



29th  
ANNUAL  
REPORT  
SEASON  
2022/2023



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Loburn, North Canterbury, New Zealand

FOUNDED  
1st MAY, 1994

## Our motto

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



## Our objectives

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



## Why was The Willows formed?

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





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**Patron in Perpetuity**

W.A. Hadlee, *CBE, OBE* (1915–2006)

**The Willows Cricketer**

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**The Willows Opening Bowler**

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# Membership

The members roll at the end of the 2022/23 season stood as follows:

Members	555
Life Members	12
Honorary Members	73
<b>Total Membership</b>	<b>640</b>

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

## Members (555)

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| ● 06 Agnew, Mr T.W.                 | ● 21 Breitmayer, Mr B.           | ● 12 Close, Mr E.M.                |
| ● 18 Aitken, Mr B.                  | 97 Bremner, Mr M.C.              | ● 99 Coll, Mr J.P.                 |
| ● 02 Aitken, Mr R.J., <i>AM</i>     | 21 Bretherton, Mrs F.            | ● 10 Collins, Mr M.                |
| ● 97 Allott, Mr G.I.                | 21 Bretherton, Mr S.             | ● 17 Collis, Mr A.D.               |
| ● 03 Ambler, Mr K.R.                | ● 21 Bretherton, Mr W.B.         | 98 Compton, Mr M.R., <i>QSM</i>    |
| ● 20 Andrews, Mr E.                 | ● 19 Bridgman, Mr J.             | ● 08 Conyngham, Mr J.              |
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| ● 15 Arnold, Mr C.J.                | ● 23 Bristowe, Mr P.             | 21 Cooke, Mrs D.E.                 |
| 94 Austin, Mr G.K.                  | 94 Bromley, Mr R.C.              | 94 Coop, Mr T.A.                   |
| 94 Baker, Mr C.K.                   | 94 Brooke, Mr H.D.E., <i>QSM</i> | 06 Cooper, Hon Justice M.L.S.      |
| 09 Ballantyne, Mr R.M., <i>CNZM</i> | ● 95 Brooks, Mr G.N.             | 04 Cosgrove, Hon C.J.              |
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| 19 Barton, Mr P.R.M.                | 04 Buckenham, Mr M.H.            | ● 22 Cumming, Mr C.D.              |
| 94 Bateman, Mr S.N.                 | ● 18 Buckley, Mr F.              | ● 22 Cumming, Mr J.M.              |
| 05 Bayliss, Mr R.T.                 | 08 Buist, Mr G.T.                | ● 22 Cumming, Mr Z.                |
| ● 17 Bayliss-Smith, Mr L.           | ● 20 Buist, Mr Z.                | ● 14 Curnow, Mr C.K.               |
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- 01 Dickson, Mr I.B.
- 15 Dickson, Mr P.N.
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- 94 Dolan, Mr P.J.
- 95 Doody, Mr B.J.K.
- 00 Doody, Mr T.J.D.
- 94 Dormer, Mr B.E.
- 94 Dormer, Mr P.L.
- 94 Douglass, Mr W.B., *ASM*
- 94 Dowling, Br W.H.
- 22 Doyle, Mr T.
- 97 Dunne, Mr R.M.
- 98 Durning, Mr J.W.
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- 05 Eddington, Sir Rod
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- 22 Elliotte, Mr T.
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- 16 Entwistle, Mr D.R.
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- 15 Frew, Mr R.M.
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- 95 Smith, Mr G.B.
- 13 Smith, Mr G.J.
- 94 Smith, Mr M.J.
- 21 Smith, Mr Q.
- 95 Smith, Mr R.
- 21 Stackhouse, Mr D.
- 21 Stackhouse, Mr K.
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- 19 Stayt, Mr P.D.
- 94 Stead, Mr G.R.
- 98 Stearns, Mr N.
- 19 Stevenson, Mr R.D.
- 21 Stocks, Mr B.

- 95 Strack, Mr D.J.
- 01 Stretch, Mr G.B.
- 13 Stretch, Mr M.G.
- 18 Stuthridge, Mr D.
- 15 Styles, Mr K.A.
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- 12 Sundarjee, Mr P.
- 09 Sutton, Mr T.G.
- 17 Tandon, Mr D.
- 09 Tapper, Mr J.H.
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- 07 Teale, Mr M.D.
- 94 Thiele, Mr C.H.
- 00 Thornton, Mr T.F.
- 99 Townrow, Mr W.B.
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- 03 Walker, Mr R.L.
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- 06 Walsh, Mr W.P.J.
- 10 Walsh, Mrs K.M.
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- 21 Ward, Mr C.
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- 94 Weeds, Mr M.G.
- 06 Wellington, Mr B.G.
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- 94 Williams, Mr P.R.
- 10 Williams, Mr W.S.A.
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- 10 Wilson, Mr R.T.
- 16 Wilson, Mr S.W.J.
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- 08 Wright, Mr H.H.A.
- 08 Wright, Mr H.J.
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- 04 Farr-Jones, Mr N.C., *AM*
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- 03 Fry, Mr C.A.

- 09 Glenn, Sir Owen
- 14 Griffith, Mr D.
- 94 Hadlee, Sir Richard, *MBE*
- 96 Hawke, The Very Rev Dean M.J.
- 11 Healy, Mr I.A.
- 95 Henderson, Mrs E.M.
- 13 Henry, Sir Graham
- 21 Hockley, Ms D.A.
- 18 Howard, Mr P.
- 04 Johnson, Professor B.F.S.
- 20 Joshi, Mr A.
- 14 King, Mr D.J.
- 03 Knight, Mr R.D.V., *OBE*
- 10 Laidlaw, Mr C.R.
- 03 Larsen, Mr G.R.
- 19 Macfarlane, Mrs N.
- 17 Marshall, Mr H.J.H.
- 17 Marshall, Mr J.A.H.
- 16 Martin, Mr J.
- 18 Martin, Bishop Paul, *SM*
- 15 Mateparae, Lt-Gen The Rt Hon Sir Jerry, *GNZM, QSO, KStU*
- 94 McDonnell, Mr K.M., *JP*
- 17 McSweeney, Mr E.B.
- 15 Mills, Mr H.M.
- 20 Morkane, Mr C.C.

- 94 Moses, Mr R.J., *ONZM, CNZM*
- 06 Murray, Rev Canon W.R.C.
- 02 O'Neill, Mr J.A., *AO*
- 17 Prinsep, Mr G.
- 17 Ramsden, Mr H.
- 14 Reddiex, Mr D.
- 03 Rice, Sir Tim
- 03 Roberts, Major A.C., *OF, CNZM (Salv Army)*
- 96 Rosser, Dr M.J.
- 07 Satyanand, The Rt Hon Sir Anand, *GNZM, QSO, KStU*
- 08 Scott, Mr N.A.
- 14 Seal, Mr B.D., *MNZM*
- 18 Smith, Mr G.
- 02 Snedden, M.C., *CNZM*
- 17 Stedman, Mr W.S.
- 12 Stewart, Mr J.H.
- 03 Stoop, Dr G.C.
- 14 Thomson, Mr J.J.
- 17 Thorne, Mr R.
- 12 Waddle, Mr B.A., *MNZM*
- 00 Wake, R.W.
- 07 Watt, Mr M.H., *ONZM*
- 10 Woutersz, Mr J.F.



# President's Report

Hon. Nick Davidson, KC

## “Willowers All,”

This season the constraints of Covid-19 eased, and The Willows advanced on several fronts.

### Valete

Notable innings came to a close. Father Brian Cummings SM and founding member Bob Fairbairn gave long and loyal support, as did Vince Cusack, our first specialist grounds supervisor along with Sir Alan Wright, Roger (KR) Moses and New Zealand Cricketers Frank Cameron and my Housemaster Bruce (‘Bags’) Murray.

After nearly 30 years we mourn the loss of Willowers every year, mindful of their contribution to the Club and we send our sympathy to their families.

### The grounds

Perhaps not fully understanding the immensity of the task, work began in the belief that it would be completed before the first ball of the new season. It includes an expanded pavilion, a generous changing room for visiting teams, a revamped room forever associated with Mike Dormer, and other facilities associated with a new build. Don Neely and others will be recognised formally when work is complete, near

completion at the end of March 2023. This was a big task, undertaken while the ground too has undergone major development, with the picket fence, the bund on the western side of the ground, tree planting, new sight screens, and areas adjacent to the pavilion formed to host small groups.

The wicket block and outfield were ploughed, levelled and resown. The work involved did not phase Ben Dormer, whose vision, and financial support, along with others has created what is already an outstanding and much enhanced cricket facility. D’Arcy Palmer has quietly contributed many hours to keep the grounds to the highest standard and the contributions of John Gardner, Stu Dickson, Mike Robins, Roger Morgan, Jim Stringleman and Pete Dormer are recognised. Valuable services for the ground development were provided by Dormer Construction, DSI, Bartlett Concrete Placing, Ready Lawn, SOL Quarries, Bin King, Darwin Earthworks, Zealandia, Ben Blair Painting, and McEwans Transport.

The block has had considerable work done on its clay content under the specialist lead of Alan Gilmour, former New Zealand track athlete, and premier turf consultant. The playing area is now well bedded-in, showing consistency in pace and bounce. A further exciting development is a newly formed relationship with the suppliers of



the WACA clay in Western Australia which will mean The Willows has one of the quickest pitches in New Zealand. 70 pop-up irrigation sprinklers have been installed with access to a sufficient water resource to ensure the outfield is kept green throughout the season, as MED envisaged. The overall intent is to enhance this beautiful setting for the benefit of all who visit, to play or watch cricket on a wicket and outfield of the highest standard, an experience not to be forgotten.

## The cricket

The wicket was overall true, allowing for good scoring and something for the bowlers. The Willows played 21 games, won 14, lost five, with no result in two. Wellington College, Nelson College, Southland Boys' High, St Kevin's College and the Peninsula Craze won well. The '49ers Cup was awarded to Wellington College for their win against a strong Willows XI, and the Shadbolt Cup was awarded to Willower Will Bretherton of Christ's College who took 6 for 36 against Otago Boys' High School.

Nature played its part so that while the square developed pace and bounce, the ball dominated the bat, and the bowlers made up five Honours Board entries with five or more wickets. There were three centuries. Seaver Cowley, from Arundel (twice), Max Johnson (another English born), Will Bretherton, Charlie Hopcroft (Southland Boys' High School) and Eli Gapes (Waimea College) stood out for their bowling, and centurions were Kelvin Scott, Tyler Bruce and Adam Hastilow. Adam made his first century on Club Day against Waimea College, making up part of his thousand runs at The Willows and his father John met a long-standing pledge when he did so. We congratulate Jeremy Wilson who reached his 50 caps during the season.

## Women's cricket

The focus was on the double header for T21 matches (no T20 cricket played at The Willows in deference to the Founder) rescheduled for 23 March 2023. St Hilda's defeated Christchurch Girls' High School to level the series at two-all for the Rosebowl, and two new 1st XIs squared off;



▲ Jayde Read bowls for St Margaret's College against Otago Girls' High School at The Willows in March.

St Margaret's College and Otago Girls' High School played for the Amy Satterthwaite–Susie Bates Trophy, which Board member Kirsty Bond presented to the winning captain of St Margaret's College, Trudy Spear. This day was superb, with two wonderful games of cricket, the players lunching together and receiving their “play in the V” badges. These are very successful developments for women's cricket at The Willows, and we are grateful that Kirsty is able to give her time and experience to this.

The planned inaugural match between a Wellington Wanderers XI and a Willows Schoolgirls XI had to be cancelled but we expect this will become an annual home and away fixture. The Willows XI was selected from schools outside the four mentioned, including those where girls do not have the opportunity to represent their school because of limited numbers, or lack of other opportunity. We hope to see Willows XIs touring within New Zealand, and eventually overseas, to increase the number of women members in the schoolgirl ranks, and after their schooling.

## Kindred

Kindred Cricket played by those over 35 years deserves mention. The primary objective of The Willows is to enhance the experience of schoolboy and now schoolgirl cricketers, playing against seasoned and high calibre cricketers in a competitive setting, in the spirit of cricket. This is viable if we introduce school cricketers to The Willows and lay out a pathway for them to then play for the club after leaving school, and as is now well established, to have some play for The Willows while still at school.

Those cricketers who have entered their 30s and beyond have other opportunities, in competitions such as the Kindred and Chatfield Cups, and provincial and international over 50s, 60s, 70s etc. (I have not traced the over 80s yet). Keeping Willowers in the game is important to the Club's objectives, and the Kindred Cup is a big part of this. The tournament was played in the New Year with The Willows aiming for a fourth successive title. After good wins over the host North Shore and Clifton (Hawkes Bay), we fell in the final to Seddon, who were deserving winners.



▲ Pitch preparation in January 2023.

At the very end of the season, in a first for the Club, our over 35 team played under lights at Seddon Park. Creditably, The Willows managed to chase down a useful Seddon score with just three balls to spare. Pride was restored and The Chatfield Cup brought back to Loburn.

## Coaching

Coaching is a key pillar of The Willows. This season we embarked on a community coaching programme which reaches into schools offering coaching and other support for those which do not have the resources to provide cricket. We have also partnered with Tamai Sports in delivering a cricket programme to girls and boys who otherwise would not play the game. From this small beginning we hope that a “Willows” tree will grow, and help meet our objective, and charitable purposes. Our association with the Queen Street Cricket Club we hope will add much to this intent.

## Finance

For the one-off capital expenditure on the scale required for the pavilion and ground, The Willows has had the immense contribution of Ben Dormer. This expenditure is “ring-fenced” and not part of the operational budget. The aim of the Board is to silo expenditure which is broadly “operational”, for cricket at The Willows, otherwise set aside under “The Willows Academy” (for convenient reference), a separate fund for coaching, touring, and to assist those disadvantaged economically or otherwise.

I want to ask all Willowers to consider the following realities. With charitable status now held by The Willows, there are those who wish to donate to The Willows for allocation between these silos as the Board determines, or to specify eg part for The Willows “Operations” and part for the “Academy”.

With so many charities feeling financial constraint the freeboard of funds for charitable purposes is keenly contested, and right now the space is much harder than in earlier years. We are very fortunate to have donations from those with goodwill to the Club, or sponsorship which helps promote their business. During the season



we either lost or became aware we would lose, important sponsors. One single loss of revenue comes from the fact we have no ground sponsorship, and the “Jaguar Oval” is no more, but we have lost other longstanding sponsors as priorities shift.

The facts are that The Willows obtains only a small proportion of its operational income from subscriptions. It is concerning that we have a large number of unpaid subscriptions for the 2022/23 season which by the time of publication may have improved. I ask members to consider their annual subscription as a contribution to the ongoing development of youth cricket.

Most operational expenditure comes from traditional sponsorship, and Match Day sponsorship. All sponsors and their guests are warmly welcomed at The Willows to lunch under the trees, watch the cricket and meet those present. We must broadcast this opportunity, as my observations are that this is a very special day for our guests. Sponsorship aside, there are those who otherwise give generously, and some regularly, which has helped keep The Willows in clear financial air.

We are very fortunate to have the support of long-standing major sponsors Independent Fisheries, ASB, Mobil and Runacres Insurance. Brent Fleming has given again, very generously, as have Moa and Southern Alps Brewing, The Butcher’s Mistress (Rangiora) and Max Bremner (golf). But there is far more to be done to secure on a sustainable basis all the annual funding required. The Match Day sponsors at the heart of our operational costs include Amicus, KB Contracting & Quarries, Saunders & Co, Mr Boats, Talleys, Ray White, Rangiora, Tavendale & Partners, Allott Reeves & Co, Modus Group, Murphy Farms, North Otago Pastoral, and the Nuttall family. We hope to engage a Match Day sponsor for most matches.

As a charity we apply for funding from trusts and have been successful in a meaningful way with Rata Foundation, Pub Charity and Southern Trust, and we are very grateful for these grants.

## A revival, and new initiatives

To our great delight the Matfen scholarship has resumed, and Archie Ovens (Burnside High School) and Angus Dempster (St Thomas of Canterbury College) are now at Matfen with Sir Hugh and Lady Anna Blackett, living on their Estate and playing in the Northumberland league. Sir Hugh and Lady Anna came to The Willows this season, and it was a pleasure to have them there, and to reflect on Sir Hugh having worked at Tipapa near Greta Valley with the Robertson family, as a young man. He knows North Canterbury extremely well. The Matfen scholarship is part of our DNA.

Mike Peacock, Callum Curnow and James O’Gorman kindly took over the selection process for the scholars and the calibre of applicants was exceptionally high. We initiated the Dormer Melluish Aldridge Scholarship which is a link between the Arundel Castle Cricket Club and their Foundation, the Aldridge Academies in Brighton (UK) and The Willows. The scholarship is not entirely symmetrical, involving in the past season two Aldridge scholars from Brighton, Seaver Cowley and Connor Bettsworth, who came to Christchurch and played regularly for The Willows and the Riccarton Cricket Club.

They are cricketers of consequence, reaching premier grade, and the work put into their care and support over six months deserves special mention. Winsome Dormer took on their pastoral care, Paul Rutledge their cricket and off-field activity, and they had generous support from Dave and Rebecca Kelly in the provision of a car and hosting on their farm. Mention must be made of Jo Morrow, the outstanding principal of Rochester & Rutherford Hall at the University of Canterbury, where they stayed for some four months before moving to private accommodation, only possible through Winsome's generosity. This University accommodation was a very important aspect of the scholarship, arranged through Keith Yardley, a Governor at the Hall. The Willows does not have the setup of the Arundel Castle Cricket Club nor the Arundel Castle Cricket Club Foundation, with a Secretariat, and significant funding behind it. As such it was testing for us to host two young men on their first foray outside their English homes, and we are reviewing the programme and our capacity to next host such scholars. We were very grateful that the 180 Degrees Trust and Banks Peninsula Conservation Trust worked with us to provide a distinctive experience.

In the meantime, Maggie Martin from Christchurch Girls' High School and Nick Gibb from Christ's College are at Arundel, playing club cricket, working with the Arundel Castle Cricket Club Foundation, and while early days we have very good reports of and from them. There are social media posts which show them at work, which you will see has immense beneficial impact on young lives.

## Golf

Golf Day was reborn in April 2022, and played again in April 2023. Organising an event of this scale takes a huge, combined effort and Paul Rutledge achieved this with a very able team around him. We were honoured to host Sir Bob Charles at his home course, with a full field, and this excellent day, in fine weather on the beautiful Christchurch Golf Club course raised overall in excess of \$25,000 for coaching. This is a bedrock of the Club's fund earmarked for



▲ Willows scholars Nick Gibb and Maggie Martin with Winsome Dormer at Arundel Castle.

coaching, and is not to be missed. David Kidd of Arundel with wife Sarah provided a fine auction prize of a stay at their home in Arrowtown and he played in Sir Bob's four. First preference in a full field goes to those who played the previous year, and it is scheduled again for 19th April 2024. The Club gratefully acknowledges those sponsors who willingly assisted with auction, raffle and match day prizes, Bryan Andrews for his expert auctioneering and Joe Pope for his fine bagpiping.

We were also very fortunate to have the support of Geoff Saunders, who has written the definitive biography of Sir Bob, and the winners received fine copies of Geoff's work, presented by Sir Bob who was a delight to have play and join us. Geoff is a first-class writer whose next work is keenly awaited, and I predict it will attract a great deal of interest, having read some early proofs.

## The workers

Everyone is a volunteer at The Willows, and at its heart our Chair, Paul Rutledge, and Ben Dormer in particular, have almost everyday involvement, 12 months of the year. I have been party to many of these interactions, and as Chair Paul has an immense task, rewarded only by the success of The Willows as a Club on and off the field of play. We have an able and enthusiastic Secretary in Jeremy Benton, new Board member James Richards, together with longer standing members Phil Harris (Fixtures), Richard McGuire (Scholarships), Di Woodward (Pavilion), Jim

Stringleman (Pavilion) and Winsome Dormer who has devoted much of her time and resource in so many ways. Without her the Arundel Scholarship would not have worked. Alistair Sheard, our Treasurer, has heavy responsibility especially with the scale of development at The Willows, and the immediacy of his response when asked for information is remarkable.

Others who deserve special mention include our Match Day Managers and Hosts who provide a vital link in preparing and running each match day, and our photographer Rex Hayward, who ensures we have excellent photographic records.

I want to acknowledge the wisdom and unflinching support of John Mitchell, the first President, and Life Member, John McRae who help guide The Willows along the way. They have helped me greatly. Richard Cowles is the creative inspiration behind this Annual Report; a role he has performed for many years. These contributions epitomise what it means to be a Willower.

## Christmas Party

We were delighted to hold this for the Champion Centre, Down Syndrome, Tamai Sports, Riding for The Disabled and CCS. Chris and Leonie Morkane and my family support this day, and the joy on the faces of the children and their whanau makes this a day not to be missed. The Club values the contributions made by all the volunteers on the day, particularly Santa's helpers Abby and Megan Rutledge who spent many hours leading up to and on the day assisting, and Julie McEwan who once again travelled from Wanaka to help out. Our thanks go also to Malcolm Ellis, and his ever-reliable group of volunteers who assisted on the day.

## In conclusion

We enter a new era with the loss of Father Brian, but he would be delighted that the Rev Mike Hawke has become our Chaplain. Mike is a Willower, a former Hawke Cup player, and a man of immense spiritual influence.

You will see from this report there are initiatives and revivals being cemented into The Willows' calendar, with more contemplated. I hope those

who read this report, including the excellent article by my old friend Steve Hinds in Commentary Corner, will see where The Willows sits in cricket and societal influence, in maintaining a high level of competition for school teams, allowing former pupils to hold reunions over the weekend associated with their annual fixtures, and offering a pathway for coaching and touring. As Steve writes from long experience in The New Zealand Police Force, sport has an immense role in providing an outlet and personal growth opportunity for young people. Many rangatahi are enlivened and encouraged by their participation and sport becomes an essential pillar in their young lives.

The Willows can do with all the help it can get from those who volunteer time and resource in any way. I hope more of you will put your hands up for roles, by contacting any of the Board, particularly Paul (Ruts) Rutledge, our Chair. We live in uncertain times and competitive cricket at the beautiful and peaceful Willows ground, in such excellent company, is an antidote to such uncertainty.

Mā te wā.



Nick Davidson  
**President**



# Match Reports 2022/23



▲ Gareth Reed middles one nicely.

## v Otago Boys' High School 1st XI

**16th October 2022**

A beautiful sunny day greeted the new season. We welcomed Otago Boys' High School to the Oval, where a great pitch, excellent outfield plus new bank made the day an absolute spectacle. Skipper Ritchie McCaw won the toss and The Willows opted to bat first. Most of our batsmen chimed in with useful runs. Opener James Richards and contracted Otago cricketer Ben Lockrose got us off to a great start. The innings was finished off nicely by top scorer Jeremy Benton and contributions from Ryan Cutts and Gareth Reed. The pick of the Otago bowlers were Bodhi Keiller who utilized the new ball to perfection and a spell of controlled leg-spin bowling by Zac Cumming. His ten overs spell had a return of 1/18. A total of 256/7, was not bad for the first game of the year.

After a tasty lunch from Country Feasts The Willows struck early. On his fourth ball Ben McCormack dismissed their opener with a good catch by Otago cricketer, Josh Finnie. Then Skipper Seb Kyle and Ben Stephens played some great shots in a partnership worth 83 runs. The breakthrough was made by Will Bretherton, a year 12 student from Christ's College when he dismissed Kyle. This started a magnificent spell of bowling. Bretherton, a left-arter, would bowl ten overs in a row, for figures of 6/36 including three maidens. One of those wickets was an amazing full stretch catch by Ben McCormack at mid-on. In the end The Willows completed the victory to win back the FJ Cameron Trophy.

Thanks to our southern visitors, players and supporters, for making the journey; to Otago Cricket for releasing Ben Lockrose, Josh Finnie and Hunter Kindley to play; and to Black Cap Kyle Jamieson who was on deck all day to mingle with players and parents and to share his knowledge.

**The Willows won by 100 runs**

**The Willows 256/7**

J. Benton 82, B. Lockrose 43, J. Richards 36, R. Cutts 24, G. Reed 22, B. Keiller 3/41

**Otago Boys' High School 156**

D. Lawrence 43\*, S. Kyle 39, B. Stephen 29, W. Bretherton 6/36

**Umpires:** D. Henderson and A. Askari

**Scorer:** J. Henderson



▲ Player of the day Will Bretherton took 6/36.

# Wellington College 1st XI

**23rd October 2022**

A perfect setting greeted the players, with blue sky, no wind, and a hard even looking pitch. The Willows captain, Brent Fleming elected to bat. The pitch was indeed hard, fast and superb to bat on but equally rewarded good pace bowling in the right areas. The ball nipped around a little early on, and in combination with movement in the air the wickets fell regularly. The best of The Willows batsmen were opener James Hoskings and Tim Hampton-Matehe. Otherwise the Willows showed a lack of patience being all out for 177 with five overs still available. With the right application this was a 250-300 pitch. Bowling honours were shared around with Marco Muollo and Inesh Bhanuka each taking three wickets.

In reply, the Wellington openers, Ari Bonar and Will Julian, batted with purpose and aggression. They showed what a fine pitch this was and took full toll of the many loose deliveries from our attack. The only resistance was another superb ten overs from Andrew Nuttall taking 5 for 36, but he lacked support at the other end. Wellington cruised to victory with overs to spare. The Willows fielding was of a high standard, with all catches taken, and a smart stumping from Connor Bettsworth making his debut behind the stumps. Apart from The Willows cricketing performance this was a superb day in great surroundings.

## *The Willows lost by 5 wickets*

### **The Willows 177**

T. Hampton-Matehe 43, J. Hoskings 35,  
A. Chandler 26, M. Muollo 3/26, I. Bhanuka 3/33

### **Wellington College 178/5**

A. Bonar 27, W. Julian 49, A. Miller 32,  
A. Nuttall 5/36

**Umpires:** M. Hill and B. Littmoden

**Scorer:** S. Steere



▲ Arundel scholar Seaver Cowley with the new ball.



▲ Wellington College Old Boy Archie Chandler attacks.



## v King's High School 1st XI

**30th October 2022**

Willows skipper Jeremy Benton won the toss and chose to bowl on a hard, but green wicket. The visitors got off to a flier as opener Scott Greenfield took it to our bowlers and got the score up to 51/0 in just seven overs. Seamer Micah Campbell made the important breakthrough when he bowled Greenfield for 30. Wickets fell at regular intervals as The Willows tightened the screw; thanks to another great spell by Andrew Nuttall (10-3-20-1) and Dan Vann (5-0-25-2). The King's innings was anchored by their other opener Oram Gutsell with help from the lower order achieving a total of 209/7.

King's opening bowler Luke Murray struck early when he got a ball to jump off a length to dismiss Brent Fleming in the first over. Dan Vann joined Joe Ingram and the pair put on 68 for the second wicket. The Arundel representatives Connor Bettsworth and Seaver Cowley continued the momentum and it was left to Micah Campbell and Jeremy Benton to see us home. Luke Murray was the pick of the KHS bowling attack. A big thanks to King's High School for playing at The

Willows and having their coach Bradley Scott (66 first-class games for Otago and Northern Districts) make his debut for the Club.

*The Willows won by 5 wickets*

**King's High School 209/7**

O. Gutsell 38, S. Greenfield 30, S. Giffikin 29

**The Willows 210/5**

C. Bettsworth 40, D. Vann 34, J. Ingram 32, M. Campbell 29\*, L. Murray 3/57

**Umpires:** D. Miller and A. McLeod

**Scorer:** A. McLeod



▲ *Maximum concentration.*



# v Peninsula Craz XI

4th November 2022

Brent Fleming and Craig Gibb got The Willows off to a steady start, with an opening stand of 27. Then Brent and Nick Hill put on a good 48 for the second wicket, and at 80/2 we looked well poised for a decent total. However after Brent retired, two quick run outs torpedoed our middle order and we never got any momentum after that. We were pinned down by some accurate bowling by Ben Breitmeyer, Mike “Scrumpy” Johnson and captain John Masefield, and reached 135/8 in our 35 overs.

This looked 40 runs short of a competitive total – especially as our attack lacked any pace at all, with one of our opening bowlers unwell and the other injured. Initially our all spin attack did well to have them 22/2, but then Archie Prain and Matt Everest took the game away from us in an aggressive partnership of 74. Richard and Ben Breitmeyer, along with Johnny Pugh, kept the momentum going and even Andrew Nuttall, for all his variety and wiles, couldn’t stem the flow of runs. Despite our best efforts, the Craz in the end won comfortably by 6 wickets.

## The Willows lost by 6 wickets

### The Willows 135/8

B. Fleming 38 retired, N. Hill 21

### Peninsula Craz 136/4

A. Prain 36 retired, M. Everest 32

**Umpires:** D. Miller and T. O’Loughlin

**Scorer:** S. Steere



▲ Captain Bert Walker finalises team strategy.



▲ Peninsula Craz opening bowler lets one rip.



▲ H Mathieson lbw Woolliscroft for 12.



▲ What’s Nutts conjuring up now?



## v Mid-Canterbury Youth XI

**6th November 2022**

The ground for the annual Tavendale & Partners sponsored Ashburton and Mount Hutt Colleges match was picture perfect; the wicket looked straight from the WACA, promising pace, bounce and carry. The Willows elected to bat first with Paul Knight and Jordan Sim gauging conditions. We made a promising start, amassing 33 runs for the first wicket before fast bowlers Jack Middleton and Lochie Fuller had our team reduced to 5 for 44 after 15 overs with potential for the wheels to fall off. Enter Captain Hastilow and Darron Stackhouse with a much needed 40 run partnership to ensure the wheels remained attached. Debutante Max Johnson and Callum Curnow helped Adam through to a competitive 177 off 43 overs.

After a delicious lunch, the good guys opened up with OBC quick Curnow bowling thunderbolts from the Dormer memorial end to a packed slip cordon. His first over went: wide, wicket, wide, wicket, dot, wicket, dot, wide, dot. Mid Canterbury 3 for 3. Johnson bowling the next over opened his account by taking two wickets in his first four balls to have College five down for 3 runs with all their top batsmen registering ducks. Will Jemmett strode to the wicket, nonplussed by the carnage and proceeded to counter attack with a flurry of massive boundaries, before being caught on the boundary by Riley Wilson. Mid Canterbury were all out for 54 after only 7.4 overs, with the

captain's strategy to implement the strongest slip cordon ever seen at the ground resulting in 7 catches taken by the 'grabbers'. The BBQ sausages were yet to defrost.

**The Willows won by 123 runs**

**The Willows 177**

A. Hastilow 58, L. Fuller 3/27

**Mid-Canterbury Youth XI 54**

W. Jennett 28, M. Johnson 5/28, C. Curnow 4/19

**Umpires:** T. Scott and D. Beatty

**Scorer:** S. Steere



▲ Hastilow father and son – after a match-winning half-century by Adam.

# v Northwest Schools XI

**13th November 2022**

Conditions were perfect for a day at the cricket. Pitch had some fresh grass for the bowlers while the batters were smiling as it was hard and fast. Willows captain Andy Ellis won the toss and decided to bat (half his team had been at the Saturday horse races) so he bought some extra recovery time for his bowlers. His men had to fight hard early. Connor Bettsworth and Quinn Smith dug in to see off the new ball. Micah Walther found some great rhythm and was the pick of the bowlers with 4/46. He and the other bowlers really strangled our progress. Andy Ellis and Paul Miller had to fight hard through the middle with a couple of nice strokes but there wasn't a lot else. A score of 189 was going to be hard to defend.

Northwest XI's turn to bat. Again they struggled against some really nice length bowling. Seaver Cowley (over from the UK to play a summer of cricket) bowled beautifully picking up 5/21 and winning the POD. With the ball swinging and seaming disconcertingly, wickets began to fall. Harry Witt chimed in with a 3-fer at the end. Finally the combined XI were rolled for 61 – Micky Steele Bodger would have been proud of this one.

**The Willows won by 128 runs**

**The Willows 189**

Q. Smith 62, A. Ellis 31, M. Walther 4/46

**Northwest Schools XI 61**

S. Cowley 5/21, H. Witt 3/7

**Umpires:** K. D'Arcy and D. Haskett



▲ Beautiful setting with blooms on the new embankment.



▲ Nick Smith opening the bowling as umpire Khyrne D'Arcy looks on.



▲ Archie Ovens – 2023 Matfen scholar opening up. Umpire is David Haskett.



▲ Andy Ellis strikes it cleanly.



▲ Jeremy Benton – classic spin bowling action.



▲ Tyler Bruce – our only centurion pre-Christmas.



▲ Top of off undoes Angus Dempster.



▲ STCC top scorer Ian Redman plays a wonderful shot.

## v St Thomas of Canterbury College 1st XI

**4th December 2022**

The Willows XI for this match included a quality mix and even a couple of father/son match-ups. The Willows batted first with Connor Bettsworth and St Thomas old boy Tyler Bruce putting on a solid opening of 55 runs. Tyler played a lovely innings, scoring all around the ground, putting any short or loose ball to the fence to bring up his first 100 at the ground. A special moment for him and great to watch. Further classy knocks from veteran Paul Miller, Jeremy Benton and Seaver Cowley saw us through to 329.

In reply, STCC lost wickets in quick succession to some fine seam bowling from Seaver, which had him at one point sitting on a hat-trick. The pick of

the STCC batters was opener Isaac Redman (aka Stoin for his resemblance to Aussie all-rounder Marcus Stoinis) who played a great hard hitting knock. A good tail-end partnership by Harry Eastwick and Finn Sullivan-Roberts of 67 saw the school team get through to 179 all out. Another match highlight was a sensational caught and bowled by the “evergreen” Stan Woollicroft.

**The Willows won by 150 runs**

**The Willows 329/4**

T. Bruce 100 retired, J. Benton 53 retired, S. Cowley 50 retired, P. Miller 48

**St Thomas of Canterbury 179**

I. Redman 62, H. Eastwick 43\*, F. Sullivan-Roberts 30, J. Benton 3/23

**Umpires:** S. Kalyan and M. Rohland

**Scorer:** A. McLeod

# v Hawkswood Wanderers XI

**11th December 2022**

The rain that threatened at lunch finally came at 3.15pm to prevent a certain Willows victory. We were merely one hit away from claiming back the Macfarlane Trophy to redress our dismal win/loss ratio against the northern mafioso.

Hawkswood, with their most youthful side yet, struggled with the bat. Only Tom Dickson, Peter Rayner, Connor Bettsworth and Fergus Sidey had scores in the twenties whilst the rest added next to nothing. All Willows bowlers were tight and economical with the best return coming from Matt Parr. Chasing a low score we were tracking well until the rain. A sixth wicket stand of 45 between Matt and Adrian McFedries (nine fours and a six) should have been enough to give The Willows the rare win they deserved. Spare a thought also for the often vanquished skipper Sam Davis who was denied his winner's speech.

*No result due to rain*

**Hawkswood Wanderers 126**

M. Parr 3/6

**The Willows 123/6**

A. McFedries 56\*

**Umpires:** J. Stringleman and D. McIlraith

**Scorer:** S. Steere



▲ Adrian McFedries during an impressive spell.



▲ An imposing sight – Matt Parr pounding in.



▲ Worked stylishly to leg.

# v Riccarton High School 1st XI



**15th January 2023**

Four Englishmen and two Riccarton High lads, one current and one ex-student, stole the show in this 45-over match. The Willows had first use of a slightly softer wicket, after a sprinkler mishap mid-week. Englishmen Ben Hall and Nathan Walker, both playing this summer with the Sumner Club, got us off to a good start. After top order collapse it was left to Josh Bridgman and Ryan McEwan to right the ship. We posted a handy 268/8. The Riccarton boys were keen in the field but the bowlers would be disappointed with the number of wides conceded.

Riccarton made a good fist of the chase. Opener Brayden Woodgate and number five Zane Yates both struck the ball well with just under 80% of their runs coming in boundaries. Star with the ball was Seaver Cowley who for a second time put in an honours board performance. Two stumpings and a catch by Connor Bettsworth won high praise from Chairman Paul Rutledge – a man well versed in the art of glovework.

**The Willows won by 87 runs**

**The Willows 268/8**

B. Hall 74, J. Bridgman 51 retired, R. McEwan 46, N. Walker 29

**Riccarton High School 181**

Z. Yates 71, B. Woodgate 35, S. Cowley 5/46

**Umpires:** B. Littmoden and P. Williams

**Scorer:** D. Stuthridge



▲ Josh Bridgman for runs behind square.



▲ Fine shot by Englishman Nathan Walker.



▲ Bowled! Connor Bettsworth keeping wicket.

# v St Bede's College 1st XI

22nd January 2023

It was great to host Garfield Charles and the St Bede's 1st XI albeit minus a few of their Canterbury U-17 reps. They faced a fired-up Willows unit well-led by Paul Miller who elected to bowl first on a surface with a bit in it. Initially, wickets were scarce as their top-order, led by skipper Kyle Stevens and the Croy brothers, took control. However the Willows team stuck to the task well. There was a bounce in their stride, plenty of chat, plus some smart catching behind the wicket and soon reward came. Ex-Bedeans Jack Haines and Josh McCarthy had good spells with the ball as did the young Rangiora High School left-arm spinner Brayden McLeod. SBC were restricted to 186/9 off 50 overs – a very gettable target.



▲ St Bede's 1st XI with umpires Dave Quested and Matthew Hill (L), and coach Garfield Charles (R).



▲ Willows captain Kyle Stevens in sublime form.

The Willows were clinical in the run chase. Three (Kelvin Scott, Tom Mušič and Josh McCarthy) of the top four batsmen made runs; with each being severe on anything loose. A raft of fine shots to and over the boundary rope secured the predicted victory. Watching at the other end was very entertaining. However, during the day, we saw enough of the young St Bede's side to know they will go from strength to strength under the guidance of coach Garfield. Everyone enjoyed the cricket, afternoon sun and the banter.

## The Willows won by 4 wickets

### St Bede's College 186/9

K. Stevens 44, J. Haines 3/40

### The Willows 189/9

K. Scott 67\*, J. McCarthy 43, T. Mušič 42

**Umpires:** D. Quested and M. Hill

**Scorer:** J. Henderson



## v Timaru Boys' High School 1st XI

**29th January 2023**

Mixed weather leading up to the game resulted in a delayed start reducing the game to 40 overs. It was again a privilege for everyone to play at one of the finest grounds in NZ. Former International Murray Parker was The Willows Host with the teams playing for the Mark Parker Trophy in memory of his son.

After a gentleman's toss TBHS batted first on a slightly soft wicket and it wasn't long until 'The Postman' Craig Hinton settled in on a good length and took the first wicket. He was supported by Joshua Sinclair who made his Willows debut. TBHS struggled to get going losing early wickets, although Flynn Brookland and Kade Macmillan made promising starts. Timaru Boys' reached 174 all out.

After a fantastic lunch and with temperature hitting 30 degrees The Willows batters settled into their work. Connor Bettsworth and Nathan McNichol looked solid at the crease while the Timaru Boys' bowlers hit some very good areas. A 50 run opening partnership set a good platform for Nick Horsley to bat with some freedom. Connor continued unbeaten to show how to bat on a challenging wicket, with a mix of patience and power hitting. He received the man of the match for The Willows along with Kade Macmillan for TBHS.

*The Willows won by 7 wickets*

**Timaru Boys' High School 174**  
F. Brookland 30

**The Willows 178/3**  
C. Bettsworth 71\*, N. Horsley 48

**Umpires:** D. Reid and S. Maher  
**Scorers:** A. Kumar and V. Ravikumar



▲ Connor Bettsworth scored an unbeaten 71.



# v Nelson College 1st XI

5th February 2023

What a fantastic day of cricket! The Willows batted first and lost wickets at regular intervals throughout the morning. Only skipper Adam Hastilow put up the resistance needed and typically dealt to anything wayward. At 135/8 things were grim but Chris Mugford and Rhys Watson-Webb batted through a heavy shower to stage a strong recovery. After our 50 overs The Willows managed to lift things to 228/9 – sub-par given the excellence of conditions. New man in the Nelson 1st XI Charlie Wilson with 4/23 was the pick of the bowlers.

Wickets fell early in the chase. Jordan Kelso played a peach of an innings going at faster than a run a ball. That allowed Harry Restieaux and

Lucky Singh to settle in, bat sensibly and complete a match-winning 4th wicket partnership of exactly 100 runs. Singh in particular played some lovely shots in a very mature knock. Although there was a late flurry of wickets by Seaver Cowley it was a case of too little, too late. Nelson College triumphed, deservedly so, in a keen and well contested match.

## The Willows lost by 3 wickets

### The Willows 228/9

A. Hastilow 51, C. Mugford 42,  
R. Watson-Webb 39\*, C. Wilson 4/23

### Nelson College 231/7

L. Singh 79, H. Restieaux 46, J. Kelso 37,  
S. Cowley 3/27

**Umpires:** M. Wood and T. Fulton

**Scorer:** R. Seabourn



▲ Confident Nelson appeal – not given!



▲ More than just a light shower!



▲ Lucky Singh – match-winner for Nelson.



▲ Outstanding Southland 'keeper Nick Brown has a job to pull this one in.



▲ Excellent shot by Paul Russell on his way to 75.

## v Southland Boys' High School 1st XI

**12th February 2023**

Down to the wire! The Willows batted first on a magnificent wicket and had an excellent opening stand of 44 between Paul Russell and Mason Robinson. Paul was quick to despatch anything loose and picked up another half century while Mason turned the strike over nicely. After the breakthrough the Southland bowlers pegged the runs back and picked up more wickets to have The Willows 98 for 4. It was left to Jack Mockford and Michael Singleton to rebuild the innings. The big left-armer Charlie Hopcroft made the ball talk in his spell of ten overs 5 for 34.

Southland Boys' started the run chase well. But it was the innings of Nick Brown which swung the game. The left hander took control early and played some textbook cover drives. Young Sam Smail was his able lieutenant and batted sensibly. When both were dismissed SBHS were 195 for 6, needing only 13 more to win. Then came uncertainty under mounting pressure. With the score at 203 for 9 it could go either way

but the final two prevailed. The Southland lads capped off a great day and deservedly won a nail-biter.

### *The Willows lost by 1 wicket*

#### **The Willows 207**

P. Russell 75, M. Singleton 39\*, M. Robinson 29, C. Hopcroft 5/34

#### **Southland Boys' High School 210/9**

N. Brown 83, S. Smail 38

**Umpires:** P. Beatson and D. Beatty

**Scorer:** S. Steere



▲ Southland skipper Nick Brown receives the trophy.

# v St Andrew's College 1st XI

**19th February 2023**

The picturesque setting set the scene for an entertaining days cricket, played in front of a big crowd. The Willows captain lost the toss and Stac decided to have a bat. The pitch offered some real assistance to our two opening bowlers Zach Hedgecock and Charlie Ward who exploited this well taking two wickets apiece. Stac were in early trouble at 51/4 with Tom Turner making 35 of those. However excellent batting by Jackson Hodgkinson, Tim Richardson and Jonty Davidson saw the team through to a competitive score of 225. Willows captain Mike Johnston bowled his nibbly medium pacers with accuracy and picked up three wicket and was well backed up by some great keeping by Kelvin Scott who was involved in six dismissals.

The Stac opening bowlers of Russell and Davidson bowled well and made life difficult for our top order, but Kelvin Scott (103 retired) played an innings of patience, guile and power hitting. He was well backed up by Brent Fleming and Chris Nicolson to bring The Willows home in the 48th over. The Stac bowlers toiled hard and a pitch that got flatter as the day progressed. Alex Rippin (2/31) was tidy with his leg-spinners. It was a very competitive game with some twists and turns, but the experience of The Willows had the edge on the back of a dream day for Kelvin.

**The Willows won by 5 wickets**

**St Andrew's College 225**

J. Hodgkinson 59, J. Davidson 40\*, T. Turner 35, M. Johnston 3/40

**The Willows 228/5**

K. Scott 103 retired, S. Carrodus 34\*

**Umpires:** D. Herber and V. Patel

**Scorer:** P. Mayell



▲ A proud moment for centurion Kelvin Scott.



▲ Vintage Nick Horsley.

# v Country Secondary Schools XI

**26th February 2023**

After a delayed start due to an inch of rain it was great to see a playable pitch once the covers were pulled off. Credit has to go to the grounds team. With the match now 40 overs per side, The Willows won the toss, took a gamble and chose to bat. A move instantly regretted by captain James Richards when two wickets were lost in the first over. Usually a team would then hunker down and look to graft it out, however Jake Darling decided to put the foot down and tee off, swinging the momentum back in The Willows' favour. Some good partnerships through the middle of the innings from Seaver Cowley and Liam Robinson set us up for a strong finish. New Matfen Scholar Archie Ovens, hit a couple of towering bombs to finish the innings.

The Willows started strong with the ball. Micah Walther was the pick of the bowlers. Even though he didn't pick up a wicket he created a lot of pressure for Archie and Taylor Holland to grab wickets at the other end. Seaver and Jeremy Benton bowled well; both picking up a few wickets, and putting the squeeze on the Country Schools XI. The fielding was strong from both sides, with Ryan McEwan taking in his own words "the catch of the summer". Overall, an awesome day and a game played in outstanding spirit.

*The Willows won by 97 runs*

**The Willows 184/9**

S. Cowley 44, J. Richards 34, L. Robinson 33, C. Ward 3/45, M. Dunbar 3/30

**Country Secondary Schools 87**

B. McLeod 23, J. Benton 3/17

**Umpires:** R. Dalley and B. Townrow

**Scorer:** S. Steere

# v St Kevin's College 1st XI

**1st March 2023**

On the day prior to this match the St Kevin's 1st XI enjoyed a training session at Hagley Oval under the watchful eye of former Blackcap player, coach and Indian coach John Wright. Then former pupil Trevor Thornton gave them a tour of the ground and facilities.

The rescheduled fixture itself finally got under way the next day after two previous rained-off attempts in 2022. St Kevin's won a closely fought contest by one wicket and took the Bob Wills Trophy away with them for a second time. The Willows posted 178 all out and the 1st XI managed to get over the line in the third to last over. The stand-out players in the match were the Sussex duo of Connor Bettsworth and Seaver Cowley for The Willows and Otago Under 19 rep player Liam Direen who led the charge to bring St Kevin's home at the end. It was great to see so many players with connections to the school playing for The Willows.

*The Willows lost by 1 wicket*

**The Willows 178**

C. Bettsworth 46, M. Kelly 32

**St Kevin's College 179/9**

L. Direen 38, S. Cowley 3/25

**Umpires:** D. Reid and T. Scott

**Scorer:** T. Feely





*Will Davis skies a catch.*

## v Shirley Boys' High School 1st XI

**11th March 2023**

Leading The Willows, Shirley Boys' High School Headmaster Tim Grocott picked a strong side with a number of premier players, along with six SBHS old boys. We also had two debutants in Will Coombes from Christ's College and Joey Pawson from St Bede's College who played alongside his father Scott and uncle Jason.

SBHS won the toss and chose to bowl first on a sporting wicket which offered a bit to the seam bowlers. They troubled the batsmen, but probably didn't get enough in the right areas consistently. Tyler Bruce and Tim Hampton-Matehe put on 104 for the opening stand. We continued to bat well with Ryan Entwistle reaching 42 and Scott Pawson dusting off his batting gear to compile an excellent 45. The bowling figures did not reflect how well the lads bowled, but Benji Irvine led the way with 3/58. The Willows finished on 278/7.

In reply SBHS started well with captain Mitch Gilmore scoring 46 but a series of wickets cut off any hope of a successful chase. There was some very testing bowling from The Willows with wickets shared around, but the pick of the bowlers was Michael Peacock who picked up 3/17 with his left arm spin. SBHS were bowled out in the 38th over for 107. It was an excellent day of cricket with fantastic support from families on both sides.

*The Willows won by 171 runs*

**The Willows 278/7**

T. Bruce 48, T. Hampton-Matehe 47,  
S. Pawson 45, R. Entwistle 42, J. Pawson 32\*,  
B. Irvine 3/58

**Shirley Boys' High School 107**

M. Gilmour 46, M. Peacock 3/17

**Umpires:** A. Shipley and D. Haskett

**Scorer:** A. McLeod



▲ *Benji Irvine, a promising off-spinner.*

# v London New Zealand Cricket Club

**17th March 2023**

Willows openers Tom Mušič and Matfen scholar Angus Dempster provided a solid foundation upon which later batsmen prospered. None more so than skipper James Richards who picked up another fine half-century and Seaver Cowley who cashed in at the end. Gareth Gibson, Hugo Davison and Nic Kyle were the pick of the LNZCC bowlers. Chasing 225 runs, and soon it was Seaver back into the action. He knocked over two quick wickets before the experienced pairing of Simon Carrodus and Mike Singleton

staged a good fight-back. We will never know how it would have ended because at 4pm heavy rain came down and both sides sought the refuge of the pavilion. At least there was some recompense in catching up with some old mates as the banter and camaraderie took over.

*No result due to rain*

**The Willows 224/8**

J. Richards 57, A. Dempster 42, T. Mušič 38, S. Cowley 31\*

**LNZCC 51/3**

**Umpires:** P. Williams and G. Fantastic

**Scorer:** S. Steere

# v Whanganui Collegiate School 1st XI

**19th March 2023**

On a quintessential Canterbury day, the setting was set for a good game of cricket. It was a young Willows side selected, supported by three senior Club members. The pitch was perfect for a side stacked with batters. The Willows had an easy decision to bat first. The innings started well with Liam Eastwick and Willie Lyons posting a 113 run opening partnership. This was backed up by Jordan Sim (21), Henry Hiatt (18) and the UK scholars Seaver Cowley (20) and Connor Bettsworth (52\*) who set The Willows up for a very defendable score of 242/5.

The second innings could have gone either way. The Willows literally only had four genuine bowlers, but a very good opening spell from debutant Riley Brady (3/13 off 6 overs) put the pressure on WCS early. WCS were 34/5 when the decision was made to bring on leg spinner Stan Woolliscroft to entice the batsmen out of the crease. Woolliscroft combined with Blake Stocks to wrap up the remainder. It was a good win for The Willows, but more importantly the WCS supporters and boys had a wonderful few days in Canterbury playing cricket, with their visit to The Willows being a highlight.



▲ Willie Lyons enjoys a good batting deck.

*The Willows won by 132 runs*

**The Willows 242/5**

C. Bettsworth 52\*, L. Eastwick 52, W. Lyons 45

**Whanganui Collegiate School 110**

R. Brady 3/13, S. Woolliscroft 3/26

**Umpires:** B. Littmoden and S. Maher

**Scorer:** J. Henderson



▲ Adam Hastilow sweeps on his way to a century against Waimea College.



▲ Eyes closed – swing and a miss by Timothy O'Leary!



▲ Sound cricket shot by Angus Pearce for WCS.



▲ All over for Whanganui. BN Anderson out stumped!



▲ John Hastilow congratulates son Adam on his ton.



▲ Jackson Hodgkinson in fine touch for his half-century.

## v Waimea College 1st XI

**26th March 2023**

*Our final report, printed here in full, is penned by match manager and the Club's most prolific century-maker Dave Kelly.*

"One thing I never get sick off is the amazing support which the teams receive when playing at The Willows. With the feel of the changing season the ground could not have looked more stunning. The sound of leather on willow was backgrounded by some amazing Porsche motor cars and some lovingly restored vintage machinery amongst the boot picnics in the field of dreams.

Jay Irving from Waimea College has been an outstanding coach and his teams are always immaculately presented. The Willows batting first soon found themselves two down early but birthdays and performance bonuses can bring out the best in people and the old saying "make hay while the sun shines" rang true for Adam Hastilow. Booming drives, cuts and hooks and sweeping the spinners took Adam to his maiden century for the Club and one feels that the floodgates are about to open. He was well supported by Jackson Hodgkinson with excellent rotation of the strike and some well-timed boundaries of his own. Eli Gapes bowled a beautiful pace for the conditions and with a well-set field was able to achieve the milestone of a

five wicket haul. With runs on the board The Willows opted for attacking fields which allowed spinners Brayden McLeod and Gus Eglington to run through the middle order. Gus also held two outstanding catches to show that he has all-round qualities and an exciting future.

Having Adam's dad John present to witness the century brought back memory of my greatest moment at The Willows when scoring a 100 in front of my father just before his passing".

Thanks Dave for these words.

**The Willows won by 112 runs**

**The Willows 294/9**

A. Hastilow 101 retired, J. Hodgkinson 50, E. Gapes 5/67, N. Downey 3/49

**Waimea College 182**

C. Field 33, N. Downey 26

**Umpires:** P. Williams and D. McIlraith

**Scorer:** R. Seabourn

## Cancellations due to weather

- 20 Nov v Christchurch Boys' High School 1st XI
- 2 Dec v Marlborough Boys' College 1st XI
- 18 Dec v Christ's College 1st XI
- 5 Mar v Waitaki Boys' High School 1st XI
- 14 Mar The Willows Girls XI  
v Wellington Wanderers Girls' XI



# Around the Ground



▲ Whanganui Collegiate in trouble chasing 241.



▲ The Seddon CC and Willows U-17 Youth XI's.



▲ Luncheon at the St Andrew's match.



▲ Thanks to Black Cap Kyle Jamieson for his post-match input with OBHS.

# Around the Ground



▲ Phoebe Spear – 65 runs for St Margaret's v OGHS.



▲ Scholars of the game John Durning and Joe Bennett.



▲ Jacob Wolt, Dan Vann and Jeremy Wilson at the club's golf day held at Christchurch Golf Club in April.



▲ Happy St Andrew's coach, Mike Johnston.



▲ Thanks to all our scorers. Here is Ann McLeod.



▲ Pawson family – Joey in the middle with Uncle Jason and Dad Scott.

# Around the Ground



▲ Umpire Vibhuti Patel.



▲ Lady Anna and Sir Hugh Blackett (right) with earlier Matfen scholars James O'Gorman and Michael Peacock, and Brooke O'Gorman.



▲ Dilmah time for the Otago Boys' High School 'brains trust'.



## Paying it forward

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**By Steve Hinds**

*Nicknamed 'The Enforcer', Steve Hinds has been the World Rugby Citing Commissioner Manager since 2017. This after a full-on career with the New Zealand Police, rising to the rank of Superintendent and upon retirement as a long-time central figure in SANZAAR and Citing Commissioner at three Rugby World Cups. Prior to all this Steve had a distinguished rugby playing career in Wellington representing the Lions in 59 matches. Maybe it is from those playing days that the nickname originated? Whatever, he has very clear views about sport and the need for structure and support for youth in today's society.*

A few weeks ago, my partner Cheryl and I travelled to Levin and attended the Horowhenua A&P Show. For me this was a pilgrimage of sorts as this event was a huge part of my life growing up on a dairy farm on the outskirts of town, in 1960s New Zealand.

Then, the Show was the highlight of the year for farming folk. Sixty years on, it was evident that not a lot has changed in the A&P world, although numbers of exhibitors and participants seemed a lot less than I remembered, and the rides in the side show area not as daunting. Mind you, I am a bit bigger now. Pleasingly, the enthusiasm and the same palpable sense of community and engagement by all those involved in a vast array of activities was still alive and well.

First stop of course had to be the dairy section. My sister and I were just kids but we took it so seriously, preparing our prized Jersey heifer calves for their debut in the ring to be scrutinized by the expert judges. I well-remembered the help, support, advice and encouragement from other farming types. It was competitive but collegial at the same time and fun to be part of.



Wandering around the other various activities, I was struck by the caring and supportive environment I remember from my time in the circle. We saw axemen and women competing in novice events struggling to gnaw through the logs, being encouraged by senior members of the clubs, and greeted by enthusiastic applause when they finished, or not. It was the taking part that mattered.

Across the way from the wood chopping, the shearing stands were set up and the buzz of Lister hand pieces and the smell of sheep lanolin rekindled memories of helping out at our neighbors during shearing time, and school holidays on my brothers farm. The commentator then took the opportunity to thank the sponsors and the many volunteers for making the event happen. Classic Kiwiana with thanks given to the ladies in the kitchen getting the kai ready for lunch, the rousies clearing the fleeces, and the Zambucks for being on standby to patch anyone up who needed their attention.

After the obligatory visit to the home industries hall to review the champion fruit cake, we marveled at the intricacy and patience of the contributors in the knitting, sewing and needlework section. Works of art and many hours of patience and dedication. After

inspecting the large range of old tractors and vintage machinery, we headed to the grassy car park, set up the picnic gear, and enjoyed lunch. Oh, the memories of great family times past.

Reflecting on the day, I had a strong sense that the original philosophy of those that started the first A&P shows was still alive and well in 2023 Levin. The first show was held in the Bay of Islands in 1842. It was a country exhibition and fair, dedicated to celebrating and developing New Zealand's farming and agricultural excellence. The movement is still going strong.

How fortunate I was to grow up in those times and benefit from the loving home environment and the support and kindness that the community showed to each other. Where we sat in the grassy parking area was the footy fields of the frosty winter mornings when I played my first games of rugby. Cricket was at the nearby Weraroa Reserve of a summer weekend morning. What I remember of those days was the encouragement to take part and the support and coaching availability from any number of parents, grandparents, and senior club members reliving their own halcyon days.

The man I became I am sure was in no small part due to those formative years. You can argue the case about nature versus nurture, but if you don't get the benefit of positive reinforcement and encouragement from the earliest age, you are starting with a real handicap in life's race to find happiness and fulfilment.

I was certainly aware of kids less fortunate than myself but there was a place by the fire for everyone irrespective of background, which included those under state care living down the road at Kohitere Boys' Home. They certainly brought a very physical game of footy which I may well have channelled in later seasons and incorporated in to mine.

After university I chose to enter the service of our sovereign lady The Queen and swore the Constables oath to serve 'without fear or favour, malice or ill will'. This was my vocation and for the next 36 years I worked in a variety of roles as I rose through the ranks of the police. My years on the front line were primarily as an investigator in

the Porirua area. At that time it had the country's second largest concentration of social housing, mostly low decile schools, high unemployment, many single parent families, and was very diverse culturally. One of the country's largest psychiatric facilities, and a women's prison were in our patch as well. It was also a one gang town. It had it all!

So you would think it was a very tough area to police. While it certainly had its moments, and we were kept very busy, the outside perception of Porirua did not match the reality. As their local police, we had great relationships with our community and fully embraced working with them to solve issues before they got out of hand. We had 'Safer Communities Together' in action well before it became the NZ Police motto.

This was the 80s and I viewed what was going on with a different lens to the one I had as a youth growing up. I now saw first-hand all the highly motivated church, sports club and community organisations desperate to work with government agencies and NGOs to stage interventions and provide alternatives to these essentially good kids caught at a crossroads between gang life or something better. Skateboard and BMX parks sprung up everywhere to keep the kids active and interested.

Those days at Porirua led to numerous interventions targeted at children and young people that were wavering between which path to take. Here sport and recreation came into its own. We had a number of nationally ranked sports teams that adopted schools, with the stars, in their own time as it was still the amateur days, getting out and about across a range of sports and pastimes. Fantastic role models who had once been kids in our area themselves.

I have no doubt that these activities are still carrying on but the target audience numbers keeps creeping up. The influence of the raft of 501 deportees from Australia is having a tangible effect, particularly regarding hard drugs, and the impact of cult computer games young men get obsessed with proliferates. On top of this were the social disruption caused by the Christchurch earthquakes, the impact of the pandemic, and the carnage climate warming is producing.

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The Children's Commissioner, Her Honour Judge Frances Eivers (Ngāti Maniapoto), has no doubt that her tenure will arguably be more difficult with the pandemic, its response and the prospect of a looming recession disrupting school and home life on a scale never seen before. Domestic violence has increased and mental health issues amongst young people continue to rise. Daily we are reminded of the unacceptable number of children living in poverty, sleeping in cars, and not going to school.

Imagine how much worse the problem would be if the community groups were not still active in staging those interventions and providing life changing opportunities. The need is never greater than now and it is heartening that there are no shortage of organisations in the charitable trust area still engaged in augmenting what the state can provide.

One such organisation caught my eye in the press recently. Live for More is a charitable trust based in Tauranga that uses surf therapy to engage with vulnerable young men, predominantly of Māori heritage. Most have been in prison or on probation, many have contemplated suicide and most have abused drugs and alcohol and been involved with gangs and crime. The overall objective of Live for More is to support these young men to leave behind drugs, alcohol and crime, adopt healthy lifestyles, become meaningfully employed, feel self-esteem, allow them to see their potential and achieve the goals they have set for themselves. This all based around the pastime of surfing.

Most of us will know of the great work Spirit of Adventure trust does. The Trust strives to offer equal opportunity to all young New Zealanders by way of voyage subsidies and potential trainees are encouraged to apply. They believe there is no reason why any young New Zealanders who are eligible for a voyage should miss this opportunity for financial reasons.

Outward Bound is another iconic organisation specialising in personal and professional development – their aim is to help create better people, better communities, and a better world. People of all ages, cultures, abilities, and backgrounds are welcome at Outward Bound.

Canterbury's own 180 Degrees Trust and the fantastic work they do is right up there. After thirteen years and hundreds of youth through its doors, 180 Degrees Trust has developed a reputation for delivering safe and effective outdoor programs to at-risk youth throughout Canterbury. They have designed programs for the Ministry of Education and Oranga Tamariki for some of the most challenging cohort in their community. 180's training and experience in Adventure Therapy has lead them to use the Canterbury high country and the outdoors as its classroom to initiate a turnaround of 180 degrees in the lives of its young people.

I have been introduced to The Willows through a longstanding personal and professional relationship with the President, the Honourable Nick Davidson KC. The founding objectives to allow secondary school players to compete against experienced, often representative players in the glorious setting of The Willows ground at Loburn, reflects the sentiments I set out in this commentary.

The Willows wish to uphold the traditions and ethos of the game, and plays schools across the board. Its Outreach, touring the sub-continent, supporting Cricket Live, and engaging in scholarship exchanges with the UK, with the strong support of women's cricket, reflect all the benefits of voluntary commitment to the lives of young people. I am particularly interested in its coaching work with tamariki who may suffer from disadvantage, and the support for those who suffer from various disabilities with what sounds like a simply wonderful Christmas party each year. The work of The Willows changes lives and I applaud it.

We have all benefitted in one way or another from the fortuitous interest and perhaps intervention of someone in our past that was critical. Their support, attention and aroha made a difference.

It is very evident that the need in Aotearoa New Zealand today to use our discretionary time or resources to pay it forward to the next generation is more important than ever. Let's honour in this way all those men and women in our past who made us what we have become.

# Children's Christmas Party 2022



## Keryn Ambler: a coach with character and integrity

*When the Christ's College 1st XI won their first ever national Gillette Cup title in December 2022 they were superbly led by coaches **Keryn Amber** and **Ryan McCone**. We are grateful to the College captain Nick Gibb for writing this article on the men who guided the team to greatness. Nick himself, when this Annual Report is published, will be enjoying cricket and life experiences with the Arundel Castle Cricket Club (Sussex).*

Christ's College's history of Gillette Cup finals qualification, since the inaugural 1990 tournament, is quite limited. However, since Keryn Ambler began as head coach of the Christ's 1st XI it comes as no coincidence that the results have dramatically improved and finally this culminated with a Gillette Cup victory in 2022.

Guys in the team largely credit this success and their own development as players to Keryn's expertise and his coaching partnership with Ryan McCone. The two work well together. Keryn's coaching is not limited to Christ's College as he also expertly juggles his commitment as the Christchurch Metro Cricket development manager. The first time I met Keryn when I was in year nine and involved in Metro training. It became immediately obvious to me that Keryn was not a coach who just had 'one way'. He was able to adapt to different requirements and ambitions of different cricketers. Keryn's professionalism and knowledge as a coach was somewhat unsurprising given his own playing experiences with Canterbury A, numerous



seasons with Lancaster Park premier men and his player/coach experience on various overseas contracts.

Keryn is someone of great character; a person of integrity who is seen as a role model to our team. Players comment on the balanced environment he creates by mixing enjoyment with professionalism. Keryn works hard to ensure he has a positive relationship with every player in the team. At heart he is a positive and kind person. The only negative experience I've ever had with Keryn was the time he hit me for six over the hedge at The Willows in the annual fixture.

Over the last couple of years, under Keryn's leadership, things have not always been smooth sailing. In sport the character of the team can be put to the test. In such situations Keryn has trust in us to problem solve without his need to resort to a dressing room 'spray'. Keryn's way is to provide his sound advice and give the tools to the lads. I recall a day in early 2021 against our



big local rivals when things were not going to plan and the chips were down. No matter how much the lads began to panic or stress, Keryn's words of only being 'two wickets away' or 'one big partnership away' were pivotal in changing the match situation.

It is well known that Keryn is well respected amongst cricketing circles. The respect that Keryn gets through coaching at College and Metro is not limited to his work with the guys in the team but extends to the parent group behind the team, and to opposition players and coaches too. Some of the boys from the 2022 Christ's 1st XI described Keryn as a coach who always had the team in mind but who also made sure to establish positive relationships with all the boys. Many noted how they had made significant technical advancements in their game under him. Not only this, Christ's also won the Spirit of Cricket Award at the Gillette Cup; this was due to the culture that Keryn and Ryan had created throughout the whole year. They had us playing cricket in the right way and also had the boys enjoying the game. This also meant out of the 13 guys who are leaving our 1st XI squad of 14, almost all are continuing with some form of cricket following school.



## Christ's College 1st XI wins national title for the first time

We extend our congratulations to the Christ's College 1st XI, brilliantly led by Nick Gibb, on an outstanding win at The Gillette Cup for the first time in their school history. The College side are a great group of players and individuals who play their cricket in a positive fashion. The team which is made up entirely of Year 13 lads has been well

coached and managed by Keryn Ambler, Ryan McCone and Stephen Dodds. Their work with the group has been simply outstanding. As with all school 1st XIs, players move on, but there is no better way for them to finish their College cricket careers.

Throughout the tournament, played the week prior to Christmas, Christ's went unbeaten in four matches thanks to a complete team effort. Individual milestones were many: the tournament MVP Tim Seeto (311 runs) and captain Nick Gibb both finished in the top five run-scorers. Tim (with 160 runs) and Nick (125 runs) shared a record 276-run partnership in their first match against Mount Albert Grammar School – the highest partnership ever scored at Gillette Cup nationals. Opener Matt Lewis contributed valuable runs striking at 136.7, as well as grabbing a handful of wickets. Fast bowler Ben Breitmeyer led the way with bowling unit while spin bowlers Matthew Hocquard and Hamish Falls-Anderson proved miserly and had good economy rates. Wicketkeeper George Ryan finished with the most wicketkeeper dismissals (10). Well done to all the players, parents and coaches for a great week of cricket.

There is much in common regarding the power of cricket to develop character and the need to reinvigorate cricket in schools whose cricket programmes have languished

— *Winsome Dormer, on the launch of closer ties between The Willows and Arundel Castle CC*

## Justin Boyle: facing baptisms of fire

By John Mitchell

*Justin Boyle has had a stellar career in education and he wasn't half bad at cricket either. I want to share some thoughts on both.*

Our contact goes back to 1976. Justin had just got back from a triumphant Emus tour to Australia over the New Year. He had been the star player on tour. So senior selection for BWU premiers was a shoe-in. His debut match was on Hagley 1 against HSOB and what proved a baptism by fire against a fiercesome attack led by Richard and Dayle Hadlee. Two of the meanest in the land. We opened together. Being the young gun Justin came under a barrage of short-pitched bowling and some banter. One bouncer smacked into his elbow (no protective gear back then); he was hurt and suffered a dead-arm. He could not continue – retired hurt amidst a few tears. Although, he did return to the crease later, Justin learned a valuable lesson that day which would hold him in good stead in his later playing days. He went on to play 35 first-class games for Canterbury and Wellington. And so began the Boyle dynasty in Canterbury cricket with brother David and sons Jack and Matthew following. 244 appearances collectively across formats in domestic cricket and still counting!

Ten years later Justin and I worked together on the staff at Burnside High School. Justin, the young English teacher was learning his craft. He was scholarly, self-contained, “heads down” and taking it all in. He wasn't like the other young turks on the staff; he didn't flit off for a run, or a swim or a knock at tennis; he avoided “armpit corner” where the young phys-edders joshed.



Justin was happiest, tucked up in a quiet corner of the staffroom, with a book and some downtime alone. He was quite unique in this respect.

Ten years further on and a principal is born. In January 1996 he started his five year tenure as Rector of St Kevin's College, Oamaru. At the ripe old age of 37 years. One of the youngest appointees – ever! How did this come about? After Burnside, Justin gained promotion as PR2 English and Form 4 Dean at Christchurch Boys' High School – a stepping-stone to a Head of Department, Senior Master or Deputy Head job. But Justin, through his unique talent, missed this route and went straight to a principalship. I cannot recall this happening before. Another baptism of fire for the young man; with limited experience on so many fronts; here he was in the firing line again to face the challenge of being the boss. And yet, still he coped and excelled.

In January 2002 Justin was appointed the 15th Rector of St Bede's College, Christchurch; a school to which he has dedicated the rest of his teaching career. 21 years leading a fabulous school and influencing the lives and education of so many students and staff along the way.

A word here about cricket – so Justin was appointed in January 2002; the next month February 2002 he played for The Willows against his own St Bede's 1st XI. We batted first and were soon in trouble. At a sad 5 for 17 runs Justin went out to bat. We ended up with a score of 173 runs, with Justin top scoring with 53. The following year, the same scenario; we were in huge early trouble; with wickets down when he and that wonderful character Mike Hamel put on a century partnership – Justin got 43. All up, in his seven innings for The Willows Justin has a batting average of 33 – certainly way ahead of mine and many others I add!

Justin was also a great mate of MED. There was lots of banter between the two. Mike was always invited into the inner circle whenever a Bede's / College match was played. As a supportive Willower, Justin generously made available school facilities like the chapel, dining hall or gymnasium for club functions.

So Justin the Principal – 21 long years at the helm. Early on in his time, I remember meeting him socially. He mentioned his desire to “soften the culture” at the school. What did he mean by that? He didn't like some of the hard-nosed, macho / competitive, win-at-all-cost elements he detected. He wanted to promote the academic side and for cultural activities (like choir, orchestra, debating, oratory, community service, Canteen, retreats) to have as high a profile as sport in the school. Justin modelled these ideals himself eg he was always keen to get out his violin and sidle into the back row to play with the school orchestra in rehearsal (another of his happy places). He even coached the 1st XI in later years – heaven forbid, this on top of all his other responsibilities as Head. At school assemblies Justin has led by quiet example, no ra-ra, just focus on the Bedean way. Justin strengthened the special character of St Bede's College during his time.

There is one other reality about the job – only the man himself and others in the role, can understand the pressure on a modern day secondary principal. Here comes the next baptism by fire. I'm talking about trial by social media. Whenever a group of Bede's boys let the side down, whether at an airport carousel, or en route to Maadi Cup, and the media get their teeth into it, a principal's job is hell. Most of the stuff has nothing to do with the core business of teaching and learning. Over his time Justin has had to face a few such media attacks. And like the true opening bat he is, he plays with a straight bat and shoulders arms and has nothing to do with anything wide of the mark.

Justin's life is like the Parthenon – built on solid pillars. Of the many pillars, two stand out. They are his faith and his family. It is the latter I want to close on. Whenever you speak with any member of the Boyle family, whether it be Anastasia, Callum, David, Genevieve or Justin himself (I haven't met Jack or Matt yet) there is a common empathy and joy of familial cohesion. This they attribute to their parents who surrounded the children and grandchildren with love, music, literature, culture, sport, communication but most of all – love within the family home. It is a total team; formidable; with wife Genevieve being there as loyal support and the rock through many of Justin's baptisms of fire. Together they have been unstoppable. We heartily congratulate Mr and Mrs Boyle on their wonderful partnership of 21 years at St Bede's College.

**Challenges give pathways  
for opportunities and  
fresh options.**

*– Sanjeewa Silva, Cricket Live  
Foundation Manager, Sri Lanka*

# Milestones



## Ground redevelopment completed

During the off-season, in collaboration with Readylawn, the complete reconstruction of our cricket oval was completed. Roger Morgan from Readylawn felt proud to be entrusted the task. “The Willows Cricket Club ground has been one of the special projects we’ve been involved with and one that we will remember for a long time. We’ve experienced the legacy of the Dormer family and members of the Club who visited throughout the construction phase have revealed huge support for what is a special part of NZ cricket. The clients are so passionate and fully engaged in the process” said Roger.

In essence the scale of the ground redevelopment undertaken involved: a total relay of the full 8-strip cricket block using Kakanui clay, the outfield has been relevelled and resown with 1.4 hectares of pop-up irrigation sprinklers,

and additional water tanks installed. No longer will batsmen revel in seeing boundaries come easily post-Christmas over a burnt-off, lightning swift outfield. Beyond the boundary rope on the cottage/lake side of the ground a grassed embankment has been created which will allow for better spectator viewing.

So as well as being Mike’s legacy, our playing surface today, is again one of the jewels in The Willows crown.

## Fresh ideas at board level

We were delighted to welcome two new Board members for the 2022/23 season:

■ **Jeremy Benton** – a former Canterbury senior and New Zealand age group representative who has a strong communications and tech background. He will take on the role of Secretary for the Club.

■ **James Richards** – a former Canterbury Country rep who will oversee sponsorship for the Club to ensure it continues to grow in the direction the founder MED requested “a firm focus on providing coaching resources within schools where it is required”. Both James and Jeremy went on Willows youth tours to Sri Lanka.

## Celebration of youth sport

On the 8th September 2022 the Club held a special event to herald the new season and to celebrate youth sport. The afternoon was headlined by our guest speaker Eric Murray, MNZM, and Olympic champion rower. While sport is first and foremost about enjoyment, for those seeking success at the highest level there are important key components required. To have Eric Murray speak to that added to the special appeal of the event. Few people can equal his success in elite sport over such a sustained period of time. Eric, with Hamish Bond, formed the most successful combination in rowing history. Together they were unbeaten

internationally from 2009–2016 and in that time chalked up two Olympic gold medals in the coxless pairs and six consecutive world titles in that event. He is also a quintessential Kiwi bloke who gave an unfiltered view on what it takes to get to the top and be successful.

In addition, we had Sir Richard Hadlee to present the '49ers and Shadbolt Trophies to Timaru Boys' High School and Harry Witt from Rangiora High School, respectively. The afternoon concluded with an informative question-and-answer session with our panel of Eric, Sir Richard and Michael Heron KC. Invitations went to all schools, not just those on our fixture list and we were happy for non-cricketers to attend. In the end we had an audience of about 250 young athletes (plus a few aging Willowers).

## Arundel Castle and The Willows

Arundel Castle and The Willows Cricket Clubs were born 100 years apart. A link arose through Mike Dormer meeting David Kidd and the idea of an exchange of young cricketers was born. Arundel is a rich part of New Zealand cricket history with many New Zealand XI's visiting over the years with touring international sides often playing their first game in England at the ground each season. Young New Zealanders will work with the famous Arundel Foundation which merges with Mike Dormer's dedication to the Salvation Army cause. This scholarship is the opportunity of a lifetime, and will become a fresh part of the history of both clubs.

The 3.5 acre cricket amphitheatre at Arundel was built in 1895 by the 15th Duke of Norfolk. It was in 1986 that the charitable arm, the Arundel Castle Cricket Foundation was formed. The Willows was opened on 23rd October 1994.

## UK scholars

In October 2022 we welcomed our first two UK Dormer Melhuish Aldridge exchange scholars to Christchurch. **Seaver Cowley** (Hastings Priory Cricket Club) and **Connor Bettsworth** (Rottingdean and Cuckfield Cricket Clubs) settled quickly to their new environment. We

have a number of Club members to thank for that, notably the head of our pastoral team Winsome Dormer plus support from Clare Kissick, Keith Yardley, Dave Kelly and Paul Rutledge and Jo Morrow at Rochester House (UC). Paul arranged for the Riccarton Cricket Club to be their cricket base. Finally, and most importantly, none of this would have happened without the huge input from President Nick Davidson who has worked extensively with David Kidd and his UK counterparts throughout.



Connor Bettsworth (above) and Seaver Cowley (below) in action for The Willows against Wellington College.



## 2023 recipients of the Dormer Melluish Aldridge Scholarship announced

Congratulations to **Nick Gibb** and **Maggie Martin** who were selected for this once in a life-time opportunity. Along with playing cricket the pair will have the opportunity to work with the Arundel Cricket Foundation in Sussex England.

Nick Gibb is a batting allrounder and skipper of the successful Gillette Cup Christ's College 1st XI. Nick wants to continue his passion for cricket by hopefully one day playing at rep level, while always maintaining his love for the game. Nick said "The connections and friendships I have made from the game are central to my enjoyment. I would also like to give back to the game through coaching and intend to gain coaching qualifications over this summer. I plan also to study for a university degree majoring in commerce and law".

Maggie Martin is a top order batter playing for the Christchurch Girls' High School 1st XI and is a Canterbury U19 Representative. Maggie is a very exciting prospect in the women's game here in Canterbury. She has an all-round skill set, with the ability to adapt to both the short and longer formats of the game. She also has an excellent attitude, work ethic and openness to learning. Maggie is a hard hitting top order batter, capable of hitting through the field, scoring at a run a ball and using soft hand options to manipulate the field.

## Two more off to Matfen for a season of English cricket

Angus Dempster (St Thomas of Canterbury College) and Archie Ovens (Burnside High School) have been selected and will head over to Matfen CC next April on the Dormer Blackett Scholarship. The relationship between our two clubs dates back to 2003 and after two covid affected years we are finally able to send the young men over again for the 2023 UK season.

**Angus Dempster** – wicketkeeper batsman. Angus is a young man of great character. He is

one of those cricketers that makes an impression on you the moment you meet him. Angus, as a senior player at STCC, is supportive of his team mates and helps guide younger players on what is expected as well as being a positive role model.

**Archie Ovens** – medium pace bowler and middle order bat. Archie has been playing cricket since five years of age. He has been in the Nothwest 1st XI for the past three years and is their opening bowler. He seeks continuous improvement in his game and believes he has gained a lot playing under his coach, Llorne Howell. Llorne mentioned how hard Archie trains all while having a smile on his face. Archie loves the spirit, competitiveness and traditional values of cricket.

## Congratulations – Hawke Cup back to Rangiora

In early November 2022 a strong Canterbury Country XI successfully uplifted the Hawke Cup from Hawkes Bay. In a match played at Nelson Park, Napier they won by an innings and 29 runs. In what was the ultimate team effort everyone in the side chimed in with either runs / wickets or both to comprehensively take the Cup.

It is one thing to win it; the next is to defend it. And in this they have been 100% successful in repulsing some stiff challenges. Victories have come on the back of good numbers from the batters, including a double-century from 2018/19 The Willows Shadbolt Trophy winner **Archie Redfern**, and a potent bowling attack. Here another Shadbolt recipient **Fraser Sheat** spear-headed the attack.

Congratulations must go to player-coach Tim Gruitjers and manager Chris Rowe who for several years have carefully nurtured this crop of very talented players. This season was their cash-in time. The huge depth in the North Canterbury squad augers well for future defences. Any combination of the 20-24 lads available for selection will do the Association proud as they continue to rewrite the record books and pile up new feats.

## World title shot

The New Zealand Over-60s side acquitted themselves with honour at the inaugural Over-60 Cricket World Cup held in September on the Sunshine Coast. They made it to the finals but had to settle for runners-up, beaten by a tidy Pakistan unit. NZ managed 173/9 off 45 overs; a total which Pakistan comfortably chased down to win the match by seven wickets. Playing for NZ were Willowers **Graeme Inglis** (Captain) and **Andrew Nuttall**, who happened to take all three Pakistani wickets to fall. Other club members in the squad included Jeremy Wilson, Mike Johnston, Tony Gray, Bob Masefield (selector/back-up player) and Manager Lance Ryan. Congratulations on a memorable result from our team.

And then in December 2022 we learned that another three club members gained selection in the New Zealand Over-40s side to play Australia in February. They were: Adam Hastilow and Honorary Members Hamish and James Marshall. We await final team selection for a tournament in South Africa in early 2024. For Adam he capped off a terrific season by scoring 101 retired on a well-attended Club Day and in so doing became the twelfth batsman to aggregate 1,000 runs for The Willows CC. Great news.

The international flavour continued into 2023 when we hosted the NSW Vets (Over-60s) at Loburn in February. On a scorching hot Canterbury day it was a pleasure to welcome back many of our more senior players, led by men like Nutts, Scrump, Joe Bennett, John Durning and co. Good to see them wind the clock back, replicate former glory and chalk up a win. Batsmen retired at 40 runs with three of ours – Craig Gibb, Jeremy Wilson and Chris Mugford – doing so. And while putting out the plaudits we must mention Jeremy again; he has been at the vanguard of Willows cricket for over ten years and recently played his 50th match for us.

Finally to finish a successful season for vets cricket Andrew Nuttall, Robbie Frew and Kelvin Scott were in the New Zealand Over-50 team which came a creditable third in their World Cup in South Africa in March 2023.

## We owe it to the game to respect the official's role

Umpires and scorers are often people who want to give back or get back involved with cricket. Thanks to all who have stood or kept score at The Willows this season. Many are well known to the players but it has been gratifying to note the new ones who have come on board and love the game.

The man who works tirelessly to ensure every match has officials is **Dave Stuthridge**. We acknowledge the huge contribution he has made over many seasons; he has been a pleasure to work with and is one of the most respected men in cricket circles in our region. Thank you Dave. Alongside him has been **Howard Fowler** from Country cricket who has also been a power of strength in umpire coordination at the Club.

Over the past season several umpires have stood for three or more games at The Willows. They range from the very experienced Peter Williams and David Reid to a new umpire like Brent Littmoden. We are delighted to see the ranks of women umpires growing and we have been pleased to welcome the latest in Vibhuti Patel who joins colleagues like Kim Cotton, Alyson Shipley, Khymne D'Arcy and others. Amongst the scorers there is a more even gender spread with those helping in this capacity, three or more times, being Sandra Steere (with a whopping 8 games), Ann McLeod and Jim Henderson.

## Junior Willower days

It was great to have some younger primary age players out on the oval immediately prior to Christmas. The two teams enjoyed an epic day. Under the guidance of youth development svengali Dan Vann, some skills rotations were followed by a 30 over match. For the record Evolution Blue XI scored an impressive 188 and the Evolution Black XI fell short with 135. It was a great day out with friendships made and a perfect way to end 2022.

In January, another 24 lads attended a coaching clinic at Hagley Oval. We are most grateful to the Hagley staff and Dan and his team for enabling such opportunities for our young champions.

# Chatfield Shield

## – dynasty ends but Chats is back

By Chris Mugford

This year The Willows 35 years plus side travelled to Auckland for the delayed 2022 edition of the Kindred Club finals. North Shore Cricket Club hosted the event at Devonport Domain and The Willows featured a solid core of former winners out to secure their fourth successive title. Sam Davis stood down from the leadership this year (to protect his legacy) and handed the reins to Chris Mugford. The team was hastily assembled and featured the debuts of Simon Carrodus and Mark Murphy.

The first round saw The Willows drawn against hosts North Shore who were also putting up the Chatfield Shield. Winning the toss we batted on a pitch which played well but a sluggish outfield meant that our total of 127 from 20 overs felt fair. Jonny Davidson added the impetus with some big hitting in his innings of 45. North Shore never got going and two wickets apiece to McFedries, Carrodus and Murphy restricted the hosts to 115; much to the organisers and entire tournament's lament.

The win meant we were into the Premiership semi-final versus Clifton. After a raucous Friday evening at the Viaduct the team was still well warmed up in the morning. Being put into the field, the Clifton openers put on 72 but never gained any real momentum. They limped to 121/7 with Carrodus and Murphy getting wickets and McFedries, Nicolson and Mugford putting on the screws. In reply, the total was always well within reach. Jimad Khan stroked 38 and supporting roles from Glynn Howell, Robert Dunne and some lusty blows from Davidson got us home in 19.4 overs.

With the Chatfield Shield secured, thoughts went to the final to be played against a stacked Seddon team featuring first-classers James



▲ The Willows at Seddon Park to take on Seddon CC under lights.

Marshall and Jaden Hatwell. The length of the day was starting to be felt and the morning lazing in the sun on bean bags saw energy levels deplete. Mugford led the team into battle, reminded by Howell and Davis that no Willows captain had ever lost this tournament.

The Willows batted first. We were soon 3 for 3 with McConnell and Howell gone inside two overs. Dunne (36) and Khan (22) rescued the innings and some big blows from McFedries and Mugford got the team to a defendable 129. The Willows however started with 6 wides and 4 long hops and after four overs Seddon were 27/1. Bowling changes occurred regularly but wides and four balls kept coming. James Marshall looked a different class until Howell caught him spectacularly on the boundary for 30. At 51/3, The Willows were confident. Alas, the wides continued and despite late wickets, Seddon chased the score down inside 17 overs. Wides contributing 40 runs.

All dynasties come to an end and I am sure an enquiry will be held into this disastrous campaign. However Seddon were deserving winners in a tournament revitalised by our wonderful hosts from the North Shore. The guest speaking of Jeff Thomson and the local fireworks extravaganza was also a big highlight.

[Maybe the skipper's reference to a "disastrous campaign" is a bit harsh; after all didn't Meat Loaf sing "Two out of three aint bad"? – Ed]



And by way of postscript it only got better for Skipper Mugford in April 2023 when he successfully led his team to defend “The Chats” in the final hit-out of the season. This game was played under lights at Seddon Park Hamilton against the same foe as the North Shore final. Seddon batted first and scored 218 off their 30 overs on a very flat international track. Both Rob Dunne and Mark Murphy picked up three wickets

each. In what proved a decent chase The Willows knocked the runs off with three balls to spare! This was thanks to a fine 78 runs from ex-ND star Nick Horsley and 58 from planted Cantabrian Ben Rae. And so the Chatfield Shield was defended in what was a fantastic occasion. Rightfully so, Chris can contentedly rest-up over the winter before it all goes on the line again in the season to come.

## A tribute to Amy on a stellar career

By Kirsty Bond

With the retirement recently of Amy Satterthwaite from all levels of the game it is timely to pause and reflect on a wonderful career. During her time at the top levels of the game in NZ, Amy fashioned an impressive career record with both bat and ball. Her contribution to cricket in Canterbury and for NZ has been immense and continues a fine legacy of high quality female players from the province.

Amy, known to her teammates as Branch due to her tall, willowy stature, made her debut for the Canterbury Magicians in 2003/04 season whilst still at St Margaret’s College. Four years later she was called up to the NZ team for the Rosebowl series against Australia where she made her ODI and T20 debuts. Just a month on from this tour she made her first appearance in England where she stunned everyone with, what was at the time, the best figures in a Women’s T20I of 6/17.

Since then, she has predominantly made her mark with the bat at the international level, especially in the ODI format, hammering runs as a regular feature of the New Zealand middle order. She hit her maiden international century in December 2012 against Australia and followed this up with scores of 103 and 85 in successive matches against England in the 2013 Women’s World Cup. Amy’s most notable run of scores was in 2016/17 season when she equalled Kumar Sangakkara’s record of four consecutive



centuries in ODIs with scores of 137\*, 115\*, 123 and 102\* against Pakistan and Australia. In fact she came within a whisker of being the first player to score five consecutive hundreds when she fell for 85 against Australia.

This past season, Amy has reached another milestone in her illustrious career when she surpassed Frankie Mackay’s record as the most capped T20 player for the Canterbury Magicians. This adds further to her record as the most capped Magicians player of all time with over 200 games for the province as well as over 200 international appearances for her country.

Despite the impressive record, Amy’s humility would see her speak first and foremost of her desire to give back to the game. Earlier this year she had her first taste of elite level coaching when she spent time with the WBBL champions, the Adelaide Strikers, as an assistant coach. With the Women’s IPL starting up in India it won’t be her last. However, thankfully Amy will not be lost entirely to the game in Canterbury. She also has an ambition to help the next generation of cricketers in the province by continuing to help strengthen the quality and depth of players making their way in the game.



# Schoolgirls save the best for last

Unseasonable cold snaps sadly put paid to a several planned schoolgirls matches. First, a double-header of games set to open the season in October had to be cancelled and the same fate happened for a match between a Willows XI and a Wellington Wanderers XI in March.

Luckily, we were able to reschedule the former in the final week of the season. Two-T21 games were staged involving old Rosebowl Trophy rivals Christchurch Girls' High School 1st XI and St Hilda's Collegiate School 1st XI; followed by Otago Girls' High School 1st XI versus St Margaret's College 1st XI – both being newcomers to the ground. We were treated to excellent cricket with some stand-out players.

In game one, St Hilda's proved too strong scoring 151/5 to 56/9. The top order of the southerners stole the show with runs from Megha Santhilkumar (32), Ella Gibson (36 retired) and the talented Otago Sparks rep Chloe Deerness (49 not out). That squared the rubber between them – it's all on for the 2024 fixture!

In game two, a dominant innings from Phoebe Spear (65) meant St Margaret's College 1st XI ran up a score of 124/5 in their overs. They then proceeded to bowl out OGHS for 50 runs with the figures of the day being returned by Ciara

Hartland (4 for 5). For their efforts Phoebe and Ciara were named joint players of the match. As well, Board member Kirsty Bond presented the inaugural Amy Satterthwaite–Suzie Bates Trophy to Phoebe and her team.

That tidily meant a 1-1 result between Otago and Canterbury. Not only did the four teams enjoy their Willows experience but the respective coaches and managers are enthusiastic that The Willows plan to bring on more such innovation for the women's game. Thanks to umpires Vibhuti Patel and David Reid and scorer Dave Stuthridge who officiated for the day.



▲ Year 10 student Ciara Hartland grabbed a 4-wicket bag.

# Golf day – field of 102 turn out including Sir Bob

The Willows held its annual golf tournament in April at the Christchurch Golf Club with a big field 102 players. We were thrilled to have golfing legend Sir Bob Charles, a long-standing member of the host club, play in our tournament.

The tournament was played under Ambrose rules, ensuring that everybody had a fair chance of winning. For the record, Vaughan Fleming's four won and they were thrilled to receive a limited edition of Sir Bob's biography written by Geoff Saunders, who was also playing.

A new feature this year was a hole-in-one comp with the prize of a Ford Escape Hybrid kindly donated by Avon City Ford. Sadly the car lives to fight another day, but a few were close!

A very pleasant dinner and prizegiving was held, with expert auctioneer Bryan Andrews presiding as over \$25,000 was raised for The Willows community coaching fund. The Club is most grateful to those businesses and individuals who donated prizes including: David Kidd, Nicholas Davidson, Winsome Dormer, Harry Chamberlain, Dennis King and Peter Sturgeon. Thanks also to Paul Rutledge and his loyal organising team.



▲ Sir Bob Charles tees off at Christchurch Golf Club.



## Willows U17s take on 'burgundy and pinks'

In the last week of the summer school vacation we were delighted to host the Seddon Cricket Club (Hamilton) Under-17 team for two days. On the first afternoon the team had a coaching clinic at Hagley with John Wright, Matthew Hart, Joey Yovich, Llorne Howell and others. The next day the lads enjoyed an excellent match against a Willows Under-17 side selected by Dave Kelly. Both sides comprised exciting young players drawn mainly from smaller rural schools in both regions, giving the day added appeal and interest. For the record the northerners prevailed in a match which produced just shy of 500 runs with only 11 dismissals. Thanks to all involved – this sort of initiative is at the heart of the ethos of both clubs in growing the game.

Another Dave Kelly U-17 team travelled to the Basin Reserve to play the final match of the season against a strong Wanderers side. It was a drizzly old day and because of a late start it was reduced to a 24-over affair. Wellington set our boys the tall order to chase in the vicinity of 210 runs which proved too great a target in the end. Notwithstanding, it was a wonderful occasion with a sizeable group of parents travelling up for the fixture. Our thanks to Wellington Cricket for allowing our lads on to the Basin turf.

## Q&A with Kate Ebrahim

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*Kate Ebrahim is a superstar in the women's game. The all-rounder has represented Central Districts, Staffordshire, Canterbury and Otago and played 31 ODIs and 39 T20s for New Zealand. Her form this past season for the Sparks has been stunningly good. The numbers are compelling; indeed, it is head-scratching that she has not been called upon for further national honours. We appreciate her words here.*

### **Q1. Most memorable game?**

The Dream 11 Women's Super Smash 2020/21 final at the Basin Reserve, Canterbury Magicians v Wellington Blaze is a game I will remember for a very long time! Not only was it a final which both teams were hungry to win – but it was a final that had it all.

We won the toss and elected to field first, knowing that whatever target was set, we backed ourselves to chase it. But we were soon on the back foot. Wellington were 62 for 1 at the 8th over cruising at 7 RPO, quickly moving to 100 for 2 at the 13th. Here we were thinking we're going to be in a run chase in the late 170s early 180s with five White Ferns sitting in their dug-out still waiting to bat! Three runouts and disciplined smart bowling from our attack, Wellington suddenly found themselves in strife losing six for 25, they were left scrambling.

Chasing 125 for the win you simply back yourselves, but the pressure got to us. I found myself coming in during the 4th over with only 18 runs on the board. It was a Basin Reserve full house and a must-win game. Our skipper (Frankie Mackay) and I nudged away; 40 runs at the 9th over. But more drama was to follow. The next three balls was going to be a hat-trick! Here I was watching – from the non-striker's end.



▲ Kate Ebrahim visits The Willows with her daughter.

After a gritty and determined 6th wicket partnership of 65 with Lea Tahuu we needed 10s off the last 4 overs. We were still in with a sniff although Lea and I felt very isolated in the middle surrounded by a local, vocal and confident crowd. Finally, I hit the winning runs in the last over. Something you dream of as a young girl.

What made this match even more special is that 11 months prior I had just given birth to our daughter. It was a season where I was unsure if I was ever going to make it back. There are a lot of unknowns for females when returning into a high performance sporting environment from a physical, mental and emotional state to name a few. The love and support I have surrounding me is what enables me to continue to play the game I love. Hence my choice of this being my most memorable game.

## **Q2. Most memorable personal performance?**

The 2016/17 Hallyburton Johnstone Shield One Day Women's Final, we (Canterbury Magicians) played the Auckland Hearts at Hagley Oval. Auckland posted 233/6, I was able to play a part in the first three dismissals, two wickets and a crucial catch, finishing with bowling figures of 2/30 off my 10 overs. Then, turning around and scoring the winning runs by hitting a four through the covers which brought up my first 100 for the red and black colours. Even though it's not my top score in my career nor is it my personal best bowling figures, scoring a 100 in final to win is exactly what you play for. Moments like these can not be replicated – very often!

The 2016/17 season was my first for Canterbury. My husband and I had made the move south from our beloved home province of Taranaki. Again, plenty of unknowns throughout the season, after playing 10 years for Central Districts. I transitioned into the Canterbury side, slotting into a new batting role at number four and coming on as a first-change bowler. It was refreshing time in my career, as my game continued to develop, to grow and flourish in a new environment surrounded by some world-class, talented and experienced players.

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

Many great coaches have put a lot of time into me. During my youth, my parents were the biggest supporters, until my Dad passed away when I was 16 years old. When you're faced with grief to this extent at such a young age learning how to get on with life and push through are skills I have learned.

I have a mentor (Debu Banik) who I've worked with since the age of 12 and to this day I still work with him technically and tactically around my game. I owe him a lot of gratitude for the hours of net sessions we've had over the years and the personal life lessons he has taught me. The honesty between each other, the detailed conversations and the work at training is what has shaped me as a player and person.

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

Learn the basics of the game of cricket and do them well (batting, bowling, fielding). It may seem a simple piece of advice. Doing the simple things well is important and understanding what the basics are. When I mention basics I'm talking about the little skills like running between the wickets, where to look and how to call. How to gauge depth perception with high catches and position yourself, how to attack the ball in the field, how to collect and release the ball when fielding, where to position yourself when backing up whether you're close to the ball or the furthest. How to set your own field and know alternatives. These examples are just a few. That's the beauty of the game, no matter how good you are, everyone can know the basics and do them well.

What I notice about some first-class cricketers who come into the game with limited experience is that the basics of their game has been neglected. If these are learnt early it will help induce the confidence to contribute later within the team. These basic skills need to become second nature.

Practice, practice, practice!

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

We want cricket to be for everyone and for more people to take up the game. We need more people to fall in love with it and stay in love for a lifetime. The game must transcend age, gender, race and ability as it's always been a metaphor for life. We need to continue to be welcoming to all those who feel a connection with it and it's our job and the job of everyone in the game to ensure that numbers are as broad and diverse as our population. We as older, experienced lovers of the game must be guardians of the game and introduce and teach the younger generation how wonderful this game is and the relationships and friendships that we build will last a lifetime.

# Mark Hastings: A cricketer who played with the gift of time

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**By Vince Barry**

*Vince is Regional Director, Te Whatu Ora, Health New Zealand in Christchurch and has worked all his career in the field of clinical medicine devoted to the wellbeing and care of people. Also as a Willower and premier grade club cricketer, Vince has had a long association with the distinguished Hastings family; with father Brian (31 Tests) one of New Zealand's best batsmen of his era and son Mark who also played first-class cricket.*

*Tragically in 2021 Mark took his own life after a long battle with clinical depression. Vince was there throughout as huge support for the family and those left grieving. With the permission of the family we have reprinted words, written by Vince at the time, as a tribute to this remarkable young sportsman and also to provide an insight into challenges Mark faced in life.*

Mark Hastings, was born in 1968 in Christchurch, the second son of Maureen and Brian Hastings and loved little bro of Mike. It was a family whom Mark held in deep love and respect.

Mark was known to many as Hasto or in his early times at the Marist club as Yoda (after the Jedi master from Star Wars). He was a gifted sportsman – a natural. Wearing the Red and Black of Canterbury was always a matter of when, not if. Mark was soon to grace the representative fields in both football and cricket to equal measure in his early career. Both codes were somewhat desperate to woo him to their respective arenas. It was following in his father's footsteps that won the day and it is where he really left his major impact. In all, he played 10 first-class matches and 28 one-day games for Canterbury.

To his representative colleagues Mark was arguably one of the most underrated players in the golden era of Canterbury cricket success through the 1990s. Only the very best can make this unique game look easy, and Mark often did that. He always appeared to have the gift of time, whether it was gliding up to the crease with ball in hand, stroking the ball through the covers or snaffling a catch from an impossible position. He made the game look easy. It was Mark's selection in the NZ youth team to play in the Youth World Cup in 1988 that was one of his career highlights. ESPN Cricinfo said of Mark at the time: "On his day Mark can be quite brilliant. Whether batting, bowling or fielding, he can be a match winner. If he is fit he is sure to receive many more games."

This final sentence leads to the second part of this commentary – if he is fit he is sure to receive many more games. Many reading this will be aware at some level of the adversity/challenges that dogged Mark and his family for most of his adult life. So let's try and simplify this. As human beings we can often display the frailties of the human condition. We may suffer from the scourges of self doubt and anxiety. Do people understand me, am I loved, can I love?

For most of us we can rationalise those thoughts away. They will more than likely be episodic and pass relatively quickly. We will use these experiences and our quick recovery to adapt to future challenges. Of course this will rely so much on our bio-chemical engineering in that computer called the brain. The chemical messengers that regulate all sorts of bodily functions. Simply put, we rely on the oil that feeds the elements of our brain to be able to respond to the pressure in our daily lives. For most of us our brains engineering works relatively effectively ... for Mark it didn't.

My early experiences with Mark displayed a malfunction if you like of that biochemical engineering. We can only guess the cause. Was it a virus of some sort, was there a predisposition? We can only work with what happened. There were many occasions especially in those earlier years where Mark found himself in a state which left him almost catatonic, simply sitting on the couch at his home hardly able to communicate.

Marks response to those early episodes were heroic in the speed of their recovery. One such time was only hours before his selection in the NZ Youth Cricket team he remained in the stranglehold of one of those states. Some short time later (two weeks) Mark could boast that he had amongst others the scalps of a young Nasser Hussain and Jimmy Adams.

As the years progressed it appeared the severity of the mood components of Mark's symptoms abated, but were replaced with ever increasing level of self deprecation, and anxiety that would lead to further deterioration of Mark's abilities to interact successfully and allow a full recovery.

As most of Mark's peers worked through the many milestones of life, Mark didn't achieve many of those which further compounded his sense of self-worth and acceptance. This state became very chronic and Mark chose amongst other things to remove himself from much of his social contacts. Many people reached out to Mark to offer support and assistance and would often have had the experience of rejection. I can tell you there was no malice in Mark's response

to your intentions. In fact in the numerous conversations I had with Mark he expressed embarrassment and a sense of hopelessness. He wanted to be accepted, but as time progressed this became harder for him to experience.

The burden of Mark's, at times, tortuous existence was not just borne by him alone. Close family were also exposed to this battle in many ways. I want to acknowledge the confusion and helplessness they often felt as they worked so hard to bring about peace with Mark. There is also no doubt that Brian's deteriorating health had a significant impact on Mark as he wrestled inside his own world.

Speaking for him today I can say Mark would not want to make excuses for the burden that was carried by many or try and justify his actions. He would however had one short statement, namely KNOW ME BEFORE YOU JUDGE ME. So it is important for that context to be expressed, however it's the cheeky little, vibrant loving Hasto that we remember here.

*Mā te wā.*

## A shot from the past



Aria, one of the big hitters in the Fiji team, sends one down to the batsman.

Kaminieli Aria, all-rounder in the Fiji national team which toured New Zealand in February – March 1948. The team lost by 36 runs in their three day match in March 1948 versus Canterbury. At the time, it was played in front of the biggest cricket crowd in the history of Lancaster Park.

The following player profile published in a press article in the Christchurch Star-Sun at the time was written by Mr D Garland, a former player for the Old Collegians Club, later to be stationed in Fiji. He wrote the following about Aria:

*A medium-fast bowler, who takes a short run and the propulsion of his 16st weight gives a jet-like character to his bowling. He is able to maintain the same pace for hours at a time. He is also a spectacular batsman. Not seeming to move his feet, he specialises, in Fiji, in lifting huge sixes over the coconut palms lining the boundary. The 28 year-old is a corporal in the Nadi Police Force.*

# Past Highlights

Incredibly the *Steve Garland Trophy* has never left the pavilion balcony and this after twenty matches played. Not for want of trying, mind you – and some close shaves.

Two memorable challenges, in which the Shirley lads were all over us, coincided with the era of the immensely talented Ken McClure at SBHS. In 2009 he scored a memorable century. And then in his final year at school he stamped his class again. This match was played on 18th March 2012 and to add a little spice to the fare the respective team captains were a father/son combo – Nigel and Dexter Marsh. Dad clearly pulled rank over the breakfast table when he let it be known that The Willows would bat first. An excellent match resulted; dominated by two outstanding future first-class stars – Ken McClure and William Williams.

SBHS started brilliantly in the field. They knocked over a couple of quick wickets, including the dangerous Tim Hampton-Matehe. Total capitulation was arrested by a 116 run stand between Williams and the experienced Jason Pawson. William completed a superb undefeated century.

SBHS made a positive start in their chase for 240 for victory. The run-rate ticked along nicely against a strong bowling attack of Detective Stewart, Marsh, Gambles, Grocott and Williams. Ken's 79 was a highlight and in particular one of his trademark chip shots over midwicket and breaking the woodwork centimetres from the pavilion clock!



## The Willows

T Hampton-Matehe	b Williams	6
A Cowlishaw	b Crimp	9
WSA Williams	retired	101
JD Pawson	c Dixon b McLellan	52
B Laughton	c Scott b McLellan	12
DD Stanley	c Crimp b Marsh	12
A Gambles	not out	12
GJ Stewart	c Marsh b McClure	21
B Mayo		
DJ Grocott		
NE Marsh		

Extras (5b, 4lb, 5w) 14  
**Total (6 wickets, 50 overs) 239**

	O	M	R	W
D Marsh	10	1	32	2
C Crimp	6	0	34	1
B Van Eyk Menkman	7	2	27	0
T Wilford	3	0	22	0
T Dixon	10	1	38	0
K McClure	4	0	30	1
T McLellan	8	0	34	2
R Patel	2	0	14	0

## Shirley Boys' High School 1st XI

R Patel	b Grocott	7
T McLellan	c – b Stewart	14
K Fitzgerald	c Laughton b Gambles	35
K McClure	c Stewart b Williams	79
R Spicer	c H-Matehe b Pawson	6
D Marsh	lbw Mayo	25
T Dixon	b Mayo	14
T Wilford	not out	14
T Scott	run out	4
B Van Eyk Menkman	not out	1
C Crimp		

Extras (4b, 14lb, 6w) 24  
**Total (8 wickets, 50 overs) 227**

	O	M	R	W
GJ Stewart	6	1	24	1
DJ Grocott	7	0	24	1
DD Stanley	6	2	23	0
A Gambles	7	4	23	1
JD Pawson	9	0	27	1
NE Marsh	8	0	38	0
B Mayo	4	0	27	2
WSA Williams	3	0	15	1

**Umpires:** J Elley and J Farrell

**Scorer:** D Brooke

**Result:** The Willows won by 12 runs





## World Humanitarian Day

August 19 each year is World Humanitarian Day. On this day in 2022 Alex Reese, Founder of Cricket Live Foundation, wrote to thank those who have helped the Foundation over the last eight years:

We've come a long way! Our brilliant manager in Sri Lanka, Sanjeewa, has written a lovely acknowledgement letter (see adjacent).

You'll see from his letter what a huge impact you have all made on the ground in Sri Lanka. Not least, in seeing our total number of centres has now hit 13 - which is quite remarkable. It just seems like yesterday when we were cutting the grass and painting fences at our first centre in Moratuwa in January 2014!

I have always said, and will continue to reinforce, that our objective is to develop great people and not necessarily the next international cricket superstar. That said, one of our original children, Sahana Mihira has become our first international representative, having been selected in the Sri Lankan U19 team to tour the UK in August 2022. I was excited to go and watch him in action versus the English Lions. I'm sure our Patron, Sir Richard Hadlee will be pleased to know he is a strapping quick bowler!

Once again, thank you for all you have done for the Foundation, our children and their families. There is no coincidence to success – it is all down to you.

Many thanks,  
Alex

## Dilmah MJF / Cricket Live Foundation

Upon reaching 8th School Center on Mainstream Program and 5th School Center for Sports Star Program – special thanks for our great people on Humanitarian Day.

### **Without you it's not a reality:**

Merrill J Fernando & family; Alex Reese & family; Dilmah MJF Family, Sir Richard Hadlee & family; the late Mike Dormer & family; Board of Trustees; donors and well-wishers from all over the globe.

### **Coach Educators – top to bottom development:**

It's so great of you sharing your knowledge, guiding our coaches with great human values and coaching skill: Steve Taylor, Nigel Marsh, Sam Noster, Aiden Pierce, Richard Taylor, Matt Parr, Ryan McCone, Greg Dawson, Rupert White, Mark Coles, Garfield Charles, Dion Ebrahim, Keryn Ambler, Chris O'Connell, Dan Vann, Adam Hastilow, and Ben Rapson. It's a long batting line-up. Sorry if I have missed anyone.

### **All MJFCF/CLF coaches, staff and their families** – the team who run the ship:

Your commitment, dedication and most importantly *human values* have enabled the CLF vision to grow. The outcome of your efforts are amazing with many more to come. Challenges give pathways for opportunities and options.

Sanjeewa Silva  
Dilmah/MJF Cricket Live Foundation, Sri Lanka



# In Memoriam

We deeply regret to record the death of the following members during the past year. The year in brackets denotes entry to the club.

**C.E.W. (Colin) Averill** / 1936-2023  
Member (2014)

**C.D. (Christopher) Bazalgette** / 1938-2023  
Member (1995), Obit p56

**F.J. (Frank) Cameron, MBE** / 1932-2023  
Member (1994), Obit p58

**Rev Fr B.G. (Brian) Cummings, SM** / 1953-2022  
Honorary Club Chaplain (1994), Obit p57

**V.B. (Vincent) Cusack** / 1937-2002  
Square Supervisor (1994-2011) and Life Member (2009), Obit p56

**M.F. (Myles) de Vries** / 1940-2023  
Member (2007)

**R.J.R. (Bob) Fairbairn** / 1940-2022  
Founder (1994), Obit p59

**K.R. (Roger) Moses** / 1942-2022  
Honorary Member (2012)

**B.A.G. (Bruce) Murray, QSO** / 1940-2023  
Honorary Member (2001), Obit p60

**Sir A.F. (Allan) Wright, KBE** / 1929-2022  
Honorary Member (1995)

## Christopher Bazalgette 1938-2023

It was with great sadness that we learned that long time Forty Club and Willows member Christopher Bazalgette passed away in January 2023 after a long battle with ill health. The "Gette" was a larger than life character, and it is believed he had taken more wickets than any other player in local club Cricket history, playing for the Hampshire Hogs, Hambledon CC, Broadhalfpenny Brigands, Bat & Ball CC as well

as XL. In the foreword to one of Christopher's books *Think Cricket*, it states: "In a long and distinguished amateur career, Christopher has taken over 2,500 wickets including those of Mark Nicholas (3 times), Ravi Shastri, Jeff Crowe, Kirti Azad and Doug Walters".

Chris worked for *The Cricketer* magazine for over 35 years and was a very well known and respected member of the UK cricket community, with several books to his name on the sport. He has also starred in a number of American, Australian and British television programmes on cricket. Requiescat in Pace.

– News release from Forty Club (UK) – abridged

## Vince Cusack, 1937-2022 Life Member and Square Supervisor for 18 seasons



Mike Dormer insisted that cricket wickets, like male hairstyles, were "short back and sides". The man who could deliver on both was hairdresser by trade and grounds curator at Burnside Park – Vincent Cusack. So when we started in 1994 it was a real coup to obtain Vince as square supervisor along with Peter Devlin on grounds. What a team; both tireless in their endeavours to produce pitches which brought a rich bounty of runs. Pitches that were to win justifiable praise from those with serious turf culture credentials.

Vince gave 18 years' service to The Willows. Whether the job was to re-lay, re-level or extend the block to eight pitches Vince was our go-to for advice. Add in the vagaries of the weather but throughout Vince remained cool under pressure. On match day, along with wife Grace, he would often mosey out to the ground, park up under a tree and enjoy battles on the turf he had so carefully tended. It was a bonus when son Darin was in the runs, something he had a penchant to do. Thank you Vince – loyal servant of our game.

## Rev Fr Brian Cummings, SM 1953-2022 Hon Chaplain to The Willows



MED used to enjoy telling how it all began. We had invited Fr Brian (then Rector of St Bede's College) to take part in a Sports Persons Service at St Barnabas, Fendalton. Although a member of the Society of Mary, he had, out of courtesy, informed the Bishop of this request. He was instructed not to attend. MED was determined not to let the matter rest and to get together with Fr Brian as soon as possible, to express our disappointment at what had happened. A fortnight after the Service, we met over a meal at the Canterbury Club. MED and Fr Brian immediately made a strong connection, and warm bonds were forged at that gathering. This coincided with the Founding of The Willows, and MED had no doubt as to who the Club's Chaplain should be. This was another of his inspired decisions. On many subsequent occasions,

Fr Brian and I would stand shoulder to shoulder. Fr Brian graciously acknowledged how well we worked together and instinctively trusted each other. Another outcome of his firm friendship with MED was the opening of the doors of St Bede's to future Willows-arranged gatherings and events.

Fr Brian served as Rector of St Bede's College for eleven years (having been appointed while still in his thirties). Shortly after leaving that post, he attended a year-long Internship Programme at Loyola House at Guelph, in Canada. During this time, he would write occasional but lengthy and most interesting letters which were a delight to read, full of observations and captivating descriptions. Returning to these shores, he was responsible for the training and teaching of the Order's postulants. He sometimes made use of my writings, and would laughingly joke that the next generation of Marists were being Anglicanized! He had a wonderful sense of humour. For some years he carried the responsibility of NZ Provincial of the Society of Mary, and then became Director of the Marist Spirituality Centre (Pa Maria).

Over the years, a great many of us have valued his company and his friendship, as well as his insightful, well-balanced spiritual guidance. I would bounce questions off him from time to time, and was always grateful for his thoughtful and caring responses. He was a pleasure to work alongside and share ideas with, and a marvellous companion on the journey of faith. His was a special spirit, with a quiet strength and deep inner resources. In Brian, you met someone with a love and understanding of the human soul, the heart of a priest. In one of the last reflections I sent him, there was a quote from a Catholic writer: 'to act in the Name of Jesus means to act from the place where we are united with Jesus in love'. As I think of Brian, I realise this is a perfect analysis of his life.

We remember also his family and his S.M. colleagues at this time, knowing that faith, regardless of its strength, does not protect us from sorrow.

■ *An appreciation written by Rev Craufurd Murray*

# Frank Cameron, MBE

## 1940-2022

### Honorary Member

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I first came across Frank even before I got to Otago Boys' High School. As a timorous primary school youngster in 1953 we relocated from Timaru to the big smoke of Dunedin. We lived in a state housing area in Halfway Bush. In summer, cricket having already woven its spell, meant a tramp down to the Kaikorai CC. Our coach was the legendary Otago and New Zealand batsman and wicket keeper (and Willower) Artie Dick. One Saturday a group of us headed down to see Artie turn out for the seniors. They were playing the redoubtable Dunedin. Frank was bowling from the golf club end. Artie took him to the cleaners straight and over mid-off depositing several balls across the road into the golf course. It was the only time ever that I saw Frank's bowling treated with disdain.

Fast forward to Boy's High. It wasn't until the fifth form I encountered Frank the teacher. It was for geography. He was a master at identifying what questions would be asked in School Cert that year. Having done that we would arrive in class with a perfect multi-coloured chalk copper-plated answer. A few words were said advising us to write down every word and remember it by heart. Frank then headed for the door and the square looking for any imperfections. If any boy was too stupid not to follow his advice "to write it down and learn it by heart" they got a little tail warmer. Not many were so bold and I understand

Frank's students had the best results in School Certificate geography for New Zealand.

Two years later I was in the First XI under Frank's tutelage. He never said a lot but what he had to say was pithy and to the point. In the nets he occasionally would bowl leg spinners from a couple of paces getting quite prodigious turn. But he didn't have a wrong 'un. Being left-handed I had to have a go at him and one day managed to hit him out of the nets into the Stuart Street extension. He never said a word but a steely twinkle came into his eyes and he proceeded to bowl me two overs off his full run. A slightly frightening introduction to net etiquette.

Leaving school I didn't play cricket for a while. I spent the summers after Varsity exams at the local freezing works instead. Ultimately, I qualified in law and got a job in a law firm in the city. The boss suggested I should try out the "flash" new hairdressing salon around the corner. The legendary Willower and grounds man, Vincent Cusack cut my hair. Once he found out I loved cricket but was not playing he harangued and cajoled me into turning out for the Dunedin Club, where he was a long standing stalwart of the committee. I managed to get into the senior squad and of course the first person to bowl to me in the very green nets was FJ ... steely glint and all. We had a pretty good side with three NZ reps in Frank, Wally Lees and Keith Campbell plus a number of Otago players. North East Valley had a very useful and inoffensive opener called Wilf Kerr. Never found out why but he got Frank very wound up. He put me into what I thought was a suicidally short silly mid on. Eventually I managed to catch Wilf. Not a bad snare I thought. I turned to the bowler. He gave the trousers that inimitable tug and said "you started coming up too soon"!

Later in the season we played Old Boys at University Oval. Best deck in Dunedin in those days and Frank kept picking up wickets. When the opposition were 9 down jet black southerly clouds appeared over the hills. Every Dunedin cricketer knows this was the harbinger of rain or sleet or hail (or indeed all three). The batsman was a guy called Lonnie Anderson. A solidly built second-five for the Kaikorai seniors, and useful

all-rounder. The clouds kept getting closer. There were a few spits of cold rain. I was fielding at deep square on the fence. Frank dropped one short and Lonnie launched into. Somewhere out of the black clouds the ball was coming. By some miracle I managed to catch it well above my head. As we trudged off the rain started pelting down but there was no 'good catch' from Frank. I had simply done what I was put there for. But to my knowledge that was Frank's only 10-fer. We won the competition that year.

If you wanted to wind Frank up you just had to say Keith Thompson. I was present at a game at Carisbrook where Keith got a hundred in each innings for Canterbury which accelerated his selection into the Black Caps. In the first innings a ball bowled by Frank went, to everyone's eyes but Keith and the umpire, from glove to first slip. In the second dig the same occurred but to the keeper. Frank again the bowler. I think in both innings Keith had not yet reached double figures.

To my mind Frank's contribution to New Zealand as a player has been underestimated.

Particularly, on the 1961/62 tour of South Africa which I listened to avidly on a crystal set. South Africa had a strong side. John Reid got runs and wickets, Zin Harris and I think Snicks McGregor got hundreds, Artie useful runs and catches. But leading the way were the bowlers – Bartlett, Alabaster, Motz and Cameron. Frank was outstanding in the tied series (two wins a piece and a draw) taking two fivers and the final wicket to win the fifth test just before close of play. That performance should be high in the pantheon of New Zealand test wins. It has not the received the prominence it deserves.

Frank gave his all for club, province and country. His reputation as a chairman of selectors is unequalled. At school I was not one of the "good boys". Quite the opposite ... definitely not perfect material. In later life when I saw Frank at The Willows or Hagley a light grin would caress his lips, the eyes would twinkle and with a slight shake of the head he'd just say "Hansen".

RIP Frank the bowler who definitely did land it on a half crown in the nets.

■ *Tribute by our immediate Past President Hon Sir John Hansen, KNZM*

## Bob Fairbairn, 1941-2022 Founding Member



Members of The Willows Cricket Club extend their deepest sympathies to the Fairbairn Family, on Bob's passing. He was dad and father-in-law to Kate and Frank (Canada), and William and Rebecca (Auckland).

Bob was a founding member of The Willows Cricket Club in 1994, and with his beloved late wife Jan was a great friend and companion of the Dormer Family. In his playing days, Bob was an accomplished left arm pace bowler at Medbury Preparatory School. He took a record number of wickets for the school and played alongside his brother Jim. He then went on to represent both the 1st XI and 1st XV at Christ's College. Bob once famously came in at number 11 with 5 runs needed and proceeded to hit a six to win the match for London New Zealand CC at Diamond Harbour.

In later life Bob was not only successful in business but was an active tennis player at the Elmwood Club and socially with a group of close friends. Willowers, along with Bob's many friends, had a chance to celebrate his life at Riccarton House, Christchurch in October 2022. His son William, also a founder member of The Willows, informed the gathering that Bob was one of a group who, for 23 years, went every Wednesday evening to the same Chinese restaurant in Ilam where Bob apparently ordered the same dishes each week!

# Bruce Murray, QSO

## 1940-2022

### Honorary Member

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Many thoughts run through my mind as I pen a few words on the passing of former Wellington and New Zealand cricketer Bruce (B.A.G.) Murray. Foremost in my thoughts was that Bags was firstly a family man. His family came before everything. In these hectic days I think we can reflect on the very orderly way he lived. He was a product of HVHS in the Hutt Valley at a time when it had produced such great sportsmen as John Reid (later his captain) and Ron Jarden.

To be in his company was to be in the presence of a friend who always seemed to be at peace with the world, always pleased to see you, a ready smile, a quick joke – he wasn't shy in that department, good company and above all wise counsel. He saw the good in everyone.

As a youngster I was to see Bruce Murray and Graham Bilby open the batting for Wellington on many occasions. Both were very aggressive batsmen, Bilby the shorter of the two, quick on the hook and cut, while the languid Murray hooked with time on his hands, drove anything full and any bowler who pitched short and wide off was punished with a cut to the fence. Both openers stood side by side in the slips and had great hands. This was a time when Wellington had Collinge, Coles, Taylor and a young Chatfield and edges in that region were plentiful.

My recollection of Bags was for one game, when at the end of his career he agreed to captain a Wellington B side full of promising young cricketers. A vivid recollection of that match against Canterbury B, captained by his former teammate Keith Thompson, was having Canterbury eight down in their second innings, well short of the Wellington total. In those days the captain had to claim the extra half hour before the allotted time and Bags had forgotten to do so. The umpires picked up stumps and we had drawn with Canterbury. That was as close as I ever saw him getting angry. He flopped and flipped his way off Anderson Park much to the delight of his opposing skipper.

He was later to become a respected and much-loved selector at a time when Wellington was building a formidable side through the 1980s. He was great value to have in and around the dressing room sharing stories with the likes of John Morrison, Jerry Coney, coach Artie Dick and fellow selectors Trevor McMahon and Mike Curtis. A ready smile and an encouraging pat on the back was never far away. While Bags was not a drinker he did like a party and many a Wellington team cricket dinner was enriched by the company of Bags holding fort telling stories.

He was a keen historian, he wrote many books about the Tawa area where he lived much of his life, and he was an admired Headmaster at initially Naenae College and then Tawa College. At the conclusion of a long career he was to be seconded back as a relieving Headmaster at many colleges including Tawa and he was always a great sounding board for not only aspiring teachers but also the Education Board.

His family meant the world to him, his wife Shona (the best catch he ever made) and he were a great partnership. Shona loved music and was instrumental in starting the Tawa Schools and Community Music Festival still going 30 plus years later. Their children Duncan and Jo are both heavily involved in cricket and the community, Duncan himself a fine player has coached many Wellington youth sides, Jo a former Wellington representative has been a long-time member of the NZ Cricket Players Association Executive. Bags and Shona have numerous grandchildren and he is as proud of each and every one of them as he is of Jess and Melie Kerr, our Black Ferns.

I always looked forward to Tests at the Basin or Blaze matches sitting in the sun at Karori talking to Bags as we watched New Zealand or the Blaze. The last time I saw him was at Don Neely's memorial service. As always while reflecting on the life of his teammate he had a kind word and a ready smile for everyone.

Bruce has played his final innings, he joins many of his former teammates in the pavilion, he is missed by all and he is remembered very fondly.

■ *Tribute by Willowar and former New Zealand Test player Evan Gray*

# Cumulative Statistics

Minimum of 300 runs / 15 wickets

	<b>M</b>	<b>Inn</b>	<b>NO</b>	<b>Runs</b>	<b>Ave</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>Ave</b>	<b>5W</b>
Abbott, R.E.	15	12	2	199	19.9	-	129	22	518	18	28.8	1
Agnew, T.W.	20	19	6	247	19.0	-	163	21	616	33	18.7	1
Allott, G.I.	15	13	4	109	12.1	-	131	30	427	30	14.2	1
Bennett, J.	52	32	13	331	17.4	-	12	1	85	3	28.3	-
Bettsworth, C.	12	12	3	281	31.2	-	5	0	39	2	19.5	-
Bisman, C.W.	10	8	2	318	53.0	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
Clark, C.R.	6	6	1	65	13.0	-	48	8	180	15	12.0	-
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	-
Cowley, S.C.	15	14	2	258	21.5	-	98	10	367	31	11.8	2
Curnow, C.K.	18	13	4	168	18.7	-	102	9	440	31	14.2	2
Cusack, D.R.	46	41	7	1244	36.6	1	10	1	45	1	45.0	-
Davidson, J.A.F.	43	43	5	1036	27.3	-	9	1	40	1	40.0	-
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	14.0	1
De Maine, N.	18	17	7	321	32.1	-	61	3	196	14	14.0	-
Devlin, P.C.	25	25	6	621	32.7	1	32	3	140	7	20.0	-
Dickson, G.J.	32	30	9	522	24.9	-	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.	23	23	8	775	51.7	-	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)	17	17	5	518	43.2	-	88	11	332	19	17.5	-
Ellis, A.M. (Ex SBHS)	14	13	4	424	47.1	-	60	20	168	8	21.0	-
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.	21	21	5	551	34.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	15.0	-
Grocott, T.M.	20	8	4	49	12.3	-	140	5	493	21	23.5	-
Hampton-Matehe, T.M.	19	19	1	644	35.8	1	16	2	60	6	10.0	-

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Hantz, J.L.	14	14	0	354	25.3	-	19	1	88	7	12.6	-
Harris, P.D.	87	86	20	2047	31.0	3	288	36	1175	52	22.6	-
Harrison, T.	20	20	4	655	40.9	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hastilow, A.J.	46	39	7	1048	32.8	1	252	26	1040	56	18.6	1
Hastings, M.B.	33	28	4	242	10.1	-	254	39	987	47	21.0	-
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.	18	18	2	369	23.1	-	123	8	557	24	23.2	-
Inglis, G.D.	74	67	11	1401	25.0	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.	23	22	2	426	21.3	-	27	1	135	6	22.5	1
Latham, T.W.M.	9	9	2	483	69.0	1	15	3	56	1	56.0	-
Marsh, N.E.	24	15	12	57	19.0	-	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.	78	77	9	1756	25.8	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
McEwan, P.E.	71	65	7	1458	25.1	2	293	27	1261	60	21.0	-
McEwan, R.P.	49	36	7	190	6.6	-	196	19	857	26	33.0	-
McFedries, A.G.	59	54	10	1085	24.7	-	382	40	1595	54	29.5	1
McGuire, R.D.	68	50	24	754	29.0	-	437	42	1719	93	18.5	2
McGuire, S.P.	7	7	0	130	18.6	-	6	1	32	0	-	-
McMillan, D.H.A.	15	12	4	211	26.4	-	126	30	419	22	19.0	-
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	14.0	-
Miller, P.	37	35	2	916	27.8	1	136	11	555	32	17.3	-
Mitchell, W.J.	29	25	3	439	20.0	-	50	8	156	9	17.3	-
Mohammedy, N.	24	14	4	84	8.4	-	131	17	527	19	27.7	-
Mugford, C.	29	28	4	811	33.8	-	107	12	426	18	23.7	-
Murray, F.D.J.	16	16	0	329	20.6	-	8	0	45	1	45.0	-
Nathu, A.	20	19	1	484	26.9	-	14	0	87	1	87.0	-
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.	138	86	40	1062	23.1	-	1033	243	2880	249	11.6	4
O'Connell, C.P.	12	12	5	183	26.1	-	81	7	350	20	17.5	-
O'Gorman, J.P.D.	14	13	3	385	38.5	2	58	0	249	6	41.5	-
Patridge, M.	13	13	3	331	33.1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Parr, M.J.	30	27	3	463	19.3	-	231	36	822	44	18.7	-
Patel, M.	15	13	2	447	40.6	1	83	15	300	14	21.4	-
Pawson, J.D.	28	25	6	593	31.2	1	186	31	539	30	18.0	-
Peacock, M.D.	27	24	7	465	27.4	-	256	64	760	53	14.3	3
Reed, G.I.	26	25	6	362	19.1	-	12	0	59	3	19.7	-



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Reese, A.	21	20	5	210	14.0	-	174	11	673	27	24.9	1
Reid, M.	15	15	1	388	27.7	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Richards, J.M.	23	22	4	519	28.8	-	61	9	253	9	28.1	-
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	104.0	-
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.	26	22	4	811	45.1	3	97	9	392	12	32.7	1
Singleton, M.J.	34	30	2	585	20.9	-	3	0	21	0	-	-
Stewart, G.J.	39	30	6	413	17.2	-	217	30	756	55	13.7	2
Stretch, G.B.	9	8	2	373	62.2	-	44	0	213	10	21.3	-
Tapper, J.H.	25	17	3	345	24.6	-	135	33	468	32	14.6	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.	26	20	3	432	25.4	1	81	9	341	15	22.7	-
Vedder, D.W.	15	13	5	25	3.1	-	95	12	374	17	22.0	-
Wakefield, D.J.	23	22	3	545	28.7	-	128	17	464	24	19.3	1
Ward, B.R.	9	9	2	395	56.4	2	2	0	12	1	12.0	-
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	36.0	-
Williams, M.L.	24	23	3	383	19.2	-	73	2	298	14	21.3	-
Wilson, J.M.	50	39	5	583	17.1	-	46	1	272	10	27.2	-
Wilson, R.T.	31	31	9	517	23.5	1	114	7	548	18	30.4	-
Wolt, J.R.K.	58	26	12	62	4.4	-	342	38	1461	54	27.1	-
Wooliscroft, S.P.	45	10	1	9	1.0	-	278	34	956	50	19.1	1
Wright, H.G.	37	26	5	249	11.9	-	135	19	582	17	34.2	-
Yardley, K.J.	27	13	8	21	4.2	-	183	21	742	34	21.8	-



▲ All out attack against Ashburton College 1st XI on Sunday 6th November 2022.

# 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	-	-
2022/23	21	14	5	-	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>657</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>

## 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
2022/23	21	4,480	213	150	29.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>646</b>	<b>132,229</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>4,875</b>	<b>27.1</b>

# Honours – Batting

(All retired)

K.A.Ambler	100	v Shirley BHS	27.02.05	M.N.M.McKenzie	100	v Millbrook XI	25.01.98
C.J.Anderson	100	v Marlborough Boys'	20.10.02	G.A.Miller	100	v Clarrie Anderson's XI	01.12.10
C.G.Bartholomeusz	101	v St Bede's College	29.01.06	P.Miller	101	v Marlborough Boys'	24.03.19
L.D.Bartholomeusz	101	v Timaru BHS	03.02.08	M.Newton-Vesty	102	v Southwest Schools XI	10.01.16
C.W.Bisman	100	v Nth Canty Sec Schools	21.02.99	C.Neynens	101	v Waitaki/St Kevin's XI	11.03.12
D.W.Bond	102	v Crusaders XI	17.03.01	S.N.Noster	102	v Country Sec Schools	16.03.08
D.W.Bond	100	v Nelson College	16.02.03	S.N.Noster	101	v Christchurch BHS	12.09.08
<b>T.J.Bruce</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>v St Thomas of C'bury</b>	<b>04.12.22</b>	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 Swamphens	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	<b>K.B.Scott</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>v St Andrew's College</b>	<b>19.02.23</b>
P.M.Duncan	100	v Christ's College	16.01.11	F.W.Sheat	101	v Marlborough Boys'	13.10.14
R.M.Dunne	100	v Dunedin Cavaliers	01.02.98	M.G.Stretch	103	v Marlborough Boys'	05.12.21
B.Entwistle	100	v Shirley BHS	21.02.21	H.W.Teale	100	v St Bede's College	30.01.11
T.D.L.Fisher	102	v Christ's College	08.01.06	G.L.Thomson	100	v Medbury HM's XI	16.03.97
A.D.Fullerton-Smith	104	v Medbury HM's XI	20.03.05	G.L.Thomson	100	v Christchurch BHS	05.12.99
A.D.Fullerton-Smith	101	v Combined Sec Schools	25.11.07	G.L.Thomson	100	v Shirley BHS	04.03.01
D.R.Hadlee	100	v Clarrie Anderson's XI	30.11.97	Lvan Beek	101	v London NZ CC	25.03.07
M.J.Hadlee	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.03.98	D.B.Vann	102	v Northwest Schools XI	30.11.14
T.M.Hampton-Matehe	101	v Waitaki/St Kevin's XI	14.03.10	W.P.J.Walsh	100	v Northwest Schools XI	05.12.10
P.D.Harris	100	v Woodbank Wanderers	26.03.95	B.R.Ward	100	v St Andrew's College	23.02.14
P.D.Harris	102	v Millbrook XI	25.01.98	B.R.Ward	104	v Christchurch BHS	19.11.17
P.D.Harris	104	v Woodbank Wanderers	25.03.01	W.S.A.Williams	101	v Shirley BHS	18.03.12
<b>A.J.Hastilow</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>v Waimea College</b>	<b>26.03.23</b>	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				

## 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
<b>2022/23</b>	<b>A.J.Hastilow</b>

## 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
<b>3</b>	<b>K.B.Scott</b>

# 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
<b>W.B.Bretherton</b>	<b>6-36</b>	<b>v Otago BHS</b>	<b>16.10.22</b>
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
<b>S.C.Cowley</b>	<b>5-21</b>	<b>v Northwest Schools</b>	<b>13.11.22</b>
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.Agnev	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.Youngusband	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
<b>A.J.Nuttall</b>	<b>5-36</b>	<b>v Wellington College</b>	<b>23.10.22</b>
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
<b>S.C.Cowley</b>	<b>5-46</b>	<b>v Riccarton High School</b>	<b>15.01.23</b>
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

<b>4</b>	<b>A.J.Nuttall</b>	<b>2</b>	C.K.Curnow
<b>3</b>	M.D.Peacock	<b>2</b>	G.J.Stewart
<b>2</b>	W.A.Cornelius	<b>2</b>	S.J.Davis
<b>2</b>	W.L.Eddington	<b>2</b>	R.D.McGuire
<b>2</b>	J.H.Tapper	<b>2</b>	<b>S.C.Cowley</b>
<b>2</b>	D.P.Kelly		

## Highest Team Scores (50 overs)

<b>For</b>	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
<b>Against</b>	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

<b>For</b>	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
<b>Against</b>	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
<b>2022/23</b>	<b>W.B.Bretherton</b>	<b>6-36</b>	<b>v Otago Boys' High School</b>

## '49ers Cup

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

1998/99	North Canterbury Secondary Schools XI	2011/12	Ashburton College
1999/00	St Bede's College	2012/13	Nelson College
2000/01	Marlborough Boys' College	2013/14	Waimea College
2001/02	Wanganui Collegiate School	2014/15	Christ's College
2002/03	Shirley Boys' High School	2015/16	Waitaki Boys' High School
2003/04	Timaru Boys' High School	2016/17	St Andrew's College
2004/05	Wellington College	2017/18	King's High School (Dunedin)
2005/06	Nelson College	2018/19	Southland Boys' High School
2006/07	Christchurch Boys' High School	2019/20	Christchurch Boys' High School
2007/08	St Thomas of Canterbury College	2020/21	St Andrew's College
2008/09	Shirley Boys' High School	2021/22	Timaru Boys' High School
2009/10	Otago Boys' High School	<b>2022/23</b>	<b>Wellington College</b>
2010/11	Christ's College		

## Most Capped Players

*Minimum 50 matches.*

138	A.J. Nuttall	59	A.G. McFedries
87	P.D. Harris	58	J.R.K. Wolt
81	P.D. Rutledge	56	S.J. Davis
78	T.P. McConnell	52	J. Bennett
74	G.D. Inglis	51	D.P. Kelly
71	P.E. McEwan	50	J.M. Wilson
68	R.D. McGuire		

## Visitor Honours 2022/23

M.Johnson	5-28	for The Willows
C.Hopcroft	5-34	for Southland BHS
E.T.Gapes	5-67	for Waimea College

# Results

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

## Home Games

	P	W	L	T	NR	22/23
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	-	-	-
Christchurch BHS	25	13	10	-	2	-
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	27	7	18	-	2	NR
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	17	10	6	-	1	W
Kristin School	1	1	-	-	-	-
London NZ CC	24	13	9	-	2	NR
Marlborough Boys' College	20	15	3	-	2	-
Marylebone CC (UK)	1	-	-	1	-	-
Medbury Headmaster's XI	10	5	5	-	-	-
Mid Canterbury Schools XI	16	12	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	20	15	5	-	-	L
North Canty Schools XI	23	21	-	-	2	W
Northwest Schools XI	18	14	3	-	1	W
NSW Veterans XI	1	1	-	-	-	W

	P	W	L	T	NR	22/23
NZ Police XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Ohoka Swampens	6	4	2	-	-	-
Old Tablelands XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Otago BHS	21	9	12	-	-	W
Peninsula Craz	26	14	11	-	1	L
Primary Club (Aust)	1	1	-	-	-	-
Sacred Heart College	3	2	1	-	-	-
Seddon CC	1	-	1	-	-	-
Shirley BHS	20	20	-	-	-	W
South Canterbury XI	7	6	1	-	-	-
Southland BHS	16	9	7	-	-	L
Southwest Schools XI	9	8	1	-	-	W
Sri Lanka Under-21 XI (SL)	1	-	1	-	-	-
St Andrew's College	27	20	7	-	-	W
St Bede's College	26	18	7	-	1	W
St Kevin's College	3	1	2	-	-	L
St Thomas of C'bury College	18	12	5	-	1	W
Suburban XI/Metro XI	18	6	12	-	-	-
Te Awamutu College	1	1	-	-	-	-
The Forty Club (UK)	2	2	-	-	-	-
Timaru BHS	21	17	4	-	-	W
Umpires XI	4	3	1	-	-	-
Waimea College	9	8	1	-	-	W
Waitaki BHS	18	13	4	-	1	-
Wellington College	14	6	8	-	-	L
Wellington President's XI	1	1	-	-	-	-
Wellington Wanderers XI	3	-	2	-	1	-
Whanganui Collegiate	13	10	3	-	-	W
Willows Sri Lanka Tour XI	3	-	3	-	-	-
Woodbank Wanderers	9	7	2	-	-	-

## Away Games

	P	W	L	T	NR	22/23
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	-	-	-	-
Seddon CC (Hamilton)	1	1	-	-	-	W
Valley of Peace	2	1	1	-	-	-

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