a dubious decision. **Harry Rennie's** middle order 39 (66 b.) was brilliant and, combined with **Levi's** 23 (40 b.) gave the Reds a chance but unfortunately it wasn't to be for a final round win. Player of the Match – **Harry Rennie**

- **Andrew Stephens, Manager**

UNDER 14 WHITE

It was a solid finish for the under 14 whites falling 33 runs short of a big run chase against Glenelg who were fighting for a top 4 finish and coming off a good win in the last round against Prospect. Glenelg batted first and compiled 196 with **Gus Petherick** the pick of the bowlers with 2 wickets. For most of our batting innings I felt we were in with a shot of winning but a late collapse saw us bowled out for 163. Best with the bat was **James Turner** with a quick fire 33 off 34 balls. In our final game against Prospect, **James Turner** won the toss and elected to bowl. In our most complete bowling performance for the season, we bowled Prospect out for 93 with our spin twins. **Harrison Whenan** and **Gus Petherick** mesmerising Prospect with combined figures of 25 overs 4 for 39 and **Hamish Burns** finishing Prospect off with 3 late wickets with his very accurate off cutters. Our chase didn't start great being 2 for 19 before **Cooper Arnold** and **Luke Hall** steadying the ship before **Luke** was out for a well compiled 24 off 102 balls, 10 runs short of Prospect's score and **Cooper Arnold** retiring after we had passed their score with an excellent 41 off 130.

Well done to the boys for finishing off the season on a very good note, both individually and as a team, which should springboard them into next season feeling really good about their cricket.

- **Steven Hall, Manager**

PRESENT PLAYER PROFILE

CAPEL Bailey (Bails) LHB - WK

b. Adelaide 15 Apr 2000

Debut # 535 v. Tea Tree Gully at Pertaringa Oval, January 2016 aged 15 y. 290d.

2723 runs @ 35.36 H.S. 199 V. Sturt at Price Memorial Oval, October 2021

7 centuries

1 wkt for 1 run

32 catches (inc. 1 as wicketkeeper)

76 games

Family: Dad Andrew, mum Michelle, sister Brittney, brother Jordan

Other Clubs/Teams (inc. State squads and teams)

Grange Primary & Henley High Schools, Fulham CC, Ealing CC (England), South Australia – U12, U15, U17 (twice) U19 (twice), Australian U16 Squad, SA 2nd XI, current Redbacks Rookie

Other Achievements e.g. Grade Club Trophies

WT Junior Cricketer of the Season Trophy – 2013-14

Most runs at U15 National Carnival

WT Best Performed U21 Player Winner – 4 times - 2017-18 to 2020-2021

1st Grade Batting Trophy – 2020-21

Premier Grade team of the Year 2020-21

Major General Symes Batting Trophy – SA U19 - 2017-18 & 2018-19

Ray Sutton Shield captain

Premierships – 1st Grade 2016-17 (2-Day, 1-Day, T20)

Under 14 Red (2013-14) Ray Sutton Shield (2013-14 – capt.)

One of our key 1st Grade players and a prolific run scorer is the exciting and highly respected young batsman Bailey Capel. The 21 y.o. was educated at Grange PS and Henley HS and already has seven 1st Grade centuries to his credit.

He began playing cricket in the back yard with his Dad, popular Advertiser journalist Andrew and older brother Jordan. He progressed to joining the Young Eagles Academy at the age of 10 and began playing with the Under 14 White team during 2010-11. His brother Jordan had already ventured to Henley Oval from their nearby home.

After moving through the junior ranks, scoring four centuries, in which time he was selected in six State Junior teams and the Australian U.16 squad, he made his 1st Grade debut aged 15 (7th youngest) and has now won a Rookie contract with the Redbacks.

Bailey regards his greatest achievement and biggest thrill in Cricket as being a member of West Torrens' triple premiership-winning teams in 2016-17 in which he contributed a solid 55 in the 2-day Grand Final v. Kensington. He is one of a unique band as this is the only time that this has been achieved in SACA Premier cricket. In 2020-21 he scored 652 runs (62.5. av.) to join the elite band of Eagles who have scored 600 runs in a season .

A number of people have assisted in the development of his game and he rates playing with senior WT teammates Trent Kelly, Kelvin Smith, Daniel Drew & Ryan Gibson as the greatest influences. Outside observers have also noted the assistance given to him by his Dad, former Adelaide and Port Adelaide player, Andrew who was often seen throwing him balls in the Henley Oval nets in his school days to ensure that he had the necessary strong foundation.

Season 2021-22 has seen Bailey's ascent to cricket maturity as he scored a personal best total of 199 and became only the second player in the Club's history to do so. The other being the mercurial Magarey Medallist Bob Hank with a similar contribution in B Grade in 1952. He then went on to a career pinnacle of 125 from 213 balls in the SA 2nd XI match v. Queensland. An opening partnership of 169 with Kyle Brazell enabled SA to turn a 1st innings deficit into an outright win.

Bailey's further claim to fame is that he has the best bowling average in the history of the Club – 1/1 from the three balls which he has delivered in 1st Grade. When queried as to who is the best batter to whom he has bowled, it was obviously Sam Hutchinson (Northern Districts) as it is his only 1st Grade wicket. He nominated Daniel Worrall as the best bowler whom he has faced due to his ability to swing and seam the ball. He loves the West Torrens Club because of its great culture and the security of great team-mates.

He is gifted in other sports also, playing for Glenelg in an U15 SANFL Premiership Team plus Henley Sharks and a dip at Soccer at Grange Primary.

Given the chance to name three people from the world outside of cricket with whom he would like to have dinner he nominated professional basketballers Michael Jordan and Kobe Bryant plus actor Chris Pratt.

His choice of three people from the cricket world with whom he would like to have dinner, he cited Mr. Cricket, Mike Hussey and unsurprisingly two wicketkeeper batsmen, South African Abraham Benjamin De Villiers and the Kiwi Tom Latham.

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PAST PLAYER PROFILE

DAY Herbert John (Bert)

b. Hindmarsh 1 April 1868

RHB RAM

d. Hindmarsh 14 Oct 1947

Hindmarsh 1886-87 to 1896-97 (58 1st. XI games)

West Torrens 1897-98 to 1914-15 - did not play 1903-04 and 1913-14 – non playing Honorary Secretary only in the latter season (59 A grade games)

SA 1898-9 (1 F/c game) Debut No. SA 85 Hindmarsh 74 WT 12

Hindmarsh Debut v. Norwood at Adelaide Oval South, January 1887

651 runs @ 13.56 H.S. 61 v. Port Adelaide at Adelaide Oval South, December 1895

0 wkts. for 14 runs

WT Debut v. East Torrens at Adelaide Oval South, October 1897

1280 runs @ 21.33 H.S. 146 v. Port Adelaide at the Neutral Ground, February 1899 (1 century)

23 wkts. @16.60 Best 7/94 (plus 4/10 in 1st innings) v. Port Adelaide at Hindmarsh Oval, March 1912 (10WM x 1, 5WI x 1)

SA Debut v. Western Australia at the WACA, April 1899

28 runs @ 14.00 H.S. 14 (on debut) Did not bowl

Other Achievements

WT Premier Bowler 1911-12

B grade captain 1904-05 - 1908-09 & 1910-12

WT Secretary 1913-14 and 1914-15

West Torrens C.C. Life Member

WT SACA Delegate 1906-07 to 1909-10

(B Grade) 1910-11 to 1914-15 (A Grade)

Selector SACA B Grade Representative team

Hindmarsh Chess Club Handicap Champion 1894

Other Teams Cambridge (Adelaide and Suburban C.A. 1885-86 also Club Secretary)

Cricketing Family Brother Walter (Hindmarsh) Half-brother Albert (West Torrens), Grandsons Ian (West Torrens and Colts) and Robert (West Torrens)

One of the most unique members of our Club made his mark both on the field and also in an administrative capacity and his indelible signature stamped across both the Hindmarsh (the 'Bricks') and West Torrens (the 'Eagles') banners under which the Club has played.

Bert Day was one of the outstanding Club stalwarts of the Hindmarsh-West Torrens Club. He was a true product of Hindmarsh, born in Hindmarsh, died in Hindmarsh and was enrolled in the first intake of students at the new Hindmarsh Model School in 1878.

A hard hitting, free scoring batsman, he began his senior cricket in the 2nd XI with the 'Bricks' in 1886 and retired from the playing arena in 1915 when SACA District Cricket ceased owing to World War 1. He debuted in 1st Grade against the formidable

Norwood combination two months before his nineteenth birthday. Chasing 298, the 'Bricks' scored the runs for the loss of five wickets, with Australian keeper Affie Jarvis scoring 105 in two hours and Bert contributing 27. Bert's was a somewhat swashbuckling innings hitting future Test player Jack Lyons for 10 in Lyons' first over and 12 in his next.

His sole A Grade century was 146 against Port Adelaide at the Neutral Ground (now Adelaide #2) in February 1899, this time wearing the West Torrens cap. It was an innings in which he 'cut and drove skilfully', gave only one chance at 126 and scored 96 in boundaries. This was the first A Grade century scored by a West Torrens player.

The innings led to his selection in the first SACA team to play on the WACA ground in April 1899. This visit to Perth was the only time that Bert represented the state. The first match on the tour was against a Fremantle Combined X1 and was followed by the First class match against Western Australia at the WACA in which he opened the batting in each innings with Fred Hack and scored 14 each time he visited the crease. An interesting story emanates from the game at Fremantle. Bert opened the innings, scored two runs from the first ball and was out on the next. Some of the players thought that something was amiss and called for the pitch to be measured and found that it was a yard too long. The umpires cancelled the match and ordered a re-start. Bert opened the innings again and as he thought that he was out legitimately the first time, threw his wicket away. He was never picked for S.A. again after his tour to the West.

Bert Day was truly a clubman. At age 36 he returned to B grade for West Torrens as captain in 1904-05 and carried out these duties for five seasons. While captain of the Bs he scored the first century on Hindmarsh Oval (now Hindmarsh Stadium), 102 n.o. v. North Adelaide in March 1906.

His 658 @ 73.11 in 1907-08 is still the highest Aggregate ever attained by a Hindmarsh or West Torrens player in B Grade (now Second Grade). During that season he hit three centuries

104 v. Adelaide at Hindmarsh Oval

120 n.o. v. North Adelaide at the Cathedral Ground

111 n.o. v. Prince Alfred College at Prince Alfred College

(The Cathedral Ground was situated where the former Memorial Drive tennis courts were sited. It was converted to a tennis complex in 1922 and became the SALTA Headquarters. It is now part of the Next Generation Fitness Centre). Bert's best Bowling analysis in B Grade was also achieved during the 1907-08 season, 6/41 v. St. Peter's College.

The Observer (28 Nov 1908) mentioned that ".... progress of junior cricket in West Torrens is largely due to his enthusiasm and devotion to the game"

He returned to A grade briefly for the 1908-09 season and prematurely retired at the end of the season. However he was recalled to A grade for the last three games of the 1909-10 program after not playing earlier in the season.

In 1908-09 the Woodville Cricket Club, which had been admitted to the SACA B grade the previous season, collapsed so those players who took their cricket seriously ventured to Hindmarsh Oval. As a result West Torrens entered two B grade teams in the SACA competition, denoting them as West Torrens West and West Torrens East.

Bert, now over 40 years of age took on the captaincy of the West team in 1908-09, 1910-11 and 1911-12.

Astonishingly Bert received a further recall to A grade for the 1911-12 season, at the age of 43, and became the oldest player to win the Club Premier Bowling award. He was one of the Club delegates to the SACA B grade Committee (a Committee long since defunct) from 1905-06 until 1909-10, then Club delegate to the SACA Cricket Committee from 1910-11 until 1914-15 and was also Club Secretary in seasons 1912-14 and 1914-15.

Bert was also an astute chess player who won the Hindmarsh Chess Club Handicap Championship in 1893 and was runner up with 176.75 points to cricket team mate Frank King (183.5 points) the following year. He also served on the Hindmarsh Town Council for six years with Frank King.

His brother Walter Reynolds Day played in the lower Grades for Hindmarsh and a half-brother Albert played a single A grade match for WT (debuted at age 16y. 209d.) when called up late on a Saturday morning as a last minute replacement. The Day family were multi-talented progenitors as Bert's grandsons Ian and Robert (debut aged 16y. 264d.) also played A grade cricket for West Torrens. Ian also played SANFL league football with West Adelaide and South Adelaide in addition to top grade pennant squash and golf. Robert played SANFL football with West Adelaide and VFL football with Hawthorn. Another grandson Alan was an A1 amputee table tennis player.

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EAGLES CLUB AMBASSADORS



Top Row: Matthew Broadbent, Ian Ravenscroft, Adam Crosthwaite, Tim Ford
Middle Row: Matthew Richardson, Mickey D, Andy Capel, Josh Dascombe
Bottom Row: Leigh Drennan, Ian Chappell, Peter George, John Lynch OAM

HISTORY CORNER

Best West Torrens Cricketer-Footballer Team

Is this the best team of outstanding footballers to play A Grade cricket for West Torrens?

- Selection criteria
- played A Grade cricket for West Torrens D.C.C.
 - played at least 20 A Grade cricket matches (any Club)
 - played at least 20 SANFL or equivalent matches (any Club)
 - a balanced team
 - team picked on cricket performance rather than football performance

1. **Brian Isaac** **RHB – WK**
 Cricket – West Torrens/Senior Colts 220 games and 5731 runs (WT)
 Football – West Torrens 33 games
2. **Dinny Conroy** **RHB**
 Cricket – West Torrens 136 games 3460 runs
 Football – West Torrens 101 games
3. **Ben Higgins**
 Cricket – West Torrens/Sturt 142 games and 5401 runs (WT) 15 FC 7 List A games
 Football – Woodville-West Torrens 68 games
4. **Merv Waite** **RHB - RAM/RAOS (Captain)**
 Cricket – West Torrens/Glenelg 96 games (WT) 103 FC games 2 Tests
 Football – West Torrens/Glenelg/Glen-WA/South Adelaide 142 games 343 goals
5. **Lindsay Head** **RHB**
 Cricket – West Torrens 59 games 2065 runs SA 9 FC games
 Football – West Torrens 327 games 525 goals 3 Magarey Medals South Australia
6. **Jack Carr** **RHB – RALS**
 Cricket - West Torrens 161 games 4807 runs and 120 wkts.
 Football – West Torrens 51 games
7. **Bill Isaac** **RHB – RAOS**
 Cricket – West Torrens/Adelaide
 Football – WT/WA/SA/Nor-North 117 games 497 goals SANFL leading goalkicker
 1943 and 1944
8. **James Pyke** **RHB – RAFM**
 Cricket – West Torrens/Sturt 131 games ((WT) 70 games (St.) SA 13 FC & 14 List A
 games
 Football – Norwood 70 games
9. **Jimmy Matthews** **RHB - RAFM**
 Cricket - Hindmarsh/North Adelaide 50+ games SA 7 F/c games
 Football – North Adelaide South Australia
10. **Harold Sincok** **RHB – RALS**
 Cricket – West Torrens 86 games 1847 runs and 231 wkts SA 2 FC games
 Football – West Torrens 46 games
11. **Charlie Sim** **RHB – RALS**
 Cricket – West Torrens/South Brisbane/Valley 81 games Qld. 4 FC games
 Football – West Torrens 20 games + QAFL

Have I erred in not including Hurtle Willsmore, Stuart Geddes, Libby Waye or Ron Ward? Did Edwin Walkley (SA cricketer) play SANFL for West Adelaide?

Rocka Club Historian

WT Players with a team other than SA

There are two instances of West Torrens players playing Sheffield Shield cricket for a state other than South Australia in the same season as they played for the *Eagles*. The first case was that of **Chris Mack** who was selected for Western Australia when an opening bowler for West Torrens in 1989-90. Chris was a member of the Australian Cricket Academy that year and it was the policy of the Academy to farm out its players to District Clubs for match practice and Chris was allocated to West Torrens. Chris had a successful year with the Club taking 30 wickets and was thus selected for W.A. when their Test players were away.

The other player was **Paul Nobes** who played for Victoria in 1991-92. Paul played the first two FAI Cup games (limited over interstate matches) for South Australia but was not selected in the Sheffield Shield side. He played the second A grade game for the *Eagles* against Salisbury scoring 69 and 48 and made 77 on the first Saturday of the next match at Glenelg. On the Sunday he travelled to Melbourne for talks with Waverley-Dandenong Club and secured a guarantee for his financial and cricketing future (which had not materialised after certain assurances were made at S.A.C.A. level) and played with that club on the Tuesday - a one day game on Melbourne Cup day.

In an act of retaliation, the S.A.C.A. then refused to allow Paul to complete the match with West Torrens by de-registering him, even though he had never been cleared by West Torrens and had been a registered player on the first Saturday. This seemed akin to the A.F.L. sending a message to a Club at halftime that their key player was now unregistered and that they would have to play out the match with seventeen men. Paul consequently stayed in Melbourne and played for Victoria for the rest of the season and into the future.

On the second Saturday the Glenelg captain Tim Harms refused to allow West Torrens a sub fielder – quite within the rules of the game but hardly in the Spirit of Cricket.

- **Rocka, Club Historian**

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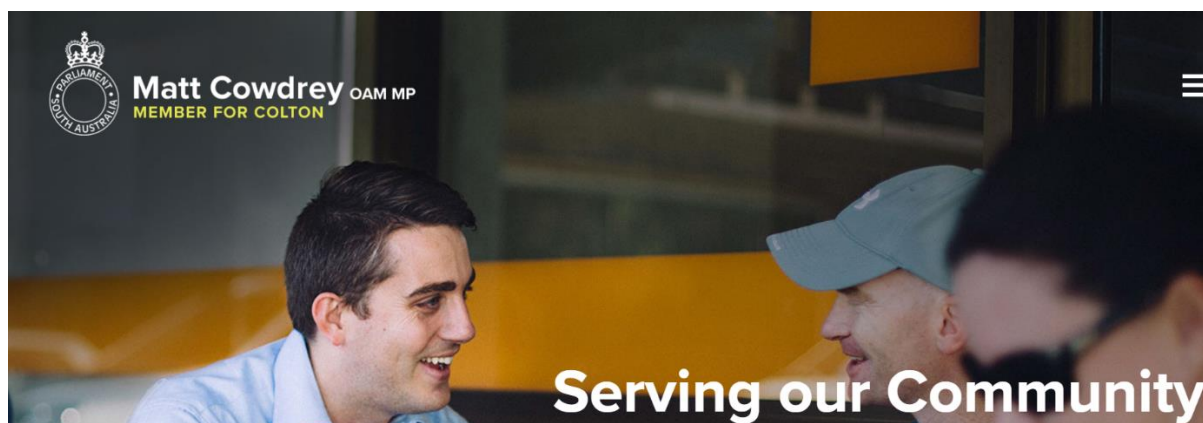
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