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SEASON  
2014/2015



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LOBURN, NORTH CANTERBURY, NEW ZEALAND

FOUNDED  
1st MAY, 1994

## Our motto

"Floreat Salices"  
("May the Willows flourish")



## Our objectives

- To encourage players in secondary school first elevens to play with and against experienced players, many of whom are present or past first-class cricketers.
- To offer quality cricket to cricket lovers in a country atmosphere, where families may come to watch and picnic.



## Why was The Willows formed?

To act as a catalyst, whereby cricketers, and cricket supporters, past and present, who appreciate the traditions and ethos of the game, are able to contribute and impart their experience and talents to the development of youth involved in secondary schools cricket.



"Jaguar Oval"

*Home of The Willows Cricket Club  
Loburn, New Zealand*



# “The Willows”

CRICKET CLUB



LOBURN, NORTH CANTERBURY, NEW ZEALAND

[www.thewillows.org.nz](http://www.thewillows.org.nz)

#### Patron in Perpetuity

W.A.Hadlee, CBE, OBE (1915–2006)

#### The Willow Cricketer

The Rt Hon. Sir Anand Satyanand, GNZM, QSO

#### President

The Hon. Sir John Hansen, KNZM

#### Immediate Past President

W.J.Mitchell (1994–2003)

#### Founders

C.K.Baker  
R.C.Bromley  
H.D.E.Brooke, QSM  
C.L.Bull  
R.J.Cowles  
B.L.Dormer  
M.E.Dormer  
P.E.Dormer  
R.J.R.Fairbairn  
W.R.T.Fairbairn  
B.G.Hadlee  
P.D.Harris

#### Administration Committee

Founders plus:  
D.C.Burrell  
P.E.McEwan  
J.G.Stringleman

#### Management Committee

J.A.F.Davidson  
S.J.Davis  
B.J.K.Doody  
M.J.Ellis  
Sir John Hansen  
G.P.McCarthy  
A.J.Nuttall  
P.D.Rutledge  
J.G.Stringleman  
R.L.Walker

#### Life Members

R.J.Cowles  
V.B.Cusack  
P.C.Devlin  
W.J.Mitchell  
D.O.Neely, MNZM, MBE

#### Team Selection

B.J.K.Doody  
P.E.McEwan  
P.D.Rutledge

#### Match Secretaries

M.E.Dormer  
P.D.Rutledge  
J.G.Stringleman

#### Hon. Secretary

A.R.McRae

#### Hon. Treasurer

A.J.Sheard

#### Membership Secretaries

Mrs I.McRae  
Mrs J.Whittington

#### Hon. Statisticians

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W.J.Mitchell

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K.Evans  
R.D.Hayward

#### Annual Report

H.D.E.Brooke, QSM  
R.J.Cowles (Editor)  
W.J.Mitchell

#### Webmaster

J.D.Hammond  
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#### Hon. Chaplain

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B.G.Cummings, SM

#### Groundsman

P.C.Devlin

#### Hon. Gardener

Mrs E.M.Edgar

#### Correspondence

P.O.Box 22 633,  
Christchurch 8140  
New Zealand

# Membership



The members roll at 31 March 2015 stood as follows:

Playing	295
Associate	256
Overseas	96
Honorary	72
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Total Membership	719

## Playing Members (295)

*Year of entry precedes name*

03	Abbott, R.E.	12	Close, E.M.	14	Findlay, B.
06	Agnew, W.T.	13	Coburn, B.C.	15	Finnie, G.
12	Allcock, M.J.	06	Coffey, S.T.	13	Finnie, J.
97	Allott, G.I.	99	Coll, J.P.	10	Fletcher, A.T.
14	Anderson, F.G.	10	Collins, M.	08	Franklin, B.M.
14	Archer, E.	14	Commons, E.	14	Frost, M.F.
14	Baker, A.P.	12	Cooke, H.R.I.	04	Fullerton-Smith, A.D.
10	Banks, R.J.	14	Courtney, L.	00	Fulton, D.H.
07	Barringer, T.G.	06	Cowlishaw, A.J.	95	Fulton, P.G.
07	Barry, J.V.	09	Croft, M.	09	Gale, A.J.
05	Barry, V.E.	98	Cunliffe, J.J.	12	Gambles, A.
07	Bartholomeusz, L.D.	14	Curnow, C.C.	06	Garry, J.R.
12	Bates, J.L.	94	Cusack, D.R.	94	Germon, L.K.
11	Baxendine, S.	11	Cutts, R.E.	10	Gordon, B.G.
05	Bayliss, R.T.	14	D'Arcy, J.A.C.	11	Gray, A.H.
13	Bayly, R.	03	d'Auvergne, N.R.	12	Griffin, T.E.S.
08	Bellamy, B.D.	98	d'Auvergne, P.G.	09	Grocott, T.M.
06	Belliss, C.J.	98	Davidson, J.A.F.	12	Haig, A.D.
94	Bennett, J.	12	Davidson, L.J.	11	Hamilton, R.J.V.
13	Benton, J.A.T.	94	Davis, S.J.	08	Hammond, D.P.W.
95	Bisman, C.W.	13	Day, H.W.	09	Hampton-Matehe, T.
13	Blair, B.A.	08	Devine, P.B.	99	Hantz, J.L.
13	Bolderston, M.G.	94	Devlin, P.C.	94	Harris, B.Z.
02	Bond, S.E.	13	Dickson, G.J.	94	Harris, C.Z.
08	Boock, J.W.E.	12	Dobbs, P.W.	11	Harris, D.A.
14	Borrie, O.	13	Doherty, B.P.	94	Harris, P.D.
13	Boyle, J.C.T.	95	Doody, B.J.K.	10	Harrison, T.
12	Braid, T.J.	00	Doody, T.J.	00	Hastilow, A.J.
95	Brooks, G.N.	94	Dormer, B.L.	01	Hawes, F.C.
11	Brown, S.J.A.	05	Dowds, D.P.	14	Hay, M.W.
14	Brown, W.B.	09	Duncan, J.D.	11	Hayes, M.W.
94	Bull, C.L.	06	Duncan, P.M.	14	Hill, C.
94	Bull, J.C.	97	Dunne, R.M.	14	Hill, F.
94	Burrell, W.M.	08	Earl, G.H.	13	Hill, N.H.
94	Burson, R.D.	11	Eastlake, M.G.	09	Hinton, C.R.
01	Cameron, B.S.	12	Egyed, V.E.	13	Hogan, M.R.
11	Carter, S.L.	01	Ellis, A.M.	15	Horne, P.A.
13	Chamberlain, H.J.	99	Ellis, A.M.	06	Horrell, A.H.
13	Clarkson, J.A.	06	Farrant, M.D.	12	Howard, S.E.

95	Hudson, M.G.	09	McGoldrick, T.B.	10	Senior, G.H.
06	Humphris, L.A.	14	McGuire, J.A.	12	Sharples, D.J.
14	Hunt, J.E.M.	98	McGuire, R.D.	14	Sheat, F.W.
02	Hutchison, P.J.	12	McHardy, S.	13	Shiple, H.
94	Inglis, G.D.	08	McKeefry, D.J.P.	09	Singleton, M.J.
13	Jeffrey, M.	14	McKegg, C.M.	09	Soper, B.E.
08	Johnston, L.H.	14	McKellar, L.W.	94	Sparks, L.C.
01	Johnston, M.T.	10	McLean, C.F.	13	Stagg, S.
06	Johnston, N.M.	95	McRae, A.R.	13	Stanley, D.D.
06	Johnston, T.G.	13	Meyrick, J.M.	05	Stevenson, J.W.
01	Johnstone, A.F.	14	Mikaera, A.	09	Stewart, G.J.
14	Jones, R.	14	Michel, B.	01	Stretch, G.B.
12	Keen, M.S.	95	Miller, G.A.	13	Stretch, M.
11	Kelly, D.P.	14	Miller, P.	10	Stringleman, J.G.
11	Kelly, M.J.	11	Mooney, P.J.K.	09	Sutton, T.G.
11	Kennedy, C.P.	14	Mugford, C.	11	Tait, M.J.
15	Kennett, H.	05	Muir, T.R.	09	Tapper, J.H.
14	Kirk, H.S.T.	09	Murray, F.D.J.	14	Taylor, B.D.
12	Knight, P.	00	Nathu, A.	10	Taylor, R.J.
14	Laffey, A.	11	Nation, T.C.G.	14	Taylor, T.C.
97	Landon-Lane, M.E.	08	Nicholls, H.	09	Teale, H.W.
05	Langrope, B.J.	06	Nicholson, A.J.	11	Thomas, S.T.
04	Langrope, S.L.	06	Noster, S.	11	Thompson, M.J.
07	Latham, M.T.	94	Nuttall, A.J.	00	Thornton, T.F.
07	Latham, T.W.M.	09	Nuttall, E.J.	99	Townrow, W.B.
12	Laughton, B.L.	05	Nuttall, H.A.	04	Turner, T.J.H.
01	Leggat, J.E.	10	Nuttall, J.S.	09	van Woerkom, T.F.
09	Lester, S.	09	O'Connell, C.P.	11	Vann, D.B.
11	Lidstone, W.C.	06	O'Gorman, J.P.D.	12	Vanner, J.R.
01	Loe, H.F.	08	Orton, B.R.	12	Wakefield, D.J.
04	Lonsdale, W.M.	94	Owens, M.B.	03	Walker, R.L.
01	Lucas, B.J.	13	Page, F.	06	Walsh, W.P.J.
11	Mably, B.J.	13	Parker, M.	10	Ward, B.R.
12	Mably, D.R.	98	Parr, M.J.	95	Ward, J.
94	MacDonald, M.B.	06	Patel, M.	09	Ward, S.A.
11	MacFarlane, E.D.	94	Pawson, J.D.	09	Watson, J.M.
11	Macgregor, A.J.	95	Pitcher, A.C.	12	Watson, Z.D.
12	Marsh, D.	09	Pithey, R.J.	94	Weeds, M.G.
03	Marsh, J.D.	09	Poole, J.	06	Wellington, B.
10	Marsh, N.E.	10	Pope, C.D.	08	Wheeler, B.M.
00	Martin, S.G.D.	06	Pullar, C.G.	10	Wightman, D.J.
94	Masefield, R.V.	13	Rawson, D.P.G.	14	Williams, B.J.
99	Masefield, T.J.	15	Read, K.	12	Williams, M.L.
11	Mauger, A.J.D.	00	Reardon, P.H.	10	Williams, W.S.A.
02	Maw, D.J.	09	Reed, G.I.	14	Wilson, H.E.J.
98	Maw, P.A.C.	08	Reese, A.	12	Wilson, J.M.
12	McCall, D.K.	10	Reid, A.	10	Wilson, R.T.
02	McCarthy, G.P.	03	Rennell, C.P.	09	Winter, M.J.C.
95	McCarthy, P.B.	11	Rennie, T.C.	10	Wiseman, P.J.
10	McClure, K.J.	09	Richards, J.M.	01	Wolt, J.R.K.
12	McConnell, T.P.	04	Robertson, C.D.	06	Wraight, S.J.
10	McCormick, S.A.	00	Robertson, I.A.	13	Wright, E.T.Q.
10	McCracken, A.J.	06	Rowe, A.J.	99	Wright, H.G.
11	McDonald, J.M.	09	Rowe, M.P.	08	Wright, H.H.A.
08	McEwan, M.B.	95	Rutledge, P.D.	08	Wright, H.J.
94	McEwan, P.E.	06	Ryan, P.D.	05	Wright, N.H.
09	McEwan, R.P.	99	Satterthwaite, M.F.	11	Wright, W.H.
06	McFarlane, B.S.	11	Schulte, H.L.	06	Youngusband, P.F.
11	McGillivray, C.P.	14	Scott, K.B.		
06	McGoldrick, C.P.	13	Scott, T.T.B.		

## Associate Members (256)

06	Abbott, R.T.	94	Davidson, N.R.W., QC	94	Hastilow, J.W.
94	Aberhart, D.C.	00	Dick, A.E.	94	Hastings, B.F.
94	Adams, B.C., QSM	04	Dickey, G.E.	95	Hastings, M.B.
94	Aldridge, B.L., QSM	01	Dickson, I.B.	04	Hayward, R.D.
03	Ambler, K.R.	94	Dolan, P.J.	02	Hayward, R.E.
94	Anderson, C.J.	94	Dormer, P.E.	05	Healy, N.
94	Austin, G.K.	94	Dowling, G.T., OBE	08	Henry, M.J.
14	Averill, C.E.W.	94	Dowling, Br W.H.	94	Hight, C.M.
94	Baker, C.K.	98	Durning, J.W.	03	Hilgendorf, D.C.
09	Ballantyne, R.M., CNZM	05	Eaton, J.H.M.	94	Holderness,
06	Bannan, G.J.	94	Ebert, R.J.		His Honour Judge D.J.R.
03	Barnett, D.W.	01	Eddington, W.L.	02	Hooper, W.P.
94	Bateman, S.N.	97	Ellis, M.J.	95	Hudson, H.J.
11	Baxendine, R.W.	05	Evans, G.R.	95	Hughes-Johnson, A.C., QC
03	Beer, G.D.	10	Evans, K.W.	94	Ikram, Professor H.
07	Biddick, D.W.	01	Eveleigh, R.S.	11	Inglis, S.B.
03	Blaikie, Dr D.J.O.	04	Evennett, D.C.	94	Innes, R.T.J.
94	Blair, K.R.	94	Fairbairn, R.J.R.	14	Irvine, B.L.
00	Boock, S.L.	94	Fairbairn, W.R.T.	95	Irvine, B.S.
12	Boyle, D.J.	98	Fenton, W.R.	99	Irving, J.D.
94	Boyle, J.G.	97	Fenwick, C.R.	94	James, P.M.
97	Bremner, M.C.	10	Finn, Professor J.N.	10	Johnstone, N.A.
94	Bromley, R.C.	94	Fisher, M.A.	06	Jordan, P.H.
94	Brooke, H.D.E., QSM	98	Flanagan, C.W.	94	Joyce, Professor P.R.
95	Brownlee, E.T., QSM	94	Flanagan, S.P.	98	Judson, R.E.
95	Bruce, D.B.	08	Fletcher, A.G.	06	Kain, M.O.
04	Buckenham, M.H.	14	Ford, L.	99	Kerr, L.H.
08	Buist, G.T.	06	Fowler, H.M.	10	King, R.H.
06	Bull, A.J.	94	Fox, D.O.	08	Kos, The Hon. Justice J.S.
96	Bunt, L.R.H.	98	Frahm, R.J.F., QSM	94	Lancaster, M.J.
94	Burrell, D.C.	97	Fuller, M.J.	94	Lancaster, T.E.
03	Burrett, W.G.	98	Fulton, G.H.	94	Latham, R.T.
00	Burrows, D.L.	98	Gallaway, G.N.	01	Lawson, R.A.
99	Calder, B.	94	Gardner, J.	94	Loe, J.G.
00	Cameron, D.J.	06	Gargiulo, F.J.	94	MacDonald, Mrs D.
94	Cameron, F.J., MBE	02	Garland, S.P.	12	Mackenzie, D.C.C.
95	Campbell, A.I.	09	Georgieff, R.	10	Maguire, W.J.
94	Campbell, Dr A.J.M.	03	Goldstein, M.P.	01	Malloch, B.E.
04	Carter, R.	06	Goodall, F.R., ONZM, ED	12	Marsh, P.
08	Cartwright, I.	06	Goodman, J.H.	01	Martin, S.D.
06	Chatfield, E.J., MBE	10	Gould, G.C.	14	Matthews, Associate Judge J.G.
00	Chisholm, Hon. Justice L., CNZM	01	Gourdie, A.J.	94	McCallum, Dr A.B.
14	Clark, D.C.	06	Gray, E.J.	03	McClellan, L.R.
94	Clark, L.A.	14	Griffith, D.	05	McClellan, M.J.
94	Clark, N.G.	04	Grigor, I.M.	05	McClellan, T.M.
01	Coates, N.F.	96	Grocott, D.J.	05	McCone, R.J.
03	Colvin, G.G.	96	Grocott, J.W.	94	McCourtie, Mrs R.
98	Compton, M.R., QSM	09	Gubbins, D.R.W.	94	McDonnell, K.M., JP
98	Cook, P.S.	94	Guthrey, P.C.	95	McFedries, B.G.
94	Coop, T.A.	94	Hadlee, B.G.	98	McFedries, S.E.M.
06	Cooper, The Hon. Justice M.L.S.	94	Hadlee, D.R.	06	McGoldrick, Mrs L.
04	Cosgrove, C.J.	94	Hadlee, M.J.	95	McHarg, R.L.
94	Crocker, L.M.	95	Hamilton, B.G.	13	McInnes, Dr D.R.
94	Cunliffe, S.M.	11	Hammond, J.D.	94	McKechnie, B.J.
95	Dalley, R.G., QSM	11	Harper, R.G.F.	99	McKendry, D.J.
94	Davidson, A.F., ONZM	95	Harrison, R.J.	98	McKinlay, S.

02	McRae, J.A.	97	Priest, M.W.	06	Spear, B.G.
03	Miller, G.M.	09	Pulley, D.F.	94	Stead, G.R.
94	Mills, D.L.T.	95	Quested, D.M.	95	Strack, D.J.
12	Monk, G.B., <i>ONZM</i>	99	Raphael, S.H.E.	99	Taylor, B.J.
05	Moore, G.R.	04	Reid, D.W.	07	Teale, M.D.
06	Morgan, R.	95	Roberts, S.J.	94	Thiele, C.H.
12	Moses, K.R.	98	Robinson, L.M.C.	99	Thompson, K.G.
97	Murray, A.J.	14	Ross, J.L.	99	Thorn, L.D.A.
09	Murray, D.N.	14	Ross, Mrs J.M.	94	Ussher, C.P.
99	Nevin, J.H.	03	Rowberry, J.M.	07	Veale, J.H.
03	Newell, M.L.M.	09	Rowe, C.A.	94	Wait, E.P.
11	Newman, P.A.	01	Rust, K.N.	00	Wake, R.W.
03	Newton, B.I.P.	94	Savill, C.M.	94	Wallace, P.E.
10	Neynens, C.	06	Sawers, S.J.	10	Walsh, Mrs K.M.
98	Nielsen, T.S.	09	Scanlon, T.M.	10	Walsh, P.M.J.
98	Nixon, B.M.	97	Scott, A.D.L.	95	Watson, M.
03	Noster, F.R.	95	Scott, D.W.G.	95	Wells, G.R.
10	O'Brien, P.D., <i>ONZM</i>	01	Shackleton, D.A.	14	Whata, The Hon. Justice C.
03	O'Donnell, P.M.	94	Shadbolt, C.H.	14	Whiteside, P.F., QC
14	Orsborn, I.A.	95	Sharp, D.C.	94	Whittington, Mrs J.A.
95	Page, R.J.	05	Sheard, A.J.	97	Wiffen, A.G.C.
94	Parker, N.M.	00	Shiple, A.J.B.	14	Wilby, B.G.
94	Paton, G.C.J.	00	Shrimpton, M.	94	Williams, P.R.
94	Pawson, S.J.	95	Skipper, H.L.	95	Winnicott, A.G.
06	Penlington, The Hon. Justice P.	95	Smith, G.B.	04	Wood, P.
04	Pettet, C.M.	13	Smith, G.J.	13	Woodward, Mrs D.
94	Phillips, M.K.	94	Smith, M.J.	97	Wright, J.G.
05	Pitcher, S.M.	02	Snedden, M.C., <i>CSNZ</i>	95	Wright, Dr M.J.
96	Polson, A.H.	99	Sowden, R.J.S.	99	Wyllie, D.I.
		12	Sparling, J.T.	94	Yardley, K.J.

## Overseas Members (96)

### AUSTRALIA

02	Aitken, R., <i>AM</i>
05	Barrat, R.
12	Boyte, M.R.
15	Burley, D.
99	Chisholm, D.H.
98	Darke, M.
95	Davidson, A.K., <i>AM, MBE</i>
05	Deans, S.J.M.
94	Douglass, W.B., <i>ASM</i>
94	Eastment, B.A.
05	Eddington, Sir Rod
94	Eldershaw, J.M.
06	Fisher, H.M.L.
06	Havercroft, G.
15	Hodge, M.E.A.
06	Hodgson, T.L.P.
02	Holt, D.W.
94	Innes, J.T.
97	Jones, B.S.
06	Jones, Dr R.D.M.
12	Katter, Dr D.H, <i>ADC, RANR</i>
02	McQueen, D.
01	Neaves, T.C.

03	Peacock, M.D.
01	Richards, S.
96	Rixon, S.J.
01	Rose, G.L.
94	Runacres, A.M.
03	Salmon, K.
98	Silver, M.J.
95	Smith, R.
12	Sundarjee, M.
12	Sundarjee, P.
07	Vaughan, Dr J.T.C.
06	Walls, K.A.
94	Wiles, E.G.
11	Woolcott, E.B.
02	Zavos, S.B.

### GERMANY

08	Werner, Dr H-J
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### HONG KONG

01	Chandler, J.
09	Keir, J.
15	Lamplough, G.D.
00	Miles, R.

98	Stearns, N.
01	Walsh, M.
15	Watkins, P.J.

### INDIA

12	Dalmia, A.
11	Kheraj, N.
11	Kheraj, S.

### JAPAN

99	Deans, R.M.
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### SINGAPORE

08	Horner, M.
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### SOUTH AFRICA

01	Fotheringham, B.
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### SRI LANKA

09	Fernando, M.
09	Fernando, D.
10	Hussain, S.
11	Ratnayake, R.J.

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**THAILAND**

07 de Vries, M.  
 08 Kader, M.A.  
 07 Leicester, J.  
 07 Malbari, F.A.

**THE NETHERLANDS**

95 McFedries, A.G.

**UNITED ARAB EMIRATES**

08 Archer, M.  
 94 Bisman, J.C.  
 10 Khan, M.

**UNITED KINGDOM**

95 Bazalgette, C.  
 11 Blackett, H.

03 Buckton, S.J.  
 08 Conyngham, J.  
 98 Cumbes, J.  
 98 Dodds, V.  
 08 Fearnley, C.D.  
 01 Fisher, T.D.L.  
 12 Fleming, C.W.  
 09 Gatting, M.W.  
 06 Goulding, M.  
 03 Hart, R.  
 94 Hatley, B.  
 94 Hutton, B.L.  
 94 Hutton, R.A.  
 94 Hutton, O.R.  
 03 Hyde, A.R.  
 06 Lander, C.  
 98 Lorimer, A.A.

94 Marsden, W.  
 99 McCarthy, H.R.M.  
 06 Mollitt, R.  
 94 Munn, R.G.  
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# President's Report



▲ The teams assemble in front of the Trevor Campbell Pavilion for the Governor-General's Youth XI v Past New Zealand XI.

## “Willowers All,”

As autumn drifts over The Willows Jaguar Oval at Loburn, members are left to ponder the triumphs and disasters of the last season.

The standard of cricket at the ground continued to be outstanding, and there were many exciting and tight finishes. As always, the game against the Governor-General's XI was a highlight, and we acknowledge the former New Zealand representatives playing for us. We, and they, managed another win. Our thanks to His Excellency for once more being so supportive of youth, youth cricket and The Willows. The night before the game, a splendid dinner was hosted by Simon Leese, headmaster of Christ's College, in their beautifully restored dining room.

The sympathy and condolences of the whole Club are extended to Andrew and Anne-Marie McRae for their tragic loss. Our thoughts go out to them.

This year the Club was visited by the Hong Kong Cricket Club, whose victory partially compensated for the trouncing received by Craigengower Cricket Club a number of years ago. Unfortunately, the redoubtable Rodney Miles did not accompany the Hong Kong tour, so

could not add this victory to his list of overseas triumphs. We were also visited by the I Zingari XI from Australia, and the Evan Gray organised Wellington Wanderers Youth XI.

Our sixth youth tour to Sri Lanka was preceded by two matches in Bangkok against the Thai Under-19 XI and included matches at Galle, Colombo and Kandy.

For the first time, our great friend Merrill Fernando was accompanied by both his sons, Dilhan and Malik, when they visited Christchurch together, and as always it was a privilege to see them and enjoy their company.

The Wellington College First XI visit was accompanied by their headmaster, Roger Moses, and included such personalities as Doug Catley, Don Neely and John Morrison, courtesy of Mr Catley's private jet.

Once again the Christmas party was an outstanding success. It is always a privilege to bring so much joy and happiness to so many disadvantaged children. We had the assistance of the police, and the presence of the Salvation Army Band was an added attraction. Santa Claus did his rounds, chased by adoring fans (more attracted to the sweets than to Santa, perhaps).



This is a very important occasion in The Willows calendar, and one that grows year by year. Its success is due not only to the visiting parents and children, but the strong support received from The Willows membership, many of whom happily volunteer to undertake necessary tasks on the day. I am grateful to them.

We note the success of the Christchurch Boys' High School First XI in winning the Gillette Cup for the second time in succession. Also, it is appropriate to congratulate the Canterbury Country Cricket team, who not only won the Hawke Cup, but defended it successfully against North Otago. A number of Willows members were part of the victorious Canterbury side that retained the Plunket Shield under the coaching of Gary Stead who, with the captain Peter Fulton, have been long-term members of the Club.

A number of our young members who have been on tours to the subcontinent with Paul McEwan have progressed in their cricket to the stage of representing their provinces. This is an outstanding achievement, and no doubt reflects lessons learnt in that kind of touring environment and the exposure to quality spin bowling.

It would be remiss not to mention the outstanding achievements of our World Cup side, so ably led by Brendon McCullum. It was great to see Brendon earlier in the season when, during his rest time, he took the trouble to attend The Willows to see his old school XI (Kings of Dunedin) playing. The national team did

wonderfully well to advance to the final, with scintillating and courageous cricket. Our particular congratulations to two Willows members who were part of the squad: Tom Latham and Matt Henry.

Perhaps the most notable cricketing event on the local calendar did not feature any playing of the game. Rather, it was the opening of the Hagley Oval by the Prime Minister as a high quality, boutique test venue. Added to that, the Hadlee connection was continued with the naming of the pavilion, prior to the first test to be played there, as the Hadlee Pavilion. This took place at a star-studded dinner where Sir Richard delivered the first Spirit of Cricket oration. Then followed a splendid test match, highlighted by Brendon McCullum's 195, but better was to follow. Due to the good officers of Cricket World Cup, and the assiduous work of Cran Bull and Lee Germon, Christchurch was awarded the opening ceremony and the first game. They are to be congratulated for their efforts. The thanks of the cricket community must also be extended to Lee Robinson, as Chairman of the Canterbury Cricket Trust, and his fellow trustees, who raised the necessary funding to pay for the pavilion development.

Over this last season the Club has made earnest endeavours to improve its communication to members. We now have a good website, and electronic communication. A great deal of this work has been carried out by John Hammond, and our thanks go to him. Regular reports have been posted online by Jim Stringleman, along with a regular newsletter. As always, Rex Hayward has provided many photographs – both online and in our annual report.

Finally, can I make a plea to those few members who we have to chase for subscriptions. They are a modest \$30 per season, and it is all spent in advancing the development of youth cricket. For every member who doesn't pay, that is money that cannot be used for that purpose. So please assist the Club, and the Committee, by paying subs promptly.

The Hon. Sir John Hansen, KNZM  
**President**

# Hagley Oval

## Cricket World Cup

West Indies v Pakistan

February 2015



Congratulations to Willowers Cran Bull (representing Canterbury Cricket) and Lee Robinson (representing the Canterbury Cricket Trust) for their vision in developing Hagley Oval as a venue for Test cricket.



▲ New Zealand's top secondary school XI – Christchurch Boys' High School, winners of the Gillette Cup.



▲ Edward Nuttall took 6/35 to help Canterbury win the Plunket Shield.

# College XIs



▲ The Wellington College 1st XI.



▲ The Timaru Boys' High School 1st XI.



▲ The Southland Boys' High School 1st XI.



▲ The Nelson College 1st XI.



▲ The Waimea College 1st XI.



▲ The St Thomas of Canterbury College 1st XI.



▲ The Christchurch Boys' High School 1st XI.

# College XIs



▲ *The North West Schools XI.*



▲ *The Gore High School 1st XI.*



▲ *The Marlborough College 1st XI.*



▲ *The Otago Boys' High School 1st XI.*



▲ *The Christ's College 1st XI.*



▲ *The St Bede's College 1st XI.*



▲ *The King's High School (Dunedin) 1st XI.*



▲ *The Mid-Canterbury Youth XI.*

# Match Reports 2014/15

## v GORE HIGH SCHOOL 1st XI

28th September 2014  
Report by Tim McConnell

It was an honour to skipper The Willows on the first day of the season. Arriving at the ground with the weather looking ominous, the Gore High School squad were running through some fielding drills and looking as keen as mustard. It's a big trek up from Gore and you could sense their eagerness to get underway no matter what the conditions were like.

The ground conditions were excellent, with the pitch hard, fast and green – a real belter, the likes of which you wouldn't find anywhere else in the country in September.

McConnell and Stewart opened the batting against brisk bowling. McConnell played with himself but Stewart was brutish from the start, mistiming a few but soon finding his range and



▲ The evergreen Jacob Wolt.



▲ Gore spins twins, B Lockrose and J Mockford.

was the first wicket to fall with the score at 85. McConnell fell 5 runs later and the boys were cock-a-hoop! From then on they really put the screws on us, with superb spells from the young spinners. We were finally all out in the last over for 192.

Our bowlers were excited to be out there having seen the pace and carry from the young whips in the Gore side. After a tight opening spell from Courtney and Raz McEwan, Stewart came on. I always love watching Grant bowl. He is one of those guys who gives it 150% every ball. He put pressure on Gore although our first wicket didn't come until the 14th over, when MacGregor snared his first of five wickets on the day. He ended with the exceptional return of 5 for 18 off his 10 overs. Jeremy Benton also impressed, turning the ball on the green hard top and getting a deserved two wickets. The bowlers were well supported by Tim McConnell with the gloves who made three stumpings and took a couple of catches.

### *The Willows won by 86 runs*

#### **The Willows 192**

T. McConnell 44, G. Stewart 39, D. Kelly 29,  
H. Watson 3/33

#### **Gore High School 106**

T. Haslemore 47, A. Macgregor 5/18

#### **Umpires**

G. Evans and H. Fowler

# v CHRISTCHURCH METRO XI

5th October 2014

Report by Mario Williams

On a gorgeous morning at The Willows, the Metro XI won the toss and elected to bat. The visitors started their innings in fantastic fashion and lost their first wicket at 111. The runs flowed from an average bowling display by The Willows and Metro scored a massive 271/5 in 50 overs. Dominant with the bat were: M House (100 not out), C Gray (60) and B Mayo (50).

The best bowler for The Willows was Fraser Hawes who took two wickets from his 10 overs. The other bowlers all struggled on a very flat track as the Metro side made very good use of the batting conditions.



▲ Fraser Hawes from the roadside end.

The Willows XI started the run chase well and with Kelvin Scott going at a run a ball, the target looked very possible. Once Scott (63) departed, the chase got up to 12 runs an over and this was always going to be difficult while losing wickets. Blake Coburn (66) had a good return in the middle of the order. The Willows side was eventually all out for 215, well short of the required target.

## *The Willows lost by 56 runs*

### **Christchurch Metro XI 271/5**

M. House 100 retired, C. Gray 60, B. Mayo 50

### **The Willows 215**

B. Coburn 66, K. Scott 63, B. Cochrane 3/28

### **Umpires**

E. Brownlee and B. Hamilton



▲ View from the cob cottage.



▲ Who left the gate open?

# v MARLBOROUGH BOYS' COLLEGE 1st XI

13th October 2014

Report by Scott McHardy

A glorious Canterbury spring day and a flat, bare looking pitch greeted the players and a fair sprinkling of supporters for the Marlborough Boys' fixture. After inspecting the excellent wicket, a number of The Willows side declared that they were "batsman-only" and were looking to bat reasonably high in the order!



▲ Dave Kelly plays to leg on his way to a hundred.



▲ Scott McHardy receives the trophy from Marlborough Boys' High captain Fraser McIntosh, with Marlborough veteran Mr Wilson.

The Willows made first use of benign batting conditions and after an early wicket, players and supporters were treated to an exhibition by Fraser Sheat (101 retired), his first century for The Willows, and Dave Kelly (104 retired) for the second wicket. Both players worked the ball around well, running hard between the wickets and taking full toll of any loose balls. A couple of booming cover drives from Dave were worth the price of admission.

The final few overs offered little respite for the College with David Wakefield hitting a very entertaining 79 not out from just 59 balls. I was fortunate to witness most of this innings from the non-striker's end and was very impressed by the clean striking and the fact that most of the runs came in boundaries. The Willows finished with 346 for 3 from its 50 overs.

Set a daunting target, the College were always going to be up against it. Ma'ara Ave batted very well and showed sound technique and temperament for his 60. However, it was a lone hand in the face of some steady bowling with Jacob Wolt leading The Willows attack taking 4 for 25 from his 10 overs. Jacob was well supported by the other bowlers and in the field as the College made 159 for 8 in reply.

The match was played in excellent spirit and both the College and Willows teams and supporters mixed well after the match, enjoying the fine late evening conditions and barbecue.

My thanks to Jim, Mike and the many helpers that go into putting on a match. As ever, they did a superb job. My thanks also to The Willows team. It was a pleasure to play alongside you and I look forward to seeing you next year for the Marlborough Boys' College fixture.

## *The Willows won by 187 runs*

### **The Willows 346/3**

D. Kelly 104 retired, F. Sheat 101 retired, D. Wakefield 79\*

### **Marlborough Boys' College 159/8**

M. Ave 60, J. Croyer 27\*, J. Wolt 4/25

### **Umpires**

G. Evans and H. Fowler



# v OTAGO BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL 1st XI

19th October 2014

Report by Gareth Reed

In a tight encounter, The Willows took on Otago Boys' in an early season fixture which OBHS have tended to dominate over recent years. The Willows batted first and were made to work hard on a low and slow pitch which offered little excitement for either side. Fraser Hill, opening the batting with Peter Dobbbs, made an industrious start, with Hill going on to make 59. His main support came from Chris Harris with The Willows falling just shy of what should have been an adequate total of 200 at the end of the 50th over.



▲ Opening overs in gray overhead conditions.



▲ Andy Macgregor plays through midwicket.



▲ Chris Harris on his way to 70.



▲ Luke Courtney pushes to leg.

Over the second innings, both sides would show how to win, and then lose, and then win, and then lose a game of cricket. The Willows bowlers strayed at times, and some lapses of concentration in the field kept the Otago lads in the game. Jeremy Benton was given the unenviable task of bowling the final over, needing either a wicket, or to restrict the visitors to less than 6 runs from the over in order for The Willows to take the spoils. To their credit, numbers 10 and 11 showed great patience and maturity, and did what was required to knock off the runs with one ball to spare.

*The Willows lost by 1 wicket*

**The Willows 198/9**

F. Hill 59, C. Harris 70, S. Angus 4/30

**Otago Boys' High School 199/9**

J. Taig 77, L. Courtney 3/31

**Umpires**

L. Elliott and D. Blackstock

# v WELLINGTON COLLEGE 1st XI

26th October 2014

Report by Alex Reese

After winning the toss and choosing to bat on a rock hard, fresh wicket, the Wellington College boys set off at a quick rate of knots with their two openers, Sam Brandwood and B Patel facing off the opening bowlers comfortably.

With noticeably quick running between the wickets, and their ability to punish the bad ball, the Wellington boys were going strong at 175/3 before some great pace bowling by Wellington College Old Boy, Trevor Garrett and Sam Noster restricted the Wellington ensemble to 261/8.



▲ *The epitome of Wellington College determination.*



▲ *Trevor Barber and Brian Hastings in conversation.*



▲ *Wellington openers Patel and Brandwood.*

The highlight of the innings was watching young Sam Brandwood, who led from the front and scored 94. Although six short of his century, he impressed everyone with his composure and maturity at the crease.

In reply, The Willows got off to a solid start with the top four putting on 110. However with the following six batsmen only adding 8 runs between them, The Willows scraped together a final score of 126. This was down to an incredible spell of spin bowling from B Patel who finished with figures of 4/3 off seven overs. If only we had listened to Mr Dormer when he told us to "keep the ball on the ground, play in the 'V', and for heavens sake, no Mickey Mouse cricket...!"

It was a special day playing for the Brian Hastings Trophy, and we were extremely lucky to have the man himself join us for part of the day. It was, however, a little bit disappointing having to hand the trophy over to the Wellington College side, but they really did deserve it!

*The Willows lost by 135 runs*

**Wellington College 261/8**

S. Brandwood 94, W. Martin 36\*, T. Garrett 3/43

**The Willows 126**

T. Harrison 46, B. Patel 4/3, L. Stevens 3/5

**Umpires**

K. Meadows and D. Stuthridge

# v PENINSULA CRAZ XI

2nd November 2014  
Report by Sam Davis

After 20 years of fixtures between The Willows and the Peninsula Craz, the time has finally come when the ageing Craz have admitted that their best years are behind them! Much to the chagrin of The Willows founder, the standard match format was altered by mutual agreement between the respective captains to 40 overs and various other levellers. This in the end resulted in a great contest, but one where The Willows proved to be too strong.

After winning the toss The Willows chose to bat first and kicked off with a great first wicket partnership of 97 between Tim McConnell and James D'Arcy. Both retired at the mutually agreed 50 runs. That brought to the wicket the



▲ Peninsula 'invasion' from Akaroa with mascot, the Goat's Head.

svelte looking Michael Singleton and Christchurch Boys' High Headmaster Nic Hill, who both batted responsibly continuing to add to The Willows total. It was the bowling of the Craz spinners and slow bowlers that kept The Willows onslaught in check. While Graeme Inglis did not trouble the scorers, The Willows middle order of Glenn Davis (on debut) and Gareth Reed took the total to 198 after 40 overs, with Nic Hill remaining unbeaten on 27 after almost an hour at the crease.

In response, the Craz managed to keep up with the required run rate; but they also continued to lose wickets. 9/1 became 28/2, and with the big wicket of stalwart Danny Bulman, the Craz were in trouble at 39/3. Despite a fine fourth wicket partnership between Brain and Breitmeyer taking the Craz score over 100, wickets continued to fall and eventually they were dismissed in the 35th over with The Willows victorious by 26 runs.

Pick of the bowlers for The Willows were (as usual) the miserly Andrew Nuttall with figures of 2/14 from 8, and making up for his failure with the bat Graeme Inglis with 3/19 from 3. Also impressive was Glenn Davis bowling his first ball in 15 years, taking 1/17 from 4. As usual Tim McConnell was tidy behind the stumps with four dismissals.

And so another great match between the 'Goat Herders' and The Willows came to its conclusion. This is always a great occasion and one the older members of both clubs enjoy. In many ways it is sad to see the decline of the Craz – gone are the days of the post match all nighter at the Casino; gone are the long run ups and the diving catches; gone are the quick singles and the threes. But what remains is still a love of the game and the enjoyment of spending a Sunday running around with old mates. See you next year.

## *The Willows won by 26 runs*

### **The Willows 196/6**

T. McConnell 54 retired, J. D'Arcy 51 retired

### **Peninsula Craz 172**

B. Brain 31, R. Breitmeyer 35, G. Inglis 3/19

### **Umpires**

T. McLisky and T. Fowler

# v MID-CANTERBURY YOUTH XI

9th November 2014

Report by Mario Williams

On a very hot and beautiful day, The Willows won the toss and elected to bat against a well-drilled Mid-Canterbury team. The Willows team started in aggressive fashion and in a flash got to six runs an over. The first wicket fell with the score on 48. However, they soon lost three wickets in quick time and were 81 for 4. After some consolidation and low risk taking, Fraser Sheat and Mario Williams put on 74 runs for the fifth wicket. The Willows eventually ended up on a respectable 223 after 49 overs. Fraser batted well for his 74 runs, judiciously taking singles to keep the runs coming. The best bowler for the Mid-Canterbury team was K Hunt with figures of 5 for 39.

The Mid-Canterbury XI started their run chase and lost early wickets against a strong bowling attack led by Shaun Stagg (ex-Ashburton College) and Fraser Sheat. Other bowlers with impressive bowling performances were "Earl" Gray and Fraser Hill who were economical and picked up the bulk of the wickets. The Willows



▲ *Fraser Sheat on the drive.*

won by 142 runs as the Mid-Canterbury side were bowled out for 81. A big thank you to parents of the Mid-Canterbury lads, umpires and scorers on the day. We really appreciate your efforts.

## *The Willows won by 142 runs*

### **The Willows 223**

F. Sheat 74, F. Hill 34, K. Hunt 5/39

### **Mid-Canterbury Youth XI 81**

F. Hill 4/4, A. Gray 2/20, S. Stagg 2/19

### **Umpires**

L. Kerr and D. McIlraith



▲ *Sweet hit for six by a Christchurch Boys' High batsman.*

# v CHRISTCHURCH BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL 1st XI

16th November 2014

Report by Richard McGuire

Christchurch Boys' High School won the toss and elected to bat. The Willows opened the bowling with M Farrant and M Parr who both bowled with excellent pace and control, extracting real life from the pitch. Runs trickled at barely two an over for the first ten but it was a credit to the opening batsmen, Stanley and Jordan who withstood this initial attack and laid the foundation for the middle order. First M Hay (89) then J Lewis (47) followed by S Forster (43 not out) accelerated the scoring and played excellent shots to all parts of the ground. School compiled



▲ Fraser Hill, principal of Swannanoa School plays to leg on his way to fifty.



▲ Matt Parr with his extended family.



▲ Good shot through midwicket.

an impressive and initially unlikely 264. M Farrant was the pick of the bowlers with 3 for 37 but it has to be said the fielding effort left a lot to be desired with at least six dropped chances. Other handy bowling contributions came from F Hill and M Parr with two wickets apiece.

The Willows reply struggled against fine fast bowling from Jeffrey and Fairburn and wickets fell regularly, however the outstanding performance was H Cox who took 5 for 33. The only glimmer for The Willows came from F Hill who ended on 50 and really ran out of partners and could well have gone on to a much higher score. The remainder of the Willows batting line up faltered under the pressure of tight bowling and fielding limping through to 154 all out. It was great to have the School headmaster Nic Hill playing for us and the boys certainly relished the opportunity to bowl and bat against the head.

All in all an emphatic win for the boys and it is clear to see how they are performing so well locally and in the national Gillette Cup.

## *The Willows lost by 110 runs*

**Christchurch Boys' High School 264/7**

M. Hay 89, J. Lewis 47, S. Forster 43\*

**The Willows 154**

F. Hill 50, H. Cox 5/33

**Umpires**

E. Brownlee and M. Wood



▲ Tim Harrison faces the first ball of the match.



▲ A well coached Waimea lad plays behind square.



## v WAIMEA COLLEGE 1st XI

23rd November 2014  
Report by Brad Doody

The Willows won the toss and batted on a good looking hard, shiny strip. For the home side, Tim Harrison and Dave Kelly made breezy fifties before being retired in an effort to ensure that all players in The Willows got an opportunity on the day – which was the captain of the day's philosophy. Jamie D'Arcy and Paul McEwan kept the score moving along nicely. The Willows finally ended with what looked to be a competitive 260. For Waimea, Weir ran in and hit the pitch hard with good reward.

The Waimea openers started with the sort of intent very rarely seen from school teams at The Willows. The left handed Hooper in particular looked to be a name to watch in the future with a quality innings full of booming strokes. He ended

when trapped LBW on a score of 60. The other Waimea opener, Drummond, also looked a good player and he compiled a patient 97. He was the seventh out, caught at mid-on playing a rare aerial shot. This proved the turning point in the match. The Willows took the remaining three wickets to leave Waimea eight runs short of victory. For The Willows, Kelly was difficult to get away and ended with four wickets.

### *The Willows won by 8 runs*

#### **The Willows 260**

T. Harrison 57 retired, D. Kelly 52 retired, J. D'Arcy 44, P. McEwan 38 retired, B. Doody 27, M. Weir 3/35

#### **Waimea College 253**

A. Drummond 97, R. Hooper 60, D. Kelly 4/37

#### **Umpires**

G. Evans and J. Farrell

# v NORTH WEST SCHOOLS XI

30th November 2014  
Report by Tim Grocott

The captain was late arriving to the match and discovered that The Willows had won the toss and decided to bat first. The decision looked flawed early on as The Willows were 17/2 at the end of the third over. Ben Blair came in and steadied the ship until he was spectacularly caught by Ash Watson on the deep square leg boundary off the bowling of Aiden Mikaera. This brought Dan Vann to the crease which was eagerly awaited by the North West players as Dan had coached them on a recent tour of Australia. Dan batted superbly and his partnership with Mark Weeds evaporated any hope that the North West boys would have bragging rights. Mark was eventually dismissed for 81, a partnership of 155, and Dan Vann retired on 102. North West bowled steadily, particularly the two spinners Aiden Mikaera and Will O'Brien, who both bowled well for little reward. Their fielding was excellent but still The Willows got through to 274/8.

North West started their chase in a positive fashion, with Finbar O'Flaherty particularly aggressive. However, they lost regular wickets due to the pressure placed on them by excellent bowling from Nigel Marsh. North West suffered from a lack of partnerships and were struggling at 57/5 at afternoon tea. Unfortunately, rain set in not long after tea and the game was abandoned with North West at 80/6.



▲ Mike Allcock bowling against his old school.



▲ Dan Vann on his way to a hundred.



▲ Grant Dickson shows his wares.

Thank you to the umpires and Tony Campbell for scoring, and also to the parents of the North West players. It was wonderful see them supporting the game and their boys. The afternoon was also an occasion to thank John Mitchell, who is retiring from Burnside High School, for all the work he has done for cricket at the school. He has been a wonderful teacher, colleague and friend and he will be missed around the school.

## Match drawn

### The Willows 274/8

D. Vann 102 retired, M. Weeds 81,  
A. Watson 3/59

### North West XI 80/6

### Umpires

P. Oppes and M. Wood

# v KING'S HIGH SCHOOL (DUNEDIN) 1st XI

7th December 2014  
Report by Paul Rutledge

In a departure from unofficial tradition, The Willows XI fielded first allowing King's High School an opportunity to get some valuable batting practice ahead of the Gillette Cup Finals.

The King's opening pair of Cumberland and Horne combined well for an opening stand of 101. The King's captain Joel Meade and Cumberland then combined to put The Willows bowling under real pressure, with Meade compiling a very hard hit 62, and Cumberland finishing 91 not out. Had the match not been reduced to 40 overs, a century would have been a certainty, such was the class of Cumberland's innings. Wickets were few and far between with King's reaching 244/2 after 40



▲ Brad Doody on the drive.



▲ Nicely played shot by a King's High School batsman.



▲ King's High School Rector Dan Reddix with 1st XI coach, Tim Belcher.

overs. Ryan McEwan was the pick of The Willows bowlers with 1/35 from 8 overs.

The run chase would always be a challenge for The Willows. A promising start from Fraser Hill and Ben Laughton (43) gave The Willows a chance to set up a good run chase. However, wickets lost at regular intervals, really meant that the task was too tough. Brad Doody with 45 and James McKegg with a patient and well compiled 21 not out, provided some stability in the middle order, but tight bowling and enthusiastic fielding restricted The Willows to 158/7 from 40 overs. The chief destroyer for King's High School was K Johnston with excellent figures of 3/18.

Records would indicate that this is the first win for King's High School over The Willows, a win that was thoroughly deserved, with King's completely outclassing The Willows XI.

The King's High School side were a credit to themselves, their School and supporters in the way in which they played the match and conducted themselves. We look forward to welcoming them back again next season.

## *The Willows lost by 86 runs*

### **King's High School 244/2 (40 overs)**

T. Cumberland 91\*, J. Meade 62

### **The Willows 158/7 (40 overs)**

B. Doody 45, B. Laughton 43, J. McKegg 21\*, K. Johnson 3/18

### **Umpires**

C. Fenwick and G. Evans



# v LONDON NEW ZEALAND CRICKET CLUB

14th December 2014  
Report by Fraser Hill

The Willows won the toss and despite a bit of a sticky wicket, decided to bat first.

It was looking like a great decision after Henry Wright and Paul Miller took us to 43 without loss after nine overs but the attack tightened their line and length and managed to bring the scoring rate back over the next period. Alex Reese broke the opening stand and from then on the going was a little tougher although at the 30 over mark we were still looking good for a score around the 250 mark. However, after Paul Miller was dismissed for 75 in the 33rd over, we just couldn't get any strong momentum going. A late innings surge from Mark Reid and Chris Mugford did get the tally up to what was looking like a pretty decent score of 216 after the 50 overs.

Kelvin Scott's medium-slow bowling was very effective on the sticky deck and he ended the innings with the exceptional figures of 6/35. He was ably supported by Alex Reese with 3/45.

The London NZ innings was destroyed early on with some attacking bowling from Ryan Burson and Chris Reid and two brilliant catches from Mario Williams and Dave Kelly behind the wicket. After nine overs they were reduced to 35 for 7 and Burson had his five wicket haul in the bank already. In saying this the London NZ XI managed to keep the scoring ticking over at a reasonable run rate despite the loss of early wickets and when James Dobson and Marty McGoldrick put together a 78 run partnership for the 9th wicket it did look like they were still in with an outside chance. However, when McGoldrick was dismissed the innings was quickly wrapped up for 164, a 52 run win for The Willows. Dobson finished unbeaten on 59 and Reid and Burson had figures of 4/29 and 5/30 respectively.

## *The Willows won by 52 runs*

### **The Willows 216**

P. Miller 75, D. Kelly 32, K. Scott 6/35,  
A. Reese 3/45

### **London NZ CC 164**

J. Dobson 59\*, M. McGoldrick 31, R. Burson 5/30,  
C. Reid 4/29

### **Umpires**

B. Hamilton and K. Meadows



▲ Henry Wright facing up at the start of play with Paul Miller backing up.

# v HAWKSWOOD WANDERERS XI

21st December 2014  
Report by Sam Davis

The annual match between The Willows and Hawkswood was not a sterling performance by this year's Willows line up, although with rain descending on the ground late in the day we almost snuck in with an unlikely victory.

Inserted on a good looking wicket The Willows got off to a tidy start. Kelvin Scott was in a hurry as usual and with support from Jonathan Davidson we were doing well at 45 without loss after only seven overs. However, not long after we suffered a minor collapse and were quickly 60-4. There was the making of a middle order revival when Carlos McGillivray, Jeremy Wilson, and then Gareth Reed steadied the ship taking us to 154 (from 40). However, the last four wickets fell cheaply and eventually The Willows were dismissed in the 44th over for a less than satisfactory 172.

In reply Hawkswood did not start well due to some very demanding line and length bowling from Matt Parr and Carlos McGillivray, and at 32/5 we felt like we might have a good chance after all. However, what followed was a superb century by "Hawkswood's" Dave Kelly that took the game away from The Willows.



▲ Chris Mulcock from the duck pond end.



▲ Jeremy Wilson sweeps.



▲ Carlos McGillivray scoring at will.

When Kelly departed the score was 170/6 and the game all but in the bag for Hawkswood. But just then the heavens opened on Jaguar Oval, and Kelvin Scott took two wickets in two balls, and The Willows thought that they might just sneak in. However, it was not to be and Hawkswood got home in the 43rd over with two wickets in hand.

Players of the day – Dave Kelly (100\*) and Carlos McGillivray (41 and 3/24).

## *The Willows lost by 2 wickets*

### **The Willows 172**

C. McGillivray 41, J. Wilson 40\*, C. Mulcock 3/22, E. Norgate 3/15

### **Hawkswood Wanderers XI 175/8**

D. Kelly 100\*, C. McGillivray 3/24

### **Umpires**

T. McLisky and J. Rose

# v SOUTH WEST SCHOOLS XI

11th January 2015

Report by Dave Kelly

Welcome South West Schools to The Willows cricketing calendar. Conditions could only be described as perfect with a hard and fast pitch and a lightning outfield. Batting first The Willows were solid and with measured stroke play were able to gain the ascendancy against a pretty lively opening attack. Teale and D'Arcy put on 146 for the first wicket and this allowed Hantz, Dickson, Wilson and Kelly to cameo our way to 307 for 4. This I thought was a par score.

Our opening bowlers Courtney and Williams were steady but we were leaking runs. After 18 overs South West Schools were 74 for none and



▲ After match debrief from Dave Kelly.



▲ James Hantz takes the aerial route.



▲ Matthew Allen on his way to a well compiled 97.

gaining momentum, led by Allen who was unlucky to fall three runs short of a well compiled hundred. Fierce on loose bowling and determined in defence, he was impressive and when he joined with Bridgman who was intent on upping the ante, we found ourselves staring down the Dormer barrel at 186/2 after 36 overs. However with the return of experience in Dickson and "Super" Mario, the boundaries dried up and dot balls prevailed. Finishing at 244 for 4 South West Schools probably left too much too late but we were clinical and determined and quite proud of the way we dried up the game.

It is such a great time to be a cricket fan and I think this World Cup could be our greatest yet – get forward and be positive.

## *The Willows won by 61 runs*

### **The Willows 308/4**

H. Teale 63 retired, J. D'Arcy 46, J. Hantz 39, J. Wilson 33 retired, D. Bridgman 2/52

### **South West Schools XI 244/4**

M. Allen 97, B. Nightingale 28, D. Bridgman 46, M. Williams 2/44

### **Umpires**

J. Rose and D. McIlraith

# v CHRIST'S COLLEGE 1st XI

18th January 2015

Report by Alex Reese

Perhaps the standard Willows decision to bat first wasn't the best idea today.

After a top order crumble and being a lot down for not many, Mike Dormer was pacing up and down the steps muttering to himself about how T20 is ruining batsmen!

David Wakefield came in and steadied the ship with Craig Wallace. He looked a million dollars but unfortunately fell for 41, when the ball clipped the top of the bail in the most bizarre fashion. Hamish Kennett put his hand up and showed a bit of grit. That, combined with some timeless experience from Richard McGuire, and we were looking at quite a respectable total, considering our earlier performance!

148 seemed quite defendable on a green, seaming wicket especially given the start we had with the ball. Adam Hastilow, who ended up getting 5 for 39 bowled a sensational spell with the new ball, to have Christ's College 55/6 at Tea.

Unfortunately for us, we witnessed a fantastic display of batting by Jakob Kerr, who batted sensibly and with a great deal of maturity for his match winning 43.

The day itself had a number of ups and downs, and for us, we finished on a down! It wasn't all bad though. Watching some of the fielding of the College boys, and the batting at the end, really did show that schoolboy cricket in Christchurch is still strongly competitive, and the talent coming through is a positive sign for years to come.

## *The Willows lost by 1 wicket*

### **The Willows 148**

D. Wakefield 41, H. Kennett 32\*,  
B. Thomson 3/29

### **Christ's College 151/9**

J. Kerr 43\*, A. Hastilow 5/39

### **Umpires**

B. Hamilton and A. Scott



▲ Alex Reese from 'Swan Lake'.



▲ Hamish Kennett uses his feet nicely.



▲ After-match.

# v St BEDE'S COLLEGE 1st XI

25th January 2015

Report by Aaron Johnstone

A warm summer's morning greeted one of the youngest Willows team I have seen assembled. With an average age of approximately 23 I was confident I wouldn't be chasing many balls to the boundary!

The day started with a short conversation that resulted in The Willows electing to bat first on your typical Willows pitch. After a solid start S Noster and H Kennett came together and placed The Willows in a strong position at 132/3 with both Kennett and Noster falling just short of deserved half centuries with 47 each. With that platform laid, N Roberts had a few lusty blows on his way to 43 and The Willows total of 228 all out. The St Bede's bowling attack came back strongly after The Willows were poised to launch at 190/5 but some accurate bowling by C Sullivan taking 4/42 from 9.3 overs clawed St Bede's back into the game.

After spending nearly 3¾ hours in the hot sun completing the 45.3 overs it took to bowl The Willows out, it was going to be a difficult run chase. Through L Campbell (27) and T Ziolo (35) they got off to a very good start and were well



▲ Blake Doherty hits out at the end.



▲ A very correct drive from a St Bede's batsman.

placed at 79/0 to chase down the total. That soon became 81/4 and things looked a little more difficult. T Irie looked to resurrect the innings and batted extremely well for his 63 but with the constant loss of wickets at the other end he ran out of partners and St Bede's fell 23 runs short. The wickets were shared evenly with four Willows bowlers snaring two wickets each.

Once again a huge thanks to all those that put the work into making it such a great day for students and Willowers alike.

## *The Willows won by 23 runs*

### **The Willows 228**

S. Noster 47, H. Kennett 47, N. Roberts 43, C. Sullivan 4/42

### **St Bede's College 205**

T. Irie 63, T. Ziolo 35, R. Cantwell 33, H. Kennett 3/8

### **Umpires**

J. Farrell and J. Rose

# v TIMARU BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL 1st XI

1st February 2015

Report by Martin Kelly

On a day that could only be described as a scorcher, The Willows were drawn to play Timaru Boys'. As I was driving down from Waiau, the temperature was already 30 degrees by 10am. I decided it might be wise for The Willows to break tradition and bat first.

Winning the toss and choosing to bat on a wicket which was true and even, The Willows run rate was above six from the first over. Mark Weeds found the middle of bat and the ball started hitting the fence. Losing his opening partner early bought in Ryan Banks at three, and the power hitting continued with some spectacular drives. Ryan was dismissed by a very good ball from J Merhtens LBW for 31. Callum Hill joined Mark at the crease and together they cracked the ball all over the park. The Timaru boys stuck to their guns and chased the ball hard to the fence but they could not contain our men. Callum retired at 59 and Mark was eventually caught on 47. The Willows declared at 176 off 25 overs.

The Timaru boys were under pressure from the first over with bowlers Fraser Sheat and C Hinton showing their class and accuracy. Rotating the bowlers regularly kept TBHS unsettled and under pressure, and top catching by Maulik Patel gave them no second chances. J Merhtens showed some spine pushing through to 36, M Otley supported him well with 27 but that was all. The visitors could only front up with 99 runs. Fraser Sheat was man of the match with five wickets, but it must be said that B Hamel and C Hinton supported him well by bowling line and length and giving nothing for the Timaru boys to hit.

In all, it was a very solid performance by The Willows as youth combined with experience to create total dominance.

## *The Willows won by 77 runs*

### **The Willows 176/4**

C. Hill 59 retired, M. Weeds 47, R. Banks 31, M. Hay 20\*, J. Merhtens 2/31

### **Timaru Boys' High School 99**

J. Merhtens 36\*, M. Otley 27, F. Sheat 5/16

### **Umpires**

E. Sanders and D. Stuthridge



▲ Martin Kelly speaks to the Timaru boys after the match.



▲ Maulik Patel – good use of flight.



▲ I Zingari resplendent in their club blazers.

## v I ZINGARI AUSTRALIA

6th February 2015

Report by Michael Singleton

Waitangi Day was the most fitting date for an international match on The Willows calendar. We hosted I Zingari, one of the oldest cricket clubs in Australia. In what seemed a rather unpatriotic display on NZ's national day, the only internationals on display were former NZ players Justin Vaughan and Phil Horne, who together with the current Black Caps captain's father, Stu McCullum, turned out for the opposition.

Having won the toss and elected to bat, I Zingari got off to a flying start and were tracking for a large score until some economic bowling from Hamish Kennett and Andrew Nuttall tied them down. Matt Parr bowled well throughout and Sam Davis finished well (after much pleading to bowl downwind for his second spell), leaving I Zingari with a score of 196/7 off their 40 overs on a good wicket. As a result of a great start and some solid partnerships led by Jeremy Davidson with a well complied 80 not out, The Willows recorded a comfortable 7 wicket win with 10 overs to spare.

Following the match the two sides were quickly able to put aside any trans-Tasman differences and enjoy the excellent hospitality of Winsome

Dormer. A great way to end a very enjoyable fixture between two clubs with a great sense of cricket history.

*The Willows won by 7 wickets*

**I Zingari 196/7**

P. Estcourt 49, M. Braid 47, J. Vaughan 31, M. Parr 2/27, S. Davis 3/31

**The Willows 198/3**

J. Davidson 80\*, B. Laughton 51, B. Doody 32

**Umpires**

D. Brandon and P. Koppes



▲ Stu McCullum (dad of Blackcaps Brendon and Nathan) is alert at first slip. The keeper is ex-Blackcap Phil Horne.



▲ Andrew Nuttall bowling from the duck pond end.

# v NELSON COLLEGE 1st XI

8th February 2015

## Report by Paul Rutledge

The Willows v Nelson College fixture is always a much anticipated affair. The Willows won the toss and elected to bat on what is always a very evenly paced and good Willows wicket.

A couple of early wickets were lost which required some top order consolidation. This came in the form of P Knight (74) and B Hamel (27) combining for a 3rd wicket partnership of 101. P Miller (48) and C Mugford (38) added further impetus to The Willows total allowing us to finish at a competitive 249/9 after 50 overs.

The Nelson College XI stuck to their task well in restricting The Willows innings to 249 with some excellent bowling from J McKay (3/51) and F Murray (3/35). The Nelson College bowling effort was supported by an outstanding all round fielding performance.

As if to mirror The Willows batting effort, Nelson College lost a couple of early wickets followed by a period of consolidation. The highlight of the innings was a very well struck 74 by N Clark who

was well supported by A King, L Clark, and T Somerville in the middle and lower order.

The Nelson total of 233 all out from 48 overs could have been a winning effort but for a little more application in the later stages of the innings. Nevertheless it was a good run chase. Bowling for The Willows, C Curnow (3/40) and P Miller (3/25) returned excellent figures ensuring that the chase would always be tough.

As always The Nelson College 1st XI was immaculately turned out and were a credit to themselves, their school and supporters. Our thanks also to Gary McDonald and Peter Grigg for the tireless hours they both put into cricket at Nelson College.

### *The Willows won by 16 runs*

#### **The Willows 249/9**

P. Knight 74, P. Miller 48, C. Mugford 38, F. Murray 3/35, J. McKay 3/51

#### **Nelson College 233**

N. Clark 74, T. Somerville 29, P. Miller 3/25, C. Curnow 3/40

#### **Umpires**

K. Meadows and M. Wood



▲ Stylish Nic Clark on his way to 74.



▲ Vintage Paul Rutledge behind the stumps.





▲ Southland Boys' High School opening their attack.

## v St THOMAS of CANTERBURY COLLEGE 1st XI

11th February 2015  
Report by Ben Laughton

On what was another hot day at Jaguar Oval, St Thomas lost the toss and accordingly were sent out to field and embrace the heat. After a young St Thomas side were convincingly beaten last year, College coaches Ben Rapson and Paul McCarthy both took the field with the 1st XI which proved to give the young men added confidence.

After losing two early wickets to a tight opening bowling attack, The Willows slowly got away when Martin and Dave Kelly came to the crease. Dave scored an attacking 48 before falling and this was followed by some powerful hitting from Woodland, Wilson, and Laughton to finish the innings. The Willows total of 202 from 40 overs was short of what was considered to be a par score. Praise must go to a massively improved

bowling and fielding display from all of the College team.

Rapson opened the batting with the students batting (and learning) alongside him until he retired on 86. Both Josh Earl and Lachie Stove batted well at the top of the order and St Thomas were in a strong position when captain Harrison Kirk came out to bat. He finished with an impressive 47 not out. A strong fight back of spin bowling through the middle stages by Gray and Kelly wasn't enough to stop the good performance from the St Thomas 1st XI.

### *The Willows lost by 7 wickets*

#### **The Willows 202/5**

M. Kelly 24 retired, D. Kelly 48, B. Woodland 25\*, J. Wilson 27, B. Laughton 33\*, J. Earl 2/28

#### **St Thomas of Canterbury College 203/3**

B. Rapson 86 retired, J. Earl 23, L. Stove 31, H. Kirk 47\*, T. Gray 2/43

#### **Umpires**

J. Rose and partner

# v SOUTHLAND BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL 1st XI

15th February 2015

Report by Brad Doody

The Willows won the toss and elected to bat in warm conditions on a pitch that looked as though it would offer assistance to the bowlers.

SBHS pace bowlers bowled a demanding length that saw The Willows in trouble at 49/4. Then Ben Dormer and Jared Ward forged a match winning partnership, both playing aggressively. The hitting over the top of the field from both players was an entertaining feature of their stand. Ward struck nine boundaries and fell two short of a deserved half century. Dormer was difficult for the bowlers to contain, striking his 14 boundaries at regular intervals. As he approached a century his scoring rate slowed and he was eventually bowled two short of a maiden Willows hundred. For SBHS, Fotheringham bowled at good pace and his late over bowling spell kept the reins on The Willows lower order.

SBHS lost two early wickets in their chase for 257. Grandiek looked like a name to watch in the future, hitting 11 boundaries in a nicely compiled 70. At 148/3, SBHS looked well placed when spinner Jenkins took a well held caught and bowled to remove Grandiek, then Hamish Kennett promptly took four wickets in eight balls to bundle SBHS out for 215.

## *The Willows won by 41 runs*

### **The Willows 256/8**

T. Bayly 32, B. Dormer 98, J. Ward 48,  
B. Fleming 25\*, B. Fotheringham 4/24,  
P. Grandiek 2/6

### **Southland Boys' High School 215**

P. Grandiek 70, L. McWilliam 32, H. Kennett 4/55,  
M. Ross 2/20, N. Jenkins 2/54

### **Umpires**

H. Fowler and D. Mclraith



▲ Ben Dormer, instigator of the club in 1994 (aged 15) here bowled on 98!



▲ Jared Ward plays aggressively.



▲ Special guests Merrill and Malik Fernando arrive at the ground.

# v HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB

16th February 2015  
Report by Jacob Wolt

It was our pleasure to host the Hong Kong Cricket Club, established in 1851 and the oldest cricket club in Asia, on their inaugural visit to The Willows and first New Zealand tour. The match was held in glorious sunshine two days after the ICC Cricket World Cup commenced at Hagley Oval with the match between the Black Caps and Sri Lanka. Unfortunately, we were unable to emulate the Black Caps and capitulated rather meekly to a well-coached and organised Hong Kong team.

For the record, we batted first and after a relatively promising start were bowled out for 191 in the 39th over, a good 40 runs short. A last minute call-up, Phil Dickson, showed his class with a mixture of aggression and smart running between the wickets for a well compiled 72. Phil was well supported by Kelvin Scott (31) and Ben Laughton (30) and a late quick cameo of 14 from Stu Dickson. Nobody else really troubled the scorers.

To be fair, Hong Kong bowled well. Simon Cook, their coach and former Middlesex pro appeared unplayable (well, according to our openers) beating the bat consistently and was unlucky not to take any wickets from a miserly 5 over opening spell conceding just 7 runs. Anton Bunton, Max Smith, Isaac Poole and Tim Andrews shared the wickets with a good all round display.

Unfortunately our bowlers struggled to make any major in-roads and Hong Kong achieved their winning runs in 35 overs (with just 3 down) to secure their first win of the tour. Andrew Nuttall and Carlos McGillivray endeavoured to stem the run flow but disciplined and fluent batting from Cameron McAuslan (on loan from Otago BHS) and Dave Varley meant The Willows never really got a look in.

The game was played in great spirit and thank you to Elliot Andrews, the Hong Kong skipper, for suggesting they play a game at The Willows.



▲ The Hong Kong XI resplendent in their club blazers.



▲ All aggression from the Hong Kong bowler.

After a very entertaining fine session and following several ports, it was agreed a Willows team should visit Hong Kong in 2016. We await The Willows "inner circle" approval before commencing planning.

## *The Willows lost by 7 wickets*

### **The Willows 191**

P. Dickson 72, K. Scott 31, B. Laughton 30,  
A. Bunton 3/38

### **Hong Kong CC 192/3**

C. McAuslan 69, D. Varley 52\*

### **Umpires**

E. Brownlee and P. Koppes

# v BRADLEY NUTTALL XI

18th February 2015  
Report by Jeremy Wilson

The annual Willows Bradley Nuttall game was played in great spirit in 30 plus degrees, testing the fitness of some of the players.

Batting first, Dave Kelly got The Willows off to a great start with 54 before retiring, with assistance from newcomer Ben Bellamy 35, and a stylish 32 from Hugh Wright. Several other Willowers contributed dashing cameos finishing up at 224/7. For BNL, the two veteran business partners belied their advanced age with Jacob Wolt nabbing 3/40 and Andrew Nuttall conceding next to no runs. Several Willowers are still trying to work out what he was bowling! Jim Stringleman's agile boundary fielding belied his advanced years and Paul Rutledge showed glimpses of wicketkeeping excellence.

In reply, BNL fell short with 200/9. Their innings centred on Brad Doody getting to 51 and Andrew Nuttall falling just short of his 50 with 49, almost all run! Willows debutant Tony Milne bowled well for his 3 for 43 with contributions from all bowlers. Special mention of Tony Gray's clever flight and variations, very Dan Vettori-like!



▲ Todd Sutton with the new ball.

## *The Willows won by 3 wickets*

### **The Willows 224/7**

D. Kelly 54 retired, B. Bellamy 35, H. Wright 32,  
J. Wolt 3/40, A. Nuttall 2/7

### **Bradley Nuttall XI 200/9**

B. Doody 51 retired, A. Nuttall 49, T. Milne 3/43,  
A. Gray 2/24

### **Umpires**

J. Rose and P. Whiteside



▲ Captain Phillip Maw opening the bowling for The Willows against the Combined Country Schools XI.

# v COMBINED COUNTRY SCHOOLS XI

1st March 2015

Report by Philip Maw

As Jacob Wolt sat under the veranda musing over the title of his next book "discussions in the pavilion", The Willows batsmen went about their work. Having won the toss and elected to bat (a difficult decision in light of the green tinge to the batting surface), progress could be described as being consistently adequate.

That was until Willie Lyons was trapped leg before wicket by the promising young Hamilton. Two more batsmen came to the crease, and soon thereafter departed, leaving the ever-youthful Brad Doody with much work to be done. Doody set about his task with aplomb. Heartened by the



▲ Brad Doody circumspect on the way to a hundred.



▲ Hamish Kennett on the drive.

lunch break, he then struck consecutive boundaries to raise a magnificent unbeaten 103.

When the dust had settled at the end of the innings, a glance at the scoreboard indicated that The Willows had accumulated an imposing total of 311 runs.

The Country boys then set about chasing the target. Following the dismissal of both openers, Messrs Paterson and Pringle set about chasing the total. Progress was steady until the introduction of The Willows' "spin twins" – Wilson and Kelly. I'm not sure how much spin was involved, but when all was said and done, they had accumulated 8 wickets between them. Unfortunately for the Country boys, they had only scored 179 runs.

All up, it was another fantastic day's cricket. The wicket was good, the outfield fast, and the refreshments up to their usual high standards. The Country boys will be back stronger next year.

## *The Willows won by 148 runs*

### **The Willows 311/8**

H. Kennett 47, B. Doody 103\*, M. Singleton 38, B. Williams 33, A. Hamilton 3/48

### **Combined Country Schools XI 179**

H. Pringle 56, M. Kelly 5/50, J. Wilson 3/52

### **Umpires**

D. McIlraith and H. Fowler

# v WELLINGTON WANDERERS YOUTH XI

5th March 2015

Report by Scott McHardy

The Wellington Wanderers arrived at the ground early to find it shrouded in heavy fog. This only added to the anticipation of the team as the ground and surrounds were revealed as the fog slowly burnt off. The pitch and the ground were in excellent order, with the effects of a long, hot, dry Canterbury summer manifesting itself in a lightning fast outfield.

The Wellington Wanderers had first use of the wicket to bat on and slowly but steadily got into their work. The innings was built around a fine 102 retired by Rachin Ravindra. Rachin paced himself beautifully throughout his innings and took full advantage of most opportunities to score. Zac Donaldson's energetic 58 injected some much needed urgency into the Wanderers innings, with the highlight being a six that bounced on the veranda of the pavilion, rebounding through the open door and collecting the photo of the great Jack Hobbs, Walter Hadlee and Wally Hammond!

The Willows bowlers toiled hard as the mercury continued to rise through the innings and whilst

we felt that the Wanderers' score of 280/7 was probably a bit north of a par score, we were still confident of our ability to chase the total down.

Led by some hostile bowling from Jack Sargentina (3/24), the Wanderers were able to put pressure on The Willows from the outset. Whilst The Willows innings had useful contributions from Dave Kelly (41) and Jeremy Benton (35), we were ultimately short of a significant contribution upon which to build the innings. Coupled with the inevitable scoreboard pressure, the Wanderers never relinquished their advantage and in the end won comfortably.

The match was played in excellent spirit and I know that the Wellington Wanderers team thoroughly enjoyed their day at one of New Zealand's special cricket venues.

## *The Willows lost by 121 runs*

### **Wellington Wanderers 280/7**

R. Ravindra 102 retired, Z. Donaldson 58, M. Fenton 27, A. Gray 3/39

### **The Willows 159**

D. Kelly 41, J. Benton 35, K. Scott 27, J. Sargentina 3/24

### **Umpires**

G. Evans and T. McLisky



▲ 15-year-old Rachin Ravindra scored a brilliant hundred.



▲ Archdeacon Mike Hawke – in the action again.

# v SHIRLEY BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL 1st XI

15th March 2015

Report by Nigel Marsh

After the disappointment of a rained out fixture last year there was much excitement when the day dawned to a spectacular blue sky.

The pitch was true to form and the outfield lightning fast so The Willows had no hesitation in requesting the boys to don the whites and get out into the sunshine. We were then blessed with some wonderful strokeplay from Fraser Hill who peppered the extra cover boundary as he marched to an inevitable century. He was ably assisted by 2015 Matfen Scholar, James D'Arcy.

The Shirley boys toiled long and hard but had no answer to the onslaught. Eventually after 50 overs The Willows had amassed 273 for 6. Fortunately the tail was not exposed!

The Willows attacked the young lads. It was the spin of Ben Michel, a Shirley boy in 2014, who soon had the boys on the back foot. The boys were challenged by the experience of Ryan Burson who managed to upset the neatly arranged stumps on a couple of occasions. In the field Bert Walker was light on his feet and graceful to watch. The Willows were entertained by Bert's storytelling and his great ability to remember cricketing trivia.

The boys were eventually all out for 212 in the 44th over. Our thanks go to match officials Matthew, Bernie and Tony. A glorious day of fellowship and camaraderie.

*The Willows won by 61 runs*

**The Willows 273/6**

F. Hill 100 retired, J. D'Arcy 57, B. Taylor 31, B. Michel 27

**Shirley Boys' High School 212**

B. Loader 36, H. Richards 33, C. Arnold 30, M. Barry 30, B. Michel 4/53

**Umpires**

M. Hill and B. Hamilton



▲ Ryan Burson, former Canterbury representative, from the roadside end.



▲ James D'Arcy, 2015 Matfen Scholar, plays behind square.

## *Cancellations due to weather*

3 December	v Clarrie Anderson's XI
22 February	v St Andrew's College 1st XI
8 March	v Waitaki Boys' High School 1st XI

# The Willows 2014 Christmas Party

As is now our tradition, The Willows Christmas party was held during the Hawkswood Wanderers match on 21st December, on the paddock adjacent to the oval. The Salvation Army Band and New Zealand Police were in attendance to help entertain the children.





# The Willows 2014 Christmas Party







▲ *The Peter Preston Memorial Scorebox.*







▲ *The Willows experienced its driest ever conditions in early 2015, but things greened up nicely by May.*







▲ Nic Hill angling for a single.



▲ Shadbolt Trophy winner Fraser Sheat on his way to a hundred against Marlborough Boys' College.



▲ NZ cricket historian Don Neely with three former Test players: John Morrison, Brian Hastings and Trevor Barber.



▲ A graceful cover drive from a Gore High School batsman.



▲ Alex Reese hands over the Brian Hastings Trophy to Wellington College captain Sam Brandwood.



▲ A young bowler from Nelson College.

## Catch! ... some wisdom from McCullum

**Commissioner Robert Donaldson**  
*Territorial Commander,  
The Salvation Army – New Zealand, Fiji & Tonga*



The call of "Catch!" elicits immediate focus—a shot of adrenaline, the tensing of muscles, a sense of anticipation for fielders ... and fear in a batsman's heart.

When Black Caps captain Brendon McCullum was interviewed on his way into the 2015 New Zealand Cricket Awards, he said something that deserves a loud call of "catch!" from every Kiwi. McCullum said, "Leave nothing out there, and try to be a good person at the same time."

Application and attitude. Get stuck in and do your very best. And always do it with a positive spirit toward others. Whether in sport, education, business, or community service—McCullum's wisdom is applicable in every sphere of human endeavour.

As a King's High School Old Boy, born and raised in South Dunedin, I am immensely proud of the cricketers from my home neighbourhood: Warren Lees, Ken Rutherford, Brendon and Nathan McCullum, to name just a few. Some of us may have considered McCullum a bit of a "character" in his earlier years as a Black Cap. (Although perhaps "character" is simply synonymous with "wicket keeper"?) However, in his recent leadership responsibilities he has shown a maturity that has delivered amazing results and rightly elevated him to "hero" status.

During this year's Cricket World Cup, our Black Caps combined personal skill and flair with

discipline and application. They gave of their very best and "left nothing out there". But what really captured our hearts was their commitment to "be good people at the same time". Theirs was not a win-at-all-costs style of cricket. Respect for themselves and respect for others were non-negotiables. The team's combination of application and attitude was reflected in camaraderie, humility, esteem for one another, and respect for other teams. Our cricketers showed us what it means to be "a good person" on the cricket field, and we are justifiably proud of them.

Around the world, the scandals of match fixing and the damaging effects of internal politics and power plays have taken their toll on cricket's reputation. It's hardly surprising then, that while Kiwi fans are delighted with our team's results during the Cricket World Cup, our conversations inevitably move on to expressions of appreciation for the qualities and values the Black Caps lived and played by during that competition. They showed us that, in cricket, it is both possible and worthwhile to "leave nothing out there, and try to be a good person at the same time".

Education is always more rewarding if it is in a group setting and the students apply themselves completely. Half-hearted application often leads to half-hearted results. Learning in an individualised setting is substantially limited when compared to the value of learning in group environments. People's lives, experiences and perspectives contribute so much more to the education context, growing people's understanding, widening their views and adding to their competencies. A learning community formed with collegiality and goodwill often supports the development of those who are part of this community for years to come. And so in education, the same maxim holds true: "Leave nothing out there, and try to be a good person at the same time."

In business—with the pursuit of professional careers and leadership opportunities—it is vital that people are strategic, decisive, flexible,



analytical, solution and results-focused, and determined to succeed. However, we need to also remember that people more readily follow and support those leaders who possess these four qualities: trust, compassion, stability and hope. Those who are ruthless, self-obsessed, 'succeed-at-all-costs' types, quickly lose their reputation and people are reluctant to do business with them. Good relationships are certainly the basis of good businesses and careers. People are attracted to a company that may pay less, but has a great team environment and is simply a good place to work. So, in business, the best advice is also: "Leave nothing out there, and try to be a good person at the same time."

The Salvation Army greatly values the many supporters and partners we have around New Zealand. We are a church with a strong sense of mission to support the most marginalised and disadvantaged in society. Our great team of staff and volunteers work very hard on limited budgets to support people in a multiplicity of areas. This

includes our new ASPIRE youth programme; workplace education and placement; welfare provision through food parcels, budgeting, social work, advocacy, and emergency clothing and furniture; Addiction, Supportive Accommodation and Reintegration Services; chaplaincy and pastoral care; community meals; seniors friendship and support programmes; in-home care, and a variety of church activities. We are also active in forming workable social policy to better serve our communities and especially New Zealand's most vulnerable people. Our Salvation Army staff and volunteers "leave nothing out there" as they serve Kiwis in need. At the same time, The Salvation Army promotes Christian values such as faith, hope, love, justice, mercy, grace and forgiveness, as each member of our team aspires to be "a good person".

So, did you catch it? In every aspect of your life, take hold of the challenge the Blackcaps captain has set before us: "Leave nothing out there, and try to be a good person at the same time."

## Letter

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Dear Editor — Twenty-one years of our annual fixture have passed with no lessening of rivalry or the desire to conduct the game in all its charm and dignity. Our game today exemplified all aspects of tradition and sportsmanship with the desire of all concerned to ignore the onset of light rain and allow the game to conclude with an individual century and outright victory for his team after a series of exciting fluctuations. Thank you for another memorable day at The Willows.

Yours sincerely,  
**Roger Macfarlane**  
Hawkswood Wanderers

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Willower **Roger Knight, OBE** has accepted a nomination to become MCC President from 1st October 2015. Roger served as MCC Secretary & Chief Executive between 1994 and 2006 and will become only the fifth member in history to have held both offices of the Club.



▲ Willower Gareth Reed (far left) refereeing a senior rugby match in Christchurch.

## Why intolerance is essential to real change

**Dan Reddiex**

*Rector, King's High School, Dunedin*

I was privileged at the end of 2014 to join our 1st XI in their annual fixture at The Willows Cricket Club. It was my first visit to this special place and while the history and serene surroundings were appealing it was my observation of the traditions and principles of engagement during this fixture that really resonated with me. There is an intolerance of the antics or conduct we see so often in the professional sporting domain. In fact, because the expectations were so clearly enunciated (in action rather than words) no participant even entertained conducting themselves in a contrary manner. Consequently it was a pleasurable day and experience for all concerned.

My role as Rector is one I treasure greatly. I am often asked how we as a school help the young men we have the pleasure to work with to navigate and negotiate their way through the challenges that they are confronted with. In my view those challenges are becoming increasingly complex as our young people are exposed to adult themes and decisions far earlier than we



ever were. There are a variety of mechanisms we commit to, including teaching character, building resilience and developing leadership capacity. The one that tends to create the most discussion and debate is **intolerance**. We prepare our young men for life beyond the school gates by being intolerant.

Last year I had the opportunity to travel through Europe and the United States on a Woolf Fisher Fellowship. Professionally, and personally, the most challenging part was the ten days that I spent at a Principals course at the Harvard Post Graduate School of Education. One statement that was delivered during that course has reverberated with me and at times haunted me upon my return. It is simply this: **You cannot change what you are willing to tolerate**. In order to effect real change, positive change, meaningful change there must be a degree of intolerance. I find that most people are willing to tolerate almost anything because they do not have the courage to take a stand. That is particularly true in our politically correct environment. It is those same people who then lament the fact that nothing ever changes or that the change is detrimental and destructive.

It is my conviction that we need to teach our young men that there are some things that we, and they, cannot tolerate. We do that by what we say but more importantly, as I observed at The Willows, what we do. From a school perspective we do not tolerate bullying.



▲ *King's High School, Dunedin.*

We cannot tolerate mediocre efforts from our students. We do not tolerate disrespectful conduct or conversation toward others. This intolerance teaches our young men about key life principles that, when employed, will ultimately lead to a successful and enjoyable life.

Personally I tire of hearing from those who should know better that we need to be more tolerant. I refuse to accept that. Our intolerance leaves us open for criticism but I can accept that. I can accept it because our boys, our sons, are

ultimately the benefactors of that very intolerance. Our intolerance helps them to define core values by which to live their lives.

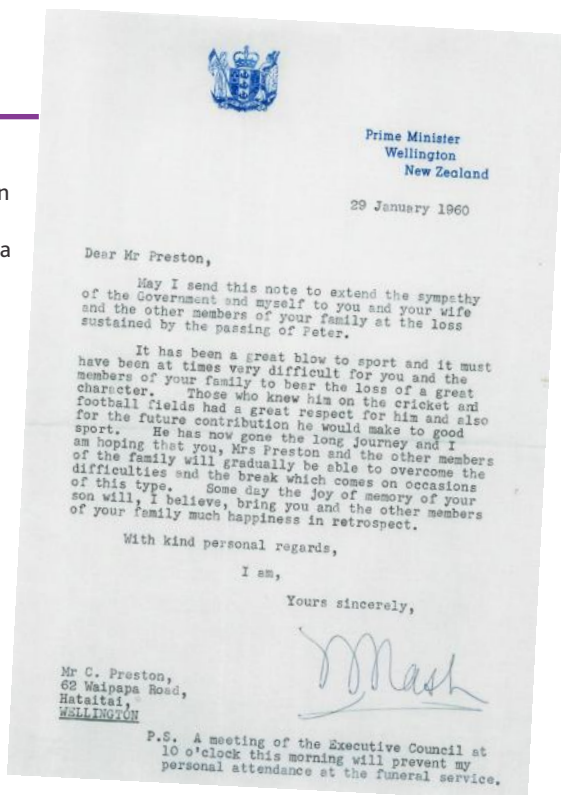
My Willows experience supported my Harvard experience and consolidated my convictions. Intolerance, when correctly applied in the right context, is a fantastic teaching tool and helps prepare our young men for the difficult decisions they will have to make by providing them with a moral and ethical compass to help them traverse a tricky landscape.

## Remembrance

In November 2014 the global cricket community mourned the loss of the Australian test cricketer Phillip Hughes. Hughes, 25, suffered a fatal injury when hit in the head by a bouncer while playing for South Australia at the SCG. He never regained consciousness. This was a tragedy and the worst possible news for all who love our game.

It parallels to a death which occurred in Wellington 55 years ago. Peter Preston was just 24 years old, when he was killed by a cricket ball when hit in the head while practising with his Wellington College Old Boys team. Both men were the victim of incredible bad luck.

We at The Willows have named our scoreboard in memory of Peter Preston and it is timely to reproduce a letter which it holds. It is written at the time by the then New Zealand Prime Minister Sir Walter Nash.



## In Memoriam

Warwick Larkins passed away on 16th May aged 68. Warwick scored for New Zealand on their 1978 England tour (even turning out for them in one match) and served Albion CC in Dunedin for nearly 50 years as a player and administrator.

Grahame Felton, the motivational expert who helped resurrect Sir Richard Hadlee's career, passed away on 21st February aged 95. He was awarded the QSM for services to the community in 2007.

# Sledging is obvious to all men of decency

Joe Bennett

It has become clear that the International Cricket Council pays close attention to this column.

Alert readers will recall that a couple of years ago I raised the subject of chucking. Every honest cricketer, I said, could spot a chucker from a hundred paces. I said that off-spinners were the bowlers most likely to chuck, that the doosra could not be bowled without chucking, that Muralitharan was a chucker from the moment he first stepped onto a cricket field to the moment he stepped off it 800 test wickets later, and that there was a plague of chuckers in the modern game as every cricketer knew but as the authorities were too scared to admit.

The same alert reader will recall that within months of the publication of that article the ICC announced that it was having a blitz on – well, would you believe it? – chuckers. All the obvious culprits whom everybody had known about for years – Saeed Ajmal, Kane Williamson, Sunil Narine – were suddenly told to stay behind after school and whisked off to a sort of Guantanamo Bay for chuckers where they either successfully underwent a programme of re-education or they were silently eliminated from polite society.

Here at column headquarters we felt more than a little pride at the good we had done the game and more than a little excited by the power. So much more than a little excited, indeed, that we have now decided to swing our mighty attention (and that 'we' is so royal we expect people to kneel at the sight of it) onto another curse of the modern game. That curse is sledging.

Sledging is cheating. Sledgers are cheats. Sledging poisons a game of cricket. Indeed cricket with sledging isn't a game. It's a gutter wrestle over a bag of bones. For a victory won with sledging is a

victory won without honour. And a victory won without honour is a defeat.

Sledging is not banter. Banter has always been part of the game. Banter is funny. Banter is enjoyed by both sides. Sledging is enjoyed by neither.

The aim of sledging is to intimidate or unnerve an opponent by abusing or threatening him. Off the field it's a criminal offence.

Australians are the worst. The loathsome coach of their national team calls it 'an aggressive brand of cricket.' Ha. Everyone can see how they go about things. Except, it seems, the ICC.

But now that this column has spoken, you just watch. The ICC will have no choice. Within a year – mark my words here – they will feel obliged to act to eradicate the scourge of sledging. And if they put their minds to it, it will be no harder than nailing the chuckers. Sledging is obvious to all men of decency.

Here at Column HQ we will get no credit, of course, but we don't seek credit. It will be more than enough reward to know that we have done some little service to the game we love.



▲ Umpire McLisky chats with players during the Southland Boys' High School match.

# A tribute to our UMPIRES

John Mitchell

It is timely (indeed overdue) that we recognise the contribution made by our umpires. Every Sunday we enjoy having dedicated men and women officiate in the middle. This enables members to get on and play the game we love.

The qualities which make a good umpire are: eyesight, judgment, calmness and impeccable fairness. We see this in our umpires. For most, the Sunday with us comes after standing for a full day of club cricket the day before. Such is their passion and desire in fostering the "gentleman's game".

Umpiring is not a doddle! More a thankless task. The conscientious among them will stew and worry over any errors made. They hear about it when he / she make a rotten decision. In our 9th Annual Report Lindsay Kerr hit it squarely on the head, when he wrote the following to explain the increasing difficulty to recruit new umpires:

*"I'm told the 'life' of a sports official is about 18 months (two seasons). And the reason for the drop-out is attitude of players in that sport! Without officials, the game has no meaning".*

We hope the ethos at The Willows towards umpires is more relaxed and "less life and death". Teams certainly value their presence. So we trust when they drive home, after concentrating for 100 overs in the middle, they reflect back on a satisfying day, just like the players.

Right from the club's inception, co-ordination of Sunday umpires has rested in the capable hands of Eddie Brownlee, QSM, from the Canterbury Umpires' Association. He has been ably assisted in recent years by Graeme Evans (North Canterbury Umpires' Association). Never a game goes by without two umpires to control proceedings. Some have travelled from as far as Timaru and Blenheim for a game. We owe a lot to the service of these two men.



▲ Umpires Terry McLisky and John Rose.

## Umpire appearances

Over the seasons a huge number of umpires have officiated at The Willows. We have been delighted to host top test and first-class umpires like: BL Aldridge, GAV Baxter, RJ Ebert, RL McHarg, DM Queded, PR Williams, EA Watkin and P Agent. As well, visiting "exchange" umpires to our city from Victoria, Australia and Central Districts, New Zealand have been keen to squeeze in a Sunday game or two at Jaguar Oval. Their appearance has been beneficial all round.

Prominent amongst our local umpires (and those with 20+ appearances) are:

- TH McLisky (84 matches)
- JC Elley (66)
- GR Evans (65)
- BG Hamilton (54)
- ET Brownlee (50)
- HM Fowler (40)
- J Rose (27)
- ADL Scott (20)

LK Brownlee and K Cotton are our two women umpires. It is interesting to note that some umpires like to do the same teams / games each year. While certain combinations enjoy standing together and long-term friendships evolve. For

instance, two inaugural umpires, still very much active are Eddie Brownlee and Bernie Hamilton and they have done many games together. Just as Graeme Evans and Howard Fowler today and earlier John Elley and Terry ("The Professor") McLisky are combinations who work well together.

Several umpires have been integral within the running of the Club. From the above, Terry has helped a lot with the organisation of past dinners and formal events, Bernie with pruning the roses, and Graeme with block-laying to tidy up the luncheon area. Thanks men.

To all our umpires, irrespective of the number of games, we greatly appreciate your service and the hours given to Willows cricket. Thank you for supporting us in our effort too to foster secondary school age cricket.

Long may Lindsay Kerr's words from the 2002/03 Annual Report prevail:

*"Every Sunday in summer there are always two umps eager to come out to The Willows to umpire real cricket, played in the spirit of the game, to mingle with players and enjoy the company of either team, and of course the hospitality".*

## Governor-General's Weekend

### Jim Stringleman

On Saturday 21 March, 140 guests in the Christ's College Dining Hall enjoyed a very pleasant dinner hosted by the Headmaster Mr Simon Leese. Saturday was an extremely fine and hot day, and it was anticipated that the following day for the match would be likewise.

Regretfully, Sunday brought misty rain, a lower temperature, but a bright Governor-General, Sir Jerry Mateparae who arrived, was introduced to both teams, with play commencing on time at 11am with the Past New Zealanders batting first.

The mystery surrounding the older fellows was soon evident when by a stroke of luck a spectator by the name of John Wright was encouraged to don the pads and promptly gave a wonderful exhibition, as of old, in opening the innings.

David Kelly played his usual glorious drives in compiling 50 inclusive of eight boundaries. James Marshall from Auckland entertained the crowd with a boundary laden 70, Mark Douglas 33, All Black Ben Blair, Paul McEwan, Ervin McSweeney and Philip Horne all displayed their wares in a final innings score of 231.

The drizzle came and went and then stopped, so with some urging from the Governor-General his

team proceeded to attack the bowling of Shayne O'Connor, Richard Petrie and Ewen Chatfield.

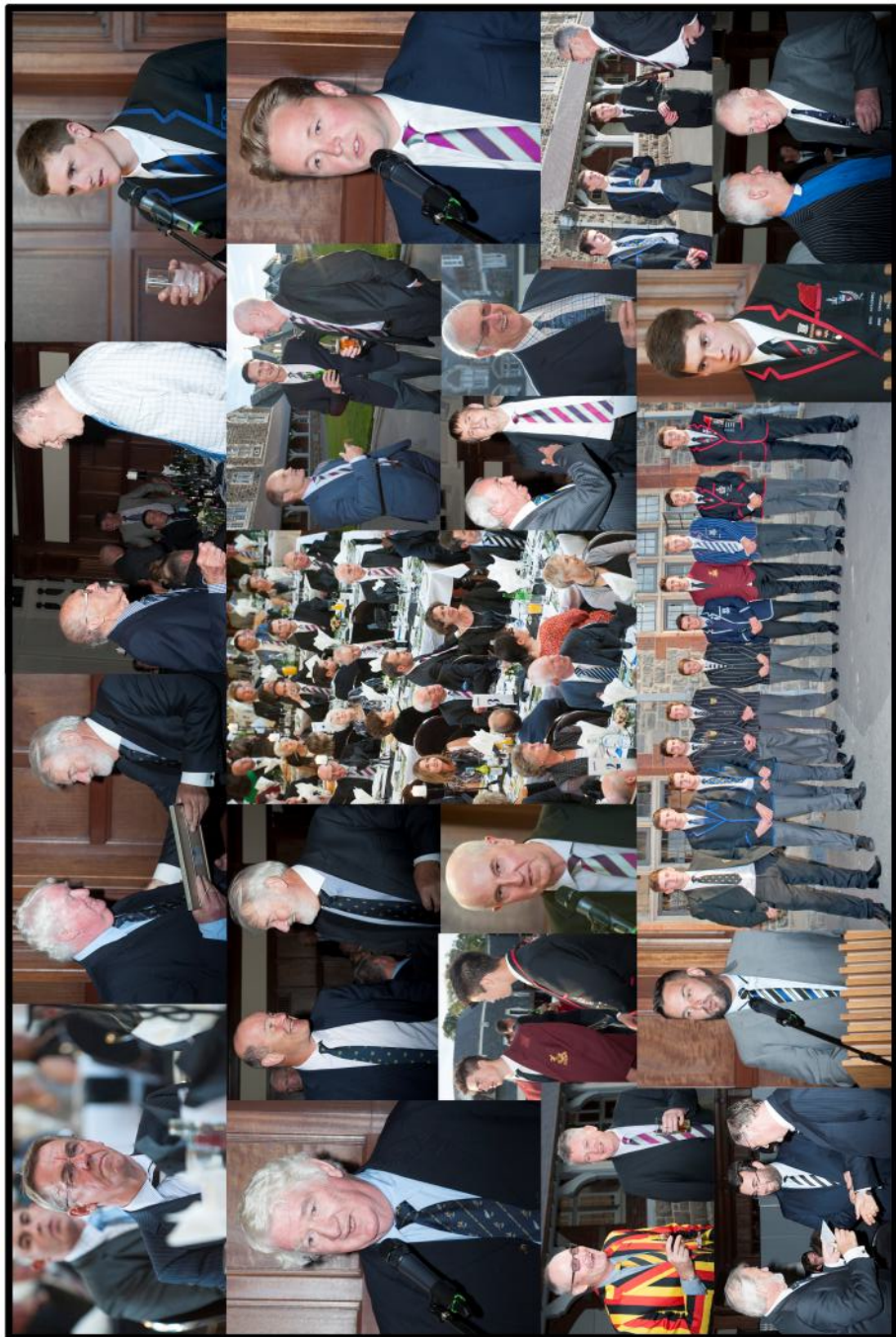
Petrie was the first to succumb and wave the injury flag and not even a dram or two from the groundsman could help him to carry on. Thus entered Andrew Nuttall who with Evan Gray and Dave Kelly produced a wonderful exhibition of spin bowling in difficult conditions claiming eight of the Youth XI wickets.

Maara Ave from Marlborough Boys' College and Matthew Allen from Cashmere High School made excellent contributions with one entry in the score book showing J Leggat bowled E Chatfield – a score line which many Cantabrians would well remember!

The Governor-General's Youth team performed extremely well under the conditions being well led by Bailen Thatcher of Christ's College. Our appreciation is expressed to the Governor-General for his attendance, for the ties gifted to the players and for the manner in which he mingled with the Past New Zealand players and spectators. The Willows is most grateful to the umpires Graeme Evans and Howard Fowler for standing throughout the day in the misty drizzle, to the boys and to those who travelled many miles to attend the fixture.

# Willows Cricket Club Dinner

Christ's College Dining Hall, Saturday 21st March 2015 on the occasion of  
The Governor-General's Youth XI v a Past NZ XI, Sunday 22nd March 2015



# Governor-General's Weekend



▲ His Excellency Governor-General Sir Jerry Mateparae is introduced to Sam Gilbert of St Andrew's College by Willows captain Bailen Thatcher.



▲ Evan Gray spinning a web.



▲ Ervin McSweeney ready to pounce.



▲ Veterans John Wright and Dave Kelly to open the innings.



▲ James Marshall travelled from Auckland for the event.



# Governor-General's Weekend



▲ A trademark shot from John Wright.



▲ Former Wallaby Jake Howard and wife Marguerite from Queensland, guests for the weekend.



▲ Lochie McKellar, with a classic delivery style, took 3 wickets for the Willows Youth XI.



▲ The Governor-General is introduced to the match umpires, Howard Fowler and Graeme Evans.



▲ Ben Blair batted gracefully.

## Q & A with former NZ batsman, Trevor Barber

*John Mitchell talks to NZ's oldest surviving test cricketer, Trevor Barber.*

### Q1. Most memorable game?

It was playing my first (and only) test in 1956 against the West Indies at the Basin Reserve, Wellington. I remember catching out their star all-rounder Sir Garry Sobers when fielding at gully. Legendary cricket writer Dick Brittenden wrote "Trevor could field anywhere with distinction, especially in the slips or gully". I treasure this particular catch.

Cricket brought other special memories for Trevor:

- 1950's witnessing Her Majesty's walkabout through the Basin Reserve during her NZ tour; and later to learn of the terrible tragedy at Tangiwai where my team mate Bob Blair's fiancée was drowned
- 1960's playing for Lord Cobham's XI v Wellington
- 1970's visiting Lord's



▲ A successful Wellington Plunket Shield side.



### Q2. Most memorable personal performances?

I was picked to captain Wellington in 1945 aged 20 years. Two innings stand out:

(1) 117 runs in the second innings versus Otago in the 1953/54 Plunket Shield season. Here I held up our middle order batting, but all to no avail as we lost the match. I was eventually out stumped Botting, bowled Moir. I remember too, it was one (of two matches) where I kept wickets for my province. Again, Brittenden acknowledged Trevor: "his cover drive, produced from the best blend of balance and timing, was for the connoisseur".

(2) Playing for Wellington College Old Boys against Karori in 1951/52 I made 254 runs. This remains the third equal highest score in 138 years

of Wellington senior cricket. And the 5th wicket partnership (with Ken Parkin) of 335 runs remains the highest partnership for any wicket. My senior cricket days lasted from 1941 to 1963.

### Q3. What or who was the major influence in shaping you as a player?

I must mention my father, Weston Barber, who encouraged me by playing backyard cricket on his dairy farm in Te Horo when I was aged 7-8 years. He was also captain of the Te Horo Cricket Club and I followed the team around as a substitute player, if required.

Later the competitive nature of my opponents over the years during my time as captain of Wellington and Central Districts shaped my development. The players who had most influence at the time were John Reid (Wellington), Eric Tindall (NZ rugby referee, cricket umpire etc) and Merv Wallace (Auckland).

### Q4. Advice for a secondary school cricketer who has a vision to play first-class cricket?

They should take advantage of the wonderful opportunity to play against first-class players at The Willows Cricket Club and to learn the social mores of the game. Because of the professional nature of the sport, you must have an edge, whether it is optimum fitness, non-slip hands etc – something to set you apart, but also to be able to contribute primarily as a team player.

### Q5. A vital aspect of the ethos of the game which must be strengthened?

I played as an amateur in a bygone era – long before limited overs, let alone Twenty20. I would like to see more emphasis on the pure form of the game and less focus on “bums on seats”, TV angles, and sensationalist gimmicks to attract the paying public. This is not going to be a likely scenario so best left alone.

Having said that I believe test cricket and the long form of the game is enduring and must be preserved. I congratulate visionaries at The Willows and the proponents of the new Hagley Oval for having the energy to foster the best part of our game.



▲ Fraser Hill, Headmaster of Swannanoa School, plays with a full face on his way to a hundred against Shirley Boys' High School in March.



▲ Nic Hill, Headmaster of Christchurch Boys' High School receives wine and a rubber duckie for his efforts. One compensates the other!



▲ *The Willows and North West Schools XIs line up to pay their respects to Phillip Hughes.*

## Godfrey Evans

T.G. Evans, CBE (1920-1999)

- Wicketkeeper for Kent and England
- 91 tests, 173 catches, 46 stumpings

"Watching Godfrey Evans zoom out to take a catch on the leg-side reminds one of nothing so much as a sea-lion making a mouthful of a herring in mid-air. The two share a miraculous ability to accelerate when aloft and a certain quality of well-groomed sleekness."

– *Denzil Batchelor, 1952*



▲ Harvey survives a well-nigh impossible chance as Evans dives towards first slip.



▲ Evans dives to make a brilliant stop on the leg-side from Harvey.



▲ Evans, the veins in this throat standing out like whipcord, appeals through his teeth when stumping Burke off Laker.



▲ Evans hurls himself out, like a swimmer at the start of a sprint-race, in a vain effort to make a run-out.

# 70th anniversary of the Normandy landings

## Allan Hunter

It was a privilege to be part of the 70th celebration of the D-Day landings and visit sites of the Battle of Normandy. I was one of nine veterans selected to represent New Zealand.

In 1944 a great fleet was assembled, the skies were free of most enemy planes, and 127,000 men plus equipment, were landed on the beaches on the first day alone. Some 10,000 were killed in the exercise but the eventual result was that the war in Europe ended ten months later.

For me, the journey was momentous. In 1944 I was on a warship in the English Channel after D-Day so seeing the area again brought back memories. I was a gunnery officer having been selected to undergo naval officer training in England.

The 70th celebrations involved a wonderful service in the Bayeux Cathedral which was then followed by a Commonwealth one in a British cemetery. Here at the end of the service, I was very fortunate indeed to be introduced to both Her Majesty The Queen and Prince Charles. In the afternoon the French hosts put on a dramatic re-enactment of the landings. Some fourteen heads of state were present, including our Governor General, Sir Jerry Mateparae GNZM and QSO, a fine representative for our country.

The previous day, the British paratroopers dropped 300 of their men in parachutes (30 at a



▲ Normandy veteran Allan Hunter meets the Queen and Governor-General, Sir Jerry Mateparae.

time) in Ranville, the place where they had landed the night before D-Day in 1944. It was breath-taking.

In Paris, Mr Ian Borthwick, bilingual international rugby journalist and media manager, knowing I had played for the New Zealand Services team during the war, kindly left a rugby jersey of his Paris club (Racing Metro) for me.

I thought of those who had died then or since, and felt proud of my own four years of war service.

**Allan Douglas Hunter, MNZM, was born in Christchurch in 1922. He attended Timaru Boys' High School from 1936-1940. After teaching in Napier Boys' High School and Kuranui College, he was Principal of Upper Hutt College (1962-1969) and then Burnside High School (1969-1980).**



▲ The Wellington College cordon in anticipation.

# Willows Youth XI Tour

## Youth tour to Thailand and Sri Lanka April 2015

**Paul Rutledge**  
*Assistant Coach*

It was an excited group of young Willows cricketers, coaches and managers that assembled at Christchurch Airport on 1st April, many of us having only met the previous day, and virtually all not knowing what lay ahead for the next sixteen days.

First stop Bangkok. And a big culture shock for many of the team, with temperatures in the high 30's. It was certainly going to be a challenge. The Willows were the guests of the Thailand Cricket Association. After a day's sightseeing, and shopping, it was down to the business of playing cricket.

Two 50 over matches were played against Thailand under 19 selection sides with both matches resulting in wins to The Willows. The team struggled with the heat and humidity, but the boys persevered and a number of players posted credible performances in difficult circumstances.

The Thailand leg of the tour was concluded with Thailand Cricket hosting The Willows for a wonderful dinner and presentation evening. A number of the Thai players attended, with local cricket dignitaries present also. Matt Hay did a fine job in thanking the Thailand Cricket Association on our behalf. Our thanks must go to Mohideen Kader CEO of Thailand Cricket, a wonderful host and a true Willower.

After four wonderful days, and plenty of shopping, and bartering, it was off to Sri Lanka, with Colombo being our first stop. We arrived to the expected heat and humidity, which we were all starting to feel a little more comfortable with.



▲ *The Willows team enjoys some street cricket. Note the action – the new Sri Lankan off spinner.*

Colombo offered a complete contrast to what we are used to in New Zealand; the heat, traffic, and a busy city which for the main part is very poor, and where it is a struggle for its inhabitants to survive. After a visit to the markets in tuktuks and more bartering, it again was time for cricket.

The first match in Colombo was played at the Metropolitan Cricket Ground. The team was captained by Kieran Hunt who did a splendid job in leading the side to a victory. The Willows players struggled to come to terms with the Sri Lankan spin bowlers, as most sides contained at least four spinners. Aside from the heat, this was probably the most difficult aspect of the tour. The second match in Colombo was interrupted by rain; however we were on the losing end of this fixture.

Day 8 saw us boarding the team bus for Kandy, with a few sightseeing stops along the way, including the Elephant sanctuaries. The boys all had the opportunity to ride an elephant, with a number of them taking up the shower option also. A long day on the bus concluded after a stop for a Sri Lankan traditional dance show and fire walking demonstration. Two more matches were played in Kandy with one match at St Anthony's College, the home of Muttiah Muralitharan.

The match at St Anthony's gave the boys an opportunity to join in with the school pupils practising their second love, rugby. The Willows team were soundly beaten in an impromptu game of touch rugby. I am sure if you ask any of the boys they will remember these moments as much as any other on tour.

The final leg of the tour saw us travel to Galle for the final two matches. Galle is a beautiful place, with remarkable scenery and coast lines. These matches were played in Matara, and again were difficult assignments with a loss, and one match being rained off. Once it rains in Sri Lanka that is it as far as cricket is concerned.

At this point in the tour, we were joined by Alex Reese from the Cricket Live Foundation, and his coaching staff, and it was a good opportunity for the team to share experiences with them.

The tour concluded by travelling back to Colombo for the last day of shopping, sightseeing, and the opportunity for the team to visit The Cricket Live Academy, established by Alex on the outskirts of Colombo. What we encountered was quite remarkable, a group of young Sri Lankan boys with very little, in the way of resources, equipment, and in some cases having lost their parents or family members in the civil war or the tsunami. This was truly a humbling experience. The sight and sounds of laughter and enjoyment from The Willows team and the Sri Lankan boys whilst they were playing various games, is something that will stay with us all for a long time.

The tour represented a number of things for me. In the cricketing sense the team was placed into an uncomfortable environment and in the main overcame some of the obstacles put before them. The cricket was tough - some players prospered and some struggled. The opportunity to learn from the Sri Lankan players, their dedication to cricket, their passion for the game, and their willingness to extract every ounce out of what they have (which by New Zealand standards can be very little in terms of equipment and resources).

I have deliberately not singled out any players or performances as such. My overwhelming memory

of this group of Willows cricketers is that they gave everything they could on the field, in very tough conditions. Off the field they were a tight knit group who looked out for one another, were respectful of their environment, and represented their schools, their families and The Willows splendidly.

The initiative now rests with the boys who went on the tour to put their experiences to a higher use and be determined to pursue their cricket careers with the same passion we experienced from the Sri Lankan boys.

My thanks must go to Lee Smith for his cheerful companionship, and expert guidance of the group from a coaching and mentoring perspective. Lee also helped me with some of my more complex retail transactions, and fixed my Colombo market purchased watch – a true all-rounder.

To Sheeren Hussain, our on-the-ground tour guide. A man from whom you can expect a knowledgeable response to any question of, or if we needed anything in particular "he would make a call" and sure enough it would happen. To Sheeren's wife Zahira thank you also. Both Sheeren and Zahira took great pride in showing us their beautiful country.

My last words must go to our Tour Managers Paul and Julie McEwan. They were the ultimate in organisation and went to great lengths always to ensure that the tour ran smoothly, and that we all had a memorable experience. We are all indebted to them for the work they have put in prior to, and during this tour. Paul's organisation and leadership of the group, in ensuring all players received equal and fair playing opportunities was outstanding. Coupled with Paul's experience and knowledge of the game the playing group was very fortunate indeed. To Julie, my thanks for being a tour Mum to 13 boys and two extra adults, nothing ever seemed to be a problem.

To The Willows on behalf of the group thank you for what was been a truly memorable cricketing and cultural experience.

# Willows Youth XI Tour



▲ Alex and Alistair about to have a shower.



▲ Some of our coaches could learn from these techniques.



▲ Patrick Howes leads the team off after taking 5 wickets.



▲ Boys with some of the rugby players at St Anthony's College, Kandy before cricket game started.



▲ Inspecting a tea processing plant.



▲ The team assembled before leaving Sri Lanka after another great tour. Thank you Willows Cricket Club!



# Cricket Live: a Sri Lankan experience

## Richard Taylor

Recently I was asked to assist with coaching coaches in Colombo, Sri Lanka for the Cricket Live Foundation. The foundation is headed by Alex Reese in New Zealand and supported in Sri Lanka by Merrill J Fernando, owner of Dilmah Tea. Matt Parr and Ryan Mc Cone (Canterbury Cricket player) made up the remainder of the coaching team. Prior to leaving I assumed it would be a wonderful experience. I knew little about the country except that Murali could bowl, Sangakkara could bat, they grew tea and washed elephants. As it turns out there is a lot more to Sri Lanka and the superlative 'wonderful' did not do it justice. Sri Lanka is a land of extremes: heat, rain, traffic, noise, smells, beauty, poverty and wealth, and we experienced it all and our soft and over privileged New Zealand senses got bombarded. But most notable of all were the people we met who were delightfully friendly, affectionate and hugely appreciative.

The Cricket Live Foundation has the superb vision of using cricket as a conduit to teach the essential living skills of teamwork, discipline, nutrition, punctuality and respect and its workings. Twenty coaches attend the course of which four are selected to work for the Cricket Live Foundation, taking the programme into the schools and to the flood of the hugely underprivileged children. The twenty coaches ranged in age from 21 to 43; most of them were skilled players but lacked general teaching or coaching understanding and group management techniques. While at times we coached specific skills, most of the time was spent explaining and demonstrating active learning time, time on task and player centred coaching styles. The course is very structured, has little down time and is highly organised. Alex runs a fantastic programme that Matt, Ryan and myself delivered with as much energy as we could in the 38°C and 95% humidity.

During our three days off we were involved in a working bee at a local school painting a large

brick and concrete fence that was in bad shape. We managed a game of golf at the Royal Colombo Golf Club, a world away from the slums just a few kilometres away and travelled the Galle Road which follows the coastline the Tsunami of 2004 destroyed, killing 40,000 people. The very basic and dilapidated, yet heart-breaking Tsunami Museum was worth the trip alone. In Galle we watched the last day of the Test match Sri Lanka vs Pakistan, with Sri Lanka scoring 99 off 16 overs to win 15 seconds before torrential rain fell and 30,000 Sri Lankan fans celebrated.

Cricket Live is a non-profit organisation that provides life changing opportunities to the underprivileged. If you would like to read about or support Alex's vision go to [www.cricketlive.co.nz](http://www.cricketlive.co.nz).

Matt and I greatly appreciated the school's willingness and support which allowed us to provide voluntary service to an underprivileged country and its children. Matt's relief was funded by the CBHS Peter England Scholarship which has an open brief but a focus on Adams House staff or students.

Our time in Sri Lanka was a very humbling and enlightening experience of a magnitude neither of us expected. We feel better people for it.

Sri Lanka is a bucket list destination, as Merrill J. Fernando would say "do try it".



▲ *Gorgeous children, low expectations and extreme gratitude.*

# Matfen Hall experience

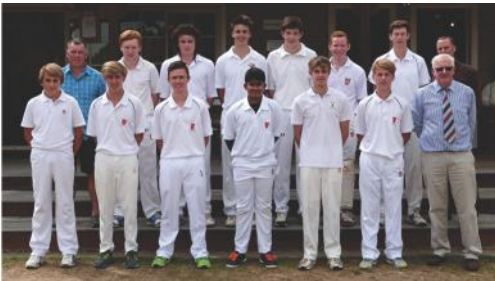
## Charlie Robson

*Ex-Wanganui Collegiate 1st XI*

In early April, Mitch (Mitchell Ross, ex Christchurch Boys' High School 1st XI) and I, who were then complete strangers, boarded our flight to Newcastle eager and excited for the unknown challenges ahead. While we were greeted by cold, dour days we quickly settled into our new way of life in Matfen. Luckily Mitch has an aunty and uncle who live only half an hour away from Matfen so through them we were able to see a greater part of the North East. We usually worked four or five days a week, half at the golf restaurant called "The Keepers Lodge" and half at Matfen Hall's driving range. Thanks to the wonderful golfing facilities we were able to play a number of friendly turned competitive games of golf on our days off. Mitch also made the most of the leisure facilities at the hotel.

As far as the cricket went we had a very busy season as local club stalwart Eddie Scott managed to get us playing regular Wednesday night games for a local under 18 team and then a more social team towards the end of the season. Even though Mitch and I were both eligible to play under 18s, the opposing team's parents were never too happy seeing us stroll out to the middle. For the Matfen Hall Cricket Club we were both given a lot of responsibility in the team and had a steady season without being spectacular. It was a great challenge adjusting to the local pitches (and umpires) as each ground we played on had its own set of difficulties.

I think Mitch and I can both say that we have come back from England with new experiences under our belt which will hold us in good stead for our future endeavours. I'd like to thank everyone involved in The Willows Cricket Club who made the Matfen scholarship available and also to Sir Hugh and Lady Blackett and their team at Matfen Hall for the wonderful generosity they showed us during our six month stint in the Newcastle area.



▲ *The South West Schools XI at their inaugural Willows fixture.*



▲ *The Country Secondary Schools XI.*



▲ *Father and son, Callum and Fraser Hill, line up against each other in the Christchurch Boys' High School fixture.*

# LEARNING from our mistakes

Tim Grocott

*Tim is both a Willower and Divisional Principal at Burnside High School. Here is an extract from his speech to the School's October 2014 Sports Prize giving.*

"Is success always about winning? No one wins all of the time. In my time two of the greatest athletes I have seen are Michael Jordan, the basketballer and Roger Federer, the tennis player. Michael Jordan played 1072 games in the NBA. He lost 366 times. Roger Federer has also played over a thousand games of tennis and has lost over 200 times. Even the greatest players lose. So is it okay to lose?"

There has been some interesting debate recently on the back of a comment made by Sir Graham Henry, the coach of the All Blacks at the 2011 Rugby World Cup. He was quoted as saying that it would be good for the All Blacks to lose. He may have been misquoted slightly but it seems like a strange thing for a passionate All Black coach to say. I suspect that what he meant was that it wouldn't do them any harm to lose because it allows the coaches and players to look at their performance from a different perspective. If we always look at things through the same lens, for example winning, I'm not sure that we see things as they should be.

From time to time we need our thinking challenged and we need to learn from that. I heard a phrase recently about performance that I really like. It is that sometimes you need to stop looking in the mirror and start looking out the window. What it means is that we need to see what else is going on.

The funny thing is with that phrase is that the opposite is also entirely appropriate. Sometimes we need to stop looking out the window and start looking in the mirror! The reason I like the mirror analogy is that it is asking you to reflect. I think this is what creates success. Whether you



▲ Tim Grocott, DP Burnside High School, with the new ball.

are looking out the window or in the mirror it is causing you to think and hopefully learn. It is putting you in the space where you are asking questions about your own performance or others performance. Why did you drop that ball, miss that shot, give away the penalty, turn up late to the game. The more you ask those questions of yourself or others the better you will be.

However, you need to learn how to do that. You are young people. It's hard for adults to do those sorts of things so it's going to be even harder for you. For most of you your parents or caregivers are helping you with that process – they will be gently asking those questions that require you to think about things, but at some point you need to start doing that so yourself that you can reflect on your own performance. This is what creates a culture of success.

This is why I like sport. You are asking those questions about yourselves and others about sport but they are also questions that apply to real life. You are learning about things through sport. You are learning about right and wrong, winning and losing, working hard, working individually, working as a team, finding solutions and those are all applicable to real life, and because of your involvement in sport you have a head start on other people which already makes you a winner".

# Why you should always walk

**Martin Darke**

*Ex-player and umpire*

*Perth, WA, 15 August 2013*

It was during a school game at Leeds (UK) in 1971 that I didn't walk. I was the captain of the visitors and it was a game that I just didn't want to lose. I got a very faint edge. My own schoolmaster (Jimmy), with whom I still keep in touch, couldn't possibly have heard it from the bowler's end, where he was umpiring, as there was a howling gale blowing straight down the pitch. However, the wicketkeeper knew but his appeal was turned down. After the game I told Jimmy I had edged the ball. Suffice to say that he was not amused and I was lucky I didn't have to walk back to Nottingham. He told me exactly how he felt. That was the one and only time I didn't walk in a career lasting over 30 years.

Fast forward to January, 2007 and I'm living (still am) in Perth, Australia. Our local newspaper, The Sunday Times, features an article by Mike Hussey, a local and national hero, and widely known as 'Mr Cricket'. Hussey is making a defence for not walking. On reading this I am incensed and pen the following letter to the editor, which was printed in full the next week.

'Unfortunately, Michael Hussey, because umpires are human they are not always right, as technology has demonstrated over and over again. It is impossible, with all the background noise at test level, for umpires to hear faint edges, and the decision is made even more difficult when there is no noticeable deflection. Poor umpiring decisions can change the course of a game, which we see all too often.

I for one and sick and tired of reading a defence for not walking. O for more people like Adam Gilchrist. He alone seems to understand that, by not walking, a batsman cheats the opposition, because they have to get more than ten wickets to bowl a team out. Moreover, he cheats the umpire, who is entirely neutral and is doing the job to the best of his ability, and finally the

batsman cheats himself, because he is already into his second innings.

It would take leadership from the top administrators, assisted by the test captains, to re-introduce honesty and sportsmanship to the game in accordance with its spirit, but pigs might fly before that happens. In the meantime, a much better solution for removing the cheating element would be to get rid of the umpires and let technology take over. If it works for tennis, then why not cricket?'

There was no reply from Hussey, nor were there any other letters on the subject. It was a subject that Hussey chose to ignore.

Fast forward again to Trent Bridge in July, 2013, a place where I had spent many summers during my childhood. How many of us could possibly forget Stuart Broad clearly edging the ball, being caught at slip, and then not walking because Australia had no more reviews left under DRS. The umpire had clearly made an error, but one that could not be changed. Technology was of no help at all in this instance.

In my eyes Stuart Broad was a cheat. How could he possibly justify remaining on the pitch? Even worse though was the fact that many commentators on the game, including ex-test captains, backed up Broad for his actions.

I was appalled. What has happened to the spirit of the game? Have these people no respect for the game, for the umpires, and for the opposition? Have people like Broad no self-respect? Will he one day look back and say to himself that he cheated, just as athletes and cyclists are now admitting that they took drugs to enhance their performance. Broad certainly enhanced his own performance that day, and also that of his team, which went on to win by a narrow margin.

Perhaps worse is that all the commentators, and all the modern-day professionals who are prepared to win at all costs, have no idea of the damage they are doing to the game at the lower levels. Actions like that of Broad are replicated thousands of times over on playing fields all over the cricketing world. Is it any wonder that it is so difficult to find umpires? Wouldn't it be

wonderful if players like Broad were made to umpire for a couple of years at club level, just so they can see what they are doing to the game?

Hussey was again quoted in a local community newspaper in August, 2013, having 'lent his support' to a program 'to help unearth our city's next generation of juniors who can help inspire others through their achievement or participation in sport'.

Hussey said, 'Playing sport teaches us so many values. In cricket, it is quite a traditional sport and you have to accept the umpire's decision, you need to play in the spirit of the game, and pursue

both individual and team goals. These qualities obviously help you in sport but they help you in life away from the sporting field as well'.

I simply cannot come to terms with not walking. Cheating is the only word for it. I shudder to think what the likes of Hussey are telling the youngsters of today. Is this really the 'value' we want to apply on the cricket field as well as in our lives off the field?

So to any aspiring youngster, please consider the spirit of the game, and take a good hard look at yourself in the mirror and ask whether you really do intend to live your life as a cheat.

## Dilmah founder receives international Business for Peace Award

Willows Honorary Member Merrill J. Fernando, the founder of Dilmah Tea, is to receive a 2015 Oslo Business for Peace Award. His philosophy of "making business a matter of human service" is recognised for its impact on society.

The awards are chosen annually by a committee of Nobel Prize winners in peace and economics.

Mr Fernando, who was recently returned to New Zealand to be Ambassador for the 2015 Napier Art Deco Week, says the award is as much a tribute to the staff of Dilmah and its affiliated companies, and people around the world who continue to help him achieve his vision to have a global Ceylon tea brand, as it is to him.

The Dilmah brand started in New Zealand and Australia 24 years ago. In New Zealand Dilmah was registered as a company by Merrill J Fernando and his business partner John Burton in 1993. Their business partnership continues in the New Zealand market today.

Merrill's philosophy of "making business a matter of human service" was a key part of the vision for



▲ Merrill Fernando (second from left) with his sons Malik (far left) and Dilhan (far right) at the award ceremony.

creating the vertically integrated tea company with tea grown, picked and packed in Sri Lanka.

Merrill pledged from the start to share the earnings of the company and over the years millions of dollars have helped with the work of his MJF Charitable Foundation and Dilmah Conservation. A minimum of 10% of pre-tax profits from the sale of Dilmah tea is diverted each year towards direct humanitarian and environmental projects across Sri Lanka.

The Business for Peace Foundation says the awards are given to "exceptional global leaders who exemplify its concept of being businessworthy by ethically creating economic value that also creates value for society".

# London New Zealand Cricket Club: the first two years (1952-53)

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## John Mitchell

The late Trevor Campbell OBE is forever associated with The Willows Cricket Club. Both the pavilion and the trophy played in the annual London New Zealand Cricket Club (LNZCC) – Willows fixture are named after him. But we are not the only cricket club in the world which Trevor helped set up and where he wanted the correct protocol to prevail.

We have to go back to the post-War days when Trevor was resident in London. He had a vision to establish a cricket club over there, where young Kiwis on their OE could come together socially and play the game they love.

It started in December 1951. The minutes of that foundation meeting (and subsequent committee meetings in 1952 and 1953) have come into our possession. They provide a fascinating insight into the establishment of the LNZCC. Over ensuing decades, many of us, when in the UK, have jumped at the opportunity to join or play for them; and so provide a highlight of our time off-shore.

Mr E.R.T. (Errol) Holmes, captain of the MCC "goodwill" tour to NZ 1935/36, presided over that meeting of 40 attendees at New Zealand House, London to discuss the formation of a cricket club. With the assistance of such illustrious sponsors / patrons of NZ cricket as Sir Arthur Donnelly, Sir Arthur Sims, Messrs W.A.Hadlee, Harold Gilligan, Roger Blunt, Alan Mitchell and Trevor Campbell a club was born.

The main objectives of the Club was to:

(1) Provide an opportunity for New Zealanders resident in the UK to play and enjoy cricket and to meet socially and thereby keep in touch with affairs at home; and

(2) Represent NZ cricket (and the country's good name) worthily in the UK. To that end, through the efforts of Mr Hadlee, the Club reported an annual donation of £50 from the NZCC.

It was agreed that the Club should be a "wandering" club and for the 1952 season eleven fixtures were arranged. An enviable list of matches playing at village greens, stately country houses (like Badminton, Goodwood, and later Hagley Hall) and at private grounds, like The Distillers Company, was compiled. The team travelled by coach to more distant venues and after play the teams shared a "fork and knife supper" and a dram or two of The Distillers finest product.

So LNZCC was inaugurated on 14th December 1951 and a Constitution ratified soon after (which will impress Mr C.L.Bull, esquire who has been desperate to see one in place at The Willows).

In January 1952 the following were elected to key positions: Mr E.R.T.Holmes (President), Mr R.C.Blunt (Club Captain), Mr A.T.Campbell (Hon. Secretary), plus a Treasurer and Committee. The club emblem for caps, ties, blazer pockets etc was a red dagger (in an upright position) over a silver fern. By pre-season they had 106 NZ and 6 English members (which grew to 124 members at the end of the first season). Members paid an entrance fee of 10/6 and a subscription of a guinea (£1.1.0).

From early May 1952 two practice nights per week were arranged at the Maori Club at Worcester Park ground. A trial match was played and LNZCC played their first competitive match on May 11th 1952 v Oxted CC, Surrey. During the first summer they played 11 matches (for 3 wins, 5 draws and 3 losses). The team made such a fine impression it gained the right to play at both Lords and The Oval in its second season.

Socialisation was always part of the Club ethos. They held a Club Dinner in September 1952 at Lords. The function had a capacity attendance (100 members) plus dignitaries including the NZ High Commissioner and retiring Governor-General Lord Freyberg. The meal included: toheroa soup and lamb; the latter with the

compliments of The NZ Meat Producers' Board. Endeavours to procure whitebait failed. To ensure all were in fine fettle the Club expended £2.10.0 on cigars and £3 on refreshments (whisky). At the dinner tankards were presented to the top players: Messrs R.C.Blunt (batting), W.E.Merritt (bowling) and T.U.Wells (fielding). Other social events during the season included: a box at Lords for the Universities three day match, Ladies Day, a Smoke Concert and various dinners to coincide with prominent New Zealanders visiting Britain.

By the second season things were even stronger. They played 19 matches for 8 wins, 7 draws and 4 losses. The Coronation Match (May 1953) was played at The Oval v Surrey Club XI with tremendous support coming from the NZ High Commissioner. The Club even paid for the services of a professional umpire for the game. In attendance was the NZ Prime Minister, the Right Honourable S.G.Holland and the NZ Brass Band entertained during the afternoon.

Membership numbers reflected the growing momentum; and by the end of 1952 there were 183 members (including 14 overseas members). The committee at the time imposed a limit of 200 members. The 1953 Annual Dinner was held at the Bath Club instead of The Tavern and amongst the official guests was Sir Edmund Hillary. Tankards went to Peter Iles (batting), Graeme Coull (bowling) and Jim Wallace (fielding).

A legacy was born.

Looking down today from heaven's grandstand seat, Trevor Campbell will be proud of "his" men like son John, the Hudson brothers, Chris Kennedy, Aaron Gale, Steve Lester and more who maintain the fine traditions of a Club conceived in London back then. To our young Willowers let the charm and drawing power of the LNZZCC entrance you when it is your turn to head off-shore and be UK bound.



▲ Spectators enjoy the summer at the Christchurch Boys' High School match in November.

# Past Highlights

*This is the second in the series looking back to past matches after 21 glorious seasons. John Mitchell pens this retrospective piece.*

## Resplendent MCC Tie

Cricket fans were blessed to have two visiting English teams in Christchurch in early March 2002. They were involved in memorable matches:

- March 16 – New Zealand v England and it was a proud day to be a spectator at Jade Stadium. That afternoon Nathan Astle hit the fastest double century in test cricket history (222 runs off 168 balls). It was scintillating stuff.
- March 27 – The Willows played a “tied” match (only the third in our history) against a confident, competitive and younger MCC Club XI. They were certainly here to mean business and uphold the best tradition of their prestigious club. It was the perfect culmination of the 2001/02 season. 196 runs apiece after a full complement of 50 overs each.

But I get ahead of myself. Celebrations began the evening before with a dinner for the playing elevens at the Christchurch Club. Guest speakers were Mr Iain Gallaway QSO, MBE (“the voice of Carisbrook”) and our Patron in Perpetuity the late Mr Walter Hadlee, CBE, OBE. Both were in fine

form and then able to take an active interest in the match that unfolded the next day. In fact, Mr Hadlee attended the entire match and we treasured his company.

## The Match

The MCC batted first. All their batsmen reached double figures but none were able to collar our tight bowling attack of Troels Nielsen, Richard Hayward, Andrew Nuttall (who bowled at the opening and the “death” of the innings), Rev. Michael Hawke, and Warren Eddington. Tight channels backed by keen fielding kept the run-rate well in check, below four per over.

In reply, The Willows lost wickets at regular intervals. Two batsmen stood out, namely David Bond with 63 (including 9 fours and a six) and Warren Eddington with 40 (including 7 fours). The latter, with his special effort with both bat and ball, plus a stunning catch, was our MVP.

## Conclusion

After any tied limited-over cricket match, the “ifs and buts” are inevitable. The MCC left knowing they had the better of the encounter. They lost only five wickets at bat and then claimed ten Willows scalps. So it was a moral victory to the visitors. However, in saying that, they gifted us a whopping 37 extras, mostly wides, plus the bonus of extra deliveries.

After the 49th over we were eight down needing four runs to win. The first four balls of the final over yielded two dot-balls and three from the bat. The scores were now level and The Willows poised to strike for the jugular. Then a controversial run out of Rev Hawke (a very generous home umpire decision; one worthy of a third umpire overturn) and alas with the final delivery Andrew Nuttall lost his castle. A tie!

The two sides returned to the pavilion for sausages and drinks and stories of lost opportunities aplenty. A resplendent MCC tie was kindly donated and now adorns the pavilion – testament to a top day of cricket.





## MCC Club XI

B. Debham	c Eddington b Hayward	12
S. Brogan	lbw Hawke	22
M. Archer	c Nuttall b Hayward	23
E. McKenna (c)	c Bennett b Hawke	45
T. Rankine	c Devlin b Eddington	12
D. Lees	not out	46
M. Boocock	not out	23
M. Jarrett		
T. Smith		
H. Rogers		
M. Harrison		
Extras (4b, 5lb, 4w)		13
<b>Total (for 5 wickets)</b>		<b>196</b>

	O	M	R	W
T.S. Nielsen	10	1	31	0
A.J. Nuttall	8	0	32	0
R.D. Hayward	10	2	27	2
M.J. Hawke	9	1	37	2
W.L. Eddington	10	1	45	1
D.C. Burrell	3	0	15	0

Umpires: R.T. Barber and W. Watson

Scorer: A.I. Campbell

## The Willows

P.C. Devlin	c & b Lees	0
W.J. Mitchell (c)	b Smith	22
R.D. Hayward	b Lees	2
D.W. Bond	b Rogers	63
D.C. Burrell	lbw Smith	0
M.B. Hastings	c Harrison b Smith	15
W.L. Eddington	lbw Rogers	40
J. Bennett	lbw Harrison	11
A.J. Nuttall	b Rogers	0
M.J. Hawke	run out	6
T.S. Nielsen	not out	0
Extras (1b, 10lb, 26w)		37
<b>Total (all out)</b>		<b>196</b>

	O	M	R	W
M. Harrison	10	0	53	1
D. Lees	10	1	44	2
T. Smith	10	4	12	3
M. Boocock	10	0	38	0
H. Rogers	10	0	38	3



# Judith Collins in hands of wily Willower

**Jock Anderson**

*New Zealand Herald, 11th September 2014*

Those pondering the choice of retired Christchurch High Court judge Lester Chisholm to clarify if former Justice Minister Judith Collins undermined the then Serious Fraud Office director Adam Feeley, should be aware of one of the former judge's little known but significant credentials.

Mr Chisholm is one of around 700 members and associates of Canterbury's Willows Cricket Club – an exclusive bunch of worthies whose bloodlines resemble a cross between Burke's Peerage, Who's Who, the Civil List, Swanky School Alumni and denizens of the Ladies & Escorts Lounge.

Based around a Midsomer Murders-style village green pitch at fashionable Loburn – a comfy 50K Jaguar cruise northwest of Christchurch – The Willows' purpose is to encourage the best boys from good school first elevens to further their cricketing interests.

Not to mention becoming part of a jolly useful network for life. It seems being a judge is also enough to gain entry.

Willowers ranks include knights, lawyers, judges, businessmen, sportsmen, various selfless folk of general decency – and a Lord.

They include former governor general Sir Anand Satyanand, Justice Sir John Hansen, Judge Andrew Becroft, Viscount Cobham, Jeremy Coney, Sir Hugh Blackett, Sir Ron Brierley, Francis Cooke QC (son of the famous Lord Cooke of Thorndon), Nick Farr-Jones, Sir Tim Rice, Iain Gallaway, Sir Owen Glenn, Sir John Graham, Sir Richard Hadlee, Sir Graham Henry, Chris Laidlaw, John Mitchell, Malcolm Ellis, Justice Christian Whata, Justice Peter Penlington, Judge Dave Holderness, Tony Hughes-Johnson QC, Justice Mark Cooper, Nick Davidson QC, Justice John Fogarty, Prof Hamid Ikram, Justice Stephen Kos, Robbie Deans, Associate Judge John Matthews,

Martin Snedden and Lord Butler of Brockwell, plus a host of cricketing and other sporting greats too numerous to mention.

An honorary Willower, Lord Butler, in case anyone doesn't know, is retired high-ranking British civil servant Robin Butler (76), a former Harrovian rugby blue and a Knight of the Garter who sits in the House of Lords.

[Alumni of upper-class Church of England school Harrow (which has been around since 1572) are a colourful and illustrious lot, including among their number Indian and Arabian maharajas and potentates, a dollop of British politicians, numerous judges, lords and mega-wealthy business moguls.

Not many folk would know that the politically ill-fated, scandal-ridden English MP John Profumo went to Harrow, as did laconic actor and musician Laurence Fox (Detective Sergeant James Hathaway in crime drama Lewis) until he was expelled for fighting and chasing girls.

Even fewer would recall that Harrovian Joshua Strange Williams arrived in Dunedin in 1861 and was made a High Court judge in 1875.]

What's this got to do with the task facing Willower Lester Chisholm?

"Perhaps, Case Load," said Our Man At The Bar, "it's about the ability to clearly see the ball and play with a straight bat...Something I doubt you are familiar with..."

"Googly that," said The Scunner, pocketing a dog-eared ticket to the beer tent.



▲ Former minister Judith Collins was cleared of allegations by retired High Court judge (and Willower), Lester Chisholm. Photos / APN.

# Cumulative Statistics

Minimum of 200 runs / 10 wickets

	Inn	NO	Runs	Ave	O	M	R	W	Ave
Abbott, R.E.	10	2	155	19.4	120	21	478	15	31.9
Agnew, T.W.	16	5	169	15.4	130	15	499	26	19.2
Allott, G.I.	13	4	109	12.1	131	30	427	30	14.2
Ambler, K.A.	5	1	235	58.8	-	-	-	-	-
Anderson, C.J.	13	1	389	32.4	118	30	319	11	29.0
Banks, R.J.	10	1	235	26.1	11	1	94	1	94.0
Bartholomeusz, C.G.	5	3	272	136.0	8	3	23	2	11.5
Bayliss, R.T.	12	1	248	22.5	-	-	-	-	-
Bennett, J.	31	12	324	17.1	12	1	85	3	28.3
Bisman, C.W.	8	2	318	53.0	81	12	246	19	12.9
Blakely, J.E.	7	1	201	33.5	57	7	159	6	26.5
Blair, B.A.	4	0	206	51.5	20	0	88	1	88.0
Bond, D.W.	38	6	1331	41.6	25	1	207	1	207.0
Boock, S.L.	5	2	19	6.3	84	16	252	14	18.0
Boyle, J.G.	7	1	200	33.3	22	0	86	1	86.0
Bromley, G.R.	11	1	267	26.7	34	2	136	6	22.7
Brooks, G.N.B.	14	2	496	41.3	33	3	139	4	34.8
Bull, C.L.	19	4	206	13.7	22	2	103	2	51.5
Burrell, A.E.	13	1	296	24.7	14	1	46	2	23.0
Burrell, D.C.	29	11	834	46.3	112	10	514	15	34.3
Burrell, W.M.	29	6	654	28.4	134	22	524	25	21.0
Burson, R.D.	11	3	199	24.9	97	12	301	28	10.8
Cameron, B.W.J.	6	1	59	11.8	74	10	273	14	19.5
Clark, C.R.	5	0	64	12.8	34	6	120	11	10.9
Coffey, S.T.	14	3	529	48.1	14	2	67	2	33.5
Coll, J.P.	17	4	478	36.8	236	22	583	30	19.4
Colvin, G.G.	11	3	152	19.0	67	9	220	12	18.3
Commons, E.	10	1	227	25.2	12	0	72	0	-
Coop, T.A.	9	1	207	25.9	7	0	42	0	-
Cornelius, C.J.	12	1	258	23.5	70	12	248	13	19.1
Cornelius, W.A.	19	4	183	12.2	183	35	540	37	14.6
Courtney, L.	17	10	107	15.3	133	11	630	23	27.4
Cowlishaw, A.C.	14	0	226	16.1	8	1	43	3	14.3
Cusack, D.R.	38	7	1198	38.6	2	0	20	0	-
D'Arcy, J.A.C.	12	2	249	24.9	32	1	154	6	25.7
Davidson, J.A.F.	21	4	590	34.7	8	0	40	0	-
Davis, S.J.	31	8	334	14.5	222	32	846	40	21.2
Day, H.W.	6	0	133	22.2	39	2	175	12	14.6
Deans, R.M.	4	0	220	55.0	15	1	59	2	29.5
Devlin, P.C.	25	6	621	32.7	32	3	140	7	20.0
Doody, B.J.K.	31	3	947	33.8	30	1	148	12	12.3
Doody, T.J.	11	5	32	5.3	144	7	605	24	25.2
Dormer, B.L.	12	2	369	36.9	10	0	53	2	26.5
Dowds, D.P.	31	4	975	36.1	95	4	495	14	35.4
Duncan, P.M.	8	2	308	51.3	19	0	103	2	51.5
Dunne, R.M.	6	3	201	67.0	20	1	88	5	17.6
Eddington, W.L.	8	1	148	21.1	96	13	366	21	17.4
Ellis, A.M. (Ex Burnside)	14	5	487	54.1	77	9	298	16	18.6
Ellis, A.M. (Ex SBHS)	13	4	424	47.1	60	20	168	8	21.0
Fielding, M.D.	21	3	618	34.3	106	18	381	22	17.3
Fisher, T.D.L.	6	4	431	215.5	16	2	77	4	19.3
Flanagan, S.P.	16	2	435	31.1	120	15	421	19	22.2
Fullerton-Smith, A.D.	18	2	681	42.6	13	1	54	0	-
Fulton, P.G.	9	0	362	40.2	34	2	163	3	54.3
Garry, J.R.	10	1	316	35.1	33	0	181	7	25.9
Germon, L.K.	9	3	318	53.0	5	0	50	1	50.0

	Inn	NO	Runs	Ave	O	M	R	W	Ave
Gibson, S.D.	30	1	579	20.0	140	17	545	13	41.9
Goudie, A.J.	5	2	43	14.3	38	3	174	13	13.4
Gray, A.H.	9	3	20	3.3	142	30	405	26	15.6
Grocott, D.J.	16	9	178	25.4	147	35	361	24	15.0
Hadlee, D.R.	9	4	256	51.2	70	19	196	12	16.3
Hadlee, M.J.	6	1	224	44.8	34	10	111	5	22.2
Hadlee, R.J.	4	0	212	53.0	27	5	63	4	15.8
Hamel, M.J.	15	1	366	26.1	88	10	420	12	35.0
Hampton-Matehe, T.M.	15	1	547	39.1	6	0	27	1	27.0
Hantz, J.L.	14	0	354	25.3	19	1	88	7	12.6
Harding, S.C.	7	1	105	17.5	52	10	207	11	18.8
Harris, B.Z.	13	2	323	29.4	81	10	272	15	18.1
Harris, P.D.	61	15	1648	35.8	287	36	1174	51	23.0
Harrison, T.	18	4	620	44.3	-	-	-	-	-
Hastilow, A.J.	22	3	364	19.2	165	17	718	40	18.0
Hastings, B.F.	10	3	235	33.6	9	2	23	1	23.0
Hastings, M.B.	28	4	242	10.1	254	39	987	47	21.0
Hawes, F.C.	29	10	492	25.9	261	39	935	40	23.4
Hawke, M.J.	26	10	765	47.8	149	20	576	25	23.0
Hight, C.M.	16	7	242	26.9	117	24	350	23	15.2
Hiini, B.C.	11	2	276	30.7	70	15	235	12	19.6
Hill, F.	7	1	254	42.3	37	8	138	9	15.3
Hudson, M.G.	16	1	311	20.7	117	8	525	22	23.9
Humphris, L.A.	13	2	455	41.4	72	5	353	18	19.6
Hutton, O.R.	6	1	239	47.8	36	9	140	7	20.0
Ikram, H.	5	2	56	18.7	83	5	374	14	26.7
Inglis, G.D.	53	10	1231	28.6	135	17	581	28	20.8
Innes, J.T.	15	2	475	36.5	71	11	246	15	16.4
James, C.D.	19	0	479	25.2	7	0	46	2	23.0
Johns, A.M.	8	1	286	40.9	17	2	61	4	15.3
Johnston, M.T.	13	4	228	25.3	60	9	213	9	23.7
Johnston, N.M.	8	1	209	29.9	5	1	10	1	10.0
Johnston, T.G.	9	0	200	22.2	84	12	390	16	24.4
Johnstone, A.F.	25	4	351	16.7	30	3	113	6	18.8
Kelly, D.P.	22	9	960	73.8	138	18	450	40	11.3
Kelly, M.J.	17	2	374	24.9	17	1	73	6	12.2
Landon-Lane, M.E.	18	4	421	30.1	38	3	149	3	49.7
Langrope, S.L.	7	2	222	44.4	-	-	-	-	-
Latham, R.T.	14	3	266	24.2	53	9	175	10	17.5
Latham, T.W.M.	9	2	483	69.0	15	3	56	1	56.0
Laughton, B.L.	13	2	413	37.5	48	1	257	3	85.7
Leggat, J.E.	11	0	232	21.1	18	3	54	4	13.5
Lonsdale, W.M.	12	2	97	9.7	115	23	375	25	15.0
Macgregor, A.J.	6	0	100	16.7	62	15	164	10	16.4
MacLeod, A.L.L.	5	1	69	17.3	38	5	157	11	14.3
Marsh, J.D.	8	0	127	15.9	78	11	267	18	14.8
Masefield, R.V.	13	5	120	15.0	100	12	372	23	16.2
Masefield, T.J.	14	6	283	35.4	30	8	55	11	5.0
Maw, P.A.C.	9	1	276	34.5	26	3	110	2	55.0
McCarthy, G.P.	31	2	366	12.6	56	1	273	15	18.2
McCarthy, P.B.	18	2	658	41.1	42	5	160	11	14.5
McCone, R.J.	7	1	46	7.7	43	12	100	11	9.1
McConnell, T.P.	14	3	488	44.4	-	-	-	-	-
McEwan, P.E.	54	7	1365	29.0	268	26	1134	54	21.0
McEwan, R.P.	26	7	109	5.7	155	12	673	20	33.7
McFedries, A.G.	23	2	641	30.5	199	24	786	29	27.1
McGillivray, C.P.	8	3	103	20.6	69	12	243	16	15.2
McGoldrick, C.P.	7	1	214	35.7	14	1	86	1	86.0
McGuire, R.D.	32	14	493	27.4	297	33	1185	55	21.5
McIntyre, B.S.M.	9	0	203	22.6	67	10	247	14	17.6
McKenzie, M.N.	11	2	387	43.0	88	10	374	12	31.2

	Inn	NO	Runs	Ave	O	M	R	W	Ave
McMillan, D.H.A.	12	4	211	26.4	126	30	419	22	19.0
McRae, A.R.	28	7	630	30.0	85	9	343	12	28.6
Miller, G.A.	27	5	566	25.7	1	0	14	1	14.0
Miller, R.M.	10	3	386	55.1	52	8	174	8	21.8
Mitchell, W.J.	25	3	439	20.0	50	8	156	9	17.3
Morgan, R.	9	2	259	37.0	32	9	113	7	16.1
Nathu, A.	19	1	484	26.9	14	0	87	1	87.0
Nielsen, T.N.	17	4	225	17.3	145	24	521	32	16.3
Noster, S.N.	11	2	445	49.4	58	8	241	5	48.2
Nuttall, A.J.	58	27	680	21.9	761	184	2047	174	11.8
Nuttall, E.J.	4	1	24	8.0	49	10	132	11	12.0
Nuttall, J.S.	7	1	173	28.8	81	14	196	11	17.8
O'Connell, C.P.	8	3	142	28.4	55	6	235	13	18.1
O'Gorman, J.P.D.	12	3	359	39.9	54	6	234	5	46.8
Orton, B.R.	9	5	567	141.8	5	2	15	4	3.8
Parr, M.J.	16	2	338	24.1	138	22	465	25	18.6
Patel, M.	13	2	447	40.6	83	15	300	14	21.4
Pawson, J.D.	23	5	555	30.8	172	30	507	26	19.5
Peacock, M.D.	21	6	400	26.7	223	56	641	43	14.9
Priest, M.W.	8	2	180	30.0	108	21	391	13	30.1
Reid, J.F.	6	2	205	51.3	16	0	65	1	65.0
Reese, A.	15	5	91	9.1	144	9	546	19	28.7
Rennell, C.P.	10	0	251	25.1	-	-	-	-	-
Richards, J.M.	12	2	224	22.4	40	6	148	5	29.6
Robertson, I.A.	11	3	498	62.3	91	17	273	8	34.1
Rutledge, P.D.	43	8	378	10.8	13	0	104	1	104.0
Satterthwaite, M.F.	19	0	364	19.2	5	0	30	0	-
Savill, C.M.	33	8	412	16.5	34	0	216	10	21.6
Sawers, A.J.	8	2	269	44.8	-	-	-	-	-
Scott, D.W.G.	11	5	77	12.8	37	1	216	11	19.6
Sheat, F.W.	7	2	225	45.0	47	10	136	13	10.5
Singleton, M.J.	14	0	217	15.5	3	0	21	0	-
Sparks, L.C.	19	6	164	12.6	217	46	755	39	19.4
Stevens, S.D.	13	5	75	9.4	154	14	749	23	32.6
Stewart, G.J.	18	4	228	16.3	125	18	401	36	11.1
Stone, C.S.	7	0	222	31.7	14	2	38	4	9.5
Stone, M.B.	10	0	134	13.4	65	7	320	10	32.0
Stretch, G.B.	7	1	317	52.8	41	0	202	7	28.9
Tapper, J.H.	14	3	325	29.5	100	28	345	25	13.8
Teale, H.W.	16	4	542	45.2	78	6	414	16	25.9
Teale, M.D.	8	1	114	16.3	58	7	222	14	15.9
Thiele, C.H.	11	3	63	7.9	118	17	438	16	27.4
Thomson, G.L.	29	4	935	37.4	14	0	81	1	81.0
Thorn, L.D.A.	14	2	237	19.8	18	0	106	3	35.3
Thornton, T.F.	20	6	201	14.4	24	0	105	5	21.0
Townrow, W.B.	10	4	59	9.8	90	10	329	13	25.3
Wakefield, D.J.	15	3	398	33.2	100	11	383	17	22.5
Walsh, W.P.J.	6	1	217	43.4	32	5	124	5	24.8
Ward, B.R.	7	1	268	44.7	2	0	12	1	12.0
Ward, J.	16	4	369	30.8	54	3	280	11	25.5
Weeds, M.G.	20	4	528	33.0	4	0	16	0	-
Wellington, B.G.	11	2	159	17.7	106	9	432	13	33.2
Williams, M.L.	15	3	332	27.7	48	1	218	5	43.6
Wilson, J.M.	13	3	201	20.1	32	0	178	5	35.6
Wilson, R.T.	16	3	156	12.0	74	7	330	10	33.0
Wolt, J.R.K.	20	8	57	4.8	300	33	1286	48	26.8
Wright, M.J.W.	13	4	455	50.6	17	0	72	5	14.4
Wright, N.H.	14	2	210	17.5	4	0	16	1	16.0
Yardley, K.J.	13	8	21	4.2	183	21	742	34	21.8
Yock, B.A.	16	3	688	52.9	14	1	79	1	79.0
Youngusband, P.F.	13	3	209	20.9	103	23	331	23	14.4

# Records

## Summary of Results

	Played	Won	Lost	Tied	Drawn
1994/95	13	12	1	-	-
1995/96	17	12	4	-	1
1996/97	17	10	6	-	1
1997/98	21	14	6	1	-
1998/99	18	10	7	-	1
1999/00	19	9	10	-	-
2000/01	23	17	6	-	-
2001/02	21	15	4	2	-
2002/03	21	16	5	-	-
2003/04	22	15	7	-	-
2004/05	22	13	8	-	1
2005/06	26	14	12	-	-
2006/07	26	13	13	-	-
2007/08	27	19	7	-	1
2008/09	25	21	4	-	-
2009/10	26	19	6	-	1
2010/11	24	18	4	-	2
2011/12	26	15	11	-	-
2012/13	28	19	8	-	1
2013/14	26	12	10	-	4
2014/15	26	15	10	-	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>

## Aggregate Innings Totals

(For home games by Willows teams)

	Inns	Runs	Wkts	Avg/Wkt	Avg Total
1994/95	13	2,702	105	25.7	207
1995/96	15	2,930	100	29.3	195
1996/97	16	3,007	106	28.3	187
1997/98	19	4,306	128	33.6	226
1998/99	17	3,584	134	26.7	210
1999/00	18	3,128	145	21.5	173
2000/01	22	5,149	162	31.8	234
2001/02	21	4,053	152	26.7	193
2002/03	21	4,304	134	32.1	204
2003/04	22	4,757	170	28.0	216
2004/05	22	4,525	162	27.9	206
2005/06	26	5,506	210	26.2	211
2006/07	25	4,410	210	21.0	176
2007/08	28	6,218	207	30.0	222
2008/09	25	5,688	180	31.6	228
2009/10	26	5,654	208	27.1	217
2010/11	24	5,309	176	30.1	221
2011/12	26	5,133	208	24.6	197
2012/13	26	5,780	196	29.5	222
2013/14	26	5,090	194	26.2	195
2014/15	26	5,654	197	28.7	217
<b>Total</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>96,887</b>	<b>3,484</b>	<b>27.8</b>	<b>208</b>

# Honours – Batting

(All retired)

K.A.Ambler	100	v Shirley Boys' High School	27.02.05	<b>D.P.Kelly</b>	<b>104</b>	v Marlborough Boys' College	<b>13.10.14</b>
C.J.Anderson	100	v Marlborough Boys' College	20.10.02	S.L.Langrope	100	v Timaru Boys' High School	03.02.08
C.G.Bartholomeusz	101	v St Bede's College	29.01.06	R.T.Latham	100	v St Andrew's College	26.02.95
L.D.Bartholomeusz	101	v Timaru Boys' High School	03.02.08	T.W.M.Latham	101	v Burnside High School	02.12.07
C.W.Bisman	100	v Nth Canty Secondary Schools	21.02.99	B.L.Laughton	105	v St Thomas of Canterbury College	12.02.14
D.W.Bond	102	v Crusaders XI	17.03.01	H.R.M.McCarthy	100	v Waimea College	27.11.11
D.W.Bond	100	v Nelson College	16.02.03	P.B.McCarthy	102	v St Bede's College	09.02.97
C.J.B.Burnett	101	v Gore High School	30.09.12	T.P.McConnell	104	v Canterbury Country Sec Schools	02.03.14
A.E.Burrell	100	v St Andrew's College	18.02.96	P.E.McEwan	104	v Flaxton Wanderers	20.11.94
D.C.Burrell	102	v Ohoka Swamphens	28.01.96	P.E.McEwan	109	v Montana Wine XI	23.01.00
D.C.Burrell	100	v Dunedin Cavaliers	02.02.97	M.N.M.McKenzie	100	v Millbrook XI	25.01.98
D.C.Burrell	100	v Mt Hutt College	14.01.01	G.A.Miller	100	v Clarrie Anderson's XI	01.12.10
W.M.Burrell	100	v Nth Canty Secondary Schools	05.03.00	R.M.Miller	100	v Dunedin Cavaliers	01.02.98
S.T.Coffey	100	v King's College (Auckland)	24.01.07	C.Neynens	101	v Waitaki/St Kevin's XI	11.03.12
S.T.Coffey	100	v Combined Secondary Schools	30.11.08	S.N.Noster	102	v Canterbury Country Sec Schools	16.03.08
D.R.Cusack	100	v Burnside High School	30.11.03	S.N.Noster	101	v Christchurch Boys' High School	12.09.08
P.C.Devlin	102	v Nth Canty Secondary Schools	11.03.01	S.N.Noster	102	v Southland Boys' High School	20.02.11
B.J.Diamanti	100	v Marlborough Boys' College	20.10.02	J.P.D.O'Gorman	101	v Christ's College	18.01.09
B.J.K.Doody	100	v Christ's College	14.10.01	J.P.D.O'Gorman	102	v Christ's College	12.01.14
<b>B.J.K.Doody</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>v Canterbury Country Sec Schools</b>	<b>01.03.15</b>	B.R.Orton	102	v Otago Boys' High School	29.10.06
D.P.Dowds	101	v Burnside High School	07.12.08	B.R.Orton	100	v Nelson College	10.02.08
P.M.Duncan	101	v Christ's College	16.01.11	B.R.Orton	100	v Combined Secondary Schools	30.11.08
T.D.L.Fisher	102	v Christ's College	08.01.06	M.Patel	103	v Timaru Boys' High School	07.02.10
A.D.Fullerton-Smith	104	v Medbury Headmaster's XI	20.03.05	J.D.Pawson	100	v Peninsula Craz	10.11.02
A.D.Fullerton-Smith	101	v Combined Secondary Schools	25.11.07	I.A.Robertson	100	v Wellington College	27.10.02
D.R.Hadlee	100	v Clarrie Anderson's XI	30.11.97	I.A.Robertson	100	v South Canterbury XI	03.10.04
M.J.Hadlee	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.03.98	<b>F.W.Sheat</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>v Marlborough Boys' College</b>	<b>13.10.14</b>
T.M.Hampton-Matehe	101	v Waitaki BHS/St Kevin's XI	14.03.10	H.W.Teale	100	v St Bede's College	30.01.11
P.D.Harris	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.03.95	G.L.Thomson	100	v Medbury Headmaster's XI	16.03.97
P.D.Harris	102	v Millbrook XI	25.01.98	G.L.Thomson	100	v Christchurch BHS	05.12.99
P.D.Harris	104	v Woodbank Wanderers	25.03.01	G.L.Thomson	100	v Shirley BHS	04.03.01
T.Harrison	105	v Mid-Canterbury Youth XI	10.11.13	Lvan Beek	101	v London NZ CC	25.03.07
<b>F.Hill</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>v Shirley Boys' High School</b>	<b>15.03.15</b>	<b>D.B.Vann</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>v North West Schools XI</b>	<b>30.11.14</b>
O.R.Hutton	100	v Southland Boys' High School	06.03.05	W.P.J.Walsh	100	v North West Schools XI	05.12.10
T.Huysr	101	v Nelson College	13.02.11	B.R.Ward	100	v St Andrew's College	23.02.14
G.D.Inglis	100	v Timary Boys' High School	25.01.04	W.S.A.Williams	101	v Shirley Boys' High School	18.03.12
L.H.Johnston	100	v Otago Boys' High School	28.10.07	M.J.W.Wright	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	24.03.02
R.Jones	100	v Waimea College	24.11.13	M.J.W.Wright	102	v Woodbank Wanderers	23.03.03
D.P.Kelly	101	v King's High School	11.12.11	B.A.Yock	106	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.11.00
D.P.Kelly	101	v Bradley Nuttall XI	20.02.13	B.A.Yock	102	v London NZ CC	23.11.08
D.P.Kelly	102	v Waitaki BHS/St Kevin's XI	10.03.13	W.Young	103	v Gore High School	02.10.11
D.P.Kelly	100	v Canterbury Country Sec Schools	02.03.14	A.Yugaraja	104	v Christ's College	15.01.12



## Honours – Bowling (Maximum 10 overs)

S.Borthwick	6-14	v Dunedin Cavaliers XI	24.01.10
D.P.Kelly	6-16	v King's High School	09.12.12
M.D.Fielding	6-20	v Wanganui Collegiate	21.10.07
G.I.Allott	6-23	v Christchurch BHS	01.12.02
J.H.Tapper	6-30	v Waitaki BHS/St Kevin's XI	14.03.10
R.D.McGuire	6-31	v Nelson College	13.02.11
J.P.Coll	6-32	v Peninsula Craz	10.11.02
A.H.Gray	6-32	v Sri Lanka Tour XI	18.11.12
D.P.Kelly	6-36	v Glimmer XI	23.03.14
A.J.Nuttall	6-38	v Glimmer XI	25.03.12
A.J.Gourdie	6-50	v St Andrew's College	24.02.02
R.V.Masefield	5-5	v North Canterbury Secondary Schools	07.03.04
A.J.Nuttall	5-8	v St Andrew's College	15.02.98
M.Shaw	5-8	v Shirley Boys' High School	05.03.06
T.D.Astle	5-10	v St Thomas of Canterbury College	09.02.05
G.J.Stewart	5-10	v St Thomas of Canterbury College	10.03.10
J.S.Nuttall	5-10	v Combined North-West Schools XI	04.12.11
J.T.Innes	5-13	v Mobil Oil XI	14.11.99
F.C.Hawes	5-15	v Combined Secondary Schools	23.11.03
W.L.Eddington	5-15	v Timaru Boys' High School	08.02.09
<b>F.W.Sheat</b>	<b>5-16</b>	<b>v Timaru Boys' High School</b>	<b>01.02.15</b>
A.C.Maw	5-17	v North Canterbury Secondary Schools	07.03.04
T.J.Doody	5-17	v Canterbury Country Sec Schools	11.03.07
<b>A.J.Macgregor</b>	<b>5-18</b>	<b>v Gore High School</b>	<b>28.09.14</b>
L.C.Sparks	5-19	v Ben Harris XI	19.02.95
A.Reese	5-19	v Wanganui Collegiate	23.10.11
J.H.Tapper	5-21	v King's High School	14.12.08
J.D.Marsh	5-23	v St Thomas of Canterbury College	02.02.11
W.H.Wright	5-23	v Suburban XI	09.01.11
T.W.Agnew	5-23	v St Andrew's College	23.02.14
T.G.Johnston	5-26	v St Andrew's College	25.02.07
M.D.Peacock	5-25	v Wanganui Collegiate	23.10.05
T.E.Lancaster	5-26	v London NZ CC	26.11.95
W.A.Cornelius	5-27	v London NZ CC	19.12.99
P.F.Youngusband	5-28	v London NZ CC	22.11.09
A.G.McFriedies	5-29	v Flaxton Wanderers	26.02.97
M.B.S.McIntyre	5-30	v Otago Boys' High School	02.11.03
<b>R.D.Burson</b>	<b>5-30</b>	<b>v London NZ CC</b>	<b>14.12.14</b>
B.W.J.Cameron	5-32	v South Canterbury XI	30.09.07
W.A.Cornelius	5-32	v Medbury Headmaster's XI	12.03.00
R.E.Abbott	5-32	v Nelson College	16.02.03
M.D.Peacock	5-33	v Shirley BHS	21.03.10
T.N.Nielsen	5-38	v Peninsula Craz	09.11.03
D.J.Wakefield	5-38	v Ashburton College	13.11.11
<b>A.J.Hastilow</b>	<b>5-39</b>	<b>v Christ's College</b>	<b>18.01.15</b>
W.L.Eddington	5-49	v Timaru Boys' High School	25.01.04
M.B.Stone	5-50	v Dunedin Cavaliers	18.01.04
M.J.Kelly	5-50	v Canterbury Country Sec Schools	01.03.15

## Highest Team Scores (50 overs)

For	371/5	v Timaru Boys' High School	03.02.08
	356/3	v St Thomas of Canterbury College	12.02.14
	354/6	v Combined Country Schools XI	02.03.14
Against	324/4	by Clarrie Anderson's XI	04.11.13
	309/7	by Millbrook XI	25.01.98
	303/8	by Suburban XI	06.01.08

## Lowest Team Scores

For	54	v Otago Boys' High School	01.11.09
	62	v Sri Lanka Under-21	14.11.09
	63	v Ashburton College	13.11.11
Against	40	by Combined Secondary Schools XI	25.11.07
	46	by St Thomas of Canterbury College	10.03.10
	51	by Christ's College	14.10.01



## Batsmen – 1,000 runs milestone

### Season

2004/05	P.D.Harris
2005/06	D.W.Bond
2005/06	D.R.Cusack
2006/07	P.E.McEwan
2008/09	G.D.Inglis

## Bowlers – 100 wickets milestone

### Season

2005/06	A.J.Nuttall
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## Shadbolt Trophy

(Awarded each year for Best Performance by a Junior Willower.)

1994/95	S.J.Davis	3-19	v Ben Harris XI
1995/96	N.Perkins	68	v Motueka Wekas
1996/97	P.B.McCarthy	102	v St Bede's College
1997/98	R.M.Miller	100	v Dunedin Cavaliers
1998/99	C.W.Bisman	100	v Nth Canty Sec Schools
1999/00	J.P.Coll	4-30	v Hawkswood Wanderers
2000/01	A.F.Johnstone	104	v Woodbank Wanderers
2001/02	A.J.Gourdie	6-50	v St Andrew's College
2002/03	R.E.Abbott	5-32	v Nelson College
2003/04	M.D.Fielding	86	v Combined Schools XI
2004/05	K.A.Ambler	100	v Shirley Boys' High School
2005/06	C.G.Bartholomeusz	101	v Wanganui Collegiate
2006/07	S.T.Coffey	101	v London NZ CC XI
2007/08	S.N.Noster	102	v Canterbury Country Sec Schools XI
2008/09	T.W.M.Latham	76	v Burnside High School
2009/10	T.A.Rutherford	7-20	v The Willows
2010/11	H.W.Teale	100	v St Bede's College
2011/12	D.P.Dowds	96	v Suburban XI
2012/13	Not awarded		
2013/14	R.Jones	100	v Waimea College
2014/15	F.W.Sheat	5-16	v Timaru Boys' High School

## 49ers Cup

(Awarded each year for Most Meritorious Performance by a Secondary School XI.)

1998/99	North Canterbury Secondary Schools XI
1999/00	St Bede's College
2000/01	Marlborough Boys' College
2001/02	Wanganui Collegiate School
2002/03	Shirley Boys' High School
2003/04	Timaru Boys' High School
2004/05	Wellington College
2005/06	Nelson College
2006/07	Christchurch Boys' High School
2007/08	St Thomas of Canterbury College
2008/09	Shirley Boys' High School
2009/10	Otago Boys' High School
2010/11	Christ's College
2011/12	Ashburton College
2012/13	Nelson College
2013/14	Waimea College
2014/15	Christ's College

## Visitor Honours 2014/15 Season

100 ret	M.House	5-33	H.Cox
100 ret	D.P.Kelly	5-39	K.Hunt
102 ret	R.Ravindra		

# Results

W = win L = loss D = draw T = tie

## Home Games

	94/95	95/96	96/97	97-98	98-99	99/00	00/01	01/02	02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15
Christ's College	W	L	L	W	L	W	-	W	-	W	-	W	W	W	W	-	W	W	W	W	L
Christchurch BHS	W	W	W	W	D	W	W	W	W	L	-	W	L	-	W	W	D	L	W	L	L
Hawkswood Wanderers	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	L	L	L	L	L	L	-	D	W	L	W	W	L
Flaxton Wanderers	W	W	W	L	L	-	W	L	-	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
London NZ CC	W	W	-	L	L	L	-	-	-	L	-	L	W	W	W	W	L	W	L	L	W
Ohoka Swampheans	W	W	W	W	L	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
St Bede's College	W	W	W	L	W	L	L	W	W	-	L	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	D	W
Ben Harris XI	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
St Andrew's College	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	-	L	W	W	-
Clarrie Anderson's XI	W	W	W	W	W	L	L	-	W	L	-	L	L	W	-	W	-	L	L	L	-
Medbury Headmaster's XI	L	W	W	-	L	W	W	L	W	L	W	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Woodbank Wanderers	W	W	-	W	L	L	W	W	W	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canterbury U-17 XI	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peninsula Craze	-	D	L	W	W	W	L	W	W	L	L	L	W	L	W	L	L	W	W	W	W
Dunedin Cavaliers	-	L	W	W	-	W	W	-	L	W	L	L	-	W	W	W	-	-	-	-	-
Nth Canty Sec Schools	-	W	D	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	-	-	W	-	W
Motueka Wekas	-	W	-	L	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canterbury Emerging XI	-	-	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mobil Oil XI	-	-	L	W	W	W	W	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wellington President's XI	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Te Awamutu College	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wanganui Collegiate	-	-	-	W	-	W	-	L	-	L	-	W	-	W	-	W	-	W	-	L	-
NZ Police XI (Christchurch)	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Millbrook XI	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suburban XI/Metro XI	-	-	-	W	L	L	W	-	L	L	-	W	W	L	W	L	W	L	L	L	L
South Canterbury XI	-	-	-	-	W	-	L	W	W	-	W	W	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marlborough Boys' College	-	-	-	-	W	-	W	-	W	W	D	L	L	D	L	-	W	W	-	W	W
King's College (Auckland)	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	L	-	-	-	-
Montana Wine XI	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Combined Schools XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W	L	L	L	-	W	-
Otago BHS	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	W	W	L	-	W	W	L	W	L	W	L	L	L	L
Waitaki BHS/St Kevin's XI	-	-	-	-	-	W	L	W	W	W	-	-	-	W	W	W	L	W	D	-	-
Mt Hutt College	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shirley BHS	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	-	W	W	W	W	W	W	-	W
Timaru BHS	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	L	W	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W
Nelson College	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	-	W	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	W
Wellington College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	W	-	L	-	-	-	W	-	W	-	L	-
Burnside/NW Schools XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	L	W	D	-
St Thomas of C'bury College	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	L	L	W	W	W	-	W	D	L	L	-
Southland BHS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	W	L	-	W	W	W	L	W	W	W	W
Arthur Pitcher's XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	L	W	W	W	L	-	W	-	-	-	-
Albion CC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mid-C'bury XI (Ashburton)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	W	W	W	D	L	W	W	W
Kings High School (Dunedin)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	W	W	W	W	W	D	L	-
Auckland Glimmer XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	W	W	L	-
Kristin School 1st XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-
Gore High School 1st XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	W	-	W
Waimea College 1st XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	L	W
Sacred Heart College 1st XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	W	-
Wellington Wanderers XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	D	-	L
Bradley Nuttall XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	L	W
Willows Sri Lanka Tour XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	L	-
South West Schools XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W

## Away Games

Flaxton Wanderers	-	L	L	T	L	-	L	-	D	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Valley of Peace	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawkswood Wanderers	-	-	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

## International Games

The Forty Club (UK)	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Primary Club (Aust)	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Crusaders (Aust)	-	-	-	-	-	-	W/L	W	W	-	-	-	-	L	W	L	-	-	-	-	-
Gunnedah Youth XI (Aust)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	T	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MCC Club XI (UK)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	T	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Craigengow CC (HK)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bradman Foundation XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Honest Trundlers XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
I Zingari Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W
Sri Lanka Under-21 XI	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	-	-	-	-	-
Emus Club (Australia)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L	-	-	-
Hong Kong CC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	L



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