# West Bentleigh Cricket Club

# 2021/2022 Annual Report





# **Executive Committee for 2021/2022**

President Jack Macleod

Vice President: Daniel Gleghorn

Secretary: Chris Pap/Patrick Donlen

Treasurer: Tania Poll

Junior Manager: Josh Mackie

Executive Members: Adam Wakeling

John Wilson

Jayce Morgan

Corey Kerrison

SECA Delegates: Jack Macleod

Simon Poll (Executive Member)

#### **Life Members**

Alan Hendry Alan Ward Albie Sargent (dec)

Barry Pritchard (dec) Daniel Gleghorn Gary Clarke

Jeffrey Bell John Wilson Ken Manzie

Kevin Donald Marc Reid Robert Porter

Robert Wood Ronald Need Ronald Turner

Mrs M Massey (dec) Mrs M Manzie Michael Meeng

Mike Massey David Morgan Neil Hartlett

Paul Kacper Ray Stonehouse Robert Cole (dec)

Robert Massey Robert Montgomery Steve Aldred (dec)

Steven Lydster Steven Worrell Tony Jean

Jack Macleod

# **Season Honours**

Longmuir Shield Team of the Year

Jayce Morgan – 444 runs @ 44.4 + 16 wickets @14.2

# **Season Achievements & Milestones**

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Tom Watson	Longmuir Round 6	109*	East Sandringham
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#### Bowling – 6+ Wickets

Jason West	Longmuir Round 6	6/30	East Sandringham
Jamie Sasson	D Grade Round 8	6/14	Washington Park

#### Hattrick

Paul Kacper G Grad	e Round 2 4	1/27	Hampton United
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#### Milestones

Jayce Morgan - 100 Games	Shannon Holmes – 100 Games
Tony Jean – 4000 Runs	Jamie Sasson – 3000 Runs
Jayce Morgan – 200 Runs	James Zarris – 1000 Runs
George Varsamis – 1000 Runs	Anthony Reid – 300 Wickets
Jamie Sasson – 200 Wickets	

# **Club Recordholders**

# **HIGHEST RUNS - (Top 20)**

No	NAME	RUNS
1	WAIGHT.N	10,601
2	HARTLETT.N	10,519
3	REID.M	5,919
4	HOLMES.S	5,689
5	GLEGHORN.D	5,648
6	WORRELL.S	4,848
7	MORGAN.D	4,485
8	PORTER.R	4,474
9	FIDLER.C	4,327
10	CASEY.D	4,273
11	CRAMER.D	4,104
12	JEAN.A	4,002
13	MASSEY.R	3,871
14	HENDRY.A	3,867
15	OSCURO.J	3,839
16	WARD.J	3,809
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18	MACLEOD.J	3,725
19	MEENG.M	3,402
20	YOUNG.C	3,295

# **MOST WICKETS (Top 20)**

	NAME	WKTS
1	REID.M	610
2	KACPER.P	523
3	MASSEY.R	493
4	LYDSTER.S	372
5	MONTGOMERY.R	341
6	GLEGHORN.D	314
7	REID.A	311
8	DOWNARD.A	287
9	MACLEOD.J	278
10	HEFFERNAN.G	272
11	CORNISH.C	232
12	RUFFIN.J	227
13	REID.C	227
14	WEST.J	222
15	BROWN S.	214
16	NEWEY.J	210
17	BELL.J	208
18	WORRELL.S	208
19	YOUNG.C	206
20	SASSON.J	205

# **MOST GAMES (Top 20)**

	NAME	GAMES
1	HARTLETT.N	516
2	WAIGHT.N	453
3	REID.M	330
4	GLEGHORN.D	313
5	MASSEY.R	274
6	HOLMES.S	259
7	LYDSTER.S	258
8	JEAN.A	253
9	KACPER.P	249
10	MORGAN.D	243
11	WORRELL.S	243
12	LYDSTER.B	241
13	REID.C	230
14	CRAMER D.	213
15	MACLEOD.J	212
16	FIDLER.C	205
17	MASSEY.I	203
18	OSCURO J	202
19	LYDSTER.R	200
20	RUFFIN.J	200

# **Award Winners**

**Club Champion** Jayce Morgan

Barry Pritchard Memorial Trophy

**Club Junior Champion** 

Alan Ward Trophy

Armin Gill

Best Clubman Jayce Morgan

Doug Quick Memorial Award

**Best Junior Clubman** 

Lorna Vawdrey Memorial Award

Harry Nailon

**Most Improved** 

Mike Massey Trophy

**Andrew Poll** 

**Junior Encouragement Award** 

Neil Hartlett Award

Jonty Bhujoharry

**Most Determined Award** 

**Bodie McGrath Memorial** 

**Donny Colgrave** 

President's Award Patrick Donlen

Coaches Award Luke Healy

Life Membership Jack Macleod

1 XI Awards

Batting Jayce Morgan – 444 @ 44.4

Bowling Jayce Morgan – 17 @ 20.47

Fielding Josh Shawel

MVP Jayce Morgan

2<sup>nd</sup> XI Awards

Batting Andrew Poll – 291 @ 41.57

Bowling Jamie Sasson – 21 @10.48

Fielding Dylan Stephens

MVP Andrew Poll

3<sup>rd</sup> XI Awards

Batting John Wilson – 348 @ 38.67

Bowling Shannon Holmes – 14 @ 25.57

Fielding Peter Stevens

MVP John Wilson

4<sup>th</sup> XI Awards

Batting Neil Hartlett – 271 @ 45.17

Bowling Jayson Denning – 10 @ 13.3

Fielding George Varsamis

MVP George Varsamis

U/12 B Awards

Batting Elijah Ho – 80 @ 20

Bowling Liam Fikkers – 7 @ 6.71

Fielding Kai Aungle

Coach's Award Bhavin Bandlamudi

MVP Armin Gill

# **President's Report**

Another season starting with Covid interruptions made it so hard to plan for the year and was very much one week at a time as we lead up to the return to Longmuir Shield. We were unsure about social events and how the season would play out but as the season went on and restrictions eased, it was great to have some fun nights at the club and the work of the committee was so impressive.

Tania Poll was outstanding as treasurer and has implemented systems and data collection that gives us a great idea in areas we can tighten up and spend more to better serve the members. Combine this with putting together the master blasters program with the help from the Poll boys, she has done an amazing job!

I mentioned at the Presentation Night that if Patrick Donlen didn't put in the hours through the week, countless phone calls and shuffling of the magnets, we would not have had 4 teams on the park and would have potentially lost oval number 2 for the season. It was a phenomenal effort and something that we will look back on as a huge moment for the club to save the second ground from being taken over. A huge thankyou on behalf of everyone at West Bentleigh mate!

#### **The Juniors**

Josh Mackie once again took the lead with the juniors and it was really good to see the relationship between Josh, the parents and the kids get tighter and feel very welcomed at West Bentleigh. Luke Healy and Josh Shawel did a great job in helping out at training on game day and provided plenty of support to the kids. This coming season we will be looking to field an U12 and U14 as well as a master blasters program. This would be huge and provide a great building block for the future of the club.

#### **Seniors**

Our teams were led by Darren Cramer, Patrick Donlen, Carl Reid and Tom Watson. It was a season where each week we scrambled to get a team together and was really tough on the captains. A huge thankyou for those guys to keep the teams on the park and give it their best. I will hopefully blame people having a bit of 'Covid fatigue' and a large number of social events that were backlogged as to why we struggled to get players on the park but hopefully with no barriers in sight this coming season we can get 4 teams with ease for our 90th year. The 1st XI remain in Longmuir shield and as the season turned out, we beat the premiership team with their full team on the park. It was a huge effort to get some key wins to help us remain in Longmuir shield. It has been a couple of seasons since we had a swinging red ball in the longer format which I think will suit a lot of our players. Looking forward to putting the Covid affected seasons behind us and enjoy our big 90 th year at West!

#### Committee

As mentioned above, the work of Tania and Patty was outstanding but it really does take a team effort. Patty Donlen has done an absolute power of work with the mycricket entries, organising his own team as well as the organisation needs to be mentioned again as it was huge, a big thanks to Dools. Wakes stepped up to run the events and they were very well run. Dan Gleghorn put in a power of work behind the bar and what people don't see is when he is here on a Monday night stocking the fridge, or moving stuff around is greatly appreciated and like Patty, we really would have been stuffed without him. John Wilson did a great job in applying for every grant under the sun and successfully getting us funds that

were much needed to cover extra costs involved this year. We have a really good team running the show at West and as President it allows me to focus on my cricket and nothing is left to too few, which is great.

Go West,

Jack Macleod President

## **Secretary Report**

As we all know, 2021/2022 was a tough year for the club. COVID complications, numerous non-cricket social events, and a general drop off of willing cricketers made it extremely difficult to front up four sides each week. Remarkably, we did manage to see the season out without recording a forfeit, with over 100 different players taking the field in the baby blue. As you would expect, this caused in a drop in on field results as all four sides missed the finals despite the 2s & 4s taking it down to the last match before being eliminated, a gallant effort given the circumstances. A huge thank you to all the guys that put their hands up to fill in when it was needed most, especially the old boys that returned to the 4s after many years out of the game. Without your help we certainly would not have been able to field all sides each week.

Unfortunately, I do expect these issues will continue to plague us this season, with the loss of Tom and some injuries to 1<sup>st</sup> XI players ruling them out for the majority of the year. Once again it will be an all hands on deck scenario scrambling to get all sides on the park and I implore you all to please put your hand up when required or try to drag down a new (or old) face to help out if possible.

Social functions for the year, while probably not as well attended as we would like, were a lot of fun. Derby night and \$2000 draw in particular stand out as fantastic evenings, and a change of venue for Doug Quick was very refreshing. The upcoming year will be a big one for events, with the 90<sup>th</sup> year celebration planning well underway already. Let's all step up this year and get down to our events and make this 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary year one to remember.

Our u12 juniors this year put up a strong showing finishing 6<sup>th</sup> with a few really strong wins under their belt. Josh did a wonderful job coaching and the individual improvement amongst the players was quite visible from seasons start to end. I'm excited to build on that this year as we hope to put up both an u14 and u12 side, possibly merged with another club if necessary.

All in all a challenging year but I am proud of everyone for gritting the teeth and overcoming those challenged. Onwards and upwards to 2023!

Woof Woof,
Patrick Donlen
WBCC Secretary

## **Treasurer Report**

#### **Summary of Financial Position**

The club is in a good position financially. We have over \$60k in our bank account and our net assets have increased overall from last year by \$8k.

The club made a profit of around \$8k for the season which was a good result considering the challenges faced post Covid. A big shout out to our major sponsor Infastech who really supported the club financially and was a major contributor to this great result.

Our bar and canteen sales for the year were down by almost half from last year with the following having an impact;

- Canteen not staffed on Friday night as we had no juniors
- Canteen not staffed on Saturday mornings during junior games
- Members lack of interest in hanging around on Saturday nights post covid
- Lack of structure/organisation of social functions

Our sales have trended downwards over the last three seasons. While Covid is the most likely cause, we'd like to see the trend reverse for 2022/2023. We'd like to see lots of faces at training on Thursday and post game Saturday, as well as getting behind our social functions.

One of the biggest positives out of the season from finance was the implementation of the Square POS system. The system has been easy to use even when we had inexperienced workers in the canteen and has meant we've been able to track revenue in more detail and analyse margins separately on canteen sales & amp; alcohol sales.

It continued to be challenging collecting subs for the season, in particular capturing players who are filling in or playing part-time. The committee is looking at both restructuring the subs and a mechanism for collecting money automatically each week through our Square POS system.

Description	2021/2022	2020/2021	Variance	2019/2020
Total Revenue	86,423	95,533	(9,110)	100,229
Total Cost of Sales	(63,073)	(63,742)	669	(86,824)
Operating Margin	23,350	31,791	(8,441)	13,405
Overheads	(15,674)	(15,497)	50	(15,211)
Investment	59	63	(4)	386
income				
Surplus / (deficit)	7,735	16,357	(8,395)	(1,420)
Cash at Bank	63,210	60,748	2,462	39,825
Total Assets	70,605	62,098	8,507	50,479
Total Liabilities	772	0	546	4,738
Net assets	69,833	62,098	7,961	45,741

# **Senior Season Report**

# 1st XI Season Report - Longmuir Shield

Round	Opponent	Venue	Result
1	Kingston Heath	Victory Park	Draw
2	Elwood	Elwood Park	Lost
3	Bentleigh ANA	King George Reserve	Won
4	Le Page	Victory Park	Lost
5	Bentleigh Uniting	Centenary Park	Lost
6	East Sandringham	Victory Park	Won
7	Brighton Union	Victory Park	Draw
8	Kingston Heath	Southern Road Reserve	Lost
9	Elwood	Victory Park	Lost
10	Bentleigh ANA	Victory Park	Draw
11	Le Page	Le Page Reserve	Lost
12	Bentleigh Uniting	Victory Park	Won
13	East Sandringham	R.G Chisholm Reserve	Lost
14	Brighton Union	Hurlingham Park	Lost

#### **LADDER**

RANK	TEAM	Р	W2	W1	D	L1	L2	WKTS LOST	RUNS FOR	WKTS TAKEN	RUNS AGST	POINTS	%
1	Elwood 1	14	0	8	4	2	0	50	1763	73	1769	60	1.4550
2	Bentleigh Uniting 1	14	0	8	2	4	0	88	1987	90	1857	54	1.0943
3	Brighton Union 1	14	0	7	2	5	0	70	2038	85	2137	48	1.1580
4	Le Page Park 1	14	0	6	3	5	0	73	1898	82	1983	45	1.0751
5	East Sandringham 1	14	0	5	3	6	0	87	2463	76	2244	39	0.9588
6	Kingston Heath 1	14	0	5	3	6	0	86	1788	79	1728	39	0.9505
7	West Bentleigh 1	14	0	3	3	8	0	82	1984	69	2000	27	0.8347
8	Bentleigh ANA 1	14	0	2	4	8	0	82	1869	64	2072	24	0.7040

With the season finally upon us and the boys raring to go, all was put on hold as weather saw us having to wait an extra week to start our campaign back in Longmuir. Unfortunately, the boys couldn't take a round 2 win but took away some learnings with Jack Macleod (86) starting the season with a bang and Luke Healy (34) showing promising signs. Round 3 saw our first win of the year against Bentleigh ANA in a run fest at King George with Jack Macleod (78\*) again striking the ball sweetly and Jayce Morgan (64) got his season started. Rounds 4 and 5 didn't go our way losing both games to Le Page Park and local rivals Bentleigh Uniting. Brett Poll (35) and Luke Healy (35) were some positives in both games as scoring seemed difficult for most others.

Round 6 we took on the reigning premiers who hadn't won a game yet with a real gritty captains knock Thomas Watson (106\*) saw the total get up to 189 and enter Jason West (6/30) guiding us to our 2nd win of the season and going into the Christmas break 2-1-3. Like round 1 we started the recommencement of the season with another washout against Brighton Union. Rounds 8 and 9 were defeats against Kingston Heath and Elwood, Thomas Watson (52) and Jayce Morgan (4/38) tried getting us across the line against Kingston Heath. Chris Pap was promoted back up to the opening position (25), Jack Macleod (31) and Jayce Morgan (63) were the only highlights against Elwood.

Round 10 was abandoned due to the ground being too wet! In round 11 Jack Macleod (69) and (2/32) did everything in his power to try and lift the team on his back to victory but fell 16 runs short. Round 12 saw an amazing game of cricket with an undermanned side we took on Bentleigh Uniting at victory park with Jayce Morgan (2/35) Anthony Reid (2/25) and Adam Wakeling (2/48) keeping them to 182 and Jayce Morgan (92\*) and Adam Wakeling (42\*) steered the ship to victory against the soon premiers. Rounds 13 and 14 we both losses to close out the year with the round 13 game amassing 552 runs a day bowlers would rather forget Thomas Watson (72) and Jayce Morgan (72) were highlights and Round 14 saw Brighton Union defeat us by 4 wickets with Thomas Watson (70) continuing his fine form.

In our first year back up in Longmuir the sim was to stay up and we were able to achieve that and hopefully string a few more wins together in the 2022/23 season and the likes of Luke Healy, Josh Shawel and Andrew Poll continue to get experience and improve in the top grade

Go Dogs Jayce Morgan 1s VC

# 2<sup>nd</sup> XI Season Report – D Grade

Round	Opponent	Venue	Result
1	Washington Park	Packer Park	Draw
2	Carnegie United	Victory Park	Won
3	Bentleigh ANA	Victory Park	Lost
4	Cluden	William Street Reserve	Lost
5	Mackie	Victory Park	Lost
6	Melbourne Wanderers	Fawkner Park	Won
7	Brighton Union	Hurlingham Park	Draw
8	Washington Park	Victory Park	Won
9	Carnegie United	Keeley Park	Tied
10	Bentleigh ANA	King George Reserve	Draw
11	Cluden	Victory Park	Lost
12	Mackie	Mackie Road Reserve	Lost
13	Melbourne Wanderers	Victory Park	Won
14	Brighton Union	Victory Park	Won

#### **LADDER**

RANK	TEAM	Р	W 2	W 1	D	L 1	L 2	WKTS LOST	RUNS FOR	WKTS TAKEN	RUNS AGST	POI NTS	%
1	Cluden 2	14	0	9	2	3	0	96	1965	115	1825	60	1.2898
2	Mackie 2	14	0	9	2	3	0	88	1888	96	1678	60	1.2274
3	Washington Park 2	14	0	8	1	5	0	104	1997	116	2042	51	1.0908
4	Bentleigh ANA 2	14	0	5	4	5	0	71	1913	74	1820	42	1.0955
5	West Bentleigh 2	14	0	5	4	5	0	89	1842	93	1822	42	1.0564
6	CUCC Kings 1	14	0	4	4	6	0	100	1848	96	1762	36	1.0069
7	Melbourne Wanderers 1	14	0	4	1	9	0	111	1837	105	2035	27	0.8539
8	Brighton Union 2	14	0	2	2	10	0	103	1632	67	1938	18	0.5478

The 21/22 season for the 2's was a mix bag. Many wash outs, close games, not so close games and even a tie, which came back to hurt us as we ended the year missing out on finals by .04%

Another interrupted year for many of the personnel, making it hard to string together consistent performances. We lost close games that we could have won if we had a full complement of players to choose from. Hoping this year we can get really keen again and have a real crack.

With 2 day cricket back I feel like this will suit us a lot better and am excited to see the likes of Andy 'tad' Poll at the top of the order who has become a very fine opening bat. With performances like 6/14 and 54 in the same game, I'm eager to see what Jamie Sasson can do with a red ball and 72 overs.

Very keen to start pre season and roll the arm over. Hope to see plenty down at the first session.

Nick Sweeney 2s VC

# 3rd XI Season Report - G Grade

Round	Opponent	Venue	Result
1	Cheltenham Park	Victory Park	Draw
2	Hampton United	Sillitoe Reserve	Lost
3	Elwood	Victory Park	Lost
4	Le Page	Le Page Reserve	Won
5	Bentleigh ANA	Victory Park	Lost
6	Hampton Central	Moorabbin West Reserve	Lost
7	Carnegie South	Victory Park	Draw
8	Cheltenham Park	Elsternwick Park	Lost
9	Hampton United	Victory Park	Lost
10	Elwood	Murphy Reserve	Lost
11	Le Page	Victory Park	Lost
12	Bentleigh ANA	Caulfield Park	Draw
13	Hampton Central	Victory Park	Lost
14	Carnegie South	Lord Reserve	Won

#### **LADDER**

RANK	TEAM	Р	W2	W1	D	L1	L2	POINTS	%
1	Cheltenham Park 3	14	0	10	4	0	0	72	1.6263
2	Hampton United 2	14	0	8	1	5	0	51	1.1364
3	Elwood 3	14	0	7	2	5	0	48	1.2882
4	Le Page Park 3	14	0	6	2	6	0	42	1.2699
5	Hampton Central 3	14	0	6	2	6	0	42	1.0281
6	Bentleigh ANA 3	14	0	4	4	6	0	36	0.9397
7	Carnegie South 2	14	0	3	2	9	0	24	0.6008
8	West Bentleigh 3	14	0	2	3	9	0	21	0.5502

As already stated in my secretary report, it was an extremely difficult season due to player availability, which the 3<sup>rd</sup> XI bore the brunt of with 49 unique players through the 3s alone.

As such, we really struggled winning just 2 games for the season and taking home the wooden spoon. The highlights were few and far between, although PKs hattrick in the first game was a shining light. John Wilson also put together a very strong season, and back to back 50s from Nicky Tyrell in his only 2 games was another positive. And who can forget Hineys 6?!

Anyway, the less said the better really. Go next.

Patrick Donlen
3s Captain

# 4th XI Season Report – K Grade

Round	Opponent	Venue	Result
1	Ormond	Victory Park	Draw
2	Hampton Central	Spring Street Reserve	Won
3	Bentleigh Uniting	Victory Park	Lost
4	St Andrews Gardiner	Sir Robert Menzies Reserve	Lost
5	Brighton Union	Victory Park	Lost
6	Aspendale	Victory Park	Lost
7	Bentleigh Uniting	Duncan Mackinnon	Won
8	Hampton Central	Victory Park	Won
9	Carnegie South	Lord Reserve	Won
10	St Andrews Gardiner	Victory Park	Lost
11	Cluden	Elsternwick Park	Won
12	Brighton District	Victory Park	Lost

#### **LADDER**

RANK	TEAM	Р	W2	W1	D	L1	L2	POINTS	%
1	St. Andrews Gardiner 3	12	0	10	0	2	0	60	1.0679
2	Brighton Union 4	12	0	7	2	3	0	48	1.9749
3	Carnegie South 3	12	0	7	1	4	0	45	0.9013
4	Brighton District 1	12	0	7	0	5	0	42	1.4608
5	Aspendale 1	12	0	7	0	5	0	42	1.0715
6	West Bentleigh 4	12	0	5	1	6	0	33	0.9783
7	Hampton Central 4	12	0	4	2	6	0	30	0.7788
8	Cluden 4	12	0	4	0	8	0	24	0.6240
9	Bentleigh Uniting 5	12	0	3	1	8	0	21	0.9862
10	Ormond 1	12	0	2	1	9	0	15	0.7309

This season was a very difficult season for the 4th eleven as we went up a grade and also at times struggled getting 11 players on the field. In saying that though the effort that we put on the field felt like we had 15 on the field.

Help was needed and the response we got back from past players who ended up committing to play for the rest of the season shows the true spirt of The West Bentleigh Cricket Club. A special thank you to those past players for helping us out. Without them we would have been forfeiting a lot of games.

On the field we gave it good bloody crack against some very tough opponents and ended up just missing out on the top 4, fantastic effort lads.

This season gives us another good opportunity to get that flag that a lot of us older players have been fighting hard for. Celebrating 90 years this year is something very special for the club and what better way to dust of those whites and get back on the field! It would be fantastic to see some old faces back at the club playing or just having a beer supporting the lads.

Bring on 22/23 Go West

Darren Cramer 4s Captain

# **Junior Season Report**

# SECA Saturday North U/12 B

Round	Opponent	Venue	Result
1	Elsternwick	Caulfield Park	Won
2	South Melbourne 1	Victory Park	Lost
3	South Melbourne 2	Victory Park	Won
4	Brighton Union	Hurlingham Park	Won
5	Brighton	Dendy Park	Lost
6	Ormond	Victory Park	Draw
7	Bentleigh Uniting	Centenary Park	Lost
8	Elsternwick	Victory Park	Lost
9	South Melbourne 1	Albert Park	Lost
10	South Melbourne 2	Albert Park	Won
11	Brighton Union	Victory Park	Won
12	Elsternwick	Victory Park	Lost
13	Brighton	Whyte Street Reserve	Draw

#### **LADDER**

RANK	TEAM	Р	W2	W1	D	L1	L2	WKTS LOST	RUNS FOR	WKTS TAKEN	RUNS AGST	POINTS	%
1	Ormond 2	13	0	11	1	1	0	72	1535	98	915	69	2.2834
2	Elsternwick 1	13	0	9	1	3	0	66	1413	94	1130	57	1.7809
3	Brighton 2	13	0	8	2	3	0	71	1197	79	1019	54	1.3070
4	South Melbourne 2	13	0	8	1	4	0	92	1210	100	958	51	1.3729
5	Brighton 3	13	0	6	1	6	0	86	1281	84	1079	39	1.1596

6	West Bentleigh 1	13	0	5	2	6	0	88	1073	90	1040	36	1.0552
7	Elsternwick 2	13	0	5	1	7	0	91	1142	85	1417	33	0.7528
8	Brighton Union 2	13	0	5	1	7	0	98	1083	76	1227	33	0.6845
9	Bentleigh Uniting 1	13	0	2	1	10	0	91	951	79	1246	15	0.6626
10	South Melbourne 3	13	0	0	1	12	0	100	770	70	1624	3	0.3319

Under 12s had a successful year with a side that were mixed with kids playing their first season and last season of under 12s. The vast improvement from the kids was the most pleasing aspect of the season. By seasons end if you look on the win-loss ratio we only just missed out on finals which was a huge achievement playing in 12Bs.

The main thing for this side as well was ensuring that they enjoyed their cricket and learning how to develop their fundamental cricketing skills, which I can say that every single player got better as the season went on. Across the competition we received huge praise from other clubs as to how well our kids were able to field which can ultimately save up to 40 runs in junior cricket at this age, as well as our ability to be able to not bowl as many extras.

The kids learnt how to put pride on their wickets and learn what it meant to bat out the full overs and learning when the appropriate time was to try and whack the ball to the boundary or to respect the good ball and block it out. Hopefully we are able to continue these kids' development in the future at the club under some great guidance from the club.

# **End of Report**