

# **LOWER PLENTY CRICKET CLUB**



## **ANNUAL REPORT**

**SEASON 2020/21**



## **President's Report**

2020 was a turbulent year for Victorians. This cascaded to the DVCA and subsequently the LPCC.

Would there be a 20/21 season? When would it start? What would the format be? Could clubs train?

There were plenty of unanswered questions until we finally heard it would be a 14 round one-day season commencing on 14 November - over a month later than normal.

Clubs were committed to doing whatever it took to get a season underway. So, sanitiser, QR codes, and social distancing became the norm.

This meant of course that our Junior Winter Academy had to be cancelled... and indoor pre-season.

At Lower, we had the additional complication of renovations preventing access to our clubrooms, so an 11<sup>th</sup> hour decision was made to move home games to Beale Reserve until rooms completion.

Despite the chaos, there was an element of business as usual...

Our culture reset continued and several former Lions returned to the club, including Brent Ryan, Liam Hunt, Brad Wright, Sam Staples, Adam Bowen and Liam Lacy. This was strategic as they are quality people, and character is as important as talent in building a strong and sustainable culture.

We continued to create pathways for our juniors which **must** remain our primary growth model.

Current/former juniors Anuga Caldera, Sam Staples, Adam Bowen, Sam Hoyne, Liam Chilcott and Max Willis all played their 1<sup>st</sup> A Grade match this season, while u16s Alex Campbell, Luke Robbo, Jack Nailer and Cal James each had a taste in the 2s.

A highlight for the club was the Mash Shield Round 5 winning match v Hurstbridge where **every player** in the side was a product of the Lower Plenty junior program.

Another highlight for me, as always, is our family connections. In the 4s, Alex Preston, the James brothers and Baxter Carson got to play with their dads. In other grades, Carlyons, Calderas, Campbells, Ryans and Bowens played together. Plus, we saw 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> generation family members join our junior program!

With no pre-season to gauge numbers, we baulked at entering a 5<sup>th</sup> senior side in 20/21, but we're confident we'll have the necessary numbers for next season. The senior club used **83 players** in total for the season (v 70 last year), so five senior sides plus Veterans is definitely attainable.

**Bill Jenkin** did an amazing job in his first year as Captain-Coach. The work Bill put in pre-season, be it recruiting or preparing amid all the COVID restrictions, was huge! As well as his leadership, he had an incredible year as a player: DVCA Team of Year (along with Brad Wright), runner-up in the 'Duckworth-Turner' comp medal, along with back-to-back Club Champion and Tex Tyrrell awards. His 675 runs has been bettered by only one player ever in our history - Fred Leslie, a Hall of Famer.

Bill has been appointed for a 2<sup>nd</sup> term and planning for 21/22 is underway as we aim to not only make finals but win it and get back into Money Shield. Wins against sides like Rosebank and Laurimar show we're not far away.

Jeff Watt did a great job as Chairman of Selectors and Net Coach. Jika spent most of his time at grades other than the 1s to ensure a whole-club perspective from a strategic and developmental perspective. Jika's passion is infectious and we love what he brings - he's also back for 21/22.

Thanks to skippers Doc, Gav, Chess and Marty for their leadership and flexibility all year. Congrats to Gav and the 3s for making the GF and giving us an exciting final few weeks. And, we're indebted to Marty for getting the Veterans going again - this is enormously important for the club.

Well done to all award winners - in particular to Geoff MacIsaac, who won the rebadged 'Watson/Jenkin' Best Club Person award, our newest Life Members in Travis Smith and Gaven Brown, and of course 'The Fox', Peter Barnett, on becoming our newest Hall of Famer.

Luke Preston and Colleen Robertson led a great Junior Program that sets us apart from other clubs. Thanks to all coaches, and doubly so to Geoff MacIsaac for also running Junior Blasters program.

### **Off-field**

As referenced earlier, in addition to having COVID to deal with, we had the complication of being displaced to Beale Reserve for the season during renovations. The end product is fantastic, and will be enjoyed by players and supporters for many years to come, but it did make for a tough year.

Thanks to our small but hard-working Committee, in particular the Executive. Len managing to feed the guys each Thursday after training was a phenomenal effort, Jamie does a power of behind-the-scenes operational work, Lutt's in year 20 as Treasurer... but the whole committee contributed.

On the topic of volunteers, we were delighted to nominate Tony Mash for a Cricket Victoria '**50 Year Service**' award. Wob is our historian, he submits all scores into My Cricket each week and attends the Blasters every Sunday with grandson Cooper - a legend of LPCC and a truly deserved recognition!

Our social functions were limited by COVID restrictions - few, but enjoyable. The Steak & Punt night, Xmas Party and \$3k draw were highlights. Well done to Heath, Len and the Social Committee.

We had an exceptional Presentation Night at the Heidelberg Golf Club with 100 present, including a great spread of Life Members and young families. Thanks to all who attended to make it memorable.

Financially: despite COVID limitations and the displacement, operating profit was up again on last year's great effort. We're in a powerful financial position and now able to responsibly invest in development, recruiting, equipment etc. Our full financial statement will be presented at the AGM.

I want to **thank all club sponsors** once again, in particular those who appear at the tail of this report. Your support is invaluable and helps keep cricket at Lower Plenty affordable for players and families.

These last two years have been seasons of significant change. In addition to a change in strategy and new rooms, we've delivered some creative initiatives to build upon the club's history, including:

- Life Member video series, 'In My Day' (courtesy of Max Willis' video skills),
- Player number assigned @ 50 senior games (211 in total), and
- LPCC Hall of Fame.

Thanks to the club for allowing me the honour of leading it these past two years. I've enjoyed our rebuild, focusing on culture and inclusiveness. We're set for a successful and sustainable future.

**Michael Ryan (Kiwi)**

## **Secretary's Report**

Between Covid19 and no permanent home this season, it was one of the more challenging seasons that I have had in my time on the committee. The focus of the year was flexibility; we never knew what was going to change on a weekly basis and had to be prepared for numerous issues to arise.

The lack of a home base has seen a few things delayed until next season namely with amendments to the constitution and better processes in ensuring reports are all done within timeframes.

Although it has been a tough year there were some great outcomes. I feel our Covid Compliance protocols were generally done very well and I feel we would have been one of the best in the association at our recording protocols and compliance. Our website is also continually gaining more views with over 500 visits per month over the cricket season.

Hopefully the next season will be logistically much easier with a return to play at Lower Plenty Park and decreased regulation in Covid Compliance.

Looking forward to a great 2021/22

**Len Dogger**

## **Senior Coach's report**

I would firstly like to thank the whole of the Lower Plenty Cricket Club board and committee for giving me the opportunity to lead this fantastic club, which was a great privilege and honour. In what was a year like no other with restrictions and new rules and regulations to ensure we were compliant with all COVID measures, I would like to thank those that were heavily involved with the setup of training facilities i.e. check-ins, ball sanitising etc.

Also, I would like to thank the captains of other sides (Trav, Gav & Chess) for their efforts and working closely with their respective playing group and for helping make my job easier with reinforcing consistent messages to players across all grades.

With the change of format to one day cricket saw a major theme of the season becoming around adaptability. With the shorter format suiting a number of players, some players in the beginning of the season were more suited to the longer format. However, what this adjustment did force all players to do was to work on their skillset to best suit a shorter form game.

Working with a number of batsmen on their intent at the crease and looking at different areas to score helped tap into new skillsets, while bowlers had to work on variation deliveries to suit the shorter format and work on being very specific with their plans and fields to different batters.

Overall players were able to see development in their own personal game that not only helped for this shorter form season but will also be beneficial in seasons to come. This can help players have another string to their bow and to have further versatility when we return to the longer format next season.

Across all senior sides we were able to see growth and development throughout the year with a number of younger junior players also getting a lot more exposure to senior cricket which can only ever have a major positive affect and fast track their development. Having a continued focus on

building from within and giving and will help the club on our way to long term success and sustainability.

Overall, while in the beginning of the season we had our challenges adapting to new training and playing protocols, we believe our club is in a strong position to further develop from within and see a strong presence across all senior sides.

Onwards and upwards, Go Lower!

Cheers,

**Beej**

## **20/21 Awards**

Hall of Fame	Peter Barnett
Life Member	Travis Smith and Gaven Brown
Watson/Jenkin Best Club Person	Geoff MacIsaac
Most Promising	Sam Hoyne
Peter "Tex" Tyrrell Best and Fairest	Bill Jenkin
Senior Club Champion	Bill Jenkin

Senior Grades	Batting Ave	Bowling Ave	Capt's Award
1st XI : Mash Shield	Bill Jenkin 657 @ 50.54	Lithsura Caldera. 20 @ 20.10	Alex Horner
2nd XI: C Grade	James Carlyon. 274 @ 30.44	Al Campbell. 12 @ 18.00	Travis Lambert
3rd XI: F1 Grade	Gaven Brown. 474 @ 31.60	Matt Carlyon. 19 @ 12.21	Sukhith Caldera
4th XI: G5 Grade	Geoff MacIsaac. 522 @ 37.29	Brodie James. 11 @ 12.73	Tynan Dogger
Vets			Paul Beadle

200th Senior Match	Jason Mechkaroff
100th Senior Match	Luke Sirianni
50th Senior Match	Anuga Caldera
	Lithsura Caldera
	Matt Carlyon
	Liam Chilcott
	Tynan Dogger
	Jack Ryan

Centuries	107no Nathan Sirianni R4 (G5)
	100 Alex Tsardakis R8 (C)

## Junior Grades

**"Phil Holmes" Junior Club  
Champion**

**James Carlyon**

**Junior Rising Star**

**Callum James**

	Batting Ave	Bowling Ave	Coaches' Award
Under 18 Teal	James Carlyon. 332 runs @83.88	Cameron Hodges	Julian Suares
Under 16 Teal	Alex Cole. 248 runs @ 82.67	Alex Cole	Alex Nimmo
Coaches Awards			
Under 14 Yellow	Brodie James	Jamie Alder	Magnus Sedgman
Under 12 Red	Tom Nailer	Ved Nimbalkar	Bede Heley
Under 12 White	Ethan Zerafa	Ethan Zerafa	Rueuben Mathew

**100th Junior Match**      **James Carlyon Semi Final**

**50th Junior Match**      **Jack Nailer Under 16 R3**

## DVCA Awards

Under 16 Red Batting	Callum James
Under 14 Red Batting	Brodie James
Under 14 Red Bowling	Jamie Alder
Under 12 Red Batting	Tom Nailer

## Captains' Reports

### **First XI:**

Another fantastic honour in being given the opportunity to lead our first eleven side this year. A year where we finished 5<sup>th</sup> and unfortunately just missed out on finals by percentage, which is sure to have of our guys hungrier to take that next step next season.

Dropping a few games at crucial stages at the start and back-end of the year hurt us as we finished the season with 9 wins and 5 loses. A positive to take from a lot of the games was that, while having a young side, we were able to hold our nerve in a number of tight games that were decided in the last over. Winning a number of these close games went a long way to instilling great belief in the group to prove we can perform in those pressure situations.

Being a shorter format with 40 over one-dayers this year often meant there were some players with not as much opportunity as in previous years with the longer format, such as those in the middle/lower order or part-time bowlers. A major positive to take from this however, was the attitude from all players shown throughout the year as everyone was on board with our team orientated goals and knew their role within the team, which we knew if performed by each individual would give us the best opportunity to win each week.

Having eight debutants throughout the year with a good mix of experience and youth was a great balance throughout the season with our playing group.

While there were many other team and individual highlights throughout the year, I think the one that stands out from the rest was in round against Laurimar where we chased down 234 which was decided with a last ball boundary off the bat of Alex Horner. Knowing that we could chase down a big total again instilled a lot of belief in a young group that we can win from any situation.

Another major highlight that didn't involve runs or wickets this year, which was more of a club highlight, was that on a couple of occasions we were able to field a side in our first eleven that was made up entirely of former Lower Plenty CC Juniors. This was a massive highlight and reinforced our focus of having good Lower Plenty people back home.

In summary, in what was an unfortunate finish to a good year with just missing finals, I am very confident in this group to take the next step next season and push finals and to have that ultimate success.

Looking forward to an exciting 2021/22 season ahead!

Cheers,  
Beej

#### 1st XI - Money Shield

Name	M	Inn	BATTING		Runs	Ave	FIELDING			Overs	Maid	BOWLING		Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
			NO	H.S.			Ct	St	RO			Wkts	Runs				
Bathman. S	1	1	0	25	25	25.00	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0		
Bowen. A	5	5	0	15	27	5.40	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0		
Caldera. A	14	6	2	13no	34	8.50	2	0	0	99.0	14	17	396	23.29	3-26	4.00	
Caldera. L	14	6	2	20no	24	6.00	2	0	1	99.2	9	20	402	20.10	4-38	4.05	
Chilcott. L	2	2	1	32no	62	62.00	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0		
Grimble. J	14	11	2	21	124	13.78	11	2	4	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0		
Horner. A	14	13	4	45no	197	21.89	5	0	1	18.0	1	2	91	45.50	1- 6	5.06	
Hoyne. S	4	2	0	7	9	4.50	0	0	0	27.0	2	5	96	19.20	2-27	3.56	
Hughes. M	6	3	2	11no	18	18.00	4	0	0	26.0	3	4	122	30.50	1-13	4.69	
Hunt. L	6	6	1	30no	82	16.40	1	0	1	44.5	5	9	183	20.33	4-22	4.11	
Jenkin. B	14	14	1	96	657	50.54	12	0	0	44.0	6	4	142	35.50	2-12	3.23	
Ryan. B	7	6	2	25no	68	17.00	2	0	0	50.5	8	12	158	13.17	4- 7	3.13	
Sirianni. L	14	13	1	36no	135	11.25	13	0	3	12.0	0	2	83	41.50	1-16	6.92	
Staples. S	10	5	2	14no	19	6.33	8	0	5	53.0	2	7	289	41.29	3-27	5.45	
Tsardakis. A	6	5	1	46no	76	19.00	2	0	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0		
Willis. M	4	2	1	6no	6	6.00	1	0	0	27.0	3	2	100	50.00	2-17	3.70	
Wright. B	12	12	1	76	390	35.45	4	0	0	47.0	6	12	183	15.25	3-24	3.89	
Zerafa. B	7	6	0	38	127	21.17	3	0	0	1.0	0	0	12		0-12	12.00	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>2080</b>	<b>21.89</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>548.2</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>2257</b>	<b>23.51</b>	<b>4- 7</b>	<b>4.12</b>	
	<b>18 Players used</b>																

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> XI:

Start with a few acknowledgements:

- Kiwi, Lenny and the Committee on doing a sensational job during the year. Tough running two venues, limited sets of keys and Kiwi and Lenny in particular - probably at one or both venues six days a week for much of the year - indebted to you all.

- Bill and Jika - what a tough start for you both, COVID restrictions for training etc. Selection meetings were difficult as a result - early season was done via Zoom. Had to introduce Jika to it - Jill had to organise the App and set him up. Was his fabulous self with player info. To Bill - awesome season and leadership given the things that were going on, so congrats.
- Luke Preston and Colleen Robertson - continuing to do amazing things with organizing the juniors & helping them be ready for seniors
- Snooksy and Taco for their advice to the younger bowlers during the games they were there. Invaluable for the young guys and a huge help to me.
- To Arrow, Trav Lambert and Sean Bathman for their help during the season, particularly on game day.

It was a bit of a 'coulda-been' year for us. We were in most games up to our eyeballs, with only about four (including the last two) that we were never really that competitive. We certainly struggled a bit with the ball but it gave opportunity for some of the young guys to gain some valuable learning experience. I nearly asked the club to invest in some extra defib units to be at our games given the close nature of many of them:

- A loss in the last over to North Eltham Wanderers in Rd 2
- Winning 8-down at Old Paradians chasing 98 in Rd 5
- A last ball win away at Mernda the following week - best team moment for the season, all contributing to the win
- A win off the 3<sup>rd</sup> last ball vs Banyule Rd 8
- A tie with Lower Eltham in Rd 10.

Early days, it was as if we needed to learn how to win in the 1-day format. There were some games we probably should have won but didn't. Hopefully after taking a bit to adapt to the 1-day format, we can take those learnings into 2-day cricket should it return next season and post some really good scores with the bat, and successfully defend them with the ball.

Unfortunately, with injury and unavailability, we had 29 players rotate through the side. It is what it is, but it'd be great if we could put an AFL-type cap on that in the coming seasons to allow for some team consistency.

#### Highlights:

- Lots of young guys getting amongst the runs - a few 50's amongst them to Chilli (x2), James Carlyon, Taco and Adam Bowen
- Loads of young guys getting an opportunity with the ball - great to see Alex Campbell have a consistent season and the likes of Cal James get a chance for a couple of games and gain significant confidence through them both. Best performance was 4-40 from Max Hughes.
- Seeing the talent coming through and helping to foster their development was gold
- Couple of father-son games, and huge thanks to the club for helping to make this happen. Jordie & Al Campbell, and Chris, Adam & Mick Bowen. The Bowen's game will stay with many of us for a long time.
- Taco's 100 vs Banyule - believe it was his 1<sup>st</sup> ever, too. Got run out going for a 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 2<sup>nd</sup> last over. No-one knew until after he was off the ground. We ended up getting over the line for him.

#### Awards:

- **Captain's:** Trav Lambert - always team 1<sup>st</sup>, whatever I needed him to do. He helped us get close in a few games, was at the crease in the last ball win against Mernda, fielded, kept, opened, batted down the order and came in as a pinch hitter.



- **Batting:** James Carlyon - 274 runs @30.44 No secret that when he got off to a quick start and scored runs we posted a pretty big total.
- **Bowling:** Al Campbell - 12 wickets @ 18 runs. Didn't start with us but was a key figure in our attack once he got into the team. Might be quiet out there but was pretty hard on himself any time he got hit for a boundary, bowled a leg side wide etc. Can't wait to see him develop further.

Thanks to everyone who played each week, if I didn't learn something about them, they taught me something about myself.

## Travis Smith

### 2nd XI - C Grade

			BATTING				FIELDING					BOWLING				
Name	M	Inn	NO	H.S.	Runs	Ave	Ct	St	RO	Overs	Maid	Wkts	Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
Arrowsmith. D	13	11	3	39	157	19.63	4	0	0	15.0	1	4	99	24.75	2-18	6.60
Bathman. S	3	3	0	33	62	20.67	5	0	3	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Bowen. A	8	7	2	59no	152	30.40	0	0	0	2.0	0	0	14		0-14	7.00
Bowen. C	2	1	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	1.0	0	0	12		0-12	12.00
Bowen. M	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Caldera. S	2	2	1	9	10	10.00	2	0	0	10.0	0	0	33		0- 6	3.30
Campbell. A	9	3	1	10no	10	5.00	0	0	3	63.0	9	12	216	18.00	3-20	3.43
Campbell.J	3	2	1	3	4	4.00	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Carlyon. J	9	9	0	67	274	30.44	3	0	0	14.0	2	3	54	18.00	2- 9	3.86
Carlyon. M	4	2	0	5	7	3.50	1	0	0	14.0	3	5	57	11.40	2-11	4.07
Chilcott. L	11	11	0	51	176	16.00	4	0	0	21.0	3	3	90	30.00	1- 9	4.29
Hoyne. S	8	8	3	27	125	25.00	2	0	0	57.0	6	6	241	40.17	2-26	4.23
Hughes. M	8	7	0	49	109	15.57	2	0	1	49.0	4	8	201	25.13	4-40	4.10
Hunt. H	5	5	0	27	55	11.00	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
James. C	2	2	1	9no	11	11.00	1	0	0	13.0	1	1	45	45.00	1-34	3.46
Jayasiri. R	4	1	0	16	16	16.00	0	0	0	32.0	3	5	109	21.80	3-41	3.41
Jenkins. H	1	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	8.0	0	2	33	16.50	2-33	4.13
Lacy. L	8	2	1	1no	2	2.00	1	0	0	56.0	5	6	194	32.33	3-30	3.46
Lambert. T	13	11	2	25no	151	16.78	12	1	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Nailer. J	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	3.0	0	0	25		0-25	8.33
Pike. K	5	3	0	3	3	1.00	1	0	0	28.3	4	4	120	30.00	2-21	4.24
Preston. A	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Robertson. L	1	1	0	3	3	3.00	0	0	0	4.0	0	0	36		0-36	9.00
Ryan. B	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Smith. T	13	11	3	40	136	17.00	5	0	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Snooks. C	2	2	0	15	24	12.00	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Staples. S	4	3	0	10	14	4.67	0	0	0	21.0	5	4	92	23.00	3-40	4.38
Tsardakis. A	3	3	0	100	161	53.67	0	0	0	2.4	0	2	27	13.50	1- 2	11.25
Willis. M	9	2	1	5no	5	5.00	2	0	1	67.2	11	7	260	37.14	2-19	3.87
<b>Totals</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1667</b>	<b>17.73</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>480.9</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>1958</b>	<b>27.19</b>	<b>4-40</b>	<b>4.07</b>
<b>29 Players Used</b>																

### 3<sup>rd</sup> XI:

From the pre-season it was clear to see that we had plenty of talent throughout the club, and that we were going to be very competitive in all facets of the game.

I came back from last season with an eye on continuous development of the juniors coming through the ranks, as well as pushing hard for positive results on and off the pitch.

We quickly established ourselves as one of the teams to beat with some solid early wins with plenty of contributions from young and old.

New to the club were two of our standout performers for the year in Cam Snooks and Sukhith Caldera. A pleasure to have both of you at our club and your contributions on and off the field were outstanding and I can't thank you two enough for the year.

The older crew in Charmer, Occa, Rosh and Geoff were also great at helping with, not only our game day stuff, but also showing the way with the younger members of the team. Thanks lads.

The youth, Al, Robbo, Jack Nailer, Jack Ryan and Cal James, the upside is huge. I know we have some special talents amongst that group and look forward to the next few years as you boys push up the grades. Be fearless boys and aim high.

Other special mentions must go to some very consistent performers throughout the year, Dos, Matty C, Tanu, and also two players that came in late in the year to stamp their mark on the final part of the year in Pikey and Josh Ryan.

Thanks to you lads and all that passed through the 3rds this year (attitudes always excellent from all).

We had some amazing wins throughout the year and ultimately finished 3rd on the ladder. Three final wins in eight days was now what was required for us to achieve our ultimate goal.

The first weekend saw us have two splendid wins, backs against the wall in both games but with some standout performances over the two games from Pikey (43) Matty C (23 and 2/25) in the elimination final and Brown (43) Snooks (31) 73 run partnership, Al (2/15) and Sukhith (4/20 and 33 no) and Charmer and Sukhith putting on 46 in quick time. Josh Ryan's keeping was also a standout allowing us to push on to the Grand Final the next week.

Unfortunately, we fell at the final hurdle and were defeated by the better side on the day. Hopefully we can look back and learn from the defeat and go for the ultimate prize next year.

Special thanks to the all involved in the club, what a special place to be involved in. Loved every minute of the season that was and look forward to more of the same.

## Gaven Brown

### 3rd XI - F1 Grade

Name	M	Inn	BATTING		Runs	Ave	FIELDING			Overs	Maid	BOWLING			Best	RPO
			NO	H.S.			Ct	St	RO			Wkts	Runs	Ave		
Addison. W	2	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	9.0	0	1	31	31.00	1-18	3.44
Ali. S	2	1	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	9.0	2	2	38	19.00	1-12	4.22
Bowen. A	1	1	1	61no	61		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Breitenbach. C	3	2	0	56	57	28.50	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Brown. G	16	15	0	82	474	31.60	9	0	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Caldera. S	14	11	1	49no	148	14.80	2	0	3	82.0	13	14	272	19.43	4-20	3.32
Campbell. A	8	6	2	12no	28	7.00	0	0	0	36.0	8	5	110	22.00	2- 6	3.08
Carlyon. J	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	

Carlyon. M	11	11	1	51	207	20.70	1	0	0	70.0	10	19	232	12.21	4-17	3.31
Chilcott. L	1	1	0	29	29	29.00	1	0	0	7.0	1	2	24	12.00	2-24	3.43
Dogger. T	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Hunt. H	6	6	0	47	104	17.33	4	0	1	10.1	2	4	46	11.50	4- 4	4.55
James. Cal	3	3	0	0	0	0.00	1	0	0	8.0	1	0	30		0-13	3.75
Lacy. L	1	1	0	18	18	18.00	0	0	0	7.0	1	1	9	9.00	1- 9	1.29
Liliyanarachchi. T	7	6	0	22	69	11.50	0	0	0	29.0	2	4	151	37.75	1-11	5.21
Mclsaac. G	7	7	0	45	92	13.14	3	0	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Mechkaroff. J	12	12	2	43no	177	17.70	5	0	4	2.3	0	0	9		0- 9	3.91
Nailer. J	9	2	1	1	1	1.00	3	0	0	38.5	1	4	143	35.75	1- 7	3.71
Nayef. S	7	5	1	14no	33	8.25	2	0	1	2.3	0	0	12		0-12	5.22
O'Connor. J	10	8	4	18	49	12.25	2	0	0	48.0	6	8	129	16.13	2- 9	2.69
Peries. R	17	9	5	17no	77	19.25	0	0	1	88.5	12	10	304	30.40	3-30	3.44
Pike. K	7	6	0	67	149	24.83	1	0	0	10.0	0	2	51	25.50	2-36	5.10
Robertson. L	13	5	3	3no	7	3.50	1	0	3	58.0	5	8	226	28.25	2-16	3.90
Robinson. T	2	1	0	31	31	31.00	1	0	4	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Ryan. Jack	8	6	1	21no	43	8.60	1	0	2	1.0	0	0	4		0- 4	4.00
Ryan. Josh	3	3	0	7	17	5.67	3	1	2	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Snooks. C	15	14	3	71no	264	24.00	3	0	2	10.0	0	0	66		0- 9	6.60
<b>Totals</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>2135</b>	<b>18.25</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>525.7</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>1887</b>	<b>22.46</b>	<b>4- 4</b>	<b>3.59</b>
	<b>26 Players Used</b>															

#### 4<sup>th</sup> XI:

Firstly, thanks to Michael Ryan and the committee for making the 2020/21 season possible for all Players, Supporters and Families to enjoy. And thank you for affording me the opportunity to Captain this team.

This season has been one of the most successful and rewarding seasons I have been associated with. All players and parents should be proud of the way we conducted ourselves and the way in which we represented the LPCC

To finish 6th with 5 wins, 1 draw and 7 losses was a vast improvement on previous seasons and we were unlucky not to be playing finals.

The 4ths provides an ideal pathway for juniors to transition into senior cricket and develop their skills and this year saw a significant improvement from all who played.

As you will see from our first 11, most of the team are home grown through the junior/senior pathway.

Notable father son/combo's for the year were Cal, Craig and Brodie James (all sharing the votes in one game), Luke and Alex Preston, Baxter and Trevor Carson highlighted by a Nathan Sirianni Century and a six wicket haul from Cal James.

Our mantra was to play fair and to the best of our ability and I am proud to report that this was achieved by all concerned.

Next year provides a great opportunity and hopefully a chance to revert back to 68 overs which will allow for longer bowling and batting periods.

**Ian Chesser**

#### 4th XI - G5 Grade

Name	M	Inn	NO	H.S.	Runs	Ave	Ct	St	RO	Overs	Maid	Wkts	Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
Ali. S	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	4.0	0	1	6	6.00	1- 6	1.50
Caldera. S	4	2	0	7	13	6.50	1	0	0	10.0	0	0	64		0-14	6.40
Campbell. J	10	10	0	30	124	12.40	4	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Carson. B	4	2	2	7no	8		0	0	1	18.0	3	4	89	22.25	2- 7	4.94
Carson. T	1	1	1	16no	16		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Chesser. I	13	11	0	68	204	18.55	3	0	0	28.0	1	6	116	19.33	3-17	4.14
Coutts. J	4	1	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1	12.0	0	0	70		0-31	5.83
Dogger. T	12	8	2	30	85	14.17	6	0	0	19.0	2	4	59	14.75	2- 1	3.11
Hardiman. J	11	5	2	22	42	14.00	0	0	0	44.0	5	9	165	18.33	2- 9	3.75
Hughes. A	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	2.0	0	0	19		0-19	9.50
James. B	9	7	0	29	59	8.43	3	0	0	33.0	5	11	140	12.73	3-19	4.24
James. Cal	6	3	0	54	92	30.67	2	0	0	30.0	4	9	91	10.11	5- 7	3.03
James. Craig	6	4	1	66no	112	37.33	3	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Liliyanarachchi. T	7	4	1	33no	62	20.67	1	0	0	33.1	6	7	80	11.43	3- 9	2.42
MacIsaac. G	8	7	2	83no	233	46.60	4	2	1	21.0	3	2	73	36.50	1-16	3.48
Mechkaroff. J	2	2	0	44	46	23.00	2	0	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Nailer. J	3	2	2	1no	1		1	0	0	15.0	2	1	45	45.00	1- 5	3.00
Nayef. S	5	5	2	18	42	14.00	1	0	1	17.0	2	7	96	13.71	5- 7	5.65
Pike. K	1	1	1	77no	77		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Preston. A	6	2	1	12	12	12.00	0	0	0	29.0	2	2	138	69.00	2- 9	4.76
Preston. L	5	1	1	4no	4		1	0	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Reid. H	2	2	1	4	7	7.00	2	0	0	5.0	0	1	31	31.00	1- 7	6.20
Robertson. L	1	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	4.0	0	1	10	10.00	1-10	2.50
Robinson. T	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Ryan. Jack	5	4	1	39	92	30.67	0	0	0	2.0	0	0	12		0-12	6.00
Ryan. Josh	5	3	0	24	62	20.67	5	1	2	1.0	0	0	4		0- 4	4.00
Scotney. F	9	5	3	4	9	4.50	0	0	1	19.1	4	4	91	22.75	2- 8	4.76
Sedgman. F	1	0	0	0	0		1	0	0	3.0	0	0	19		0-19	6.33
Sirianni. N	1	1	1	107no	107		0	1	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Suares. J	10	6	0	1	2	0.33	1	0	0	19.0	1	5	107	21.40	2- 7	5.63
<b>Totals</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>83no</b>	<b>1511</b>	<b>20.15</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>368.2</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>1525</b>	<b>20.61</b>	<b>5- 7</b>	<b>4.14</b>
<b>30 players used</b>																

#### Veterans XI:

After a hiatus the previous year, I was keen to see the Veterans back in action, so volunteered to coordinate the over 40's side representing the elder age group of the club.

I sat down with Michael Ryan on Monty Oval during the latter stages of lockdown to discuss the plans and ethos for the Vets side. We agreed with that the Vets should:

- Where possible, be a self-sufficient team and not rely on those that are eligible yet play Senior cricket on a Saturday to 'double up'.
- Not necessarily be meritocratic in nature, with a focus on creating a large squad of players which in turn will increase the participation of those players back at the club.
- Have a positive benefit of the mental health of those re-involved in the club by training, playing and socialising with fellow teammates.
- Have an ethos of upholding the spirit of cricket, to play in the 'right way' which is to respect the game, the umpire and the cricket club whilst also playing with enjoyment and positivity.

- Be a good role model for other LPCC teams and supporters who see how the Vets conduct themselves on and off the field.

Although > 50 players were proposed to play for the Vets, those who were fully committed pre-season were not sufficient in number so Kiwi and I put a post on the local *Monty Life* Facebook Community page asking for players to come down and play. From this post, three new players came down (Crispy, Hayesy and Copes), and each became core members of the side. The local Facebook pages are under-utilised in my opinion with regard to promoting the club to a wider community.

The Vets' first training session was held on the Thursday prior to the season commencing in C Grade. Vets trained the Thursday before each game, in a separate net to the other teams which was beneficial in terms of similar skill levels and breeding camaraderie.

Early in the season, local side Greensborough dropped out of the competition and so B & C grades combined and the number of games increased for the regular season from 6 to 7.

Some on-field highlights include:

- A full team of at least 11 players playing each of the 7 games of the season.
- A total of 19 players in total playing across the 7 games
- 4 out of the 7 tosses being agreed with a 'gentleman's toss' without tossing a coin due to either side having a preference to either bat or bowl first.
- Playing local rivals Montmorency (at Lower Plenty for the first time this season) and having a large support down to watch, including all of the first team squad.
- A record of 3 wins and 4 losses which meant missing out on the C grade one-off final.
- 11 x 40no batting retirements.
- The catching of Brendan Lambert and James Hayes.
- Work horse Paul Beadle taking out the Captain's Award.

In conclusion re-establishing the Vets side has been a success this season with good participation and a sense of enjoyment, spirit and ownership of the team felt by all that participated this season.

## Martin Laidler

### Veterans

			BATTING					FIELDING						BOWLING				
Name	M	Inn	NO	H.S.	Runs	Ave	0	40	Ct	St	RO	Overs	Maid	Wkts	Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
Arnott. G	2	2	1	41no	63	63.00	0	1	1	0	0	4.0	0	0	25		0-12	6.25
Beadle. P	7	2	1	1no	1	1.00	1	0	0	0	0	35.0	2	2	169	84.50	1-18	4.83
Bowers. R	5	5	1	40no	71	17.75	0	1	0	0	1	16.0	2	3	56	18.67	2- 1	3.50
Carson. .	2	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	7.0	0	1	38	38.00	1-24	5.43
Chesser. I	1	1	1	27no	27		0	0	0	0	0	4.0	1	0	6		0- 6	6.00
Copal. S	4	4	1	21	44	14.67	1	0	2	0	1	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Fletcher. I	5	4	3	29no	55	55.00	0	0	0	0	0	9.0	0	1	52	52.00	1-15	5.78
Hayes. J	6	4	2	40no	75	37.50	0	1	2	0	0	22.0	1	5	118	23.60	3-23	5.36
James. C	3	3	2	41no	85	85.00	0	2	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Johns. T	6	6	2	40no	180	45.00	0	2	1	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Laidler. M	7	5	2	42no	96	32.00	0	1	4	0	0	27.0	1	6	108	18.00	3-18	4.00
Lambert. B	5	3	2	3no	5	5.00	0	0	2	0	0	27.0	4	4	121	30.25	2-15	4.48
Leslie. P	7	6	2	40no	53	13.25	3	0	4	0	0	1.0	0	0	9		0- 9	9.00
Murphy. J	5	4	2	40no	49	24.50	1	1	0	0	0	18.2	3	5	96	19.20	2-22	5.27
O'Connor. J	1	1	0	15	15	15.00	0	0	0	0	0	4.0	0	0	16		0-16	4.00
Ryan. M	3	3	2	43no	98	98.00	0	2	0	0	0	4.0	1	2	20	10.00	2- 5	5.00

Suares. M	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Thompson. C	6	4	1	9	17	5.67	1	0	0	0	0	15.0	0	3	94	31.33	2-26	6.27
Walsh. N	5	1	0	3	3	3.00	0	0	3	0	0	24.0	7	2	83	41.50	1- 8	3.46
<b>Totals</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>43no</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>27.56</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>217.2</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1011</b>	<b>29.74</b>	<b>3-18</b>	<b>4.65</b>
<b>19 Players Used</b>																		

Senior Game Tally											
Player		Previous Total	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Vets C	T20 Comp	2020-2021	New Total	
			154	154	154	154	81	33	730		
W.	Addison	33	0	0	2	0	0	0	2		35
S.N.	Ali	60	0	0	2	1	0	0	3		63
G.	Arnott	79	0	0	0	0	2	0	2		81
D.	Arrowsmith	34	0	13	0	0	0	0	13		47
S.J.	Bathman	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	4		4
P.	Beadle	56	0	0	0	0	7	0	7		63
A.K.	Bowen	68	5	8	1	0	0	3	17		85
C.M.	Bowen	32	0	2	0	0	0	0	2		34
M.J.	Bowen	228	0	1	0	0	0	0	1		229
R.	Bowers	26	0	0	0	0	5	0	5		31
C.	Breitenbach	6	0	0	3	0	0	0	3		9
G.	Brown	181	0	0	16	0	0	0	16		197
A.	Caldera	38	14	0	0	0	0	2	16		54
L.	Caldera	38	14	0	0	0	0	2	16		54
S.	Caldera	0	0	2	14	0	0	0	16		16
Sakvith	Caldera	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4		4
A.J.	Campbell	21	0	9	8	0	0	0	17		38
J.A.	Campbell	15	0	3	0	10	0	0	13		28
B.L.	Carson	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4		4
T.	Carson	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	3		3
J.P.	Carlyon	29	0	9	1	0	0	0	10		39
M.J.	Carlyon	36	0	4	11	0	0	0	15		51
I.D.	Chesser	115	0	0	0	13	1	0	14		129
L.J.	Chilcott	46	2	11	1	0	0	1	15		61
S.J.	Connop	75	0	0	0	0	0	1	1		76
S.B.	Copal	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4		4
J.	Coutts	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	4		4
T.	Dogger	40	0	0	1	12	0	0	13		53
B.	Eustance	13	0	0	0	0	0	2	2		15
I.D.	Fletcher	51	0	0	0	0	5	0	5		56
J.R.	Grimble	150	14	0	0	0	0	3	17		167
J.V.	Hardiman	111	0	0	0	11	0	0	11		122
J.	Hayes	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6		6
A.C.	Horner	107	14	0	0	0	0	3	17		124

S.	Hoyne	0	4	8	0	0	0	2	14	14
A.J.	Hughes	23	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	24
M.W.	Hughes	9	6	8	0	0	0	3	17	26
H.M.	Hunt	129	0	5	6	0	0	0	11	140
L.P.	Hunt	40	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	46
B.	James	4	0	0	0	9	0	0	9	13
C.	James	24	0	2	3	6	0	0	11	35
C.K.	James	8	0	0	0	6	3	0	9	17
R.	Jayasiri	12	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	16
B.A.	Jenkin	171	14	0	0	0	0	3	17	188
H.P.	Jenkins	125	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	126
T.I.	Johns	75	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	81
L.M.	Lacy	109	0	8	1	0	0	0	9	118
M.P.	Laidler	11	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	18
B.J.	Lambert	40	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	45
T.	Lambert	65	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	78
P.D.	Leslie	139	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	146
T.	Liliyanarachchi	8	0	0	7	7	0	0	14	22
G.	MacIsaac	18	0	0	7	8	0	0	15	33
J.D.	Mechkaroff	196	0	0	12	2	0	0	14	210
J.	Murphy	16	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	21
J.	Nailer	11	0	1	9	3	0	0	13	24
S.	Nayef	112	0	0	7	5	0	0	12	124
J.B.	O'Connor	333	0	0	10	0	1	0	11	344
R.	Peries	11	0	0	17	0	0	0	17	28
K.D.	Pike	137	0	5	7	1	0	0	13	150
A.	Preston	9	0	1	0	6	0	0	7	16
L.	Preston	20	0	0	0	5	0	0	5	25
H.I.	Reid	10	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	12
L.A	Robertson	22	0	1	12	1	0	0	14	36
T.	Robinson	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	4	4
B.J.	Ryan	68	7	1	0	0	0	1	9	77
J.P.	Ryan	43	0	0	8	5	0	0	13	56
J.M.	Ryan	91	0	0	3	5	0	0	5	99
M.K.	Ryan	59	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	62
F.	Scotney	3	0	0	0	9	0	0	9	12
F.	Sedgman	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	4
L.M.	Sirianni	92	14	0	0	0	0	3	17	109
N.P.	Sirianni	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	7
T.H.	Smith	128	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	141
C.	Snooks	0	0	2	15	0	0	0	17	17
S.T.	Staples	14	10	4	0	0	0	3	17	31
J.	Suares	10	0	0	0	10	0	0	10	20
M.	Suares	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	5
C.	Thompson	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	6
A.	Tsardakis	0	6	3	0	0	0	0	9	9
N.J.	Walsh	16	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	21
M.	Willis	25	4	9	0	0	0	1	14	39
B.	Wright	17	12	0	0	0	0	0	12	29
B.	Zerafa	135	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	142
<b>Totals</b>		<b>4289</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>187</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>763</b>	<b>5052</b>

## **LPCC Juniors season review**

The 2020/21 season was a really enjoyable and successful one despite the challenges of COVID and the shift to the 20 over format that this necessitated in all junior grades. We were delighted to be able to field teams in all junior grades, including two U12 teams. We partnered with Rosanna in the U12s and U18s and with Lower Eltham in the U16s and all three merged teams had excellent seasons.

The Junior Blast program continued to build, this year led by LPCC Clubman of the Year, Geoff MacIsaac, who also coached the U12 White team.

The highlight of the year was a three in row flag for our U14 Red team led by captain Max White and coached again by second year coaches Max Willis and Lithsi Caldera. This team also contained the DVCA U14 Red batting and bowling award winners in Brodie James and Jamie Alder respectively.

Our U12 Red team also won their first flag after an epic Grand Final – this was a fantastic achievement for coach (and new LPCC life member) Gaven Brown and the boys. First year player Tom Nailer also took out the DVCA U12 Red batting award.

Our U16s (again in a combined team with Lower Eltham) also went desperately close to a flag, falling just short in the Grand Final. Callum James took out the DVCA U16 Red batting award.

We also saw great performances from our U18s and our U12 white team, with the U18s playing finals and the U12s being in the finals mix until the last round.

Our U10s, coached by Greg Arnott and Thanu Liyanarachchi became the new 'Invincibles,' completing an undefeated season. We cannot wait to see these boys move up through the grades. We also gave debuts to junior players from third and fourth generation LPCC families, which is something we are very proud of as a club.

We also continued our great LPCC tradition of juniors being given a senior opportunity as early as possible with three junior players making their senior debut in 2020/21.

We are both very proud of what the club achieved this year and we cannot wait for next season to start.

**Luke Preston and Colleen Robertson**  
**Junior Coordinators**

### **U18:**

This particular cohort has tended to merge each 2nd season and, despite the additions of Sam Hoyne and Mitch Thompson, this was again the case. This year we merged with Rosanna.

Jim Carlyon was appointed co-captain with Cam Hodges from Rosanna.

Only five teams participated and Epping were soon to withdraw, meaning all sides would play finals.

The only non-merged side remaining was Montmorency, who finished last before rolling us in the semi and going on to win the flag – that's right, wooden spooners and Premiers!

In the end, we were the 2nd best team in it, but bumped into the wrong side in week 1 of the finals.



A T20 season meant it was often hard to give everyone a go but Jim and Cam ensured the guys generally got to either bat or bowl most weeks.

Jim had a huge season with the bat, retiring at 50 four times in nine innings, finishing with an average of 76. He was well supported by Jack Ryan (av 27) and Ananya Goswami (av 25).

Cam took the bowling honours (10 wickets @ 22), backed by Mitch Thompson (8 wickets), and Sam Hoyne and Brooklyn Pilgrim with 6 wickets each.

Congrats also to Julian Suares on winning the Coach's Award.

Thanks to Robyn and Peter Hodges for their off-field support and also Richard Carlyon who umpired and/or scored most weeks.

Overall, a successful season by the boys – several of who have now completed their junior careers.

## Michael Ryan

### Under 18 Teal - Lower Plenty / Rosanna

Name	BATTING		FIELDING							BOWLING						
	M	Inn	NO	H.S.	Runs	Ave	Ct	St	RO	Overs	Maid	Wkts	Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
Carlyon. J	11	9	4	53no	380	76.00	9	0	1	21.5	1	3	149	49.67	1-19	6.93
Dogger. T	11	6	1	23	48	9.60	0	0	0	4.0	0	1	32	32.00	1-11	8.00
Goswami. A	11	10	2	36	197	24.63	6	3	4	4.0	0	1	23	23.00	1- 8	5.75
Greig. A	6	1	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	3.0	0	3	36	12.00	3-21	12.00
Hodges. C	11	9	3	32	107	17.80	0	0	3	31.0	1	10	216	21.60	3-31	6.97
Hoyne. S	11	7	2	55no	140	28.00	5	0	0	21.1	1	6	102	17.00	2-11	4.83
Pilgrim. B	11	2	2	5no	6		4	0	0	16.0	0	6	112	18.76	2- 8	7.00
Ryan. J	11	8	4	40no	109	27.25	2	0	0	11.0	0	0	51		0- 6	4.64
Shetty. A	11	1	0	7	7	7.00	3	0	0	26.0	1	1	178	178.00	1-16	6.85
Suares. J	11	2	1	5no	6	6.00	0	0	0	18.0	1	1	128	128.00	1-21	7.11
Thompson. M	7	5	1	34	61	15.23	2	0	1	22.0	6	8	80	10.00	2-12	3.64
Torres. M	11	6	2	5	10	2.50	3	0	0	14.0	0	5	129	25.80	4-3	9.21
<b>Totals</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>55no</b>	<b>1071</b>	<b>27.46</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>194.6</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>1267</b>	<b>28.16</b>	<b>3-21</b>	<b>6.51</b>
<b>12 Players Used</b>																

## U16's:

A very successful season for the U16 side.

We merged with Lower Eltham for the second straight season and from the outset the team chemistry was second to none. We also welcomed Alex Nimmo, Jet Eason and our first female player Jasleen Kaur who was playing Women's Premier Cricket 1's and 2's for Plenty Valley on a Saturday.

We started in Blue Division for grading and immediately found it tough going. Riverside gave us a comprehensive beating before respectable losses to Banyule and Rosanna. These three teams all played in finals or thereabouts. Oli Larratt, Alex Cole and Alex Campbell with some notable contributions with the bat in these games.

We were dropped to the next division down Red Banyule/Whittlesea and had to start from the bottom of the ladder, this meant that every game had a finals aspect to it. Good wins against Mernda and Laurimar before Christmas started the ball rolling. Alex Cole and Jasleen had a great

opening partnership against Laurimar that put the total beyond their batsmen. Alex Nimmo starred with the bat against Mernda.

After Christmas, a gallant innings by Callum James wasn't enough to chase a large total by Lalor/Thomastown. This was the start of a real purple patch for Callum with the bat scoring nearly 300 runs for the season and mostly in the second half of the season when it was really needed to play finals.

In the Semi Final against Thomastown, we didn't lose a wicket with Alex Cole and Jasleen starring with the bat again allowing us to compile 145. Alex Campbell the pick of the bowlers with 2 for 9 off his four overs.

In the Prelim we put our loss earlier in the season to our opponents Lalor/Thomastown behind us with a great team bowling performance, the best figures went to Alex Cole, Jack Nailer and Fox Scotney with 2 wickets each. The runs were comfortably chased down by Callum James again and Alex Campbell.

As luck would have it, we had to play our neighbors Montmorency in the Grand Final. We bowled first and their openers started to get on top. Two great fielding efforts by Alex Campbell and Luke Robertson in the innings halted Montmorency's momentum Alex Campbell and Harrison Reid both got two wickets. Unfortunately, Montmorency bowled well, our batting performance was below its usual standard chasing 101 we were all out for 61.

Thanks to our wonderful team manager Melissa Hughes and scorers Tim and Max Hughes for their fantastic efforts for the whole season. The team was a pleasure to coach and the way they represented the club was first class. They were very well led by Captain Alex Cole who made the coaches' job easy, aptly supported by his vice captains Angus Hughes and Jack Nailer.

We were Runners-up, but the season was no doubt a success.

### Craig James & Jordie Campbell

#### Under 16 Lower Plenty / Lower Eltham

Name	M	Inn	BATTING		Runs	Ave	FIELDING			Overs	Maid	BOWLING		Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
			NO	H.S.			Ct	St	RO			Wkts	Runs				
Bonney. S	1	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0			0 - 0	
Campbell. A	13	12	3	44no	224	24.89	2	0	1	44.0	7	7	138	19.71	2 - 9	3.14	
Cole. A	13	11	6	51no	324	65.80	6	0	3	39.0	2	10	152	15.20	2 - 7	3.90	
Eason. J	5	1	0	3	3	3.00	1	0	0	4.0	0	1	22	22.00	1 - 12	5.50	
Hughes. A	13	4	2	3no	3	1.50	7	1	0	2.0	0	1	7	7.00	1 - 7	3.50	
James. C	13	11	6	53no	273	54.60	4	0	1	12.0	0	3	64	21.33	3 - 7	5.33	
Kaur. J	11	10	2	50no	124	15.50	1	0	1	2.0	0	0	12		0 - 5	6.00	
Larratt. O	13	8	1	21	37	5.29	5	0	0	33.0	1	9	180	20.00	3 - 30	5.45	
Nailer. J	13	5	2	5	7	2.33	0	0	0	25.0	1	4	146	36.50	2 - 10	5.84	
Nimmo. A	13	5	2	26no	48	16.00	1	0	0	9.0	0	3	86	28.67	1 - 2	9.56	
Reid. H	5	2	0	6	7	3.50	0	0	0	7.0	1	5	36	7.20	3 - 5	5.14	
Robertson. L	13	7	2	8	28	5.60	7	0	0	37.0	2	8	183	22.88	2 - 12	4.95	
Scotney. F	13	2	1	0no	0		1	0	0	14.0	0	4	81	20.25	1 - 4	5.79	
Sedgman. F	6	1	1	0	0		0	0	0	7.0	1	3	26	8.67	2 - 10	3.71	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>53no</b>	<b>1078</b>	<b>21.14</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>235.0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>1133</b>	<b>19.53</b>	<b>3 - 5</b>	<b>4.82</b>	
<b>14 Players Used</b>																	

### U14s:

With all games being converted to T20 due to COVID, both Max and myself found it a challenge to manage a squad of 13 kids initially. However, as the season progressed, this became easier to manage once a set bowling line-up was determined.

The squad seemed to have really enjoyed the season, despite having more juniors who were bottom age, they mixed quite well with the older players and everyone felt included and involved. It was satisfying to see that in different games across the season, some of the bottom age juniors relished in the opportunity of playing an important role, whether that be batting higher up the order or taking a catch.

Aside from winning a premiership, it was pleasing to see that our squad of kids became deeply interested in the senior side of the cricket club and further have created friendships that will carry on for years to come, both on and off field.

Lastly, from the coaches' perspective, it has been another rewarding year. It is fantastic to witness the amount of ability and talent the club will have for the years to follow. Furthermore, the fact that Max and myself had an opportunity to help nurture and develop these skills for the club's future makes it even more special.

### Lithsura Caldera

#### Under 14 Red Banyule

			BATTING				FIELDING					BOWLING				
Name	M	Inn	NO	H.S.	Runs	Ave	Ct	St	RO	Overs	Maid	Wkts	Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
Alder. J	13	5	5	6no	18		3	0	2	36.4	2	15	100	6.67	3- 6	2.75
Bonney. S	11	8	3	16no	56	11.20	3	0	0	9.0	0	3	41	13.67	1- 1	4.56
Caldera. S	12	8	3	16no	49	9.80	1	0	0	24.0	1	6	86	14.33	3-15	3.58
Carson. B	13	8	4	36	83	20.75	1	0	1	33.0	1	13	134	10.31	4 - 8	4.06
Heard. S	13	8	4	34	76	19.00	2	0	0	18.0	0	2	50	25.00	1- 5	3.57
James. B	13	11	7	43no	281	70.25	2	0	0	18.0	2	0	63		0- 1	3.50
Kinnear. H	13	7	3	9no	20	5.00	0	0	1	14.0	2	0	85		0- 4	6.07
Lee. M	13	7	3	32no	47	11.75	2	0	1	12.0	1	4	60	15.00	2- 1	5.00
Preston. A	13	9	2	30	99	14.14	1	0	3	36.0	3	15	136	9.07	5- 8	3.78
Reid. C	8	6	1	28no	47	9.40	0	0	0	5.0	0	0	38		0- 5	7.60
Sedgman. M	12	6	1	7	12	2.40	0	0	0	12.0	0	7	50	7.14	2- 3	4.17
White. M	13	11	5	42no	196	32.67	5	0	3	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Williams. B	12	8	4	32	109	27.25	0	0	4	18.0	3	5	62	12.40	1- 1	3.44
<b>Totals</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>43no</b>	<b>1093</b>	<b>19.187</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>231.4</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>905</b>	<b>12.93</b>	<b>5 - 8</b>	<b>3.91</b>
<b>13 Players Used</b>																

### U12 Red:

This year saw the culmination of three years' work all come together to deliver the ultimate prize for the Under 12 reds. In a very even competition the group showed great improvement throughout the season with contributors right across the team to end the season on top with only two losses. An outstanding effort by all.

This led us into the qualifying final against Heidelberg, unfortunately we felt a little pressure and lost in a very tight contest to a talented team. Although the boys were very disappointed with their performance it gave us another chance to prove ourselves in the preliminary final the next week. Against Riverside we settled a lot better and managed to restrict them to 73 off their 20 overs and

ran them down late in our innings. Great excitement as we were off to the Grand Final.

I don't think I've ever seen a more nervous bunch of boys before the GF. Losing the toss, we were told to have a field first and Heidelberg made a great start, at 0/46 things weren't looking great but from then on it was all us. Tight bowling and great pressure in the field and some clean catching saw us restrict the opposition to all out for 76. Some special efforts go to Oliver Brown 3/13 off 3 bowling leg spin, Tom Nailer 1/5 off 3, and Oliver V T and Mustafa both with 1/6 off their 2. Ved with two great catches was also big for us.

The target was set, and the nerves showed as we steadily lost wickets and the game was on a knife's edge at 5/52, but a few unsung heroes stepped up. Bede 11 no and Kabir 15 no saw us over the line in a memorable victory. Other great contributors with the bat were Ved 15 ret and Jaxson blasted 11 off 10 balls to change momentum in the innings. Caelan was also outstanding with the gloves and a vital piece of glovework resulted in a great run out for us. His selfless attitude and keeping were a highlight all year.

A special mention to Tom Nailer who, in his first year of cricket, won the competition batting award averaging 59 - a huge effort. Ved won our bowling award averaging 8 for the year, his consistency and pace were there for all to see and has a great future scaring batsmen for years to come. Bede was my choice for Coach's Award - bowled, kept and batted to a high level and is a great member of our team, not to mention he has talent to burn and as our youngest player has a great future.

For myself, what a pleasure it has been coaching this group and look forward to being a part of everything these boys achieve going forward, thanks to all the parents who helped out and supported us during the year.

A special thanks to the junior coordinators Luke and Colleen who put in so much work to make this all possible.

## Gaven Brown

### Under 12 Red Banyule

Name	M	Inn	BATTING		Runs	Ave	FIELDING			Overs	Maid	BOWLING		Ave	Best	RPO
			NO	H.S.			Ct	St	RO			Wkts	Runs			
Brookes. J	13	12	4	15no	45	5.63	0	0	5	25.0	1	7	131	18.71	2- 5	5.24
Brown. O	13	12	5	9	52	7.43	3	0	2	30.0	1	10	12	11.20	3 - 13	3.73
Heley. B	13	12	8	18no	87	21.75	0	0	2	25.0	2	4	91	22.75	1- 2	3.64
Mustafa. M	13	12	1	4	19	1.73	0	0	0	24.0	1	10	103	10.30	2- 5	4.29
Nailer. T	13	12	8	29no	156	39.00	2	0	0	29.0	3	5	74	14.80	1- 3	2.55
Nimbalkar. V	13	12	8	15no	89	22.25	4	0	1	29.3	2	8	78	9.75	2- 5	2.66
Robertson. C	13	12	4	34no	131	16.38	1	0	2	10.2	1	1	63	63.00	1-18	6.18
Singh. K	13	12	6	15no	78	15.60	0	0	1	25.0	2	7	128	18.29	2-12	5.12
Von Tunk. O	13	12	6	34no	145	24.17	1	0	3	25.0	0	6	80	13.33	1 - 6	3.20
Zerafa. E	1	1	0	11	11	11.00	1	0	0	2.0	0	1	14	14.00	1-14	7.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>34no</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>14.02</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>224.5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>874</b>	<b>14.81</b>	<b>2- 5</b>	<b>3.89</b>
10 Players Used																

## U12 White:

The Wednesday night under 12's team had a great development year with all 10 players playing their first year of cricket or coming up from the under 10's.

A big thanks to my co-coaches in Brent Zerafa and Neil Walsh, and also to Gav Brown helping out at training. Colleen and Luke did a fantastic job coordinating the juniors and also bringing in three players from the Rosanna Cricket Club to make up our team.

Training on Monday nights was well attended and the club did a great job navigating the Covid compliance and it was great to see the boys out having a hit in the nets.

On the field we played against two clubs - 3 Banyule teams and 2 Riverside teams - all having some talented juniors and all provided us with some great competition.

The side was very competitive chalking up three wins for the season. We just missed out on the finals, needing a win in the last game but we just didn't get the runs on the board batting first.

Overall the season was a great success with Liam Fox and Max Macdonald debuting for Lower Plenty and playing their first season of cricket. Reuben Mathew, Atharva Sharama and Jaival Shah came across from Rosanna and we hope will return next year as LPCC players and maybe a dad or two to play in our senior teams. Jarrad Hall, Elijah MacIsaac, Matt Walsh, Luke and Ethan Zerafa all came up from the under 10's and all improved and adjusted well to the different rules for under 12's.

There were some great individual performances with bat, ball and in the field. Elijah MacIsaac has developed into a competitive wicketkeeper/batsman leading in the field with five catches and a stumping and also the second highest scorer with bat behind Ethan. Matt Walsh was fantastic all year opening the bowling attack taking five wickets, consistently beating the bat with the new ball and will improve again when moving up the age groups where he can bowl longer spells. Liam and Jaival are developing into two very tricky spin bowlers, Luke was very unlucky with bat missing out on that big score this season but showed he has all the shots like his dad. Atharva and Jarrad both took some great wickets and also played some handy innings and Max improved his cricket with every game and was one of our best players in the last game of the season.

Ethan Zerafa won the both the batting and bowling awards making a 100 runs for the season at 33.3 average and with the ball he took 7 wickets with an average of 10.14 and best figures of 2/1.

Reuben Mathew won the coach's award for his great approach and attitude throughout the season.

Well done boys it was a great effort all year.

Thanks again for the great support from the parents and the committee and we look forward to season 21/22.

## Geoff MacIsaac

### Under 12 White Banyule

			BATTING				FIELDING				BOWLING					
Name	M	Inn	NO	H.S.	Runs	Ave	Ct	St	RO	Overs	Maid	Wkts	Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
Fox. L	8	5	2	8no	14	4.67	0	0	0	10.0	0	0	70		0- 5	7.00
Hall.J	9	8	2	10	25	4.17	0	0	0	21.4	0	2	95	47.50	2-10	4.44
MacDonald.M	10	8	1	2no	6	0.86	0	0	0	14.2	0	1	64	64.00	1- 8	4.51
MacIsaac. E	9	8	2	13	55	9.17	5	1	0	2.0	0	0	9		0- 9	4.50

Mathew. R	10	8	2	6no	12	2.00	0	0	0	18.5	0	4	80	20.00	3- 7	4.32
Shah. J	5	4	0	7	14	3.50	0	0	0	7.0	0	1	40	40.00	1-13	5.71
Sharma. A	10	8	2	11no	33	5.50	1	0	0	15.0	0	3	85	28.33	2- 3	5.67
Walsh. M	10	8	3	11no	25	5.00	2	0	0	23.0	3	5	99	19.80	2-11	4.30
Zerafa. E	10	8	5	31no	100	33.33	1	0	0	22.0	2	7	71	10.14	2- 1	3.23
Zerafa. L	10	7	1	12	28	4.67	0	0	0	19.0	0	3	90	30.00	2- 6	4.74
<b>Totals</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>31no</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>6.00</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>152.1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>27.04</b>	<b>3- 7</b>	<b>4.62</b>
<b>10 Players Used</b>																

## U10:

What a great year for our U/10s! It started out looking like we wouldn't have enough players for a team, but we managed to get seven players and we were ready to go.

Even though the grade is non-competitive the boys still wanted to win. We won the first few games and the boys continued to improve their skills. At the Christmas break we were undefeated.

After Christmas we had two new players come into the team. The boys accepted them into the team and continued to win. With one game left we were still undefeated and we're up against a strong Banyule team. The boys managed to win by a few runs to cap off the season.

Best part of the season for me was seeing how well the boys supported each other. They would always congratulate a bowler on a wicket and clap the good shots from batsmen.

Thanks to Thanu for his assistance with coaching and umpiring. Thanks also to Amy for volunteering to be team manager for the 2nd year in a row.

## Greg Arnott

### Under 10 Red Banyule

			BATTING					BOWLING				
Name	M	Inn	NO	H.S.	Runs	Overs	Maid	Wkts	Runs	Ave	Best	RPO
Arnott. E	8	8	8	18no	109	18.0	0	7	72	10.29	3- 5	4.00
De Jong-McKinnon. T	3	3	3	13no	28	7.0	0	3	33	11.00	1-10	4.71
Fleming. H	8	8	8	22no	130	24.0	0	10	83	8.30	3- 7	3.46
Fleming. T	8	8	8	34no	210	24.0	0	23	89	3.87	5- 9	3.71
Hilyear. C	2	2	2	5	9	0.0	0	0	0		0- 0	
Lilyanarachchi. D	8	8	8	23no	116	28.0	1	17	83	4.88	4- 9	2.96
Pilson. L	7	7	7	15no	71	17.0	0	4	84	21.00	2- 4	4.94
Sharp. W	8	8	8	20no	134	19.0	0	2	80	40.00	1-10	4.21
Singh. A	8	8	8	18no	64	24.0	1	6	90	15.00	3- 7	3.75
Totals	60	60	60	34no	871	161.0	2	72	614	8.53	3- 6	3.81
	9 Players Used											

## Junior Matches 2020-2021

Player	Previous Total	Under 18 Teal	Under 16 Blue / Red	Under 14 Red Banyule	Under 12 Red Banyule	Under 12 White Banyule	Under 10 Red Banyule	Season Total	Total Matches
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1200</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>1906</b>
Alder. J	8	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	21
Arnott. E	7	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	16
Bonney. S	22	0	1	11	0	0	0	12	34
Brookes. J	11	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	24
Brown. O	14	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	27
Caldera. S	55	0	0	12	0	0	0	12	67
Campbell. A	71	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	84
Carlyon. J	89	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	100
Carson. B	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	13
Cole. A	11	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	24
De Jong-McKinnon T.	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	4
Dogger. T	70	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	81
Eason. J	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	5
Fleming. H	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	9
Fleming. T	9	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	18
Fox. L	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	9
Goswami. A	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
Greig. A	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	6
Hall. J	7	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	16
Heard. S	10	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	23
Heley. B	13	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	26
Hilyear. C	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	3
Hodges. C	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
Hoyne. S	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
Hughes. A	68	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	81
James. B	54	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	67
James. C	51	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	64
Kaur. J	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	11	11
Kinnear. H	20	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	33
Larratt. O	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	13
Lee. M	8	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	21
Liyanarachchi. D	7	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	16
MacDonald. M	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	10
MacIsaac. E	7	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	16
Mathew. R	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	10
Mustafa. M	4	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	17
Nailer. J	47	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	60
Nailer. T	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	13
Nimbalkar. V	10	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	23
Nimmo. A	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	13
Pilgrim. B	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	11

Pilson. L	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	8
Preston. A	59	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	72
Reid. C	8	0	0	8	0	0	0	8	16
Reid. H	55	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	60
Robertson. C	9	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	22
Robertson. L	21	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	34
Ryan. J	70	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	81
Scotney. F	58	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	71
Sedgman. F	36	0	6	0	0	0	0	6	42
Sedgman. M	32	0	0	12	0	0	0	12	44
Shah. J	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	5
Sharma. A	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	10
Sharp. W	6	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	15
Shetty. A	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
Singh. A	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	9	9
Singh. K	7	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	20
Suares. J	6	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	17
Thompson. M	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
Torres. M	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	11	11
Von Tunk. O	8	0	0	0	13	0	0	13	21
Walsh. M	8	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	18
White. M	73	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	86
Williams. B	7	0	0	12	0	0	0	12	19
Zerafa. E	10	0	0	0	1	10	0	11	21
Zerafa. L	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	20
	<b>1200</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>1906</b>



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