



28th
ANNUAL
REPORT
SEASON
2021/2022



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.





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Patron in Perpetuity

W.A. Hadlee, *CBE, OBE* (1915–2006)

The Willows Cricketer

The Rt Hon. Sir Anand Satyanand, *GNZM, QSO*

The Willows Opening Bowler

Lt-Gen. The Rt Hon. Sir Jerry Mateparae, *GNZM, QSO, KStJ*

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W.J. Mitchell (1994–2003)

Hon. Sir John Hansen, *KNZM* (2003–2019)

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Membership

The members roll at the end of the 2021/22 season stood as follows:

Members	605
Life Members	13
Honorary Members	78
Total Membership	696

● = Playing List ● = Overseas Year of entry precedes name

Members (666)

- 03 Abbott, Mr R.E.
- 06 Abbott, Mr R.T.
- 94 Aberhart, Mr D.C.
- 94 Adams, Mr B.C., *QSM*
- 06 Agnew, Mr T.W.
- 18 Aitken, Mr B.
- 02 Aitken, Mr R.J., *AM*
- 12 Allcock, Mr M.J.
- 97 Allott, Mr G.I.
- 03 Ambler, Mr K.R.
- 20 Andrews, Mr E.
- 18 Andrews, Mr W.
- 08 Archer, Mr M.
- 15 Arnold, Mr C.J.
- 94 Austin, Mr G.K.
- 14 Averill, Mr C.E.W.
- 94 Baker, Mr C.K.
- 09 Ballantyne, Mr R.M., *CNZM*
- 03 Barnett, Mr D.W.
- 05 Barrat, Mr R.
- 07 Barry, Mr J.V.
- 05 Barry, Mr V.E.
- 19 Barton, Mr P.R.M.
- 94 Bateman, Mr S.N.
- 05 Bayliss, Mr R.T.
- 17 Bayliss-Smith, Mr L.
- 13 Bayly, Mr R.
- 95 Bazalgette, Mr C.
- 20 Beale, Mr T.
- 03 Beer, Mr G.D.
- 06 Belliss, Mr C.J.
- 94 Bennett, Mr J.
- 13 Benton, Mr J.A.T.
- 20 Bettridge, Mr R.P.
- 21 Bhagwat, Mr A.
- 07 Biddick, Mr D.W.
- 94 Bisman, Mr J.C.
- 11 Blackett, Mr H.
- 21 Blackstock, Mr A.
- 03 Blaikie, Dr D.J.O.
- 13 Blair, Mr B.A.
- 94 Blair, Mr K.R.
- 16 Blake, Mr G.
- 98 Bond, Mr D.W.
- 21 Bond, Ms K.E.
- 02 Bond, Mr S.E.
- 08 Boock, Mr J.W.E.
- 00 Boock, Mr S.L., *ONZM*
- 17 Boorer, Mr G.
- 12 Boyle, Mr D.J.
- 13 Boyle, Mr J.C.T.
- 19 Boyle, Mr M.
- 12 Boyte, Mr M.R.
- 19 Bradley, Mr J.
- 21 Breitmayer, Mr B.
- 97 Bremner, Mr M.C.
- 21 Bretherton, Mrs F.
- 21 Bretherton, Mr S.
- 21 Bretherton, Mr W.B.
- 19 Bridgman, Mr J.
- 94 Bromley, Mr R.C.
- 94 Brooke, Mr H.D.E., *QSM*
- 95 Brooks, Mr G.N.
- 19 Brotherton, Mr J.
- 18 Brown, Mr H.
- 95 Bruce, Mr D.B.
- 04 Buckenham, Mr M.H.
- 18 Buckley, Mr F.
- 08 Buist, Mr G.T.
- 20 Buist, Mr Z.
- 06 Bull, Mr A.J.
- 94 Bull, Mr C.L., *MNZM*
- 94 Bull, Mr J.C.
- 18 Bungard, Mr R.
- 15 Burley, Mr D.
- 16 Burnett, Mr S.
- 03 Burrett, Mr W.G.
- 00 Burrows, Mr D.L.
- 94 Burson, Mr R.D.
- 20 Butler, Mr J.A.
- 99 Calder, Mr B.L.
- 94 Cameron, Mr F.J., *MBE*
- 95 Campbell, Mr A.I.
- 20 Campbell, Mr C.
- 20 Campbell, Mr M.C.
- 22 Carrodus, S.J.C.
- 04 Carter, Mr R.
- 17 Cartridge, Mrs V.
- 15 Cavalier, Mr R.
- 21 Challu, Mr K.M.
- 01 Chandler, Mr J.
- 99 Chisholm, Mr D.H.
- 00 Chisholm, Hon Justice L.
- 17 Chu, Mr M.W.
- 17 Clark, Mr N.C.
- 16 Clarke, Mr C.
- 20 Clarke, Mr R.
- 12 Close, Mr E.M.
- 99 Coll, Mr J.P.
- 10 Collins, Mr M.
- 17 Collis, Mr A.D.
- 03 Colvin, Mr G.G.
- 98 Compton, Mr M.R., *QSM*
- 08 Conyngham, Mr J.
- 19 Cooke, Mr N.C.
- 21 Cooke, Mrs D.E.
- 94 Coop, Mr T.A.
- 06 Cooper, Hon Justice M.L.S.
- 18 Cornelius, Mr W.
- 04 Cosgrove, Hon C.J.
- 17 Cotton, Ms K.D.
- 06 Cowlshaw, Mr A.J.
- 98 Cumbes, Mr J.
- 98 Cunliffe, Mr J.J.
- 14 Curnow, Mr C.C.
- 19 Curtis, Mr O.
- 94 Cusack, Mr D.R.
- 17 Cushen, Mr S.
- 11 Cutts, Mr R.E.
- 22 Dagg, I.J.A.

- 12 Dalmia, Mr A.
- 98 Darke, Mr M.
- 98 d'Auvergne, Mr P.G.
- 94 Davidson, Mr A.F., *ONZM*
- 98 Davidson, Mr J.A.F.
- 94 Davidson, Hon N.R.W., *QC*
- 16 Davis, Mr G.
- 94 Davis, Mr S.J.
- 16 Davison, Mr H.
- 13 Day, Mr H.W.
- 07 de Vries, Mr M.
- 99 Deans, Mr R.M.
- 05 Deans, Mr S.J.M.
- 04 Dickey, Mr G.E.
- 16 Dickie, Mr B.J.
- 13 Dickson, Mr G.J.
- 01 Dickson, Mr I.B.
- 15 Dickson, Mr P.N.
- 13 Doherty, Mr B.P.
- 94 Dolan, Mr P.J.
- 95 Doody, Mr B.J.K.
- 00 Doody, Mr T.J.D.
- 94 Dormer, Mr B.L.
- 94 Dormer, Mr P.E.
- 94 Douglass, Mr W.B., *ASM*
- 94 Dowling, Br W.H.
- 17 Dunlop, Mr T.
- 97 Dunne, Mr R.M.
- 98 Durning, Mr J.W.
- 18 Duston, Mr W.D.M.
- 05 Eaton, Mr J.H.M., *QC*
- 01 Eddington, Mr W.L.
- 05 Eddington, Sir Rod
- 12 Egedy, Mr V.E.
- 94 Eldershaw, Mr J.M.
- 22 Elliotte, Mr H.
- 22 Elliotte, Mr T.
- 99 Ellis, Mr A.M.
- 01 Ellis, Mr A.M.
- 97 Ellis, Mr M.J.
- 16 Entwistle, Mr B.
- 16 Entwistle, Mr D.R.
- 20 Entwistle, Mr R.
- 10 Evans, Mr K.W.
- 19 Evans, Mr M.L.
- 04 Evennett, Mr D.C.
- 21 Everest, Mr M.
- 94 Fairbairn, Mr R.J.R.
- 94 Fairbairn, Mr W.R.T.
- 21 Falls Anderson, Mr H.A.R.
- 06 Farrant, Mr M.D.
- 08 Fearnley, Mr C.D.
- 98 Fenton, Mr W.R.
- 97 Fenwick, Mr C.R.
- 09 Fernando, Mr D.
- 09 Fernando, Mr M.
- 18 Finnie, Mr C.S.F.
- 14 Finnie, Mr G.
- 06 Fisher, Mr H.M.L.
- 94 Fisher, Mr M.A.
- 99 Fisher, Mr T.D.L.
- 18 Fitzgerald, Mr C.
- 21 Fitzgibbon, Mr R.
- 21 Fitzgibbon, Mrs R.
- 94 Flanagan, Mr S.P.
- 21 Flavell, Mr S.
- 21 Flavell, Mr T.
- 17 Fleming, Mr B.D.
- 12 Fleming, Mr C.W.
- 18 Fletcher, Mr N.
- 20 Fletcher, Mr R.
- 14 Ford, Mr L.
- 19 Foulkes, Mr G.
- 18 Foulkes, Mr L.R.B.
- 06 Fowler, Mr H.M.
- 94 Fox, Mr D.O.
- 15 Frew, Mr R.M.
- 97 Fuller, Mr M.J.
- 00 Fulton, Mr D.H.
- 98 Fulton, Mr G.H.
- 95 Fulton, Mr P.G.
- 98 Gallaway, Mr G.N.
- 94 Gardner, Mr J.
- 06 Gargiulo, Mr F.J.
- 02 Garland, Mr S.P.
- 21 Garry, Mr J.G.
- 09 Gattling, Mr M.W.
- 20 Gearry, Mr R.M.
- 09 Georgieff, Mr R.
- 20 Germon, Mr L.K.
- 18 Gibb, Mr C.J.
- 21 Gibb, Mr N.C.
- 15 Gilbert, Mr S.
- 18 Gillman, Mrs E.
- 03 Goldstein, Mr M.P.
- 10 Gould, Mr G.C.
- 06 Goulding, Mr M.
- 01 Gourdie, Mr A.J.
- 17 Graham, Mr C.
- 11 Gray, Mr A.H.
- 06 Gray, Mr E.J.
- 16 Grigg, Mr P.
- 96 Grocott, Mr D.J.
- 09 Grocott, Mr T.M.
- 20 Gungadurdoss, Mr W.
- 21 Gunn, G.
- 94 Hadlee, Mr B.G.
- 94 Hadlee, Mr D.R.
- 94 Hadlee, Mr M.J.
- 20 Hall, Mr G.
- 19 Hall, Mr R.
- 16 Hambleton, Mr C.
- 95 Hamilton, Mr B.G.
- 08 Hammond, D.P.W.
- 09 Hampton-Matehe, Mr T.
- 99 Hantz, Mr J.L.H.
- 19 Harper, Mr L.
- 11 Harper, Mr R.G.F.
- 94 Harris, Mr B.Z.
- 15 Harris, Mrs C.
- 18 Harris, Mr J.
- 15 Harris, Mr N., *QSO*
- 94 Harris, Mr P.D.
- 15 Harris, Ms R.
- 15 Harris, Mr R.J.
- 95 Harrison, Mr R.J.
- 22 Hart, G.G.
- 03 Hart, Mr R.
- 17 Hartland, Mr B.R.
- 21 Hasselberg, Mr D.H.
- 19 Hastie, Mr K.J.
- 00 Hastilow, Mr A.J.
- 94 Hastilow, Mr J.W.
- 94 Hastings, Mr B.F.
- 95 Hastings, Mr M.B.
- 06 Havercroft, Mr G.
- 16 Hay, Mr M.J.
- 14 Hay, Mr M.W.
- 02 Hayward, R.E.
- 18 Hemingway, Mr J.
- 20 Henderson, Mr J.
- 08 Henry, Mr M.J.
- 22 Hiatt, Mr D.C.
- 22 Hiatt, Mr H.A.R.
- 22 Hiatt, Mr L.
- 94 Hight, Mr C.M.
- 13 Hill, Mr N.H.
- 09 Hinton, Mr C.R.
- 15 Hodge, Mr M.E.A.
- 17 Hodge, Mr S.F.F.
- 06 Hodgson, Mr T.L.P.
- 94 Holderness, His Honour
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- 02 Holt, Mr D.W.
- 15 Horne, Mr P.
- 08 Horner, Mr M.
- 22 Horsley, Mr N.K.W.
- 15 Howell, Mr G.A.
- 95 Hudson, Mr H.J.
- 95 Hudson, Mr M.G.
- 19 Hughes, Mr R.
- 95 Hughes-Johnson, Mr A.C., *QC*
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- 20 Hunter, Mr J.
- 94 Hutton, Mr B.
- 94 Hutton, Mr O.
- 94 Hutton, Mr R. A.
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- 94 Innes, Mr J.T.
- 94 Innes, Mr R.T.J.
- 95 Irvine, Mr B.S.
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- 99 Irving, Mr J.D.
- 22 Jagannathan, Mr K.
- 01 Johnston, Mr M.T.
- 20 Johnston, Mr N.
- 10 Johnstone, Mr N.A.
- 06 Jones, Dr R.D.M.
- 06 Jordan, Mr P.H.
- 16 Jordan, Mr W.

- 98 Judson, Mr R.E.
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 ● 11 Kelly, Mr D.P.
 ● 20 Kelly, Mr J.G.
 ● 11 Kelly, Mr M.J.
 11 Kennedy, Mr C.P.
 99 Kerr, Mr L.H.
 ● 20 Khan, Mr J.
 ● 10 Khan, Mr M.
 ● 12 Kheraj, Mr N.
 ● 11 Kheraj, Mr S.
 10 King, Mr R.H.
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 ● 12 Knight, Mr P.
 08 Kos, Hon Justice J.S.
 ● 15 Lamplough, Mr G.D.
 94 Lancaster, Mr T.E.
 ● 17 Larsson, Mr L.
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 21 Leete, A.
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 ● 07 Leicester, Mr J.
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 ● 01 Lucas, Mr B.J.
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 94 MacDonald, Mrs D.
 18 MacDonald, Mr K.R.
 19 Macfarlane, Mr T.O.B.
 ● 16 Macfarlane, Mr W.M.L.
 ● 11 Macgregor, Mr A.J.
 12 Mackenzie, Mr D.C.C.
 19 Macpherson, Mr I.
 ● 07 Malbari, Mr F.A.
 01 Malloch, Mr B.E.
 ● 19 Mariu, Mr R.
 ● 94 Marsden, Mr W.
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 ● 10 Marsh, Mr N.E.
 12 Marsh, Mr P.
 01 Martin, S.D.
 ● 00 Martin, Mr S.G.D.
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 ● 16 Mauger, Mr G.
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 ● 18 Mayo, Mr H.
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 ● 99 McCarthy, Mr H.R.
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 22 Mulvaney, Mr P.
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 09 Murray, Mr D.N.
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 14 Orsborn, Mr I.A.
 ● 12 O'Sullivan, Mr B.
 ● 19 Paltridge, Mr M.
 ● 19 Paltridge, Mr N.N.A.
 94 Parker, Mr N.M.
 ● 98 Parr, Mr M.J.
 94 Paton, Mr G.C.J.
 ● 94 Pawson, Mr J.D.
 ● 02 Peacock, Mr M.D.
 06 Penlington, Hon Justice P.
 21 Perry, Mr R.
 21 Perry, Mrs W.
 ● 18 Petrie, Mr R.
 94 Phillips, Mr M.K.
 ● 16 Pope, Mr E.J.
 ● 21 Prain, Mr A.
 19 Preece, Mr R.
 ● 19 Price, Mr M.
 09 Pulley, Mr D.F.
 95 Qusted, Mr D.M.
 ● 20 Rajah, Mr T.
 99 Raphael, Mr S.H.E.
 ● 11 Ratnayake, Mr R.J.
 ● 18 Ravenscroft, Mr T.
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 ● 10 Robertson, Mr H.S.
 ● 15 Robinson, Mr J.R.
 98 Robinson, Mr L.M.C., *ONZM*
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 ● 16 Roddens, Mr C.R.
 ● 18 Rohland, Mr M.
 ● 21 Rolls, Ms R.
 ● 01 Rose, Mr G.L.
 18 Rose, Mr J.
 14 Ross, Mr J.L.
 14 Ross, Mrs J.M.
 03 Rowberry, Mr J.M.
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 09 Rowe, Mr C.A.
 09 Rowe, Mr M.P.
 ● 19 Ruske, Mr M.
 ● 21 Russell, Mr P.
 01 Rust, Mr K.N.
 21 Rutledge, Miss A.L.
 ● 21 Rutledge, Mr J.
 ● 15 Ryan, Mr H.M.H.

- 15 Ryan, Mr L.P.
- 06 Ryan, Mr P.D.
- 18 Sail, Mr H.
- 03 Salmon, Mr K.
- 99 Satterthwaite, Mr M.F.
- 94 Savill, Mr C.M.
- 06 Sawrey-Cookson, Mr N.
- 97 Scott, Mr A.D.L.
- 20 Scott, Mr B. C.
- 95 Scott, Mr D.W.G.
- 14 Scott, Mr K.B.
- 15 Scott, Mr P.
- 95 Sharp, Mr D.C.
- 19 Sheahan, Mr R.
- 14 Sheat, Mr F.W.
- 19 Sherriff, Mr S.E.
- 00 Shipley, Mr A.J.B.
- 13 Shipley, Mr H.
- 19 Sidey, Mr A.H.
- 18 Sidey, Mr C.
- 98 Silver, Mr M.J., *OAM*
- 21 Sim, Mr A.
- 21 Sim, Mr J.
- 06 Sims, Mr G.
- 09 Singleton, Mr M.J.
- 95 Skipper, Mr H.L.
- 06 Smail, Mr D.J.R., *OBE, TD, DL*
- 17 Smart, Mr W.A.
- 95 Smith, Mr G.B.
- 13 Smith, Mr G.J.
- 21 Smith, Mr M.
- 94 Smith, Mr M.J.
- 21 Smith, Mr Q.
- 95 Smith, Mr R.
- 21 Stackhouse, Mr D.
- 21 Stackhouse, Mr K.
- 13 Stanley, Mr D.D.
- 19 Stayt, Mr B.C.
- 19 Stayt, Mr P.D.
- 94 Stead, Mr G.R.
- 98 Stearns, Mr N.
- 19 Stevenson, Mr R.D.
- 21 Stocks, Mr B.
- 20 Stoffers, Mr R.
- 95 Strack, Mr D.J.
- 01 Stretch, Mr G.B.
- 13 Stretch, Mr M.G.
- 18 Stuthridge, Mr D.
- 15 Styles, Mr K.A.
- 12 Sundarjee, Mr M.
- 12 Sundarjee, Mr P.
- 09 Sutton, Mr T.G.
- 17 Tandon, Mr D.
- 09 Tapper, Mr J.H.
- 21 Tavendale, Mr M.J.
- 10 Taylor, Mr R.J.
- 07 Teale, Mr M.D.
- 17 Tempero, Mr R.P.
- 94 Thiele, Mr C.H.
- 20 Thomson, Mr H.
- 00 Thornton, Mr T.F.
- 99 Townrow, Mr W.B.
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- 04 Turner, Mr T.J.H.
- 06 Vallance, Mr J.A.F.
- 21 van Onselen, Mrs M.
- 09 van Woerkom, Mr T.F.
- 11 Vann, Mr D.B.
- 07 Veale, Mr J.H.
- 15 Vedder, Mr D.W.
- 94 Wait, Mr E.P.
- 12 Wakefield, Mr D.J.
- 17 Wakefield, Mr S.
- 11 Wakeford, Mr G.D.
- 03 Walker, Mr R.L.
- 06 Walls, Mr K.A.
- 10 Walsh, Mr P.M.J.
- 06 Walsh, Mr W.P.J.
- 10 Walsh, Mrs K.M.
- 10 Ward, Mr B.R.
- 21 Ward, Mr C.
- 15 Watkins, Mr P.J.
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- 20 Webb, Mr C.
- 20 Webb, Mr R.
- 94 Weeds, Mr M.G.
- 06 Wellington, Mr B.G.
- 95 Wells, Mr G.R.
- 21 Wells, Mr J.
- 14 Whata, Hon Justice C.N.
- 05 Wheeler, Mr N.
- 19 Wheeler-Greenall, Mr B.
- 20 White, Mr C.
- 14 Whiteside, Mr P.F., *QC*
- 97 Wiffen, Mr A.G.C.
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- 94 Williams, Mr P.R.
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- 13 Wilson, Mr J.M.
- 10 Wilson, Mr R.T.
- 16 Wilson, Mr S.W.J.
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- 99 Wright, Mr H.G.
- 08 Wright, Mr H.H.A.
- 08 Wright, Mr H.J.
- 97 Wright, Mr J.G., *MBE*
- 05 Wright, Mr N.H.
- 99 Wyllie, Mr D.I.
- 19 Wynne, Mr G.E.
- 94 Yardley, Mr K.J.
- 02 Zavos, Mr S.B.

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- 03 Larsen, Mr G.R.
- 19 Macfarlane, Mrs N.
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- 17 Marshall, Mr J.A.H.
- 16 Martin, Mr J.
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- 06 Murray, Rev Canon W.R.C.
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President's Report

Hon. Nick Davidson, QC

“Willowers All,”

The season past was the first without the Founder's inimitable presence and personality, but it has been a year of advancement on and off the Oval.

I record the recent passing of that great servant of cricket Don Neely, a true friend of Mike Dormer and his family, The Willows, and so many of its Members, whose service to New Zealand Cricket was long and exemplary. He captained Auckland and Wellington, was New Zealand selector for 14 years, and was NZC President. He was a historian and writer, with Paddianne, and he exemplifies the spirit of cricket. To his family, our Members extend sympathy and gratitude for his loyalty and friendship.

Cricket

A lot of hard work went in prior to the season with irrigation installed by John Gardner, the grounds prepared through Peter Devlin and Rupert Young, and Ben Dormer, overall in charge of grounds, erecting the picket fence. The Gent family (Exeter, UK) donated the rose lawn BBQ table for which we are very grateful.

The raw statistics for 2021/22 season, are that we played 20 matches, won 15 and lost 5. Four school elevens (Timaru Boys' High School, Otago

Boys' High School, Wellington College, North West Schools XI) plus the Seddon Cricket Club recorded wins against The Willows. All were memorable games, and somehow, despite COVID and inclement weather, 20 of the 25 fixtures went ahead. At the end-of-season the '49ers Cup was deservedly awarded to Timaru Boys' High School.

The success in establishing women's cricket at The Willows has been a highlight. The Christchurch Girls High School v St Hilda's Collegiate match was again played in October 2021, when Kate Hastings (CGHS) won player-of-the-match award.

The first game between a Willows' schoolgirls XI, and a team of former international and representative players, was played on Friday 25 March 2022. This was an exceptional day. The former internationals, led by Kirsty Bond, included legendary names in New Zealand Cricket and entered the spirit of this historic game in every way. They were extremely competitive none more so that Rebecca Rolls, a double international. The schoolgirls under the co-captaincy of Izzy Sharp (Craighead Diocesan School) and Kate Chandler (Wellington Girls' College) were highly skilled and committed, and the game ended fittingly in the last over with a superb catch in the covers which saw the Willows' Schoolgirls XI win by three runs.



▲ Richie McCaw with Molly Loe at the Otago Boys' High School match.

The support for women's cricket is immense, and while The Willows has a full calendar, the annual game between Christchurch Girls' High School and St Hilda's Collegiate this coming year will likely be supplemented in a double header with Otago Girls' High School playing St Margaret's College. The women's game will grow at Loburn.

As the website bears out, Molly Loe played for The Willows against Otago Boys' High School in October, under the captaincy of Richie McCaw, and Catelyn Walton played for St Kevin's. As befits their status, they showed very clearly why women can hold their own playing at The Willows against quality men's teams.

Given the poor weather and a greener than normal wicket it is not surprising that it was a season where the ball dominated the bat. Bowlers made up nine honours board entries (5 or more wickets in an innings) but only two centuries were struck. Willows bowlers to achieve the honour were: 71-old Stan Woolliscroft, Kelvin Scott, Fergus Fairbairn and inevitably our pre-eminent wicket-taker Andrew Nuttall. The only Willows century went to Marlborough Hawke Cup player and Sri Lanka tourist Matt Stretch. Other milestones achieved this season included 1,000 runs by Adrian McFedries and Jonathan Davidson; 50 plus caps to Joe Bennett and David Kelly. All these are stalwarts and vital parts of The Willows heritage.

Three stand-out schoolboy performances came from Bryn Thurlow, Waimea College, playing in the last match of the season, who captured 7/26

– the second best 1st XI bowling statistic ever recorded at The Willows. Earlier, two youthful 15 year olds – Tom Turner 104* (from Lincoln HS) and Harry Witt 6/8 (from Rangiora HS) had days to remember against The Willows. Tom received a new bat for his effort and Harry, our match-day helper, was rightfully awarded a mounted cricket ball. Figures of 6/8 are the fourth best by any bowler in the history of The Willows which is some feat. Sorting out the Shadbolt Cup recipient for 2021/22 was a close-run thing between these three fine athletes and it was awarded to Harry Witt, with our warm congratulations.

Every student to play at the ground receives a blazer lapel badge ('in the V') to commemorate their visit and a gold badge is awarded to the team member who has gone out of their way to contribute to sport in their community.

The first player exchange took place with two Rongotai 1st XI boys playing for The Willows in the WBHS fixture. I thank Evan Gray and the Wellington Wanderers Club for their considerable support in this which will be a common feature in years to come.

The Kindred Cup is played for by The Willows' Over-35 year old team and their competition extends to the Chatfield Shield, a challenge shield. This year the tour to Sydney to play I Zingari and the Primary Club was lost and the Kindred finals were cancelled in February. However, the team went to Blenheim for a triangular competition for the Chatfield Shield, and Dave Clouston and his United Country and Vineyard team were superb hosts. The Willows in the same way much enjoyed hosting the Seddon Cricket Club from Hamilton, for the first time, and they took the Chatfield Shield home with them. These exchanges make for camaraderie and great fun, and we hope The Willows will excel in the finals, for a fourth time in November 2022. I thank Sam Davis for his able hand on these games and his captaincy.

We expect I Zingari to tour in February 2023 and to resume rivalries with famous Clubs throughout New Zealand and beyond. New to The Willows will be a double header played at the end of September as a season opener when

Canterbury representative teams will play mixed Willows' schoolboy and schoolgirl teams. This will be flagged as the Independent Fisheries' day, as it has backed The Willows with such loyal and generous support over many years.

Fixtures outside the traditional Sunday school games fit squarely within the founding objects of The Willows, to enhance the quality of cricket played by secondary schools, and reflect in the very strong support for coaching, very much Mike's legacy, and still in a development phase, with The Willows playing its full part alongside Canterbury and New Zealand initiatives. As President I have been very heartened by the encouragement and support for coaching, in person and financial, reflected in a highly successful golf day organised by Keith Yardley at the Christchurch Golf Club, on the Shirley links, when we had a full field on a beautiful day, and raised some \$10,000 towards youth coaching. This is a day not to be missed, to be played next on 28 April 2023. A generous contribution from Max Bremner, the hospitality Czar in Christchurch, made the day a financial success.

Developments

A reorganisation of administration is underway, very important given the impetus for development of the Oval and expansion of the Club's activities. In broad terms we divide the Club's activities into 'Operations' and 'Outreach', the latter for coaching, touring, helping those who need a leg up, and supporting the Children's Christmas Party.



▲ James Richards with Shadbolt Cup winner Harry Witt.

Paul Rutledge took over the role of Chair from me with dedication and commitment. It is, as I know from earlier years, a role which takes an immense amount of time, and involves difficult decisions. What is now required to run The Willows, means those elected to the Management Committee (Board) at the AGM, or co-opted, will have portfolios of considerable responsibility. This is a substantial departure from the past where Mike covered all bases, in one way or another, enlisting help as he thought required. There was an element of autocracy. All Members will soon receive advice of the portfolios which the Chair intends to establish, so people will know what is expected of them should they seek office. It is important that the affairs of The Willows are transparent, and that those working on subcommittees of the Board, and others interested, should have observer status at meetings of the Board, unless there are matters taken in committee.

The crucial roles of the Match Managers and Match Day Hosts are now bedded in and their roles extend beyond the game itself; assembling the team, liaising with the opposition and debriefing. There is very close liaison between the schools and other teams which play at The Willows through Di Woodward. Small-scale reunions are developing at these annual school fixtures often of the XIs, which I expect to gain traction in the coming season.

The ground is transformed, with a re-grassed outfield, a new wicket block constructed after expert opinion was taken, irrigation installed, and a bund for spectators. This has all taken place under the eye of the Founder who lies adjacent to the scorers' box, where he was memorialised by the Reverend Mike Hawke, in a fitting way, on 24 October 2021. Ben Dormer has driven developments at the ground, after taking expert advice about soil and block establishment, with brother Peter contracting his skills, and expectations are that it will become known nationally for the quality of the opportunity to play cricket to the highest standard.

The Board had to take a difficult decision regarding COVID protocols, and adopted Government policy, requiring vaccinated visitors

and supporters, not as straightforward a decision as some might think. For some it meant standing aside for the season. We have also addressed security at The Oval.

In a signal advance, thanks to the sterling work of John McRae, The Willows attained charitable status as a Club. The Willows Foundation had no such status. We can now give receipts for tax deductible donations, and this is significant for all donors. The Foundation is in the hands of entirely independent trustees, and will probably have no future purpose, given the Club's status now as a charity. The Foundation has not received funds for many years. There is now a clear avenue for sponsorship on the one hand, and donations on the other, both with tax deductibility. Donors are able to specify the purpose of a donation, whether for the Club's general purposes, or a specific element of its activity, such as coaching. Where a donor marks out the use of funds, that will be recorded and held to identifiable account, not mixed with general funds. It is obvious already that this is a real inducement for some donors, who look for specific outcomes, examples being coaching, touring, the Children's Christmas Party, and assistance for those disadvantaged.

We lost the Christmas Party for COVID related reasons, so will make that up this year with an enhanced day for Riding for the Disabled, Cerebral Palsy, Down Syndrome and The Champion Centre, and I hope there are Willows members who will contribute to this separately funded day. We hope to bring more music to add to the outstanding contribution of the Salvation Army Band.

Finance

Further to the important charitable status now held, an increase in subscriptions for playing members has been on the cards for a long time. The Willows cannot run on subscriptions alone, and the Board has tried to pitch them at a level which will retain support, and it is hoped that with the expansion of match day and off field activities, and more members in different categories visiting the ground, the value of any membership of The Willows will be understood.

The foundation of our finances is the enormous support from sponsors and donors. The Match Day sponsorship of \$2,500 plus GST is just that. It is an opportunity to lend the sponsor's name to a fixture, often closely connected with the school playing, that day with hospitality and promotion of the sponsor on the day. Other Match Day sponsors are simply donors. In the season past, Match Day sponsors accounted for \$31,000 revenue. There are the "in the V" sponsors who helped fund, the pins which are awarded, silver and gold, to mark particular occasions, performances and service to the game. There are the Match Ball sponsors or donors, \$250 per game.

The major sponsors traditionally have been recorded on Willows correspondence and the website, and without their backing the Club would struggle. These sponsors deserve special reference, in this report, and I ask all Willowers to remember them when choosing services, where you may reciprocate their support. Some support of sponsors is so marked and/or longstanding, that we are looking to attach their names to specific events, such as the Golf Day, the Canterbury XIs match on Opening Day, and so on. We want to lift their recognition. We still look for a sponsor or donor for The Oval, a key plank of our financial health. Naming rights go with this.

I must mention those who simply give spontaneously, as donors. There has been considerable generosity shown by those who do not seek recognition in any way, from small sums to large, who support the initiatives underway. This is very heartening. Mark Stewart made a one off donation of \$25,000, seeking nothing in return, one half to 'Outreach' off field activity, and one half to the Club, for cricket operations.

The Club is very well served by the Chair, Paul Rutledge, Ben Dormer as his father's appointed successor, Jim Stringleman as Secretary and omnipresent at the ground with Di Woodward, working tirelessly with her 'angels', enlisted by her for match days. Alistair Sheard has a demanding role as Treasurer which he carries out with aplomb, and without complaint. Richard McGuire, Andrew McRae and Phil Harris, carry the torch for The Willows in and out of season

and Phil Harris is over everything Willows. Richard Cowles, a Founder, is liaising closely with Paul Rutledge, Ben Dormer and John and Isabel McRae in establishing the website about to be launched which we know will be of the highest calibre and allow a constant stream of information about The Willows, past and present, to flow to Members. We look forward to hearing from all Members, in whatever way, and for you as Members to post on the new website.

I must thank the umpires and scorers for their dedication, and Dave Stuthridge and Howard Fowler for their leadership in this regard. Harry Witt and Lachie Cameron are central to Match Days, fine young men, who get the ground ready, and put to bed. Rex Hayward is a photographer of skill and dedication. We owe him a lot.

Mike “asked” that the link with the Arundel Castle Cricket Club and its Foundation be established, and this is now structurally in place, with the intended Exchange of two scholars, usually a young man and young woman each year, playing grade cricket in Christchurch, and for The Willows, working part-time, and immersing themselves in Canterbury activities. They will be chosen from Sir Rod Aldridge’s Academies. This is reciprocal with our scholars each UK summer going to Arundel where they will work with the Arundel Cricket Club Foundation and play for the Chichester Priory Cricket Club, or another. These are development opportunities of immense benefit at a sporting and personal level, and they are demanding to run. Immigration and Covid allowing we welcome the first scholar(s) to The Willows at the end of September, who will stay at Rochester Rutherford Hall thanks to Keith Yardley, a Governor working with Claire Connor, the Principal. Winsome Dormer who has taken on the demanding role of mentor. There is a strong team behind this exchange, for which I take responsibility. The scholars will work as volunteers with 180 Degrees Trust which I hope all those reading this report will look at under www.180degrees.org.nz and the Banks Peninsula Conservation Trust www.bpct.org.nz. We would have sent a deserving Willows scholar to Arundel this year but were defeated by immigration rules which cut out a cricketer with a representative

pedigree. We are working to change this through David Kidd who is at the heart of the Exchange, but there is no such impediment for the scholars coming here. If anyone has an interest in this exchange and in helping in any way, please contact me directly. We need host families each summer to give them a home away from home, especially for long weekends and holidays. We also need some casual work offers.

The Matfen Exchange to Northumberland has been run since 1995, interrupted by COVID, but the enthusiastic former Matfen scholars are up and running with the hope that this will resume in 2023, with two Willows’ representatives travelling to Northumberland for the summer. The relationship with Sir Hugh Blackett and Anna, Lady Blackett meant a great deal to Mike, and this has been a highly successful link. He wanted it to resume, as we do, together with tours to the subcontinent. In time these will too. Our connection with the Fernando family and Cricket Live are deep and will resume.

In conclusion

The season coming will be launched with a sense of great optimism, at a ground transformed. The Club in this development at Loburn, and its ventures beyond the gates has attracted the attention of many national and international clubs, and requests to play at The Willows flow in. Many factors dictate how many games can be played, including human and financial resources, and the wicket block and we are fortunate Phil Harris has such a steady hand on these demands, and whether we can meet them.

I close with my acknowledgement of Ben and Winsome Dormer, in a seminal year for the family in different ways taking the club into a new era with their distinctive Dormer touch. Their enthusiasm is infectious, and the hospitality and standards set at Loburn reflect that, and traditions well preserved.

Mā te wā.



Nick Davidson
President

Match Reports 2021/22



▲ Catch chipped to Micah Campbell at midwicket.

v King's High School 1st XI

10th October 2021

Openers Paul Russell (a King's old boy) and John Garry (ex Otago Boys' High School) shared in a rollicking 74 run stand before the first dismissal. A few tidy cameo innings followed as The Willows charged through to 191 in fifty overs. For the first outing of the season the King's bowling attack showed both variation and skill.

The visitors struggled in reply apart from another opening batsman, Joe Ingram, who made a resolute 36 runs. All Willows bowlers snared a wicket with Micah Campbell picking up the best return of the match.

As ever, the King's lads under new coach Bradley Scott (66 first-class matches for Otago and ND), were an impressive unit and a pleasure to have at the ground. Special thanks to Ian Mockford and his sons Jack and Jed, plus Kyle Hastie who all travelled up from Dunedin to play this game.



▲ Lovely shot Brent Fleming.

The Willows won by 68 runs

The Willows 191/8

P. Russell 53, J. Garry 40, J. Bridgman 26,
M. Flanagan 3/36

King's High School 123

J. Ingram 36, H. King 25*, M. Campbell 3/19

Umpires

M. Wood and T. Parlane

v Otago Boys' High School 1st XI

17th October 2021

It's fair to say The Willows captain has a better record wearing the black jersey than the white*.

Otago Boys' High School thoroughly deserved their win against a Willows side which included two current Otago first-class players in Max Chu and Josh Finnie (both of whom toured Sri Lanka with Willows youth teams). The Willows set a target of 160 after Chu and Finnie got the side off to a steady start with Ryan Cutts, Gareth Reed and the captain also chiming in with runs.

OBHS's success centred on brothers in arms – captain Jacob and Zac Cumming, both of whom are outstanding prospects. Jacob returned honours board figures of 5/29 with the ball and Zac led the fight back with 77 runs; this after his side was in trouble early. The pick of The Willows bowlers was Molly Loe with a couple of tidy spells including two wickets in conjunction with Volts wicketkeeper Chu.

Thanks to OBHS stalwart Ken Rust, rector Richard Hill plus their coach, manager and parent



▲ Confident appeal from 'keeper Seb Fyle.

support who always rally behind this most impressive visiting 1st XI.

* Our captain was RH McCaw, ex-OBHS 1st XI.

The Willows lost by 4 wickets

The Willows 159

R. Cutts 29, G. Reed 25, J. Cumming 5/29

Otago Boys' High School 161/6

Z. Cumming 77, B. Stephens 31

Umpires

D. Henderson and K. Jagannathan



▲ Molly Loe facing – our first female to play for The Willows.



▲ Spinner Josh Finnie.

v Wellington College 1st XI

24th October 2021

Alas this was a match where our young guns failed to fire and the selector was left in despair at the poor shot selection of our top order. We mustered a modest 164 runs only, the bulk coming from Cody Campbell and senior Willowers Anup Nathu, Andrew Nuttall and



▲ Anup Nathu (Canterbury Cricket President) still in fine touch at 60+ years of age.



▲ Skipper Kevin Weerasundra – a useful spin option.



▲ Rangy Jago Sperring sends one down.

Richard McGuire – good to see them all turn back the clock! However, it was never going to be a total to test the visitors and they cruised to victory with only four down and ten overs to spare. Veterans Andrew and Richard snared a couple of wickets each and Tim McConnell effected a sharp legside stumping from medium paced bowling.

Stand-outs for Wellington College were Marco Muollo with 4/23 and opener Max Juran who scored a tidy half century. It was a good day at the office for the northerners and they were very much deserved winners.

The Willows lost by 6 wickets

The Willows 164/9

C. Campbell 34, A. Nathu 29 ret hurt, M. Muollo 4/23

Wellington College 166/4

M. Juran 58

Umpires

D. McIlraith and A. Mehotra

v St Thomas of Canterbury College 1st XI

31st October 2021

The Willows batted first and were soon under the pump. A father and son battle was put to rest after a handful of balls when dad Ian McKendry couldn't resist looking to put his son Flynn back over his head, only to have his middle stump dismantled. After being 46/5 The Willows' tail waggled. First, old boy James Baxendale and veteran Tim McConnell got things going. Then St Thomas coach, Ben Rapson, hiding down at number eight, came out and with skipper Mike Peacock steered us through to a respectable total of 240/9.

In reply, STCC found themselves up against some very clever bowling from Kelvin Scott who did not offer one loose ball in picking up a nice five-wicket bag. Harrison Watkins (41) batted well, putting away any bad ball but was unable to find support from the other end. STCC were all out for 120. Thank you to all involved and especially the STCC family and supporters who attended to make it a great day.



▲ Last man out, with bat and wicket at odd angles.

The Willows won by 120 runs

The Willows 240/9

B. Rapson 66*, T. McConnell 35, M. Peacock 36*, M. Sergel-Stringer 3/43

St Thomas of Canterbury College 120

H. Watkins 41, T. Bruce 26, K. Scott 5/27

Umpires

O. Joshi and D. Miller



▲ Leg stump dispatched.

v Peninsula Craz XI

5th November 2021

This was an excellent 35-over match. Many players chimed in with some useful contributions. Leading the way was an aggressive innings from Kelvin Scott, a cultured one from Brent Fleming and more power from Tim McConnell (including a six onto the pavilion roof) and Hugo Davison, including a big six in the final over off the previously economical Scrupmy. Earlier, the aforementioned Scrupmy provided a highlight in the field, somehow hanging onto a powerful return drive from Adrian McFedries, for a stunning caught and bowled!

In reply, the Craz started well with Richard Breitmeyer and David Neal looking good. The brakes went on when wily seamer Graeme Inglis and the wonderfully accurate Stan Woolliscroft were introduced. The run rate kept rising and Adrian McFedries made two telling contributions, taking a beautifully judged catch on the long on boundary off Nutts, then getting the dangerous John Masefield (19) LBW with a good yorker. The Craz were all out for 124, and short of the target.

Cricket had triumphed. As did the conviviality and banter between friends at Brent Fleming's

place (10 minutes away) – marvellous hospitality there from him and Liz, with Hugo doing a fine turn on the barbecue.

The Willows won by 50 runs

The Willows 174/7

H. Davison 36 retired, T. McConnell 35 retired, B. Fleming 32, K. Scott 29

Peninsula Craz 124

D. Neal 22, G. Inglis 2/7, A. Nuttall 2/8, H. Wright 2/27, A McFedries 2/35

Umpires

D. Miller and P. Williams



▲ Tom Mušič winds back the clock.



▲ Four slips employed early in the Christchurch Boys' High School match.



▲ Top: Back cut from Jonathan Middlemiss. Below: Jordan Sim and George Gunn unbeaten at the end.

v Mid-Canterbury Youth XI

7th November 2021

Damage was done to the Mid-Canterbury cause by a century third wicket stand between OBC club mates Jason Middlemiss (60) and Adam Hastilow (84). It was a case of complementary batting styles with Jason being the accumulator and Adam bludgeoning ten fours and four sixes in a dominant display. Two young debutants in George Gunn and Jordan Sim closed out the innings with a forty run unbeaten partnership.

The three Jemmett siblings got the visitors off to a great start with some lusty blows in their quest for 257. Angus Jemmett in particular looked the

goods in scoring 40 runs. Jordan Sim impressed in the field with a good catch and a sharp run out. In all, six Mid-Canterbury batsmen got starts but sadly none were able to replicate Adam and go on to a big number. Using only 42 of their allotted overs also didn't help. Wickets were shared with each Willower used picking up a wicket or two. Another great day at The Willows.

The Willows won by 63 runs

The Willows 257/7

A. Hastilow 84, J. Middlemiss 60

Mid-Canterbury Youth XI 194

A. Jemmett 40, D. Flannery 29

Umpires

A. Shipley and A. Scott



▲ Brad Doody in mortal danger!

v Christchurch Boys' High School 1st XI

14th November 2021

After winning the toss, a handy Willows side looked to take advantage of a fresh wicket and overcast conditions and inserted the visitors. From ball one it was tough for the batsmen. Ollie Curtis and St Andrew's schoolboy, Zac Hedgecock had the ball hooping everywhere and runs were hard to come by. Curtis struck early with a peach to Boys' High's ace, Challu, who was good enough to edge a sharp catch into the safe hands of Rob Dunne just after he was moved into third slip. Parr and Scott kept things pretty miserly and made the batsmen work hard for every run. Robbie Foulkes played like a true opener and kept fighting through a very tough period. A great battle between him and Willows stalwart Andrew Nuttall ensued with the young opener charging him first ball of the spell to deposit him over the head of mid-on, one bounce, four! Nick Cooke bowled well in tandem but Foulkes continued to take on Nuttall. Unfortunately, no one else was able to stick with him and wickets fell regularly. Some were simply bamboozled by Andrew's infamous arm ball while others played some wreckless shots. Nuttall had a great day out and returned with a big bag of 6/45. CBHS all out for 176.

At lunch the heavens opened up and it did not look likely there would be any further play. The covers came out. However, just as quick, the

clouds parted and the sun returned to dry things out with no loss of overs. In response, Dunne and the miracle man, David Wakefield opened up and looked solid with the new ball still doing plenty. They laid a reasonable platform before wickets fell. Dunne remained until finally being run out for 40 after an awful mix up. At 111 for 6, there was still plenty of meat left on the bone. Enter Jack Harris.

Batting at seven, he showed the CBHS lads exactly how to chase a total. The highlight, a six from the far side of the block onto the deck of the pavilion, straight in the front door of the club house. Somehow it missed all the people and glass-framed memorabilia! Skipper Matt Parr joined Harris to get The Willows across the line in the 49th over. It was the first win for The Willows against the boys from Straven Road since 2012.

The Willows won by 2 wickets

Christchurch Boys' High School 176

R. Foulkes 74, Extras 38, T. Robinson 37, A. Nuttall 6/45

The Willows 178/8

J. Harris 47*, R. Dunne 40, C. Swan 3/38

Umpires

M. Wood and D. McIlraith



▲ Willows hero Andrew Nuttall took 6/45.

v Northwest Schools XI

21st November 2021

Fifteen year-old Tom Turner from Lincoln High School stole the show. Coming in at the fall of the second wicket he joined Gideon Welford at the crease. The pair put on 101 runs in 17 overs. Tom showed glimpses of class in his 42 runs last year, but this year the show was complete. His confidence and strokeplay was sublime, best exemplified by an audacious reverse sweep which rocketed to the pickets and a six onto the pavilion steps (from the pitch furthest on the block). As a year 11 lad, future captains beware!

Miller and Finnie were our chief wicket-takers. After Turner retired the Northwest XI posted 234 for 9 in the 43rd over. On a tough wicket, mention must go to young 'keeper Jordan Sim, who benefitted from the mentorship of Canterbury 50+ wicket-keeper Matt Everest who was beside him at slip for most of the day.

The Willows started well in the chase but imploded to be 133 for 8. Matt tried valiantly to resurrect things before falling victim to Welford, normally a 'keeper, but an impressive spin bowler too. A true allrounder! He cleaned up the tail and the Northwest XI romped to a 97 run victory.

Today was all about youth. The boys played with great spirit and skill. They outbatted, outbowled and outfielded us, ran between wickets better and generally dominated. They have responded well to the coaching from ex-international Llorne Howell with Darron Stackhouse, his off-sider.

The Willows lost by 97 runs

Northwest Schools XI 234/9

T. Taylor 104 retired, G. Welford 63,
P. Miller 4/61, C Finnie 3/32

The Willows 137

G. Turner 30, M. Everest 29, T. Mušič 24,
G. Welford 5/16

Umpires

D. Haskett and O. Joshi



▲ 13 year-old Jordan Sim on debut as wicketkeeper.



▲ Tom Turner acknowledges his superb century.



▲ Joel Pannell – man-of-match.



▲ Congratulations to centurion Matthew Stretch.

v Marlborough Boys' College 1st XI

5th December 2021

The pitch offered a bit early for the bowlers. The Willows side, which included six Marlborough Boys' College alumni, were inserted. Joel Pannell quickly removed both openers. The current Marlborough Hawke Cup captain, Matthew Stretch, joined Scott McHardy and the two set about rebuilding the innings. After McHardy was out for 34, Brent Fleming joined Matthew and the two put on 109 runs for the fifth wicket. The Willows posted a respectable 199/5 off their 40 overs.

As the innings drew to an end, Stretch was also closing in on a century. With a single required off the last ball of the innings to reach three figures, unfortunately the ball sailed through to the keeper leaving Stretch stranded on 99 not out. Over the lunch break, in a very good gesture of sportsmanship, the Marlborough opening bowler Joel Pannell, confirmed that Stretch had got an under-edge on an attempted scoop shot that had been credited as four byes. The umpires and scorers agreed to make the change and Matthew Stretch received due credit for a deserved century.

In reply, two excellent partnerships of 61 between Tim Petrie and Tom Leonard, then 85 between Petrie and Joel Pannell took Marlborough to the brink of victory, before they fell to a couple of excellent catches by Kobe Stackhouse. Ten were needed from the final over but The Willows were able to close out the win.

An exciting finish to a great day. Special mention to our match day host, Phil d'Auvergne, who has had a major influence in the development of many Marlborough cricketers over the past four decades. It was great to see large number of parents and supporters making the trip down. This included Barry Roberts, one of the characters of Marlborough cricket, who came to support his grandson Connor. It was great to catch up with "Bottles".

The Willows won by 4 runs

The Willows 199/4

M. Stretch 103*, B. Fleming 39, S. McHardy 34, J. Pannell 3/36

Marlborough Boys' College 195/6

J. Pannell 67, T. Petrie 51

Umpires

A. Scott and D. McIlraith

v Christ's College 1st XI

19th December 2021

College found the going quite tough on a great pitch with a fast outfield. They faced a strong Willows batting unit with several first-class players including Harry Chamberlain, a current Canterbury batsman. From the start, Harry immediately looked the part, dispatching various bowlers to all parts, including a monster six, over the pavilion and onto the bonnet of a parent's car! Both Keryn Ambler and Tom McClean chipped in with handy innings. Tom was unbeaten on 58 when The Willows finished their 40 overs on 255 for 7.

Christ's commenced the chase well. First Matt Lewis and Tim Seeto put on a solid 48 run opening stand (from 8 overs), then Matt and

Harry Sharr put on a further 59 in 10 overs. The batting included some fine striking and running between the wickets against a fearsome opening spell from Ryan McCone in particular. Matt went on to score his maiden half century for the team – a remarkable 90 off 77 balls. In the end the boys fell 57 runs short but they can be well pleased with their efforts against a strong Willows outfit.

The Willows won by 57 runs

The Willows 255/7

H. Chamberlain 68, T. McClean 58*, K. Ambler 30

Christ's College 198

M. Lewis 90, H. Sharr 32, M. Davidson 3/25,
H. Chamberlain 3/34

Umpires

A. Scott and D. Haskett



▲ Harry Chamberlain in dominant form.



▲ Adam Hastilow in full flight.

v Riccarton High School 1st XI

16th January 2022

The Willows chose to bat first on a slightly green looking track. Immediately, and before we had reached double figures, excellent inswing bowler Sachin Negi had both our openers back in the hutch. However the experience of Paul Russell and Chris Mugford steadied the ship with a 100 run partnership and then with a number of starts we managed to get to a respectable 270 runs. Sachin was the pick of the bowlers.

In reply, Riccarton started very well, with Jay Patel (24) and Cam Craik (34) showing good intent and playing in the V to put on a 69 run opening stand. Sadly, after that, things fell away with the real star being young Stan Woolliscroft ("the aged one" as he calls himself), who bowled

superbly taking 5/14 to get his name on the honours board! Riccarton ended with 147. Some interesting stats from a game with 100 extras between the two teams, indicating a little holiday rust but 17 dismissals were bowled and two LBW!

It was great to have David Biddick at the ground, a man who has done so much for Riccarton cricket.

The Willows won by 123 runs

The Willows 270/8

P. Russell 73 retired, C. Mugford 40, C. Campbell 25, S. Negi 3/26

Riccarton High School 147

C. Craik 34, S. Woolliscroft 5/14, B. Stayt 3/16

Umpires

D. Miller and D. Stuthridge



▲ Stan Woolliscroft completed a popular 5-for.



▲ Dan Vann misses out on this occasion.



▲ Seddon top-order – power and style.



▲ Snappy dress code from our Northern visitors.



▲ Chris Nicolson draws first blood.



▲ Seddon slip cordon at the ready.

v Seddon CC

28th January 2022

It was great to host The Seddon Cricket Club (Hamilton) for the first time at Loburn. We acknowledge and appreciate Willower Max Bremner and partner Jo Appleyard for their most generous sponsorship of the fixture. It proved a competitive match with several momentum shifts but in the end The Willows came up short in their second defence of the Chatfield Shield (or “Charlie” to the players).

Two individual batting performances stood out. Leighton Parsons for the visitors and Adam Hastilow for The Willows made excellent half centuries on the day. Both men play with flair and top their respective Kindred batting aggregates. In the end what separated the teams was the

fact that The Willows were unable to form any meaningful partnerships around Adam while the northerners did, putting on 80 odd for the last two wickets. Wickets were shared for both teams with Chris Nicolson, Mark Murphy and Kelvin Scott the best of the locals.

The beer tasted good for The Seddon lads knowing “Charlie” was in their back pocket and leaving the Mainland.

The Willows lost by 36 runs

Seddon CC 173/9

L. Parsons 51, C. Keech 24

The Willows 137

A. Hastilow 50, L. Parsons 3/11, J. Wylie 3/32

Umpires

P. Williams and D. Miller



▲ Harry Schmack looking for an early breakthrough.

v Timaru Boys' High School 1st XI

30th January 2021

It was a pleasure to have Murray Parker, and wife Verna, as hosts for the 20th anniversary of this fixture.

Expectations were high with a strong Willows team selected to contest the Mark Parker Trophy. After the loss of early wickets, Nick Horsley and Grant Brookland steadied the ship and later Tane Cordell-Hull scored a well compiled 40 not out. Alas, the remaining six batsmen were unable to score more than 15 runs between them. The Willows stumbled to 157. It was a first-rate bowling and fielding performance from TBHS led by leg-spinner Ross McCulloch who took an excellent 5/27 ensuring his name will be etched on the honours board in the pavilion.

There was confidence that The Willows would be able to defend this score but this did not happen despite taking wickets regularly. Strong batting performances from Harry Schmack (35) and Ross McCulloch (20) helped the visitors to the target in the 49th over with the final pairing at

the crease. Nigel Marsh had another good spell with the ball. The Timaru lads thoroughly deserved their victory – their second in three years.

The Willows lost by 1 wicket

The Willows 157

T. Cordell-Hull 40*, N. Horsley 34,
R. McCulloch 5/27

Timaru Boys' High School 158/9

H. Schmack 35, N. Marsh 3/15

Umpires

R. Notley and A. Shipley



▲ Ex-Northern Districts batsman Nick Horsley on debut.

v St Andrew's College 1st XI

20th February 2022

The Willows XI played the seniority card and informed the schoolboys they'd bat first on what looked to be a nice wicket, albeit with a tinge of green. Former Northern Districts rep, Nick Horsley got The Willows off to a great start, punishing anything fractionally short. Nick fell for a well compiled 36 which was worth double that, given the slowness of the unusually green outfield. Just as The Willows had begun to lay a platform, Cam Paul, who bowled nicely for his 10 overs on the trot, picked up two quick wickets to have The Willows faltering at 60/4. From there, runs and partnerships began to flow, including nice counter punches from Matt Parr (40) and Adrian McFedries (54). The Willows headed to lunch satisfied with their total of 244/9 off their

50 overs. St Andrew's got off to a slow start as the new ball nipped around. However, a solid 78 run partnership for the third wicket between Paul (47) and Rollinson (31) steadied the ship. It took our Canterbury Over-60's reps to remove the set batters, with the boys falling to Mike Johnston and Stan Woolliscroft respectively. Rory Sloan mounted a fightback with his 59 off not many balls, but it wasn't enough, as wickets fell regularly. Despite a solid fight, St Andrew's were all out for 184 off 43 overs. Another beautiful day out at The Willows, enjoyed by all.

The Willows won by 60 runs

The Willows 244/9

A. McFedries 54, M. Parr 40, N. Horsley 36, C. Paul 3/38

St Andrew's College 184

R. Sloane 59, C. Paul 47, J. Rollinson 31

Umpires

P. Williams and T. O'Loughlin



▲ Gareth Brooks can only admire the St Andrew's batting.

v Shirley Boys' High School 1st XI

27th February 2022

The Willows played the Shirley Boys' High School 1st XI on an unseasonably cool and overcast day. The Willows batted first and were put under pressure by demanding bowling by the Shirley opening bowlers but two solid partnerships of 90 between Dan Vann and Brad Entwistle, and 80 between Dan and Ryan Entwistle saw The Willows gain momentum. Dan Vann batted very well and was sadly out for 99. The Willows got through to 262 which was a challenging total. Shirley Boys' bowled steadily with Madoc Wiltshire 4/32 and Benji Irvine 3/43.

The Willows put pressure on as Shirley lost early wickets. Mitch Gilmore batted well at the top for 29, and Ekam Singh hit the ball strongly for 51, including a large six off the Headmaster which nearly destroyed the luncheon area. Good bowling from Andy MacGregor, Nigel Marsh and

his son Casey, and Jason Pawson put the brakes on the scoring. Tim Hampton-Matehe enjoyed the rare occasion of a bowl and took 3/26. The Willows had successfully defended the Steve Garland Trophy.

A moment of sympathy for the Shirley lads keen to inflict their first ever win over The Willows: They went into the morning session minus their key strike bowler, out with a back injury plus they had a wet ball to contend with. 'It was like soap' said a frustrated opening bowler at fine leg soon into the match. – Ed.

The Willows won by 122 runs

The Willows 262

D. Vann 99, B. Entwistle 45, R. Entwistle 37, J. Pawson 35, M. Wiltshire 4/32, B. Irvine 3/43

Shirley Boys' High School 140

E. Singh 51, M. Gilmore 29, J. Pawson 3/26, T. Hampton-Matehe 3/26

Umpires

D. Reid and R. Notley



▲ Promising young spinner Ekamjot Singh.



▲ The ball evades everybody!



▲ Bad luck Dan Vann – out for 99!



▲ 100% concentration from 'keeper Joe Bennett and the Willows cordon.

v St Kevin's College 1st XI

2nd March 2022

In a rescheduled mid-week fixture The Willows hosted a very good St Kevin's team on a cool and damp morning. The Willows batted first and lost two early wickets but rebuilt through Dan Vann and Brent Fleming putting on 53 (amidst a couple of rain delays). Then late replacement and Willows debutant Issac Milne joined Fleming to form another significant partnership. The St Kevin's bowlers toiled hard despite a damp outfield and wet ball. Harry Murphy was particularly impressive with 4/16 off 9 overs. The Willows managed to put on a competitive total of 196/6 from their 45 overs.

In reply, St Kevin's also lost two early wickets but played with intent, kept the scoring rate up, and took on The Willows bowlers. Openers Isaac Milne (2/12) and Bintu Ror (2/25) were the pick of the bowlers, bowling accurately with good swing. Veteran spinners Stan Woolliscroft (2/29) and Lance Ryan (2/36) put the brakes on scoring. Captain Liam Direen and Ben Kay played positively putting on 50 runs for the fifth wicket and when Direen brought up his 50 with the

score at 113/5 the game was in the balance. However Direen then holed out to the man in the deep and St Kevin's fell away to be all out for 136. Special thanks to the Oamaru team and their supporters for making the trip up and playing in such great spirit.

The Willows won by 60 runs

The Willows 196/6 (45 overs)
 B. Fleming 61*, I. Milne 54, D. Vann 48,
 H. Murphy 4/16

St Kevin's College 136
 L. Direen 50, B. Kay 30

Umpires
 P. Williams and D. Reid



▲ Visiting St Kevin's player loses his leg stump.



▲ Youthful exuberance.

v Waitaki Boys' High School 1st XI

6th March 2022

The Willows had the pleasure of hosting a positive group of Waitakians. They were engaging, polite and contributed to a fantastic day of cricket. As well, included in the Willows XI were two Rongotai College 1st XI players, George Wells and Eddie Hoben, which was facilitated through the Wanderers Club in Wellington. George is the son of former Wellington player Jason Wells and it was great to host Jason who freely shared his knowledge with the Waitaki students.

Waitaki won the toss and batted. A very strong Willows bowling line up including current Canterbury opening bowler Will O'Rourke, South Canterbury stalwart Craig Hinton, George Wells and Waitaki old boy Quinn Wardle restricted Waitaki to 123. Wardle took 4/12, O'Rourke 2/13 and Wells 2/33. The Willows chase was not without challenge, however Charles Finnie (51*) and Michael Singleton (24*) saw us home. For the visitors Lachie Mavor 2/22 impressed. He also picked up the gold 'Play in the V' award for his contribution to cricket at Waitaki.

The Willows won by 6 wickets

Waitaki Boys' High School 123

A. Wilson 58, Q. Wardle 4/12

The Willows 124/4

C. Finnie 51*, M. Singleton 24*

Umpires

D. Herber



▲ A pleasure to have Canterbury quick Will O'Rourke to open our attack.

v Country Secondary Schools XI

13th March 2022

The Willows selected a strong and youthful side for the fixture. The decision to bat first on a damp, green and grassy track was a bold move by the skipper. After the loss of early wickets it was left to Jeremy Benton and skipper James Richards to develop a decent partnership. After Jeremy fell for a commendable 54, wickets again began to tumble. It was the young Rangiora High School bowler Harry Witt who totally destroyed The Willows innings taking a staggering 6 for 8. He narrowly missed out on a hattrick amidst the mayhem which saw us all out for only 137.

The Willows knew a strong bowling effort was needed after the pitch had flattened out. Up stepped Fergus Fairbairn and James Tapper who had the Country Schools XI reeling at 17 for 5. It could have been a whole lot worse when Cole Mills appeared to be stumped early on in his innings by a sharp bit of glovework from Matt McKenzie but was remarkably given not out. He went on to score 54, providing some resistance to Fairbairn who was bowling with good accuracy and pace, finishing with 5/32. Spin twins Mitch Ross and Jeremy Benton were reunited and were incredibly accurate with their line and length eventually finished off the opposition for 111.

To have two bowlers in the same match produce honours board performances is a rare feat. And what's more, Harry's 6/8 is the fourth best bowling figures ever in the history of the Club. Not bad for someone who has just turned 15 years of age – Ed.

The Willows won by 26 runs

The Willows 137

J. Benton 54, J. Richards 29, H. Witt 6/8

Country Secondary Schools XI 111

C. Mills 54, F. Fairbairn 5/32

Umpires

D. Haskett and T. Fulton



▲ Jeremy Benton – airborne!



▲ Cole Mills showed promise with the bat.

v London New Zealand Cricket Club

18th March 2022

The two captains showed their experience by settling on a 35-over fixture to the agreement of all players! The ground was looking a million dollars with some lush grass, so James Dobson of LNZZCC promptly put the Willows into bat. Tom Mušić (76) and Simon Carrodus (23) got the innings underway positively. Mušić and James O’Gorman (41) batted through the middle setting the foundation with Jonathan Davidson (25) adding some lusty blows at the tail. LNZZCC were able to pull the rate back with some tidy bowling especially from Graeme Campbell. The Willows ended on 198/7.

Immediately The Willows got off to the perfect start as Chris ‘The Cannery’ Nicolson took a wicket with his second delivery, removing the dangerous Kelvin Scott. Chris would finish with figures of 4/14. The partnership between Matt Hudson and Nic Kyle saw momentum change in LNZZCC’s favour. Hudson was striking the ball beautifully and finding gaps everywhere including the hands of some of the fielders. With the game in the balance Nicolson returned to take the key wicket of Hudson. The Willows regained the ascendancy before dismissing LNZZCC for 158 to secure victory.

Both teams thoroughly enjoyed the post-match astutely hosted by Ben Dormer. During the formalities the passing of the great John Thompson was acknowledged by son Vance who presented a LNZZCC hat to The Willows which now hangs in the pavilion. It was great fixture and we’re already looking forward to next season’s rematch.

The Willows won by 40 runs

The Willows 198/7

T. Mušić 76, J. O’Gorman 41, G. Campbell 3/38

LNZZCC 158

M. Hudson 53, N. Kyle 31, C. Nicolson 4/14

Umpires

A. Askari and D. Miller



▲ *Matt Hudson – the pick of the LNZZCC batsmen.*



▲ *Eyes up! Jonathan Davidson tees off.*



▲ *Joe Bennett ecstatic – another stumping scalp.*

The Willows Schoolgirls XI v NZ Women's International XI

25th March 2022

Friday was a momentous day at The Willows. It was when twelve former NZ players came together to take on some of the best schoolgirl cricketers in the country. It was a chance for the players of yesteryear to dust off their cricket skills (many of them very dusty) and test themselves again. For their schoolgirl counterparts, it was a chance to pitch their skills against experience and to revel in the atmosphere of The Willows.

After winning the toss, the Schoolgirls XI started in circumspect fashion against tight opening bowling from the International XI bowlers, Missy Banks and Kate Ebrahim. However, once the opening salvo had been seen off, the Schoolgirls began to open their shoulders and score freely. Runs came from power hitter Izzy Sharp (50 retired), Niamh McKenzie (a fine 38) and Kate Chandler (34 retired). The remaining batters saw their team through to 199.

The Internationals set about the run chase in commanding fashion. Rebecca Rolls and Abby Gerken batted positively, hitting anything short and running well between wickets. However, with the score on 95, Gerken was run out for 23 by an excellent throw from Hannah Francis.

Rolls continued the momentum scoring a fine 70 (retired). Kate Ebrahim joined Kirsty Bond and they continued the push towards the winning total. However, regular wickets continued to fall leaving the Internationals to score 12 off the final over. A two and a four off the first two balls raised hopes. The third delivery was hit powerfully down the ground by Ebrahim (60) and looked for all money to be heading for another boundary when Izzy Sharp plucked the ball from above her head for a fine catch giving Kate Chandler figures of 3/35. The Internationals were unable to score the remaining runs and the Schoolgirls were victorious by three runs. A fitting end to a hard fought and even contest. Congratulations to the Schoolgirls XI.



▲ Historic toss – Kirsty Bond with Izzy Sharp (Craighead Diocesan School) and Kate Chandler (Wellington Girls' College).

NZ Internationals XI

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Kirsty Bond | 7. Catherine Campbell |
| 2. Rebecca Rolls | 8. Abby Gerken |
| 3. Emily Drumm | 9. Paula Winsor |
| 4. Kate Ebrahim | 10. Missy Banks |
| 5. Jennifer Logan | 11. Selena Charteris |
| 6. Lisa Astle | 12. Liz Signal |

The Willows Schoolgirls XI

1. Izzy Sharp (Craighead Diocesan)
2. Kate Chandler (Wellington Girls' College)
3. Kate Hastings (Christchurch GHS)
4. Niamh McKenzie (St Margaret's College)
5. Hannah Francis (Chilton St James School)
6. Abby McKissock (Christchurch GHS)
7. Dhriti Girish (Queen Margaret College)
8. Joey Hull (Christchurch GHS)
9. Aine Molony (St Andrew's College)
10. Hannah O'Connor (St Hilda's Collegiate)
11. Estella Wallace (Christchurch GHS)
12. Chloe Deerness (St Hilda's Collegiate)

The Willows Schoolgirls XI won by 3 runs

The Willows 199

- I. Sharp 50 retired, N. McKenzie 38,
K. Chandler 34 retired

NZ Women's International XI 196/7

- R. Rolls 70 retired, K. Ebrahim 60, A. Gerken 23,
K. Chandler 3/35

Umpires

- K. D'Arcy and D. Qusted

v Waimea College 1st XI

27th March 2022

Something a little different by way of a match report. A personal reflection on the day from our skipper, Dave Kelly – one where he fondly remembers the Founder of our mighty Club. Here are Dave's words:

"The Waimea fixture last year marked the last time many of us saw Mike holding court at his beloved cricket ground. How have we done one year on? I found myself thinking as I drove down from an unusually green Hurunui. The answer was obvious as I watched the Waimea lads warming up. Neat, athletic, focused and committed, they looked like the fruit of a seed sown 27 years ago.

Batting first we were under pressure from the Waimea seam attack. Unable to get any notable partnerships we found ourselves having to settle for what we hoped was a competitive total. D Kelly, hiding at No. 7, top scored with 42. Bryn Thurlow was the outstanding bowler picking up seven wickets. It seemed the Kelly gang* may have robbed their last bank. But we are known for not lying down and with Nuttall ready to trump aided by a raft of young quicks we set about our work. Andrew took the two big wickets of Oscar Perrott and captain Carl Quinn who were both well set but had their stumps knocked



▲ Runs from a loose delivery.



▲ Rebecca Rolls shows class is permanent.



▲ Kate Ebrahim shares the new ball.



▲ Martin Kelly – bowled, neck and crop.

over. The big partnership of Quinn and Flowers had us stretched but a beautifully slow arm ball from Horsley removed the dangerous and incredibly promising Ryan Flowers. Kieran Read, using all his experience from 127 Tests, mopped up the tail with 4/7.”

Kelly drove back to the Hurunui to live and to rob another day. His final thoughts:

“Great men plant trees so that future generations can enjoy the shade.’ God bless you and keep you MED. May The Willows continue to flourish.”

**Five members of the Kelly family graced the oval for this fixture, a notable first (photo p34).*

The Willows won by 35 runs

The Willows 183

D. Kelly 42, B. Thurlow 7/26

Waimea College 148

C. Quinn 47, R. Flowers 46, O. Perrott 31,
K. Read 4/7, A. Nuttall 3/26

Umpires

D. McIlraith and A. Scott



▲ Kieran Read's 4/7 finished off the match.

Cancellations due to weather

12 Dec v Hawkswood Wanderers

23 Jan v St Bede's College 1st XI

13 Feb v Southland Boys' High School 1st XI

Cancellations due to Covid-19

6 Feb v Nelson College 1st XI

20 Mar v Hutt International School 1st XI

The Covid red setting (maximum crowd gathering size of 100) came into effect at 11.59pm on 23 January 2022. This had a drastic effect on subsequent Club events, fixtures and procedures. Some matches were not played – eg. 6th February match v Nelson College 1st XI and one for the 35+ team v Parliamentary XI. So too were the Kindred Finals; out went our chance to defend and to seek a 3-peat. Social occasions like the Ladies Day and Club Day could not

happen. Our combined High Schools XI biennial trip to play at The Basin Reserve Wellington also got the chop. The team chosen came from an exciting mix of schools and included:

Robson Foulkes (Christchurch BHS)
James Kelly (Christ's College)
Devon Flannery (Ashburton College)
Gideon Welford (Lincoln HS)
Nick Gibb (Christ's College)
Cam Paul (STAC)
Ollie Shore (Christ's College)
Tom Turner (Lincoln HS)
Brayden McLeod (Rangiora HS)
Flynn McKendry (St Thomas College)
Carter Hobbs (Whanganui Collegiate)
Ekamajot Singh (Shirley BHS)

Coach: Dave Kelly
Manager: Lance Ryan

It is disappointing that they missed this opportunity.

Around the Ground



▲ The Willows Schoolgirls XI and NZ Women's International XI before their match on 25th March 2022.



▲ Kieran Read, Andrew Nuttall and Nick Horsley chat to the Waimea lads post-match.



▲ Kirsty Bond, Debbie Hockley, Katrina Keenan and Lesley Murdoch – 36 Test and 235 ODI caps collectively.



▲ Proud day for the Kelly family – five members in the same eleven against Waimea College.



▲ Loyal Willowers both – Lindsay Kerr and Peter Devlin.

Around the Ground



▲ Hon. Secretary Jim Stringleman.



▲ Father and son – Casey and Nigel Marsh.



▲ The Shirley Boys' High School 1st XI.



▲ Christ's College 1st XI with Hon Justice Peter Penlington.



▲ The Canterbury Magicians take the field for a warm-up match at The Willows in October 2021.

Sport, women and integrity

By Michael Heron QC and Charlotte Agnew-Harington, Britomart Chambers

The increased focus on sporting integrity in recent years has coincided with an increasing emphasis on women's sport. This has led to consideration of how the experiences of women might be changing the approach to "integrity" issues in sport. New Zealand is vulnerable to these issues in the same way as other countries, but there is reason to be positive about developments in our sporting landscape which make our sporting environment better able to cope.

In recent years, Cycling New Zealand, Hockey New Zealand, New Zealand Rugby, NZ Football and Canoe Racing NZ have all commissioned

independent reviews into what might be broadly called culture or integrity issues that appeared to arise from women's experiences within the sporting environment. At the same time, the popularity of women's sport has been on the rise, and more sports have been venturing into professionalising women's teams or looking to provide parity to male and female athletes.

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) has recorded that women are disproportionately affected by corruption in sport worldwide, due in part to the fact that they wield less socioeconomic status than men in many societies, and in part due to their vulnerability to what the UNODC calls "sexual corruption". Below we consider two key concerns that arise at the intersection of sport integrity and women's experiences. The first is the apparent vulnerability of women in sport to adverse experiences. The second is the risk of anti-competitive corrupt behaviours (eg. match-fixing) in relation to women's sport.

Women's experiences in the sporting environment

In 2019, Sport New Zealand released its Sport Integrity Review, which found that New Zealand NSOs are struggling to manage issues around harassment, bullying, and abuse in sport. There was, and arguably still is, a lack of capability across the sports sector to deal with integrity-related issues. Two principal recommendations emerged from the review – the first was the establishment of an independent complaints management service for sport. The second was a central online place to find guidance on sport integrity issues. Both have been established and we argue that each will have a positive impact on the issues arising for women in sport.

The Sport Integrity review found that women were more likely to find harassment, bullying and abuse to be problems within the sporting environment than men. It also found that of all the people who had used existing policies to report these issues, “[w]omen were less likely to want to use policies again.” Whereas 15% of respondents said they trusted “all” the sporting organisations they worked with, women had less trust in them than men did.

Recent reviews of NSOs have highlighted the difficulties women have endured in high performance sport. NZ Rugby's Black Ferns Cultural and Environmental Review was born out of difficulties that Te Kura Ngata-Aerengamate endured in the Black Ferns, and the Independent Review into NZ Football was spurred by written complaints submitted by 13 female players. Similarly, women appeared to suffer more from the impacts of historic poor behaviour in the Cycling NZ high performance programme.

The focus of these reviews appears, at face value, to reinforce Sport New Zealand's findings that women are more likely to report adverse environments and mistreatment. While the events that led to these reviews were often driven by women's reporting, it seems that women in sport may be vulnerable to victimisation and therefore questions abound as to what is reported and what is not.

Are women in sport particularly or differently vulnerable to integrity issues? Recent trends do suggest that women in sporting environments – athletes in particular – are not always treated with respect or dignity. But does this reflect an increased vulnerability to victimisation, or are women in sport less tolerant of bullying and exploitation than men? And what of differences in reporting?

The UNODC is clear on the fact that gender-specific threats of sexual harassment and abuse of women in sport is a product of corruption. This is not sporting corruption in the sense of bribery and match-fixing, driven by commercial imperatives. This is moral corruption involving imbalances of power. The UNODC notes that the sporting environment “is particularly vulnerable to sexual harassment and abuse of authority because of the nature of relationships in the workplace environment.”

Sport New Zealand's work on Integrity is aimed to address these issues, and it is encouraging that NSOs have been willing to investigate issues raised or related to women. While we can all agree that, in an ideal world, such great efforts would not be required, there is reason to believe that New Zealand is making an effort to respond effectively and meaningfully to the challenges that women face in the sporting sector. It is true both that much has been done and that there is work left to do.

Women and match-fixing

Although New Zealand has long been regarded as a “relative beacon of low corruption”, we ought not presume that we are immune. Sport NZ noted that the risk of match-fixing is “growing and/or already reasonably high” in New Zealand. Its Integrity Review Report considered the risk profiles of various sports. The risk profiling shows differences in the perceived level of risk relating to men's and women's teams. For instance, women's international cricket and rugby were assessed as moderate risk, compared to the high risk of the male equivalent competitions.

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It has been suggested that the low incomes (and lack of pay parity) of female athletes may increase the motivation to participate in match-fixing, although other evidence suggests that match-fixing and patronage networks tend to exclude women. Given that women's sport generates less revenue than men's, we might imagine that match-fixers will stick with men's games in hope of the greater profits.

More work is needed to determine whether or why there might be different or greater incentives that increase the risk of match-fixing in women's sport. While we haven't seen the high-profile cases of match-fixing in women's sport on the same level as men's sport, there are examples in Zimbabwe Football, and in tennis.

The need for robust reporting

Given that effective reporting mechanisms are essential to addressing corruption, it is important that they are accessible. There is research to suggest that gender-responsive processes are needed: the UNODC says research shows that "women are more likely to report corruption if they are interacting with other women", and that women and men are motivated to report by different considerations.

The UNODC goes on to recommend that effecting reporting mechanisms include: "confidentiality and anonymity, accessibility (including access to health and financial services), clearly identifiable reporting channels, guidance for the reporting persons on the reporting processes, protection against different forms of retaliation, inclusive language and communication, and the training of officials receiving complaints to avoid possible biases". New Zealand has made significant progress in this area in recent years.

How are we going?

Leaving aside the incredible success that New Zealand women have on the international sporting stage, three aspects of New Zealand's sporting environment deserve further comment.

The first is the developing and increasing presence of women in leadership positions in

New Zealand sport. The presence of women in leadership positions at Sport NZ, the NZ Olympic Committee and organisations such as Women in Sport Aotearoa and the International Working Group on Women and Sport, while not a complete solution, help create an environment which gives women more confidence to engage with such organisations and their reporting systems.

The second is the work which Sport New Zealand has done with its integrity guidance portal. This enables sporting organisations to draw on an impressive array of policies and procedures. Whether it is member or child protection, diversity and inclusion, match-fixing, anti-doping or organisational culture, there are helpful policies and procedures there for all to access that should help participants in our sporting system understand and enforce their rights. The gradual uptake of those and more importantly the embedding of their requirements into the daily training environment, will help mitigate some of the risks identified. While recent trends have shifted away from having policies specifically aimed at protecting women, transgender protection policies are increasingly common, as are policies that cater to matters such as parental leave and pregnancy.

Third, and not least, is the SRCMS run by Immediation New Zealand. The service has operated since early 2021 and dealt with more than 170 cases in its short lifetime. Many complaints have involved women and many were resolved through early facilitation, mediation and/or investigation. Whilst detailed statistics are not yet publicly available, the service is being utilised by the full range of sporting organisations, athletes and sporting participants. The service is delivered by legally trained experts in sport and dispute resolution, including a range of very capable women. Thus far it has proved to be a valuable addition to the New Zealand sporting landscape.

For these reasons (and many others), there is reason to be positive about women, integrity and sport in New Zealand.

Canterbury Kings and Magicians

Senior Men's and Women's teams warm up at The Willows alongside upcoming secondary school players, 1st October 2021.





Farewell Don Neely

A former NZC President, captain of Wellington and Auckland, and author of more than 30 books on New Zealand cricket, Don was a great friend to the Club since its inception in 1994.

There are few positions in New Zealand cricket that Don Neely did not hold throughout a long career as player, administrator and historian.

Many of us first encountered his name on the cover of *Men in White* and the popular cricket annuals he edited throughout the 1970s and 1980s. More significantly during this period he was a selector of the New Zealand men's team (convenor for seven years) at a time when series wins were recorded over England, West Indies and Australia. He stepped down from the panel in 1993 and was conferred with life membership of NZC before publishing, with his wife Paddianne, *The Summer Game*, an illustrated history of cricket in New Zealand.

Long before all of this he was a promising young batsman from Rongotai College whose selection for Wellington's Brabin Shield (Under-20) side

introduced him to wicketkeeper Michael Dormer, with whom he would share a lifelong friendship.

When Mike founded The Willows in 1994, Don was immediately on board with the Club's objective of bringing together school cricketers with leading players and coaches and was influential in helping the Club make the right connections in cricketing circles around the country and beyond. He contributed memorably at Club dinners through the years – including the Forty-Niners 50th anniversary celebration – and regularly produced polished articles and historical photos for the Club's annual report.

His career as a player peaked with unbeaten innings of 132 and 43 as he captained Wellington to a thumping win over Otago at his beloved Basin Reserve in 1967. The scoreboard would later be named for him and he served as member of the Basin Reserve Trust and chairman of the NZ Cricket Museum, located at the ground.

Don's tireless efforts as an administrator and historian were recognised with an MBE in 1995, and an MNZM in 2011. He was appointed NZC President in 2006 and completed the maximum three years in the role.

In his address to the Forty-Niners Dinner in 1999, he concluded with this: "I know that at Loburn, both sides will play this lovely game for the only reason that any game is worth playing and that is for fun and fellowship."



▲ Don and Paddianne Neely.

“The boys” 60 years on



The first photo is the 1957 Wellington Under-20 Brabin Shield team coached by Oscar Wrigley who played a few games for Wellington in the 1940s. The boys beat Canterbury in the final for the first time to win the tournament with “D.O.” (front row, second in from the left) scoring 120 or so. Mike (front left) and Spiro Zavos (front right) were 17 at the time and the only schoolboys in the team. That didn’t stop Spiro being the top run-scorer for the tournament and Mike making the tournament team as the ‘keeper. Spiro tells how Mike stood up to all the Wellington quicks and was easily the best ‘keeper.

The second photo is three great mates 60 years on (Don, Mike and Spiro) still giving each other stick about things that happened in that 1957 tournament!

– Jason Neely

Mike’s homecoming

Sunday 24th October was an important day for the Club. This was the day Mike Dormer’s ashes were returned to his chosen resting place. Play stopped at 3pm for a special ceremony led by the former Dean of Nelson, The Very Reverend Mike Hawke. Both the Wellington College and Willows teams joined a special guard of honour as the Dormer family and invited guests filed past. We then joined in prayer, sang hymns, listened to a musical tribute from John Wright and reflected on some moving words from Winsome and Rev Hawke. It was good to see how many members and friends attended this memorable occasion. And in true MED style we enjoyed lashings of cream and jam on scones with our tea at the end and remembered him.



Mind games: How to improve mindset and mental skills as a cricketer

By way of something different this year we have asked Willower **Dan Vann** to focus on the mental side of cricket. His words are aimed at coaches/parents of our younger players, wanting to advance in the game. Dan is currently Managing Director of Evolution Sports in Christchurch. He comes from a strong teaching (at Chisnallwood Intermediate) and playing background, mostly as international player/coach in all major cricket playing nations of the world. We hope his message has impact for those guiding our next generation of player.

Cricket is a very unique game in that it is probably the most individual team sport in the world. It is also a game that, like golf, has down time and pauses between actions and because of this cricket is very much a highly skilful game both physically and mentally.

This being said the physical skills and technique are generally where most of the coaching attention is directed. This is not due to any lack of appreciation of the mental side of things but more a lack of understanding of how to coach mental skills. Fortunately this has started to change and we are seeing more and more emphasis on the mental side of things.

My coaching personally has changed vastly of late with a much greater focus on mindset and mental skills. For me the first step in a player improving their mental skills is simply an awareness of their thoughts, processes,



and their focus. With modern life young people have many distractions that keep their minds highly engaged with attention shifting quickly from one thing to another. We are rarely alone with our thoughts and able to just be in the moment.

Confidence is a great place to start, but what is confidence? It's simply a feeling or thought around how capable one believes they can execute a skill or perform in a situation. What contributes to a player's confidence? Stats, match performances, training performances, feedback, etc. Coaches can play a huge role in this. Strength based coaching is a great method for cultivating a player's confidence. This is when the feedback you give is based purely around what the player is doing well. "I love the way you moved towards the ball there", "That was a quality strike", "Excellent decision making". As coaches we can often focus too much on the weaknesses or work-ons of our players/teams and when we do this too often player's confidence can really take a knock. As well as this it is important that the player is able to articulate their strengths, their role and their mindset. The stories we tell ourselves and our limiting beliefs can be a huge barrier to a player performing. This is the first question I ask a player before a coaching session: can you describe yourself as a player for me? Very rarely

have I come across a player that will confidently say: “I am a middle order batsman that likes to dominate, I am an aggressive player who is strong down the ground and through the legside” or something along those lines but sadly they can quickly list their weaknesses.

Self talk is another key area all good players need learn to develop. Good quality self talk will bring you back into the moment and remain focused.

Next is ball mentality. The only thing that ever matters in a game of cricket is the NEXT BALL. We cannot affect the past balls and we have no influence over the future balls until we actually face that ball. Young and inexperienced players can often be seen living in the past (after playing and missing the previous ten balls, or a bowler bowling two wides in the over), they can also be found distracted by the run rate or the outcome of the game. This is when having a very clear and consistent process is essential! Having a quality routine will allow those thoughts to pass between balls and to reset for the next ball and be in the moment and ready to react and make a good decision and continue this process over and over again.

Another huge part is only focusing on the controllables. In cricket there are many uncontrollables (weather, pitch, coaches decisions, captains decision, umpires, sledging, supporters, team mates performances, etc). These are simply distractions and things that take our focus away from what matters. What we can control is our focus, our attitude, our mindset, our effort, our decision making and executing our skills!

Lastly, one of the most common and often crippling parts of mental skills I see is fear of failure. Again this is perfectly normal, I mean nobody wants to fail right, but if this becomes the focus of our attention, you can imagine it will not help us perform. This is often caused by coaches or parents (unintentionally) making getting out or making mistakes a much bigger deal than it really needs to be. I often hear players being given advice before batting such as: “Don’t get out”, “Don’t play dumb shots” or it could be caused by the reaction to getting

out....” “Why did you play that shot?” “That was a bit silly wasn’t it?” on the dreaded car ride home. When I ask players what is your mindset when you go out to bat, over 50% of the players I coach usually say “To not get out” or “Defend the first 10 balls” but what if they bowl a pie? I will ask them, what is the purpose of batting? They always say to score runs. So first we need to get our mindset and language right: “To score runs, to find the runs, to hit the gaps, to be positive” Secondly we need to establish what is failure and what is success? This can be different for everyone. For me this should always be process based (things you can control) rather than outcome (scores/stats, etc). For example failure could be poor concentration, poor decision making, lack of effort, negative mindset, etc and success could be making good decisions, positive mindset, high effort, positive attitude or consistently following their process/routines. We cannot rely on stats as our measure of success, I have scored runs when I have been dropped multiple times and played poor shots and also hit the ball as good as ever to only get a jaffa and walk off for not many or take five wickets bowling five bad balls that the batter hit to fielders, but I have also bowled out of my skin for no wickets as I beat the bat all day. Stats only show some of the picture.

These are the basics and only brush the surface of mental skills but it’s a great start. If you can become aware of your thoughts, processes, routines and focus, get clarity and confidence in what you do well and own your role, establish what success looks like and focus on the controllables, you will play with more freedom, confidence and most importantly you will enjoy the game!

A visit to The Willows should always be a challenge – and a victory savoured.

– Ben Dormer

More than just an annual fixture

By Richard Hall

Rector, Otago Boys' High School

'If you have a Heavy Transport licence you will never be out of a job.' – Winsome Dormer

It is not only about the cricket, the beautiful surrounds, the company of your teammates, from both sides, it is also about the lessons learnt on the North Canterbury soil.

In this case the lesson was the advice, from Winsome. Advice given freely from someone who knows the world, who is always generous. Her words, to the team were true, and in a world where we have experienced so much change and uncertainty, welcomed.

A practical skill, a long-lasting qualification that will always see someone as employed is something not to be dismissed easily, and while it may not be followed, teenagers don't always listen that well. It is another example of how being a part of this environment is special.

What I like, as a rector, is the connection between those two groups, the Willowers and the students, how it is extended beyond the middle. It was yet another example of how young people, in 2022 benefit from a



community to guide and support them. Their parents cannot do it alone, nor schools, instead in moments like these they get another important perspective, seeds that will hopefully land.

We were also lucky last October to be part of Willows history, as Molly Loe, pupil of St Hilda's Collegiate and excellent Otago cricketer played against us last season. She performed extremely well and laid the platform for future innovation.

As the Otago Boys' side came off the field last October, I stopped the team, I got them to pause, to stop, to listen, to breathe to take in where they were, and to give a silent thanks to a community that gives them so much.

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Match Day Sponsors

Support from individuals and companies has been invaluable to The Willows throughout the 2021/22 season as we as a club continue to head in the direction that MED envisaged. Without our

most generous sponsors we simply would not be able to deliver the quality cricketing experience we want for visiting teams, first elevens and families. As Ben Dormer rightfully said we want every trip out to The Willows to be special and something "savoured". Our match day sponsors directly allow us to provide the "best" in facilities, hospitality, catering, coaching, officiating, even down to having match ball providers. We could not survive without you. Thank you.



Rosebowl deadlock broken

With the Rosebowl series locked at one win apiece this match between the first elevens of St Hilda's Collegiate School and Christchurch Girls' High School took on extra spice. It was the local team who held strong over the southerners, who had four Otago Sparks players within their ranks. CGHS got up to win the 40-over match narrowly and lead in the series 2-1. From the winning side Kate Hastings (42 not out) was a deserving player of the day. This fixture is shaping into a great rivalry between the two schools.



▲ CGHS captain Kate Hastings with Winsome Dormer.



▲ Anna McClean.



▲ Leading run-scorer Kate Hastings.

It was fantastic to have New Zealand Cricket President Debbie Hockley along with fellow former internationals Lesley Murdoch, Kirsty Bond and Katrina Keenan (née Withers) out at The Willows supporting both teams.

Milestones

Preparation for the season

Over the winter it was very quiet out at the ground. No instructions from Mike, “what do you think you’re doing?”, “here, let me do it”, “put the kettle on, its morning tea time”, etc. But never fear, he is watching from the balcony and itching to burn the large pile of prunings in the paddock!

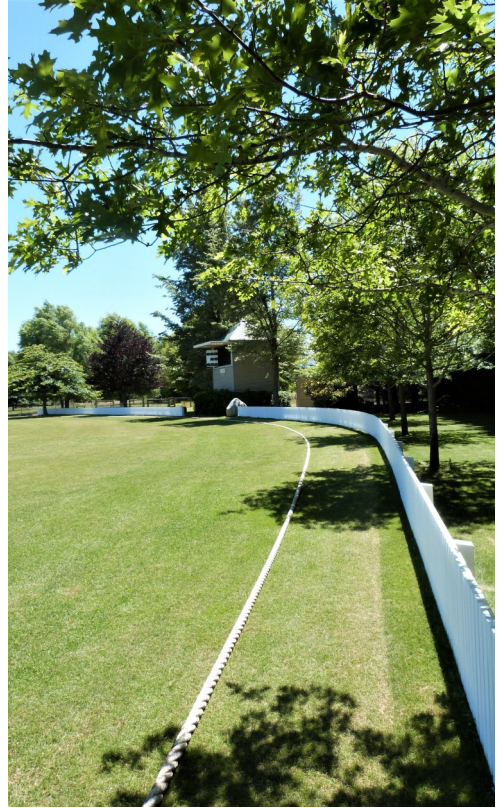
Mike would have been delighted with the irrigation work completed by Ben and John Gardner and the newly erected picket fence in front of the umbrellas and chairs. The combo of Peter Devlin and Ben had the playing surface looking an absolute picture, with both the outfield and the wicket up to first-class standard for the start of October.

Pre-season fixtures

The Willows were delighted to usher in their 28th season with three early matches involving top provincial male and female players along with some invited secondary age cricketers. They relished playing on a belter of a track produced by head groundsmen Peter Devlin and Rupert Young. The scoring rate in the Kings game exceeded 7.5 runs per over.

In late September, the Christchurch Boys’ High School 1st XI played the Lancaster Park Premiers in a warm-up fixture. We also hosted two open-wicket games involving players from the Canterbury Magicians and Kings interspersed with nine secondary school students in each match. The female match was played between the Natalie Cox v Jacinta Savage XIs followed by the male game led by Ken McClure and Jack Boyle. Amongst the rising young stars on display Scott Janett (St Andrew’s) and Aarush Bhagwari (CBHS) shone with the bat and George Gunn (St Bede’s) and Abigail Hotton (Rolleston College) with the ball.

We are most grateful to Canterbury Cricket and in particular Peter Fulton and Marty Croy for initiating this new venture which we hope becomes an early season outing for the players.



Spare a thought

When **Dan Vann** was bowled for 99 runs by Benji Irvine, Shirley Boys’ High School 1st XI, he was gutted. But as Dan said afterwards “It was good fun especially as I have taught and coached most of those Shirley boys. Benji was in fact a 1-1 client and I had been saying to him be patient and you will get the reward. Haha ... if only I was one more ball more patient. But, yeah it’s all good!”

Dan is not the only one who has been left stranded on 99 runs and denied recognition on the honours board. Three other Willowers and all loyal servants of the Club have also been dismissed one short of their century – it seems to go in about ten year cycles. So before Dan we have:

■ 1996 Phil Harris 99 not out v Medbury Headmaster's XI. Unfortunately Phil just "ran out of overs".

■ 2006 Andrew McRae 99 v St Andrew's College 1st XI.

■ 2017 Paul Miller 99 v Wellington College, from 136 balls. Paul was last man out and on that day he scored well over half The Willows total runs.

A trawl back through our history also reveals that both Andrew and Phil have also scored 98 runs on other occasions; again so agonisingly close! Thankfully, three of the four above have indeed scored Willows centuries and already feature on the honours board. It will only be a matter of time before our Timaruvian Andrew McRae joins the fray! Alas, Andrew himself is not so sure, admitting "I don't have the stamina to get to get to 100 these days". Time catches up with us all, my friend.

50 caps brigade

Congratulations to our latest two to join this prestigious group of Willowers with 50+ caps:

■ **Joe Bennett** – our skilful wicket keeper with boundless enthusiasm. Joe's infectious joie de vivre has enlivened many a slips cordon.

■ **Dave Kelly** – not only the most prodigious run scorer in our history but an inspirational leader and champion of youth cricket.

Both are Club heroes who love playing the game and make wonderful contributions off the field.

Queen's Birthday honours

The Club heartily congratulates two Willowers acknowledged in the 2022 honours list:

■ His Honour Judge **Andrew Becroft** – QSO for services to the judiciary, children and youth.

■ **Paul McEwan** – MNZM for services to neonatal care.

■ Another who was a great supporter of The Willows during his time as Mayor of Waimakiriri Council is **David Ayers**. He was also awarded

MNZM for his many years of faithful and loyal community service and especially his outstanding leadership during the time of the earthquakes.

First player exchange

The 6th March 2022 match v Waitaki Boys' High School 1st XI created history at The Willows. Friends from the Wellington Wanderers Cricket Club facilitated for two boys from the Rongotai College 1st XI to play in our team. This exchange is the first in what both clubs hope will become regular practice in allowing young cricketers, male and female, to experience cricket in a different region.

The cricketers chosen were Eddie Hoben and 1st XI captain George Wells. George has been a regular attendee at Firebirds training, wheeling down his left arm wrist spinners. His dad Jason, a former Wellington captain, has also coached the XI. Eddie is also strong with bat and ball and can keep wickets as well.

It was a special day to have both young men play in our colours and to have Jason to share some pointers at the conclusion of play. Read how they fared on page 28.

The third team

Umpires and scorers make up the "third team" necessary for a cricket match and we have been well served by our officials throughout the season. The coordination of this falls on the shoulders of David Stuthridge, a man loyal and fully into the ethos and objectives of The Willows. We thank you sincerely David.

Twenty-one umpires and eight scorers have graced the oval during the season. Their names are acknowledged after each match report. Part of the enjoyment of playing cricket at The Willows comes back to the friendliness, efficiency and goodwill which our umpires and scorers consistently display. Collectively, we thank you for your service to our game.

New scholarship exchange between The Willows and Arundel Castle

By David Kidd

The Dormer-Melluish-Aldridge Cricket Scholarship promises to provide wonderful opportunities for young cricketers between our countries. The scholarship is named after three people whose inspiration and support lie behind their creation: **Mike Dormer**, who founded The Willows and whom I knew all too briefly; my father-in-law **Michael Melluish**, OBE, who was President of MCC in 1992 and Chairman of the Arundel Castle Cricket Foundation (ACCF) from 2003 to 2011; and **Sir Rod Aldridge**, founder of the Aldridge Academies (aldridgeeducation.org, baca-uk.org.uk and aldridgefoundation.com). These three never met, but they share a passion for the character-building qualities of cricket and a desire to use the game to provide opportunities to those who might not otherwise have them.

Background

Inspired by my late father-in-law Michael Melluish, I wanted to explore whether young New Zealand cricketers could be found who would want to spend the English summer working with the ACCF and playing cricket at Arundel Castle and elsewhere in West Sussex, which is a lovely part of England. Arundel Castle has a special place in NZ cricket folklore as it was traditionally the venue for a NZ touring team's opening fixture. In March 2021, on the advice of Martin Snedden, former NZ Cricket Chairman, I contacted Ben Dormer about the young cricketer idea. In no time Ben arranged for me to meet his father Mike. The meeting with Mike was a wonderfully rich and wide-ranging discussion

of people, places and issues all linked by cricket. Mike's passion and beliefs were strong reminders of those of Michael Melluish. Both men were of similar build, had been wicketkeepers, were fine raconteurs and were keen to connect like-minded people. Mike Dormer was very taken by the idea that The Willows should send young cricketers to Arundel Castle.

The day after the meeting, Winsome and Mike took us to see The Willows and its treasure trove pavilion, in which there is a photo of Colin Cowdrey tossing the coin with John Reid, captain of NZ in its first game of the 1964 tour at Arundel Castle. That photo appeared to reinforce the serendipity of finding The Willows and contemplating a lasting partnership between The Willows and Arundel Castle. Very sadly Mike passed away three weeks after our meeting and the creation of this cricket scholarship exchange programme was one of his last wishes.

The Willows has been keen also to reciprocate and offer cricketing and other experiences in Canterbury, NZ, to cricketers sent by Arundel Castle Cricket. To this end, Arundel Castle Cricket is partnering with Sir Rod Aldridge's cricket academy for the purpose of selecting the Arundel Castle Cricket Scholars. The cost of their travel to NZ will be kindly covered by Sir Rod, whose philosophy of character-building through cricket and supporting the development of cricket through schools, especially state schools, matches the beliefs of Mike Dormer and Michael Melluish.

Scholars will comprise a young woman as well as a young man, recognising the importance of contributing to the growth of the women's game in both countries. There is strength in diversity and it is also hoped that over the years the programme will provide opportunities to young cricketers from a range of ethnicities.

A great deal of effort has gone into making the idea discussed with Mike Dormer early in 2021 become a reality, despite all the uncertainty surrounding international travel caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. My sincere appreciation and thanks for all that effort and for the universal enthusiasm with which The Willows, Arundel

Castle Cricket (including the Foundation) and the Aldridge Cricket Academy have greeted the programme and worked to make this idea a reality. It will be a fitting part of the legacies of Mike Dormer, Michael Melluish and Rod Aldridge for many years to come.

■ *David Kidd is a Kiwi, member of LNZCC, and lawyer of more than 20 years' experience in Hong Kong. He now spends six months each year in the UK and six months here in Arrowtown.*



New acquisition for the Rose Lawn

Sunday 21st November saw the arrival and first use of a locally made outdoor table. This fitting and most generous gesture to The Willows, in loving memory of MED, was made by Winsome's sister Elsa and the Gent family, of Exeter, England. It reflects the special family relationship that exists and for all the kindness and good things Mike shared with them.

It was fitting that it was the Northwest XI, described by Winsome as "a delightful bunch of spirited lads", should be the first team to use and enjoy the table for their lunch.

In Memoriam

We deeply regret to record the death of the following members during the past year. The date after each name denotes year of entry.

B.L. (Brian) Aldridge, QSM / 1940-2021
Member & Umpire (1994), Obit p58

E.T. (Eddie) Brownlee, QSM / 1936-2022
Honorary Member & Umpire (1995), Obit p59

B. (Bernie) Coleman, OBE / 1924-2021
Honorary Member (2009)

A.K. (Alan) Davidson, AM, MBE / 1929-2021
Member (1995), Obit p57

F.R. (Fred) Goodall, ONZM, ED / 1938-2021
Member (2006), Obit p59

S. (Shereen) Hussain
Member (2010), Obit p60

G.P. (Gary) Lennon, ONZM / 1938-2022
Honorary Member (1995), Obit p58

R.G. (Robert) Munn / 1930-2021
Member (1994)

D.O. (Don) Neely / 1935-2022
Honorary Member (1994), Obit p40

J.F. (John) Thompson / 1936-2021
Member (1994-2001)

M. (Bill) Watson
Member (1995)

B.G. (Bryan) Wilby / 1942-2022
Member (1994)

Our sympathies also go to two Willows families who have suffered recent loss of loved-ones. Firstly, to Maureen, Brian and Michael on the death of son and brother Mark Hastings, the gifted former Canterbury all-rounder; and to Graeme Inglis who was with his wife Lynda when she died peacefully in hospital. Both families have been very much in our thoughts.

Chatfield Shield – won and lost

By Sam Davis

At the end of November 2021 our champion Kindred lads had further success at a brilliant weekend of cricket played at the Black Cottage Ground (Blenheim). At this triangular tournament they recorded wins against the Clifton County Cricket Club (Hawkes Bay) and United Country & Vineyards (Marlborough) to win the Chatfield Shield for their effort. Well done to this talented and successful over-35 group. All team members contributed across the two matches, but an astute innings from Chris Mugford, a devastating 92 from Adam Hastilow, and accurate death bowling from Chris Nicolson helped to secure the Chatfield Shield in the final match against United Country & Vineyards. Many thanks to Vineyards stalwart (and Willows member) Dave Clouston for hosting a fantastic event.

Things couldn't have looked better for the New Year. Sam's boys were chipper with a lot to



▲ Tim McConnell with the Chatfield Shield.

defend. Unfortunately in January 2022 the mandatory Covid red setting came into force which curtailed all further action. The eagerly awaited and keenly fought Kindred finals in Auckland and several other planned matches had to be cancelled. One that did get over the line was a late January Friday match versus the Seddon Cricket Club (Hamilton) – a match we lost. In the tradition of the Ranfurly Shield the victor takes the spoils and we said adieu to the Chatfield for this season.



Masterclasses at Hagley Oval

A great bunch of keen Under-12 players, 38 in total, enjoyed two masterclass coaching clinics held at the wonderful facilities of Hagley Oval in the week prior to Christmas. This annual event organised by Dan Vann and Evolution Sports continues to grow in its appeal. The outstanding Evolution coaching team (Alister Collins, Shuiab Munna, Kalhan Challu, Matt Parr, Adam Hastilow and of course Dan himself) took the lads through a number of batting, bowling, fielding and mental skills rotations. They were very lucky to have legendary former Blackcaps player and former NZ and Indian Cricket Team Coach John Wright talk to the group about coaching the likes of Sachin Tendulkar and provide some tips on how to be a successful cricketer! The second day was a more game focused day dealing with decision making, mindset, and having intent. It similarly went down well with the lads.

Golf Day – 108 come to play

The Willows held its annual Golf Day on 29th April 2022 at the Christchurch Golf Club. A full field of 108 players came from all over New Zealand to play, in what we hope will become a sought-after event. Organised by Willower Keith Yardley, the aim is not only to get people together to enjoy their day but also for the Club to launch its coaching programme fund. Money raised (thanks to all players and our generous sponsors) gave this fund a considerable boost.

Perfect autumn golfing conditions greeted the field, as they teed off in an Ambrose format tournament. For the record the winning fours were captained by James Richards and for the ladies Kerryr Starr. Special thanks to our sponsors: Max Bremner and The Oxford Group who picked up the course costs for the day, Nick Davidson who sponsored a hole, and Phil Harris who provided the wine prizes for the day. Their contributions helped make the day a huge success. As well as Keith thanks also to Willows members: Di Woodward, Jim Stringleman, Phil Harris and John McRae who helped on the day.

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone back for next year's tournament.



Simon says "hands on knees". The Willows cordon of Tim Hampton-Matehe, Dan Vann, Andy Macgregor, Casey Marsh and Tom Music in action against their alma mater, Shirley Boys' High School.

Q&A with Frankie Mackay

Frankie Mackay, Canterbury Magicians captain, is an absolute legend in cricket. She was an integral member of the 2022 White Ferns ICC Women's Cricket World Cup campaign. As well as playing 60 ODIs and T20s for her country she is equally adept in the commentary box mixing it with the likes of Doull, Smith and Debbie Hockley. She shares her thoughts about the game she loves.

Q1. Most memorable game?

The recent White Ferns v England match at Eden Park during the 2022 Women's Cricket World Cup is a game I will remember forever. A must-win match for us and it had it all. A good opening partnership for the home side, an injury to our captain whilst batting, a lower order collapse leaving us with a sub par total, losing our best bowler to injury midway through her over, rain, an English collapse of 5/20, DRS reviews, a run out for the 9th wicket and unfortunately a 10th wicket partnership of 8 runs to get the English across the line. However, what really sticks out to me was the feeling inside the ground, the crowd was electric and vocal in their support. I woke up hoarse the next morning purely from yelling trying to be heard over the crowd noise, I can only imagine what playing in front of 50,000 people at Eden Park would be like! It really felt like the whole ground and whole country was cheering us on and willing us on to a win. When we got the 9th wicket and came together as a fielding unit there was not one shred of doubt in the group that we could win this. The entire group was bright-eyed with excitement, exhilaration pulsing through the huddle. It felt as though another brilliant sporting moment on Eden Park was about to happen as the rain continued to fall and neither team even contemplating going off. And within all the



▲ Frankie Mackay celebrates 100 T20 games for Canterbury. Photo credit: Callum Curnow.

madness and the cheering there was me at the top of my mark, ball in hand, trying to make something special happen for my team and my country. Whilst we did not quite get over the line, I think I will remember this game forever and the moment at the start of what would be my last over of the day where I stood with a smile on my face, ball in hand, took a deep breath, looked around and thought, "How lucky am I?"

Q2. Most memorable personal performance?

Firsts are always particularly memorable and I remember my first hundred for Canterbury extremely fondly. It was one of the first times in my career that I felt like I was in the zone and almost as though time had slowed down for me. It is still my highest score and perhaps the best I have batted! My first five-wicket bag for Canterbury was very similar, almost as though I could predict exactly how the batter would play and could bowl the right ball accordingly.

Having spent the majority of my time opening the batting, any time I can end up still at the crease when the winning runs are scored is always a wonderful feeling and any time I end up on the winning side after being tasked with bowling the last over is a feeling that cannot be replicated.

In terms of days where it all goes right on the park I played a club final for Lancaster Park one year where we lost the toss and got sent in and I batted through the innings and made a hundred, then got to bowl on a wearing wicket and ended up with 5-for as well as pouching 3 catches. It was a great day out and one I often smile about; cricket isn't always the kindest game but on that day it all felt easy (and very enjoyable!).

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

I have been very fortunate to cross paths with many good people and good coaches who put a lot of time and effort into me, especially as a young player. My parents have been my biggest supporters throughout my career and have watched more cricket than most people I know! Gary Stead was my first Canterbury Magicians coach and first White Ferns coach and I owe him a great deal of gratitude for the time he invested in me, the trainings together were always tough but I learnt so much from him during his time in the women's game. The continued support of coaches and Canterbury cricket allowed me to forge my own path and grow up into the person I am today. And it is the ability to be authentic in everything that I do that has really shaped me as

a player. I am a big believer in learning from those around you, sometimes that will be things you do want to do or replicate and sometimes it is learning what doesn't sit well with you. I can still remember when Claire Taylor came to play in Canterbury and her attitude around close games was infectious. She would be almost bouncing out of her seat with excitement and regularly spoke about the need to enjoy the close games as they are the memorable experiences and the reasons we do all the training and put in the hours of preparation. This really stuck with me and is something I try and bring to the game now – the mantra of there is nowhere I would rather be than in the middle of a close contest. It is amazing nerves are quickly replaced with excitement when you change your thinking.

Q4. Advice for a current secondary school player who has a vision to play at the top level?

It may sound cliché but enjoy it. It is meant to be fun after all. There is a lot of hard work that will need to go in but the early mornings and late nights are all worth it. Cricket is a game based on failure so make sure you enjoy the successes along the way, no matter how big or small. And if it is what you really want then go after it with both hands.

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

That cricket is a game for all. It is a wonderful sport where you have the opportunity to make lifelong friends and live amazing experiences. The game will continue to change over time but the contest between bat and ball will remain and the more diversity in cricket the more the sport will move from strength to strength. We are stronger together after all. The spirit of cricket will remain in the game for as long as we encourage our cricketers to be authentic and genuine in how they play the game. We all have the chance to be a role model no matter at which level we play the game so make sure when people think of a good person they think of you. Play hard but fair and enjoy the time in the clubhouse after the game.

The '49ers: giants of the game

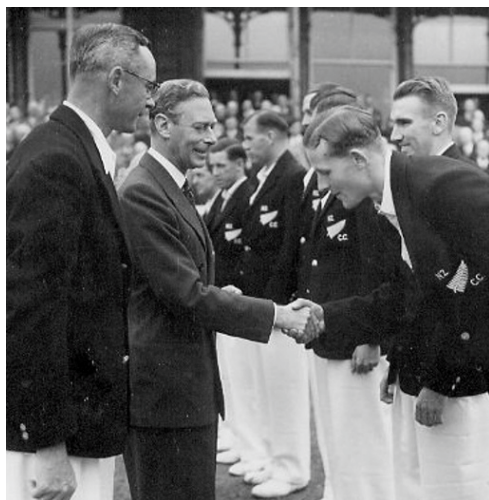
By David Kidd

Past Chairman of London New Zealand CC and member of both MCC and The Willows.

The Black Caps' June 2021 victory in the Test Championship crowned a wonderful few years for New Zealand Cricket, which only success over Australia could have bettered. Such is the humility of Kane Williamson and his team that I suspect they would be the first to acknowledge that in achieving such heights they stand on the shoulders of giants.

It is fair to say that the first giants of New Zealand cricket, at least judging by results, were Walter Hadlee and his team who toured England (and Scotland, Wales and Germany) in 1949. The Forty-Niners, as the team is known, left the shores of New Zealand aboard the *Dominion Monarch* in February and returned on the *Rangitata* in October. They played 37 matches, losing only one and drawing all four tests. To say that they put New Zealand on the cricketing map would be an understatement. As with the 2021 team, their 1949 forebears were a popular team who won friends and influenced people to believe that Kiwis could play the great game well and in the right way.

Walter Hadlee kept a detailed diary on the 1949 tour which provides a fascinating insight into both the tour itself and also the times in which it took place. These were the days of healthy over rates (up to 120 a day), hardly any back room (a manager and a bag man) and expectations that the players would connect with the local community both before (visits to local businesses, etc) and after (dinners, etc) play, mixing with royalty, politicians, military leaders and stars of stage and screen. It is astonishing that the team acquitted themselves so well on the field against legends like Len Hutton, Denis



▲ New Zealand captain Walter Hadlee introducing his team to King George VI at Lord's in 1949.

Compton, Trevor Bailey and Alec Bedser; and it was not surprising that the pace found several of the players out, with the skipper needing R&R in London whilst the team travelled to Scotland under the able vice-captain Merv Wallace (who came close to the holy grail of scoring 1,000 runs before the end of May).

Sir Richard Hadlee has compiled his father's 1949 diaries beautifully. The book titled *The Skipper's Diary* is an essential part of any cricket collection. It takes us back to a bygone era before air travel, where amateurs played for the love of the game and appeared to enjoy what surely must have been the ultimate of tours, which that doyen of cricket writers, Neville Cardus, thought contributed to English cricket a "rejuvenation of the spirit". More than that, Cardus said: "The tourists (New Zealand) came here to learn, but they also had something to teach us, or at any rate, help us with – that is, the renewal of what is known as the 'amateur' attitude. I am talking about a manner of approach, rather than class division: of an eagerness to embrace uninhibited, unselfish action." More than shades of their 2021 successors!

Sir Richard Hadlee is to be heartily congratulated on this project, which he told me he rates as the best thing he has ever done!

A shot from the past



Six cricket internationals on display

Photo source: Sir RJ Hadlee archives

This photograph, taken over 34 years ago, is of the Hadlee Family “XI plus” team during a match against the Waihi School team, organised back then by Iain and Garth Gallaway. With some of the Waihi boys crouched at the front, members of the two families extend across the back.

Left to right standing are: Martin Hadlee and daughters, Barry Hadlee and son, Dayle and daughters (and Kate who is on the far right), Garth Gallaway, captain WA Hadlee (wearing a

West Indies cap), Iain Gallaway (white hat), Chris Hadlee in the dark cap, Peter Prosser (Headmaster Waihi School 1971–1993) with the light blue shirt and tie, and Sir Richard Hadlee. BG’s dog Sadler and his other son Tom are playing together behind the group. Karen Hadlee has taken the photo.

New Zealand cricket representatives who played in the fixture are: BG Hadlee, DR Hadlee, WA Hadlee, Sir RJ Hadlee and Karen Hadlee. Playing for Waihi School was the future international player, Peter Fulton and no prizes for picking him out as the tallest lad playing and in shorts!

Many thanks for the day at The Willows. A delight to be back.
And having reached the point where I can’t bat, bowl, catch, run
or throw, I find that I’m left with the best bit, the people.

— Joe Bennett

Past Highlights

The Sunday 4th October 2011 match versus **Christchurch Boys' High School 1st XI** proved to be a pace bowler's dream. A tinge of green and some juice in the track had them immediately wringing their hands and striding out their long run-ups. Each side had pace to burn. CBHS boasted a young quick in Ed Nuttall who has gone on to play 37 first-class matches for Canterbury. To counter, The Willows called up the heavy artillery led by former international paceman Geoff Allott (10 Tests) and slippery Strowan old boy Matt Parr who was also more than capable of roughing up the odd batsman or two. Collectively the opening quicks picked up 11 of the 19 wickets that fell in the match.

It proved a tight, low-scoring affair. The Willows batting first, struggled and limped through to a

sub-par 146. The ignominy of their scorecard was that extras top scored! Not surprisingly Ed picked up a healthy 4/25. After a meagre effort with the bat, the heat went on our attack. It was an imposing sight to see the response particularly from Geoff and Matt in their second spells, pounding in from somewhere out near the sightscreen. At 140/9 the game was poised to go either way but it was the CBHS tailenders who prevailed.

Victory was set up earlier by the best partnership of the day between Tom Rennie and David Wakefield. On reflection over a decade later, it is a pleasure to have top players like David (who went on to play T20 internationals for USA), Ed and Theo as active members of The Willows. It is also a sheer joy to watch them play.

The Willows

JM Richards	b Williams	17
SL Carter	c van Woerkom b Nuttall	2
AJ Rowe	c Braid b Burnett	11
AJD Mauger	c Davidson b van W'kom	22
PF Younghusband	b Nuttall	10
MJ Parr	lbw Nuttall	1
MP Rowe	lbw van Woerkom	13
JS Nuttall	c Vorster b Nuttall	22
SJ Davis	c & b Davidson	6
GI Allott	b Williams	4
AJ Nuttall	not out	2

Extras (9lb, 21w, 6nb) 36

Total (all out, 46.2 overs) 146

	O	M	R	W
EJ Nuttall	8.2	0	25	4
M Vorster	6	1	19	0
CJB Burnett	10	1	30	1
H Williams	5	0	14	2
TF van Woerkom	10	1	21	2
LJ Davidson	7	0	28	1

Christchurch Boys' High School 1st XI

MS Keen	b Allott	4
TC Rennie	b Parr	40
TJ Braid	lbw Carter	8
DJ Wakefield	lbw Allott	42
CJB Burnett	run out	0
R McKenna	b Allott	0
H Williams	c Richards b Parr	8
LJ Davidson	b Parr	5
J Ashford	b Parr	0
TF van Woerkom	not out	6
M Vorster	not out	4

Extras (2b, 3lb, 33w, 1nb) 39

Total (9 wickets, 45 overs) 148

	O	M	R	W
GI Allott	10	0	22	3
MJ Parr	10	4	23	4
AJ Rowe	3	0	12	0
SL Carter	10	1	25	1
JS Nuttall	3	0	14	0
PF Younghusband	6	1	29	0
AJ Nuttall	3	0	18	0

Umpires: E Brownlee and B Hamilton **Scorer:** A Campbell **Result:** The Willows lost by 1 wicket

Alan Davidson remembered



Alan Davidson, AM, MBE, who passed away in 2021 aged 92, was a truly great left arm opening bowler – as shown by his test record of 186 wickets at just 20.58. Since World War Two only three bowlers with over 50 test wickets have had a lower average. But Davidson was also a high class all rounder – a powerful left-hand hitter batting anywhere from six to ten for Australia and scorer of nine centuries in first-class cricket, while his fielding was so good that he soon earned the nickname “The Claw”.

Davidson made his debut for NSW in 1949 and captured 4/32 in his first outing. The next year he was picked for an Australian “B” team to tour NZ. Davidson promptly announced himself to the cricketing world in spectacular fashion in a non first-class match, by taking 10/29 v Wairarapa at Masterton and then scoring 157*. However such was Australia’s strength in pace bowling at the time, headed by the famed Lindwall and Miller combination, that Davidson had to wait until 1953 to make his Test debut.

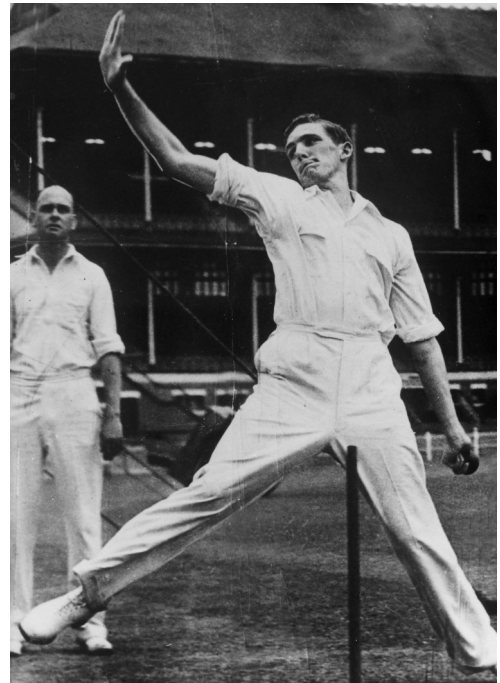
So for the first five years of his Test career he was somewhat of a spare part. In his first three Ashes series, which Australia lost, he played only 10 of the 15 Tests and took just 13 wickets. At times he was even used as a spin bowler and he chimed in with some useful runs, although sometimes, seemingly, only his brilliant fielding kept him in the side. But then in South Africa in 1957/58, with other leading pace bowlers either retired or injured, Davidson became the first

choice to take the new ball and success followed. He captured 25 wickets in the Tests and scored four centuries on the tour.

In his next three Ashes series, with Australia winning the Ashes back and then retaining them, he captured a total of 71 wickets at 21.24 (and also scored 480 runs at 32.60). He reached his peak in the famous Test series against the West Indies in 1960/61, when in the first Test, the tied Test at the Gabba, he took 11 wickets and scored 44 and 80 (after coming in at 5/57). In just four Tests in this series (he was injured for the other one) he took 33 wickets.

He was a key figure in his final two Ashes series, firstly in England in 1961 when Australia won 2-1, and in Australia, in 1962/63, in a drawn series 1-1. In the latter series he topped the bowling averages and aggregates for both teams. So at the end of this series he retired at the top, then had a long and distinguished career as a cricket administrator. Alan Davidson, always a most personable player, was both a great cricketer and a great man of cricket.

■ *Tribute by Bert Walker.*



Brian Aldridge, QSM 1940-2021



Brian's sudden death came as a shock to many and messages came from umpires around the world. Such was his influence in umpiring circles. He was a first year Willower and maintained his interest right until the end of last season where he enjoyed

umpiring The Willows v Umpires match. He was a handy opening batsman for Merivale-Papanui in the Senior Suburban competition in the early 1970s and eventually a Life Member of that club. Brian was a builder by trade. When the near derelict Marist Cricket clubrooms on Hagley Oval became for sale, Brian was instrumental in the Canterbury Regional Umpires and Scorers Assn buying and refurbishing it as their headquarters. They wanted to name it after him but Brian would have none of it.

Brian started umpiring in the late 1970s and made his provincial debut with mentor Fred Goodall in 1979.

He stood in 26 Tests, 45 ODIs and four T20I matches. His undoubted highlight was his performance in the 1992 World Cup. He umpired the first fixture between Australia and South Africa at the Sydney Cricket Ground. He stood in nine matches and was rewarded by standing in the World Cup final at the MCG.

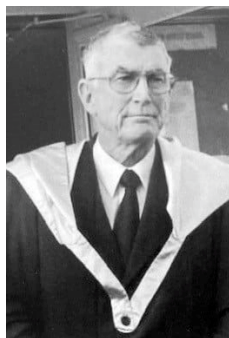
John Wright related a story at his funeral: "In a particular test match at Lancaster Park NZ was facing an un-comfortable batting period at the start of their second innings about 40 minutes before stumps. The light was fading, and it wasn't a good time to bat. He kept giving Brian regular reminders how dark it was getting. John was not getting anywhere so he offered a last plea: "Look Brian, New Zealand needs you," implying he should take the batsmen off the park. Nothing happened. Soon after he said, "Listen Wrighty, the trouble with you is you want

everything your own way. Now shut up!" The point was made. It showed him to be a clear communicator, honest, and that you did not mess with Brian Aldridge".

Following his retirement from umpiring Brian worked for 11 years at NZ Cricket as National Umpiring Manager. He also worked for the ICC as a match referee. At the time of his death he was Patron of the Canterbury Cricket Umpires and Scorers Association. For his services to cricket he was awarded the QSM in 2012.

■ *Tribute by David Stuthridge, fellow umpire*

Gary Lennon, ONZM 1938-2022



It is with a heavy heart that we bring you the sad news that Gary Lennon passed away in May 2022. Gary was a greatly respected man of St Bede's College, and we know will be sadly missed by all that knew him. Our love and prayers go out to Claire and his family.

Gary had a 36-year association with St Bede's College, five as a student from 1953-1957 and thirty-one years as a staff member from 1975-2005. Gary taught several subjects including Religious Education, English, Geography and History. He also held the roles of Senior Master, Deputy Rector and Acting Rector in addition to coach of both Rugby 1st XV and Cricket 1st XI.

At the time of the centenary in 2011, Gary was named as one of six Icons of the College, a special acknowledgement given to men who best exhibit the values that St Bede's stand for.

■ *From a message by Rector Justin Boyle to the St Bede's College community.*

Eddie Brownlee, QSM 1936-2022



Another stalwart and long serving honorary member of The Willows has left us. Eddie stood as an umpire at The Willows right from the start of its founding some 27 years ago. Not only did he umpire regularly but up until five years ago he had the role, with Graham Evans, of making the umpiring appointments each match.

Eddie started umpiring in 1980 and soon rose to become a B Panel umpire and officiated in Hawke Cup Cricket together in a number of women's representative games. He was well respected and later became a mentor to new umpires joining the ranks. From 1997 to 1999 he served as President of Canterbury Umpires and Scorers Association, and in 2000 was elected as a Life Member. He also took great satisfaction from following his daughter Delwyn play for Canterbury, Central Districts and one Test for New Zealand.

As well, Eddie was actively involved as a coach at the Western Football Club and in 1989 was awarded a QSM for his services to football and the community. In his working life he was a building construction tutor at the Christchurch Polytechnic retiring in 2016 at the age of 80.

Eddie was always a great character, and umpired with good humour. I remember a game in his later years where I happened to be his colleague. A batsman smashed the ball into his face (actually it hit his teeth). Everyone was extremely worried for his well being, but he only went down on one knee, and said "Don't worry boys, these dentures are bloody tough." He wiped the blood away and carried on like an absolute trooper.

■ *Tribute by David Stuthridge, fellow umpire*

Fred Goodall, ONZM, ED 1938-2021



Fred was the youngest person to officiate in our Test cricket history. He was only 27 when appointed to umpire a Pakistan v NZ Test in 1965. He went on to stand in a total of 24 Tests and 15 ODIs between 1965 and 1988. He will always be remembered as the man who stood in the middle for one of the most contentious moments in New Zealand sport, attracting the ire of a frustrated West Indian side on their 1980 tour. Fellow international umpire David Quedest presents another side of this charismatic character:

"When I started in 1982/83 Fred was in his prime, training umpires, and we looked up to him. He would come to meetings after a Test match and give us a run down by saying "we got six wrong" and he would explain each one. He was always so well dressed on a Saturday and if standing with Fred you always made sure that your tie, tie pin, cuff links, and all your gear, especially the counter was in perfect order.

One thing I do remember was that for club cricket the trousers to be worn had to be BLUE in colour, and that you only wore BLACK trousers when appointed to first-class matches. For me, as a police officer, I had plenty of BLUE trousers, even with several pockets in them for baton and handcuffs etc. These did the job well. The training sessions he took would be run just like his geography class at St Andrew's College, with no talking or drifting off. On one occasion he stopped his training to berate two very senior umpires because they were not listening".

We extend our thoughts and condolences to his wife Diana and family.

Shereen Hussain

Sri Lanka Tour Manager

We were deeply saddened to hear that our “Man on the Ground” in Sri Lanka, Shereen Hussain, passed away peacefully on the 16th August 2021 of Covid complications. He had been unwell for a short while and sadly failed to respond to hospital treatment.

Shereen was an integral part of The Willows tours to Sri Lanka. He was our travel agent, our contact with schools, local tour manager and liaison when language with locals became a problem. He will be fondly remembered for his

quick wit (some will say sarcasm) and his stories. Should any of our party want or need anything it would be Shereen who would arrange it. This included buying presents for wives and girlfriends at home!

Over the years Shereen has maintained contact with many of the lads and visited us in Christchurch twice with his wife Zahira. Each Willows tour member will hold special personal memories of their contact with Shereen. He will be sadly missed by family and his many friends from far and wide.

■ *Tribute from Julie and Paul McEwan, Youth Tour Co-ordinators from the outset.*



‘Play in the V’

Through the generosity of Club members, each visiting secondary school player during the season has been presented with a silver ‘Play in The V’ blazer badge. This of course was Mike’s favourite catch cry. It is to be a memento of their time playing at The Willows. In addition, a special gold badge, was presented to the school player in the XI, who in the opinion of their coach, best exemplifies the values of their School and goes above and beyond for cricket.

For example – on Sunday 5th December, the Marlborough Boys’ College 1st XI coach, Chris McMurtrie provided this citation for his gold bat recipient, Joel Pannell:

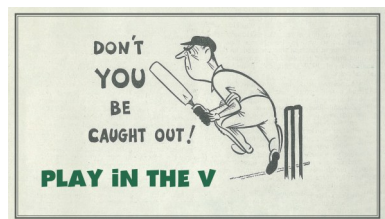
“Joel has spent four years in the MBC First XI set-up and has played over 30 games for the school. Joel plays with intensity and heart and is a very skilled player. He thinks about the game and

puts in 100%. In the last two seasons he has also coached and travelled with our Year 9 cricket side. He has been a great mentor to those young lads and helped to develop their cricket.”

Then on Sunday 19th December, Christ’s College Master in charge of cricket, Andrew Levenger, awarded his gold badge to Ben Breitmeyer and stated:

“Ben regularly goes above and beyond in a cricketing sense. At College he has offered his time to the Colts team, helping in the nets and giving advice to the players in that environment. Away from College, Ben has also coached at Sydenham CC for a number of years through a range of year groups starting with the Schools Holiday programmes. Sydenham CC have commented that his ability to interact with differing ages and abilities with ease is a unique trait for someone so young.”

Mike would certainly have agreed that both Joel and Ben have displayed the qualities befitting our 2021 golden bat recipients.



Cumulative Statistics

Minimum of 300 runs / 15 wickets

	M	Inn	NO	Runs	Ave	100	O	M	R	W	Ave	5W
Abbott, R.E.	15	12	2	199	19.9	-	129	22	518	18	28.8	1
Agnew, T.W.	20	19	6	247	19	-	163	21	616	33	18.7	1
Allott, G.I.	15	13	4	109	12.1	-	131	30	427	30	14.2	1
Ambler, K.R.	10	10	1	547	60.8	1	14	1	68	2	34	-
Bennett, J.	50	31	12	324	17.1	-	12	1	85	3	28.3	-
Bisman, C.W.	10	8	2	318	53	1	81	12	246	19	12.9	-
Bond, D.W.	42	42	7	1359	38.8	2	35	2	256	3	85.3	-
Brooks, G.N.	20	20	2	586	32.6	-	34	3	147	4	36.8	-
Burson, R.D.	16	14	4	276	27.6	-	119	14	393	30	13.1	1
Campbell, M.	7	6	4	40	20	-	46	7	185	19	9.7	1
Clark, C.R.	6	6	1	65	13	-	48	8	180	15	12	-
Coffey, S.T.	14	14	3	529	48.1	2	14	2	67	2	33.5	-
Coll, J.P.	17	17	4	478	36.8	-	236	22	583	30	19.4	1
Cornelius, W.A.	30	20	4	187	11.7	-	185	36	544	37	14.7	2
Courtney, L.	31	28	15	174	13.4	-	211	19	940	31	30.3	-
Curnow, C.C.	17	12	4	148	18.5	-	99	9	421	27	15.6	2
Cusack, D.R.	46	41	7	1244	36.6	1	10	1	45	1	45	-
Davidson, J.A.F.	42	42	5	1021	27.6	-	9	1	40	1	40	-
Davis, S.J.	56	43	15	409	14.6	-	332	51	1237	74	16.7	2
Davison, H.	15	14	2	213	17.8	-	86	5	362	20	18.1	-
Day, H.W.	11	11	1	199	19.9	-	68	8	279	20	14	1
Devlin, P.C.	25	25	6	621	32.7	1	32	3	140	7	20	-
Dickson, G.J.	30	28	9	518	27.3	-	111	2	475	20	23.8	-
Doody, B.J.K.	37	37	4	1059	32.1	2	30	1	148	12	12.3	-
Doody, T.J.	16	11	5	32	5.3	-	144	7	605	24	25.2	1
Dormer, B.L.	27	23	2	456	21.7	-	10	0	53	2	26.5	-
Dowds, D.P.	31	31	4	975	36.1	1	95	4	495	14	35.4	-
Dunne, R.M.	22	22	8	773	55.2	-	90	12	336	15	22.4	-
Eddington, W.L.	12	8	1	148	21.1	-	96	13	366	21	17.4	2
Ellis, A.M. (Ex Burnside)	16	16	5	487	44.3	-	86	10	330	18	18.3	-
Ellis, A.M. (Ex SBHS)	14	13	4	424	47.1	-	60	20	168	8	21	-
Fisher, T.D.L.	6	6	4	431	215.5	1	16	2	77	4	19.3	-
Flanagan, S.P.	16	16	2	435	31.1	-	120	15	421	19	22.2	-
Fleming, B.D.	16	16	4	462	38.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fulton, P.G.	9	9	0	362	40.2	-	34	2	163	3	54.3	-
Garry, J.	12	12	1	383	34.8	-	37	0	188	8	23.5	-
Gray, A.H.	16	11	4	20	2.9	-	175	37	523	30	17.4	1
Grocott, D.J.	23	16	9	178	25.4	-	147	35	361	24	15	-
Grocott, T.M.	19	8	4	49	12.3	-	134	4	479	20	24	-
Hampton-Matehe, T.M.	17	17	1	554	34.6	1	16	2	60	6	10	-
Hantz, J.L.	14	14	0	354	25.3	-	19	1	88	7	12.6	-

	M	Inn	NO	Runs	Ave	100	O	M	R	W	Ave	5W
Harris, P.D.	87	86	20	2047	31	3	288	36	1175	52	22.6	-
Harrison, T.	20	20	4	655	40.9	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hastilow, A.J.	43	36	6	838	27.9	-	252	26	1040	56	18.6	1
Hastings, M.B.	33	28	4	242	10.1	-	254	39	987	47	21	-
Hawke, M.J.	32	30	10	803	40.2	-	165	20	666	26	25.6	-
Hight, C.M.	23	16	7	242	26.9	-	117	24	350	23	15.2	-
Hill, F.	11	11	2	375	41.7	1	60	9	283	15	18.9	-
Hudson, M.G.	17	17	2	361	24.1	-	123	8	557	24	23.2	-
Inglis, G.D.	73	66	11	1399	25.4	1	200	25	807	38	21.2	-
Innes, J.T.	15	15	2	475	36.5	-	71	11	246	15	16.4	1
Johnstone, A.F.	25	25	4	351	16.7	-	30	3	113	6	18.8	-
Kelly, D.P.	51	49	21	2179	77.8	7	189	22	624	50	12.5	2
Kelly, M.J.	22	21	2	394	20.7	-	24	1	120	6	20	1
Latham, T.W.M.	9	9	2	483	69	1	15	3	56	1	56	-
Lonsdale, W.M.	13	12	2	97	9.7	-	115	23	375	25	15	-
Macgregor, A.J.	15	15	0	127	8.5	-	136	30	408	23	17.7	1
Marsh, N.E.	24	15	12	57	19	-	140	27	463	30	15.4	-
Masefield, R.V.	21	15	7	165	20.6	-	112	12	433	25	17.3	1
Masefield, T.J.	16	15	6	308	34.2	-	37	10	79	13	6.1	-
McCarthy, G.P.	39	37	2	447	12.8	-	71	1	362	18	20.1	-
McCarthy, P.B.	19	19	2	670	39.4	1	49	5	196	11	17.8	-
McConnell, T.P.	76	75	9	1747	26.5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
McEwan, P.E.	71	65	7	1458	25.1	2	293	27	1261	60	21	-
McEwan, R.P.	46	34	7	142	5.3	-	190	17	830	24	34.6	-
McFedries, A.G.	58	53	9	1029	23.4	-	378	39	1582	52	30.4	1
McGuire, R.D.	67	49	24	749	30	-	436	42	1714	93	18.4	2
McMillan, D.H.A.	15	12	4	211	26.4	-	126	30	419	22	19	-
McRae, A.R.	39	30	7	728	31.7	-	85	9	343	12	28.6	-
Miller, G.A.	27	27	5	566	25.7	1	1	0	14	1	14	-
Miller, P.	33	31	2	836	28.8	1	136	11	555	32	17.3	-
Mitchell, W.J.	29	25	3	439	20	-	50	8	156	9	17.3	-
Mohammedy, N.	22	13	4	79	8.8	-	113	14	462	17	27.2	-
Mugford, C.	25	24	3	686	32.7	-	92	11	350	16	21.9	-
Murray, F.D.J.	16	16	0	329	20.6	-	8	0	45	1	45	-
Music, T.	24	24	2	319	14.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nathu, A.	20	20	2	513	28.5	-	14	0	87	1	87	-
Nielsen, T.N.	18	17	4	225	17.3	-	145	24	521	32	16.3	1
Noster, S.N.	17	12	2	459	45.9	3	68	10	268	6	44.7	-
Nuttall, A.J.	133	85	39	1057	23	-	1035	239	2919	251	11.6	3
O'Connell, C.P.	12	12	5	183	26.1	-	81	7	350	20	17.5	-
O'Gorman, J.P.D.	14	14	3	426	38.7	2	58	0	249	6	41.5	-
Paltridge, M.	13	13	3	331	33.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parr, M.J.	29	28	4	488	20.3	-	232	36	829	41	20.2	-
Patel, M.	15	13	2	447	40.6	1	83	15	300	14	21.4	-
Pawson, J.D.	27	25	5	596	29.8	1	192	31	564	32	17.6	-
Peacock, M.D.	25	23	7	483	30.2	-	251	61	739	52	14.2	3

	M	Inn	NO	Runs	Ave	100	O	M	R	W	Ave	5W
Reed, G.I.	24	24	5	365	19.2	-	12	0	59	3	19.7	-
Reese, A.	21	20	5	210	14	-	174	11	673	27	24.9	1
Richards, J.M.	20	20	4	421	26.3	-	62	9	259	9	28.8	-
Robertson, I.A.	12	11	3	498	62.3	2	91	17	273	8	34.1	-
Rutledge, P.D.	80	50	11	388	9.9	-	13	0	104	1	104	-
Satterthwaite, M.F.	19	19	0	364	19.2	-	5	0	30	0	-	-
Savill, C.M.	35	33	8	412	16.5	-	34	0	216	10	21.6	-
Scott, K.B.	23	23	2	720	34.3	2	105	12	436	20	21.8	1
Singh, A.	10	9	3	133	22.2	-	70	14	276	22	12.5	1
Singleton, M.J.	33	30	2	575	20.5	-	3	0	21	0	-	-
Stewart, G.J.	39	30	6	413	17.2	-	217	30	756	55	13.7	2
Stretch, G.B.	9	9	2	373	53.3	-	47	0	234	10	23.4	-
Tapper, J.H.	25	19	3	373	23.3	-	150	36	500	35	14.3	2
Teale, H.W.	16	16	4	542	45.2	1	78	6	414	16	25.9	-
Thiele, C.H.	11	11	3	63	7.9	-	118	17	438	16	27.4	-
Vann, D.B.	24	21	2	537	28.3	1	78	10	318	14	22.7	-
Vedder, D.W.	15	13	5	25	3.1	-	95	12	374	17	22	-
Wakefield, D.J.	23	23	4	564	29.7	-	128	17	464	24	19.3	1
Ward, B.R.	9	9	2	395	56.4	2	2	0	12	1	12	-
Ward, J.	16	16	4	369	30.8	-	54	3	280	11	25.5	-
Weeds, M.G.	24	23	5	566	31.4	-	9	0	36	1	36	-
Williams, M.L.	24	23	3	383	19.2	-	73	2	298	14	21.3	-
Wilson, J.M.	48	41	5	591	16.4	-	46	1	272	10	27.2	-
Wilson, R.T.	30	29	8	468	22.3	1	114	7	548	18	30.4	-
Wolt, J.R.K.	57	25	11	60	4.3	-	341	38	1451	54	26.9	-
Woollicroft, S.P.	40	10	1	9	1	-	295	36	1031	55	18.7	1
Wright, H.G.	37	28	7	262	12.5	-	148	20	642	21	30.6	-
Yardley, K.J.	27	13	8	21	4.2	-	183	21	742	34	21.8	-



▲ Paul Rutledge and Ben Dormer find the perfect spot to keep an eye on proceedings.

Records

Summary of Results

	Played	Won	Lost	Tied	No Result
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
2015/16	26	14	11	-	1
2016/17	24	13	11	-	-
2017/18	25	15	9	-	-
2018/19	20	11	8	-	1
2019/20	23	16	7	-	-
2020/21	24	17	7	-	-
2021/22	20	15	5	-	-
Total	636	409	207	3	16

Aggregate Innings Totals

(For home games by Willows teams)

	Inns	Runs	Avg Total	Wkts	Avg/Wkt
1994/95	13	2,702	207	105	25.7
1995/96	15	2,930	195	100	29.3
1996/97	16	3,007	187	106	28.3
1997/98	19	4,306	226	128	33.6
1998/99	17	3,584	210	134	26.7
1999/00	18	3,128	173	145	21.5
2000/01	22	5,149	234	162	31.8
2001/02	21	4,053	193	152	26.7
2002/03	21	4,304	204	134	32.1
2003/04	22	4,757	216	170	28.0
2004/05	22	4,525	206	162	27.9
2005/06	26	5,506	211	210	26.2
2006/07	25	4,410	176	210	21.0
2007/08	28	6,218	222	207	30.0
2008/09	25	5,688	228	180	31.6
2009/10	26	5,654	217	208	27.1
2010/11	24	5,309	221	176	30.1
2011/12	26	5,133	197	208	24.6
2012/13	26	5,780	222	196	29.5
2013/14	26	5,090	195	194	26.2
2014/15	26	5,654	217	197	28.7
2015/16	26	5,040	194	214	23.5
2016/17	24	4,238	176	166	25.5
2017/18	24	4,652	193	197	23.6
2018/19	20	3,578	178	160	22.3
2019/20	23	4,494	195	156	28.8
2020/21	24	4,998	208	184	27.1
2021/22	20	3,862	193	164	23.5
Total	625	127,749	204	4,725	27.0

Honours – Batting

(All retired)

K.A.Ambler	100	v Shirley BHS	27.02.05	G.A.Miller	100	v Clarrie Anderson's XI	01.12.10
C.J.Anderson	100	v Marlborough Boys'	20.10.02	P.Miller	101	v Marlborough Boys'	24.03.19
C.G.Bartholomeusz	101	v St Bede's College	29.01.06	M.Newton-Vesty	102	v Southwest Schools XI	10.01.16
L.D.Bartholomeusz	101	v Timaru BHS	03.02.08	C.Neynens	101	v Waitaki/St Kevin's XI	11.03.12
C.W.Bisman	100	v Nth Canty Sec Schools	21.02.99	S.N.Noster	102	v Country Sec Schools	16.03.08
D.W.Bond	102	v Crusaders XI	17.03.01	S.N.Noster	101	v Christchurch BHS	12.09.08
D.W.Bond	100	v Nelson College	16.02.03	S.N.Noster	101	v Southland BHS	20.02.11
C.J.B.Burnett	101	v Gore High School	30.09.12	J.P.D.O'Gorman	101	v Christ's College	18.01.09
A.E.Burrell	100	v St Andrew's College	18.02.96	J.P.D.O'Gorman	102	v Christ's College	12.01.14
D.C.Burrell	102	v Ohoka Swampens	28.01.96	B.R.Orton	102	v Otago BHS	29.10.06
D.C.Burrell	100	v Dunedin Cavaliers	02.02.97	B.R.Orton	100	v Nelson College	10.02.08
D.C.Burrell	100	v Mt Hutt College	14.01.01	B.R.Orton	100	v Combined Sec Schools	30.11.08
W.M.Burrell	100	v Nth Canty Sec Schools	05.03.00	M.Patel	103	v Timaru BHS	07.02.10
S.T.Coffey	100	v King's College	24.01.07	J.D.Pawson	100	v Peninsula Craz	10.11.02
S.T.Coffey	100	v Combined Sec Schools	30.11.08	M.Reid	100	v King's High School	10.12.17
D.R.Cusack	100	v Burnside HS	30.11.03	I.A.Robertson	100	v Wellington College	27.10.02
P.C.Devlin	102	v Nth Canty Sec Schools	11.03.01	I.A.Robertson	100	v South Canterbury XI	03.10.04
B.J.Diamanti	100	v Marlborough Boys'	20.10.02	P.Russell	101	v Southland BHS	07.02.21
B.J.K.Doody	100	v Christ's College	14.10.01	K.B.Scott	100	v St Thomas of C'bury	03.11.19
B.J.K.Doody	103	v Country Sec Schools	01.03.15	K.B.Scott	100	v Marlborough Boys'	06.12.20
D.P.Dowds	101	v Burnside High School	07.12.08	F.W.Sheat	101	v Marlborough Boys'	13.10.14
P.M.Duncan	101	v Christ's College	16.01.11	M.G.Stretch	103	v Marlborough Boys'	05.12.21
R.M.Dunne	100	v Dunedin Cavaliers	01.02.98	H.W.Teale	100	v St Bede's College	30.01.11
B.Entwistle	100	v Shirley BHS	21.02.21	G.L.Thomson	100	v Medbury HM's XI	16.03.97
T.D.L.Fisher	102	v Christ's College	08.01.06	G.L.Thomson	100	v Christchurch BHS	05.12.99
A.D.Fullerton-Smith	104	v Medbury HM's XI	20.03.05	G.L.Thomson	100	v Shirley BHS	04.03.01
A.D.Fullerton-Smith	101	v Combined Sec Schools	25.11.07	L.van Beek	101	v London NZ CC	25.03.07
D.R.Hadlee	100	v Clarrie Anderson's XI	30.11.97	D.B.Vann	102	v Northwest Schools XI	30.11.14
M.J.Hadlee	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.03.98	W.P.J.Walsh	100	v Northwest Schools XI	05.12.10
T.M.Hampton-Matewa	101	v Waitaki/St Kevin's XI	14.03.10	B.R.Ward	100	v St Andrew's College	23.02.14
P.D.Harris	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.03.95	B.R.Ward	104	v Christchurch BHS	19.11.17
P.D.Harris	102	v Millbrook XI	25.01.98	W.S.A.Williams	101	v Shirley BHS	18.03.12
P.D.Harris	104	v Woodbank Wanderers	25.03.01	O.C.Wilson	100	v St Andrew's College	14.02.21
T.Harrison	105	v Mid-Canterbury Youth XI	10.11.13	R.T.Wilson	101	v Waitaki BHS	05.03.17
C.Hill	101	v St Bede's College	20.01.19	M.J.W.Wright	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	24.03.02
F.Hill	100	v Shirley BHS	15.03.15	M.J.W.Wright	102	v Woodbank Wanderers	23.03.03
O.R.Hutton	100	v Southland BHS	06.03.05	B.A.Yock	106	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.11.00
T.Huyser	101	v Nelson College	13.02.11	B.A.Yock	102	v London NZ CC	23.11.08
G.D.Inglis	100	v Timaru BHS	25.01.04	W.Young	103	v Gore High School	02.10.11
L.H.Johnston	100	v Otago BHS	28.10.07	A.Yugaraja	104	v Christ's College	15.01.12
R.Jones	100	v Waimea College	24.11.13				
D.P.Kelly	101	v King's High School	11.12.11				
D.P.Kelly	101	v Bradley Nuttall XI	20.02.13				
D.P.Kelly	102	v Waitaki/St Kevin's XI	10.03.13				
D.P.Kelly	100	v Country Sec Schools	02.03.14				
D.P.Kelly	104	v Marlborough Boys'	13.10.14				
D.P.Kelly	100	v Southwest Schools XI	08.01.17				
D.P.Kelly	100	v King's High School	29.01.17				
S.L.Langrope	100	v Timaru BHS	03.02.08				
R.T.Latham	100	v St Andrew's College	26.02.95				
T.W.M.Latham	101	v Burnside HS	02.12.07				
B.L.Laughton	105	v St Thomas of C'bury	12.02.14				
H.R.M.McCarthy	100	v Waimea College	27.11.11				
P.B.McCarthy	102	v St Bede's College	09.02.97				
T.P.McConnell	104	v Country Sec Schools	02.03.14				
P.E.McEwan	104	v Flaxton Wanderers	20.11.94				
P.E.McEwan	109	v Montana Wine XI	23.01.00				
M.N.M.McKenzie	100	v Millbrook XI	25.01.98				

1,000 runs

Season achieved

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
2015/16	D.P.Kelly
2016/17	B.J.K.Doody
2016/17	T.P.McConnell
2020/21	A.J.Nuttall
2021/22	J.A.F.Davidson
2021/22	A.G.McFedries

2,000 runs

Season achieved

2020/21	P.D.Harris
2020/21	D.P.Kelly

Most hundreds

7	D.P.Kelly
3	D.C.Burrell
3	G.L.Thomson
3	P.D.Harris
3	B.R.Orton
3	S.N.Noster

Honours – Bowling

(Maximum 10 overs)

C.K.Curnow	8-21	v St Bede's College	08.02.16
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/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.Nuttall	6-45	v Christchurch BHS	14.11.21
M.Newton-Vesty	6-46	v Christ's College	15.01.17
A.J.Gourdie	6-50	v St Andrew's College	24.02.02
R.V.Masefield	5-5	v North Canty Sec Schools	07.03.04
A.J.Nuttall	5-8	v St Andrew's College	15.02.98
M.Shaw	5-8	v Shirley BHS	05.03.06
T.D.Astle	5-10	v St Thomas of C'bury	09.02.05
G.J.Stewart	5-10	v St Thomas of C'bury	10.03.10
J.S.Nuttall	5-10	v Northwest Schools XI	04.12.11
J.T.Innes	5-13	v Mobil Oil XI	14.11.99
A.Singh	5-13	v Waitaki BHS	04.03.18
S.P.Wooliscroft	5-14	v Riccarton High School	16.01.22
F.C.Hawes	5-15	v Combined Sec Schools	23.11.03
W.L.Eddington	5-15	v Timaru BHS	08.02.09
F.W.Sheat	5-16	v Timaru BHS	01.02.15
A.C.Maw	5-17	v North Canty Sec Schools	07.03.04
T.J.Doody	5-17	v Country Sec Schools	11.03.07
A.J.Macgregor	5-18	v Gore High School	28.09.14
N.Wingham	5-18	v Emu CC (Australia)	15.01.16
C.J.Bellis	5-18	v Waimea College	26.11.17
L.C.Sparks	5-19	v Ben Harris XI	19.02.95
A.D.D.Reese	5-19	v Wanganui Collegiate	23.10.11
S.J.Davis	5-20	v London NZCC	03.12.17
S.J.Davis	5-20	v Hawkswood Wanderers	15.12.19
J.H.Tapper	5-21	v King's High School	14.12.08
S.Clarke	5-22	v Country Sec Schools	07.03.21
J.D.Marsh	5-23	v St Thomas of C'bury	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
R.D.McGuire	5-23	v Christ's College	12.01.20
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
H.W.Day	5-27	v Southwest Schools XI	10.01.16
G.J.Stewart	5-27	v Umpires XI	16.03.18
K.B.Scott	5-27	v St Thomas of C'bury	31.10.21
P.F.Younghusband	5-28	v London NZ CC	22.11.09
A.G.McFedries	5-29	v Flaxton Wanderers	26.02.97
M.B.S.McIntyre	5-30	v Otago BHS	02.11.03
R.D.Burson	5-30	v London NZ CC	14.12.14
B.W.J.Cameron	5-32	v South Canterbury XI	30.09.07
W.A.Cornelius	5-32	v Medbury HM's XI	12.03.00
R.E.Abbott	5-32	v Nelson College	16.02.03
F.M.Fairbairn	5-32	v North Canty Sec Schools	13.03.22
I.Huston	5-33	v Wanganui Collegiate	26.10.97

M.D.Peacock	5-33	v Shirley BHS	21.03.10
M.D.Peacock	5-33	v Otago BHS	20.10.19
M.Campbell	5-35	v King's High School	11.10.20
D.H.A.McMillan	5-36	v Hawkswood Wanderers	16.12.01
P.E.McEwan	5-37	v Christchurch BHS	06.12.98
T.N.Nielsen	5-38	v Peninsula Craz	09.11.03
D.J.Wakefield	5-38	v Ashburton College	13.11.11
C.K.Curnow	5-38	v St Bede's College	21.01.18
A.J.Hastilow	5-39	v Christ's College	18.01.15
J.Ward	5-43	v Ohoka Swamphens	18.01.98
B.J.K.Doody	5-46	v Mobil Oil XI	16.11.97
W.L.Eddington	5-49	v Timaru BHS	25.01.04
M.B.Stone	5-50	v Dunedin Cavaliers	18.01.04
M.J.Kelly	5-50	v Country Sec Schools	01.03.15

200 wickets

Season achieved

2017/18 A.J.Nuttall

100 wickets

2005/06 A.J.Nuttall

Most 5-wicket bags

3	M.D.Peacock
3	A.J.Nuttall
2	W.A.Cornelius
2	W.L.Eddington
2	J.H.Tapper
2	D.P.Kelly
2	C.K.Curnow
2	G.J.Stewart
2	S.J.Davis
2	R.D.McGuire

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
	305/5	by Christchurch Boys' High School	15.11.20

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

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	93*	v The Willows
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	100	v King's College
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
2015/16	C.K.Curnow	8-21	v St Bede's College
2016/17	B.Dickie	97	v The Willows
2017/18	B.R.Ward	104	v Christchurch Boys' High School
2018/19	A.Redfern	115*	v The Willows
2019/20	L.Andrews	110	v The Willows
2020/21	B.Entwistle	100	v Shirley Boys' High School
2021/22	H.W.M.Witt	6-8	v The Willows

'49ers Cup

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

1998/99	North Canterbury Secondary Schools XI	2010/11	Christ's College
1999/00	St Bede's College	2011/12	Ashburton College
2000/01	Marlborough Boys' College	2012/13	Nelson College
2001/02	Wanganui Collegiate School	2013/14	Waimea College
2002/03	Shirley Boys' High School	2014/15	Christ's College
2003/04	Timaru Boys' High School	2015/16	Waitaki Boys' High School
2004/05	Wellington College	2016/17	St Andrew's College
2005/06	Nelson College	2017/18	King's High School (Dunedin)
2006/07	Christchurch Boys' High School	2018/19	Southland Boys' High School
2007/08	St Thomas of Canterbury College	2019/20	Christchurch Boys' High School
2008/09	Shirley Boys' High School	2020/21	St Andrew's College
2009/10	Otago Boys' High School	2021/22	Timaru Boys' High School

Visitor Honours 2021/22 Season

T.D.Turner	104 ret	for Northwest Schools XI
G.D.Welford	5-16	for Northwest Schools XI
J.M.Cumming	5-29	for Otago Boys' High School 1st XI
R.A.McCulloch	5-27	for Timaru Boys' High School 1st XI
H.W.M.Witt	6-8	for North Canterbury Schools XI
B.D.Thurlow	7-26	for Waimea College 1st XI

Results

P = played W = won L = lost T = tied NR = no result

Home Games

	P	W	L	T	NR	21/22
Albion CC	1	-	1	-	-	-
Arthur Pitcher's XI	7	4	3	-	-	-
Auckland Glimmer XI	4	2	2	-	-	-
Ben Harris XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Bradley Nuttall XI	5	3	2	-	-	-
Bradman Foundation (Aust)	1	-	1	-	-	-
Canterbury Emerging XI	1	-	1	-	-	-
Canterbury U-17 XI	2	1	1	-	-	-
Christ's College	24	20	4	-	-	W
Christchurch BHS	25	13	10	-	2	W
Christchurch BHS Colts	1	1	-	-	-	-
Clarrie Anderson's XI	15	8	7	-	-	-
Combined Schools XI	13	9	4	-	-	-
Craigengower CC (HK)	1	1	-	-	-	-
Crusaders (Aust)	7	4	3	-	-	-
Dunedin Cavaliers	12	8	4	-	-	-
Emu Cricket Club (Aust)	2	-	2	-	-	-
Flaxton Wanderers	8	4	4	-	-	-
Gore High School	4	4	-	-	-	-
Gunnedah Youth XI (Aust)	2	-	1	1	-	-
Hawkswood Wanderers	26	7	18	-	1	-
Honest Trundlers XI (Aust)	2	2	-	-	-	-
Hong Kong CC	2	1	1	-	-	-
Hutt International School	1	1	-	-	-	-
I Zingari Australia	4	4	-	-	-	-
King's College	3	2	1	-	-	-
King's High School	16	9	6	-	1	W
Kristin School	1	1	-	-	-	-
London NZ CC	23	13	9	-	1	W
Marlborough Boys' College	20	15	3	-	2	W
Marylebone CC (UK)	1	-	-	1	-	-
Medbury Headmaster's XI	10	5	5	-	-	-
Mid Canterbury Schools XI	15	11	3	-	1	W
Millbrook XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Mobil Oil XI	6	5	1	-	-	-
Montana Wine XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Motueka Wekas	4	2	2	-	-	-
Mt Hutt College	1	1	-	-	-	-
Nelson College	19	15	4	-	-	-
North Canty Schools XI	22	20	-	-	2	W
Northwest Schools XI	17	13	3	-	1	L
NZ Police XI	1	1	-	-	-	-

	P	W	L	T	NR	21/22
Ohoka Swampens	6	4	2	-	-	-
Old Tablelands XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Otago BHS	20	8	12	-	-	L
Peninsula Craz	25	14	10	-	1	W
Primary Club (Aust)	1	1	-	-	-	-
Sacred Heart College	3	2	1	-	-	-
Seddon CC	1	1	-	-	-	W
Shirley BHS	19	19	-	-	-	W
South Canterbury XI	7	6	1	-	-	-
Southland BHS	15	9	6	-	-	-
Southwest Schools XI	8	7	1	-	-	W
Sri Lanka Under-21 XI (SL)	1	-	1	-	-	-
St Andrew's College	26	19	7	-	-	W
St Bede's College	25	17	7	-	1	-
St Kevin's College	2	1	1	-	-	W
St Thomas of C'bury College	17	11	5	-	1	W
Suburban XI/Metro XI	18	6	12	-	-	-
Te Awamutu College	1	1	-	-	-	-
The Forty Club (UK)	2	2	-	-	-	-
Timaru BHS	20	16	4	-	-	L
Umpires XI	4	3	1	-	-	-
Waimea College	8	7	1	-	-	W
Waitaki BHS	18	13	4	-	1	W
Wellington College	13	6	7	-	-	L
Wellington President's XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Wellington Wanderers XI	3	-	2	-	1	-
Whanganui Collegiate	12	9	3	-	-	-
Willows Sri Lanka Tour XI	3	-	3	-	-	-
Woodbank Wanderers	9	7	2	-	-	-

Away Games

	P	W	L	T	NR	20/21
Bradman XI (Bowral)	1	1	-	-	-	-
Flaxton Wanderers	7	1	4	1	1	-
Hawkswood Wanderers	1	-	1	-	-	-
I Zingari (Camden)	1	1	-	-	-	-
Primary Club (Birchgrove)	1	1	-	-	-	-
Valley of Peace	2	1	1	-	-	-

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